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A Good Ingathering



THIS year's Harvest Ingathering period for the Far Eastern Division extends from September 2 to October 14. When this issue of the "Outlook" reaches its division readers, we will be in the closing days of the campaign. It is a great task to get such a movement as this campaign under way. Every one of our approximately twenty-two thousand members is to be interested in the organization and conduct of the effort. It is an almost herculean task to interest and organize them and it is as great a work, or perhaps greater, to carry the campaign on to complete success. Like every feature of our forward movement it meets with many obstacles. However, all obstacles encountered may be overcome by prayerful zeal. This Ingathering work is spoken of in prophecy, and its success is promised. Speaking of the closing work of Christ's gospel in the earth, Isaiah says, "The sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee." "The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee . . . to beautify the place of my sanctuary." "Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the Lord am thy Saviour." These figurative words clearly indicate that the church is to receive help from the world in its good work. But the church is to "arise, shine" and acquaint the world of its work. Thus it is that there shall be brought to the church "thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them unto the name of the Lord thy God." In direct connection with these promises to the church of material help from the world are the promises of eternal reward to Christ's faithful workers. Our Ingathering work is to acquaint those who do not know that their Saviour is soon to come, with this wonderful truth, and to give them the opportunity to contribute to some of the many philanthropic features of this great Second Advent Movement such as caring for the sick, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, providing facilities for the education of children and youth, and places of worship. This Ingathering work is good. The year's campaign must be crowned with success. Flagging zeal must be renewed and prayerful effort redoubled. A very special effort often wins the goal even during the last quarter of the race.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

TWO GOOD BOOKS

One Old Book in a New Dress—One New Book

The Review and Herald Publishing Association has brought out a special edition of the book "Early Writings" by Mrs. E. G. White. The price of the regular trade edition of this book is \$1.25 gold. This special edition is bound very substantially in heavy paper covers with round corners, and is sewed so it will be flat-opening. It contains 316 pages, and the price is fifty cents gold per copy postpaid, selling it on the trade basis. This edition is in English and should be in the home of every family where English is read. It is one of the most helpful of Sister White's books for our people.

The other book,—a new one—was prepared by the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference. It is entitled "Fishers of Men" and will be of great inspirational value to our people. It will help them to a better understanding of their duty to work for the salvation of all whom they can reach, and will make them better acquainted with the modes of successful soul-winning. This book also should be in every Seventh-day Adventist home where English is read. Add these two good books to your working library if you do not already have them. Order through your tract society. The price of the new book "Fishers of Men" is 50¢ gold.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

A MARKED INCREASE IN HOME MISSIONARY WORK

The readers of the "Outlook" will rejoice to know that the last quarter's report of Home Missionary work shows a marked increase in laymen's activities. Except for a slight loss in the number of missionary letters written, every item shows an increase over the same three-month period of 1932.

A very outstanding gain is seen in the number of Bible readings given and cottage meetings held. This is doubtless because of the classes already started in many churches on "How to Give Bible Readings." Results are reflected in the fact that 483 souls were won to the truth this last quarter by lay members as compared with 338 for the same quarter of last year. This shows a gain of 145 in the three-month period. Let every minister rejoice and keep on organizing, educating, and training men and women till every believer in every church is reporting some phase of missionary activity every week.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

ARE YOU UP TO DATE?

Nearly three-fourths of the year 1933 is already in the past. Are you up to date in your Sabbath School

Training Course? No Sabbath school officer or teacher can afford to miss these splendid articles. Every one will bear rereading more than once. A country superintendent once said of a teacher, "No matter where I find this teacher, she is always *seeking the best* that she may in turn give of her best to the children of her school." Can we say the same of all the officers and teachers of our Sabbath schools?

Speaking of this Training Course one Sabbath school worker said, "It is a million-dollar course for teachers and officers, present and prospective." Brother Staines, a very busy man connected with our medical school, says, "I cannot see how one can afford to carry the responsibilities of a teacher in our Sabbath schools without keeping up with the Training Course work."

Every year it gets better and better. Let us all avail ourselves of this splendid help and receive our attractive lithographed certificate properly signed and furnished by the General Conference Sabbath School Department. "The reward is to those who finish the course, not to those who only begin it." There is plenty of time yet to enroll and finish the course on time. Simply read the good articles in the "Sabbath School Worker" for 1933, and the book "Making of a Teacher" by Martin Brumbaugh, then write to your union Sabbath school secretary stating that you have done the required reading and you will receive your certificate. No examination is required. If you do not have the book, perhaps you could borrow it from a neighbor or friend who has it.

If the book "Making of a Teacher" is ordered through your regular Book and Bible House it may be obtained at the reduced price of 95¢ gold. The regular price is \$1.25 gold.

BLANCHE E. GRIGGS.

WEEK OF PRAYER AT THE PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE

The Philippine Union College again witnessed a momentous revival when the Week of Prayer was held early in July. The need of a season of prayer was greatly felt by every one at this time, to insure the success of the year's school work.

The Week of Prayer opened with Pastor R. R. Senson, head of the Bible Department of the college, in charge. During the first few meetings he gave a setting for the occasion, expressing the need of a change in the life of every one, particularly in these crucial days in which we are living. Pastor J. W. Rowland of the Malayan Union continued during the middle of the week, advocating that every one seek a closer walk with God

and a deeper consecration to the Master, knowing that His coming "is near, even at the doors." Professor W. P. Bradley, the educational secretary of the Far Eastern Division, gave the finishing touch, as it were, to the Week of Prayer, working especially for those who had not yet given their hearts to the Saviour.

The working of the Holy Spirit was certainly felt during this particular week. Definite victories were expressed by the members of the faculty and the student body. A few of those who had not taken their stand for the Master stood and gave their hearts fully to Him. The Week of Prayer has been a decisive victory to some who have long been meddling with sin. We hope to see this great advancement in the spirituality of every one continue through this year and the years to come.

L. L. QUIRANTE.

THE LITERATURE MINISTRY

The promise given in the Spirit of prophecy,—*"The canvassing work is to be revived and carried forward with increasing success."*—is meeting a direct fulfillment in the Far Eastern Division. Most encouraging reports are coming in from every union. With the recent arrival of Pastor R. M. Milne in Malaya, every union is now manned with strong progressive field missionary secretaries. This leadership under the blessing of God is bound to bring increasing success. The Saviour's request,—*"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into his harvest,"*—applies particularly to the colporteur work at this time. *"PRAYER CHANGES THINGS."*

J. H. MCEACHERN.

ENCOURAGING WORDS FROM ELDER C. H. WATSON

President of the General Conference

"One thing that cheers and strengthens our hearts at headquarters is the courage and faithfulness breathed in the letters we receive from our leaders throughout the field, in the face of repeated cuts and limitations that are even harder upon men who have to deal with them in the local fields than they are upon us who are obliged to make them. Frequently in correspondence from the divisions we are encouraged by the spirit in which workers receive reductions in their pay and limitations on their travel. We would not do a thing in the world to work hardship on any of these faithful workers, but find ourselves unable to pass out to the field any more than the income that reaches our hands, with our best efforts to keep the Treasury supplied."

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FAR EASTERN DIVISION OUTLOOK



Special Efforts Among the Churches in the West Visayan Mission

When Mrs. Adams and I left the West Visayan Mission in 1919, there were only about 200 believers in that field, but as we returned this year we found 4,500 believers, about a dozen church schools, a junior academy, and over a hundred churches and companies. Truly the statement used by Samuel Morse in sending his first telegraphic message, "What hath God wrought?" may properly apply here. In fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel, the Spirit of God is being poured out upon all flesh.

In an endeavor to strengthen every phase of our church work that we may make a still more rapid advance, the mission committee called together all the workers at Iloilo for a meeting in which to seek God and lay plans for a more rapid advance in our evangelistic work. Professor Griggs our division president and Pastor Figuhr our union superintendent were in attendance for some ten days. We earnestly sought God, and studied ways and means by which we could reclaim the backslidden in our churches and speed up every phase of our soul-winning work. Among the plans adopted was that of having special efforts among our churches during the month of August. In pursuance of this plan we have been holding meetings of about three days' duration with groups of churches which were so located that their members could easily be brought together in one place. After each general meeting we would leave a group of workers to visit every church and every member in the church with a view to strengthening the faithful and bringing back the wandering, while the rest of us would go on to another general meeting for a different group of churches.

Truly the Lord has shown His approval of this work by the results which we already see. His spirit has been present in a mighty way in all of these district meetings. The workers who are continuing the house to house visitation among the churches report most encouraging results in reviving many who have been cold and backslidden. Such ones are responding wonderfully to the simple efforts

By PASTOR E. M. ADAMS

which we are putting forth at this time to revive them. The following are extracts from two letters received from workers who are engaged in this revival work:

"I am very thankful to the Lord that although the way seems dark, yet He is able to help us if we only cling to His promise, 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.' Now as we go from house to house it is indeed very discouraging to see that many of the brethren were overruled by Satan to transgress the law of God. It is the will of God that these brethren who have been weak in their faith might be strengthened before the coming of the Lord. Of course, Brother Juanillo and I feel that it is not easy to deal with the many different

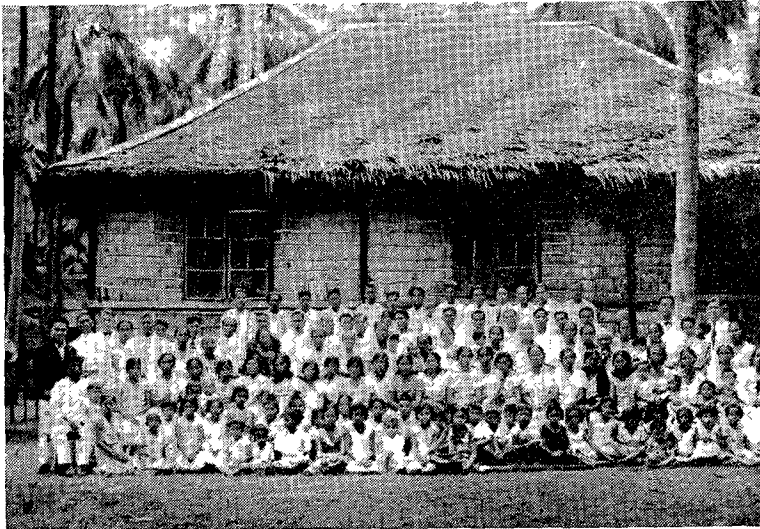
problems that confront us. This teaches me the lesson of searching my own heart to be more prayerful to the Lord.

"I am glad to tell you that with the help of the Lord our labor is not in vain. Most all of the backsliders which we have visited have been reclaimed after we spent much time in prayer for them and talked to them from the Word of God."

Another worker says: "At Bontol we found divisions among the members who were backslidden. We began the work and con-

tinued for three days, and through the workings of the Holy Spirit the hearts of the brethren were touched and all came back to the church. After we gathered them in they made reconciliation with one another, joy came to every one, and all praised the Lord. Those who had grudges against others gave them up. So, Brother Adams, I do not have words to express all the good that God has given to us. The people about us were interested as they saw the brethren making peace with one another."

I was much impressed at each one of these meetings to see the interest manifested on the part of the outsiders. In every place the brethren brought with them to these district meetings persons newly interested in the faith who showed an earnest desire to prepare for baptism and unite with the church. In one place there were four girls whose



Church at Aguisan, Occidental Negros, 1933.

parents were not Adventists who came in with the brethren from a distant church. While these girls were just beginning to study the truth, they took an active part in the meetings, turning to the texts and reading when asked, and even with tears bearing their testimonies as opportunity was given.

At the night meetings many outsiders were present who manifested a deep interest in the message that was given. In one place, as I sat in the congregation with my Bible in hand, young men, not of our faith, who had come in to hear the sermon, manifested an interest in reading the texts as the minister proceeded, and I was glad to turn to each text for them and hold my Bible so that they could see. They eagerly read the verses and often pointed to them exclaiming, "There it is just as the preacher said." This impressed me very much with the fact that God is pouring out His Spirit upon the hearts of men and leading them to seek the truth and prepare for His coming. Surely we ought to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into the harvest field.

The elder of the church where we held our last meeting has five interested persons attending the Sabbath meetings regularly and studying for baptism. These experiences have intensified greatly my interest in training laymen for this work. I believe that the plan of teaching our members how to give Bible studies and of organizing them for work is of God. We plan in this field to follow up the revival work and organize these Bible classes, and no doubt the result will be an abundant harvest of souls.

We solicit your prayers for a constantly increasing supply of the help that comes from above. There are few conferences in any part of the world with as large a membership as this mission, and excepting the Philippine Union, every union in the China and Far Eastern Divisions has fewer members than this local mission. Only three of these unions have even half as many members. This comparison is only an appeal for your help. God is with us and we are of good courage. May we finish quickly the work that He has given us.

THE MEDICAL WORK OPENING DOORS IN EAST SIAM

Brother Glenn Kimble, our division builder, has been erecting a home for Brother and Sister Abel in Ubol, east Siam, but since the General Conference is requesting that all building work be discontinued for the present on account of the shortage of funds, it has been made possible for Brother Kimble to assist Brother and Sister

Abel in their mission work. He has given, in a personal letter, the following interesting account of some of the work which he is doing:

"We are very busy these days taking care of the many patients which come for help both in a medical and spiritual way as well as the many other duties that devolve upon us. It is rather uphill business to try to carry on medical work among the mixed class that we have to deal with when we have no interpreter or any one to talk for us. If we are to stay here we most certainly must have some one to help us in this respect because every day we have cases come to us which, unless we can find some one to talk for us, we are unable to do anything for. We had a very interesting experience a few weeks ago. A Chinese man in the market was taken with dysentery, and after exhausting all other sources a friend of his asked us if we would go to see him. We went and found him very weak though not so far gone but what he reacted to treatment. All went well for a week, the dysentery was cured but he was still weak so we were building him up and would soon have had him on his feet again. Some of his Chinese friends convinced him that our medicine was not giving results and that he should go to a Chinese doctor and get good medicine, something that would entirely cure him within one or two days. Before he did this, he sent his friend to me asking that he be allowed to change doctors and we informed him that he could change doctors, but if anything serious developed, he must not blame us. I happened to be in the market about two hours later and saw him riding through town on a bull cart in the hot sun, on his way to the Chinese medicine shop. A group of Chinese men were in the shop opposite where Brother Abel and I were and they passed the remark that he must be getting better. He got the Chinese medicine at this medicine shop and returned home, took the medicine and lay down on the bed to rest after his strenuous ride. The medicine must have been good for in two hours he was stone dead. We had grave fears as to what the outcome might be respecting our influence in the market, especially the medical end, but that afternoon at the funeral his closest friend said that if he had continued with our medicine he would not have died and that he could only blame himself. This experience has added great impetus to our work both medical and spiritual. Since this experience many who have been ardent followers of the Chinese shop have now turned to us. It seems they have lost faith entirely in the medicine shops, charms, and medicines. We have had nineteen here today, two of which are so impressed that they have turned their backs on heathenism and are asking for light. They are

to come tomorrow for Chinese literature, and I feel confident that it will only be a short time when their names will be on our membership roll."

HARVEST INGATHERING

There never has been a year in our history when it was more incumbent upon every worker to take an active part in the Ingathering campaign than this year. We must not allow ourselves to even think of failure, much less talk of it. The advancement of the message is at stake. God is moving upon hearts to give, and we must seek them out by going to every business man from the highest executive to the smallest merchant. Let everyone have an opportunity to give.

The other day I glanced through a worker's list of donors. This worker had put in three weeks and raised P300.00. The highest donation received was P5.00. The P300.00 was raised in small amounts, but perseverance won the goal. I learned that this worker kept at it every day from seven in the morning until nine o'clock and sometimes ten o'clock at night.

Moreover each worker in addition to doing his very best as a personal example should do what is still more important, lead forth every church member to take an active part in the campaign. By carefully planned house-to-house solicitation in the daytime, by singing bands in the evenings, and by experienced solicitors in the business districts, let every church quickly reach the goal.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

ENCOURAGING WORDS . . .

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"From Southern Asia Pastor Cormack writes in a recent letter the following very encouraging paragraph:

"The work throughout the field is going forward very encouragingly. We are having more baptisms than ever before, and, comparatively speaking, our tithes and offerings (which, of course, have always been a minor quantity because of the nature of our membership) have kept up very well, indeed. The crisis that has come upon us has brought to us, as to other fields, a very special opportunity for exhorting our people to be faithful in bringing in their tithes and offerings, and we are sure that the perplexities that have confronted us in recent months have not, by any means, been to our work and workers and people an unmixed evil.'"

Baptisms in South America for 1932 totaled 2,385, an increase of 302 over 1931. The total tithe decrease for the Division for 1932 was only \$2,476, as compared with 1931.

Every Department Shows Excellent Progress in the Japan Junior College

By PROFESSOR A. N. NELSON

Graduation is over and the seventh year in the new location at Naraha has happily and successfully ended. The girls' division in Tokyo also enjoyed one of its best years. Four girls were graduated from the academic course and plans are being laid to teach a few college subjects this fall, that these promising girls, who are still too young to engage in the work, may continue their Christian education. Elder Okohira, the principal, and his associate teachers have worked hard and the future of the girls' school is promising.

At Naraha fourteen were baptized in June just before school was out, some of them being from non-Adventist families. They are showing by their daily lives the subduing influence of the Holy Spirit. The few younger students who are not yet baptized are under conviction, and no doubt will be baptized during the next school year.

Evangelistic work for the farmers, villagers, and townspeople around the school is proceeding vigorously. The ten college boys have taken the lead in the Sabbath school and Missionary Volunteer work. Much literature has been systematically distributed, and many cottage meetings are being held far and near. We regard these evangelistic efforts not as mere practice but as an integral part of the missionary activities of the Japan Union Mission.

Thanks to the Big Week Funds, both physical and chemical laboratory equipment has been set up in the new laboratory. New books are being bought for the library which is now completely cataloged according to the Dewey Decimal System.

The Art Department is more than busy with printing orders. We are printing the Morning Watch Calendar, the Home Study Institute Japanese Language Course materials (the four quarters of year 1 being completed at this writing), and various smaller books for the mission, besides textbooks and miscellaneous printing for the school.

The Farm Department, one of the most difficult of our industrial problems, is now quite promising. The corn crop is eight to ten feet high and a new pit silo 10 x 20 feet awaits the silage soon to flow from a new silage cutter, as feed for the ten head of cattle.

A new simple thrashing machine made short work with the wheat crop which is now going through the Health Food Department as graham flour orders come in. A new experiment in

community service was tried out when Professor Millard and his farm boys thrashed a neighbor's wheat crop relieving them for the first time of their age-old sweating with the flail. This service will help us in our work of rural evangelism.

The peanut crop is growing beautifully and one section contains a Spanish variety which we are introducing into this peanut belt of Japan.

It is with happy confidence in the continued progress of our three-fold educational work that we leave on furlough. Brother Millard will have charge of this school and Brother

Thurston will continue as business manager. Elder Seino is preceptor. We are glad to see on this coming year's faculty two of our own junior college graduates. One of these, Brother Yanami, will enter the third year of service, and Brother Kikuchi, one of this year's six graduates, will join the faculty. Four of the six graduates are entering the work, while the two academic graduates are going on with college work. Mrs. Millard in Music, Mrs. Thurston in Arts and English, Mrs. Seino in the Culinary Department, and Mrs. Yanami are all rendering invaluable assistance in the development of the Japan Junior College.

Brother Millard has just returned from a trip through the field and reports new students planning to come. We are expecting to see eighty young men and women in training this fall.

An Interesting Trip Through the West Visayan Mission in the Interests of Our Church Schools

By JOSEPH L. CUMMINS

Professor W. P. Bradley in company with the writer recently made a trip through the West Visayan Mission visiting schools and holding Educational and Missionary Volunteer Conventions. A good share of the field was covered in the little over four weeks spent in the mission.

Our boat had hardly docked at Iloilo before a hearty welcome was extended to us by Pastor E. M.

Adams, the director of the mission, and Pastor Pedro Diaz, the local educational superintendent. After lunch at Pastor Adams' home we took the train from Iloilo bound northward for our first stop—Balasan. Here we found a good company, many of whom had recently been brought into the truth. Professor Bradley spoke in the evening on the subject of "Christian Education." The next morning a meeting was held to determine the attitude of the church toward a church school. We were made glad to see the enthusiasm and spirit of these brethren, and to plan with them for a school next year.

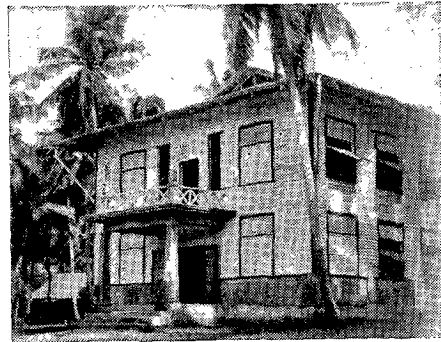
Later the same day we left for Capiz, which we reached late in the afternoon. Here we met with a com-

pany in the home of one of our sisters. Among those who came to the evening meeting to hear Professor Bradley were several Catholic young people. They had come at the invitation of a young man who seemed burdened with the desire to interest other young people in the truth.

At Calivo we again had an interesting experience. It was my privilege to speak to the people here, and

at the meeting a young Catholic girl was present who, we learned later, was the niece of the Catholic priest in that place. When she spoke of coming to our meeting the priest told her he would not stop her, but that she would be given every opportunity to judge for herself what was truth, and to accept what she thought was right. This, we thought, was an unusual attitude for a Catholic priest to take, and that night when the girl came we prayed that she might be impressed to yield herself to Jesus.

We then returned to Iloilo, Professor Bradley to go with Pastor Diaz to another meeting in the province of Antique, and I to open the Week of Prayer at the West Visayan Academy. Professor Bradley reported



Administration Building, West Visayan Academy.

that they had a very good meeting in Antique, and that plans had been laid for the opening of another church school at that place. Again we rejoice.

The Spirit of the Master seemed to be present during the Week of Prayer at the West Visayan Academy, and more than twenty definitely took their stand for Christ and joined the baptismal class. Pastor F. A. Mote, the field secretary for the Publishing Department of the Philippine Union, is the principal of this academy, and during the time he is out in the field Mrs. W. J. Blake is in charge, and their devotion to the interests of the school is evident in the progress and spirit present there.

After this good week at the academy we left Iloilo for the northern end of the island of Occidental Negros, our destination being Bayog. The spirit of the brethren, some of whom had come from the mountains more than fifteen kilometers distant, cheered us, and the meeting began with a full church despite the rain. Professor Bradley spoke on "Christian Education" that night, and I the next morning. Here, as in the other places, the brethren were anxious for a school, so we helped them to understand how to plan for and organize a school next year.

We next visited Cadubaan where we found a good school located. We were happy to see the interest of the brethren in the school work, and to note the care that was taken of the school building and grounds. This school surely is a light in the community. Several young people came to the meetings from Cadiz, the next large town.

Continuing on our way we came to Bacolod, the provincial capital of Occidental Negros. The provincial high school is located here and serves as a strong attraction for our young people and children. We put forth strong efforts to bring the church to see the necessity of a school, and are happy that the Spirit manifested itself in behalf of our endeavor, and before leaving we were able to plan for a school in Bacolod next year.

We then visited another school located in La Carlota. We were glad to greet the teacher, a recent graduate of the normal course at the Philippine Union College, and to talk over the work of his school. As in the case of all schools visited, we held a meeting with the church school board, giving help in the problems and plans for their school. After several good meetings here we left the next day for Ilog, our most southern stop on the island. Here we found a large school with two teachers and many problems. But we felt that the brethren were of good courage, and we were glad to see so many come in from neighboring towns and barrios.

The message of Professor Bradley was especially timely, and a good revival spirit came in to refresh us all. Many young people renewed their consecration to Christ, and several took their stand for the first time. We pray for these dear young people.

We were glad to visit Magallon, located at the foot of Kanlaon mountain, the highest peak on the island. This church is not often visited, and the brethren seemed to appreciate our coming and entered into the spirit of revival which characterized the messages given.

Aguisan, our next stop, is on the seashore, and is one of the most beautiful places which we visited. The church is very faithful, and while the first meeting that night was not so well attended, the meetings the next day brought in many from long distances. One especially pleasing experience was that of reporting to the fathers of several students who are attending the West Visayan Academy, the experience and stand taken by their sons and daughters during the Week of Prayer. These men know that it pays to send their children to Christian schools. After a very happy time with this church we left for La Castellana, our last stop.

At La Castellana, we held a three-day institute for the teachers of the West Visayan Mission. Fourteen teachers attended regularly throughout. One teacher came from the extreme end of the island of Negros. He traveled more than three days to get to the institute, walking much of the way, most of the time over trails deep with mud and skirting high mountains and deep ravines. We were glad to have Professor L. M. Stump with us during the institute and also Professor Ponce and Brother Angel Solivio from the West Visayan Academy. Each of these young men gave excellent help. The counsel of Professor Stump was especially timely and profitable. Meetings were held during the daytime for the teachers, and at night for the church members.

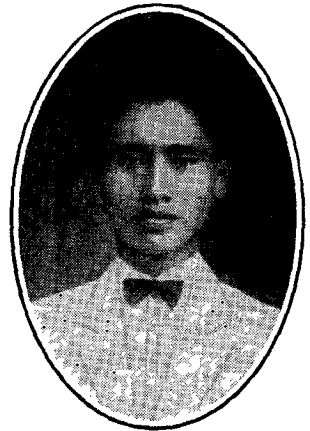
We returned to Iloilo on Monday and Professor Bradley, Professor Stump and I went to the West Visayan Academy for the first accrediting visit in the Far Eastern Division. We were happy to see the academy in such good shape. This school operates grades one to seven, and years one and two of the academic grades, all authorized by the government.

We feel that the educational work is making progress in the Philippine Islands, and that, while many problems come up that seem difficult to solve, we can confidently lay the work in the hands of the Master and let Him lead. Our hearts are cheered as the message of "Christian Education" finds its place and does its work in our churches and for our children.

OBITUARY OF FELIPE CORCORO

By E. N. LUGENBEAL

Felipe Corcoro was born in the year 1903 in the town of Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte, and died July 18, 1933, at the age of thirty years. He was baptized in Delano, California, by Elder O. A. Hall in January, 1927. Shortly after accepting the truth he returned to his native land to give the good news to his relatives and friends. In this he was successful. Together with Brother Fredo Malapira he canvassed his home town. Their work created an interest which was followed by a tent effort and a good church was raised up. From that time until the present Brother Corcoro has engaged in the colporteur work and a more faithful, consecrated colporteur could not be found. Perhaps no better example of the principles which actuated his life could be given than the last letter which he wrote before his tragic death.



FELIPE CORCORO

"All my extra credit from the total amount that I am sending will be placed in the Lord's treasury. This should not have been the only amount which I am sending as my help, but one day I was taking a short cut on a bushy road when my trousers were torn so that I was forced to buy new ones here in Kiangan, besides my other incidental expenses. Transportation here is very expensive. But because I love to help the cause of God I am trying again to reach Bontoc by hiking via Banaue. Although I have heard people say that it is a long and very dangerous way, being infested with head-hunters, I just put my whole trust in the Lord and went ahead. I was alone. I heard that a person was strangled along that road recently, his ears were cut off and the murderers rendered a cañao for him. But I know that the Lord will go with me and I know too that you

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Departmental Page

MOTHERS' SOCIETIES SPRINGING UP THROUGHOUT THE DIVISION.*

By MRS. J. H. MCEACHERN

To Seventh-Day Adventists this work of fostering the home life, and of creating and maintaining ideal relations between parents and children is of special importance. We often read that familiar prophecy found in Malachi 4: 5, 6. "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers."

Elder Spalding tells of a conversation he had with the servant of the Lord two years before her death. They had been visiting about this very topic and Sister White said: "Oh! I wish that I had the strength to go out and stand before our people as I used to do! I would teach them of the great importance of the home training they should give their children, for the sake of the advancement of God's work."

Elder Spalding replied: "You have instructed them. It is written out for them in your books,—'Ministry of Healing', 'Education' and the 'Testimonies.'"

"I know it is written," she said, "but I am afraid our people don't read it; I am afraid they don't understand."

Elder Spalding then said to her, "Do you mean to say that teaching parents how to train their children is the most important work before us?"

She replied with emphasis, "Yes, it is the most important work; and we have not begun to touch it with the tips of our fingers."

The rapid growth of irreligion and moral laxity in modern society, and the evident inability of press, school, and pulpit combined to stem the downward current, point out the necessity of applying first measures to the fountain-head of social conduct,—the home. The special field for the HOME COMMISSION is that of child training in the home. No other class of workers so greatly need help as do parents. What are we giving them?

We are glad to report at this time that the work is gaining momentum in the Far Eastern Division. In April I wrote to all the Home Commission secretaries asking them for a full report of the societies in their fields, and about twenty-five were reported to be in running order in the Philippines, Japan, Korea and Malaya. Later reports show over one hundred societies of this kind.

I want to read you a good word from the Philippines that you may see that some good is already apparent as a result of these Mothers' organizations. "That the societies are proving a blessing is evidenced by the fact that in some instances parents who have not heretofore cooperated fully with the church school are now giving it their fullest support. . . . One sister who has been in the message a long time, while urging mothers to attend the Mothers' Meetings regularly, made the statement that she had been in the truth for twenty years, and never before had enjoyed the privilege of attending such meetings where she learned something new at every service."

The world realizes that the home is not what it should be in these days. A home is not just a place with a roof over the inmates' heads. From the August 1932 "Young People's Leader", we quote:

"The root of all good things is in the home. Out of the home come the sanity and the strength which have made this country what it is. And when I talk about the home I do not mean simply the physical center which develops around a house where a family lives. The home is not simply a place to gather up the blankets for an automobile trip or to make sandwiches for an excursion. The home is not just the base from which to leap off to some other place. The home should be the spiritual center of the family, the citadel of quiet in which the individual can develop himself to his fullest capacity. In order to build this kind of home, the mother's responsibility is not limited to making fine pickles and excellent pie, and the father's responsibility is not limited to paying the grocery bills. There is an ethical and spiritual responsibility that rests upon everyone who makes the home, and in that task the cooperation of both the mother and the father along spiritual lines is essential."—Judge Florence E. Allen.

The Home Commission work has made a good beginning in the Far Eastern Division and is advancing. Surely much good will result from the Mothers' Societies that are scattered throughout the division. Our children are our most valuable assets, and we must carefully guard their footsteps from the first tottering ones until they are grown. May the Lord richly bless these societies in our field.

JUNIOR CORNER

The Importance of Little Things

Luke 16:10

Everybody is interested in big things. People generally prefer to think about them; the Panama Canal, Chicago's Century of Progress, the Japan earthquake. The newspapers are always calling our attention to big things, big railway accidents, and big business failures, big discoveries and big gifts. But life is made up of little things more than big ones.

You get up in the morning, wash, dress, eat breakfast, go to your work, (it may be in school or some other place), you succeed in doing a dozen or two dozen things, all of them little, and then you are hungry and must eat again. The afternoon is about the same with an enjoyable dinner later on and a little time to amuse yourself before going to bed. Days are packed full of little things, but important ones.

Our feelings are colored by little things. You get up some morning feeling well and happy. The birds are singing, the sun is shining, and all the world glistens and glows, but before noon you are crying. You take no delight in anything, you are so wretched you don't know what to do, all because there is a little speck of something not nearly so large as the head of a pin in one of your eyes. A little piece of cinder in one eye is sufficient to blot out the light of the sun and to change the color of a whole day. Much could be said about the little words that flow off the tongue so easily.

Jesus always notices little things. One day He drew a sermon from a grain of mustard seed, a sermon of encouragement and cheer. A mustard seed, you know, is very small, and yet it is astonishing what comes out of it. So it is astonishing what can come out of the human soul if that soul is only true to God.

Jesus says that when men stand before God on the judgment day, some of them will be amazed to find how much they have done. When they are invited to come into heaven they will say, "What have we ever done to merit all this?" and then Jesus will say, "Well you were kind to people who were hungry and thirsty, sick, lonely and deserted. You gave them little gifts, spoke gentle words, and did all you could to make others happier." It is just such little things as these that God counts precious, and those who do them will live with Him forever. Heaven is the eternal home of those who have done little things to spread the kingdom of love and peace and joy.

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News Notes

In a recent letter from Pastor E. Bahr, of the Chosen Union he says: "We are glad to be back in the mission field again after a very good time on furlough. Since Brother Pearson left for furlough I have been asked to take over his work. I was recently out in the field for four weeks to help the colporteurs, and we are glad to report that June was the best month we ever had. We passed the yen 5,000 mark. Today I am leaving for the north to meet some canvassers."

An interesting letter has been received from Pastor R. S. Watts of Chosen, now on furlough in the States. He says: "I might say we had a delightful trip around via India and Europe. After our little 'fire experience' on the 'Fushimi Maru' which put us a week late in reaching Colombo we finally did get there and rushed up to India where we visited my sister for a few days. We left the boat at Port Said, and accompanied by Elder C. K. Meyers, we made a trip through Palestine. It was wonderful. We were in Jerusalem at the time of the Passover. Many Jews were there and we saw some interesting ceremonies which otherwise we would have missed had we been there at another time. It was all so fascinating and instructive. The whole trip will prove a permanent asset to both of us I am sure. Since reaching home I had the privilege of attending a Home Missionary Convention at Broadview, Chicago. A couple of weeks ago we finished our camp-meeting tour and came directly here to Chattanooga, where I am joining my father in a tent meeting, and some very good people are interested. I am doing the newspaper publicity work, also speaking some."

Good Results from the Bangkok Effort

The effort here in Bangkok has been a wonderful blessing. How it makes our hearts rejoice as we see how God does work everything for good. More and more people are asking for Bible studies. Yesterday I called on the European friend who had been impressed to pay in tithes 350 tithes on his savings, in addition to liberal offerings during the meet-

ings,—and he didn't miss a lecture, and still comes to the Sabbath and Sunday night services,—and, with tears in his eyes he asked if I could get a Bible for his wife. He said that on Sunday night when he returned from the service he found her reading his Bible, the first time he had known her to do such a thing. She has been friendly, but with reserve, and has sort of held out. But God's Spirit is melting her heart. Then when I came home, here were two of the Siamese boys with whom we are studying. They had brought another boy who also wants to study, and he says that others of his friends want to join the class. So it goes, and we are thankful that the good Lord is working.

PASTOR A. P. RITZ.

OBITUARY OF . . .

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faithful brethren there are praying for me. I express my sincere thanks for your prayers in my behalf. But if Jesus wants to keep me in the grave, His will be done, but I hope that we shall all meet in heaven. If you cannot receive my remittance report until the institute, (August 13) or if I do not appear during the institute, just count it that the Lord has kept me in the grave.

"Lastly may the Lord bless you all in your work. Farewell to all.

"Your brother in Christ,

"FELIPE."

Brother Corcoro met death as he was walking between Bontoc and Lubuagan at the hands of head-hunters. He leaves to mourn two brothers, Mariano and Justo, and two sisters, Florentina and Concepcion. His loss will be keenly felt, not only by his beloved relatives, but by the entire company of his fellow workers. He blazed the trail into new and untried regions. Where he has fallen others must take up the banner and carry it on until hundreds of those for whom he gave his life will rejoice in the hope of eternal life.

He rests in peace with the promise, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life." In the midst of our sorrow we rejoice in the glad hope of the resurrection.

LITERATURE MINISTRY COUNCIL

A very profitable week of council has just closed (September 4 to 9), for the Literature Ministry of the Philippines. All mission directors, field missionary secretaries and their assistants, some tract society secretaries and Home Missionary secretaries together with the union officers and secretaries were present throughout the meetings. Professor Fredrick Griggs and Elder J. H. McEachern gave us good counsel which was much appreciated.

The Council was held in the Philippine Publishing House chapel. The Spirit of God was present from the opening meeting. With our motto, "Prayer changes things," we believe that God will hear us and give us victory as we lead forth our army of more than two hundred colporteurs.

A very impressive memorial service was held in the Manila Central Church on Sabbath afternoon to close this council. A large audience listened carefully to the story of the life, work and tragic death of Brother Felipe Corcoro, our colporteur who was killed while canvassing in the mountains of Northern Luzon. Professor Fredrick Griggs delivered the memorial address.

F. A. MOTE.

A memorial service was held for Brother Felipe Corcoro on Sabbath, August 19th at Artacho, the headquarters of the Northern Luzon Mission. He was buried by soldiers so no funeral ceremony was held at the grave. Pastor E. N. Lugenbeal was in charge assisted by Professor Griggs, Elder J. H. McEachern, Professor W. P. Bradley, Pastor F. A. Mote, and Brethren Aguinaldo Balinao and Angel Santa Rita. Appropriate music was rendered by Miss Edith McPerson. Professor Griggs gave the address basing his remarks on Rev. 14:13, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

IN MEMORIAM FELIPE CORCORO

Away in the mountains of Northern Luzon,
Our dear Brother Corcoro canvassed alone;
Spreading the light, head-hunters to tame,
He laid down his life for Jesus' dear name,
The pages of truth he spread far and near,
And watered the seed with many a tear,
Till at last with his blood he showed forth his love,
Pointing sinners to Jesus and heaven above.
The last records show in the home where he stayed,
Before starting his journey, he knelt down and prayed.
Subscribers and friends whose names he secured,
Speak of his life—how their hearts he allured.
No funeral was held for this hero of God,
The soldiers that found him turned up the sod;
Kindly they laid him to rest on the hill,
And searched for the villains who dared so to kill.
He sleeps on the mountain o'er looking the plain,
Where his books and his papers love's story proclaim.
The angels, are watching that grave far away,
Till Jesus' appearing turns night into day.
O Corcoro, our hero, we weep at thy grave.
Our hearts we surrender the heathen to save;
We'll enlist in the army of Bookmen so brave,
And never turn back,—like thee we'll behave.

J. H. McEACHERN.