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LOS ANGELES (UPI)—California's mightiest earthquake in 38 years smashed sections of Los Angeles and its sprawling suburbs into fire and rubble Tuesday, killing at least 31 persons and forcing 140,000 to flee their homes beneath a cracked and leaking earth-fill dam.

Nearly half the victims of when the earthquake, "like a hand," telescoped two buildings a veterans hospital in the Fernando Valley into a 10-ft high pile of rubble.

THREE OTHERS died when a wall collapsed at a new apartment two miles away. Others were killed by falling bricks, crumpling freeway structures, and heart attacks.

Nearly 1,000 persons were injured. Damage mounted into millions of dollars.

President Nixon declared California a disaster area and dispatched Vice President Spiro T. Agnew to help coordinate rescue efforts.

GOV. RONALD Reagan flew to inspect the wrecked veterans hospital at San Fernando, where at least 14 persons died. The protons of the trapped and dying drifted up to firemen, working into the night under arc lights, as they frantically chopped holes in the collapsed roof.

The quake was centered 40 miles northwest of Los Angeles and felt along 300 miles of California's underground fault network from



Toll Of Tornadoes Mounting In South

The tornadoes were the deadliest in Dixie since a series of twisters took 208 lives in Arkansas, Tennessee and Missouri in 1952 and the worst in the Deep South since 419 persons died in a two-day tornado barrage in Mississippi and Georgia in 1936.

through Mississippi's Delta and ending at Selmer, Tenn., where more than 30 persons were injured.

Hit worst were such Mississippi Delta communities as Inverness, Cary, Delta City, Little Yazoo, Morehead City, Pugh City and Bovina.

Virtually the entire south side of Inverness — the side of town where

unscathed, was one of the few structures left standing in downtown Inverness.

"I AIN'T got no house," moaned Jesse Hudson, 67, one of scores left homeless at Cary. "It took them all down — wood houses, brick houses, church houses and all."

The Red Cross dispatched dozens of disaster relief workers to the

20 Homes Threatened By Blazes

By ROGER PYNIN

Twenty-five fires, some of them by arsonists and one threatening 20 homes, burned nearly 80 acres in tinder-dry Orange, Bala and Seminole counties today. Firefighters indicated fire rations in the three-county area nearly as bad as they were in rains early this month might a temporary end to the on's drought.

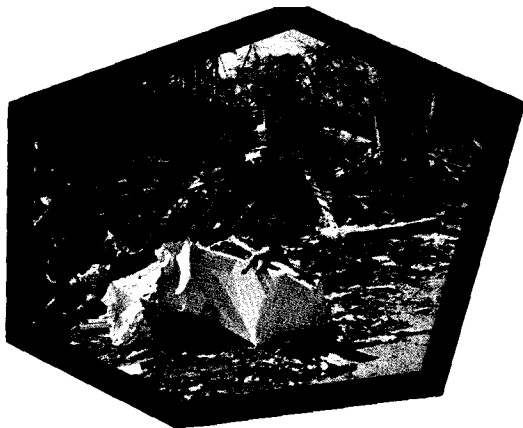
Florida WE'RE RIGHT back where we natives re," said Forestry Service spokesman John Clayton. "It's County pretty bad."

Four forestry tractor units were settled eight large fires Saturday afternoon. Clayton said these fires were tely were set.

A series of fires burned more than 200 acres in East Orange County near Union Park and Clayton predicted the total acreage consumed would go even higher.

Three forestry units battled flames on grassland and in bay-heads of tall cypress trees about two miles south of the Florida Turnpike on U. S. 17-82-441. Clayton said the fire had burned across parts of two ranches and both landowners said they had not been burning. Arson was also considered in that fire which ate up 450 acres.

NO HOMES were threatened by the Union Park or Turnpike area fires.



The Answer

The Need

What thoughts run through your mind as you hear these words? August 17, 1969 — Gulfport — Biloxi — 300 perished — devastation — incomprehensible destruction — Adventist relief vans — clothing and bedding distribution — 30,000 people assisted. This was Hurricane Camille!

You remember the story! You read how the Adventists organized depots to serve disaster victims. But did you know that one group of Adventist youth using a small van went out to the scene of destruction and did their own style of disaster relief work? They began by bringing fresh water to those who were cleaning up debris and making emergency property repairs. Next, they brought bedding and supplies to the victims where they found them. Then they worked clearing the streets and assisting in clean-up work.

The Florida Conference is proud to introduce the YOUTH EMERGENCY SERVICE (YES) the outgrowth of a concept originated many months ago in the minds of youth who were seeking to serve. Is this an answer to the search of modern youth? Some pop pills and puff pot and riot in the streets in a never-ending search. Even Adventist youth are restless. What are they looking for? They are looking for a cause. They want to contribute something to life. Seventh-day Adventists have always had a cause, and we need dedicated, enthusiastic, untiring laborers.

The Answer

Where can more surplus, eager energy be found than in the youth? They have much to give, and for every phase of giving, there is a reward of receiving. The youth give a consistent use of time, talent, material resources, physical aid through personal or community emergency

service and an adequate demonstration of Christianity in action. In return, the youth receive experience in specific skills, satisfaction of a life dedicated to Christian service and fellowship with other young workers. YES is reciprocal.

While the idle, worldly youth are involved in demonstrations, the active Adventist youth are demonstrating their involvement. They are becoming community-conscious, eager to give tangible service.

The Organization

The Florida Youth Emergency Service is approved by the Southern Union and the Florida Conference in cooperation with senior academies, Adventist Youth in Action (AYA) centers and supporting churches. N. O. Middag, Florida MV secretary, is the supervisor of the conference program. Four YES centers are in operation in Florida at the present time. The central Florida unit is directed by Rus Aldridge with an additional unit at Forest Lake church directed by Roger Miller. The north Florida unit stationed in Jacksonville is directed by Les Pitton, and the south Florida unit in Miami is headed by Merlin Wittenberg.

Each YES chapter, in addition to a local director, has a youth captain and a mobile unit to provide transportation for its members and equipment to the various places of operation. The official work uniform is blue coveralls and hard hats. The dress uniform is a blue shirt with a black tie and dark blue pants or skirt. Displayed on the uniform is a red and white YES insignia.

To be a member of yes, one must be a junior in high school or at least 16 years of age. Along with the recommendation of the church or an institution, parental permission

is YES

is also required. A uniform, a valid driver's license and participation in at least one "live" operation per month are other prerequisites for membership.

The Program

Each chapter meets weekly for one and a half hours. During this time members study various disaster-control procedures. Classes are conducted in automotive traffic control, certified first aid, special procedures for handling the dead, wreckage clean-up techniques and the proper use of tools and equipment. Both boys and girls are instructed in the use of such things as extension ladders, fire extinguishers, power chain saws, peavy hooks, axes, emergency gas lights, electric generators, water purification processes and emergency communication equipment.

Eventually, all YES units will be associated with the police departments, fire departments, ambulance services, Civil Defense and the Red Cross. Lecturers from these organizations will share their knowledge with the group during the regular weekly meetings. The Corps is operating primarily in Florida, but in case of a major disaster, they are ready to move out and assist other YES units in the Southern Union.

TOP: Standing before four of the new YES mobile units, W. O. Coe, center, Florida Conference president, gets instruction in the use of an eight-band radio scanner receiver. Rus Aldridge, central Florida unit director, is demonstrating with the use of a miniature walkie-talkie. N. O. Middag, second from left, is the conference supervisor. To the right are Les Pitton, north Florida unit director, and Merlin Wittenberg, south Florida unit director.

UPPER MIDDLE: Verbal instruction and an operating demonstration are under way with a 500-watt portable electric generator. Pictured are members of the Jacksonville unit.

LOWER MIDDLE: Dennis Bowen, team captain, received instruction on the proper use of fire-fighting equipment from Rus Aldridge, right, who is a volunteer fireman.

BOTTOM: Thrilled with the gift of a portable motor-driven chain saw, these YES men try it out.



In December of 1970, a YES group of 16 young people traveled 150 miles from Orlando to the Lake City church and painted it inside and out, all in one day.

In March a local radio station made a call for food for migrant workers who were out of work because of recent freezing weather which destroyed much of the Florida vegetable crop. The plan, as announced on the radio, was to place trucks in strategic places in Orlando to receive the canned goods solicited from the public. Immediately, the YES responded offering their group and truck. They were assigned a location where they collected food which was later transported to the migrant workers.

More projects are being planned by YES. Disasters will dictate the activities of the Corps. But the soul-rewarding

achievement of meeting the discernible needs of the desperate will be their constant aim. In the future they hope to have a radio system affording them uninterrupted communications.

But already, they are communicating with their church, with their community and with Christ, who gave us the greatest example of service to mankind. Physical assistance to victims of a personal or community disaster is pure religion, Christianity with flavor, spirituality with dignity and life with emphasis. YES will not be just another Adventist organization, but a pattern of life for Adventist youth.

Pray for these youth. As they ask the question, "Lord, what wilt Thou have *me* to do?" may they continue to accept the challenging answer, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

By ROY ULMER
*Public Relations Secretary
Florida Conference*

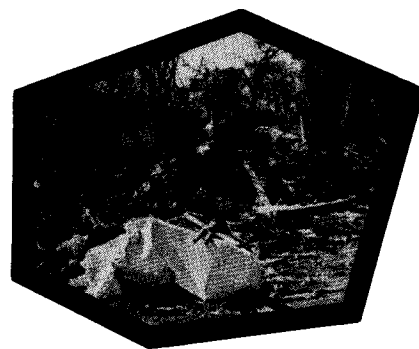
YES

The Southern Union Conference MV Department is happy to announce another "first" in the community service involving the youth of our area. This is the YES Corps, or Youth Emergency Service, which had its birth when the worst storm probably ever to hit the North American continent struck Gulfport and Biloxi, Mississippi, in August 1969. Two carloads of youth were taken to the area to give assistance in any way that was requested, and immediately they were asked to help individuals who were in dire circumstances to clean up and fix up their homes so they could at least have some semblance of normal living again.

Beyond tragic events such as this, the YES Corps will be available to give physical help in every local community when the need arises. Each conference in the Southern Union will eventually have its own trucks and equipment and a well-trained staff of volunteer youth.

I would especially like to recognize the Florida Conference and the MV secretary, Norman Middag, for being the first to organize and to equip five trucks, as we officially launch Youth Emergency Service in the Southern Union. We feel that this program will provide the finest training our youth could receive as they voluntarily give of their time and their talents in helping others.

D. E. HOLLAND, *Youth Director, Southern Union Conference*



DATELINE DATA

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

Beginning October 1 the Seventh-day Adventist Church will release Voice of Hope broadcasts across Europe via Adventist World Radio Trans-Europe. Station headquarters will be in Portugal. The new station will operate on three 250,000-watt Marconi transmitters and will blanket Europe, North Africa and parts of Asia. The daily and weekly programs will be aired in English, French, German, Russian, Greek, Arabic, Hungarian, Italian, Serbian, Croatian, Rumanian and Czech. Appointed program director for the new project is Allen Steele, former S.M.C. communications major and currently public relations director for Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale, Maryland. The use of the new powerful shortwave station in Portugal is the first unified thrust of the church to reach listeners across Europe with its message. Shortwave in many parts of Europe is more widely listened to than in the States. It is the only way the church can get through into some countries.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA - - -

A United States Senator from Nebraska, Carl Curtis, has given a memorial fund to the Christian Record Braille Foundation in memory of his wife and blind daughter. The fund will greatly expand the free distribution of Bibles to the blind.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

The number of ordained ministers in the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America jumped in 1970 from 2,626 to 2,680. Last year the conferences appointed 98 interns - - 63 ministers were ordained.

HONG KONG - - -

The 170-bed Hong Kong Adventist Hospital was opened on May 4. It became a link in the Adventist world chain of 138 hospitals. Built to serve the people of Victoria Island, it is the second Adventist hospital in Hong Kong, the other being across the bay in Kow Loon where it serves the refugees and poorer people of the New Territories. The new facility is largely the result of the labors of two men - - Dr. Harry Miller and E. L. Longway, both of whom have served as missionaries for the church in China for more than four decades. Dr. Miller, known as the China Surgeon, has been responsible for establishing more than a dozen hospitals for the church in the Far East. The new hospital is built on a site that was formerly Dr. Miller's home. High on a hill under the crest of the world-famous Peak, it overlooks the city and bay.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

A new plan called Home Help has been devised. On request, church members go two-by-two to homes and give practical aid on alcohol, tobacco and drug problems through use of super-8mm films, records, books and magazines.

Jan Worth Recommends...



Warm weather means active families, robust appetites! Here are some delicious answers to how you can make sure your meals provide the energy and just plain good eating everyone needs and wants . . . and remember, **CHOPLETS ARE NOW BACK** on your grocer's shelf.

Sincerely, *Jan Worth*

Crusty Buffet Bake

- 1½ cups chopped onion
- ½ cup corn oil
- 1 can VEJA-LINKS (19 ounce), drained
- 1 can mexicorn (12 ounce), undrained
- 1 can kidney beans (15½ ounce), drained
- 1 can condensed cream of celery soup (10½ ounce)
- ½ cup water
- ¼ teaspoon thyme
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
- buttered French bread slices (about 12)

Sauté onion in oil till tender in a dutch oven or large heavy sauce pan. Slice each VEJA-LINK into about six pieces. Add sliced VEJA-LINKS and all remaining ingredients except French bread to sautéed onions. Blend thoroughly but gently. Heat to simmering. Place mixture into a rectangular 2 quart baking dish (8" X 12" X 1½"). Place slices of French bread, buttered side up, over VEJA-LINK mixture. Bake uncovered at 400° F. for 18 minutes. Serves 6.

Skallops Angelica

- ¼ cup margarine
- ½ cup thinly sliced green onion (about 4 green onions)
- 2 cans sliced mushrooms (4 ounce each), drained
- 1 tablespoon flour
- ½ teaspoon sweet basil
- ½ cup water
- 1 envelope G. Washington's Golden Seasoning and Broth Mix
- 2 large tomatoes; peeled, seeded, and chopped (about 1¼ cups chopped pulp)
- 1 can SKALLOPS (19 ounce), drained
- 1 cup WORTHINGTON FRY AND LOAF MIX
- vegetable oil
- ⅓ cup grated Parmesan cheese

Melt margarine in a heavy sauce pan. Add sliced green onion and mushrooms. Sauté at medium heat until onion is tender but not brown. Stir in flour and sweet basil. Continue to stir as mixture bubbles for 1 minute. Add water and seasoning mix. Simmer for 2 minutes. Add chopped tomatoes. Cook uncovered for 5 minutes. Set sauce aside until SKALLOPS are prepared. To prepare SKALLOPS, cut drained SKALLOPS into bite size pieces. Coat pieces with WORTHINGTON FRY AND LOAF MIX. Place vegetable oil in a large skillet to ¼ inch depth. Fry coated SKALLOPS in hot oil at medium high heat until nicely browned. Drain on absorbent paper. Place fried SKALLOPS in a large shallow casserole dish. Spread prepared sauce evenly over fried SKALLOPS. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Bake at 375°F. for 15 to 20 minutes until cheese is melted. Sprinkle with additional sliced raw green onion if desired. Serves 6.



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Choplets In The Round

- 1 can CHOPLETS (20 ounce), drained
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- ⅓ cup milk
- 1 cup WORTHINGTON FRY AND LOAF MIX
- ¼ cup corn oil
- ⅔ cup sliced carrots
- ¾ cup water
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 package frozen Italian beans (9 ounce)
- 1 tomato; peeled, seeded, and chopped
- 2 tablespoons margarine
- 1 can whole onions (16 ounce), drained
- 2 tablespoons margarine
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup water
- 1 teaspoon dried onion flakes
- 2 packets G. Washington's Rich Brown Seasoning and Broth Mix

Combine egg and milk. Dip each CHOPLET into egg-milk mixture. Coat with WORTHINGTON FRY AND LOAF MIX. Fry breaded CHOPLETS in a skillet containing corn oil at medium-high heat until nicely browned. Arrange fried CHOPLETS on a hot platter.

In a medium sauce pan combine sliced carrots, water, sugar, and salt. Cook covered at medium heat until carrots are just tender. Add frozen Italian beans and chopped tomato. Cover and cook for 5 minutes. Arrange this mixture around the fried CHOPLETS. Keep warm in the oven while heating the onions. Add 2 tablespoons margarine to the liquid remaining from the vegetable mixture. Add onions. Cover and heat. Arrange onions over vegetable mixture. Drizzle melted margarine over vegetables. If desired, sprinkle with minced chives.

Prepare gravy by melting 2 tablespoons margarine in a small sauce pan. Add flour. Cook and stir for 1 minute as mixture bubbles. Add remaining ingredients. Boil while stirring for 1 minute. Pour gravy over CHOPLETS or serve separately in a gravy boat. Serves 4 to 5.

Magyar "Chicken"

- 3 tablespoons margarine
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 5 STRIPPLES, diced
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup water
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 envelope G. Washington's Golden Seasoning and Broth Mix
- 1 can sliced mushrooms (4 ounce), drained
- 1 can SOYAMEAT — FRIED CHICKEN STYLE (13 ounce), drained
- ¼ cup sour cream
- noodles
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley

Melt margarine in a large saucepan. Add onion. Sauté at medium heat until onion is tender. Stir in paprika and diced STRIPPLES. Continue to sauté for 3 minutes. Add flour. Stir until well blended. Cook at medium heat while stirring for 1 minute. Add water, salt, seasoning mix, and mushrooms. Bring mixture to a boil. Simmer for 1 minute while stirring.

Cut SOYAMEAT pieces in half lengthwise. Add SOYAMEAT to sauce. Simmer covered for 10 minutes. Remove saucepan from heat. Stir in sour cream. Return to heat. Bring mixture to simmering. Serve immediately with noodles. Sprinkle with parsley. Serves 3 to 4.

CAROLINA COMMUNITY SERVICES

Carolina Seventh-day Adventists have been taking seriously Christ's words in Matthew 25:40. "Inasmuch as YE have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, YE have done it unto me."

On two different occasions, the Carolina emergency service van has made trips to Mississippi to aid victims of major disasters. Each time our faithful men and women have made and gathered new supplies in preparation for the next emergency.

At present, eight church or district Community Service Centers are active along with thirty-six societies. In the last two years new centers have opened in Florence, Sumter, and Spartanburg, South Carolina, and in Kernersville, the Raleigh district and Pembroke, North Carolina.

Six area-federations meet twice yearly. New officers were recently elected to serve until the spring of 1973. Two men are serving as Center directors and two men are listed among the federation officers.

Reports from the past six years show —

Persons Helped	177,564
Articles of clothing given	415,333
Cash and value of food given ..	\$149,660.66
Hours of Community Service	247,772

One individual has personally spent \$3,000 for expenses involved in welfare work. Many thousands of pieces of clothing have been sent to the Eastern Depot of SAWS for overseas shipment.

Summer camps for underprivileged children are conducted each year. More than one hundred boys and girls are expected this summer at Camp Lurecrest near Lake Lure, North Carolina for "Friendship Camp."

The Spartanburg, South Carolina, church recently purchased its own van for Community Services. H. C. Lovett directs the work there.

The Carolina MV Department has ordered a new van for the YES corps. Youth Emergency Service will be joining hands with the Dorcas societies, Community Service Centers, and the churches in time of need or disaster to show that the Seventh-day Adventists of Carolina care enough to serve.

R. H. AMMONS, *Lay Activities Secretary*



This Carolina Emergency Service van was purchased in October, 1968.



Pastor D. R. Peterson enjoys entering into the spirit of community service work along with the volunteer workers at the Community Service Center in Kernersville, North Carolina.

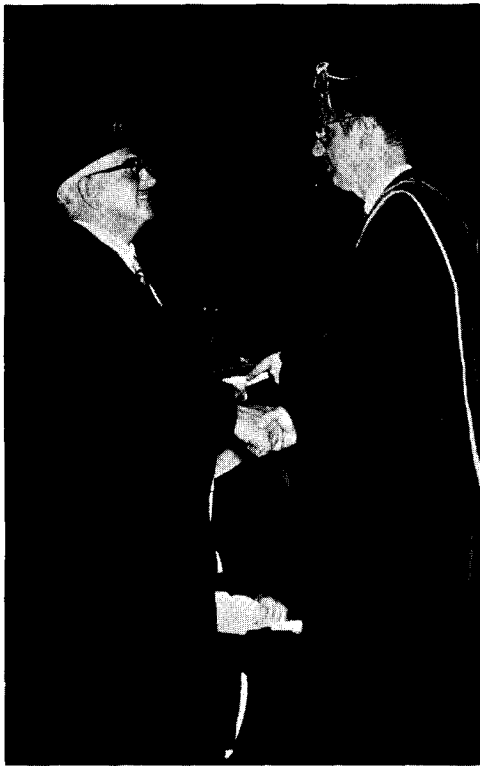


Pauline Owens, center, directs the Kernersville Center. Making stuffed animals for the children in the state hospital was one project sponsored by this center.



Eugene Anderson is president of Southern Saw Service in Atlanta, Georgia. Much of the equipment used to manufacture and sharpen saws was researched and developed by Mr. Anderson. Most of the saws are rented to customers and returned for periodic check and sharpening.

Service and Saws Spell Success



Eugene Anderson's alma mater, Columbia Union College, recognized the humanitarian contributions of Mr. Anderson and in 1969 President W. H. Beaven, right, conferred upon him an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree.

Inventor, philanthropist, teacher, mechanic, administrator, salesman, financier, civic leader, accountant, merchant, statesman, humanitarian.

Each of these descriptive terms could be quite aptly applied to Eugene Alfred Anderson, but that which pleases him most is Christian businessman. "My goal," he states, "is to demonstrate that it is possible to live up to the Christian ideals and principles taught by Seventh-day Adventists and still be able to accomplish those things which bring respect and success in the business world."

Respect and success have been the hallmarks of his 63 years as he has guided the growth and development of a small machine shop into a globe-encircling industry. The crowning mark of his success came in April of 1969 when his alma mater, Columbia Union College, conferred upon him the L.H.D. degree, "Doctor of Humane Letters."

The career as a Christian businessman began for Eugene Anderson in 1928 when he joined the fledgling Southern Saw Service in Atlanta, Georgia. He was soon elected treasurer and general manager and in 1939 became the company's president.

Manufacturing saws and knives for commercial use, the Southern Saw Service

has seen continual growth and development under his management, until today its operations sprawl over several acres in southwest Atlanta servicing accounts throughout the United States, Central and South America and South Africa. The company has been a pioneer and innovator in the manufacture of saws for use in stores and restaurants and is recognized as a leader in the industry. They presently employ over 200 persons.

The part that Eugene Anderson has played in his plant's development has been many-faceted. An inventor of no small mien, his ingenuity and skill have produced machinery capable of turning out 8,000 fine-crafted band saws a day. In fact, most of the machinery used in the plant was produced in its own engineering department. One of Anderson's inventions for sharpening saw teeth has been multiplied until a bank of 240 such machines can now be operated by a handful of technicians.

But the manufacture of saws is not allowed to consume all of the time nor talents of Eugene Anderson's complex personality. In 1965 he was invited by the Department of Industry and Trade of the State of Georgia and the United States Department of Commerce to serve as a member of a hard-hitting, five-man Trade Mission Team to Central and South America. Their purpose was the promotion of United States-manufactured goods for use in these countries. Again in 1966 this team was sent on a similar tour of Scandinavia and northern Europe. More recently Mr. Anderson was requested to go to the Far East on government interests.

While Eugene Anderson is a Seventh-day Adventist and has taken an active part in church activities, he has also involved himself in civic affairs. He served as president of the 175-member Atlanta Optimist Club, composed primarily of civic and business leaders; district treasurer, Boy Scouts of America; board of trustees for the Salvation Army, Y.M.C.A. and Visiting Nurses Association; associate, Fulton County Grand Jury Association; and one of a five-man board of trustees for the Fulton County Department of Family and Children's Services. This department, formerly known as the Welfare Department, administers the distribution of \$50 million a year to the needy of Fulton County. Taking a personal interest in the plight of the underprivileged, Mr. Anderson reveals that this governmental agency regularly assists 57,000 dependent children, 5,000 totally disabled persons, 400 blind, 8,000 over age 65, 1,200 mentally disturbed and 9,000 others who get general assistance. An evangelistic fervor seems to envelop him as he describes the need for more humanitarian efforts in behalf of the poor.

Church activity likewise benefits by his abilities. For five years he has served on the board of trustees of Southern Missionary College and was recently re-elected to that post. He is a member of the college's Committee of 100 as well as the Georgia-Cumberland Business and Professional Association, which has sponsored the erection and finance of twelve new church buildings during the past four years. He also serves as vice-president of the Julius Schneider Medical Foundation, a philanthropic organization which has, among other projects, undertaken the building of a Seventh-day Adventist day academy for the Atlanta area.

"I believe my goal can best be met," he says, "by serving and giving of myself, by using the latest methods of proper business management and administration, by constantly improving in skills and techniques, and by maintaining integrity and character."

Eugene Alfred Anderson, L.H.D.: Christian businessman. It would appear that goal is being achieved.

A. C. McCCLURE, *Public Relations Secretary*

1971 Student Missionaries to Leave for Nicaragua

Carving a niche out of the jungle wilds of Nicaragua to build a new medical-educational center serving the Mosquito Indians of its eastern coast is the objective of seven students and two professors of Southern Missionary College who will be leaving for this Central American country this month.

To help raise funds for the first phase of the three-year project, Russell Davis, a Chattanooga vocalist-actor, who recently joined the Adventist Church, presented a benefit concert in April. The concert netted over \$1,500 for the project. Davis is currently a senior theology student at SMC.

The Nicaragua mission project is being directed by two SMC campus organizations—the Missionary Volunteer Society and the Student Association. This is the fifth year that SMC has been sponsoring students as foreign missionaries from periods of three summer months to one year in the program known officially as the Collegiate Overseas Missionary Exchange.

Established as a sort of "Adventist Peace Corps," the student missionary program was organized to not only send college students to foreign lands to help in community development, public health, and educational work, but also to present mission service as an alternative life work for students.

Since 1967, when SMC sent its first student missionary, Les Weaver, to Panama, twenty-five have gone either as school-sponsored or self-supporting student missionaries to sixteen different foreign countries, many of them for a year.

Last summer ten students went, and seven of these are still in their countries serving the remainder of their year's term. Joan Murphy is in the Caroline

Islands teaching math; Mitchell Nicolaides is in Rwanda, Africa, teaching math; Donna Taylor and Pat Sampson are at the Hiroshima English Conversational School in Japan; and Nan Williams, Charles Mills and Cliff Hoffman are teaching English at the Osaka Evangelistic Center in Osaka, Japan.

According to Mike Foxworthy, a May communications graduate of SMC and director of the Nicaragua project, ten people going there this month will be working in the outlying vicinity of Puerto Cabezas. This is a city located on the eastern coastline of the country, known as the "Mosquito Coast." This coast is over fifty miles wide in places and extends northward from the San Juan River, forming Nicaragua's southern border, into Honduras.

The area has a tropical rainy climate—the wettest in Central America. It is a region of malarial swamps and low plains that are drained toward the Caribbean Sea by three rivers. One of these, the Coco River, is 300 miles long. Foxworthy states that one of the aims of the group will be to obtain and equip a medical launch to travel this river, treating the natives who live along it.

He also stated that this is the first year that SMC faculty members are participating on the actual foreign scene with the student missionaries. It is also the first time that all of the missionaries will go to the same place.

Four of the nine people—Christine Pulido, senior nursing major from San Antonio, Texas; Milford Crist and Ray Wagner, communications and industrial education majors who graduated in May; and Gladstone Simmons, junior religion major from Southampton,

West Bermuda—will stay for one year, then will be replaced by others.

The five who will go for the summer are Judy Bentzinger, a May B.S. nursing graduate; Don Pate, a junior religion major; David E. Smith, junior theology major; Mrs. Genevieve McCormick, associate professor of speech; and John Durichek, assistant professor of industrial education.

Mrs. McCormick and David Smith will live in Puerto Cabezas and teach at a Seventh-day Adventist day academy, which has 300 students in grades one to twelve. Sixty percent of the Mosquito Indian population is illiterate. In a letter Mrs. McCormick received from Pastor P. R. Wood in Puerto Cabezas, she learned that the school has a little band with a few old trumpets. "If you could pick us up a few discarded ones, our band teacher is a mechanic and does quite a job of patching up instruments," Pastor Wood said in his letter.

Durichek and the six others who will not stay in Puerto Cabezas will work to clear the jungle and establish a medical-educational center at Waspan, a

native village approximately 50 miles from Puerto Cabezas.

Until the group can get the jungle cleared enough to build a boarding house-clinic, they will live in tents. When the clinic is built, Miss Pulido will visit the villages of the Mosquito, Sumas, and Carig Indians to administer health care. By the end of the summer they hope to have a medical launch operating on the Coco River.

I asked Mike Foxworthy what it would take to get this mission outpost started. He said, "Money." The first phase of the three-year project is estimated to cost about \$10,000. However, Mike says they have raised nearly \$5,000 in donations from interested students and other people.

Besides money, they need construction tools; masonry; a one-ton, four-wheel drive truck; and "one used yacht," for the medical launch on the Coco River. Donations, which are tax deductible, can be sent to "Student Missions," SMC, Collegedale, Tenn. 37315.

NORMA YOUNG CARLSON

Bound for mission work in Nicaragua — Front row, Gladstone Simmons, Christine Pulido, Mrs. Genevieve McCormick. Back row, Milford Crist, Don Pate, David E. Smith, Ray Wagner and John Durichek.

(Photo by Curt Carlson)



Maranatha

"Even so, come, Lord Jesus," was the theme of the tri-conference Youth Congress held in Memphis, Tennessee, April 23-25. The three conferences sponsoring the congress were South Central, Southwest Region and Allegheny West.

The Memphis church was the scene for the Friday evening opening meeting of the congress, where an estimated 1,500 persons had gathered. During the previous night a storm had struck the city and knocked out all electrical power in the area of the church. At the appointed hour, even though electrical power was still unavailable, a trumpet fanfare opened the meeting. It was a beautiful candlelight service. The keynote sermon was given by H. L. Cleveland, pastor of the Cleveland, Ohio, church. Special music was rendered by the Memphis youth choir directed by Fred Pullins.

The Sabbath services were held in the music hall at the Civic Center. It was a beautiful morning as nearly 3,000 persons sang, "There Is Sunshine in My Soul Today." The program was given by the southern Ohio churches of the Allegheny West Conference. The Sabbath school lesson featured youth, dressed as bricklayers, constructing the church of God. As they built with large blocks representing love, joy, peace, longsuffering and prayer, the lesson was narrated.

C. B. Rock, pastor of the Ephesus church in New York City, was the worship hour speaker. He admonished the youth to be modern-day Davids and slay the Goliaths of our time. The giant task of finishing the work in this generation requires a dedication to the job, like David. Our youth must be dedicated to helping end hunger and malnutrition in the ghettos. Our goal must be to sensitize all church members to world need and poverty in our cities. All must learn of the love of Jesus and have the opportunity of hearing the gospel.

The Oakwood College choir, directed by Dr. Marcus Thompson, furnished music for the worship service.

The Sabbath afternoon program included youth witness skits and special music from musical groups coming from all three conferences.

During the Sabbath evening activities, an old-fashioned social was conducted along with a basketball game.

Sunday morning was devoted to a Pathfinder parade and the championship basketball play-off. Each conference was represented by a team. The tri-conference tournament was won by the Columbus, Ohio, team.

Approximately 3,500 persons attended the meetings, coming from all the Regional conferences in North America. In closing the congress, the following joint statement was made by E. W. Shepperd, MV secretary, Southwest Region; R. Lewis, MV secretary, Allegheny West; and R. Peay, MV secretary, South Central: "Only a few hours ago we extended greetings to you on this historic tri-conference Youth Congress. During these sacred hours, hearts have been thrilled with music, youth witness reports, Christian fellowship, the spoken word and the spirit of God.

"The moment of challenge has now arrived to take this inspiration to our schools, churches, homes and jobs.

"We have made a commitment to God and to the future. Adventist youth, we have a rendezvous with destiny. As a soldier in the 'mighty army of youth' our marching orders are clear. It is left to you and me to carry this message of a crucified, risen and soon-coming Saviour to the world. Let everybody say **MARANATHA. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!**"

L. A. PASCHAL, *Public Relations Secretary*

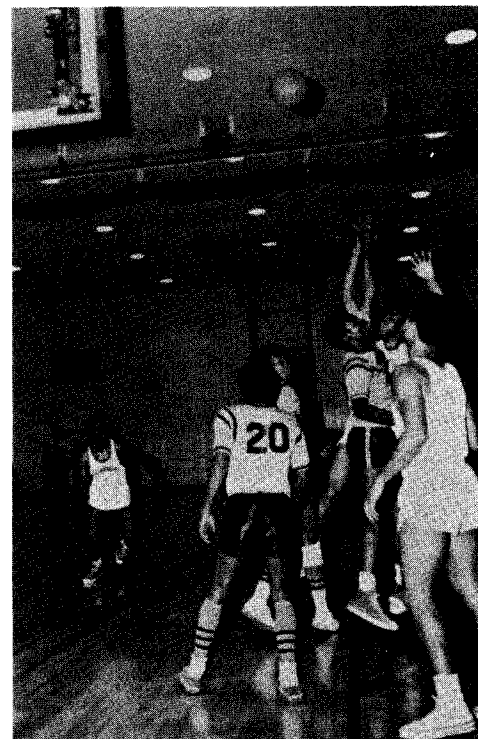


MV secretaries conducting the Youth Congress included Robert Lewis, left, from the Allegheny West Conference; E. W. Shepperd, center, of the Southwest Region Conference; and R. Peay, right, from South Central Conference.



A Pathfinder parade was held on Sunday morning. The Drum Corps was from the Ephesus church in New York City.

The tri-conference basketball tournament was held on Sunday morning following the Pathfinder program.



LAYMEN OF THE SOUTHERN UNION

W. L. MAZAT, *Secretary
Lay Activities Department*

The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." *Gospel Workers*, p. 352

Two thousand years ago, the Master surprised His disciples by saying, "Don't say there are yet four months and then cometh harvest. Behold I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white, all ready to harvest." Apparently the disciples thought the Lord was stepping up His campaign as far as time was concerned. In His kind way, the Master told them that now was the acceptable time—that the field was white unto harvest.

How true this experience is in our day! When we follow the commands and directives of the Master, we too will find that the fields are white and ready for harvest.

Earl Moore, lay activities secretary of the South Central Conference, writes an encouraging experience—

W. E. Lester, local elder of the Ephesus Birmingham church, was baptized in 1939. With the spirit of Christ burning in his heart, he had to share his new-found faith. He gave Bible studies and brought souls into the church through personal witness. In 1958, in the little town of Acipco, Alabama, he held an eight-week lay effort and with the help of other laymen baptized 16 precious souls. Among those baptized was Mildred Johnson who attended the meetings only to get her husband interested in church. At the time, Mrs. Johnson was president of the Young People's Department, president of the Young Missionary Department, vice-president of the Pastor's Aid, usher and secretary for conventions. It was a hard blow to her church and pastor when she became a Seventh-day Adventist, but she multiplied her talents for God. She became a Bible worker for the conference and has been responsible for 417 souls baptized into the church. Brother



W. E. Lester, local elder of the Ephesus Birmingham church and layman soul-winner, is shown with Mrs. Mildred Johnson whom he baptized in a lay effort in 1958. Mrs. Johnson is now a Bible worker for the South Central Conference.

Lester has not stopped either. With the help and encouragement of Pastor M. M. Young, he is planning to hold another layman's effort this summer in Birmingham.

Every member can have a part in the thrilling work of sharing his faith with others. Mrs. Lila Morgan from the Columbus, North Carolina, church, relates this experience—

Linda Sheehan is eleven years old and in the sixth grade at Mill Spring elementary school. She is not a church member, but her mother, Mrs. Earl Sheehan, joined the Columbus church in May of 1969. Mrs. A. J. Kennedy enrolled Linda in the Explorers' Bible Course. She took the lessons to school and a number of her friends expressed an interest in them. Mrs. Kennedy was able to obtain sets of the lessons from the Voice of Prophecy, and Linda has enrolled 25 young people in the course. Some are now taking a second course. The students have been enthusiastic, and the teachers have expressed their appreciation for the program. Linda's methods have been forthright. For one school room, she simply took three enrollment cards to the teacher and asked that the teacher find out if anyone wanted to take a Bible Course. All three cards were filled out.

This is "Laymen's Year." May the Spirit of the Lord continue to move hearts throughout the Southern Union to go forward and do greater exploits for the Master.

Linda Sheehan, left foreground, of Columbus, North Carolina, enrolled 25 of her schoolmates in the Bible course. The children are 4th, 5th and 6th graders at Mill Spring Elementary School.





A layman's layman in South Atlantic is Thom Smith of Homestead, Florida, who has held seven lay efforts. Last summer Mr. and Mrs. Smith and the other members of the Homestead church prepared thirty-six people for baptism.

A Layman's Layman

1971 IS LAYMAN'S YEAR!!! Of course, it's generally recognized, scripturally speaking, that every year is to be Layman's year.

Thank God there are laymen who are standing before the unbelieving, witnessing to the grace of God in their lives—men and women who are "not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ!" In fact, the South Atlantic Conference has many such laymen. The phenomenal growth from a small group twenty-five years ago to over 12,000 members to date, speaks well of the power of witnessing by laymen. Some are witnessing through the medium of public preaching. Joseph Hinson, lay activities secretary for the conference, expects thirty lay efforts during the year. Two thousand weekly Bible studies with 100,000 tracts being distributed and a baptism of 300 souls is the conference laymen's goal.

One of the thirty lay efforts will be conducted by Thom Smith. I talked with him the other day. A cordial, mild-mannered, soft-spoken man of 5' 7" and about 150 lbs., carrying his 40 years very well, he appears youthful and determined. A native of Tampa, Florida, he now resides in Homestead. Three and one-half years ago he went there to build a church. He's a contractor, so he built the Homestead church and then stayed to help fill the pews with people. Last summer Brother Smith witnessed in open air evangelism and thirty-six people accepted Christ—His cross and the commandments.

Question—"Brother Smith, how many meetings have you held?"

T. Smith—"We've held seven meetings thus far."

Question—"How did you get started in public evangelism?"

T. Smith—"Well, I attended several tent meetings held by ministers and saw that it was a most effective way of witnessing. I began first by giving Bible studies, cottage meetings, visiting and witnessing at a TB Sanitarium, and later using a small store front. The tent was just the result of wanting to do more for the Lord."

Question—"Do you feel that you have special qualifications for this kind of work? Special education? Special training?"

T. Smith—"No, not really! No more than care-

fully observing others, personal home study, and then the experience learned during each meeting."

Question—"How can you do full-time evangelistic work and contract at the same time? Aren't you too tired some nights to preach?"

T. Smith—"Well, I must confess that I don't work as hard physically as I used to, but believe me, I get tired just as anyone does who carries the responsibility of several jobs. I try to get some rest. The Lord gives you strength."

Question—"What about finances? How do you get money to run a meeting and buy equipment?"

T. Smith—"Most churches will help a layman who wants to extend his ministry to public evangelism. Each church we have worked with has helped financially. And then, you can't get around personal sacrifice. If God calls you to something, you may have to make personal sacrifices. My wife and I know and accept this as a part of our missionary endeavors. We give back to God who gives to us."

Question—"You are planning another meeting this summer. What are you doing **now** to prepare?"

T. Smith—"We are a small church, but the members feel the necessity and burden of warning our city. Right now they are giving twenty Bible studies every week. They are passing literature from door to door. Every department in the church is doing something and during our meeting every department will play an active part."

Question—"When you say every department will play an active part—what do you mean?"

T. Smith—"As you know, a small meeting held by laymen does not have the professional workers of a large evangelistic team, but the same work must be done. So our church departments do the work. The Sabbath school, in last year's meeting, conducted a Vacation Bible School. The daily attendance was about 100 children. Ten of these were baptized. The Dorcas ladies were at the tent every afternoon at 5:30 to supply the needy. The church deacons ushered. The church musician played. The church donated over \$1,000—the church worked and God blessed."

Question—"In conclusion, is there anything that you'd like to say to other laymen to encourage them?"

T. Smith—"Well, I just feel that there is something for everybody to do. A church member is never really going to be happy until he is doing something to actively witness for the Lord. If you keep putting it off, you'll never get started. You've just got to start. The Lord will supply whatever is needed."

"Brother Smith, truly you're a layman's layman."

1971 is Layman's Year! It can be your year if you become involved and witness to your neighbors, friends, fellow employees, relatives and any others God sends your way. So like the Kentucky Baptist church choir sang one night, "I said that I couldn't tell nobody, but I just couldn't keep it to myself," this year you must really tell it. And, by so doing, you'll make God happy, and the people to whom you witness will be happy. But can you guess who'll be happiest of them all?

R. JOHN MCKINNEY, *Public Relations Secretary*



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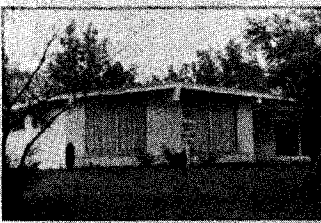


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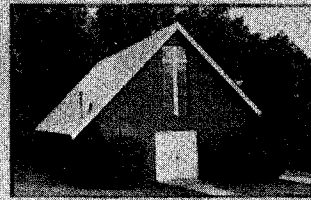
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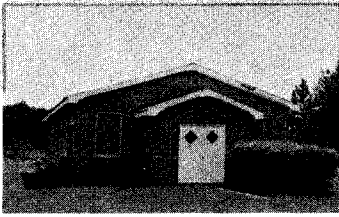
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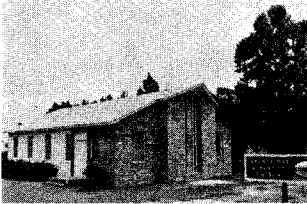
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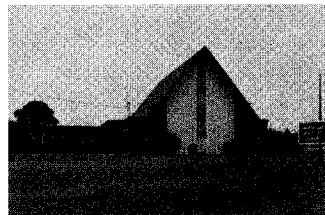
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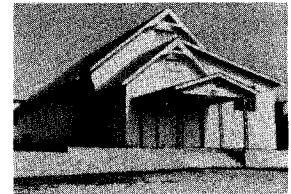
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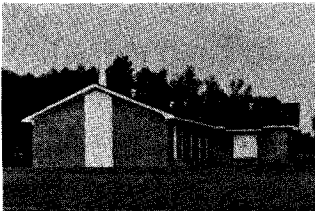
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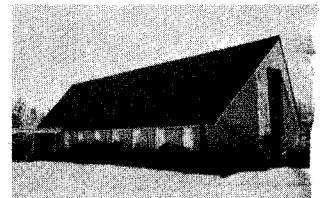
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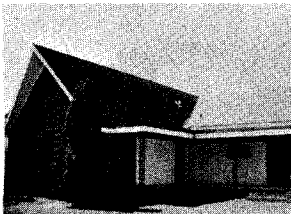
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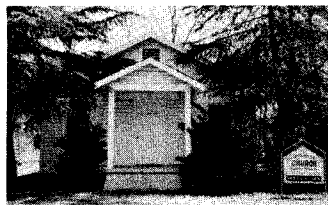
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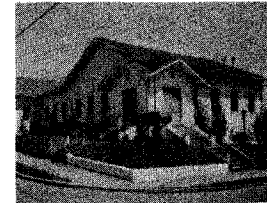
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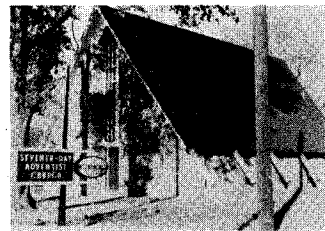
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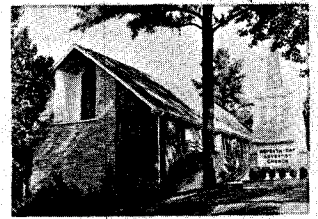
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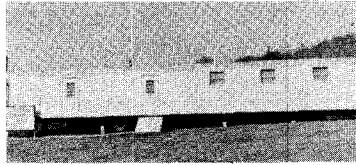
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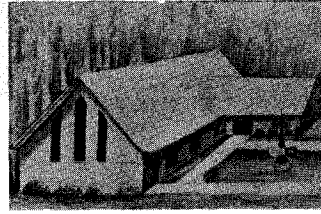
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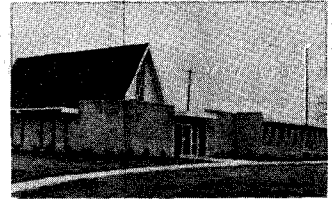
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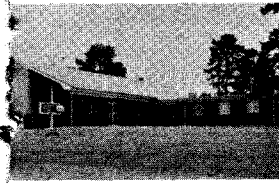
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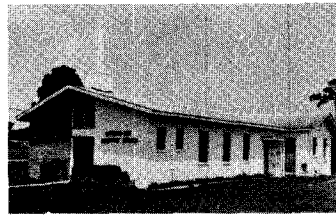
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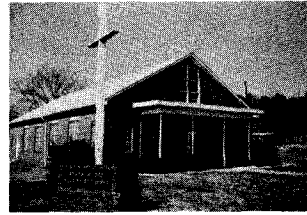
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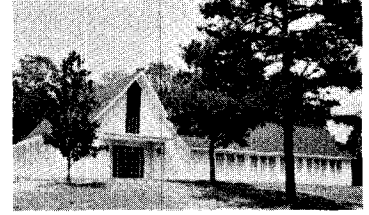
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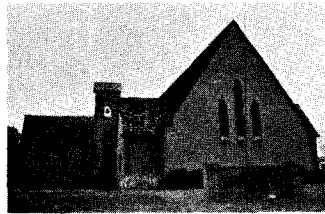
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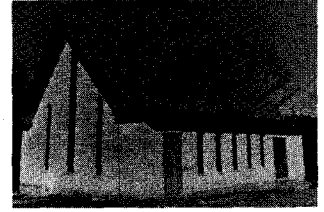
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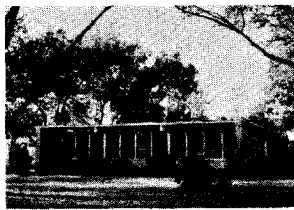
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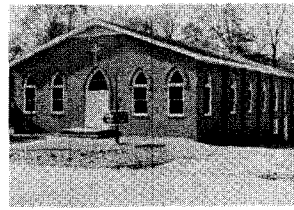
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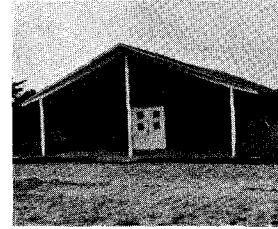
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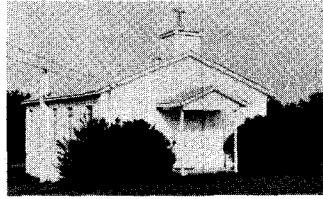
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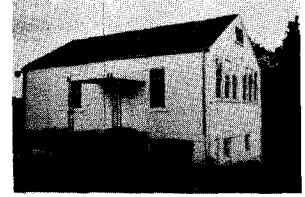
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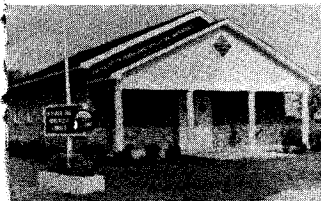
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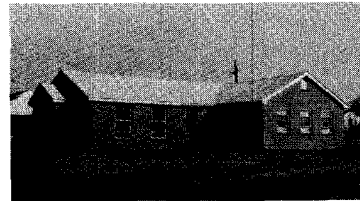
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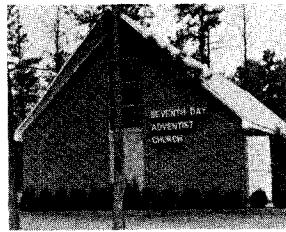
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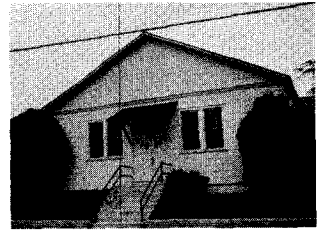
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* Church Schools

Threescore and ten years ago — in 1901 — the work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church was organized in the states of Alabama and Mississippi. Organized as separate conferences at the time, the work in Alabama can be traced back to the early 1870's.

Jesse Morgan Elliot, Southern Unionist, who fought in the Federal Army, embraced the Seventh-day Adventist faith while in the North. Having lost his eyesight, he was discharged and returned to his home in Alabama where he went about teaching his new beliefs. He awakened a great interest and gathered groups of converts. By 1878, when A. O. Burrill and his wife came to Bladon Springs, Alabama, there were more than fifty converts, nearly all the fruits of Elliot's work.

Early evangelists used schools, halls and private homes for meeting places to spread the message. The Alabama headquarters was located in various cities — Selma, Birmingham, Ft. Payne and Clanton.

In 1908 the counties in Florida west of the Apalachicola River became a part of the Alabama Conference. Many of the churches in northwest Florida were established by Evangelist Allen Walker. In the city of Marianna, Florida, Elder Walker purchased a lot and built a church building before there was a single Seventh-day Adventist in the city. After the building was completed, he held an evangelistic meeting, and the Lord blessed with the organization of a church. The modest structure built by Elder Walker's hands still houses the believers in Marianna.

The Mississippi Conference was organized at a camp meeting held at Hatley, Mississippi, August 4, 1901. In that year there were three churches, five companies and 182 members.

Seventh-day Adventists were found in Mississippi as early as 1880. The first church was organized in Hatley in 1898. The first Seventh-day Adventist church in Jackson, the state capitol, was organized in 1912 with 13 charter members.

God, indeed, blessed the faithful, dedicated efforts of the early pioneers as they preached, prayed, labored and sacrificed for the spread of the gospel message. Scores of believers were baptized, and new churches and schools were erected.

Many things have changed since the early days of the pioneers, but their spirit of dedication and sacrifice still lives in the hearts of modern Adventists. This was clearly indicated as recently as 1957 when Mr. I. H. Bass, not a member of the Adventist Church, proposed to donate 356 acres of choice land near Lumberton, Mississippi, for the erection of a boarding academy. On August 25, 1957, the Alabama-Mississippi Conference constituency gathered under a grove of towering pecan trees and enthusiastically voted to accept the gift and proceed with building an academy.

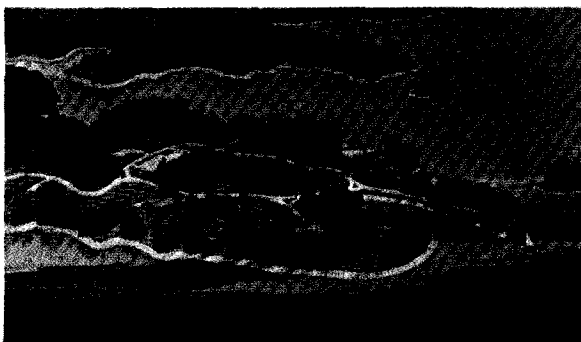


Bass Memorial Academy

The days and months that followed were challenging, yet awe inspiring. Churches took separate fund-raising projects for specific buildings or rooms. Members and churches donated calves for the dairy farm. Pathfinder clubs raised funds for the grounds entrance sign. A "Million Penny Campaign" for the administration building culminated on April 5, 1959, when National Guardsmen shoveled the 1,242,221 coins into buckets and onto a truck for a four-ton deposit in a New Orleans bank.

In just four short years, on September 10, 1961, the all-new Bass Memorial Academy, valued at well over a million dollars, opened its doors for training Adventist youth. The ensuing years have seen scores of young people receive their preparatory schooling at Bass and go on for college and university training.

The most current conference-wide project is the development of Camp Alamisco, a sixty-five acre peninsula jutting into the beautiful, clear water of Lake Martin near Dadeville, Alabama. In 1968 the constituency voted to proceed with building the camp. A multi-purpose lodge with sixteen private rooms, a kitchen, dining room, and assembly room; four camper cabins; a staff cabin; bathhouse and a live zoo have been built. The camp is being fully utilized for many conference and church group meetings as well as a full summer camping program for all ages.



Camp Alamisco

In these seventy years since the beginning of the work in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference, God has blessed in a remarkable way. Fifty-six churches and five companies have been established. A total of 4,647 believers comprise the membership of the conference territory. We greatly rejoice in the blessings of the past, but we also realize that we cannot rest until there is a lighthouse in every city and hamlet of Alabama, Mississippi and the northwest counties of Florida.

T. H. BLEDSOE, *Executive Secretary*

FLORIDA HOSPITALS UNITE



Don W. Welch
Administrator, Florida Hospital

The Southern Union Conference officers and administrators of our Florida hospitals have been constantly aware of the growing complexity of administering many of the activities of today's modern hospital. It has become increasingly apparent that in order to deal with these issues a well-defined organization must be worked out and made effective. The organization must provide for a combined effort of all Florida hospitals in order to produce the desired degree of efficiency, economy and excellence. A review of the writings of Ellen G. White reinforced the need for efficiency and economy in Seventh-day Adventist institutions and led to a feasibility study with attorneys and accountants relative to the development and day-by-day operation of these hospitals.

Throughout the study, several factors became apparent: first, that many problems existing in one hospital were now, or had been, significant problems in other hospitals and, secondly, that solutions to the problems in one hospital could be incorporated in other hospitals thus preventing duplication of research and development.

With these facts, the Southern Union officers recommended to the constituents at the Quadrennial Session at Jacksonville in April the formation of an organization that would create a common Board of Trustees for the Florida-Southern Union Conference-operated institutions . . . the Florida Hospital, Orlando; Medical Center Hospital, Punta Gorda; Putnam Memorial Hospital, Palatka; and Walker Memorial Hospital, Avon Park. Officers of the organization are: H. H. Schmidt, chairman; W. S. Banfield and W. O. Coe, vice-chairmen; D. W. Welch, president; H. N. Grove, secretary; G. Walper, executive vice-president for Walker Memorial Hospital; W. C. McConnell, executive vice-president, Putnam Memorial Hospital; and Jack Weisberg, executive vice-president for Medical Center Hospital.

According to D. W. Welch, the organization will bring to all the hospitals' boards of trustees more breadth and knowledge of operation as they guide the four institutions. It has already been proven that the knowledge and techniques applied in one hospital can now be utilized in others. This will not only save much time and money but will lend conformity and strength to each institution. In addition, Welch reported, the organization will make available to all hospitals the departmental expertise now found, perhaps, in only one hospital.

"One of the first projects that we shall work

on," Welch continued, "is group purchasing where we are able to get a lower unit cost by increasing the total items needed from a particular supplier and have them distributed to all the hospitals. This will help all hospitals by lowering costs and standardizing products used. A side benefit of great importance is to be able to offer the patient the best available products, selected by a number of experienced people rather than one hospital selecting its own."

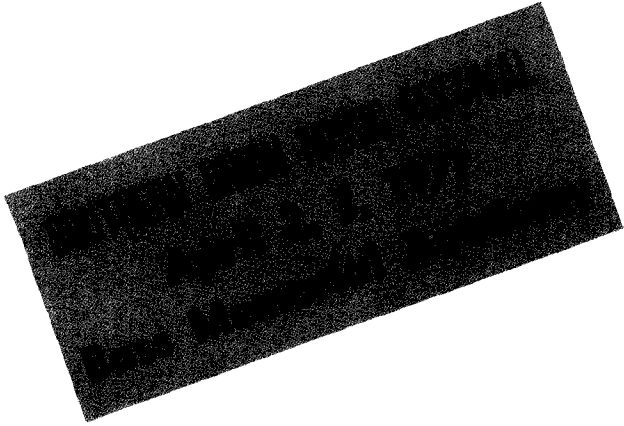
Another distinct advantage is the communication that this organization will necessitate. Many times there is the feeling in each hospital that problems must be faced alone. With the new organization, there will be frequent meetings between the president and the executive vice-presidents where discussions will center around current problems, trends and techniques. Each hospital executive will bring his problems and expertise to the meetings for the possible solution and edification of others present.

There are other services such as data processing, in-service education, method improvement, dietary consultation, and others that will be available to all four hospitals. In fact, our plan is to provide the patients and the communities we serve with the best possible patient care in the most economical and efficient manner.

"Our Florida hospitals are good hospitals," Welch stated. "In many respects, they are outstanding institutions. They have excellent facilities, a creditable record of service to the communities and a great deal for which to give thanks. However, as fine as our hospitals may be, we cannot in these changing times be content with present situations nor can we afford to be complacent about the future. I believe our hospitals have a great potential, and with the new organization and a little extra effort and diligence, our hospitals will become **great hospitals . . . great** in our facilities, equipment and grounds — **great** in the ability and dedication of personnel — **great** in the excellence of our medical standards — **great** in standards of loving, considerate, Christian care — **great** in our dedication to the needs and desires of our communities — and **great** in soul-winning efforts.

"This greatness will not come about merely through wishful thinking but as a result of concerted planning, efficient management and hard work on the part of our entire hospital organization," Welch concluded.

D. W. BRADLEY, *Office of Public Relations*

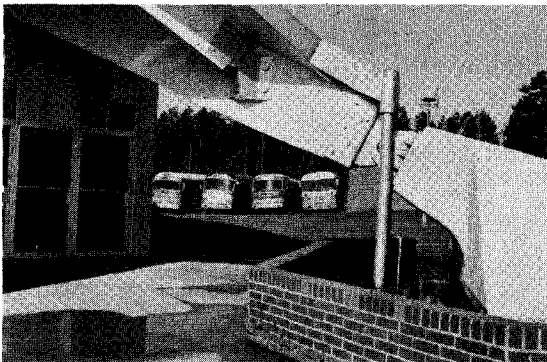


On the beautiful campus of Bass Memorial Academy located near Lumberton, Mississippi, the 1971 Southern Union Music Festival groups were welcomed by the principal of BMA, Lewis Stout, left, and Vernon Becker, Southern Union secretary of education.



Opening address at the music festival — "The Power of Sacred Music" — was given on Friday night by W. D. Wampler, president of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference.

Busses that brought music groups from eleven schools of the Southern Union to the campus of Bass Memorial Academy lined the school grounds during the festival.



MUSIC - The

From Biloxi, Mississippi, to Ocracoke, North Carolina, and from Key West, Florida, to Louisville, Kentucky, the Southern Union Music Festival always stirs great anticipation. Music lifts the soul to such heights of worship and joy in living that after each festival many proclaim it as "the best one yet." And it is the best — to parents who hear their youth perform, to instructors who see their youthful artists put their "all" into the presentation, and to the expectant community so blessed as to be the hosts of such planning and execution. Bass Memorial Academy in Lumberton, Mississippi, had this distinction this year.

Seven months before busses rolled, or mattresses and sleeping bags took every inch of dorm space, or a cacophony of sound threw eleven choirs and ten bands together for the first time, Elder Vernon Becker called together the music teachers for a planning session. A music teacher in the host school is usually asked to coordinate, arrange and print the program, and plan the specifics. This year Tom Arany of Bass had the pleasure.

Beginning Wednesday night, March 31, capable clinicians in the areas of band, choir and keyboard turned the dissonance into glorious melody and harmony before the first public presentation on Friday night. Adell Haughey of Columbia Union College blended the bands; Don Runyan of Southern Missionary College collated the choirs; and Dr. Melvin K. West of Walla Walla College commanded the keyboards. J. D. Bledsoe of Mount Pisgah Academy was the festival chorus accompanist.

The Sabbath hours were dedicated to the very finest in





One feature of the special Saturday night program was Debbie Downing and David Dunn from Little Creek School presenting "It's An Old Southern Custom."



Tom Arany, left, music instructor at BMA, coordinated and planned the specifics for the festival. Lewis Stout, right, is principal of the academy which hosted the event.

Soul's Own Speech

appropriate music. Friday night, April 2, Elder W. D. Wampler gave a sermonette on the power of sacred music. He pointed to Christ's use of song — "Jesus carried into His labor cheerfulness and tact. . . . Often He expressed the gladness of His heart by singing psalms and heavenly songs. . . . He held communion with heaven in song; and as His companions complained of weariness from labor, they were cheered by the sweet melody from His lips. His praise seemed to banish the evil angels, and, like incense, fill the place with fragrance. The minds of His hearers were carried away from their earthly exile, to the heavenly home." DA 73.

It is not just coincidental that the Southern Union board of education meets each year on the Friday before the festival. This brings together conference officials, superintendents and supervisors, principals and college personnel. Many of these persons assisted in the festival program this year.

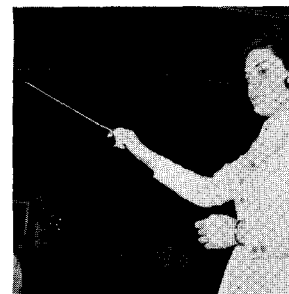
On Saturday night, April 3, an excellent secular concert featured southern music. Con Arnold, whose hometown is Selma, Alabama, and whose home conference is Alabama-Mississippi, was the master of ceremonies. Those present felt grateful to be citizens of both the Kingdom of God and of America as the festival chorus and band united in "America, Our Heritage," for their closing number.

A student of SMC, home from the mission field, remarked, "This is the finest thing I have ever seen our young people put on." ROBERT A. TYSON, *Public Relations Secretary*

FESTIVAL CLINICIANS WERE:

Dr. Melvin K. West of Walla Walla College

Adell Haughey of Columbia Union College



Don Runyan of Southern Missionary College

J. D. Bledsoe of Mount Pisgah Academy



At left — The festival chorus blended voices from all secondary schools of the Southern Union.





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NEWS

FROM THE CONFERENCES OF THE SOUTHERN UNION

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ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Medical Retreat

Physicians and dentists of the conference spent the weekend of May 7-9 at Camp Alamisco. Featured speaker was Dr. William Wagner of the General Conference Health Department. Other guests included H. H. Schmidt and H. F. Roll of the Southern Union and the officers of the local conference.

Evangelism

W. L. Mazat, lay activities secretary of the Southern Union, joined Ronald Neall and Arl Voorheis in Mobile, Alabama, for a three-week meeting in May.

VBS

Forty Vacation Bible Schools are being planned in the conference for the summer months.

Mobile Canteen

T. H. Weis, lay activities director, reports that two churches have each provided \$600 toward the \$10,000 goal for a mobile canteen to be used during disaster aid.

Opening Service

The Birmingham First church held the first meeting in the new sanctuary on Sabbath, May 15. An estimated 450 members and friends were present. Pastor Milton Reiber has directed the building project.

CAROLINA

High Point, N. C.

R. H. Pierson was guest speaker at the Tri-City Junior Academy in High Point. Three districts came together for the occasion. More than 600 church members were present. The program in the afternoon was presented by the AYA team from Mt. Pisgah Academy.

Goldsboro, N. C.

Pastor K. W. Kowarsch and W. H. Waters, Jr., conducted a meeting in Goldsboro and baptized four individuals.

Columbus, N. C.

Members of the Columbus church have raised over \$23,000 toward the building of a new church. The membership is 79. Regular attendance averages 90% with the same percentage reporting daily lesson study in the Sabbath school.

Mt. Pisgah Academy

On May 9, a special constituency meeting was called for members of the Carolina Conference. It was voted to move forward with the building of a new boys' dormitory at Mt. Pisgah.

Fayetteville, N. C.

A Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was conducted at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville by Pastor L. D. Groger and Drs. R. F. Meinhardt and C. R. LaGrange. The local radio station has volunteered free advertising time for another of these programs to be conducted during the month of July.

Raleigh, N. C.

Pastor J. F. Hughes was guest on the "Good Morning, Charlie" TV program on April 19. Also on the program was G. Wesley Williams, president of the Raleigh Merchants' Bureau. Discussion involved the proposed Blue Law which would close all stores on Sunday. Prior to the program, Elder Hughes had gathered over 4,000 names of individuals opposed to the Blue Law bill.

FLORIDA

1. The 14th annual Music Festival of elementary schools and junior academies was held at Forest Lake Academy, April 22-24. Fourteen schools were represented with a band of 200 members directed by Mrs. Pat Silver and a 325-member choir directed by Mr. Francis Cossentine. D. K. Griffith, conference educational secretary, was the overall director.
2. Eighteen Pathfinder clubs participated in the annual Sunday Activities on April 25. Ft. Myers won the Junior Club award of the year, and West Coast won the Teen Club award. Jacksonville won the Soap Box Derby award.
3. Two hundred Adventist youth invaded the crowded Florida beaches on Easter weekend armed with "Wayout" literature and enrollment cards. An estimated 5,500 college youth signed up for the Bible course.
4. Mrs. Eugene Steiner, State Federation leader, presided at the graduation of 52 individuals who had successfully completed the cooking and nutrition course sponsored by the Lay Activities Department of the conference. More than 100 persons attended some of the classes. S. L. Dombrosky, conference lay activities director, presented the diplomas.
5. Florida Sabbath schools, with a membership of 12,231, contributed \$87,936.96 for missions during the first 13 weeks of 1971. The per capita giving of the Sabbath school members in Florida is .553 per week.
6. Sixty-five senior citizens enjoyed a weekend at Camp Kulaqua, April 23-25. The camp featured a boat trip down the Suwannee River to Troy Springs where campers viewed a sunken boat used in the Civil War. The next senior citizens' camp is scheduled for October 10-14.
7. Community Service vans are meeting with unexpected success everywhere they operate. Mrs. Eugene Steiner, Federation president, and her corps of volunteers took 1,000 blood pressures and enrolled 300 persons in the Gift Bible program in two cities during the first week of May. N. H. Waters reports that his group took nearly 900 blood pressures and enrolled a large number in the Bible plan during the first two weeks of the operation of Van No. 2. It is expected that 10 of these vans will be ready for service by camp meeting time in June.
8. Pastor Phil Parker reports 17 persons were added to the Clearwater church as a result of the evangelistic meetings conducted by H. J. Carubba, conference executive secretary.
9. Six persons were in the first baptism following meetings conducted by Pastor Art Swinson in Jacksonville.
10. Literature evangelists delivered \$17,013.35 worth of books during Big Week, which ended May 6.
11. Evangelistic meetings now in progress — Gainesville, Kress Memorial church in Winter Park, and St. Cloud.
12. Hialeah Hospital staged a birthday party on Sunday, May 9. The gala event was in recognition of the hospital's 20th anniversary. An estimated 3,500 guests attended. During this 20 years, over 18,000 children have been born at the hospital. May 9 was also Mother's Day and the start of National Hospital Week.
13. Fourteen of the 16 students graduating from Hialeah Hospital's School of Practical Nursing have been hired by the hospital to become staff members. The school is now accepting applications for its fall term.



SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE

FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE ART DEPARTMENT HAS A SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM WHEREBY ART MAJORS CAN GET PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE WORKING AT BUSINESS COMPANIES DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS. THE THREE SENIOR STUDENTS WILL INTERN AT SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION IN NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE; MADISON HOSPITAL AT MADISON, TENNESSEE; AND AT THE COLLEGE PRESS ON THE SMC CAMPUS.

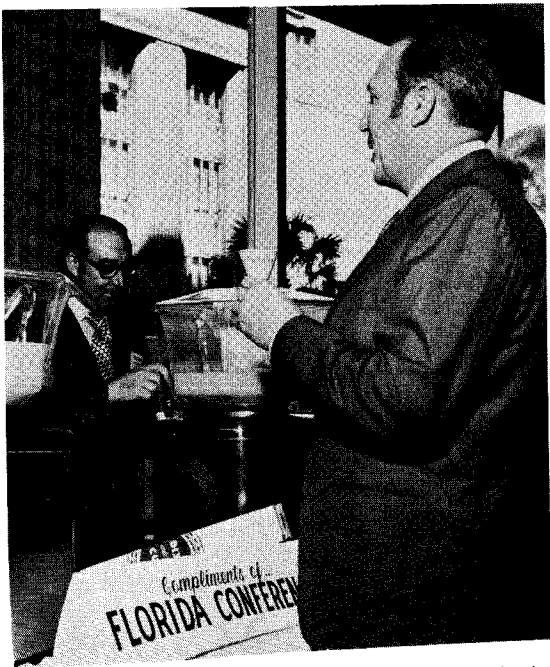
PICTORIAL / STORIES



MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI — Special Pathfinder induction ceremony was held for the Meridian club on April 7, 1971. From left, Mrs. Diane Bledsoe, director; Mrs. Carol Ingram, associate director; and Karla Kea, Pathfinder.



FLETCHER, NORTH CAROLINA — Roger Goodge, center, president of the Laymen's Foundation, gave the eulogy at a ceremony honoring the late Florence Fellemede Jasperson at the Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital and Fletcher Academy on Tuesday, April 27. During the ceremony a newly-installed electronic church organ, largely paid for by Fletcher board members, was dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Jasperson, a member of the board and widow of former board chairman, A. A. Jasperson. Other participants in the ceremony were Jack Williams, left, Fletcher president, and D. G. Anderson, hospital chaplain.



JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA — The Florida Conference hosted the 1971 Union Session in Jacksonville. Free orange juice was furnished to over 500 delegates and guests. H. J. Carubba, executive secretary of the Florida Conference, is shown serving T. H. Weis from the Alabama-Mississippi Conference.



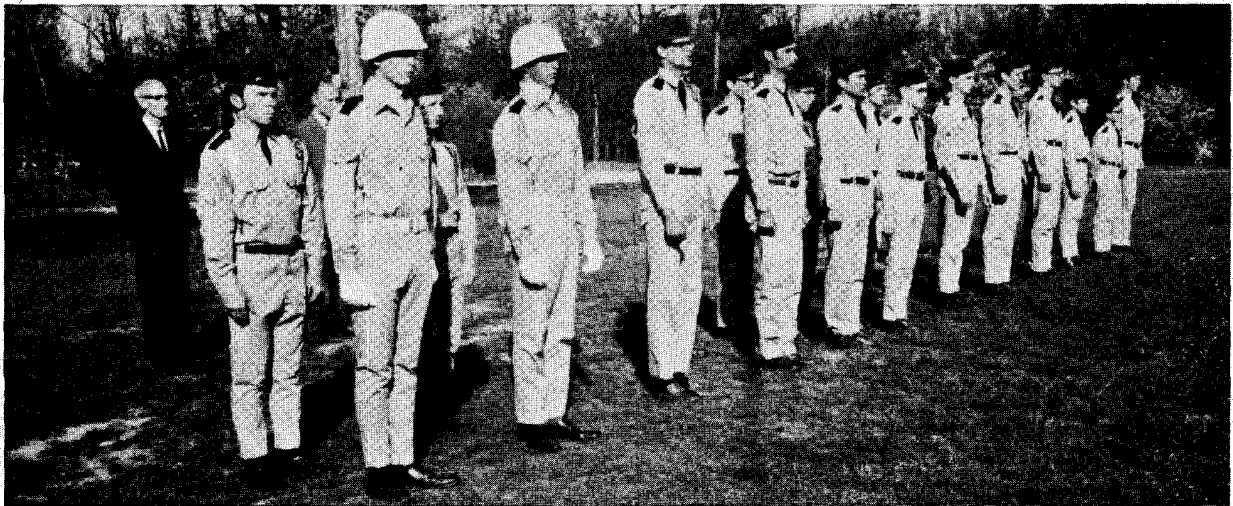
ORLANDO, FLORIDA — Murray Turner, center, Orlando literature evangelist who works exclusively in Florida public schools, sold \$15,520.01 in 1970. Presenting him with a trophy is H. J. Carubba, conference executive secretary. With them is Hoyet L. Taylor, conference publishing secretary.



WACCAMAW, NORTH CAROLINA — With Pastor O. E. Klein, back left, and N. K. Shepherd, right, are the individuals who were baptized as a result of meetings held in Waccamaw where work is being conducted on the Indian mission.



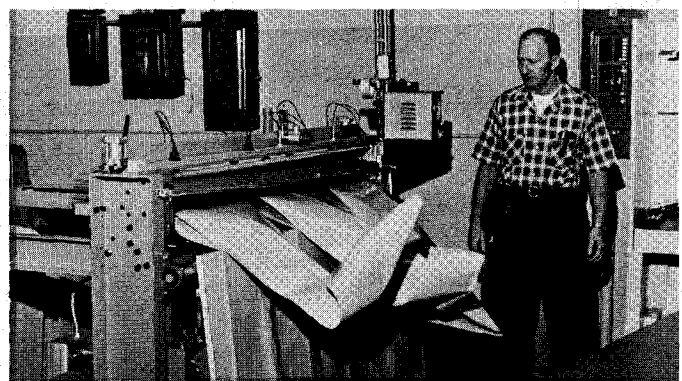
TAMPA, FLORIDA — Under the joyful direction of Ralph LaFave, pastor of the Tampa Southside church, the ladies of the Bible-in-the-Hand committee are packaging gift Bibles and lessons. More than a hundred requests were received as a result of a newspaper ad and the activities of the new Community Service Van. From left, Peggy Williams, Martha Rice, Mary King, Pastor LaFave, Anne Armstrong and June Kent.



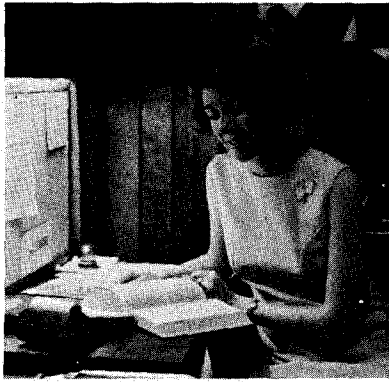
DAYTON, TENNESSEE — The Laurelbrook School Medical Cadet Corps, under the direction of Captain Bob Zollinger, offers one of the finest of pre-service training courses. Captain Zollinger and his staff have shown foresightedness in preparing young men not only to serve their country but also to give allegiance to God.



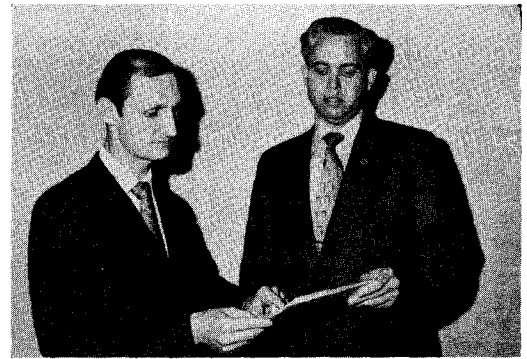
ATLANTA, GEORGIA — The Atlanta Belvedere church, located adjacent to the conference headquarters, was dedicated free of debt on Sabbath, April 10. Participating in the note-burning was H. R. Trout, left, conference treasurer, Mrs. James Greene, church treasurer, and James Land, first elder. The \$260,000 church was erected in 1965. Neal C. Wilson, vice-president of the General Conference, was dedication speaker. Other guests included D. G. Anderson, former pastor; H. H. Schmidt, Southern Union president; Desmond Cummings, local conference president. Perry Green is pastor.



FOREST CITY, FLORIDA — A new plastic bag factory is now in operation at Forest Lake Academy. Robert Lee is shown operating the machine that cuts and seals plastic bags. This machine will make plastic bags in various sizes. The new factory is directed by Jack Wright of Forest City and will employ numerous academy students.



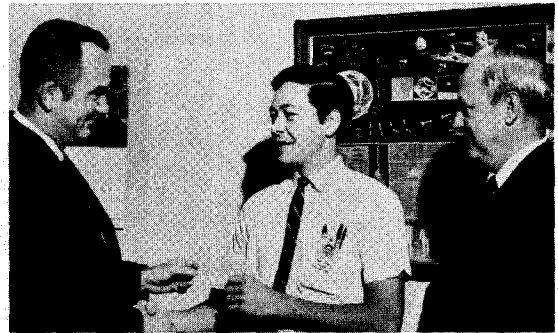
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE — Paula Becker, public relations director for the Southern Publishing Association in Nashville, Tennessee, has just been elected as the first woman vice-president of the national Public Relations Council. The council is made up of media people in the principal cities of the country. Miss Becker graduated from Loma Linda University with a major in English literature. She has taken graduate work at Vanderbilt University. She is the author of nine books, many magazine articles and has received communication awards for audio visuals, script writing and annual reports.



LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI — Pastor G. N. Kovalski, left, and Louis C. Stout, principal of Bass Memorial Academy, gave \$1,000 toward the \$100,000 conference-wide offering for evangelism and Bass dedication. The total worker force of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference pledged more than \$10,000.



LINCOLN, NEBRASKA — Workers at the Christian Record Braille Foundation recently were shown the latest and most novel contribution by general manager, C. G. Cross. This gift of \$25.00 consisted of five bills carefully folded in a special way so the blind giver could recognize them in her purse. The two blind proofreaders at the Foundation, Mary Pukey and Judy Brisbane compare the fold to that which they use to recognize each denomination of paper money. With increased demands for services and the newest service, the summer camps for blind children, the treasurer knows what to do with these five dollar bills. He wishes for more—flat or folded—to make possible the services for blind people—the only reason for the Foundation's existence.



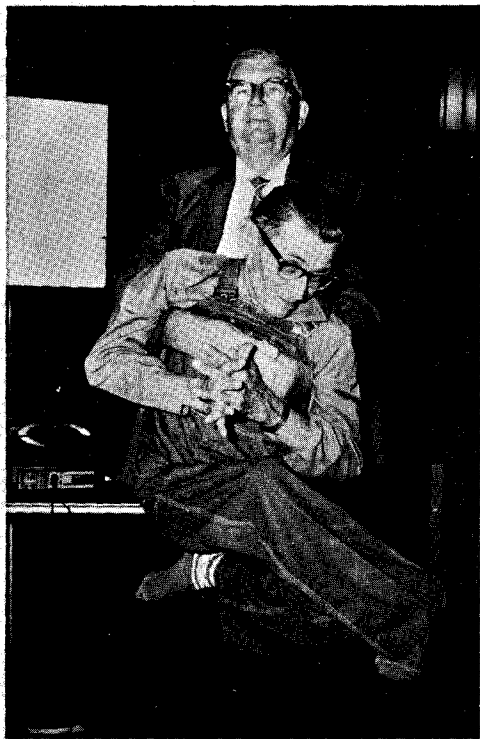
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA — Jimmy Upton received three cash awards for turning in good suggestions at the Redstone Arsenal at Huntsville. Making the awards was Jack Driesback. With them is Boyd Sevold of the Apollo Systems Department. Jimmy was recently offered a promotion. He humbly turned it down thinking there was a Sabbath problem. The directors of the Apollo Systems of Redstone Arsenal called him in, gave him the job with Sabbath off, and a \$68 per week increase in pay. Jimmy plans to advance his education in the area of electrical engineering.



ATLANTA, GEORGIA — Mrs. Thelma Mouzon recently received a plaque for her outstanding Community Service as coordinator of the Bowen Homes AID Center in Atlanta.



ATLANTA, GEORGIA — Ribbon-cutting services for the Atlanta Community Service Center were conducted Sunday, April 25, with Mrs. Catherine Healey of the Georgia Department of Family and Children's Services, wielding the scissors. Other participants, from left, Lewis Wynn, conference lay activities director; Mrs. Lyle Herman, Center director; W. L. Mazat, Southern Union lay activities director; General Woodward, chairman of Georgia Civil Defense; Mrs. Healey and Desmond Cummings, conference president. Also observing is Jill Lee of Atlanta. The Center is operated by the churches of the greater Atlanta area.



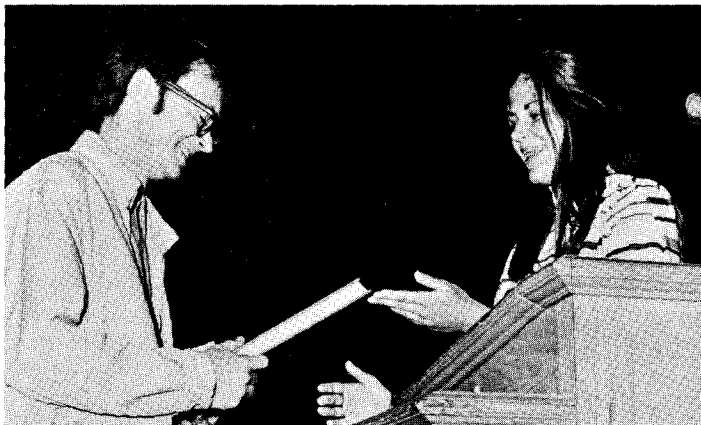
GILBERTOWN, ALABAMA — O. B. Clark literally placed his arms around a crippled neighbor, Roy "Buge" Abston, and showed him through the new Gilbertown church while it was under construction. Roy has missed very few services in the church since that time. During the recent evangelistic meetings, "Buge"—though he cannot walk—brought 65 persons to the meetings in ten nights. He drives his car by holding a 24-inch stick in his hand to apply gas and brakes.



GILBERTOWN, ALABAMA — Assisting in the Tyson-Brown evangelistic effort held in Gilbertown were five daughters of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Clark, loyal supporters of this small church. From left, Mrs. Sarah Carney, Mrs. Audry Taylor, Mrs. Jewel Franks, Mrs. Martha Hutchinson and Mrs. Catherine Maten. Four of the five are public school teachers.



COLLEGEDALE, TENNESSEE — Linda Spangler of Beltsville, Maryland, sophomore business administration major, was recently presented an award for her typing—104 words per minute for five minutes without any errors. Presenting the award was Richard Stanley, chairman of SMC's office administration department. (Photo by Gene Loudon)



COLLEGEDALE, TENNESSEE — Carol Smart, SOUTHERN MEMORIES editor-in-chief, presented the first copy of the 1971 SMC yearbook to Dr. Ray Hefferlin, professor of physics, to whom the yearbook has been dedicated. (Photo by Gene Loudon)



COLLEGEDALE, TENNESSEE — Ken Mathews, right, scholarship committee chairman, presented the Professor of the Year Award to Dr. Lawrence Hanson, professor of mathematics at SMC. Given for the first time ever at SMC, the award was presented for recognition by the students of an instructor's outstanding contribution in inspiring, motivating and instructing. (Photo by Gene Loudon)

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Pathfinder Fair — Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Calhoun, Georgia, June 4-6, 1971.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Madison Boulevard Homecoming — July 24, 1971. Former members and pastors, old friends, special guests are invited to Homecoming at Boulevard church, Madison, Tennessee. Two special plaques to be unveiled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Atlantic Union College alumni and former staff members — Potluck picnic lunch on the campus of Madison Academy at noon, Sabbath, June 12. Mrs. Rochelle Kilgore will be present.

1971 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

Alabama-Mississippi

CAMP ALAMISCO, Dadeville, Alabama

July 1-4	Family Camp
4-11	Junior boys
11-18	Youth (co-ed)
18-25	Junior girls

Carolina

Lake Lure, North Carolina

Aug. 8-15	Teen camp
15-22	Junior camp
22-27	Friendship camp

Florida

CAMP KULAQUA, High Springs, Florida

June 6-12	Junior camp I - ages 10-12
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June 13-19	Junior camp II - ages 10-12
20-26	Teen camp I - ages 13-15
27-July 3	Teen camp II - ages 13-15
July 4-10	Camp for blind - ages 10-18
11-17	Friendship camp
18-24	Junior camp III - ages 10-12
25-31	Junior camp IV - ages 10-12
Aug. 1-7	Adventurer camp - ages 8-9

Georgia-Cumberland

CAMP CHEROKEE (Formerly Camp Cumby-Gay), Mountain City, Georgia

June 13-20	Adventure camp - ages 8 & 9
20-27	Junior camp I - ages 10-12
27-July 1	Friendship camp - ages 10-15
July 4-10	Junior camp II - ages 10-12
11-18	Teen camp - ages 13-16
21-25	Family camp

Kentucky-Tennessee

INDIAN CREEK CAMP, Liberty, Tennessee

June 20-27	Teen camp - ages 13 and up
27-July 4	Junior camp I - ages 8-12
July 4-11	Junior camp II - ages 8-12
11-18	Friendship camp
	ages 9 and up
18-25	Family camp
25-Aug. 1	Senior citizens

South Atlantic

Camp Grounds, Hawthorne, Florida

June 11-25	Junior camp
22-July 4	Friendship camp
Sept. 3-6	Senior camp

South Central

Booker T. Washington State Park, Chattanooga, Tennessee

July 11-18	Teen camp
18-25	Junior camp
Leroy Percy State Park, Hollandale, Mississippi	
Aug. 2-7	Mississippi camp

YOUTH WITNESS TEAM TO TOUR NORTH AMERICA

A thirty member intercollegiate witness team called the "Gymnares For Christ" has been formed with students from North American Adventist colleges. The group will begin a series of public appearances in the United States and Canada on June 15.

Six students have been selected by each college as candidates for the group. One young person will represent each college as a member of the "Gymnares For Christ."

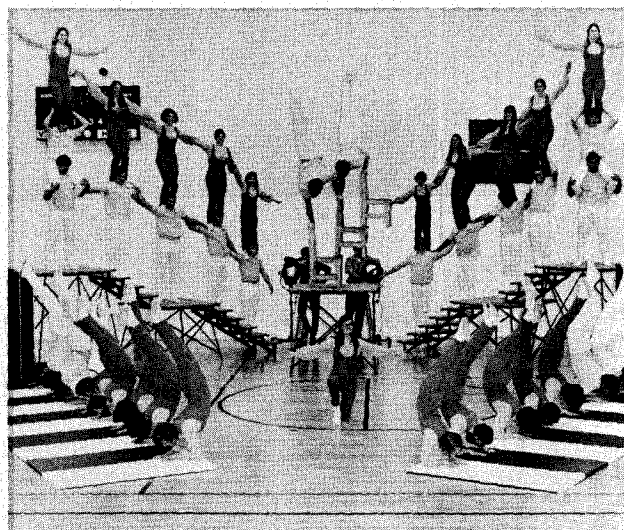
Robert Kalua, associate professor of physical education at Andrews University is director and coordinator of the group.

During the past several years a number of youth witnessing troupes have been successful in reaching other youth. Most, however, have been largely singing-speaking-testimony groups, but a new dimension is being added to this national troupe. This is the church's emphasis on health and physical fitness, which, combined with testimony and singing brings a broad spectrum of interests together.

Action-packed, Christ-centered programs will mark each witness session. Every program will include gymnastics, music, personal testimony and youth witnessing training. The group will also make personal one-to-one Christian contacts with other youth following every appearance.

Scheduled itinerary within the Southern Union
July 5 and 6 Madison Academy gymnasium,
Nashville, Tennessee

July 7 and 8	Asheville, North Carolina
July 9 and 10	Chattanooga, Tennessee
July 11 and 12	Atlanta, Georgia
July 13 and 14	Orlando, Florida
July 16 and 17	Birmingham, Alabama (tentative)



Paula Becker

BOOK REVIEW

The Age of Aquarius is upon us, isn't it? You may think that Jupiter aligned with Mars really isn't affecting your life in the slightest, but we'll wager that hardly a day goes by but what astrology enters into your existence in some way.

What do you really know about the significance of the occult "sciences" in today's world? If your knowledge is a bit sketchy, you'll want to pick up a new Southern Publishing Association release entitled **EXPLORING THE WORLD OF PSYCHIC POWERS**, by Fernando Chaij.

Subtitled "How hypnotism and spiritualism can affect your life," this book presents a detailed analysis of the various fascinating aspects of psychic phenomena. Dr. Chaij feels that the intense pressures of modern living lead many people to seek an escape in some form of spiritualistic practice. Hypnotism, reincarnation, seances and poltergeists come in for a share of realistic discussion. You'll appreciate the careful research and documentation of Dr. Chaij's book, and also the economical price — only \$2.50.

Modern marriage in the Age of Aquarius is something to consider, isn't it? Whether you have a shaky marriage or a strong one, you'll enjoy **SPLendor OF THE SONG OF SOLOMON**, by G. T. Dickinson. The author develops the story of this great love poem from the Bible and points out principles of true love that will add strength to any union.

He states that two people can become one while retaining happiness, individuality, and a vibrant friendship — IF they have a mutual desire to succeed in love. This attractive hard-cover book sells for just \$3.50.

Why not pick up at least one of these new releases at camp meeting (or your Book and Bible House) later this month?

And let the sunshine in!

— PAULA BECKER
Director of Public Relations
SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION

MIDSUMMER OFFERING

July 17, 1971

Ellen G. White tells us that God's work in these closing days of earth's history will be characterized by the same spirit of sacrifice as was manifested by the early pioneers of the Advent Movement. With an ever-expanding world missions outreach, the financial needs of the denomination are always increasing. As members of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination each year we are offered many ways and opportunities of supporting financially the worldwide program of missions. One of these important opportunities will be offered to members in the North American Division and all over the world on July 17, 1971, when the well-known "Midsummer Offering" will be received in all churches.

The amount received from this offering is an important part of the general missions budget and is pooled with other special offerings, such as the Spring Mission Offering, the Week of Sacrifice offering, etc., which all form part of the total world budget for missions.

As one who is a product of the mission field and has spent thirty years in the Lord's service in the Inter-American Division, I would like to express heartfelt appreciation for the generous giving of our members in the North American Division over the years, with the urgent appeal that we make the offering on July 17, 1971, the biggest Midsummer Offering ever. Let us give to finish the work while there is yet time.

ROY F. WILLIAMS
Associate Secretary
General Conference

Obituaries

Submitted to the SOUTHERN TIDINGS office during the month of April, 1971.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first." I THESSALONIANS 4:16

COLLIER, Charles J., passed away on March 13, 1971, in Concord, Tennessee. Surviving are his wife, Ruby; two daughters, Bonnie Barber and Christene Lowery; and one son, Dennis.

CROUCH, Elizabeth, 81, was born in Hamilton, Alabama, and died April 4, 1971. She was a charter member of the Winter Garden Seventh-day Adventist Church. Her survivors are two sons, William Randall and Robert; six daughters, Mrs. Elgie Charles, Mrs. Glarvie Young, Mrs. Mildred Presser, Mrs. Verna Mae Mooley, Mrs. Charlotte Williams and Mrs. Ethel O'Quinn; a brother, Ben Sullins; two sisters, Mrs. Rosa Gardner and Mrs. Phoebe Pope; 28 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

MOORE, Mildred E., was born August 18, 1927, in Columbus, Ohio, and died February 4, 1971, in Fort Pierce, Florida. She was a member of the Fort Pierce church. Her survivors are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Moore; and one sister, Norma Wiik.

NORWOOD, James Wesley, died at the age of 88 years on April 14, 1971, in Blowing Rock, North Carolina, after a lingering illness. He is survived by his wife, Cora; six sons; a daughter; a sister; 24 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. D. E. Wagner conducted the service.

ORSBURN, Ray, was born March 20, 1883, in Castile, New York, and died April 2, 1971, in Tampa, Florida. He was a member of the Tampa first church. He is survived by his son, Loren, and a brother, Donald.

PETERSON, Alfred W., retired educator and minister, died April 19, 1971, at the age of 83, in Loma Linda, California. His residence was in many places as he pursued the work of his church in behalf of its youth. Survivors include his wife, Stella; a son, Keene, of Washington, D.C.; two sisters; three grandsons; and many other relatives and friends.

PUMPHREY, Henry Hoffman, was born January 15, 1905, in Glen Burnie, Maryland, and died April 4, 1971, in Orlando, Florida. He was a member of the North Orlando church. Survivors are his widow, Ruth; three daughters, Mrs. Shirley Baldree, Mrs. Joan L. Hanks and Mrs. Ruth Kay Shipley; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Mellor and Mrs. Levina Robinson; and eight grandchildren.

REESE, Pryor Wilson, was born in Georgia on July 18, 1889, and died in Asheville, North Carolina, on April 21, 1971. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. A. J. Skender, H. E. Davis and R. G. Beck officiated at the service.

ROGERS, H. O., fell asleep in the blessed hope, April 19, 1971, at his home on Richburg Hill in Purvis, Mississippi. Mr. Rogers would have celebrated his 91st birthday on May 28. He and Mrs. Rogers had been married for 72 and one-half years. A former resident of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, he was a life-long member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Survivors are his wife, Rowena, and his daughter, Mrs. Brad Braley of the Voice of Prophecy, Glendale, California. Funeral services were conducted by E. J. McMurry assisted by W. D. Wampler. Interment was at Gilbertown, Alabama.

SIMONS, Henry W., was born January 25, 1909, in Terrytown, Georgia, and died March 21, 1971, in West Palm Beach, Florida. He was a member of the West Palm Beach church. Surviving is his wife, Wilma; three sons, Horace, Harold and David; three daughters, Mrs. Donna Klein, Diana and Marcia; one sister, Mrs. Mildred Provence; and nine grandchildren.

STONE, Delano R., was born on December 26, 1932, in Baxley, Georgia, and died there on March 23, 1971. He had been a member of the Baxley church for 20 years and was serving as head deacon at the time of his death. Surviving are his wife, Sarah Ellen; one daughter, Sybil; three sons, Daniel, Kenneth and Daryl; his parents; a sister and two brothers. Funeral services were conducted in the Baxley church by Gordon McCrillis assisted by Kingsley Whitsett and Glenn Mitchell.

VINING, Noble E., Sr., was born December 27, 1892, in Merriweather County, Georgia, and died April 28, 1971, in Atlanta, Georgia. His survivors include his wife, Nancy, and his two sons, Noble and Briscoe. Elders W. G. Ambler and O. B. Cray officiated at the service.

WALLER, James Thomas, born December 24, 1886, in Upson County, Georgia, passed to his rest in Thomaston, Georgia, on March 5, 1971. He is survived by his wife, Marian; one daughter, Elanore, of Plant City, Florida; five sons, Robert, Thomas, Fred, Joe and Julian; a sister, Virginia Waller; two brothers, Ben and Seth; ten grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. Brother Waller was a member of the Thomaston church. E. O. McCoun conducted the memorial services.

WOHLWEND, Alfons, was born in Switzerland on December 10, 1892, and died at home in Greenville, South Carolina, on April 21, 1971. He is survived by his wife, Teresa Behre-Wohlwend. R. C. Russell officiated at the service.

WOOLEY, Nannie Beaty, was born August 7, 1896, in Gilcrest County, Florida, and died March 28, 1971, at the Florida Hospital in Orlando, Florida. She was a member of the Lakeland church. She is survived by seven sons, Halley B., Irvin P., Mannie A., Goley C., Alton, Asson G. and G. Charles; two daughters, Mrs. Isabell Martin and Mrs. Kathryn Hinson; 20 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. L. H. Cox conducted the service.

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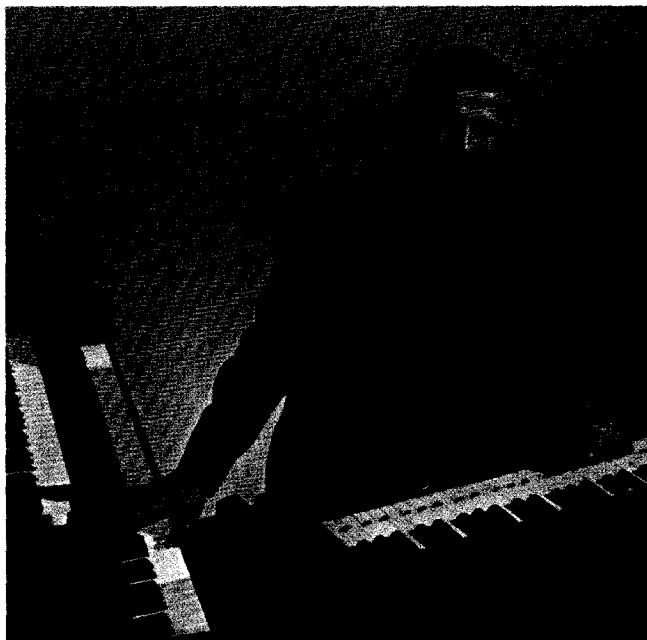
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