

PACIFIC UNION RECORDED

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Union Headquarters

Pacific Union Relocates at Thousand Oaks

Administrative offices for the Pacific Union Conference have now been relocated from Glendale to the Westlake Village area of Thousand Oaks.

On a five-acre plot, the 40,000 square foot, three-story structure consolidates the operations of Home Health Education Service from San Jose and the other departments of the Church in the five-state West. Moreover, it provides adequate office space for each department; no longer must secretary and departmental leader share the same room or work from home.

Designed to be compatible with the Spanish architecture of Westlake, the new headquarters building will facilitate service and direction of Seventh-day Adventist activities in Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, and Utah.

Discussed for some years as office needs arose, construction was voted by the constituency in session at Fresno on March 15, 1971. After nearly three years of intensive study, the Westlake site was chosen by the Union Committee (to whom the constituency charge was given) who felt that a southern California location should be retained since the bulk of committee work centers there.

Though the work of the denomination began in the West 108 years ago, it was only in 1932 that the Union was formed for this territory. At that time the membership was 25,000. By 1949 when the Glendale Verdugo Avenue headquarters was built, membership was 49,543.

God blessed the witness of His children-colaborers with a membership of nearly 50,000 in 1950, 75,000 in 1960, and 107,969 in 1970. Bulging under this growth, the office—it was apparent to that constituency—must be constructed to keep up with the expansion of the work. Membership at the end of September, 1976, reached 125,482.

In July, 1946, a purchase-on-credit plan was devised for literature evangelists to use in their work. Home Health Education Service (HHES) is the resultant office which works in conjunction with the publishing department. Growth in litera-

Special Rates Available

Over 100 years have passed since Mrs. Write first spoke on the subject of health, and yet it is still one of the Church's most vital messages.

Concerned that many of the 495,000 Adventists in North America are not subscribers to the Church's health journal, **Life & Health**, the editors are making special rates available.

Now, when you order through your Adventist Book Center, you can subscribe on the "Perpetual Plan" at \$6.95 a year, instead of \$8.

Perhaps you already have a subscription to **Life & Health**, but what about your family and friends? Why not send them a subscription as a birthday or Christmas gift this year?

If someone were to ask you to choose between wealth, success or health, what would your answer be? Choose health; it's really No. 1!

ture sales has made imperative the consolidation, so that HHES office management and publishing leadership may work out of the same office. Sales to the end of September, for example, totalled \$2,130,543.33. The Union's new computer center will also process this business.

At the turn of the century when the Pacific Union still included what is now the North Pacific Union, tithe for the year had reached just under \$77,000. During 1975 stewards of God's funds returned to Him nearly a million dollars in tithe every nine days.

And so the work "in the Golden West" continues amongst God's children. Thousands of others—one out of every three on these western streets, according to the pollsters—are unaffiliated with a church. Thousands of others need to hear the full message.

Nothing will ever surpass the witness of each individual member. The only purpose of organization within the Pacific Union Conference is to provide a base for "finishing the work." The 85 employees of the Union office pray for each of you and ask that your prayers also be with them.

To reach the new office from either direction on Highway 101 (about midway between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara) exit at Westlake Boulevard, drive south one block to Townsgate Road, turn right one block to Wild Rose Avenue. Go left on Wild Rose to the parking lot and main entrance.

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INSPIRATION SAYS

"The trials of life are God's workmen, to remove the impurities and roughness from our character. Their hewing, squaring, and chiseling, their burnishing and polishing, is a painful process; it is hard to be pressed down to the grinding wheel. But the stone is brought forth prepared to fill its place in the heavenly temple. Upon no useless material does the Master bestow such careful, thorough work. Only His precious stones are polished after the similitude of a palace."

Mount of Blessing, 10

HOLBROOK INDIAN MISSION NEEDS YOUR HELP

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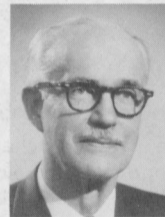
With your help, the Holbrook staff hopes to collect many, many box tops from Post Cereal-brand packages by March 31, 1977. Box tops will be redeemed for a wide range of free athletic and recreational equipment.

Ask your friends, neighbors, and relatives to join in collecting box tops. Then send them to:

Adventist Indian Mission School
Box 880, Holbrook, AZ 86025
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Richards To Speak at Pentagon

Elder H. M. S. Richards, Sr. will be featured guest speaker for the annual Protestant Thanksgiving Service on the Pentagon Concourse in Washington, D.C., November 24.



H. Richards The King's Heralds Quartet will appear

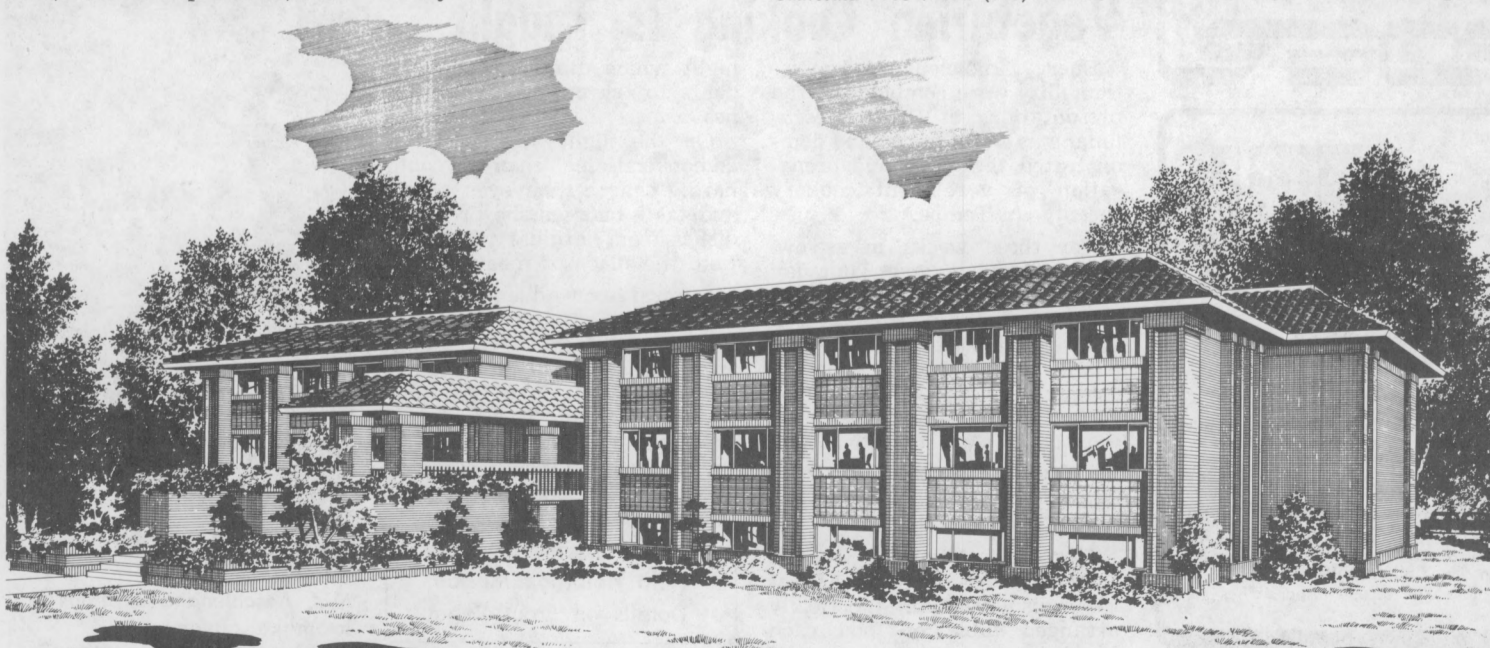
with Elder Richards at both the chaplains' retreat and the Pentagon.

The VOP team was invited to participate by Maj. Gen. Gerhardt W. Hyatt, Chief of Chaplains for the U.S. Army.

A series of chaplains' retreats is held each year, and each features a well-known Christian leader. The retreats are conducted for all military chaplains in the Washington area.

Speakers for the retreats held at the time of major religious and national holidays are often also involved in a special program at the Pentagon. Known as the Pentagon Protestant Pulpit, the program is an interdenominational noon-hour program for personnel assigned to duty in the Pentagon.

Purpose of the Pentagon Protestant Pulpit, according to directors of the program, is "to make vivid to our defense forces the great cultural and religious heritage which undergirds our nation."



Kirkman and Associates, Auburn, Washington, designed and contracted for the building.

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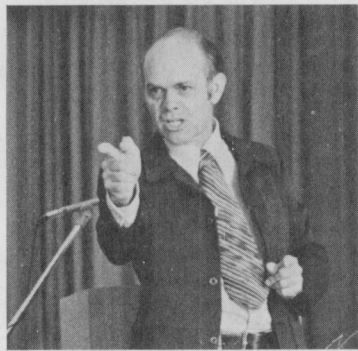


MORE GENERAL NEWS
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Contest Uncovers 1727 Bible

A 1727 German Bible was unearthed in the recent "Oldest Bible" contest sponsored by the Globe Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Held in connection with the Gila County Fair and the Bible Speaks crusade conducted by Conference Ministerial Secretary Don Houghton and Local Pastor Ron Canaday, the contest was conducted to focus attention on the Bible and in-depth Bible study.



Elder Fred Speyer makes a point at Thunderbird's Fall Week of Prayer.

Phoenix Spanish Gives Lay Preacher's Course

A condensed course on "How to Prepare and Deliver a Sermon" was held September 17-19 in the Phoenix Spanish church by Pastor Manuel Vasquez. This course was offered mainly to the elders and other leaders of the church.

The five classes were divided into two parts: theory and actual practice, and included such topics as personal preparation, voice and diction, source material, structure and logic of a sermon.

Seven people "graduated" from the course, the final test being the actual delivery of their sermons in a simulated church service—the first time many had ever attempted to preach.

Raymond and Vada Alt, members of the Miami Church of Christ, were contest winners with their 249-year-old leather-bound German Bible. The Bible was taken to Germany from Russia by a refugee fleeing the Russian Revolution in 1919. The Alt family received it as a gift in 1971.

Along with runners up, the Alts received a new family Bible. The Globe Church also gave away small Bibles nightly at the Fair booth and in the evangelistic meetings.

"Our purpose was not to get more Bibles on the bookshelf gathering dust," said Pastor Canaday, "but to get them read and studied daily."

Booth Draws Notice

Directed by the young people of the Safford Church, the "Wayout" booth at the Graham County Fair drew much attention this year.

Although it had been six years since the last "Wayout" booth was put up at the fair, several people came by to say they were familiar with "Wayout" and were interested in signing up for the latest materials.

In addition, 30 copies of *Steps to Christ* were distributed and 35 people signed up to attend the next Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking.

A surprise bonus came when the booth received a third place award for a commercial display in the Exhibition Building.

Week of Prayer Held at TAA

"Christian growth is progressive; not instantaneous, but continual," stressed Elder Fred Speyer, Week of Prayer speaker at Thunderbird Adventist Academy October 18-23. He challenged students and faculty as he drew from his experiences in evangelism, pastoral work and eight years of teaching at Monterey Bay Academy.

"I came virtually unknown to everyone here but am delighted with TAA students and their friendly respectfulness in our discussions of Biblical themes," confided the speaker.

Each morning and evening Elder Speyer stressed II Peter 1:5-7 in new views on Christian life about sin, hypocrisy, conscience, and gifts of the Spirit.

Elder Speyer revealed the symbolic removal of shoes in Biblical era as that of submitting one's rights to another, as the week climaxed with the Lord's Supper. A participating minister commented that references to taking off shoes in the Bible added a new dimension to the ordinance of humility.



Graduates of the Lay Preachers' Course are (from left): Frank Valenzuela, Ramona Valenzuela, Juan Rivera, Daniel Parra, Gil Sandoval, Lucy Macías and Frank Macías.

Tempe Spanish

Vegetarian Cooking Is Taught

Energy, knowledge and artistic ability were combined in the presentations of Laura Aeschlimann as she lectured and demonstrated the value and preparation of vegetarian cookery recently in Tempe.

For three weeks in a row, every Tuesday and Thursday October 5-21, the members of the Tempe Spanish Church sponsored a cooking school as a public service to the Spanish community surrounding their church.

The two-hour nightly classes were given at the Escalante Community Action Center, one block from the church.

Mrs. Aeschlimann, retired college professor from Argentina, displayed an artistically arranged table of food each

Plan now to attend the sale nearest you!

1976
HOLIDAY BOOK SALES SCHEDULE

Phoenix Central	6-7:15 p.m. 8:30-9:30 p.m.	Nov. 10
Glendale (Gym)	8-10 p.m.	Nov. 13
Holbrook	2-6 p.m.	Nov. 14
Flagstaff	6-8 p.m.	Nov. 15
Cottonwood	6-7:30, 9-10 p.m.	Nov. 16
Nogales	4-7 p.m.	Nov. 21
Huachuca	6-8 p.m.	Nov. 22
Safford	6-8 p.m.	Nov. 23
Yuma	3:30-6:30 p.m.	Nov. 29
Lake Havasu City	6-8 p.m.	Nov. 30
Kingman	6-8 p.m.	Dec. 1
Prescott	6-8 p.m.	Dec. 2
East Mesa (School)	6-8 p.m.	Dec. 4
Tucson (Gym)	1-5 p.m.	Dec. 5
Phoenix—Special Open House	10-4 p.m.	Dec. 5, 12, 19



Maryvale members are now meeting in the completed educational wing of the proposed church complex.

Maryvale Gets Own Building

After nearly six years of renting worship facilities, the Maryvale Church is now located in their own building at 65th Avenue and Encanto in West Phoenix.

District Pastor Ralph Larson preached the opening day sermon in mid-October.

Located on five acres of land, the Maryvale group is meeting in the completed education wing until the sanctuary can be built.

Members were involved in most of the construction work. Elder Lee Hadley, Conference lay activities director and former pastor of the district, served as building superintendent and was involved in much of the actual construction.

The Maryvale church is the first church to actually be built in the area. Most churches bus youngsters to their sanctuaries in other areas.

The church plans to initiate a child evangelism program as one of its most needed outreaches.

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Mrs. Aeschlimann explains how to make gluten.

Help Holbrook Mission
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Conference Secretaries Change

The secretarial staff of the Nevada-Utah Conference has undergone several changes recently. Three secretaries have left and been replaced by others.

Dorothea Hilde, secretary to the Secretary-Treasurer since 1973, has gone on medical sustentation in preparation for permanent retirement.

To fill this vacancy, Shirleen Wagner, from the St. Helena, California, area, has joined the staff. With her background of bookkeeping and accounting she has assumed her duties very effectively and efficiently.

Doris Howlett, secretary in the education and MV departments for five years, has left the area. Her husband Don had served as first elder of the Reno Church. They have moved to Oregon where they will be permanently residing.

Filling that vacancy, Genevieve Schulze, wife of the Reno Church pastor, has assumed the responsibilities of that office, quickly and efficiently working into the program.

The third person to leave was Nona Wickward, who had been in the Adventist Book Center on a part-time basis since 1972. Since she was employed only part-time, she chose to resign and enter into full-time responsibility in the local community.

To take her place, Marla Downs has joined the ABC. She is not a newcomer to the Pacific Union Conference, having attended Lodi Academy and La Sierra College.

One of the greatest assets an organization has is its loyal and dedicated workers. Even though we have lost three faithful workers, three others have come and have demonstrated their dedication and efficiency.

A. G. Streifling



The Jim Gibson family

Holbrook Mission Needs Your Help See Front Page Notice

Staff Serves as Missionaries

As one missionary family returned to Rio Lindo Adventist Academy, another staff family left for the mission field. The Gerald Hetzers, who were at Rio until 1970, have returned from a six-year term at Spicer Memorial College in India.

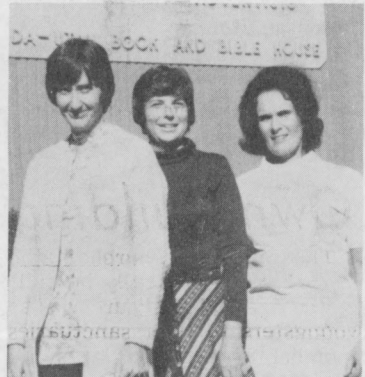
Jim Gibson, his wife Dorothy, and their two children, Deborah, seven, and Karina, five, left Los Angeles for New York September 20. From there they flew to Freetown, Sierra Leone.

Jim is teaching biology and setting up a chemistry lab at Yele Secondary School. Approximately 200 students ranging in age 12-20 are in attendance.

Other faculty families have also served in the mission field. A former dean of girls, Beverly Paulson, served two years in Singapore. Now Mrs. Clair Johnson, she and her husband live in Modesto where he teaches fifth grade at the academy. Science teacher Herbert Shafer and foreign language teacher H. Maxwell Peake both served terms in Africa.

Two families have left mainland United States to serve in Hawaii: the Kenneth Engleberts and the John Wards. Kenneth and John are both English teachers. Mrs. Englebert was RLAA's first dean of girls, and Mrs. Ward served as school nurse.

Marilee Griswold, RLAA Correspondent



From left: Marla Downs, Shirleen Wagner, Genevieve Schulze

Northern Presents
NOVEMBER HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

Five-Day Plans	
8-12 Auburn	M. M. Henry (916) 885-4232
11-15 Berkeley	R. Patzer (415) 843-4977
14-18 Oroville	L. W. Taylor (916) 533-8577
14-18 Clearlake Highlands	H. E. Miller (707) 994-5221
14-18 Arcata	Lynn Belleau (707) 839-3832
14-18 Linda Heights	P. Emerson (916) 487-3733
28-29 Eureka	A. Anderson (707) 442-6950
Water Seminar	
9-23 Willits	D. Sawatzky (707) 459-4520
Cooking Schools	
7-9 Berkeley	Linda Parrish (415) 843-4977
9-10 Petaluma	C. G. Edwards (707) 763-1114

Charles Phelps Finishes His Work in Conference

Elder Charles Phelps, who has served in the Nevada-Utah Conference since September, 1973, has finished his work in our field and returned to the Central California Conference.

Even though Elder Phelps has been on a subsidized basis, having retired from the active ministry a number of years ago, he has served in a most effective and enthusiastic manner, giving Bible studies and visiting the members.

Few workers have the unique ability Elder Phelps has of finding interests in almost every community he goes into. He served first in the Conference at Greenville and Quincy and today that area has many new members, people with whom he studied and had the privilege of bringing to the Lord.

Later he moved to the South Lake Tahoe area and did a very effective work there.

This conference has certainly appreciated the tremendous

contribution Elder Phelps has made. Due to family responsibilities, he felt he had to move closer to his home, thus he returned to Central California where his wife is teaching and his youngest son is finishing his secondary education.

We owe Elder Phelps a great deal for service rendered in this Conference. Our prayers go with him as he enters upon his new responsibilities in his new assignment.

A. G. Streifling



ABOUT 135 PERSONS attended classes demonstrating food preparation without the use of eggs or dairy products held at the Sacramento Central church October 3-7. Guest instructor Darlene Prusia and her sister, Mrs. Earl Bolton, both traveled from their homes in Washington State to conduct the community services program. Many ladies of the church worked under the direction of Carol Diebel to help make the cooking school a delicious success. Pictured are Pastor Gery Friesen (admiring a baked dessert) with Mrs. Prusia, Mrs. Bolton and Carol Diebel.



(1) **THE MEADOW VISTA** church was dedicated to the glory of God and the finishing of His work on Sabbath, September 11. Members contributed nearly \$90,000 and 4,000 hours of labor over a three-year period. The church seats 210. Elder I. J. Rood, now retired, was pastor during most of the construction. (2) Standing with Pastor Preston Smith at the dedication service are Conference President Helmuth C. Retzer, who gave the morning message; and Elder J. L. Tucker, speaker for **The Quiet Hour**, who had the dedication sermon. (3) Charter members present (seated front, from left): Alice LeVere, Myrtle Boodt, Nellie Beglin, Ruby Hull; standing, middle) Rolland LeVere, Ernest Boodt, Archie Beglin, Joy Krichen, Doris Smalley, Ray Smalley, Harold Hull; (back) Lorayn Beaver, Tom Pooler, Raylene Pooler. Not present were Audria Day and Stella Libbee. (4) Interior view—More than 350 persons attended dedication services. The Gene Erickson Trio is presenting a musical program. (5) Elder Eugene Erickson was Meadow Vista pastor 1951-54. In attendance also was Mrs. George Loewen whose late husband was pastor after Elder Erickson. (6) From left: Dudley Galusha, superintendent of the building project; Fred and Evelyn Johnsen (Fred is chairman of the building committee).

Nevada-Utah Conference

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From the President . . .

"The Only Justification . . . Sharing the Word"

The officers of the world field, at Annual Council in Washington, D.C., recently made strong official and personal commitments to a holistic evangelistic thrust in order to finish the message of the gospel and to accomplish a people prepared for the return of Jesus Christ.

We welcome this emphasis. The church has long been waiting in a holding pattern. Up until now, the Holy Spirit has

not been allowed to accomplish a completed task.

The counsel given to Timothy by the great apostle Paul—do the work of an evangelist—becomes the appeal from the headquarters of the Central California Conference. Every member is to be committed to evangelism.

The only justification that we have for existing as a church is evangelism—sharing the Word. We share it for our own benefit. We share it for the benefit of those who are dead in trespasses of sin so they will know that our Saviour is soon coming.

Whether we work in the young people's organizations, the Sabbath school, the lay activity areas, our church schools or academies, or wherever we work—the cause to which we

shall direct ourselves is to study, to preach, to share, and to witness.

The cry that we send out from the administration and every department of our Conference is—let us finish the work in the next four years.

This will require the cooperation of every pastor, teacher, Bible instructor, layman, administrator, and departmental director. We will be happy doing this work. God will bless us when we do it. We shall plan with our time, our dollars, our strength, our prayers—and we shall succeed.

Charles F. Cook, President
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Help Holbrook Indian Mission
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Different Trails Lead to Their Conversions

Forty persons were recently baptized into the Santa Maria Seventh-day Adventist Church. The conversion stories of several of those 40 are recounted here:

Jack Parker had come back into the Church in 1971 after several years. Since his baptism, Mrs. Parker has observed her husband's new life in Christ and the joy in the lives of the members she knew. After a thorough review of the message with Pastor D. Kenneth Smith, she was baptized.

Twin sisters Donna and Nancy Laird were 12 when they were baptized in Bakersfield. They gradually fell away from the church, later both marrying non-Adventists. Later the sisters experienced reconversion and began praying for their husbands, Gerald Reed and Mike Champion. In the meantime, their mother Norma Laird had been baptized and was praying for her husband Gene. Then last year Mike was baptized by Pastor Smith. Gerald, a barber, persuaded his partners to close the shop on Saturday as well as Sunday. Both Gerald and his father-in-law Gene were baptized during the Rentfro crusade.

Dennis and Dianne Corby worked in night clubs as professional musicians, and recorded and published their music. Through his grandmother's prayers and the leading of God, Dennis was converted a few months ago, but united with the Baptist church and then attended the Foursquare church. But God continued to lead him back to the church he had grown up in. Pastor Smith studied with Dennis and Dianne and they united with the Church late last year.

While the Corbys were still studying, they began talking to their friends. Among them were Mike and Rondi Phillips. Before many months passed they were baptized, and during the Rentfro campaign, the Corbys' daughter Tonya was baptized.

Maj. Carlyle Raymond is stationed at nearby Vandenberg Air Force Base. Recently he and his wife began attending church in Santa Maria. They attended Pastor Rentfro's meetings and were baptized, along with Joe, one of their five children.

Lloyd Rice and his late wife were married by Elder H. M. S. Richards, Sr. 44 years ago in Inglewood. But the Rices lost their way and dropped out of the church. When Lloyd saw the crusade notice in the newspaper, he decided to attend. Later, ready for baptism and wanting his sister in Livermore to witness the event, he drove 500 miles to bring her to Santa Maria.

After she moved to Santa Maria from Pomona, Mary Insolaco began watching *It Is Written*. Following up interests, Pastor Smith started Bible studies with Mary. Church members Wayne and Susie Crew brought Mary to Pastor Rentfro's meetings. She was later baptized.

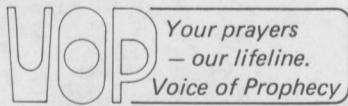
Pastor Smith got the names of Verda Pulver and her daughter, Mary Lou Eversole, as *It Is Written* interests and began Bible lessons with them. They had planned a vacation trip to Oregon at the time Evangelist Rentfro was to begin his meetings, but they canceled their plans, attended nearly every service, and re-united with the Church by baptism.

A Christian Scientist for many years, Meg Gyll ac-

cepted the invitation of Adventist friends to attend church and cooking classes. She read *The Great Controversy* and other books, and attended the evangelistic meetings, and then joined her new church family.

Six years ago Pastor Rentfro held a series of meetings in Santa Maria. John Mills attended and believed what he heard, but didn't take his stand. Members continued to encourage him. When Elder Rentfro returned, special efforts were put forth to encourage John to move forward with Christ. This time John was baptized.

Santa Maria Adventists count it a joy to work with Christ for the salvation of men and women.



EVANGELIST DICK RENTFRO supplies his own enthusiastic caption for this photo of interests growing out of his recent *Voice of Prophecy* Bible Crusade in Redwood City: "What a thrill it was to see 26 persons respond and become members of the remnant church. The crusade was supported by the prayers and active participation of many local Adventists." Pastor and Mrs. Rentfro were aided by Pastor and Mrs. Connley Hartman of the Redwood Hills Church and Mr. and Mrs. William Dickman.

San Francisco Japanese

Members Dedicate Businesses

As evangelism in San Francisco's Japanese community rapidly progresses, more business and professional people are identifying themselves with the Adventist lifestyle.

In recent days, two business offices were dedicated to the Lord before the doors were

opened to the public. One is in downtown San Francisco, the other is in the Geary Boulevard district.

Reiko Mori, a newly-baptized member of the San Francisco Japanese Church, dedicated her beauty salon at 2410 14th Avenue. Many church members attended the service.

Two more souls were added to the Japanese Church by baptism October 30. Week after week the Japanese chapel at 2409 Washington Street is filled with eager worshippers.

A growing number of people are attending Bible classes held by Pastor George Aso in different parts of San Francisco.

The church has already completed its Ingathering '77 campaign. A large reversion will come back to fund additional programs in San Francisco.

From Texas
Gordon Lewis
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Three Join Conference Staff

Cherry Elstrom is now working at the Conference office as secretary to Director of Education Jay Lantry. She is the third member of the Elstrom family to enter Central California denominational service. Husband George is Conference Executive Secretary; son Tom is a ministerial intern in Lindsay.



Cherry Elstrom

meeting. A talented musician, Grace was the regular organist for most of the services in the large auditorium.



Grace Taylor Kathy Van Hall

Kathy van Hall, another new member of the Association office staff, worked at St. Helena Hospital for 2½ years. She's originally from Garden Grove and Santa Ana.

Now working as a secretary in the Conference Association, Grace Taylor is already known to Central California people who attended Soquel camp

Area 5 Sabbath School Officers and Division Leaders please note! Sabbath School Officers meeting will be at the Bakersfield Central church at 3 p.m. on Sabbath, December 11. This meeting will be for all Superintendents who will be serving in 1977.

Division Leaders: The first-quarter Workshop will be at the Bakersfield Central church at 9:30 a.m., December 12.

SOUTHERN

VBS in Conference Have "Best Year So Far"

Doris McMillan reported at the third annual Vacation Bible Speak-out and Appreciation Dinner that the Downey Church had "standing room only" at its VBS graduation on Sabbath morning.

Some 63 churches show the greatest number of Vacation Bible Schools ever held in the Conference and the highest ratio of non-Adventist children attending. Random samplings show Glendora, 59 children, 43 non-Adventist; Ivy Avenue, 150 children, 140 non-Adventist; and Spanish-American, 325 children, 294 of whom were from non-Adventist homes. Torrance reported 11 Roman Catholics in their lively group of 13 juniors.

Elder Harry Krueger, pastor of East Los Angeles, said "I consider VBS to be one of our fruitful avenues of soul winning." Thirteen non-Adventist parents attended Sabbath school on graduation day with their children, and more came later for the church service.

A number of VBS directors visited the homes of the students, leaving *The Desire of Ages* and *Happiness Homemade* with the parents. In one church, members visit a child's home

on his birthday and leave a little religious gift for the child and a book for the parents.

Punch and coopies—a traditional thing at VBS—is gradually being phased out. Canoga Park served whole wheat sandwiches because many of the children came without breakfast. East Los Angeles gave a piece of melon or packets of peanuts and raisins. Monrovia served carrot and celery sticks with peanut butter, and the Vietnamese Company served rice. University Church had a nutrition committee that prepared a vegetarian supper for the children at 5 p.m. just before Vacation Bible School

started.

Martha Shephard, director of San Fernando's VBS, told how over a ton of newspapers were brought by the students and sold to help pay for craft supplies. Mrs. Jo Wiley from Alhambra said one of their members sponsored a Tupperware party with the profits going to VBS. Most churches, however, make provision for VBS in their outreach budget and receive an offering at the graduation program.

"Now is the time to plan for 1977," urged Bernice Trimble, child evangelism coordinator. "Our VBS workshop is only six months away."



A NPAA student shows Coach Larry Ballew how far runners have gone toward their goal of building an academy in Chile.

Students Run to Build Academy

The student association of Newbury Park Adventist Academy has planned a long-distance run for their annual fall fund-raising project. They have agreed to help build a new academy in Los Angeles, Chile where the Sabbath School Offering Overflow will be going this fourth quarter.

The plan for club members, and anyone interested, combines fun and exercise in running a simulated relay from NPAA to the academy in Chile—a total of 6,000 miles. Each runner or walker gets a sponsor to pay 5¢ (or more) per mile toward his share in the project.

An accurate mileage record is being kept by Coach Larry Ballew. The distance is recorded during Sabbath school each week on a large 10x5-foot map. At the end of the first week, 628 miles (collectively) had been run.

There are over 100 partic-

Church Banquet Held to Dedicate, Inform

The North Hills Church at Claremont held a banquet Sunday evening, September 12, to dedicate the church officers and inform the members of the various church plans for the coming year. Approximately 75 per cent of the church membership was in attendance.

The evening was planned around a Polynesian dinner and musical selections with a Hawaiian flavor. Plans discussed included: the church building project; city-wide distribution of *Steps to Christ*; the need for a church school; and the Pathfinder organization.

President Harold Calkins gave a short message of challenge and Pastor Walters led the congregation in a dedication response. Richard Wertz closed the evening with prayer.

ipants now, ranging from a sixth grader to a runner 58 years old. One boy has seven sponsors and is averaging six miles a day; another is riding his bike, and an adult is swimming.

It is projected that \$1,000 will be collected between now and December 31. Money is coming from all over, since students have sent sponsorship requests to friends and relatives living outside California.

Certificates will be given to sponsors to show the distance his runner has covered.

PROPHECY SPEAKS
with Marcus Payne
Northridge Church
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Nov. 6-Dec. 4



LA PUENTE SPANISH BUYS CHURCH—The 150 members at La Puente put \$20,000 down on a \$75,000 property and got a church home on the back of the lot free. The church building is one of two at 14801 Pacific Avenue in Baldwin Park which meet their present needs. This membership, that first met as a group, became a company one year later and a full church the next year, now floats a \$30,000 loan. They hope to soon build a new church on the land they have acquired.

Southern California Conference

Harold L. Calkins, president; Richard G. Wertz, secretary; Lorenzo Paytee, associate secretary; R. L. Walden, treasurer; (Box 969) 1535 East Chevy Chase Drive, Glendale, California 91209. Phone (213) 240-6250.

Wills, trust agreements and annuities should be made in favor of the legal association rather than the conference. For more information, write to Leonard Gaspie, director, at the above address.



Shuichi Kato (lower, extreme left) and his group sold the most literature. William Obando (lower center) hit \$4,000 in sales. Shown in the upper group are those who came from Oakwood to work.

Anti-drug Sales Hit New High

Students involved in Southern's Anti-drug Crusade last summer returned to Union and Oakwood colleges after setting a new record in sales for the Pacific Union—\$87,264.

Nine years ago Southern reached \$40,000. Last year sales reached only \$16,798. These students are one of the top, if not the top, group in sales in the United States this year.

Shuichi Kato and his group from Union College were the number one team in sales—\$20,000.

Although from outside this Union, some of the students

have worked with Director Roy Brasher for the last three years.

Kazuo Tanimura, who speaks no English, handed his canvass written in English to the people to read. He sold over \$2,500 the two years he has worked.

The highest student, William Obando, had over \$4,000 in sales.

The 24-hour answering service proved to be effective. A woman employed by an alcohol detoxification clinic requested Bible studies. Another woman was told where to seek help for her son who was "sniffing glue." Two students accepted Christ through baptism and another student's mother has taken her stand through her daughter's influence.

Over 25,000 *Steps to Christ* were given away, 50,000 pieces of free literature, and approximately 4,000 Bible school enrollment cards.

Michael Blaine
presents
"MIDDLE EAST ODYSSEY"
—Palestine (ancient and modern) in pictures—
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Glendale City Church

SOUTHEASTERN

New Blythe Sanctuary Is Officially Opened

Several hundred friends and guests of the Blythe Church were in attendance for the formal opening of the new sanctuary on October 23.

Pastor LeRoy Finck has led out in this project with the assistance of his small congrega-

tion and the conference building crew. Ground was broken last December.

Auxiliary rooms have been wallpapered, floors carpeted and beautiful chandeliers are used throughout the church, decorated in antique white

woodwork and paint.

Seating 150, the church was built at a cost of \$70,000. San Diego friends contributed new church hymnals for this small, growing congregation.

Conference President Walter Blehm was speaker for the worship hour, attended by many non-Adventist guests. Special music was brought during the Sabbath school and church service by the Septems, a group comprised largely of the Dr. Harland Holderby family.

Art Davis sang several solos and the Holderby family presented several instrumental numbers.

Present at the opening, Evangelist Kenneth Lacey will be conducting a Revelation Seminar in the church starting in January.

Yucaipa Beautification Participation Continues

The Yucaipa Church continues its participation in the Bicentennial Beautification program. Pastor Lee Lewis reports that Mr. and Mrs. Bert Van Tassel have provided two large evergreen trees in cedar containers for the church patio.

This addition has greatly enhanced the Sabbath school area.

The Van Tassels have given active church leadership for 15 years.

Florence Fisher, Comm. Secy. Yucaipa Church

Southeastern California Conference

Walter D. Blehm, president; Warren C. Heintz, secretary; Sylvester D. Bietz, treasurer; 9707 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside, California 92503. Phone (714) 689-1350.

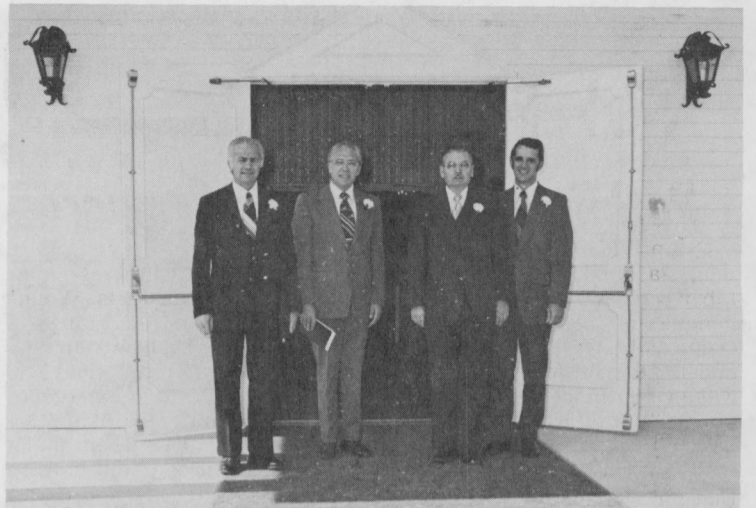
Staff and Board Meet at Orangewood Dinner

Teachers, administrators, and board members of Orangewood Academy and Elementary School in Garden Grove attended the annual Staff-Board Banquet held at the Anaheim Church Fellowship Hall, October 10.

Mike Fellows, Director of Public Relations for **It Is Written**, spoke on the television media. His topic was "The Importance and Effectiveness of Television."

This event signals the start of a new school year and provides opportunity for open communications between faculty and staff.

Those officiating were Millie Wolford, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; A. Norton Donaldson, Vice-chairman and co-founder of Orangewood; Academy Principal Robert Hamilton, and Elementary Principal Wallace Slattery.



Ministers who participated were Elders Walt Blehm, Kenneth Lacey, M. M. Anderson and Pastor LeRoy Finck.



The Septems brought special music throughout the morning services.



Exterior of the Blythe church is typically Colonial.



Interior is shown with Elder Walter Blehm at the pulpit.



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NOVEMBER FIVE-DAY PLANS

Date	City	Address	Director	Dr.	Information
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8-12	Calexico	601 First Street	Hearley Roscher		357-6401
	(Spanish)				
14-18	National City	Paradise Valley Hospital 2400 East Fourth Street	William Ward	Knutson	474-6311
14-18	Anaheim	900 South Sunkist	Carl Watts		535-6903
14-18	Sunnymead	12649 Indian Avenue	Claude Turner	Lorenz	653-4602
15-19	Garden Grove	Palm Harbor Hospital Employees Dining Room	Norman Morris		534-1987
28-Dec. 2	Apple Valley	St. Mary's Hospital	Dan Goddard	Parker	245-3620
29-Dec. 3	Yuca Valley	8035 Church Street	Melvin Jacobson		365-7756

All programs 7:30-9 p.m.



Faculty and board members met at the Orangewood dinner.

Dirksens Give La Mesa Program

Elder Dan E. Dirksen and his son Dan Jr. presented the **Faith for Today** sponsored "Sabbath Inspiration" program in the La Mesa church on October 16.

Dirksen served for 14 years in pastoral evangelism.

The Sabbath program consisted of the 11 a.m. sermon and Dan, Jr.'s varied organ concert including hymn requests at the pre-sunset hour.

It was the first program for the father-son team. The San Diego area is where Dan Jr. was born and became interested in the organ and where Elder

It is the Dirksens' desire that this be an outreach ministry to which friends and interested ones can be invited.

Pathfinders Meet for Camporee

Camp Waianae hosted the annual Pathfinder Camporee October 8-10. A total of 150 Pathfinders and adults from seven Oahu clubs were in attendance under the leadership of Hawaiian Pathfinder coordinators Moses "Pops" Kahula and Ernest Wilks.

Sabbath worship was held in the dining hall. Aiea and Wai-pahu clubs had the song service. Sabbath school was presented by Diamond Head, Kailua and Waimanalo clubs. Central and Wahiawa clubs conducted the church service.

Special guest speaker was former Pathfinder director Lemuel Leialoha. He spoke on the history of Pathfinding in Hawaii and eventually hopes to complete a book on their colorful past.

All clubs participated in a

Honolulu Central Church grand opening and dedication of Millner Chapel has been postponed until December 25. Please call this to the attention of those interested in these ceremonies.

Millner Chapel dedication will be at 3 p.m.

George Coffen, Pastor
Central Adventist Church

talent show Saturday evening. Pathfinders and directors alike shared singing talents. Young people shared a few games of volleyball on the new court.

Field events on Sunday included knot tying, emergency first aid, drill team exhibition and tug-of-war between junior counselors and club directors.

Health Screening Uses Community Services Van

Hawaiian Mission's Community Services van has begun its work with health screening programs. The van has been in a number of shopping centers on windward Oahu. Free testing has been done for blood pressures, diabetes, children's dental checkups, and glaucoma on several hundred people.

Programs are under the direction of Delia de la Cruz, MD, pathologist at Castle Memorial Hospital and Lay Activities Director Will Degeraty.

Kailua Church has been actively engaged in the mobile program. Lay Activities Leader John McConnell has had enthusiastic response from volunteers in the project. They have voted to have this program continue once each month.

Will Degeraty, Director
Community Services

President Cassell Will Be Ordained November 13

Pacific Union College President J. W. Cassell, Jr., will be ordained to the gospel ministry Sabbath, November 13, at 4:15 p.m. in the PUC Church sanctuary.

Pacific Union Conference President Cree Sandefur will preside at the service and deliver the sermon.

Elder Fred Veltman, professor of religion at PUC, will offer the prayer; W. M. Schneider, education director of the Pacific Union Conference, will give the charge; and Northern California Conference President Helmuth C. Retzer will give the welcome.

Other ministers taking part

in the service will be: Roger W. Coon, professor of religion at PUC, Erwin R. Gane, associate professor of religion, Morris L. Venden, pastor of the PUC Church, and John Staples, chairman of PUC's religion department.

Ordination will qualify Cassell to function in all church rites and ceremonies such as baptisms, communion and marriage. Cassell has an extensive background of administrative work in several Adventist educational institutions.

Prior to coming to PUC, he was academic dean of Southern Missionary College 1963-67. He joined PUC in 1967 as academic

dean and was named president in 1972.

He and his wife, Charlotte, who is a registered nurse and relief supervisor at St. Helena Hospital and Health Center, have a son and a daughter. Jon, 19, is a freshman at PUC, and Jan, 23, is married and living in Petaluma.

According to Elder Staples, "President Cassell is being ordained in recognition of his responsibility as the spiritual leader of PUC since the college seeks to inculcate in its students the principles of life as practiced by Seventh-day Adventist Christians."

PUC Religion Professor Will Receive Doctorate

Elder Erwin R. Gane, associate professor of religion at Pacific Union College, will be awarded the doctor of philosophy degree in religion at the 1976 December graduation ceremonies of the University of Nebraska.

Elder Gane's thesis is titled "The Historical Significance of the Scriptural Exegesis Employed in Some Sixteenth Century Sermons." He researched the sermons of Catholic and Protestant preachers and compared their use of Bible scriptures for his dissertation.

Gane was a religion teacher at Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska, before joining the PUC faculty in 1973.

ATTENTION: DENOMINATIONAL EMPLOYEES

A special supplement to the 1977-78 California State Scholarship application process needed by denominational employees with children who qualify for educational allowance scholarships is currently available from the Pacific Union College Student Finance Office.

The supplement covers the manner of educational allowance reporting as well as other items such as reporting of both taxable and non-taxable income.

Those who qualify for the educational allowance and who are applying for the state funds for the first time should be familiar with the supplement and how it relates to the overall completion of the application, notes James Manley, director of student finance. The deadline for the first phase of the application process is December 4.

The supplement has also been given to academy counselors in the Northern and Central California conferences. If denominational employees need further clarification on the supplement, they are invited to write or call the Student Finance Offices at PUC or the La Sierra Campus of LLU. The PUC telephone number is (707) 965-7517.

CAT REST

Maynard, Raymond H.—b. Aug. 14, 1913, Bellevue, Wash.; d. Oct. 11, 1976, Lancaster, Calif. Survivors: wife, Maxine; son, Harold; daughters, Bonnie Foote, Sheryl Meyers, Paula Hintz; 10 grandchildren.

Meckler, Robert E.—b. Feb. 10, 1899, Harvey, N. Dak.; d. Oct. 17, 1976, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: brothers, Thomas, Daniel; sisters, Pauline Leer, Emma Flack, Martha Ragsdale, Ottelia Schlenker, Jean Reising, Hilda Bechthold.

Miller, Rose—b. Nov. 22, 1900, Sicily; d. Oct. 19, 1976, Grass Valley, Calif. Survivors: daughter, Lillian Prigley; son, Rosario; brother, John Lapina; 7 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren.

Morris, Frances D.—b. Sept. 15, 1900, San Leandro, Calif.; d. Oct. 14, 1976, St. Helena, Calif. Survivors: husband, Myrl; daughters, Leatha Watson, Shirley Sears, Marjorie Vold; sister, Ruth Motta.

Morrison, Elder Leonard Ambrose—b. May 30, 1899, St. Catherine, Jamaica; d. Oct. 4, 1976, Oakland, Calif. Survivors: wife, Hilda; sons, Leslie, Kenneth; daughters, Valda Boyd, Kathleen Vanderberg; sister, Imogene Grant; 10 grandchildren. Served more than 50 years; until retirement, in the West Indies Union as assistant treasurer, and secretary-treasurer in the East and West Jamaica conferences. Since retirement he worked part time in the Northern California Conference treasury department.

Morrison, Harley Derwood—b. May 8, 1904, Byrd's Creek, Wis.; d. Oct. 7, 1976, St. Helena, Calif. Survivors: wife, Helen; son, Harold; brother, Theodore; a granddaughter.

Peterson, Julia B.—b. May 2, 1882, Sweden; d. Sept. 8, 1976, San Jose, Calif. Survivors: sons, Carl Henry, Gunnar; 3 grandchildren.

Petit, Herbert W.—b. July 30, 1917, Maceline, Mo.; d. Oct. 21, 1976, Mountain View, Calif. Survivors: wife, Thelma D.; sons, Ronald Rollins, Lawrence J.; daughter, Donna Lee Bairos; mother, Cora; brother, Al; 10 grandchildren.

Committee of 100 Meets at PUC

The Committee of 100, a group of Pacific Union College supporters dedicated to the long-range development of the college, held their annual membership meeting Sunday, November 7, at 12:30 in the PUC Dining Commons.

Members of the group of 185 include alumni, college faculty and administrators, businessmen and various professional people. In addition to hearing reports on the college, the group will elect four members to its 15-member board at the dinner meeting, according to

Director of Development and College Relations Don J. Coles.

"In my judgment, one of the most important things that has taken place at PUC in recent years has been the establishment and growth of the Committee of 100.

"The group of dedicated laymen has assisted the college tremendously by their counsel and financial support," says College President J. W. Cassell.

In the five years since its beginning, the Committee of 100 has financed construction of the first phase in a three-phase Science Learning Center. Phase one houses the mathematics, behavioral science and nursing departments.

The committee's next project, notes Coles, will be to help finance the second phase of the center which will include laboratories for the chemistry and physics departments.

Officers of the organization include President Caleb Davidian, a dentist from Placerville; Vice-president Lawrence R. Winn, a physician from Sacramento; Secretary Theodore Cheek from San Francisco and Treasurer Robert Strickland, PUC's business manager. Coles serves as the Committee's executive secretary.

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Boess, Grace E.—b. Feb. 17, 1881, Mich.; d. Oct. 5, 1976, Riverside, Calif. Survivors: nephews, Stanley Hazelton, Howard Hazelton.

Burke, Ruth Caroline—b. Nov. 22, 1897, Grantsberg, Wis.; d. Oct. 23, 1976, Jackson, Calif. Survivors: sisters, Arline C. Johnson, Pearl Lefler; brother, Leon Floodman.

Champion, Elder Maurice G.—b. Aug. 13, 1901, England; d. Oct. 8, 1976, Fort Bragg, Calif. Survivors: wife, Dorothy; son, Robert M.; daughters, Patricia Owens, Dorothy Kimes; brother, J. H.; sisters, Nora Borrowdale, Mable Babcock, Eva Cople, Olive Geister; 12 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren. The Champions served 36 years in the Southern Asia Division.

Chrisman, Elder Cecil I.—b. Dec. 5, 1903, Kansas City, Kans.; d. Oct. 13, 1976, Lodi, Calif. Survivors: daughter, Carolyn Twing; sister, Iris Graham; 2 grandchildren. He was in educational work 1928-64; academy principal in Fresno 13 years, in Mountain View 6 years; superintendent of education for Southeastern Calif. 1948-63, for Northern Calif. 1963-64 and served Northern's Association 1964-69.

Church, Donald A., DDS—b. July 31, 1943, Milwaukee, Wis.; d. Sept. 14, 1976, Lancaster, Calif. Survivors: wife, Linda; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Church; sisters, Anita Bell, Eileen Steinel, Jeaneene; brothers, Monte, Curtis, Michael, Patrick; grandmother, Bessie Church.

Edwardy, Frederick Waldo, Jr.—b. May 1, 1889, Georgia; d. Oct. 3, 1976, Riverside, Calif. Survivors: wife, Lillian; son, Frederick; 2 grandchildren.

Hawkins, B. B.—b. Nov. 3, 1887, Prescott, Ark.; d. Oct. 6, 1976, Chico, Calif. Survivor: Ernestine Gilbert.

Kindopp, David Mervin, MD—b. Nov. 28, 1894, Leola, S. Dak.; d. Aug. 1, 1976, Auburn, Calif. Survivors: wife, Dorothy; daughter, Joan A. Penner; brother, Edward; sisters, Amelia Roth, Matilda Anderson, Jesse Beecher, Rose Eberhardt; 5 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren. Dr. Kindopp was a 1929 CME graduate.

Klostermyer, Capitola—d. Aug. 1, 1976, San Marcos, Tex. Survivor: daughter, Lois Burk; a son.

LeRoy, Iva Lansing—b. Feb. 19, 1887, Michigan; d. Oct. 16, 1976, Sunnysvale, Calif. Survivors: daughter, Donna Leheney; sons, Elden, Elwyn; 7 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren.

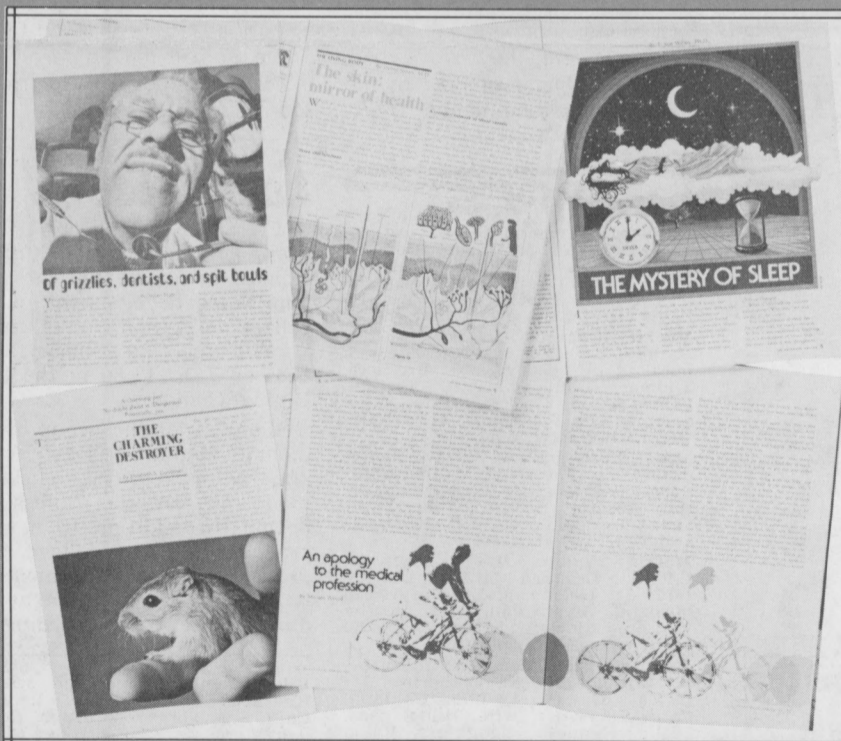
Lusk, Junius Rowan, Jr.—b. Jan. 17, 1920, Plaquemine, La.; d. Oct. 19, 1976, French Camp, Calif. Survivors: wife, Ruby; daughter, Marla; sons, Harold, Michael, Charles; a granddaughter.

Lutz, William, Jr.—b. June 9, 1944, Dinuba, Calif.; d. Oct. 23, 1976, Fresno, Calif. Survivors: parents, Mr. and Mrs. William; brothers, Robert, Gerald; sister, Sharon Zwankhuze; grandmother, Martha.

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