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Story of the Conference

By a Special Review Reporter

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A face in a dream and a lost ticket were features of the past 24 hours here at the General Conference session. I'll tell you about them in a minute. Much real business was accomplished, and these were interesting trimmings. The day also included the final report of a veteran leader and the keynote address of that veteran's successor.

It is trite by this time to say that the auditorium was full for last night's meeting. The congregation was perhaps slightly reduced, but that means only that there were fewer people standing in the aisles.

As I walked in to take my seat, an usher handed me a small blue-and-white brochure entitled "Go Into All the World." It contained all sorts of heart-warming statistics to show how the denomination has grown from its beginnings up till 1961. For instance, the first item said, "1844, first Sabbathkeeping church of Advent believers—Washington, New Hampshire; 40 members; language, English." Beside it was the statement "1961, Seventh-day Adventist churches in the world, 13,369; world membership 1,307,892; languages used, orally and printed, 896."

Another in particular struck my attention: "1874, first overseas missionary." "1961, missionaries sent overseas from North America, 1901 to 1961, 9,406."

That figure, 9,406, was similar to the attendance at last night's meeting. I thought, What tremendous things would be accomplished if everyone seated here in this vast audience were to go out of this auditorium to the ends of the earth as a missionary! But that is almost exactly

Amens when this lovely father-daughter duet was finished.

I had overheard someone say during the day, "It's the North American Division report tonight. It will be dull." He could not have been more wrong!

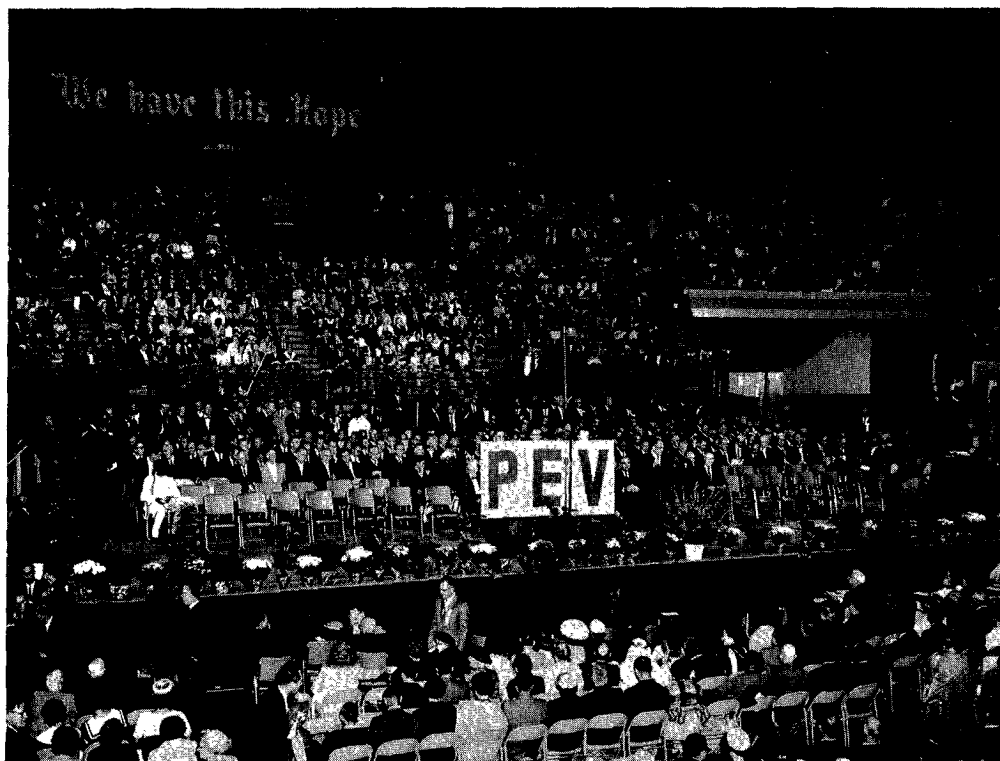
Promptly at eight o'clock the leaders of the North American Division came onto the platform. All were dressed in the native costume of North American ministers—dark suits. I'll admit it did look a little drab after all the foreign costumes we had been treated to on other nights. But one must not come to conclusions too soon!

R. S. Watts spoke to us. "It falls to my lot," he said, "to introduce the one who will render the report tonight. This brother began his service in the work of God 46 years and 4 months ago, in the year 1916. First he was a pastor-evangelist, then president of the Clinton Theological Seminary until that school was merged into one of our other colleges. Following this he headed the Bible department at Broadview College, in Brookfield, Illinois. He served as president of two conferences, two union conferences, and in the year 1946 was elected general vice-president of the General Conference. Two years later he was made vice-president of the General Conference for the North American Division, a responsibility he has held for the past 14 years, a record that has not been equaled in this post. He has been

what has happened over the past 60 years! And tremendous things *have* been accomplished!

Could anyone read statistics even as exciting as these during such a song service as was then being directed by Charles Todd? Impossible! I had to put the brochure down when the Lodi Academy Male Chorus sang "Send the Light." That was soon followed by the Christ's Royal Ambassadors quartet singing in Spanish. Then came Dr. Wesley Rhodes, academic dean at Oshawa Missionary College, and Carolyn Rhodes—who teaches at Walla Walla College—singing, "I Waited for the Lord." The audience was hushed into silence and the room was filled with

After Sabbath school, during the ten-minute missionary service, July 28, W. A. Townend of Australia told of the three words they emphasize to encourage missionary activity, represented by three letters —P for pray, E for expect, and V for venture.



a member of the General Conference Committee for 32 consecutive years. It is my privilege tonight to introduce to you for his last appearance as vice-president for the North American Division our beloved and esteemed Elder W. B. Ochs."

[Elder Ochs came to the pulpit.] "Thank you, Elder Watts," he said, and then with a mischievous twinkle he added, "now you all know that I'm an old man!" The congregation chuckled.

Elder Ochs asked his successor, Theodore Carcich, to stand. "You have chosen him as my successor," the outgoing vice-president stated, "and I think that you made a wonderful choice."

The speaker then directed our attention to the official report of the North American Division, which appears on page 4 of this issue.

About this time someone asked me to get something, and I walked behind the curtains at the side of the platform. To my surprise I saw two long lines of people dressed in all manner of foreign costumes. Who are these and how do they fit into a North American report? I wondered. I could guess about the man in a Red Indian headdress, but what about all the others?

I didn't have long to wait. For when Elder Ochs got to the section in his report headed "Home Foreign Missions" he paused and said, "I now bring to you representatives of foreign languages, our greatest mission field."

As he read a name, a card with that same name was raised and in came a representative of the residents of North America who speak that language.

"Chinese," Elder Ochs said. Up went the "Chinese" card, and in came a couple of adults and a little girl, dressed in typical Chinese clothes.

"Czech," Elder Ochs announced. In came representatives of the Czechs who live in the United States and Canada, also in costume.

"Danish-Norwegian, Filipino, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Haitian, Hawaiian." Still they came. Was the list endless? "Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Jewish, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Slovak, Spanish, Swedish, Ukrainian, Yugoslav, Eskimo, and Indian."

It was a beautiful sight, nothing drab about them! The fur-lined jackets of the family representing the Eskimos made the audience break into applause.

What Elder Ochs wanted to impress upon the assembled delegates, however, was not the beauty of the clothing but the immensity of the foreign-language problem that confronts the church in North America.

"Do you know," he said, "that since 1820 more than 40 million immigrants have become residents of North America?"

"Do you know that more than 30 million people in the United States and Canada read, speak, think, and write in some other language than English as their mother tongue?"

"And do you know that two years ago the American Bible Society distributed the Bible or portions of it in 107 languages in the United States?"

Certainly there is a foreign mission field right here in the "homeland."

The congregation was now expecting more color on the program, and they were not to be disappointed. On came a group of Hungarians from New York, some of whom had escaped from Hungary soon after the end of World War II. Dressed in lovely costumes, they sang a hymn.

"Now for something unique," Elder Ochs said, and seven young women sang, "It Took a Miracle." The significant thing about their song was that as they sang they made the deaf-and-dumb sign language with their hands. All the girls were students of Sister E. H. Adams and are preparing to go into churches where there are deaf people and translate the services for them. Their value to the denomination was explained by Elder Ochs: "There are thousands of deaf-and-dumb people in America who can be reached with the third angel's message only through the sign language."

Elder Ochs introduced Elder H. M. S. Richards, the Voice of Prophecy speaker. And he, after a brief and encouraging

talk, introduced the King's Heralds quartet, who sang a delightful arrangement of "You May Have the Joy Bells."

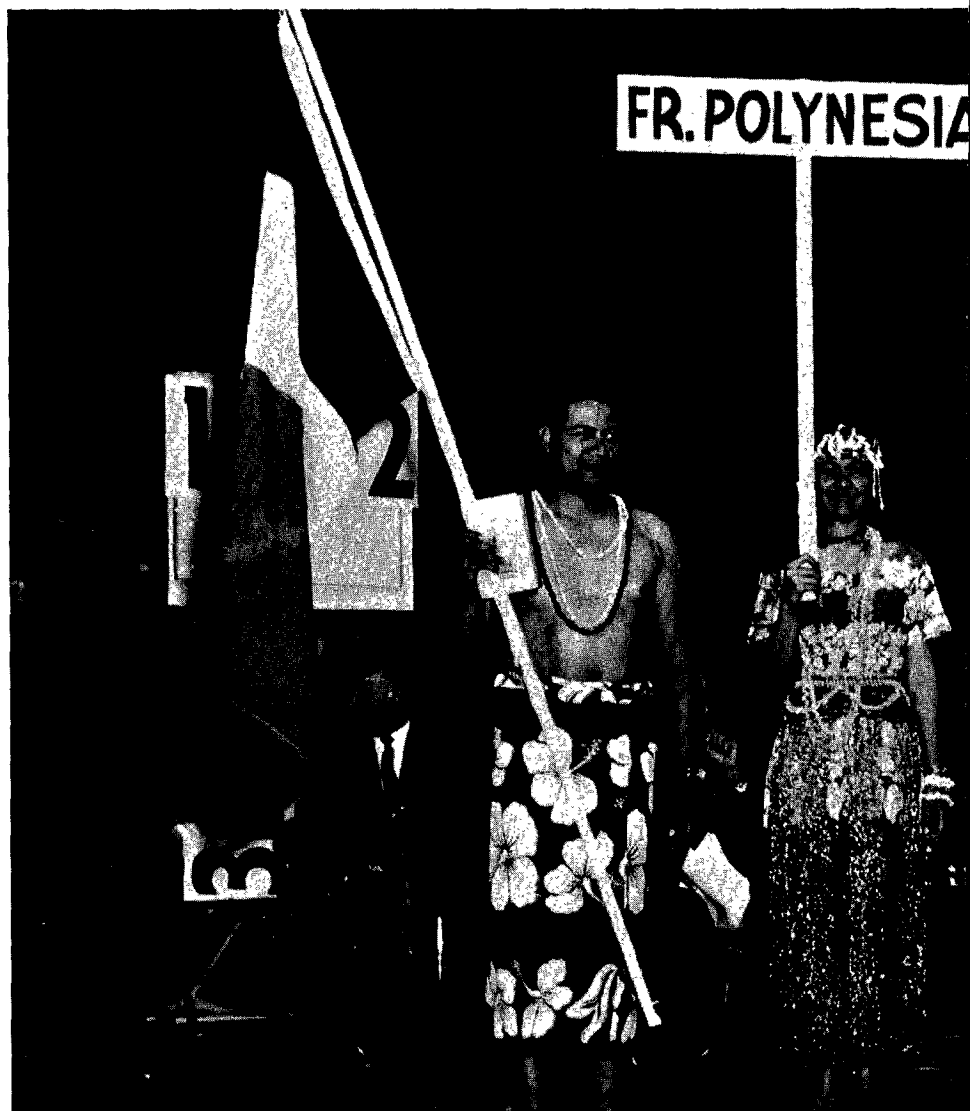
W. A. Fagal of Faith for Today said that the telecast is now on 192 stations. He told about the face in the dream. A woman in New York, praying for light, dreamed she was watching television. On the program in her dream she saw a man's face. In the morning she turned on her TV set. By chance she got the Faith for Today program and there was Elder Fagal, the face in her dream.

"Can you imagine how I felt when I read the letter she wrote us?" Elder Fagal asked. "God is surely with Faith for Today."

After Elder Ochs's report, his successor as vice-president for the North American Division, Theodore Carcich, was given opportunity to say something. He gave a stirring speech:

"May I say to the delegates of the world field that we in North America pledge to remain always in the center of the third angel's message. We have no desire to be to the left or to the right. We plan to move on with God's people until the Lord comes. Let me tell you also that we pledge ourselves to continue to be the source of supply for men and means for the entire world field. We will not fail you at the ends of the earth.

"May I tell you also that we will make evangelism our key word. Evangelism will begin with every boy and girl in the Seventh-day Adventist church school. Every



Part of the colorful missions pageant, Sabbath, July 28. Left to right: A couple from Samoa; Mrs. Norman Wiles; Freeman McCutcheon, president of the Central Pacific Union Mission; and Pastor Simone Vula, holding a Fijian war stick. The "1912" indicates the year when the work in this area was begun.

church member in Sabbath school will be encouraged to expand the church through the medium of branch Sabbath schools. We pledge ourselves to take our Seventh-day Adventist literature and through the means of our colporteurs and our lay people spread it until it falls like the leaves of autumn. In public and pastoral evangelism we plan to reach every city, every town, every hamlet, every village. We plan to make our young men giants in Bible preaching. We plan to light every church every Sunday night with the third angel's message.

"And we will invite our loyal laymen to join with us in Bible studies and through the distribution of literature until the work of God is finished in North America. We plan to invite our medical workers to join with the ministers in bringing the message to the masses. We plan to use these marvelous agencies—the Voice of Prophecy, Faith for Today, and It Is Written—until every station available, every outlet, is utilized to preach the third angel's message. We plan to use our Regional workers to reach the millions and millions of colored people, and our language workers to reach our foreign language people, until they too join with the people of God. Finally, we plan, under the inspiration of the leadership of the Holy Spirit and His work, for a revival of true godliness. Yes, we in North America shall move on with the world divisions until the work of God is finished."

Final Report of Nominating Committee

At the twelfth meeting, held Thursday morning, August 2, 1962, the Nominating Committee presented its final report, by placing in nomination the following persons for the offices here designated:

Publishing secretary of the Middle East Division: Durwood Chappell.

Home missionary secretary of the Inter-American Division: B. L. Archbold.

All unfinished business of the Nominating Committee to be referred to the General Conference Committee.

The nominations were *Voted* unanimously.

Correction

On page 152 the name of B. D. Mathiah was given as secretary of the Sabbath school department of the Southern Asia Division. The name should have been V. P. Muthiah.

The meeting closed with a solo by Del Delker.

Afterward, in the front corridor I noticed results of a very important work that

has been going on quietly all during the session. A large bulletin board was almost covered with literally yards of newspaper clippings. Items had been pinned there from the San Francisco *Chronicle*, the San Francisco *Call-Bulletin*, the Oakland *Tribune*, the Los Angeles *Times*, the San Francisco *Examiner*, the Bogotá, Colombia, *El Tiempo*, and even the venerable New York *Times*.

Several headlines caught my attention: "The Wealthy Adventists, \$300,000,000 in Offerings." Another was more precise: "\$228,000,000 Given [by] Adventists in Four Years." There were many others: "Tithe Paying Imperative, Adventists Told," "Adventist Way to Stop Smoking," "Adventists Gain 101,675 Converts" (this from the New York *Times*), "Church Canteens Combat Hunger in Haiti," "Sabbath at the Cow Palace." "The Bridegroom Stung 500 Times" featured Robert Correia, "a husky student of tropical medicine who directs the Seventh-day Adventist mission work among 70 Indian tribes along one thousand miles of the Amazon."

The newspaper story went on to say that Indians in his territory put 500 ants the size of peanuts into a glove and force a prospective bridegroom to put it on. If he can wear it for five minutes without showing any emotion he is permitted to marry. The ants "have a sting like a yellow jacket," Correia told the newsmen.

Another story mentioned Sister Dwight
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North American Division

By W. B. OCHS, Vice-President

In rendering the report for the North American Division I cannot find more appropriate words to begin with than those used by Christ in His farewell message to His disciples before ascending to His Father. These words are recorded in Acts 1:8: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

God's work is ever to expand under the leadership of His Holy Spirit. The message given Isaiah the prophet is for us today, "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes" (Isa. 54:2). We are not to be satisfied in lingering around Jerusalem; our command is "unto the uttermost part of the earth."

The North American Division is only one of the divisions in the world field. To be sure, it has its own territory of operation, but its mission goes beyond its field; it embraces the whole world in its support. Since our last report four years ago, two of our territories, Alaska and Hawaii, have received statehood by action of Congress. Our field, which is a large one, consists of the 50 States with the territory of Bermuda and the Dominion of Canada. The total population is approximately 198,607,000, with an average of about one Seventh-day Adventist for each 605 inhabitants.

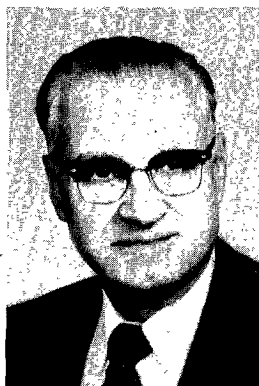
Serving as vice-president of this division for a little more than 14 years leads me to believe that our people long to see Christ come in glory and that their deepest desire is to be ready for this wonderful event. Our workers and laity are not perfect by any means, but deep down in their hearts there is a love for God and this wonderful message, which causes them to say, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Our people realize that we are facing perilous times, that the end is near, that a thorough preparation is needed to stand in the crisis hour before them. Today they join hands with the believers in all our world divisions; they unite their hearts with them for the outpouring of God's Spirit without measure.

A World Vision

Our members have a worldwide vision. They believe that this movement of which they are part encircles the globe; their lives and their support are a demonstration that they want to forever keep the torch of missions burning brightly. They have accepted the challenge given

by our Commander in Chief, Christ, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." They know that the Spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions and that the nearer they draw to Him the more intensely missionary-minded they become. We are determined by God's help not to have Judson's experience repeated. We are told that when he was in a critical period of his work in Burma, he said, in the agony of his disappointment, "I thought they loved me, and they would scarce have known it if I had died." Such an experience must never come to our missionaries that we have sent to the overseas fields. North America is the home base of supply, but we look beyond our borders to the millions who are still unwarned in the far-flung regions of the earth. These are not idle words when we say that our leaders and people have dedicated their lives,



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their means, their sons and daughters, to God for a speedy finishing of His work in all the world.

Because of this dedication to the world task, our members are responsible in part for the accomplishments of the past four years in this division. During the quadrennial period that ended December 31, 1960, 608 missionaries were sent overseas from this division to various countries of earth, and from 1957 to 1960 inclusive, the 322,364 members in the North American Division gave \$160,945,615 in tithes, and gave and raised for home and foreign missions \$120,529,312, making a grand total of \$218,474,927. This is the largest amount ever given in a four-year period and it represents 79.6 per cent of all the money given and raised in the entire world field.

In Ingathering alone our people raised

during the last four years \$20,327,542, an increase of \$3,390,251 over the previous period. The raising and giving of these millions of dollars to support the cause of God in all lands reveals the loyalty of our people and their desire to see Christ come. We are not divided as some would have us believe, we are one in the fundamental doctrines of the church that have never been altered or changed, we are one in spirit, and we can truly say, "One Lord, one faith, one baptism."

The success of our organization is not to be measured alone in dollars and cents, but by the number of souls won to Christ. In the last four years our workers and lay members have worked untiringly, and through their efforts have won 72,298 souls. These have been added to the church through baptism and profession of faith. The membership at the close of 1960 was 332,364.

Home Foreign Missions

We have a foreign mission field within our own division. I believe it would be fitting at this time to have some representatives of the foreign-speaking churches pass before you. Here they come! The tide of immigration to North America in recent years is most interesting. More than 4,184,819 immigrants were admitted during the past nine years. This influx of people from other lands reminds us of the message given to the church many years ago: "Wake up, wake up, my brethren and sisters, and enter the fields in America that have never been worked. After you have given something for foreign fields, do not think your duty done. There is a work to be done in foreign fields, but there is a work to be done in America that is just as important. In the cities of America there are people of almost every language. These need the light that God has given to His church."—*Testimonies*, vol. 8, p. 36. What have we done along this line of work? We are glad to report that we have 180 churches in these various languages with a membership of more than 12,000.

To help swell the membership in this division God has mightily used various avenues of soul-winning evangelism. The departments within this organization have proved to be a great blessing to the cause. They are not separate units, but a part of the great whole. The prime objective of these departments must ever be the salvation of souls and the finishing of God's work in the world field. The result of the work done is the best indication that they have endeavored to fulfill their God-given task during the past four years.

Literature Work

The Publishing Department reports that the literature evangelists in North America delivered more than \$25,713,000 worth of literature during the past four years. Literature evangelists are team-workers, cooperating with pastors, evangelists, and Bible correspondence schools. During the past four years they have signed up more than one-half million peo-

ple for Bible courses, and from their contacts they know of more than 3,500 who were baptized. One of these converts was a Methodist minister who had a congregation of 1,000 members. Our literature evangelist went into the pastor's study to canvass him. It was an interesting interview. The pastor eagerly read the literature, and Bible studies and many interviews followed. After careful study he made his decision, and he and his family were baptized. He became a literature evangelist for a time himself and later went to our Seminary for special study. Today he is a minister in the Pacific Union.

The Sabbath schools have always been a great help in swelling the flood of funds that flow into the treasury of the Lord. Through the Sabbath school during the past four years our people gave \$23,414,676. At the end of 1957 there were in the North American Division 3,238 Sabbath schools with an enrollment of 308,475. Four years later, or at the end of 1960, there were 3,354 Sabbath schools with 338,049 members, an increase of 29,574.

The activities of our members in the North American Division are most commendable. They constantly place papers, tracts, and magazines in the homes of non-believers. They stand ready to minister to the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of others. Our laymen hold Bible cottage meetings and efforts. Through the Lord's blessings and their faithful work they have been instrumental in adding to our churches during the past four years 33,020 souls. What a wonderful harvest of souls this is—a harvest made possible by our lay members.

Our Youth

Our young people play an important part in spreading the gospel. Our youth are the church's greatest asset. They are called "an heritage of the Lord." These young people are worthy of the best we have. They respond to leadership and they share their faith. In this division there are 3,428 Missionary Volunteer Societies, or 511 more than there were at the beginning of the quadrennium, January 1, 1957, with a membership of 80,981, an increase of 12,506 for the four-year period. Our educational institutions would be worthless without our youth who are to be rightly trained for the purpose of preparing them for the coming of the Lord and to help finish the work. Each year sees increased enrollment on every scholastic level.

Time does not permit even the mention of the excellent work of all the other departments, such as the Department of Public Affairs, the Medical, the Ministerial, the Temperance. These departments will report for themselves. The departments within our organization have as their supreme objective the speedy finishing of the work, not only in the North American Division but in all parts of the world.

Modern methods of communication speed the gospel message. Each week we have 1,777 radio and television broadcasts. The Faith for Today, Voice of Prophecy, and It Is Written programs enjoy many rewarding experiences. A woman in New York tells how she was

dissatisfied with her spiritual experience and how night after night she prayed for guidance. One night after prayer she had a dream in which she was watching television and saw the face of a man she had never seen before. She was impressed that this TV program would be the answer to her prayer for light. She writes, "The next morning I tuned in the TV for my son, but instead of his program coming on I saw the face of Pastor Fagal and heard him tell about the correspondence course. I recognized him as the one I had seen in my dream." Of course she enrolled, and after much study this woman and her husband and her mother and father were baptized on the last Sabbath of 1961. Other relatives are now studying this message.

It Is Written

These past four years have seen widespread use of the It Is Written plan of evangelism. Many reaping campaigns have been conducted in major cities. To these meetings have come thousands of families whose interest had been kindled by the telecast and deepened by faithful follow-up of minister and layman. All participating conferences have benefited, and several presidents have indicated that baptisms have doubled during the first two years of the program.

The laymen of the Advent Movement are devoted, loyal, and liberal. Their whole lives are bound up in the cause of God. Not only do they give their material resources to the cause of God, they also give themselves in personal service. During the past four years our North American laymen reported giving two million personal Bible studies, and distributing 88 million pieces of literature. They also helped bring material welfare assistance to more than six million persons, with an estimated value of 57 million dollars.

Many of our members who are professional men of their communities are proving their ability to win souls. Two doctors in one of the conferences of the Southern Union have made it a practice to give Bible studies in their office on Thursday evenings for all their patients who might wish to study the Bible. Recently 34 people were baptized in the church, most of whom were influenced by the Bible studies they attended in the doctors' office.

As we see the advancement of God's

cause and the work that has been done we regret that more has not been accomplished. We sense the need of a greater inflowing of God's Holy Spirit in our lives. We want to declare anew our allegiance to our heavenly Father and our earnest desire to uphold the truths that have made us a distinct and separate people in the world.

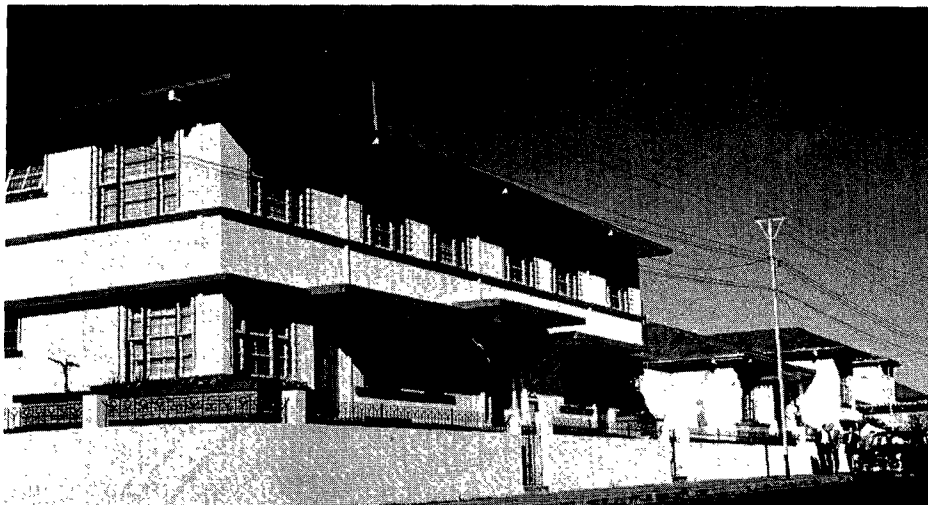
In Conclusion

In conclusion, I would like to say that I have had the rare privilege of working under and with four General Conference presidents, Brethren Watson, McElhany, Branson, and Figuhr. These men have been men of God; they have been called to this great responsibility by the Lord. Through the years I have known something of the burdens they have borne and of their deep, earnest desire to lead God's people into a deeper and fuller experience in the Lord. Men in leadership, who carry the brunt of the work in this great movement, need our daily prayers, encouragement, and support.

Some time after the last General Conference session held in Cleveland, Ohio, I informed the president of the General Conference that this would be my last term of service. God has been good to me to permit me to work in His cause for more than 46 years. During the last 14 years it has been my privilege to serve as vice-president for the North American Division. I have greatly enjoyed my work. The leaders in this great division have worked unitedly together. They, with our lay members, are the ones who have made this report possible. I pray that my successor may receive the same loyal support that has been given to me. He needs our prayers, our encouragement. May the work under his leadership expand and reach new heights and may the money continue to flow into the treasury in this division that it might be used by the Lord to help hasten His coming in all parts of the world field.

In this division we have every reason to be of good courage. Our hope is in God. To Him we look for help. He who has led us thus far will continue to lead us until the work is finished. As we place our all upon the altar let us ever keep in mind that the completion of His work in all lands will be accomplished "not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zech. 4:6).

The Central American Union, which directs the Advent work in the five republics of Central America, in Panama, and in British Honduras, has its headquarters offices (pictured here) in San José, Costa Rica.



The Ministry of Christ in the Heavenly Sanctuary

DEVOTIONAL STUDY, AUGUST 2, 1962, 8:30 A.M.

By R. ALLAN ANDERSON

"And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed." These words from Daniel 8:14 are well known to Adventists. They had tremendous meaning for our pioneers. They should have even more meaning for us today, for this cleansing—the phase of the judgment that convenes just prior to our Lord's return—has now been in session for 118 years.

Our understanding of God's great judgment makes us somewhat unique among Christians. While others refer to God's judgment of the wicked, most seem to overlook that pre-Advent phase which climaxes our Lord's great work of intercession as High Priest.

One of God's greatest revelations to man is the ministry of Christ as High Priest in the heavenly sanctuary, for this involves His incarnation, His sacrifice on the cross, His resurrection, His ascension to the throne of Deity, and His final work as Judge: "For we must all have our lives laid open before the tribunal of Christ," says the great apostle (2 Cor. 5:10, *The New English Bible*). And in preaching Christ to the Hebrew Christians he said: "Now this is my main point: just such a high priest we have, and he has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of Majesty in the heavens, a ministrant in the real sanctuary, the tent pitched by the Lord and not by man. Every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; hence, this one too must have something to offer." "This he did once and for all when he offered up himself" (Heb. 8:1-3; 7:28, *The New English Bible*).

A People of Prophecy

Christ as the Lamb of God, not only on the cross but also in heaven as our Mediator, was the very heart of the apostolic message. In the centuries that followed, this vital truth, among others, was lost to Christianity; but in these closing days of history God is restoring these truths to His people. It is our belief that in His divine purpose the Advent Movement has been raised up of God to bring His full message to the nations. When God's great judgment hour arrived the everlasting gospel was to go to all the world. John says: "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come" (Rev. 14:6, 7).

That expression "everlasting gospel" is significant, for ever since sin entered the world God has been seeking to make

known to men the way of salvation. As Adventists we feel called of God to proclaim that gospel in the setting of our Lord's closing ministry in heaven and His imminent return in glory. The very heart of that message is Christ—Creator, Redeemer, Judge, and coming King. When Jesus returns He will bring with Him His rewards. Every case will have been decided. In the courtroom of heaven John heard those solemn words: "He that is unjust, let him be unjust [or unjustified] still: . . . and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still. . . . And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be" (Rev. 22:11, 12).

The Bible has much to say about our Lord's priestly ministry. One whole book in the Old Testament—Leviticus—teaches this in type, and one of the greatest epistles in the New Testament—Hebrews—emphasizes the reality, Jesus Christ, who is "a minister of the sanctuary, and the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man" (Heb. 8:2).

It was "when he had by himself purged our sins" that He "sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high" (Heb. 1:3). More than twenty times we read of Christ being "at the right hand of God." For Christ is "not entered into the holy places made with hands . . . but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us" (Heb. 9:24). While some may seek to substitute a ministry for a place, we would emphasize a ministry in a place, and that place is the sanctuary in heaven. Since our Lord as the ministering High Priest is real, then the place where He ministers must also be real. When Peter was preaching on the day of Pentecost he reached a climax when he declared that Christ had ascended to the throne of Deity. "Exalted thus with [or at] God's right hand, he received the Holy Spirit from the Father, as was promised, and all that you now see and hear flows from him" (Acts 2:33, *The New English Bible*).

Two vital aspects of Christ's ministry for man are reconciliation and judgment. These climax in the cleansing of the sanctuary, as was stated to Daniel: "Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed" (Dan. 8:14).

That there could be anything in heaven that needed cleansing seems utterly repugnant to some. But the Scripture states this clearly in both the Old and New Testaments. In the typical service in the earthly sanctuary there certainly was a day of cleansing. They called it the Day of Atonement. Each year the tenth day of the seventh month was set apart for this work. At that time the most

solemn services of all the year were carried out.

The climax came when the high priest entered the Most Holy Place and, with the blood of the slain goat, sprinkled the mercy seat and the tabernacle. When that special work of cleansing was ended he then laid the sins in type on the head of the live goat and sent him away "into a land of separation" (Lev. 16:22, margin). Concerning this Moses said, "For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, . . . that you may be clean from all your sins before the Lord" (verse 30). Any who refused to humble himself in confession was "cut off from among his people" (Lev. 23:29).

In these services God was giving to Israel a miniature picture of how He purposes finally to deal with iniquity and blot out even the record of sin. In the books of Daniel and Revelation we get the full picture of the judgment. Both Daniel and John were brought into the very throne room of God and in vision saw judgment given in favor of the saints (Dan. 7:22). And each revealed that when sin and rebellion are finally destroyed, the whole universe will be clean. In preparation for that, God opens the great court session of heaven when "every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Rom. 14:12).

Lest anyone should get a wrong impression, let me state clearly at the outset that this pre-Advent judgment, or in Adventist terminology the investigative judgment, is not necessary in order for God to be informed concerning who are candidates for immortality. He is God and knows everything. But in order that all the universe might understand His dealings with the human race, it is all preserved in the books of record, which are opened in the judgment. Heaven's court will fully vindicate God's character and at the last "every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil. 2:11).

Cleansing the Sanctuary in Heaven

The judgment is mentioned more than one thousand times in the Bible. But the book of Hebrews reveals it in interpreting the types of the ancient sanctuary. The author says, "If, then, those sacrifices cleanse the copies of heavenly things, those heavenly things themselves require better sacrifices to cleanse them" (Heb. 9:23, *The New English Bible*). How much better is the blood of Christ that is able "to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" than the blood of goats that could never actually take away sins! (Heb. 10:3, 4.)

Adventists are not alone in believing that there will be a cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary. A. S. Peake in his *New Century Bible* says: "What is meant by the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary must be determined by its meaning as applied to the earthly. The ritual of the Day of Atonement was designed, not merely to atone for the sins of the people, but to make atonement for the sanctuary itself. . . . Similarly the sin of mankind might be supposed to have cast its shadow even into heaven" (Hebrews, p. 191). (Italics supplied.)

And Brooke Foss Westcott adds this:

"It may be said that even 'heavenly things,' so far as they embody the conditions of man's future life, contracted by the Fall something which required cleansing."—*The Epistle to the Hebrews* (1903), pp. 271, 272.

To grasp the significance of our Lord's ministry in heaven we must understand the completeness of His sacrifice on earth, for that is the very foundation of the gospel. His offering was so complete that it was offered but once, once-for-all, and never will it be repeated. His work sacrificially is finished. Note these impressive statements from the Lord's messenger:

"The sacrifice of Christ as an atonement for sin is the great truth around which all other truths cluster. . . . Every truth in the Word of God, from Genesis to Revelation, must be studied in the light that streams from the cross of Calvary. I present before you the great, grand monument of mercy and regeneration, salvation and redemption—the Son of God uplifted on the cross. This is to be the foundation of every discourse given by our ministers."—*Evangelism*, p. 190.

"Christ and His righteousness—let this be our platform, the very life of our faith."—*Ibid.*

"Ministers are to present Christ in His fullness both in the churches and in new fields, that the hearers may have an intelligent faith."—*Ibid.*, p. 192.

If we would have an "intelligent faith" our theology must be sound. "The cross must occupy the central place because it is the means of man's atonement."—*Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 236.

Our faith, or "the faith of Jesus," as John calls it in Revelation 14:12, is definitely rooted in our Lord's sacrifice as an atonement for sin. But as Christians we must see beyond the cross into the sanctuary in heaven where Christ our High Priest ministers for us. And yet, even before He ascended on high to begin His work there, He was officiating in the capacity of a priest, for He gave Himself as the Lamb of God to take away the sin of the world, and only a priest could "offer gifts and sacrifices for sins." In Gethsemane and on the cross He was a priest. Long years ago Ellen G. White made these statements:

"Christ emptied Himself, and took the form of a servant, and offered the sacrifice, Himself the priest, Himself the victim."—*The Southern Watchman*, Aug. 6, 1903.

"He occupies the double position of offerer and offering, of priest and of victim."—Ellen G. White Comments, *The SDA Bible Commentary*, vol. 7, p. 933.

But not until He knew He had finished His work of reconciling this lost world did He yield up His life. Something happened at Calvary that affected not only our little world but every other world in God's great universe. He who took human nature did so that He might become our substitute. By dying in humanity He could bring to naught him who had the power of death and bring the whole human race into favor with God. Only by coming as a man could Christ die. This the universe understood. By thus giving this great revelation of His love, He established the throne of Deity forever.

The throne of God is now also the throne of the Lamb (Rev. 22:1). At Calvary He conquered all the powers of evil. Terrible as was the death of the Son of God, what He achieved by that death stirred the whole universe, and every angel in heaven joined in a song of rapture.

"It was for them as well as for us that the great work of redemption had been accomplished. They with us share the fruits of Christ's victory." "Christ did not yield up His life till He had accomplished the work which He came to do, and with His parting breath, He exclaimed, 'It is finished.'" John 19:30. The battle had been won. His right hand and His holy arm had gotten Him the victory. As a Conqueror He planted His banner on the eternal heights. . . . All heaven triumphed in the Saviour's victory. Satan was defeated, and knew that his kingdom was lost."—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 758.

Jesus Foresaw Meaning of Cross

Just before His crucifixion Jesus said to a group of Greeks and others standing by: "Now is the judgment [the crisis] of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out." Cast out from where? This world? No, he is still very active here. But cast out of the place he usurped when he caused Adam to sin. Jesus continued, saying, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all unto me" (John 12:31, 32). Some translations read, "will draw all men unto me." But the word *men* is an added word. There is no warrant in the Greek for this. In the K.J.V. the word *men* is in italics. Where this verse is quoted in *Patriarchs and Prophets*, page 69, the word *men* is omitted, and that is correct, for our Lord was speaking not of men only but of angels and unfallen worlds. Rieu's translation reads, "I will draw the whole creation to myself." And Paul says that God intends to "let the full sweep of the divine wisdom be disclosed now by the church to the angelic Rulers and Authorities in the heavenly sphere" (Eph. 3:10, Moffatt).

I would urge that we read again pages 68 to 70 of *Patriarchs and Prophets*. Let me give you a few lines:

"The plan of redemption had a yet broader and deeper purpose than the salvation of man. It was not for this alone that Christ came to the earth; . . . but it was to vindicate the character of God before the universe."—Page 68.

How intently unfallen beings watched their Lord as He traversed, step by step, the blood-stained path from the manger to the cross. That the Creator should take upon Himself human nature in order to die a vicarious death, not for good men but for bad men, is indeed a mystery—the mystery of godliness. It will engage the mind of the redeemed for all eternity. At what tremendous cost He reconciled the world! Paul says:

"God's act of grace is out of all proportion to Adam's wrongdoing. For if the wrongdoing of that one man brought death upon so many, its effect is vastly exceeded by the grace of God and the gift that came to so many by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ" (Rom. 5:15, *The New English Bible*).

The only sins for which men will finally be destroyed are those they have refused to let God forgive. A pardon is held out to every person in this world, but it does not benefit us unless and until we accept it.

Christ did not die because they put Him on a cross. His was a voluntary death. He did not, in fact, have to be crucified; but He did have to die, for only by His vicarious death could man be saved. When He left the glories of heaven and came to this little planet it was for the one purpose of dying. We die because we were born; He was born that He might die. But He did not die because He was crucified. Had He chosen to use His divine power, He could have ever withstood the advances of death. But He gave His life because He loved lost men more than life itself. Speaking of His life He said, "No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again." Not even His Father took it from Him. He gave His precious life voluntarily.

Come with me to Calvary and see this Prince of sufferers—His hands nailed to wooden bars, His feet spiked to the ugly tree, His head crowned with cruel thorns, His lips shaped to the cry of woe! The voice that had calmed the raging sea and had brought the dead to life again now cries in pleading tone, "I thirst." See the mob venting its rage upon Him as men shout: "He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him." "He saved others; himself he cannot save." How true those words! He could not save Himself while saving others, so He gave Himself to save His enemies.

Christ Against a Host

What a sight for angels! Their loved Commander, Creator of heaven and earth, meeting single-handed all the marshaled powers of hell! As the earth rolls on, bearing its rejected King, God shuts the windows of the world to veil from human eyes the final agonies of His Son.

As that darkness steals over the land the curses hurled by priests and populace cease. Then comes that brokenhearted cry, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Had God forsaken Him? Yes, for a holy God could not look upon one so sin-laden as Jesus. Fierce lightnings leap from angry clouds as if to show God's wrath for what man has done. Then the darkness passes, and all seems as before. But all is not the same, for on that ugly tree the Saviour of the world has waged the battle of the ages and emerged the victor. The watchers beholding this crucified Man see His countenance brighter than the noonday sun. For one brief moment they stare into the transfigured face of God.

Jesus, apparently oblivious to all around Him, now addresses His Father, not in languid moans of a dying martyr but in the confident tones of a conquering Son. "*Tetelestai!*" ("It is finished!") He shouts in triumph. The earth quakes and great rocks go crashing into the valleys. Women scream and horses prance in terror. All are thrown prostrate to the ground. The centurion says, "Truly this was the Son of God."

That crucial cry from the cross had meaning for the universe. It ran back against the current of time, carrying the assurance of forgiveness for every confessed or ignorant transgression since the fall of man. It swept forward bearing the same glorious news to those who will be living when time melts into eternity. It ascended to the highest heavens to tell the angels that Christ was Victor. It penetrated even the graves of some who were to come forth with their Lord as "the firstfruits of them that slept."

While dying as an outcast, the Son of God upheld the moral pillars of the universe, bridged the gulf that separated heaven and earth, shattered the massive powers of darkness, and changed irrevocably the future of our world.

Just as Samson in his last hours was brought before his captors, that they might heap ridicule upon him and his God, and reached forth to grasp the pillars of the temple of Dagon, and with a prayer upon his lips brought the whole edifice crashing around him, so a greater than Samson was nailed to a tree, mocked by His foes, and tortured by His enemies. Yet with outstretched arms and a prayer upon His lips for the forgiveness of His enemies, He yields up His life and vanquishes the tyranny of evil.

"At this glorious completion of His work, songs of triumph echoed and re-echoed through the unfallen worlds. Angel and archangel, cherubim and seraphim, joined in the chorus of victory."—ELLEN G. WHITE in *The Youth's Instructor*, April 16, 1903.

John in vision caught the sound of that anthem of praise. He says, "I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night" (Rev. 12:10).

"When He offered Himself on the cross, a perfect atonement was made for the sins of the people."—*Signs of the Times*, June 28, 1899.

But salvation *provided* is not enough; it must be *appropriated*. He must make effective *in* us what He did *for* us on the cross. This He does by His priestly intercession.

"It is as necessary that He should keep us by His intercessions as that He should redeem us with His blood."—Ellen G. White Comments, *The SDA Bible Commentary*, vol. 6, p. 1078.

Christ's Work of Intercession

What is His work of intercession and when did it begin? Isaiah 53:12 says that He "*poured out his soul unto death*" and "*bare the sin of many*." And He "*made intercession for the transgressors*." This He did on Calvary.

But Hebrews 7:25 says He is able "*to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them*." Both His vicarious death and His resurrection life are involved in this work of intercession. But more: Paul tells us that it is the Holy Spirit who "*helpeth our infirmities*" and "*maketh intercession for us*," for the Spirit "*searcheth the hearts*" and "*maketh intercession for the saints*

according to the will of God" (Rom. 8: 26, 27).

Not only our High Priest but also the Holy Spirit is associated in this work of intercession. It is through the Spirit that the virtues of His spotless life and vicarious death are made effective in us.

"It is through His intercession that we, through faith, repentance, and conversion, are enabled to become partakers of the divine nature, and thus escape the corruption that is in the world through lust."—Ellen G. White in *Questions on Doctrine*, pp. 681, 682.

The only way we can be kept from sin is through the indwelling Spirit who by the power of "the blood of the everlasting covenant" works in us "that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ" (Heb. 13:20, 21).

It was this shattering truth of righteousness by faith that the apostles took to the world. And to them it was not only a doctrine; it was an experience. Their sermons were not merely pretty platitudes; they were mighty messages of God's redemption delivered "in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance" (1 Thess. 1:5). "I *know* whom I have believed," Paul says, "and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day" (2 Tim. 1:12). That was something he knew.

John's confidence was just as real. "We do *know* that we know him," he wrote. "We *know* that we have passed from death unto life." "We *know* that whosoever is born of God sinneth not." "These things have I written unto you . . . that ye may *know* that ye have eternal life." The apostles *knew* their present standing in grace. There was no ambiguity about their messages. The word *know* or *knoweth* is found forty times in John's first Epistle. Someone has said, "The world is hungry to know some things for sure." With confusion and fear on every hand, we as believers in Christ should *know* that "we are in him" and that "he abideth in us" (1 John 2:5; 3: 24).

When we accept Christ we accept a complete Saviour; we become a new creation in Christ Jesus. His *imputed* righteousness covers all our past sins, and His *imparted* righteousness gives us victory over present fleshly desires. But more: It assures us that we are the children of God.

A businessman in Kansas was greeted by his banker who said, "Well, Pete, what do you know for sure?" His answer was immediate and realistic. He said, "I know that my sins are forgiven, that I am a child of God, and that I'm on my way to heaven."

Some may call that presumption. But this was the kind of knowledge and assurance that turned the world upside down nineteen hundred years ago. "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ," said Paul, "for it is the power of God unto salvation." It turned him from a fanatical Pharisee into a flaming evangelist.

And it has lost none of its power. But we must know that power individually, for only as we know it individually can the church experience it collectively.

"If you know the truth that makes men free

And with skill can bring it to view,
The world is waiting for you, dear friend;

The world is waiting for you."

Yes, the world is waiting for the church to arise and shine with the glory of God; is waiting "for the manifestation of the sons of God" (Rom. 8:19). If we have accepted Jesus Christ and have fully yielded ourselves to the control of the Holy Spirit, then every day will witness a growth in Christlikeness. The Christian virtues of patience, honesty, purity, and obedience will begin to be seen in our lives. And at every stage of that growth God will see us as "perfect in Christ." Clad in the wedding garment He has provided, we need have no undue anxiety about our standing when our names are called in the judgment, for Christ's armor of righteousness, both imputed and imparted, is ours *now* by faith. "Ye are complete in him" (Col. 2:10). "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life" (Rom. 5:10), that is, by His resurrection life lived in us by His Spirit.

"Not saved are we by trying; from self can come no aid.

'Tis on the blood relying, once for our ransom paid.

'Tis looking unto Jesus, the holy One and just.

'Tis His great work that saves us; it is not try but trust."

What Is Sanctification?

We often hear it said that sanctification is the work of a lifetime, the implication being that if we live long enough and struggle hard enough, then at last we will attain to sanctification. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Sanctification *is* the work of a lifetime; but whose work? Certainly not ours, for nothing we can do now or at any time in the future can add anything to what our Lord has done *for* us on the cross, and what He is doing now *in* us by His Spirit. Justification and sanctification are never separated. Both are gifts from God, and one no more than the other.

Justification is what Christ does *for* us. Sanctification is what Christ does *in* us. But it is all of Christ and none of self. Jesus said, "The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works" (John 14:10). So if by His grace we are living as He lived, then our words and our works are really not ours but God's. By constantly yielding ourselves to Him we become "instruments of righteousness" upon whom the Spirit of God can play the harmonies of heaven. To those who have entered into that experience the apostle says, "For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace" (Rom. 6:14).

"The righteousness by which we are justified is imputed; the righteousness by which we are sanctified is imparted. The first is our title to heaven, the second is our fitness for heaven."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 35.

Remember, "no degree of mortification can bring us sanctification." We can be "free from the law of sin and death" only by "the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 8:2). "The expulsive power of a new affection" is what makes us victorious. Instead of looking forward to some future experience, when the Lord by some special act will impart to us His righteousness, let us at this very meeting yield our hearts fully to Him, accept of His grace, and by faith receive His righteousness. And then let us keep on yielding ourselves to Him, and keep on receiving His righteousness. Make this a life habit.

Our slowness to accept this mighty provision is the reason for our spiritual impoverishment. Only through the impartation of His righteousness can our sinful natures be conquered. Satan is well aware of this. We must not permit him to confuse us with a mass of detail that robs the gospel of its beautiful simplicity.

Soon after the apostles were laid to rest men purporting to be teachers of truth gradually introduced a whole system of error. The original message of our Lord's sacrifice and priestly ministry were obscured and ultimately lost. Righteousness and sanctification were buried beneath a veritable mountain of ritual and ceremony. But God's Word declares that just before our Lord's return those truths are to be brought back to the church. "Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things," said Jesus (Matt. 17:11).

The Elijah message now sweeping the world is calling the church back from apostasy and bringing to the people of all lands a mighty message of grace. In these days of confusion we need to be deeper students of God's Word, for doctrines separated from the living Christ have no power to save.

At the General Conference session of 1896 these challenging words came from the Lord's messenger:

"The truths that Satan had concealed by his hellish shadow, the truths that he had misrepresented, and misapplied, and disconnected from the Lord of Glory, are to be reset, opened and explained, and made to appear in their heavenly beauty. . . . They are to be re-established in the minds of men by the living agents whom God hath appointed . . . to do a special work in recovering the old truths from their old forms, that they may rid them of the traditions and maxims of men, and give them to the world in their native purity, in their original splendor, freshness, and force. This is our work, brethren and sisters, in this waiting, watching time."—*General Conference Bulletin*, Vol. 1, No. 8, 1896. (Italics supplied.)

"Great truths that have lain unheeded and unseen since the day of Pentecost are to shine from God's word in their native purity. To those who truly love God the Holy Spirit will reveal truths that have faded from the mind, and will also reveal truths that are entirely new."—*Review and Herald*, Aug. 17, 1897. (Italics supplied.)

This last statement should bow us in humility before God. When the church lost the message of righteousness by faith, men became either afraid of God, and

tried to buy His favor by penances and works, or else they became self-righteous and self-satisfied, feeling no need of His grace.

Lady Huntington, an ardent disciple of George Whitefield, invited the Duchess of Buckingham to accompany her to hear him preach. "No," replied the Duchess, "it is monstrous to be told that you have a heart as sinful as the common wretches that crawl on the earth. It is highly offensive and insulting." Poor soul! The "offense of the cross" kept her from accepting salvation, as it did the Jews in the days of Paul.

Whitefield, like the Reformers before him, preached a saving faith. But as Melancthon once said, "It is faith alone that saves. But faith that saves is never alone." How true! "The faith of Jesus" is an obedient faith (Acts 5:32). It is a purifying faith (Acts 15:9). It is a living faith (Gal. 2:20). It is a justifying faith (Rom. 5:1). It is a sanctifying faith (Acts 26:18). It is a conquering faith; it "overcometh the world" (1 John 5:4). And this faith, if received as a gift from God, will make us more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

Must Not Live in Fear

With such a message of assurance we have no right to live our lives in fear and anxiety, wondering how we will stand in the judgment. If we have committed our case to Him who is both our Advocate and Judge (*The Desire of Ages*, p. 210), then we can safely leave our future in His hands, knowing that He will confess our name before the Father and His angels. A misconception of the great sanctuary truth has robbed many of the very assurance they need when we will have to stand without a Mediator just prior to our Lord's return. Do you feel your faith is weak? Let these words bring you courage:

"There is an inexhaustible fund of perfect obedience accruing from His obedience. In heaven His merits, His self-denial and self-sacrifice, are treasured as incense to be offered up with the prayers of His people."—*Sons and Daughters of God*, p. 22.

"He will shape and mold our characters according to His own will." "Christ has pledged Himself to be our substitute and surety, and He neglects no one. . . . He will look upon no trembling suppliant without raising him up. He who through His own atonement provided for man an infinite fund of moral power, will not fail to employ this power in our behalf."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 157.

"And now, not as a mere petitioner does the Captain of our salvation intercede for us, but as a Conqueror claiming His victory."—*Ibid.*, p. 156.

Christ is not trying to move the Father to mercy. He does not need to, for at Calvary the Father was not accepting a gift; He was making a gift. "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself" (2 Cor. 5:19).

"The Captain of our salvation is interceding for His people, not as a petitioner to move the Father to compassion, but as a conqueror, who claims the trophies of His victory."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 154.

Though many Christian groups teach something of our Lord's ministry as High Priest, and some have much to say about the Holy Spirit, yet it seems that God has not given to any other people the revelation of His closing work in the judgment as He has given it to us. But we ourselves need to get an even larger concept of this truth. We must see our Lord in this hour of judgment revealing His righteousness and establishing His sovereignty, and through His redeeming grace showing both His holiness and His mercy. The pre-Advent judgment will fully unmask the devil and unfold in detail the great conflict between light and darkness. And at the very time this is in session the great beast power of prophecy will be claiming to do the work of Christ, and deceiving the whole world. Satan is about to impersonate Christ.

This is truly the hour of God's judgment, not only for the church but for the world. No subject in God's Word is more important than the judgment. And no truth has met with greater opposition, for Satan knows that the judgment is where the issues are laid bare. But nothing can stop the work of God in the sanctuary above. From that throne room comes God's call to humble ourselves in prayer and deep heart searching. As ancient Israel on the Day of Atonement gathered about the sanctuary in confession and self-examination in contemplation of what was happening in the sanctuary, so we today should lift our eyes to the heavenly sanctuary where the conquering Christ is revealing before the universe His power to "subdue all things unto Himself," and where in the scenes of the judgment He is establishing the absolute sovereignty of God, not only among un-fallen beings but also in the hearts of the redeemed. When He finishes that ministry He will pronounce the sentence, and the door of mercy will be closed forever.

One lesson we can learn from the typical service is that while the High Priest was in the Most Holy Place, the people could still confess and forsake their sins. But when once the High Priest emerged from the sanctuary and laid the sins upon the scapegoat, there was no further opportunity to confess.

Now, these things were "written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come" (1 Cor. 10:11). When our great High Priest finishes His work as "the Judge of all the earth," opportunity for salvation will have passed forever. Jesus said, "When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are" (Luke 13:25).

Someday soon salvation will have passed. Someday it will be too late. "Now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." When Noah finished his preaching he entered into the ark and the Lord shut the door. Those outside could not get in and those inside could not get out. So it will be when our great High Priest finishes His work of intercession. Summoning every angel in glory, He will lead the greatest pageant of eter-

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Publishing Department

By G. A. HUSE, Secretary

The Advent cause was built on a firm basis from its inception. Before we had a denominational name or a church or a conference organization, the foundation of this movement was given to this people by the servant of the Lord in these words: "You must begin to print a little paper and send it out to the people. Let it be small at first; but as the people read, they will send you means with which to print, and it will be a success from the first. From this small beginning it was shown to me to be like streams of light that went clear round the world."—*Colporteur Ministry*, p. 1. Following the divine instruction thus given, the third angel's message was launched upon a globe-encircling program through the influence of the printed page. Adventist literature has played and will continue to play an integral role in finishing God's work on this earth.

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From the small beginning in New England, when an edition of only 150 copies of *Present Truth* comprised the entire program of the denomination, a chain of 42 modern, well-equipped publishing houses has grown that now belts the globe—streams of light going clear round the world. They publish the finest type of literature produced anywhere.

Our publishing houses carry a twofold responsibility—that of providing convincing evangelistic literature for the public, and a character-building array of books and periodicals for an ever-growing membership. They employ 2,057 skilled craftsmen producing a fine line of Adventist literature in 228 languages. They are fore-runners in creating new evangelistic contacts wherever our work is established.

To capture reader attention, special care has been exercised in producing books, magazines, tracts, and other literature that is attractive and legible. Cover designs and formats have been modernized, color has been brought into play. Some of the world's best artists have been engaged to create four-color illustrations to add interest and deepen the impressions of truth on the minds and hearts of readers. This has brought about a clearer understanding of the precious truths of the Bible in both subscription and trade literature.

During the past quadrennium the Lord has blessed these institutions in a wonderful way, making it possible for them to reach an all-time high in sales as indicated in the following report:

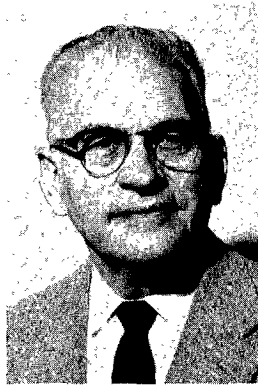
1958	.....	\$21,702,984.89
1959	.....	21,097,125.40
1960	.....	23,543,132.57
1961	..... (Estimated)	24,000,000.00

Total \$90,343,242.86

The report covering the previous quad-

rennial period totaled \$80,240,534.85, indicating a gain in the four-year period of \$10,102,708.01. This is nothing short of miraculous, and we are most thankful.

From the beginning of this movement Adventist literature has been used in abundance, and total sales from then until the close of 1961 amount to the fabulous sum of \$437,676,092.93. While this figure indicates success in dollars and cents, it brings satisfaction and cheer to find that also thousands of honest hearts are rejoicing in the truth because of the influence of the millions of pages of SDA books, magazines, and tracts distributed by literature evangelists and a faithful membership.



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Thus, while the workers in our publishing houses and literature evangelists in this country produce and distribute our literature in the home fields, they are enabling our brethren in the outposts of mission endeavor to erect and enlarge our printing plants and publish much-needed books and magazines for our colporteurs in the far corners of civilization. This is truly missionary work of the highest order.

Total donations by these three houses to this mutual evangelistic publishing ar-

range have amounted to \$1,022,657.32. At this time we want heartily to thank the administrators and workers of these institutions and our colporteurs working in the field for their wonderful cooperation and unstinted generosity in making this program possible.

Book and Bible Houses

In the far-reaching wisdom of the founders of this denomination our Book and Bible Houses were established. Each office is managed by an expert in this line of distribution. The influence of our Book and Bible Houses extends to all departments of our work, for every phase of Christian endeavor is made more successful through the abundant use of literature. Our Bible House managers are constantly encouraging our members to build libraries in every Adventist home. They also supply our vast army of colporteurs with books and magazines that reach the public mind. In this way they have a dual capacity in evangelism in winning men and women to the truth and in providing members with character-building literature which establishes them in the message and helps them to become more active in lay evangelism. These men are doing an outstanding job as can be noted by the following report of Book and Bible House sales throughout North America during the past quadrennium:

1958	.....	\$ 6,790,648.61
1959	.....	7,803,653.49
1960	.....	8,636,043.61
1961	..... (Estimated)	9,000,000.00

Total \$32,230,345.71

During the years 1954-1957 sales by these offices amounted to \$25,888,946.56, which reveal an actual net gain in the quadrennial period of \$6,341,399.15. This clearly indicates that increased volumes of Adventist literature are now being read by the public and our membership alike. A reading church is a live, active church.

Literature Evangelists

In *Colporteur Ministry*, page 44, we read: "The intelligent, God-fearing, truth-loving canvasser should be respected; for he occupies a position equal to that of the gospel minister." These consecrated men and women who dedicate their lives to literature evangelism ply the lanes and highways in every part of the world. Their task is a most sacred one, equaling that of the minister in the pulpit. They go directly into the homes of the people and tactfully introduce them to the way of salvation. They pray with them at the family altar. Their talents combine those of minister, teacher, and experienced salesman. They meet with the cottage dweller and the man who resides in a palace, for their ministry carries them to all classes of people.

Soul winning is the prime objective of all those laboring in the publishing department. Our literature evangelists are most effective in this respect, and actually contact more non-Adventist people in personal visitation than do workers in any other branch of denominational endeavor. They work closely with the minister within his territory, passing on to him names of interested persons; informing him of new arrivals in the neighbor-

hood; of homes where there is sickness, sadness, or need of spiritual help; enrolling individuals in the Bible correspondence courses. Consistent follow-up efforts have made the work of our colporteurs more fruitful and have worked to the mutual benefit of the minister in souls baptized into the church.

The world report at the right indicates a personal missionary work being carried on by our faithful literature evangelists in every corner of the globe.

Magazine Ministry

The distribution of our message-filled magazines forms a very important part of the publishing program of this denomination. The servant of God tells us: "Let us now, by the wise use of periodicals and books, preach the word with determined energy, that the world may understand the message that Christ gave to John on the Isle of Patmos."—*Colporteur Ministry*, p. 145.

The true effectiveness of literature distribution is continual contact with readers. This is being accomplished through our attractive magazines and periodicals in keeping the message constantly before the people. Careful planning has provided proper journals for old and young, for those in the church, and for the general public. They feature character-building stories for children and youth, healthful living, temperance, religious liberty, and everyday religion in the home and public life for those of older years. The soul-winning value of our magazines and periodicals must not be overlooked. Many readers have found Christ through reading our message-filled journals.

Outstanding Publishing Accomplishments

To make possible the scattering of our truth-filled pages "like the leaves of autumn," our publishing houses entered into a plan of printing in large quantities a selection of our standard books in smaller format, thus enabling them to set the retail price at only \$1.00 a copy. This proved a success from the beginning and enabled our church members to secure these books for themselves and to place many thousands of these volumes in the hands of friends and neighbors, thus providing the truth to them in a legible, convincing form. During the past ten years, since the inception of this plan, the following volumes have been printed and distributed:

1952	<i>Bible Readings</i>	206,879
1953	<i>Drama of the Ages</i>	149,814
1954	<i>The Great Controversy</i>	347,000
1955	<i>God Speaks to Modern Man</i>	429,208
1956	<i>The Desire of Ages</i>	557,000
1957	<i>What Jesus Said</i>	229,824
1958	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i>	248,115
1959	<i>Love Unlimited</i>	245,425
1960	<i>Planet in Rebellion</i>	291,090
1961	<i>Your Bible and You</i>	356,267
Total Copies Distributed		3,040,622

You will recognize this as truly an outstanding record—more than 3 million copies of these well-illustrated books distributed. This is in addition to the sales of regular large-size subscription and trade books!

Future Expansion

In the sixth chapter of Mark is related the experience of Jesus feeding the mul-

Missionary Work Done by Literature Evangelists

Year	Literature Given Out	Bible School Enrollments	New Persons Attend Church	Former SDA's Contacted	Homes Prayer Was Offered	Bible Studies	Colporteur Baptisms
1958	1,575,369	245,844	34,331	19,875	289,073	104,010	4,472
1959	2,329,911	222,759	30,542	16,856	305,630	120,997	2,518
1960	1,994,373	222,977	29,645	18,081	360,239	146,752	3,044
1961	1,920,604	246,185	26,302	18,645	351,933	132,473	3,859
Totals	7,820,257	937,765	120,820	73,457	1,306,875	504,232	13,893
1954-1957 Totals	3,335,451	619,013	65,541	43,203	941,738	205,716	10,355
4 Yr. Increase	4,484,806	318,752	55,279	30,254	365,137	298,516	3,538

titude of 5,000. This is one of the outstanding miracles recorded in the Bible. "Give ye them to eat," was the instruction He gave His disciples in those days, and it is most appropriate counsel to this movement today. The servant of God links this miracle with the publishing ministry in these words: "In the miracle of feeding the multitude with a few loaves and fishes, the food was increased as it passed from Christ to those who accepted it. Thus it will be in the distribution of our publications. God's truth, as it is passed out, will multiply greatly."—*Colporteur Ministry*, p. 151.

Therefore, while the printing press played a premier role under the direction of God in starting this work, we are now assured that literature will prove a powerful influence in building and finishing it. "God's truth, as it is passed out, will multiply greatly." Thousands of honest hearts will receive the message through the printed page who otherwise may never know the way of salvation. Many will enjoy the blessings of eternity because a consecrated literature evangelist visited their homes. Outstanding records have been made in past years, but the greatest accomplishments in literature evangelism are just ahead.

L. A. Hansen opened the first treatment rooms in the denomination in Nashville, Tennessee. For 28 years he was connected with the General Conference Medical Department, 24 of which he served as editor of *Life and Health*. He is now hale and hearty at 90, works every day, and drives his own car—
—a fine example of healthful living.



Conclusion

At this point we want to pay special tribute to the workers in our publishing houses, our leaders in the field, those in the Book and Bible Houses, and to our vast army of literature evangelists laboring in every part of the world. Also, we want to thank our division, union, and local administrators and departmental leaders for their generous cooperation in helping foster the literature program of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

In a personal way I want to add a word of appreciation to my associates, D. A. McAdams and W. A. Higgins, and to our personal secretaries for their untiring efforts and loyal devotion, which has made the work of this department more effective and pleasant.

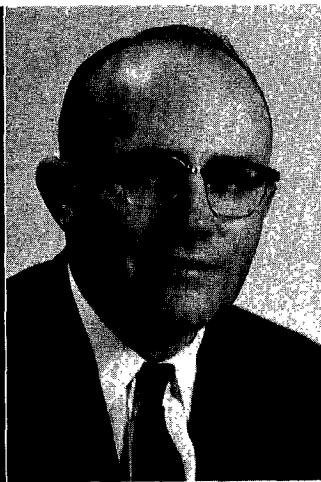
Above all, we are profoundly grateful to the Lord for His providential guidance and protection. In looking over the accomplishments of the past quadrennium we see again evidences of the firm foundation that Divine Providence has placed under this work. We are reminded again that behind every successful movement there is a directive mind; behind the Advent Movement there is God. A tremendous task fraught with an unlimited soul-saving potential lies before us.



Central European
R. Dettmar



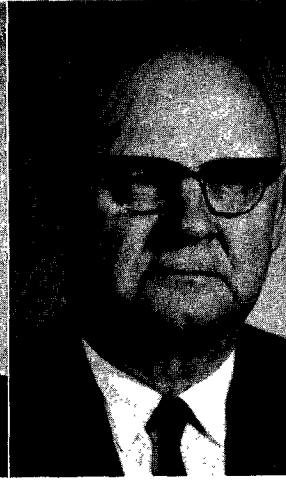
Southern European
Marius Fridlin



Southern African
R. H. Pierson



Southern Asia
R. S. Lowry



Far Eastern
C. P. Sorensen

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Proceedings of the General Conference

Forty-ninth Session, July 26 to August 4, 1962

Twelfth Meeting

August 2, 1962, 10:00 A.M.

CHAIRMAN: F. L. Peterson.

THEME SONG: "We Have This Hope," announced by George Wargo.

PRAYER: I. H. Ihrig, manager of the Southern Publishing Association.

F. L. PETERSON: This morning we shall first listen to the report of the Publishing Department, of which G. A. Huse is the secretary. He will bring to us the report.

[G. A. Huse before reading his report presented his associates from the General Conference Publishing Department and from many of the divisions, unions, and local conferences. He also presented some of the leaders of our publishing houses. The report of the Publishing Department appears on page 10 of this Bulletin.]

F. L. PETERSON: We have a few names that we wish to present as delegates to this session. F. R. Millard is the secretary of the Committee on the Seating of Delegates, and he will present a report from this committee.

[F. R. Millard presented the report and this was adopted as follows:

Southern Asia Division: M. K. George and Emil Fernando.

Northern European Division: A. G. Goude.

Inter-American Division: James Smith,

to replace F. A. Arroyo; and Antonio Escondon, to replace T. J. Harper.

Far Eastern Division: P. S. Amoguis. These delegates were seated.]

F. L. PETERSON: We shall now listen to a report from the Nominating Committee. C. A. Scriven, the chairman of this committee, will bring the report.

C. A. SCRIVEN: We are ready to bring in our final report. R. R. Bietz, secretary of the Nominating Committee, will read it.

[The report appears on page 3 of this Bulletin.]

Following the reading of the report of the Nominating Committee the meeting was adjourned for a little while to make way for certain legal meetings. The record of these meetings appears on page 13 of this Bulletin. Upon the conclusion of the legal meetings the regular morning business meeting was resumed.]

F. L. PETERSON: We shall now listen to the report from the Missionary Volunteer Department. T. E. Lucas is the secretary and he will present the report.

[T. E. Lucas and some of his associates presented a report, part of it written and part of it extemporaneous. Elder Lucas' formal report appears on page 14 of this Bulletin.]

The meeting was adjourned.

BENEDICTION: By L. M. Nelson.

F. L. PETERSON, *Chairman*
E. W. DUNBAR, *Secretary*

Thirteenth Meeting

August 2, 1962, 3:00 P.M.

CHAIRMAN: F. L. Peterson.

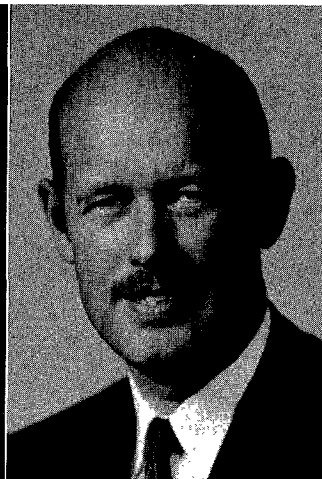
OPENING HYMN: "Marching to Zion," announced by W. D. Wampler.

PRAYER: E. M. Adams.

F. L. PETERSON: As an introduction to this meeting I am asking R. S. Watts to present a feature that we believe will greatly interest you.

R. S. WATTS: I do not know of a more propitious time to introduce to you one of our aged brothers than at this present moment. You see standing before you Brother Ernest Farnsworth, the only remaining child of the first Seventh-day Adventist in North America, or, for that matter, anywhere in the world. His father, William Farnsworth, was born in the year 1807 and lived in Washington, New Hampshire. In 1844 his father and a few others began to keep the seventh-day Sabbath, and having already embraced the blessed hope of the Second Advent, this group became the first company of Sabbathkeeping Adventists in North America. And here we have the son bridging the gap from the very beginning of the Advent Movement until the present moment. We are happy indeed, Brother Farnsworth, that you can be here at this General Conference session. Would you like to say a word to the delegates?

ERNEST FARNSWORTH: I am certainly happy to be here. It has been a wonderful meeting and I have enjoyed it from early morning until late at night. I feel that it has opened my eyes to what has been accomplished in the Advent Movement in my lifetime, so I have enjoyed the meetings very much.



Northern European
E. E. Roenfelt

Middle East
R. A. Wilcox

Inter-American
C. L. Powers

South American
J. J. Aitken

Australasian
L. C. Naden

Regions of the General Conference

R. S. WATTS: How old are you, Brother Farnsworth?

ERNEST FARNSWORTH: I passed my ninety-second birthday in June and my general health is very good. I might be able to be with you at the next General Conference. But most of all I hope to live until Jesus shall come [R. S. WATTS: Wonderful!] and be one of those who may go home with Him. And I don't think it will be long to wait for His coming now.

R. S. WATTS: Now, Brother Farnsworth, one other question. How are you related to E. W. Farnsworth, the one that we know so well in our church history?

ERNEST FARNSWORTH: Well, I am a distant relative. E. W. was father's seventh child, and I am his twenty-first.

R. S. WATTS: How's that? He had 22 children, and Brother Ernest Farnsworth, you are the 21st. Is that right?

ERNEST FARNSWORTH: Yes, that is right.

R. S. WATTS: Well, God bless you, Brother Farnsworth, we are happy that you are here. [A picture of Brother Farnsworth with W. R. Beach appears on page 124 of the Bulletin.]

F. L. PETERSON: We shall now listen to the report from the Ellen G. White Board of Trustees.

[The report was presented by A. L. White, secretary of the board of the E. G. White Estate. The report appears on page 17 of this Bulletin.]

F. L. PETERSON: W. J. Hubert, who heads the Church Development Service, will make a statement.

[W. J. Hubert made a statement. This will appear in a later Bulletin.]

F. L. PETERSON: F. R. Millard, secretary of the Plans Committee, will now submit a further report of that committee.

F. R. MILLARD: We have considerable

material, which will tax the limits of our time. I would like to suggest, however, that for a little break in our program we bring on an item which has to do with the Sabbath school. The Plans Committee recommends that we look with favor on a proposal of Chapel Records to produce Sabbath school lessons on records for kindergarten and primary levels, with the following provisions: These records would be sold on a yearly subscription basis, the same as our periodicals. There will be six records with one lesson on each side. They will be mailed each quarter, making a total of 24 for the year. Brother Chairman, I move that this suggested plan be adopted, and I would suggest that we hear a short sample of the proposed records.

[The motion was adopted, and part of a record was played.]

[F. R. Millard then proceeded to read the further report of the Plans Committee. After due discussion the resolutions presented, which dealt with further revisions of the *Church Manual*, were *Voted*. These will be published in the next Bulletin.]

The meeting was adjourned.

BENEDICTION: By L. E. Coolidge.
F. L. PETERSON, *Chairman*
F. R. MILLARD, *Secretary*

Legal Meetings

General Conference Corporation

Meeting held at 11:00 A.M., August 2, 1962.

R. R. FIGUHR: I am asking M. V. Campbell to act as chairman.

M. V. CAMPBELL: We shall call a meeting of the constituency of the General Conference Corporation. This includes all

delegates here present at the General Conference session. R. R. Bietz, secretary of the Nominating Committee, will read the report of that committee.

R. R. BIETZ: The Nominating Committee recommends the following for trustees of the General Conference Corporation: R. R. Figuhr, W. E. Phillips, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, W. R. Beach, C. L. Torrey, O. A. Blake, W. E. Murray, J. C. Kozel.

[C. A. Scriven moved the adoption of this report and G. A. Huse seconded it. It was *Voted*.]

[W. R. Beach moved that the actions appearing in the official minutes be adopted. E. E. Roenfelt seconded the motion.

It was *Voted*.]
It was then *Voted* to adjourn. W. R. Beach made the motion, which was seconded by D. A. McAdams.

R. R. FIGUHR, *Chairman*
W. R. BEACH, *Secretary*

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(Continued on page 24)

Missionary Volunteer Department

By THEODORE LUCAS, *Secretary*

Fifty-five years ago at Mount Vernon, Ohio, "the founders of the Seventh-day Adventist youth movement cast the mantle of Christian service upon their sons and daughters and called them Missionary Volunteers." At that momentous time in its history the army of Missionary Volunteers—5,400 members in all the world—was organized into 272 MV Societies. Today, in this fifty-fifth anniversary year, there are more than 14,000 societies, and the world MV membership is near enough to a half million that we can have that figure as a realistic anniversary goal. It is truly an "army" now, and Share Your Faith exploits are ever revealing more of the character and response of Adventist youth.

These stirring times present a mighty challenge to the church as it prepares its youth for the last great crisis. God needs the youth and wishes us to sound His clear, challenging call in their ears. "God calls for you, young men. He calls for whole armies of young men who are large-hearted and large-minded, and who have a deep love for Christ and the truth."—*Messages to Young People*, p. 224. Through the eyes of the messenger of God we are permitted to glimpse the work which the youth of the church are to do in the climactic days ahead. "In the closing scenes of this earth's history, many of these children and youth will astonish people by their witness to the truth, which will be borne in simplicity, yet with spirit and power."—*Counsels to Parents and Teachers*, p. 166.

MV Week

The evangelistic fervor of the Missionary Volunteer movement has spilled over into the whole world. The MV leaders and the young people themselves have a great concern to lead our youth into an experimental knowledge of Christ as their Saviour. The Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer, for example, each year brings a supreme spiritual opportunity for youth evangelism. In North America 9,219 precious youth confessed Christ in baptism during the past four years as a result of MV Week.

Southern Asia recently gave us an example of what may be accomplished when division leaders, conference presidents, and local pastors catch the vision of the glorious opportunity this occasion brings. In July, 1961, after a year of planning and praying, every one of their 364 churches and 19 companies participated in an unprecedented effort to reach youth during Missionary Volunteer Week. This all-out effort led 5,570 young people to accept Christ at the close of the week, and 1,649 joined baptismal classes. This happened in lands steeped in heathenism and false religions, where souls are hard

to win and where many of our youth come from non-Christian homes.

The great goal of Missionary Volunteering is still Share Your Faith. MV Community Service is a great adventure that wins the participation of thousands of willing Missionary Volunteers. The world at its worst demands a youth church at its best. Our young people have a willingness to know and a willingness to be known through dedicated service. The intellectual and the spiritual are wedded in service so that commitment to Christ and the world's need are part of one whole—Missionary Volunteering.

Our emphasis on Bible study between 1958 and 1962 encouraged the giving of five million Bible studies by Missionary



Theodore Lucas

Volunteers. During the same period 33 million pieces of literature were distributed and eight million people were helped in one way or another.

MV Leadership

We have come to a day in which it is difficult to overemphasize the need for revitalized insight regarding the nature and meaning of leadership. We need to be able to translate into functional terms the essence of findings and views on group leadership in our churches. It is our goal to share in the responsibility of training our youth to be better leaders. The Leadercraft Course is no longer a novice in this field. This ten-hour course for the training of our senior youth in the science of leadership has been most enthusiastically received, a total of 8,339 persons having received Leadercraft certificates. A Leadercraft Extended Course has recently been added. Both the *Leadercraft Instructor's Guide* and the *Leadercraft Class Notebook* have been revised and restyled for up-to-date-ness during the past four-year period.

One of the outstanding adventures of our past four years has been the College

MV Officers' Seminars, which are conducted in the eastern, central, and western parts of the North American Division. These are gatherings of MV officers from the colleges in the separate geographical sections. Several days are spent in analyzing Missionary Volunteer work, and in a better understanding of the responsibilities and opportunities of the MV officers of the colleges that are represented. These have made a solid contribution to improving our efficiency on the college campus and to reactivating the Missionary Volunteer program among the students.

MV Book Club

A feature of our work that is new annually is the MV Book Club. The clubs are presented to our youth on the primary, junior, and senior levels. During the past quadrennium 236,807 Book Club certificates have been issued. These statistics take on new meanings when we remember that these MV Book Club selections influence the ideals and attitudes of our youth, stabilize them in the message, and lead them into service. At the same time, recreational and social advantages are projected into their lives through these fine books. Youth are struggling with strange ideas and philosophies, and only the most skillful plans under the Spirit of God can help them. Literature can play an important part in their character development.

Among other devotional and educational features are the Morning Watch, Bible reading plans, and the Character Classics. Spiritual attitudes are formed through these avenues of spiritual counsel and guidance. It must be declared that casual, convenient Christianity is useless against man's personal problem of emptiness. These features are strong in their content toward spiritual things. Our latest figure in the keeping of the Morning Watch is a record—more than 250,000 young people observed it in 1961. In that same year 34,427 received Bible Year certificates.

The General Conference MV Department has prepared attainment goals in many lines of purposeful activity. MV Honors are granted in outdoor industries, recreational pursuits, nature study, missionary endeavor, mechanics, and many other pursuits that young people enjoy. There were 84,336 MV Honors awarded in 1961 to those who completed the difficult requirements attached to this fine MV challenge.

Junior Missionary Volunteers

Our work for junior youth shows a healthy growth indeed, and its increase assumes enormous significance when it is viewed in the light of the age level for conversion. Today the greatest number of people are baptized at 12 years of age. Thus, the junior age is the time of harvest for the church. It is imperative that the church win its children while they are young. And, having won them and baptized them, the church must hold them for Christ during the stormy years of adolescence. This is the basic purpose of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society and the JMV Pathfinder Club, both patterned to meet the needs characteristic of the junior age span. Thousands of en-

thusiastic members of Pathfinder Clubs attest to its success. North America leads with 877 clubs (1961) and 16,664 members.

Our junior camps with their nature study, their vocational arts, and their evangelistic mold have become a strong feature in this work of saving our children. Year by year the call for these camps has become more and more insistent, and an increasing number of conferences are conducting them. The latest annual statistics reveal that the 464 camps had an attendance of 35,782 and that during the camp sessions 5,102 decisions for the Lord Jesus Christ were made.

The MV Department is gratified with the interest and profit that has accrued since the Master Guide work was extended to include two fields of leadership—juniors and seniors. The changing times have placed requirements on our young people's workers which call for highly specialized skills and a thorough knowledge and sympathetic understanding of youth. We are happy to report that within this past four-year period we have invested 8,971 Master Guides, which is the largest figure ever achieved in this field of MV training.

New Features

The new additions to our long list of helps and activities include Operation Fireside. This project has been tried in the field and has been so successful in rolling up large numbers of baptisms that the MV Department of the General Conference has adopted it for worldwide sponsorship. The Youth Bible Conference is another newcomer that has proved successful. The young people attend these conferences because they are thirsting for Bible knowledge they can use to help themselves and others through the perilous days just ahead.

The *MV Pathfinder Field Guide*, a 350-page manual on outdoor living for Pathfinders and their leaders, recently came off the presses. A handbook on how to conduct a youth revival series has been prepared, and a new *Baptism Manual for Junior Youth* is newly published. Another new feature is the 200-page mimeographed textbook for Missionary Volunteer leaders in their War Service Commission work. Many new MV leaflets are available, and the latest big project is a completely new *Pathfinder Staff Training Course*.

The *MV Program Kit* is reaching more young people's workers than ever before—nearly 9,000 subscribers. As a practical tool for MV Societies, each issue offers leadership articles of inspirational and instructional value, as well as complete programs on various age and interest levels. It is published quarterly, with a fifth Week of Prayer number issued in March.

MV's in Military Service

At the present time some 5,000 of our young people have been moved out of their homes, their churches, their schools, and their customary work and are in the military service. The new and strange experiences in every part of the earth have enormous impact and influence upon their young lives. Since 1958 the Mission-

ary Volunteer Department has been responsible for preparing our youth for possible noncombatant military duties and for keeping in touch with those in the armed forces. The organization for such work is the War Service Commission, known outside the North American Division as the National Service Organization.

This special work of the General Conference staff and MV leaders all over the world is greatly aided by 18 military and civilian chaplains, four of whom have been added in the past four years. The Army and Air Force chaplains are Capt. Glenn I. Bowen, Capt. William S. Hall, Capt. Wayne C. Hill, Capt. Carl R. Holden, Capt. John E. Keplinger, Capt. Earl T. Lee, Capt. Joseph T. Powell, Capt. Richard Sessums, Capt. Christy M. Taylor, and 1st Lt. Ralph Workman. Our Navy chaplains are Lt. (jg) Norman Goodwin, Lt. Comdr. Robert L. Mole, and Lt. Davis A. Thomas. We have five civilian chaplains—Elders S. O. Francisco, Kenneth L. Gant, Thomas Green, Chester A. Holt, and Harold E. Kurtz. Elder Gant, who is retiring, for some time has been working with his successor, Elder Hollis Anderson, to effect a smooth transfer of the chaplain's responsibilities in the San Diego area.

The Annual Chaplains' Conference

A service that has been much appreciated is the annual Chaplains' Conference, to which all of our civilian and military chaplains are invited, that we may talk over the problems that mutually concern us. Three War Service schools were recently conducted—in the East, Midwest, and West. All the Missionary Volunteer secretaries went to Washington, D.C., Kansas City, or San Francisco to be schooled from literature specially prepared by this department. In a number of recent cases wherein Adventist servicemen have had difficulties, the quick action of chaplains and War Service Commission secretaries has helped avoid courts-martial.

The biennial Servicemen's Literature Fund provides SDA reading materials for our youth in the military. The \$75,000 that was contributed this year by the North American Division will send to servicemen SDA periodicals, devotional guides, and tracts and other missionary literature for evangelism among their fellow servicemen.

Centers and Retreats

We have six servicemen's centers for SDA youth in military uniform. They are at Fort Ord, California; San Antonio, Texas; Honolulu, Hawaii; Anchorage, Alaska; Biloxi, Mississippi; and at Frankfurt, Germany. The center at Biloxi, Mississippi, has been established in the past four years. In addition to these services, retreats held in various parts of the world also give opportunities for Christian association.

Our annual retreat at Berchtesgaden, Germany, is one of the great events of the year for SDA servicemen in Europe. This spring 179 servicemen and their families met in Berchtesgaden for spiritual refreshment. The staff was a strong one, including the two Adventist military

chaplains for Europe, Capt. Earl T. Lee and Capt. Carl R. Holden; the civilian chaplain for Europe, S. O. Francisco; and the three division MV secretaries for Europe. Seven Adventist doctors assisted in the instruction and in the answering of questions.

In peacetime Seventh-day Adventist soldiers not only practice methods of first aid and lifesaving, they demonstrate front-line behavior by exposing themselves to unseen dangers in the laboratory. In the past few years Seventh-day Adventist servicemen participated in more than 1,000 experiments that have resulted in great advances against plagues and serious diseases. Hospital and medical centers all over the world are benefited by these experiments.

This project in which Seventh-day Adventist army volunteers participate is known as Operation White Coat and is under the direction of the medical service of Walter Reed Army Hospital. At the present time most of the 200 Seventh-day Adventist military personnel in the Washington, D.C., area are connected with the operation.

Medical Cadet Corps

Our Medical Cadet Corps is one of the finest features of our youth work. MCC statistics outside the North American Division show that we have had approximately 5,500 enrolled in these four years, the largest number being in the Far Eastern Division. Medical Cadet Corps units have been active in the following places: Brazil, Dominican Republic, Formosa, Guatemala, Jamaica, Lebanon, Liberia, Philippines, Puerto Rico, and the Republic of Korea.

In the North American Division the MCC statistics reveal that in the past four years we have had a total enrollment of nearly 8,000. Annually Camp Doss is the primary scene of this training program. In the past quadrennium we have alternated the national camp between Grand Ledge, Michigan, and Gladstone, Oregon, to equalize the opportunities for our youth. The Camp Doss enrollments for the past four years total 853.

North American Youth Congress

Famed Atlantic City, New Jersey, is a place that had "seen everything"—or so it thought. That was before the largest gathering of Seventh-day Adventist youth in the history of Seventh-day Adventists settled beside the curling surf of the Atlantic Ocean in the city's massive auditorium, in June, 1960. Before they left they were the talk of the sophisticated resort city. Their behavior in the hotels and eating places, the way they ignored questionable spots on the boardwalk, how they really *kept* the Sabbath, their ever-present Bibles of which they were not ashamed, their lively but courteous Christian attitudes, their rush to be on time at congress sessions—none of this escaped the attention of an amazed city. Their leaders were proud of them.

All who had to do with the planning of the North American Youth Congress had been impressed with the need for special efforts to make this, first and last, a spiritual gathering. Called Festival of

the Holy Scriptures, its theme was "Spotlight on the Bible." The entire congress program was cast in this mold. It was here that youth discussion groups took on new meaning and began a new trend. Attendance at these sessions taxed the available facilities. It was a never-to-be-forgotten congress because so many leaders gave their best to it, and because so many youth came with a desire to both give and take, that they might be better Christian witnesses.

In an ideal setting provided by the Lone Star Camp of the Texas Conference, General, union, and local conference MV secretaries joined in the North American MV Leadership Training Camp in May, 1961. Though the curriculum dealt with general leadership also, the specialty was leadership skills in outdoor activities. Much time was given to nature instruction and to gaining a clear concept of its part in character formation. By means of lecture, discussion, demonstration, and participation, youth leaders were better prepared for water skills and safety, camping, physical fitness, and storytelling, as well as a great variety of nature subjects.

General Conference Personnel

"Honor to whom honor is due" is more than just a trite saying when recognition is given to the MV staff members of the General Conference. They are people with a deep concern for youth. Missionary Volunteering is a responsibility that has its roots in the past, present, and future of our young people around the world. The greatest privilege that can come to anyone is to spend a lifetime serving young people. Each member of our staff has had that experience. E. L. Minchin, J. R. Nelson, L. A. Skinner, Clark Smith, Mildred Lee Johnson, Lowell Litten, are Missionary Volunteer secretaries of the General Conference to whom high tribute is due. Also to be commended are the office secretaries—Veda Doyle, Diane Karshneski, Mrs. Ruby Phalen, Mrs. Peggy Stahl, Mrs. June Vogt, and Mrs. Freida White. This team spends its time in drawing together the strands of Missionary Volunteering that weave a pattern of which they need not be ashamed. These are they who push back the horizons, transform lives, open doors into new fields of opportunity, and bring new meaning and confidence into life. They are people devoted to the sons and daughters of this message.

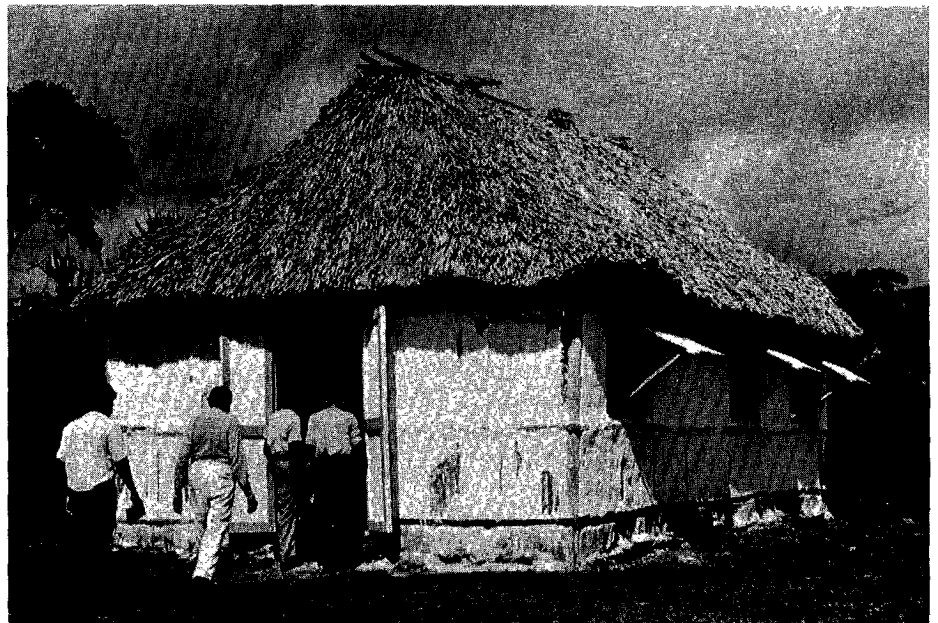
Conclusion

The facts revealed in this report attest to the remarkable responsiveness of the youth of today who might sometimes seem to be worldly and hardened against the appeals of the message. We must give greater attention to evangelism for our young people. We have done much, but we have not done enough. In every part of the world our youth live under the pressure of severe tests. We must work while we still have the opportunity to do so.

God has engaged us to see to it that the lives of our youth are transformed. Thanks be to God for whatever advance we have been privileged to witness.

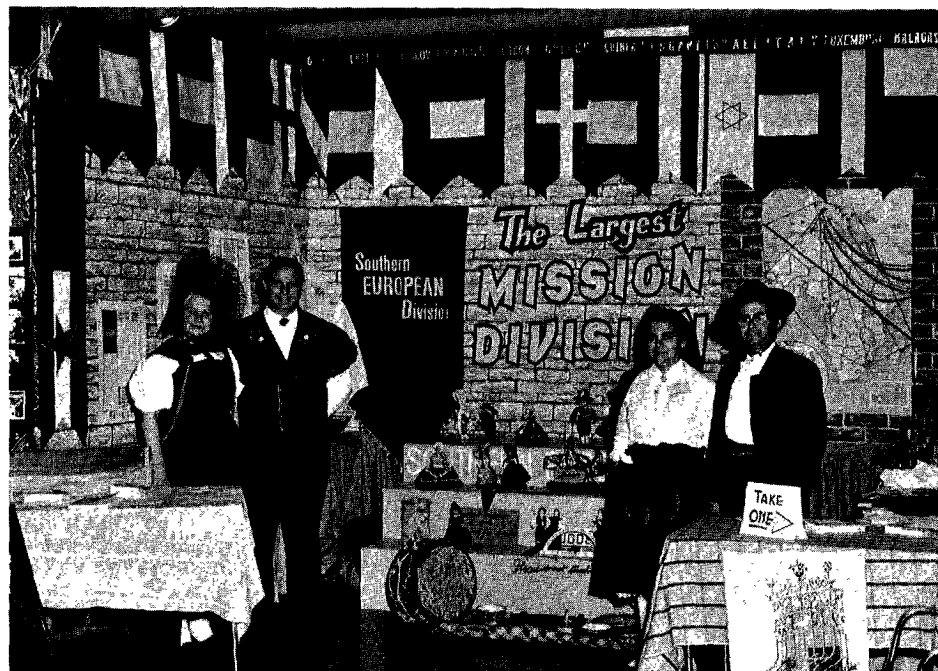


The Advent message has won many Puerto Rican hearts. On this island the denomination operates the beautifully situated Bella Vista Hospital (pictured here) and the Antillian College at Mayaguez. Seventh-day Adventist churches are scattered all over the island of Puerto Rico.



Seventh-day Adventists in the interior of British Honduras worship in simple whitewashed, thatched-roofed buildings.

The Southern European Division booth. The far-flung reaches of the Southern European Division are well represented by flags of the many countries within its organization. Left to right are: Pastor and Mrs. Hugo Moeschinger (he is president of the German Swiss Conference) and Pedro Ribeiro and wife (he is secretary-treasurer of the Portuguese Union).



The Ellen G. White Estate

By ARTHUR L. WHITE, *Secretary*

Earlier this year one of our world division leaders, in a letter to us at the office of the Ellen G. White Estate, opened his heart to us in these words:

"A few weeks ago I started reading *Testimonies*, volume 5, and have now almost finished it. I do not know from where, except the Bible, I could have received so many precious blessings. Much of what I read went as sword thrusts into my own soul and at times it was hard to apply to myself the things that obviously had an application. I can only say that I have been richly and abundantly blessed and that with all my soul I believe that in these blessed books we have precious and much-needed counsel for our own souls in these dark days. Much of what was written 80 years ago in volume 5 sounds as if the servant of the Lord wrote it yesterday. If we as workers and people would only read these books, what a tremendous difference it would make."

It is the work of the Board of Trustees of the Ellen G. White Estate to encourage the ever-broadening publication, distribution, and reading of the E. G. White writings in all languages throughout the world, to protect and care for the E. G. White manuscripts and periodical articles, and to keep the oncoming generation of Seventh-day Adventists throughout the world well informed concerning Mrs. White, her life, and her work.

Two of the nine trustees and four regularly employed assistants devote their full time to these endeavors. We count it a privilege to bring before this conference an accounting of the trust imposed upon us by Ellen G. White.

The New *Index*

All eyes are turned toward the new *Comprehensive Index to the Writings of Ellen G. White*. It covers the Ellen G. White books in current circulation as of 1958. There are three divisions—the Scripture Index, the Topical Index, and the Quotations Index, with the Topical Index the dominant feature. The entries are formed as far as practical in the wording of Ellen G. White, and thus it partakes more of a concordance flavor than did its predecessor. Compared with what we now call the old *Index*, published in 1926, the new *Index* contains seven times the amount of text material. It is being issued in three volumes of about 1,000 pages each, bound in the most durable binding materials available, to insure a long working span.

Work on the enterprise began in 1955 and drew upon the talents and services of many people. If one person had possessed all the skills required and the entire task had been assigned to him, the work would have extended over a period of more than 30 years. Great credit is

due to R. L. Odom, who, under the direction of the Board of Trustees, edited this *Index*, and to the staff of consecrated men and women who were associated with him in this six-and-one-half-year task.

Volume 1 is available now, and we encourage everyone to examine it at the bookstand. Volume 2 will be available in the fall, and volume 3 early in 1963.

New E. G. White Books

To furnish a devotional book of E. G. White materials each third year, two in this field were published in the quadrennium since we gave our last report—*The Faith I Live By* and *Our High Calling*. The latter is in current use this year.



Arthur L. White

Drawn largely from E. G. White manuscript materials and periodical articles, this volume presents to the field a rare freshness in its practical presentation of familiar and oft-repeated truths.

A unique and far-reaching publishing venture that will mark 1962 as a year of special contribution of E. G. White materials is the reissuance of the 2,000 E. G. White *Review and Herald* articles, published in facsimile reprints. These are being bound in six volumes of a little more than 600 pages each. The articles bear the important notations made in the file copies in the vault of the Ellen G. White Estate, indicating where portions of these articles appear currently in print. Some 15 per cent of the content is to be found scattered through the current E. G. White books. When this project is completed, the minister or studious lay member may have as a part of his library that which was for so many years a rare item and one of the most highly cherished library items. In this age of research, it is appropriate that materials which up to this time could be found only in a few libraries of the denomination are now made available at a reasonable price to

every school and publishing-house library throughout the world and to the home libraries of Seventh-day Adventists. The first volume of the series of six can be seen and secured at the bookstand.

In Many Languages

The report of progress in the publication of translations of the E. G. White books throughout the world must, because of limitations of time and space, be confined to a few general remarks. The steady progress being made in many divisions in publishing the E. G. White books in the languages of our growing church memberships is indeed commendable. It means that an ever-enlarging number of Seventh-day Adventists are having made available to them an ever-broadening Spirit of Prophecy literature. Our colporteurs in many lands, also, during the past four years have had placed in their hands a number of beautifully illustrated truth-filled E. G. White books, which they are now carrying from door to door.

Particular mention will be made of the 500-page *Counsels for the Church* prepared under the direction of the White Estate for use in lands where the larger books cannot be handled. This selection of choice E. G. White materials drawn from the *Testimonies* and other E. G. White books presents a broad range of counsels relating to Christian experience, the home, health, missionary activities, et cetera. Published in some regions in the English language and translated into the vernaculars of many peoples, these counsels published in one volume or in several parts are proving a great benefit to the church. *Steps to Christ*, of course, still takes the lead, being published in some 85 languages, from Arabic to Xhosa.

Promoting a Knowledge of the Gift of Prophecy

Sensing the importance of every Seventh-day Adventist's having a sound concept of the place and operation of the gift of prophecy in the church, several agencies during the past quadrennium took steps of which we should at this point take note. The General Conference Committee requested that the White Estate prepare a Prophetic Guidance Correspondence Course with 24 lessons and an accompanying textbook. The lessons are processed by the Prophetic Guidance School at the Voice of Prophecy in Glendale. The response has been enthusiastic, and more than 50,000 Seventh-day Adventists in North America have enrolled. Australasia is using the lessons, and it is hoped that other divisions will soon be able to take advantage of this means of instructing their members.

The year 1961 was declared Spirit of Prophecy Year, and the publishers in North America arranged to give attractive discounts on the E. G. White books, which has encouraged our church members to enlarge their Spirit of Prophecy libraries. The distribution of *Testimonies for the Church* and a number of other basic volumes has increased to about 300 per cent of the normal sales.

Early in this quadrennium, plans were laid for a series of Sabbath school lessons on the gift of prophecy. These lessons were prepared in our office, and our

Sabbath schools in large parts of the world have studied them during the quarter just ended.

Spirit of Prophecy Sabbath is observed each year throughout a large portion of the world field. On this day the attention of church members is called to the Spirit of Prophecy and the importance of reading the books and following the counsels.

Then, there is the work in the field conducted by the two men of the White Estate office staff—a work that embodies the whole world. Their efforts are concentrated largely in teaching courses in Prophetic Guidance at Andrews University and its Extension Schools, in youth congresses, at our camp meetings, and with worker groups.

Elmshaven in Northern California and Sunnyside in Australia, homes at one time owned and occupied by Mrs. White but now in the hands of conference organizations, also serve to keep her work fresh in the minds of Seventh-day Adventists. Ten thousand visitors in 1961 entered these homes, heard the story presented by the appointed guides, and studied the exhibits furnished by the White Estate.

Safeguarding the Records

The White Trustees would also report on the carefully devised steps that are being taken to assure the safeguarding of irreplaceable materials. The key E. G. White documents have been microfilmed, and this record is safely stored in a locked case in a vault in a nonstrategic area. During this quadrennium a supplementary depository of White Estate materials

has been established in the Seminary building at Berrien Springs, Michigan, in a secure vault and office provided by Andrews University. As rapidly as is possible, duplicate copies of the key materials housed in the Washington vault are being placed in this supplementary vault. These steps not only provide security to precious and irreplaceable materials but also place them in the heart of our University, where they can be of great service to the teaching staff.

The White Trustees believe as we look back over the past four years that we see literally fulfilled the prediction Ellen White made in the year 1907 and now recorded in *Selected Messages*, book 1, page 55:

"Abundant light has been given to our people in these last days. Whether or not my life is spared, my writings will constantly speak, and their work will go forward as long as time shall last. My writings are kept on file in the office, and even though I should not live, these words that have been given to me by the Lord will still have life and will speak to the people."

May these messages vouchsafed to the church continue to bear fruit in these crisis-filled days.

The Ministry of Christ in the Heavenly Sanctuary

(Continued from page 9)

nity as He descends the flaming skies as King of kings and Lord of lords, to bind

the devil, to destroy His foes, and to take His people home.

The Baptism of the Spirit

With such tremendous truths as this to proclaim, we need the baptism of the Spirit. We need that power that possessed the apostles. And thank God it will come.

"Before the final visitation of God's judgments upon the earth, there will be, among the people of the Lord, such a revival of primitive godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times."—*The Great Controversy*, p. 464.

That revival has already begun in some places. I was in Korea a few weeks ago where thousands are joining our church from non-Christian backgrounds. And at the same time many ministers with their whole congregations are seeking fellowship with us. "It is the Lord's doing and it is marvellous in our eyes." But in that land I heard no condemnation and sensed no spirit of criticism. What I did hear was the voice of prayer. And all our workers and members were busy instructing new converts. The whole church seemed to be of "one heart and one soul" and everybody was saying to his brother, "Be of good courage." That is the way it was in the days of the apostles.

"The Spirit came upon the waiting, praying disciples with a fulness that reached every heart. The Infinite One revealed Himself in power to His church. It was as if for ages this influence had been held in restraint, and now Heaven rejoiced in being able to pour out upon the church the riches of the Spirit's grace."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 38.

Those were truly wonderful days. But the days ahead of us are even more thrilling, for the outpouring of power will be greater under the latter rain. You may never have read these words, but they should have real meaning for us:

"The revenue of glory has been accumulating for this closing work of the third angel's message. Of the prayers that have been ascending for the fulfillment of the promise—the descent of the Holy Spirit—not one has been lost. Each prayer has been accumulating, ready to overflow and pour forth a healing flood of heavenly influence and accumulated light all over the world."—Ellen G. White letter 96a, 1899.

Under the "loud cry" the whole world will be lightened with the glory of God. When God sets His hand to finish His work, He will cut it short in righteousness. He will move in ways out of the ordinary and His message will spread like fire in the stubble. Time has waited for our generation to probe the fields of natural science and discover the power of the atom. Men seem to have learned enough of the secrets of the universe to blow civilization to pieces. Should not we who know the Lord give ourselves to the deeper science of salvation, and by the grace of God prepare the church to receive the outpouring of His Spirit of power? Before our High Priest throws down the censer and concludes His heavenly ministry, let us in this waiting, watching time gather together to seek His righteousness, and open our hearts to receive the latter rain.



The Far Eastern Division exhibit was changed every day to represent one of its many territories. This picture shows Indonesian Day, with C. C. Cleveland, president of the Indonesian Union Mission, and his wife as hosts.

Our Tribute to the Pioneers

[Read at the General Conference session.—EDITORS.]

By ADLAI A. ESTEB

As we celebrate the progress of the passing years,
Let's pause and pay a tribute to the pioneers!

Intrepid souls they were, with vision clear,
And burning faith that Christ's return was near.
No spineless courage theirs, no trembling knees;
They had a message for the seven seas.
Not of the nerveless, weak, and timid clan
Who falter at the greatness of God's plan,
They ventured forth with faith in God above,
Sustained and strengthened by undying love.

What moral giants! Men like Captain Bates,
Who sold his sailing ship, so hist'ry states,
And gave the thirty thousand to the cause,
To print the present truth of Heaven's laws.
Henceforth he made his purchases of flour
Not by the barrel but just from hour to hour.
He cast his own security aside
To give the world his best before he died.
We're here today because such men, in fact,
Believed the truth of God enough to act.

Behold this spirit in all pioneers,
Their story writ with blood and sweat and tears.
The trackless forests with their savage foes,
The raging floods, the mountains' drifting snows,
The burning heat, the deserts' shifting sand—
All these were turned to gain a Promised Land.

Where once their wanderings blazed the rugged trails,
Today streamliners speed o'er shining rails.

Where once their lonely shacks were marked with stains
Of tears, great cities now adorn those plains.
We see their sweat on each foundation stone
Of every modern edifice we own.
Methinks I see their blood on every cross,
Mute witness to their sacrifice and loss.
Think ye they failed because the goals they prized
In their brief span were never realized?
Think ye they lived in vain because they died
Before their dream of faith was verified?
I tell ye nay—they laid them down to rest,
Their works that followed them have stood the test.
They utilized the power of printer's ink
To spread the truth and make the masses think.
In these achievements of the pioneers
We trace the winnowed wisdom of the years.

Our world work rests today on stones they laid;
Our harvests are the fruits for which they paid.
We thank God for these noble lives sublime
And for our glorious heritage of time.
Let's now complete the work which they began,
And thus fulfill our Father's holy plan.
How can God's closing work be done on earth
Without the selfsame spirit of its birth?
Let's give to God all our remaining years—
Our finest tribute to the pioneers!

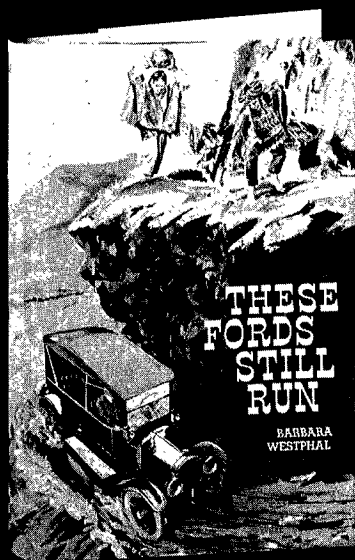
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Further Report From the Plans Committee

The following resolutions were voted at the tenth meeting, Wednesday morning, August 1. These resolutions are a continuation of the resolutions voted the preceding day. See page 13.

6. That paragraph 2 under "The Officers of the Senior Society," page 144, be revised to read:

"The officers of a senior Missionary Volunteer Society are leader, assistant leader, secretary-treasurer, assistant secretary-treasurer, *music director, pianist or organist, sponsor, devotional secretary, educational secretary, fellowship or social secretary, librarian, publicity secretary, and band leaders.* The leader, assistant leader, secretary-treasurer, assistant secretary-treasurer, *sponsor, music director, and pianist or organist* are elected by the church for a period of one year. *All other officers and assistants are appointed by the society to serve for the same period. In smaller societies one person may be appointed to carry several responsibilities.*" (Delete rest of paragraph.)

7. That the second sentence in paragraph 1 under "The Missionary Volunteer Society Executive Committee," page 145, be revised to read:

"It is composed of those who are chiefly responsible for the welfare of the society, and includes the officers listed above the *JMV* superintendent, the leader of the church missionary organization, an elder or church pastor, or both, and the young people's sponsor."

8. That the fourth sentence in paragraph 2, under "The Missionary Volunteer Society Executive Committee," page 145, be revised to read:

"Each Missionary Volunteer officer should endeavor to be a personal worker, searching out the discouraged and the unconverted."

9. That paragraph 3 under "Leader and Assistant Leader," page 146, be revised to read:

"The leader should keep in close touch with the pastor or elder of the church, as well as with the young people's sponsor, and with the conference Missionary Volunteer secretary, that he may lead the society into a cooperative relationship with the church and the conference."

10. That the third sentence in paragraph 3, under "Secretary-Treasurer and Assistant," page 147, be deleted. ("Sometimes, especially . . .")

11. That the first sentence in paragraph 4 under "Secretary-Treasurer and Assistant," page 147, read:

"The secretary-treasurer shall keep an accurate record of the receipts and disbursements of all funds of the Missionary Volunteer Society."

12. That item 2 under "Missionary Volunteer Features," page 149, be revised to read:

"2. Educational-Missionary Volunteer Book Club, *MV* Classes including the Master Guide work."

Further, that item 4 be revised to read:

"4. Social- to plan society-sponsored recreational gatherings."

13. That paragraph 1 under "The Junior Missionary Volunteer Society," page 149, be revised to read:

"Objective.—The objective of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society is to help train and direct our boys and girls in Christian service, employing in this effort the natural and proper impulses of the child. The society seeks to cooperate with and reinforce the efforts of the home, the school, and the church in the development of the child."

14. That sentence 2 under "The Work of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society," pages 149, 150, be revised to read:

"They include systematic Bible study, good reading, promotion of good music and other arts, home and community service, *missions offerings, social gatherings, training in industries in the home, on the farm, in the shop, and in various forms of field craft and recreation.*"

15. That the heading "Missionary Volunteer Pathfinder Clubs" on page 150 be revised to read:

"*Junior Missionary Volunteer Pathfinder Clubs*"

16. That the paragraph under "JMV Pathfinder Clubs," page 150, be revised to read:

"There is an increasing demand on the part of the parents and church leaders for greater vocational and recreational guidance among junior-age youth. The Missionary Volunteer Department sponsors Pathfinder Clubs to supply this need. In this expanded Junior Missionary Volunteer activity program both boys and girls are organized into clubs which meet on some weekday outside of school hours."

17. That the entire paragraph "Board of Counselors," pages 150, 151, be deleted.

18. That the section under "Membership," page 151, be revised to read:

"Children old enough to understand the purposes of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society and who meet the approval of the local *JMV* superintendent may become preparatory members. In Seventh-day Adventist church schools all pupils in the first four grades are considered preparatory members. They are given a Preparatory Membership Certificate. When, in the judgment of the *JMV* superintendent, preparatory members are able to comprehend the ideals of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society, they should be carefully instructed in the Aim, the Motto, and the *JMV* Pledge and Law.

"Preparatory members who have reached the age of ten years or the fifth grade, and in the judgment of the *JMV*

superintendent have a comprehensive knowledge of the Junior Missionary Volunteer ideals, and have declared their allegiance to the *JMV* Pledge and Law, may become regular *JMV* members."

19. That the asterisk under item 4 of "The Junior Missionary Volunteer Law," page 152, be deleted, and also the sentence below item 8, to which it referred.

20. That the entire paragraph "Units," page 152, be deleted.

21. That the heading "Missionary Volunteer Classes" and the paragraph with it, page 152, be revised to read:

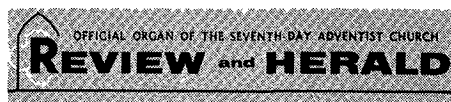
"*MV* Classes.—Four personal development classes are offered junior youth. These are Friend, Companion, Explorer, and Guide. An insigne is awarded to those who qualify in each class."

22. That the heading "Missionary Volunteer Honors," page 152, be changed to "*MV* Honors," and also on the last line of the same paragraph.

23. That the title of the paragraph at the bottom of page 152, "Leadership," be revised to read:

"Officers of the *JMV* Society"
And that this section be revised to read as follows:

"Success with Junior Missionary Volunteers depends on proper and efficient leadership. The older persons who are given this responsibility should be deeply spiritual and have hearts full of love for boys and girls. The Master Guide Class offers special training in leadership. Every worker for Junior Missionary Volunteers will find his efficiency greatly increased and his leadership strengthened by becoming a Master Guide."



In 1849 the company of Sabbathkeeping Adventists whose background was the Millerite movement began to publish a paper called *The Present Truth*. In 1850 they also published five issues of *The Advent Review*. In November, 1850, these two papers merged under the name, *Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*, now titled simply *REVIEW AND HERALD*. Its editorial objective remains unchanged—to preach "the everlasting gospel" in the context of the Sabbath, the Second Advent, and other truths distinctive of the Advent Movement.

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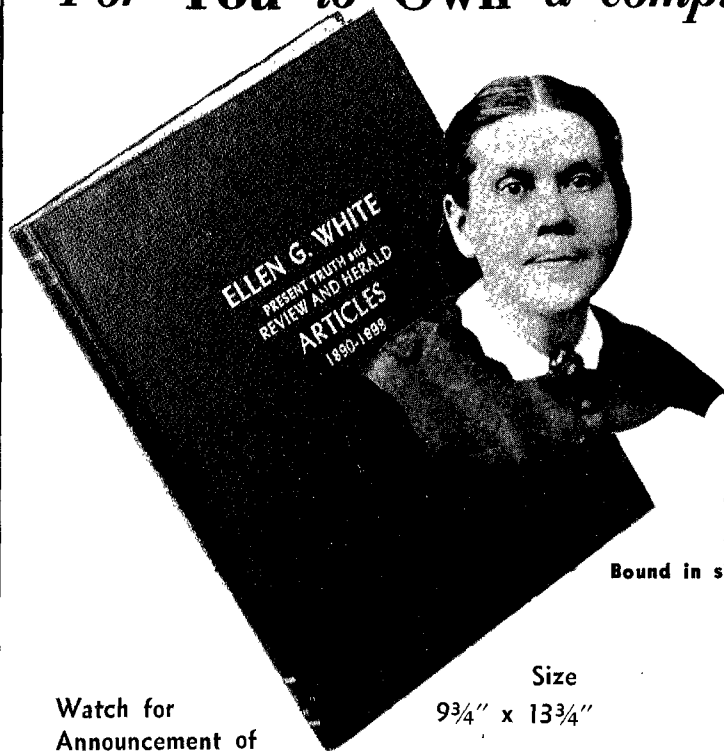
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Story of the Conference

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Taylor. When her house was surrounded by unfriendly Indians she saved her life by calmly trading her pots and pans for the Indians' arrows.

"The Chief Meets the Press" was all about Brother Juan Ucayali, a chief among the Campa Indians of Peru.

Joseph Mave is featured in another story under the title, "He Preaches Gospel in Pidgin-English." "A New Guinea native, whose father worshiped stones and the local devil tambaran, he brought along a native spear and drum for the ten-day convention." The reporter admitted, however, that as he posed for pictures "he looked more at home with the Bible."

The Public Relations job is under the capable leadership of Howard Weeks.

Another activity that has been going on silently has meant a great deal to the delegates who are parents. I met Lora Beth Robinson, age 14, in the hall, and she told me about it. Charles H. Seitz, MV secretary for Northern California, has been conducting a one-week camp at our campsite near Lake Tahoe. "We went swimming, hiking, boating. Some slept in covered wagons," Lora Beth said. "It was such fun!" There were more than 300 children, age nine to 15 in attendance.

San Francisco was covered with the early morning fog that we have come to expect, as delegates and visitors assembled for the wonderful sermon R. A. Anderson preached at the devotional hour.

At the morning business meeting there were reports from the Publishing Department, given by G. A. Huse, and from the MV Department under the direction of T. E. Lucas. The men introduced the new MV flag, which received enthusiastic reception from the congregation.

Elder Lucas called C. D. Watson, MV secretary for the Northern European Division, to the pulpit. "Tell us about the lost ticket," he said.

What a story it was! "After the Paris Youth Congress," he said, "I went to the airport—and discovered I didn't have my ticket. It was packed in the office material being shipped to London. I showed my reservation slip to the ticket agent but he said, 'You must have a ticket.' I gave him the telephone number of our transportation office. 'Telephone that number and ask the man if I bought a ticket.' The agent telephoned. There was no answer. It was a holiday in England!

"I wondered what to do. I pulled out a youth congress brochure. 'I've been attending these meetings,' I said.

"I've read in the papers about that youth congress,' the agent said. 'Are you an Adventist?'

"Yes,' I replied.

"That changes things,' the agent said. 'I have Seventh-day Adventist young people working for me. I can trust them. I know I can trust you.'

"He wrote out a ticket. Handing it to me he said, 'This is worth a lot of money. If you don't send me your ticket when you

get home, it will cost me that much, for I'm paying for it myself. I'm not worried. I trust Seventh-day Adventist young people. I can trust you.'"

In the afternoon came pictures at 1:30, then reports from the E. G. White Publications and the Church Development Service.

Only two days remain before the session will be over. I chatted with J. P. Sundquist, president of the Swedish Union, on the way to the Auditorium this morning. "The biggest inspiration I'm getting out of this session," he said, "is in seeing the faithfulness of God's people. A young person I hadn't seen for several years came running up to me bubbling all over. 'I'm in the work,' he told me. It was such a thrill to see how he had developed. I write home to my wife about others. 'Met Brother So-and-so,' I tell her. 'He's got a few more gray hairs, but he's still faithful.'"

He could write the same about many others assembled here. The leaders of God's people are faithful to their task. Returning to their homes, they will carry on God's work with greater faithfulness than ever before, and God's kingdom will come soon.

Correction

In the Story of the Day in Bulletin No. 6 the following comparison was made concerning the growth of mission offerings in the Inter-American Division: "They repeated this with the mission offering—\$40,000 in 1922 and \$655,000,023 in 1961." The 1961 offering figure should have been \$655,023.

Legal Meetings

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Seventh-day Adventists: R. R. Figuhr, W. E. Phillips, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, W. R. Beach, C. L. Torrey, O. A. Blake, W. E. Murray, J. C. Kozel.

[D. A. McAdams moved the adoption

of this report and J. R. Nelson seconded it.

It was Voted.]

[E. L. Minchin moved that the actions appearing in the official minutes be adopted. J. H. Hancock seconded the motion.

It was Voted.]

It was then Voted to adjourn. W. R. Beach made the motion, which was seconded by E. E. Roenfelt.

R. R. FIGUHR, Chairman
W. R. BEACH, Secretary

North American Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists

Meeting held 11:00 A.M., August 2, 1962.

R. R. FIGUHR: I am asking M. V. Campbell to act as chairman.

M. V. CAMPBELL: We shall call a meeting of the constituency of the North American Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists. This includes all delegates here present at the General Conference session. R. R. Bietz, secretary of the Nominating Committee, will read the report of that committee.

R. R. BIETZ: The Nominating Committee recommends the following for trustees of the North American Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists: R. R. Figuhr, W. E. Phillips, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, W. R. Beach, C. L. Torrey, O. A. Blake, W. E. Murray, J. C. Kozel.

[Miller Brockett moved the adoption of this report and E. W. Dunbar seconded it.

It was Voted.]

[L. J. Leiske moved that the actions appearing in the official minutes be adopted. H. E. Morenings seconded the motion.

It was Voted.]

It was then Voted to adjourn. W. R. Beach made the motion, which was seconded by E. E. Roenfelt.

R. R. FIGUHR, Chairman
W. R. BEACH, Secretary



One of the many excellent musical contributions was given by a men's chorus, directed by George Greer.