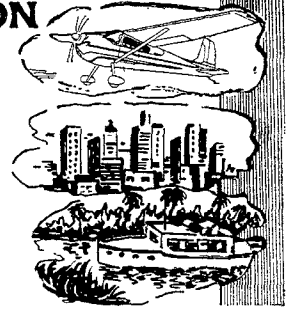


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## Editorial

ONCE again we are sending to our workers and friends around the world another issue of the *South American Division Bulletin*.

For 38 years this paper has gone to all parts of the world to tell the marvelous things the Lord is doing for His people here in South America. For the last 11 of these 38 years, L. H. Olson, former Secretary of the South American Division, was editor of this periodical, a work which he carried forward with love, zeal, and cheerfulness in spite of the many disappointments and mishaps which must be faced in issuing a paper such as this. To him we offer our sincere thanks.

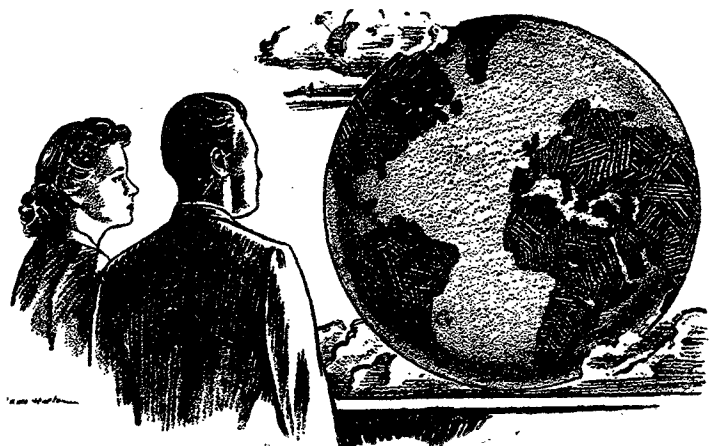
As we continue to inform our readers in regard to the Division in which we live and which it is our task to evangelize, we feel as did Jesus as He looked upon the ripened fields, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" (Mat. 4: 35).

In many ways we can see the encouraging advance of the work of God in the South American Division, and in this issue of the *Bulletin* you will read news of recent progress. As we look upon the territory of the South American Division, we may feel as did Cecil Rhodes on his death bed as he scanned the map of Africa, that there is so much to do but so little has been done! However, we can see the work has developed and progress has been made in ma-

ny lines, and best of all — South America is still the land of mission opportunity. The challenge is greater than ever before to warn those who are dwelling in the shadows of sin and neglect, of the nearness of the Saviour's return.

God is blessing us and we are certain He will give us the power to evangelize South America before our Lord returns. Our 2,506 administrators, evangelists, pastors, colporteurs, educational, medical, factory and other workers in this Division are on fire for evangelism and united with our 125,610 lay members to meet the challenge of this great hour and accomplish the task.

M. S. N.





# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## "LENGTHEN THY CORDS"

DEAR Friends:

In this last hour of earth's history, God has a special message for His church and His people. The prophet Isaiah saw clearly the work which we are to do today. The message is, "Lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes" (Is. 54: 2, last part). This message is directly connected with the great commission of our Lord and Master, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost" (Matt. 28: 19). Then how thankful we can be that we have the direct promise of Jesus to each one of us: "Lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28: 20).

Following are the goals which we have before us as a people here in South America and around the world: That the glory of the Lord might be seen upon us; that we might have a close walk with our Lord and Master; that we might then arise and shine; that we might go to every nation, kindred, tongue and people; that we might lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes until the work is finished.

Some years ago we launched a program which was directed to two great regions of the South American continent. One was the great, teeming cities around the coastal areas of the continent of South America. The other was the great interior and jungle areas. We have often referred to these areas as the asphalt jungle and the green jungle.

God has helped us mightily as we have sought to advance on these two challenging frontiers. In the great metropolis of Sao Paulo we now have over 9,000 members, and it will not be long until we have 10,000 members. Sao Paulo is on the east coast of South America. If we look across the continent, to the west coast, we see how God is blessing as we are entering the big cities there. One great city in the highlands of Peru is Arequipa, which is really the gateway to the highlands of Peru and also the gateway to the coastal areas. In a great city-wide effort held by Pastor Arturo Schmidt, associate secretary of the Division Ministerial Association, we have received word that in one evening 700 decisions for baptism were made. Some 1,200 people each evening have been listening to the gospel message at the five thirty o'clock meeting and at the eight o'clock meeting. In the city of Rio de Janeiro a great auditorium seating some 1,500 people has now been erected as an evangelistic center. Soon meetings will begin under the direction of our Division Ministerial Association secretary, Pastor Enoch Oliveira. As I am writing these lines, a great and intensive effort is being opened in the city of Montevideo, Uruguay. Pastor

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## "ALARGA TUS CUERDAS"

APRECIADOS amigos:

En esta última hora de la historia del mundo, Dios tiene un mensaje especial para su iglesia y su pueblo. El profeta Isaías vio claramente la obra que estamos haciendo hoy. Su mensaje es: "Alarga tus cuerdas, y fortifica tus estacas" (Isa. 54: 2, up). Este mensaje está directamente relacionado con el gran mandato de nuestro Señor y Maestro: "Id, y doctrinad a todos los gentiles, bautizándolos en el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo" (Mat. 28: 19). Cuán agradecidos debiéramos estar por la promesa dejada por Jesús a cada uno de nosotros: "Y he aquí, yo estoy con vosotros todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo" (Mat. 28: 20).

Como pueblo, tenemos los siguientes blancos tanto aquí en la América del Sur como en todo el mundo: que la gloria del Señor pueda verse sobre nosotros; que podamos seguir más de cerca a nuestro Señor y Maestro; que podamos levantarnos y brillar; que podamos ir a cada nación, tribu, lengua y pueblo; que podamos alargar nuestras cuerdas y fortificar nuestras estacas hasta que la obra esté terminada.

Algunos años atrás comenzamos un programa de acción, dirigido a dos grandes zonas del continente sudamericano. Una estaba constituida por las grandes y populosas ciudades de las costas de la América del Sur, y la otra estaba comprendida por la zona selvática del interior del continente. A menudo nos hemos referido a estas dos regiones como a la selva asfaltada y la selva verde, respectivamente.

Dios nos ayudó señaladamente al tratar de avanzar en estas dos fronteras tan contrastantes. En la gran metrópoli de San Pablo, actualmente tenemos 9,000 miembros y no pasará mucho tiempo antes de que tengamos 10,000. San Pablo está en la costa oriental de la América del Sur. Si contemplamos el continente hacia la costa occidental, podemos ver cómo nos ha ayudado Dios a entrar en las grandes ciudades. Una de las localidades importantes del altiplano peruano es Arequipa que constituye la puerta de entrada a esa zona y también a la región costera. En aquella ciudad el pastor Arturo E. Schmidt, director adjunto de la Asociación Ministerial de la División, está celebrando un esfuerzo evangelizador. Según noticias que obran en nuestro poder, en una sola noche 700 personas tomaron la decisión de bautizarse. Unas 1,200 personas asistieron día tras día a la predicación del mensaje evangélico, a las reuniones de las cinco y media de la tarde y a las de las ocho de la noche. En la ciudad de Río de Janeiro acaba de ser erigido un gran centro evangelístico con capacidad para unas 1,500 personas. Pronto comenzará allí un ciclo de conferencias bajo la dirección del pastor Enoch de Oliveira, director de la Asociación Ministerial de la División. Mientras estoy escribiendo estas líneas, se está gestando un grande e intenso esfuerzo en la ciudad de Montevideo, Uruguay. El pastor Salim Japas, evangelista de la Unión Austral, que ha celebrado con notable éxito ciclos de conferencias evangelizadoras tanto en la América del Sur como en la del Norte (Los Angeles, California), dirigirá este esfuerzo. La encuesta que se está realizando reveló que más de 7,000 personas manifestaron interés en conocer la solución de los graves problemas sociales y morales de nuestros días. Estamos contentos de que, con la ayuda de Dios, podemos penetrar en la gran selva asfaltada. En las grandes urbes a menudo abundan la miseria, los corazones quebrantados, las huelgas y la simiente revolucionaria. Debemos llevar a los millones que habitan en las grandes ciudades la esperanza del advenimiento.

Nuestra próxima tarea consiste en penetrar en el interior del continente. Dios nos ayudó grandemente en la región del Amazonas, donde mediante nuestra flota de lanchas médico-misioneras hemos podido ganar en un solo año —el año pasado— unas 400 almas. Nuestras clínicas rodantes también ayudaron a miles de personas a conocer la verdad en alguna medida.

Durante los últimos cuatro años hemos estado estudiando y desarrollando un nuevo programa consistente en emplear alas para apresurar la predicación del Evangelio en las zonas selváticas del interior. Estamos por emplear un pequeño avión en las regiones subdesarrolladas de la América del Sur. En centenares de vuelos que hemos realizado, pudimos ver que éste puede constituir un medio rápido y seguro de propagar el mensaje evangélico. El aire puro que Dios nos ha dado se

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**A**REQUIPA is the second largest city of Peru, situated among the mountains at an altitude of 2,700 meters (about 8,100 ft.), with a population of approximately 250,000. The Adventist church has been established in this city for years and we have about 200 church members there.

On January 17 a school of evangelism was opened with 30 workers in attendance, largely graduates of Inca Union Junior College also a number of young workers from the Lake Titicaca and Central Peru Missions. Classes were given for two hours each day, the writer teaching the following subjects: evangelism, modern comparative religions, and application of the **Church Manual**.

In connection with this school of evangelism, on February 1 a series of meetings was begun in the Danubio theater. The Lord blessed us from the beginning in an extraordinary way, and our first words of thanks go to God for this outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The first two nights the public crowded in to such an extent that it was necessary to hold two meetings, and until now (March 31) we are still carrying on this program in order to accommodate all who come. One lecture is given at 5:30 and the other at 8:00 in the evening. At this writing we have already given 63 lectures during February and March. We have also had one meeting at 10:30 Sunday mornings in addition to the two per night. We know that an average of 1,200 people attend every night since we are keeping record of the attendance.

Sunday, March 17, we held our first baptism in the theater, and 18 persons were baptized. At the close of the ceremony a call was made to those who desired to pre-

# ON FIRE FOR Evangelism!

## THE EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN AREQUIPA

pare themselves for baptism in the future, and for the glory of God, **more than 1,000 persons responded to the call** and signed a decision card. Our hearts are overflowing with happiness as we contemplate the future and the enormity of the task which the Lord has placed in our hands. It is the plan of the evangelistic team to have baptisms every Sunday night. On March 24, 17 persons were baptized and about 600 people signed the decision cards. Until now 100 people have been baptized. We are expecting a rich harvest of souls for the Lord Jesus. Until the end of April we plan to continue the meetings in the theater and from then on, we hope to organize five churches—but we have no church buildings!

Leonardo Pinedo, a ministerial intern, is studying with a family consisting of father, mother, and four children. They have come to all the meetings. They became acquainted with the Adventist church only a few days before the first baptism was held, and with tears in their eyes, came to the pastoral room asking to be baptized that same day. When they were told they would have to wait a little while, the father was rather disappointed, but then he understood that certain arrangements have to be made before a person can be baptized. The next morning

the man spoke to me and manifested his spiritual joy and peace and his desire to be baptized the following Sunday. The wife, with tears in her eyes said that the Lord had appeared to her in a dream and had told her she should unite with our church through baptism.

God is working miraculously. This is another interesting case. In a personal interview, a doctor of philosophy stated the following: Her life had changed. Before it had been a vale of tears filled with family problems. Through the announcements which appeared, she heard about the lectures on happiness, and against the wishes of her family, began to attend, together with her two children. The gospel entered her heart and she told me, "Four days ago I stopped crying. I have a new philosophy of life and I am a happy woman." After witnessing the baptism she said she wanted to prepare herself to be a good Christian.

At the close of every meeting a friendly, attractive couple comes to talk to me, and last Sunday night the husband told me with tears in his eyes, "Every night I come I am more and more convinced of the error in which I was living and I thank God He is opening my eyes and we are learning the truth." A number of young people, among them university students, when the baptism was over came forward to tell me they had heard the sweet voice of Jesus speaking to their hearts and that the baptism was the most solemn moment of their lives. They wanted to study and prepare themselves to be good Christians.

We thank God for this gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit in response to our earnest desire. The Arequipa church, together with the workers in the school of evangelism, spent two Sabbaths in fasting and prayer, asking God to manifest His power. The first Sabbath was the one before the meetings were to open and the second was the Sabbath before the first baptism. The meetings began at sunset Friday and it was touching to see our church filled with our members



*Candidates for the March 17 baptismal service being examined. Every Sunday night a baptism is held in the Danubio theater.*



*Presenting the baptismal certificates after the ceremony held March 17 in the Danubio theater, Arequipa, Peru.*

## CAMPAÑA EVANGELISTICA DE AREQUIPA

(RESUMEN)

**A**REQUIPA es la segunda ciudad del Perú, situada en medio de las montañas a 2.700 metros de altura. Cuenta con aproximadamente 250.000 habitantes.

El 17 de enero se dio apertura a una escuela de evangelismo con 30 obreros mayormente egresados de nuestro colegio superior de Ñaña, juntamente con algunos obreros jóvenes de la Misión del Lago Titicaca y la Misión Peruana Central. El 1º de febrero, en conexión con esta escuela de evangelismo, se dio comienzo en el cine Danubio, a un ciclo de conferencias. El Señor

nos ha bendecido en forma extraordinaria desde el mismo comienzo, y vayan nuestras primeras palabras de agradecimiento a Dios por este derramamiento del Espíritu Santo. Las primeras dos noches el público se agolpó en forma tan extraordinaria que fue necesario tener dos reuniones y hasta el presente (marzo 31) estamos teniendo doble turno para dar cabida al público: un turno a las 5:30 de la tarde y otro a las 8 de la noche. Más o menos mil doscientas personas concurren cada noche.

El domingo 17 de marzo tuvimos en el teatro, nuestro primer bautismo de 18 personas. Al final del acto se hizo un llamado a todos aquellos que querían prepararse para un futuro bautismo y para gloria de Dios **más de mil personas respondieron al llamado firmando una tarjeta de decisión.** Hasta aho-

during all hours of the night and on through the day till sunset Sabbath, singing, confessing their sins, and studying the Word of God. It has been a marvelous experience and we have seen the power of the Spirit of God working in this city. In spite of the fact that the newspapers did not publish a single article for us, not even if it were paid, only one radio station would transmit any announcement of our meetings, the popular church strongly opposed us, and only 14 series of leaflets were passed out, the Lord filled the theater every night with those who desired to know the truth, even though there were heavy rains during the month of February.

Brethren in Christ, pray that the harvest of souls in Arequipa will be abundant and that the work of God will be finished in this city.

—**Arturo E. Schmidt**, Associate Secretary Ministerial Association South American Division

ra 100 personas fueron bautizadas.

Continuaremos las conferencias hasta fines de abril en el teatro, y a partir de esa fecha esperamos organizar cinco iglesias, ¡pero no contamos con templos!

El Hno. Leonardo Pinedo (aspirante al ministerio) estudia con una familia compuesta del padre, la madre y cuatro hijos, que han asistido a todas las reuniones. Conocieron la Iglesia Adventista días antes del primer bautismo, y con lágrimas en los ojos vinieron hasta una pieza donde estábamos los pastores solicitando ser bautizados ese mismo día. Al decirle que debían esperar un poquito más, el señor se sintió un tanto chasqueado, pero comprendió que debía hacer los arreglos previos al bautismo. A la mañana siguiente habló conmigo de nuevo manifestándome el gozo y la paz que llenaban su corazón y su deseo de ser bautizado el domingo siguiente. La esposa, con lágrimas en los ojos, dijo que el Señor Jesús se le había presentado en sueños y le había manifestado que ella debía unirse a la iglesia mediante el bautismo.

Damos gracias a Dios por este derramamiento del Espíritu Santo, y no puede ser de otra forma siendo que la Iglesia de Arequipa en combinación con los obreros integrantes de la escuela de evangelismo han pasado dos sábados completos en oración y ayuno, pidiendo a Dios el derramamiento de su Espíritu.

Quiero pedir a todos los hermanos en Cristo Jesús que oren para que la cosecha de almas en Arequipa sea abundante y que la obra de Dios pueda ser terminada en esta ciudad.

—**Arturo E. Schmidt**, Secretario Adjunto de la Asociación Ministerial de la División Sudamericana

*Students of the University of Arequipa talking with Pastor Arturo Schmidt after the baptism, asking questions about the ceremony they have just witnessed.*



Members of the new church raised up by the Voice of Youth of Mendoza.

## THE VOICE OF YOUTH IN SOUTH AMERICA

**T**HE merits of an undertaking are intimately related to its objectives. Therefore, the merits of the Voice of Youth movement prove themselves by the value of its objectives, which are as follows:

1. To reveal confidence in
  2. To use the talents of
  3. To evangelize with
- OUR YOUTH

The Voice of Youth is inspiring and moving the Missionary Volunteers of South America. Here are some proofs:

Recently, in Curitiba, Brazil, a fine group of young people made the Voice of Youth heard over the strong local radio station. These modern, valiant youth have made the cities of the State of Paraná a Seventh-day Adventist auditorium. To announce the first program they printed 50,000 handbills and distributed them in the homes of the city of Curitiba. Our youth hope for a great harvest of souls in this city. "Those who realize great things for God can expect great things from God."

In Mendoza, Argentina, the Voice of Youth produced a miniature Pentecost. It happened like this. The Voice of Youth campaign began in October, 1961, and sixty days later a Branch Sabbath School was organized and a baptism of 14 was held. In the first days of 1962 the Branch Sabbath School was made a company and on November 10, 1962, this company was organized into a church of 31 baptized members. Today, February, 1963, the new church—the church of the Voice of Youth—has 44 members and is still growing.

The merits of an undertaking are measured by its results. The Voice of Youth, besides being an inspiration to our youth, is winning souls and raising up churches even here in the continent of South America. We call this a modern miracle. Are we right?

—F. N. Siqueira  
MV Secretary  
South American Division



*The place in which the Voice of Youth of Mendoza held its meetings.*



*The Voice of Youth radio group of Curitiba in action.*



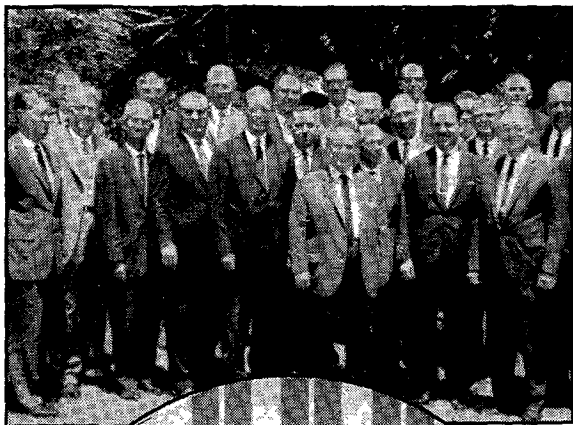
## TWO NEW BOOKS ABOUT SPIRITUALISM

Spiritualism Today, by LeRoy Edwin Froom, and its companion volume, Fellow Travelers of Spiritualism, are the titles of two brand new books about to be placed on sale. Published by the Review and Herald, these colorful Crisis-size books of 64 pages each are excerpted in condensed form from the much larger work, The Conditionalist Faith of our Fathers.

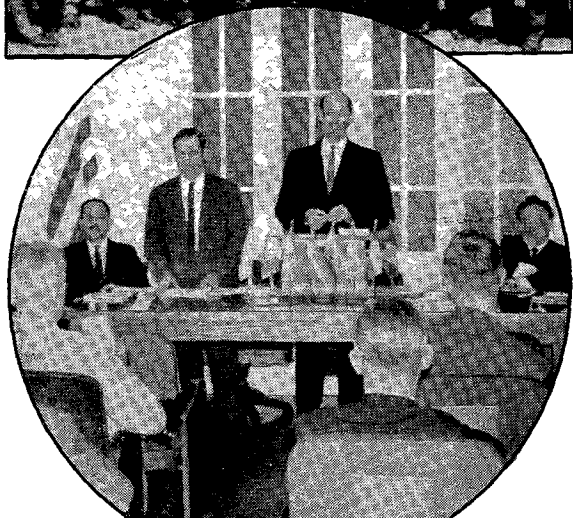
Please make an effort to secure these books immediately upon release. Then read them prayerfully. You owe this to yourself and to your family. Use these books wisely and thus bear witness before your friends of the great truth to our Conditionalist Faith, placed in God "Who only hath immortality."



# ECHOES OF THE ANN



*Members of the South American Division Committee in attendance at the 1962 Annual meeting.*



*J. J. Aitken giving his report to the Committee members and visitors on the opening night of the Annual meeting. To the right of Pastor Aitken, Dr. A. J. Alva is translating his message into the Spanish language.*



*Special evangelistic rally held in the Central church of Montevideo with the five union presidents, on Sabbath afternoon, December 1, 1962, in connection with the Annual meeting. The choir of the Central church is on the upper platform.*



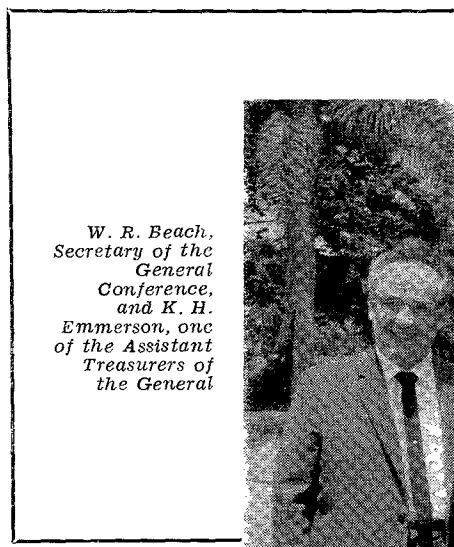
*Special music was a regular feature of the morning devotional hour. Miss Florance Sackett (left) and Mrs. J. I. Hartman while singing for the morning meeting.*

**M**ONTHS ago, the members of Montevideo returned to their fields of labor in the Annual Committee, December 1, 1962, by those who shared in planning for the year in the South American Division.

The goal to win 15,000 souls to Christ was tactically received throughout the field by evangelists, pastors, and lay members. How to reach this ideal. In 1961 there were 10,000 Adventists in the South American Division. What was the end of 1963?

New plans were laid in all the fields. The organization: procedures to ensure efficient work; encourage promising young people; a new approach to the soul-winning campaign; Department, methods to aid in the work; appeals for greater faithfulness in the field; trainings, and the all-important emphasis on the lessons were presented in the morning sessions under the direction of Elders W. R. Beach and K. H. Emerson.

When Christ appears to claim the field, the enthusiastic promotion, and the tireless workers will be more than amply rewarded. "My reward is with me, to give unto every man that shall be" (Rev. 22: 12).



*W. R. Beach, Secretary of the General Conference, and K. H. Emerson, one of the Assistant Treasurers of the General Conference.*

# AL DIVISION MEETING

Division Committee left Montevideo and their tasks, yet the days spent in 1962, have not been forgotten for the advancement of the work of God.

Christ during 1963 has been enthusiastic and inspired with Heavenly zeal, workers are bending their energies to reach 83 inhabitants to each Seventh-day Adventist. What will this figure be at the end of the year?

Departments of our church organization: aid in time of disaster, plans to enter the teaching profession, a program of the Missionary Volunteer Society, prompt distribution of our literature, Sabbath School attendance and offering for evangelism. Important spiritual meetings which were held by W. R. Beach and K. H. Emmerson of the

of his own, the careful planning, the diligent endeavor of God's true-hearted workers. "And behold I come quickly: every man according as his work



*Conference, at the time of their visit to the South American Division for the 1962 Annual meeting.*

*The Division Committee at work during the Annual meeting in the headquarters office in Montevideo, Uruguay.*



*A pleasant interval in the Committee sessions.*



*Left to right: W. R. Beach, M. S. Nigri, J. J. Aitken, J. I. Hartman, K. H. Emmerson. Picture taken on the grounds of Division headquarters.*



*Committee members relax in the informal atmosphere of a picnic held on the Sunday afternoon of the Annual meeting, at Fortin Santa Rosa, about 25 miles from Montevideo.*



## NEW COLLABORATORS OF THE SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION



*Dr. A. J. Alba, elected Secretary of the Education and Temperance Departments of the South American Division at the time of the 1962 General Conference Session.*



*Samuel Alberro, elected Assistant Auditor of the South American Division at the time of the Annual meeting.*



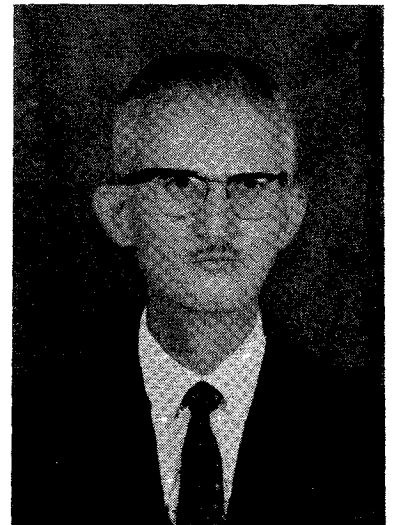
*M. S. Nigri and J. I. Hartman, new Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, of the South American*

*Division, enjoying a moment of relaxation during the Annual meeting of the Division Committee.*

*D. R. Christman, nominated President of the Inca Union Mission at the Annual meeting of the Division Committee, in place of J. W. Ellick.*

*Arturo E. Schmidt, elected Assistant Ministerial Association Secretary for the South American Division, at the time of the Annual meeting.*

*O. R. Azevedo, elected President of the South Brazil Union Conference in place of M. S. Nigri.*







*Many children like Peter of our story are evidences of miracles of God wrought through the skill of Christian physicians.*

LATE one afternoon Peter was brought into the hospital in a semicomatose state. Two days before this little lad had been severely burned by upsetting hot water over himself. One-third of his body surface was burned, but his parents did not realize his danger. When his temperature began to soar and he began to lose consciousness, they brought him to the doctor at Andrews Memorial Hospital in Kingston, Jamaica.

Being a person who loves children, Dr. Leon's heart went out to this suffering little one. If only they had brought him in sooner!

"I'm very much afraid that it is too late for any treatment we can give to help your little boy," the doctor told the anxious parents trying to prepare them for the worst. "However, we will do all we can." He hesitated, then added slowly, "I doubt if he will make it through the night."

Peter was admitted quickly, and all the latest possible burn therapy was instituted—drips, injections, and dressings. Dr. Leon drove to the coolness of his home in the hills where he usually was able to relax and throw off the cares of the day—but tonight he was worried about little Peter. He questioned, "Was there anything more that I could have done?" Yet, he knew he had done everything humanly possible. He decided he could only leave the case in the hands of the Lord.

In the meantime, the nurses were keeping a close watch on Peter. Pulse, respiration, and temperature were taken frequently and were increasing alarmingly. Suddenly the nurse noticed a turn for the worse, and feeling sure the little boy was dying, sent another nurse

## "BY A MIRACLE OF GOD"

to call Dr. Leon. It was a twenty-minute drive to the hospital from the hills, but he made it in record time. Emergency stimulants were administered, for it seemed the little boy was already gone. However, he rallied a bit. Then, after leaving further instructions, the doctor again headed for home. Twice more during the night the little fellow was at the point of death, and twice more the doctor made the trip back to the hospital. Twice more the little lad rallied.

The next morning when the parents returned, the doctor told them, "He has come through the night by a miracle of God. There is a slight possibility than he may yet pull through."

A couple of days later as he left the child's room, he met the parents in the hallway. "Peter just smiled at me," he reported with a big smile on his own face. "He's out of danger at last. We thank the Lord, and can be glad that medical science has developed better methods of treating burn cases during recent years."

The parents were grateful, so grateful that a few days later the following notice appeared in the daily newspaper:

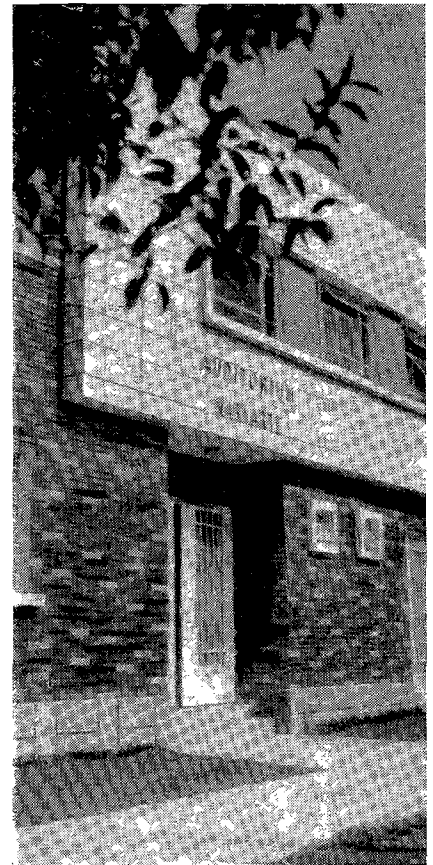
"The parents of Peter wish to thank the nurses and doctors of the Andrews Memorial Hospital for their loving care and devotion to duty in bringing him safely through his recent severe illness."

Generous offerings this Thirteenth Sabbath can help to provide

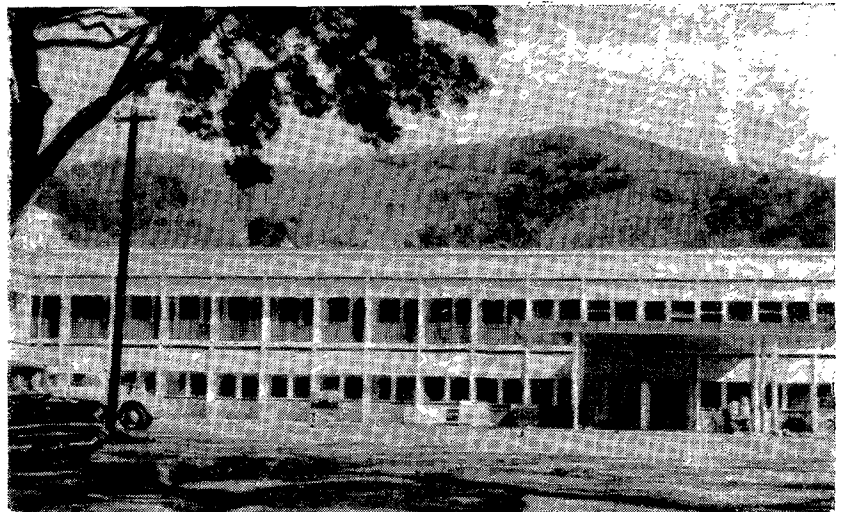
more medical facilities in Inter-America to care for the many sick persons who are looking for Christian ministry from trained medical personnel.

—Mrs. Ethel F. Heisler

*Many more auditoriums like this are needed in Mexico City with its teaming six-million inhabitants.*



*The new Port-of-Spain Hospital in Trinidad will bring light and hope to thousands of sufferers. Your offering will help to equip this modern edifice.*



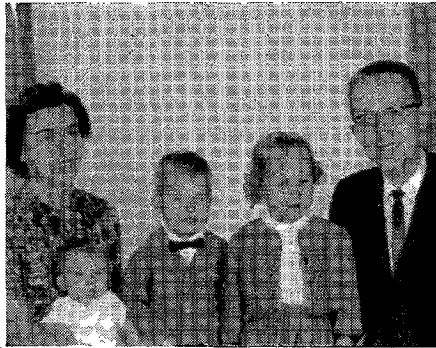
# FROM HOME TO MISSION MISSION TO HOME

We welcome this new family to our Division field.

Mr. and Mrs. Helmut Ott of Montevideo, Uruguay, left their home



*Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Zehm and family.*



*Pastor and Mrs. H. O. Burden and family.*



*Pastor and Mrs. S. F. Monnier and family.*

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Zehm and family arrived in Lima, Peru, some months ago and have already entered upon their work in the Bolivia Mission where Brother Zehm is farm manager of the Bolivia Training School.

We trust the Lord will continue to bless these workers as they go forward in their service for Him.

On February 17, 1963, Pastor and Mrs. H. O. Burden, with Brenda, Louis, and Wesley, arrived in Lima, Peru, from the United States to supervise the mission stations within the Lake Titicaca Mission.

Pastor Burden joins the staff of workers in the Inca Union as an experienced teacher and pastor, and we wish him and his family God's blessing as they enter upon their duties.

Pastor and Mrs. Samuel F. Monnier with their children, Elisabeth and Eric, arrived in Sao Paulo,



*Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo Cayrus*

Brazil, on February 21, 1963, from the Inter-American Division where Pastor Monnier served as departmental secretary of the Franco-Haitian Union. He is now the Home Missionary and Sabbath School Department secretary for the South Brazil Union Conference.

Before connecting with the Inter-American Division, Pastor Monnier labored as an evangelist and also district leader in France.

base on March 5, 1963, to take up their new duties in the East Brazil Union where Brother Ott will serve as preceptor at Northeast Brazil Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo Cayrus left Montevideo, Uruguay, on March 31, 1963, in answer to the call of the Inca Union for Brother Cayrus to be district leader in the North Peru Mission which was established in 1961.

Mr. and Mrs. Juan Ancheta of the Austral Union arrived in Bolivia during March, 1963, Brother Ancheta is now a nurse in the Chulumani Hospital which brings physical and spiritual relief and health to many sufferers in the highlands of Bolivia.

May God richly bless and guide these young workers in devoted service for His Cause.

## The president's message

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Salim Japas, the Austral Union evangelist who has held successful efforts in South America as well as Los Angeles, California, is opening this new series of meetings, and already, according to a survey which is being conducted over 7,000 people have manifested their desire to know the solution to the serious social and moral problems of our day. With God's help we are thankful we can penetrate the great asphalt jungle. It is especially in these large cities where we often find misery, men's hearts

failing them, strikes, and the seeds of revolution. We must meet the needs of these teeming millions with the Advent hope.

Our next task is to penetrate the great interior. With our fleet of launches God has helped us on the Amazon so that in one year, in fact last year, we were able to win some 400 souls with the use of our launches. Our clinics on wheels have helped thousands gain a knowledge of the truth.

For the last four years we have been earnestly studying and developing a new program of using wings for hastening the spread of the gospel and for reaching the

jungle areas in the interior. In the undeveloped areas of South America we are beginning with the use of a small utility airplane. In hundreds of flights which have been undertaken we have found that this can be a safe and secure way of spreading the gospel message more rapidly. The pure air which God has given us has become a freeway to travel in any direction for the reaching of those who sit in the darkness of superstition and the degradation of sin. We are happy to announce that just at this time the General Conference has approved the over-all plan for the establishment of an Ad-

# MODERN Miracles

1. A few months ago a student of the Bible Correspondence School in Sao Paulo, Brazil, decided to keep the Sabbath at all costs. He asked for the Sabbath off, suggesting to his employer that he could make up his time or have the equivalent of the time lost deducted from his salary. To this his employer said,

"If you want to keep the Sabbath, you can go and pick up your salary to date and leave right now. We have no work for people who want to keep the Sabbath."

He left, to pray and to look for work. It was very difficult to find work. The first day ended and he had found nothing, the second day—nothing. He was sad but not discouraged. At the close of the third day, just after he arrived home, there was a knock on the door. It was his former employer who begged him to return to work immediately. The treasurer of the

business had died and the company was without anyone trustworthy to take his place.

The outcome of this incident was that the Bible Correspondence School student was promoted to the position of treasurer, was granted the Sabbath free, and received a much higher salary than before!

2. A student of the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence School had become completely discouraged. He had no more friends and everything in his life had gone wrong.

He decided to commit suicide. He bought some poison and mixed it with a soft drink, closed the windows, bolted the door, and sat at the table with the fatal glass before him. Just as he was about to take the drink, he heard someone knocking at the door. He wondered if he should answer, but finally decided he would see who it was. It was the mailman, who gave him a letter from the Voice of Prophecy encouraging him to continue with his Bible lessons which he had abandoned in his discouragement. He pushed aside the glass of poison and then and there surrendered his life to Jesus Christ.

ventist air base at the city of Pucallpa, Peru, on the headwaters of the Amazon. From this city we will soon begin operations with a Helio Courier airplane, which is the world's safest as far as jungle transportation is concerned. This ship will bear the name, "Fernando Stahl." Pastor Stahl was the great pioneer of our jungle and highland work. He was known as the apostle to the Indians. He risked his life hundreds and perhaps even thousands of times when crossing swift rivers, or when travelling with his wife on horseback over treacherous mountain trails. But in spite of it all, Pastor Stahl had the burning desire in his heart to move forward with the gospel message. A senator of Peru declared in a public meeting, "No man has changed the lives of the Indians for good more than this man, Pastor Stahl, of the Adventist church." We need more Stahls today. We need more missionaries with vision. May God help each one of us to catch this vision and move forward rapidly while we still have liberty to act for God here in the South American continent. Our new mission Helio Courier, which will carry on with the great pioneer spirit of Pastor Stahl, will wing its way into new territories with missionaries, teachers, doctors, and nurses. Let us pray that this new means which we are now using may truly hasten the coming of Jesus.

We see the clouds of revolution, stress, and misery on the horizon and what we do we believe we

should do quickly. The servant of the Lord has told us in a most clear way what our duty is for these last days of earth's history: "It is the positive duty of God's people to enter the regions beyond" (**Testimonies**, Vol. 9, p. 118). A very special message from the servant of the Lord, I believe, is directed to each one of us as workers in the Lord's vineyard. "While the angels hold the four winds we are to work with all of our capabilities. We must bear our message without any delay" (**Testimonies**, Vol. 6, p. 21).

Let us therefore as never before lengthen our cords and go swiftly to every city, village, and home with the gospel light. Let us show our faith in the promise of Jesus that He will guide and protect us until the task is finished.

Yours in Christ,



ha transformado en una carretera que nos permite viajar en cualquier dirección para alcanzar a los que viven en las tinieblas de la superstición y la degradación del pecado. Nos sentimos felices de poder anunciar que la Asociación General acaba de aprobar el plan de una base aérea adventista a instalarse en la ciudad de Pucallpa, Perú, en la cabecera del Amazonas. Desde esta ciudad, pronto comenzaremos nuestras operaciones con un avión Helio Courier, el más seguro del mundo en lo que a transporte selvático se refiere. Este avión llevará el nombre de Fernando Stahl, en memoria del gran pionero de la obra en la selva y en el altiplano. El pastor Stahl era conocido como el apóstol de los indios y arriesgó su vida no centenares, sino miles de veces, atravesando a nado veloces ríos y viajando a caballo,

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# DIVISION NEWS

A Helio Courier airplane has been purchased for missionary service in the jungle area of Peru. This aircraft will be named "Fernando Stahl" in memory of the great pioneer missionary of the highlands and jungles of this region. Well-laid plans are being executed for the construction of a suitable base in Pucallpa, Peru, to serve as headquarters for the pilot-mechanic and the plane. From this center, mission outposts in Contamana, Unini, and Nevati are to be served, and new territory entered with the gospel light.

A synthesis of the visit of the King's Heralds quartet to the South American Division reveals that—

\*\* During a trip of 50 days, there were only 2 days when they did not sing in public.

\*\* Thirty cities were visited.

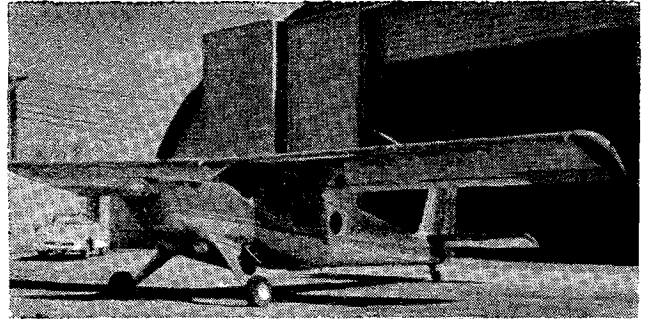
\*\* The quartet appeared in theaters, radio and television stations, cultural clubs, churches, primary and secondary schools, universities, stadiums, etc.

\*\* Without counting those who heard them by radio or television, approximately 107,610 people listened to their message in song.

\*\* They sang 80 times in public, 20 times on the air for 12 hours and 17 minutes, 14 times on television for 4 hours and 10 minutes. They also sang in publishing houses, private homes, in one hospital, and even in the office of a newspaper for the benefit of the editorial staff.

Statistical reports at the close of 1962 revealed the following interesting data:

Recently purchased Helio Courier airplane, to be based in Pucallpa, Peru, for service in the jungle area.



The Belem Hospital, Brazil, has the distinction of operating the only first aid service in connection with Seventh-day Adventist medical work in the South American Division. Here is the ambulance at the entrance to the Belem Hospital, ready to render prompt service in case of emergency.



Church membership of 128,116  
Sabbath School membership of 151,845  
13,551 baptisms during 1962  
622 churches within the territory of the Division

A baptismal goal of 15,000 for the year 1963 was set at the time of the Annual meeting of the Di-

vision Committee, which has been distributed among the unions as follows:

Austral Union	2,600
East Brazil Union	2,800
Inca Union	3,600
North Brazil Union	1,000
South Brazil Union	5,000
<b>Division Total</b>	<b>15,000</b>

a menudo en compañía de su esposa, por los peligrosos desfiladeros andinos. Pero a pesar de todo, el pastor Stahl tenía el ardiente deseo de seguir adelante con el mensaje del Evangelio. Cierta senador del Perú dijo de él en una reunión pública: "Jamás hombre alguno hizo tanto en beneficio de los indígenas como el pastor Stahl de la Iglesia Adventista". Necesitamos más hombres como él. Necesitamos más misioneros de visión. Quiera Dios ayudar a cada uno de nosotros a captar esta perspectiva y avanzar rápidamente mientras aún tenemos libertad en el continente para trabajar para Dios. Nuestro Helio Courier, animado del espíritu misionero del pastor Stahl, levantará vuelo hacia nue-

vos territorios, llevando en sus alas, misioneros, maestros, médicos y enfermeros. Oremos porque este nuevo medio de transporte pueda realmente apresurar el regreso de Jesús en las nubes de los cielos.

En el horizonte se ciernen negros nubarrones de revoluciones, tensiones y miserias, y lo que hemos de hacer tendremos que hacerlo rápidamente. La sierva del Señor señaló nuestro deber en estos postreros días de la historia del mundo: "El pueblo de Dios tiene el deber positivo de penetrar en las regiones apartadas" (*Testimonies*, tomo 9, pág. 118). Creo que la mensajera de Dios tiene un mensaje especial para cada uno de los que somos obreros en la viña del

Señor: "Mientras los ángeles están reteniendo los cuatro vientos, tenemos que trabajar empleando toda nuestra capacidad. Debemos dar el mensaje sin demora" (*Id.*, tomo 6, pág. 21).

Por lo tanto, alarguemos nuestras cuerdas como nunca antes y penetremos rápidamente con la luz del Evangelio en cada ciudad, pueblo y hogar. Mostremos nuestra fe en la promesa de Jesús de que nos guiará y protegerá hasta que hayamos terminado la tarea.

Vuestro hermano en Cristo,

