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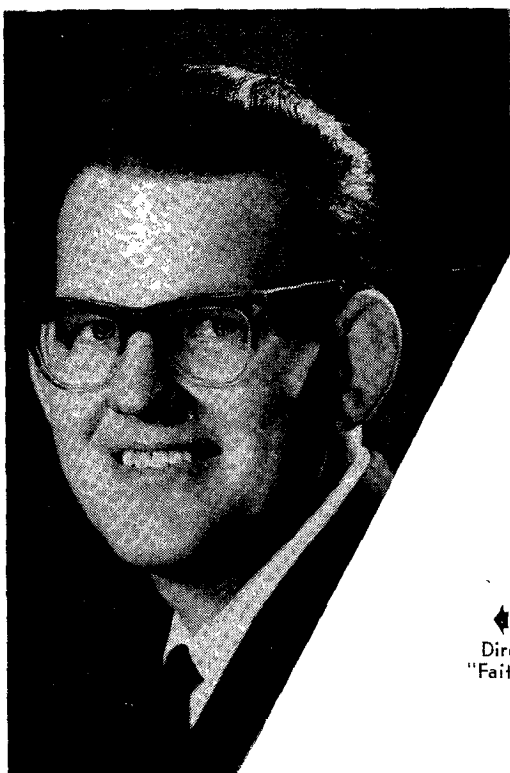
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"ENORMOUS STRIDES,
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ROY C. NADEN
Director and Speaker
"Faith for These Times"

Radio Steps Out

W. A. TOWNEND,

President, North Queensland Conference

visits. There also were spot ads on radio, personal invitations, and newspaper advertisements.

Conference-wide our people were called to prayer. These evangelistically energetic supporters alerted their neighbours and friends.

Pastor Naden was introduced at each rally by his North Queensland representative, who had already been introduced by our local minister in each centre. Then followed what might be called "soft-sell" promotion of "Faith for These Times," a vocal solo, singing from the screen (with trumpet backing), vocal solo, delightful colour movie, and names-getting (many hundreds)—all done by Pastor Naden. These attractive features quickly and warmly won him audiences. Offerings were good.

AUSTRALASIA'S new radio work in its attractive form of "Faith for These Times" stepped out, and onto the public platform, October 14-17. Hundreds of non-Adventists were informed and inspired by Pastor Roy C. Naden's radio rallies for the public in Mackay, Bowen, Ayr, Townsville, and Cairns. Our own dear people in North Queensland were richly blessed, too.

This was the first time that the speaker and director of the new programmes had conducted rallies of this kind. We called these rallies pilots, and they surely did some trail blazing and pointing to thrilling fields of evangelistic outreach.

Attendance ranged from over 200 at Mackay, about 600 at Cairns, a full hall in Bowen, a crowded church in Ayr (with many non-member friends present), and some 500 in Townsville. Tropical Theatres were the venues in three cities.

An attempt was made before the rallies to blanket the listener areas with a handbill aimed at awakening an interest in the broadcast itself. For several Sundays prior to the rallies "Faith for These Times" carried arresting trailer announcements calling attention to Pastor Naden's

It was little wonder that Pastor Naden's dynamic last-days-are-here sermons were so well received at each rally. They had good background.

Adding still more to the success of the rallies were the radio station contacts when Pastor Naden spoke with managements, was interviewed over the air, and was offered free "spot" times for advertising his weekly broadcasts. Newspapers also recorded his visits.

And now our conference president sits down to evaluate. Results—the rallies were stimulating to our people and impressively good for the public and there surely will follow a larger listener audience throughout the conference, ultimately with many decisions for present truth.

Yes, these rallies cost us some money. And so do radio programmes such as "Faith for These Times." Rallies as we see them are an investment in an investment—"Faith for These Times" being the major investment, and a gilt-edged one, too.

North Queensland already is planning for yet more radio rallies in other centres where the broadcasts are heard.

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Enormous Strides, Vast Possibilities -- Now

★ O. D. F. McCUTCHEON,
President, Coral Sea Union Mission

It is my privilege this evening to bring you the greetings of your fellow workers and church members from the great island continent of New Guinea. This great country is rapidly emerging from its centuries-long slumber and is today a focal point of political and geographical importance to the rest of the world. New Guinea is a land of rapid change and of tremendous challenge to us who have been commissioned to take God's last message of love and mercy to the uttermost limits of its boundaries.

For fifty-seven years now Adventist missionaries have been pushing farther and farther until today we are in sight of our western boundary with West Irian. We dare not stop short of fulfilling the sacred commission entrusted to us as God's servants. The Adventist pioneers laid sure and firm foundations and it is because of the faithful work of those who have gone before that we of today are able to bring a report of progress and courage.

In fact we are at times greatly embarrassed because of growing pains. Sometimes our hearts are heavy because we have wonderful opportunities opening up before us to go in and possess the land, and quite often we are unable to take advantage of these openings because of lack of men and finance.

Stories could be told of new areas where the folk have called for the Adventist mission, schools have been built, national workers' homes and gardens prepared, only to see the people grow weary of waiting and another mission locate a European mission family where we have not been able to supply even a national worker. Fortunately, these sad experiences are outnumbered by the thrilling ones.

Evangelism

New impetus has been given to evangelism in most of the local missions in our union. In the past it was quite natural that great stress was laid on education. The people could not read or write, and before the gospel could be taught in its fullness and beauty folk had to be taught at least the simple basic "three r's." Now with a large proportion of the people having received this basic education we have found it imperative to give added attention to evangelism. We now have a full Ministerial Course at our Kabiufa Adventist College where before we had only a Bible Worker's Course. The graduates are able to meet and study with the better-educated indigenous people, and already a good number of the more privileged class are accepting the message. These newer, better trained, more enthusiastic ministers have already had a leavening influence on the workers as a whole.

Branch Sabbath schools have opened up vast new possibilities. In one local mission alone these have increased by over 100 from 180 to 287 in 1965. In Tetamanda, Wabag Valley, the church members under the inspired leadership of Doctor and Mrs. Farag run sixteen branch Sabbath schools with a membership of over 800 each Sabbath. From Kabiufa College the students and teachers operate more than a score of such branch Sabbath schools. Their influence has been such that in one area another strong mission body has adopted Saturday as their Sunday and Sunday is treated by their members the same as any other day of the week.

We are expectantly looking forward to the Burnside Campaign and the School of Evangelism to be held early in the new year in Port Moresby. At this time our leading workers from each local mission will be sent in to associate with Brother Burnside and to attend this School of Evangelism which he will conduct. We are sure the results will be seen in increased baptisms in the next couple of years.

Education

Our education programme follows much the same pattern as it does in the homeland. It starts with the small village day schools of Grades 1 and 2 then district or area boarding schools to Grade 4 and from there the students go to Central boarding schools in each of the local missions. These schools take the students through to the Government exams at Grade 6. Those who pass this grade then are taken into Kabiufa Adventist College if space can be found for them.

Kabiufa is both a Junior High School to Form III and Training College. All the teacher graduates must pass the Government Teacher's Trainees exam either as "A" or "B" grade teachers. Our percentage of passes is far and away above the average of either government or other mission schools. The government is demanding that all teachers be registered or have at least a permit to teach. Because of our lack of certificated teachers we have this year closed more than forty exempt schools. In some instances we have been able to make arrangements for the children to transfer to others of our schools; some have transferred to government schools, while still others are receiving no schooling at all. We regret to have to report these facts but it points out the necessity for greater resourcefulness on our part as missionaries and for a still deeper consciousness on the part of our faithful lay folks in the homelands of the needs of our mission programme.

Commencing in 1966 it is planned to combine the Ministerial training with the medical programme. The first year will

be at Kabiufa and the second at our Sopas Hospital and Medical Training Centre. We feel this is following the blue-print as outlined by the messenger of the Lord.

Medical

Our medical programme is wide-spread. It begins with our medical centre at Sopas, situated in the mountains at 7,300 feet. Here we have our general hospital with all facilities well above those provided by many of the other missions or government hospitals. The Nursing Council have granted us registration as a Nurses' Training School for the first two years of a three-year course. This has been granted to us for the first year in spite of the fact that we do not have as required a fully certificated Tutor Sister, but we have been definitely given to understand that for the second year of our course it will be absolutely necessary for us to have a fully certificated Tutor Sister in charge of the training in that institution. This means we will have to begin making plans right now so that at the beginning of 1967 we will be able to continue in this very necessary programme of training our own nurses. In January we start our first class with ten young ladies and six young men. They have been chosen from both the Coral Sea Union Mission and the Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission. Also, we will be running a School of Public Health with nine or ten young men students mostly from the Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission next year. We must have our own properly trained young nurses if we are to continue our present medical programme.

We also operate two Hansende Hospitals for the Administration. All management and personnel are Adventist. There are more than 500 in-patients in the two institutions, one in the highlands at Togoba and the other a combined Hansende and Tuberculosis Hospital on the hot, steamy coast at Hatzfeldhaven in the Madang district. We greatly admire the courage and faithfulness of our nurses and those others who are carrying a tremendous load in all these institutions. Then we have three Infant Welfare programmes staffed by five full-time European sisters; one operated from Sopas, one on the Sepik River 250 miles up river from the ocean, and the other one is operated out of Hatzfeldhaven. Thousands of babies and mothers are seen and checked each month on a regular basis. While doing this work the Infant Welfare nurses are also able to bring spiritual help to the needy. Those engaged in this work are noble indeed. Who can tell how many souls will be in the kingdom because of their labours.

Many other smaller clinics and aid posts are manned and operated throughout each one of our local missions. To the end of September this year Sister Martin Pascoe at Rakamanda in the Wabag Valley, has been midwife to more than 100 babies.

Time will not permit as full a report as I would like to bring tonight, but we

must not forget the new day that dawned last year with the advent of the "Andrew Stewart" VH-SDA. This little plane has opened up a new type of missionary endeavour not previously possible to the Adventists in Papua-New Guinea. Because of the plane and the blessing of God we have made tremendous advances into areas until only recently uncontrolled. It was only in July of last year that we saw the opening up of the area around Lake Kopiago in the Western Highlands district, and today where we had no adherents sixteen months ago we now have over 150 baptized members and above 850 in the baptismal classes. These people are completely unspoiled and of superior intelligence. Within the first four months of contact they had given up their plurality of wives, had gotten rid of their pigs, forsaken betel-nut chewing, were observing the Sabbath, and preparing for baptism. Everyone baptized has been in a baptismal class for more than twelve months and has given evidence of heart and life transformation by the power of the gospel. The plane has brought fresh courage to our missionaries in these out-of-the-way places as well as a good degree of prestige to our work in those areas. Over 800 hours have been flown without any other than normal accidents. Never does the little plane take off without first a halt at the edge of the runway, a spoken prayer that the angels of heaven will take it up and set it down safely as it travels its mission of bringing the gospel and medical help to the isolated areas. We hope the day is just ahead when we will also have VH-SDB.

Vast possibilities await us as we have already seen the evident blessing of God that has attended the preaching of the everlasting gospel in Papua-New Guinea. Together with you we out there all dedicate our all to the finishing of the task and the hastening of His glorious appearing.

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Profiles of Courage in New Hebrides

NANCY WHITE

Tropical rain streamed down on a grey heaving sea as our mission ship "Leleo" slowly made her way from Santo to Aoba, in the New Hebrides. It was mid-January, and we were heading for our "new" home, Redcliffe, new work in a corner of the Lord's vineyard, and new experiences that will not quickly be forgotten. After nearly eight hours we dropped anchor in a beautiful bay, surrounded by cliffs and steep, coconut-clad hills. The mission buildings lay snugly dotting the green slopes that ran down to a small sandy beach. The house afforded glorious views over bay and hills, which would be the envy of many. However, it was nearly two years since a European director had been stationed there, and although I had been warned that homes in the tropics deteriorate quickly when vacant, I was



Nancy White operates a daily clinic on the front steps of her mission home at Redcliffe, Aoba Island, New Hebrides.—Eric W. Were, photo.

not quite prepared for what I saw. Here was a challenge to be met, and the next few weeks sped by as we unpacked and prepared for the school year. The power plant was repaired, the compound wired, water tanks, roofs, gutters mended, and fences resurrected, besides all the smaller tasks that had to be done.

Several weeks after our arrival, Pastor Giles suggested to my husband that they take a trip around Aoba to meet the folk and conduct meetings. So they left here in a twelve-foot dinghy with outboard motor, visited all the villages, took some very successful meetings, and had a good trip in calm waters; that is, until along the rocky southern coast a rising wind set up huge swells and heavy seas. Being unable to turn back they had to make for a small strip of sandy beach, normally about half an hour ahead. Finally, after two and a half hours' battling, they made it, but the engine cut out repeatedly and the little boat was no match for the seas. Forced to try for the beach through twelve-foot waves, they were carried on a high wave over many treacherous rocks, before a side wave capsized the dinghy and the men were swept across the little bay onto the rocks. But their lives were spared, and this experience taught us respect for these seas as well as revealing to us anew the love of God.

During March the district meetings were conducted here, and it was wonderful to see these people gathering together to listen to the inspiring messages. Pastors K. J. Gray and D. Giles led the meetings, and it was a time of spiritual refreshing for all. All too soon it was over and the nationals were on their way back to their villages.

On the last day of the hurricane season we were awakened in the early morn-

ing hours by the sound of screaming winds and roaring seas. Storm windows and improvised barricades were hastily erected. Dawn brought a scene of wreckage everywhere and the wind continued for most of that day. However, the hurricane was not really severe, for only two buildings were lost, besides the copra and citrus crop, with superficial damage to mission property. The Lord certainly protects His own, and once again we were conscious of His safekeeping in time of need.

It was refreshing to see another European woman after nearly six months when the T.B. team from the World Health Organization visited the mission. She was very impressed with the air of peace and happiness that pervaded the station. "I've never heard youngsters sing so much," she said. They certainly do sing, and what a wonderful difference it makes when Christ comes into their hearts. Their repertoire of hymns and choruses is almost unlimited, and they will sing anytime, anywhere!

June brought session time, when about two hundred New Hebridean delegates gathered at Aore to receive rich spiritual blessings, as they listened to the messages delivered. Mr. A. G. Gilbert, from the Central Pacific Union Mission, and Mr. J. K. Irvine, from the division office, met with us at this time also and added greatly to the spiritual atmosphere.

Session over, we brought the twenty-eight-foot "Kasi" back with us to enable my husband to do more extensive visiting around the islands under his care. He penetrated to some of the heathen villages where he was able to render medical and spiritual aid to these unfortunate people. It was from one of these heathen villages that he was able to secure a

grotesquely carved nine-foot-high ceremonial drum, normally costing about £200. It was to be purchased for the museum at "Sunnyside," but the limit my husband could expend was £25. Much to his surprise, the paramount chief of the island handed him the drum without charge. My husband had previously done the chief several favours which accounted for his generosity. (Public relations is just as important in the islands as in the home field!) Previously these people were hostile to the influence of the gospel, but the love of God is beginning to reach these primitive folk, and the chief's grandchildren now attend one of our schools.

Some years ago a tractor, needed for producing food crops, was sent to Aore for repairs. In the meantime the wharf was destroyed by a hurricane. So this undertaking was our next task. After enlisting help from nearby villages, great steps were made, and now only the decking remained to be laid on the seventy-foot-long wharf. No mechanical aids were available, so it was all solid work, but how those men worked in a daily race against the incoming tide. Thirty huge piles had to be cut, lashed to drums and towed by boat from about five miles up the coast. Before the low tide, rain had fallen incessantly, and it seemed as though we would have to wait another twelve months. However, on the Sunday it cleared; we had prayed, and the men began work. Not a drop of rain fell all the week until the Friday afternoon as the men were finishing their work on the concrete-embedded piles. Sabbath it rained non-stop! Surely God answers prayer!

My husband has also been constructing a much-needed airstrip here to allow for quicker transportation and contact with the other islands. Clearing is well under way, and we are just awaiting the tractor with the new bulldozer blade almost completed to do the final levelling. Small planes serve most of the islands regularly, and a strip in this area will have many advantages, as the two mission ships have a very full schedule and are not always available for visitation and other mission work.

About six weeks ago, while back at Aore, we shared another experience that reminds us once again of the power that God holds in nature. It was early in the afternoon and I was helping Mrs. Powrie in the kitchen while she organized the women who were all seated on the lounge-room floor for their Dorcas meeting. Suddenly the house began to tremble and the women fled, screaming. We had had several such tremors, and thinking it just another I continued with my work. But then the house began to shake violently, cupboard doors were flung open, and I became aware that the contents were being hurled at me from all directions. So I, too, made a very hasty exit! This was the first of many such tremors that we were to experience in the next four or five days. On the

Friday night, after quite a bad shake, there was a tidal wave which carried away its fair share of debris. However, once more the Lord was with us, and although the old wharf and the T.B. ward were gone and other buildings damaged, all were showing signs of age and needed repairing. Much damage was done in Santo, including new shops, homes, and buildings, and so I naturally wondered how Redcliffe had fared. On our return, as we came along the Aoba coast, many large landslides were in evidence—one in Redcliffe bay, thus showing they had had quite severe shakes. Not knowing what to expect, we walked into the house and found only three small items out of place! The kitchen and dining-room had dropped several inches so the glass in the louver windows had fallen out, but not one sheet was broken! Thinking of the shambles in the Aore homes, I was reminded very forcibly of the fact that surely God's hand was over this place during our absence.

And so to work once more. Never have I known time to fly so quickly as this year. How wonderful and numerous are God's blessings to His children!

Ruby Wedding Tea

EDITH STEWART

Press Secretary, West Australian Missionary College Church

The West Australian Missionary College church members and their families waited in darkness in the college recreation room on the evening of October 13, 1965. Simultaneously the lights flashed on and the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March pealed forth as Pastor and Mrs. R. Reye, the unsuspecting guests, were surreptitiously veered toward the scene.

"If the element of surprise was in your planning," the pastor said, "you have

been 100 per cent successful. We appear to have been the victims of a mammoth plot," he playfully charged his members who were deriving obvious happiness in honouring the fortieth wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Raimund Reye by way of a wedding tea, centre of interest naturally being the wedding cake, made by Mrs. Eric Zeunert and decorated by Miss June Wiltshire.

During the course of his speech, Pastor Reye confided that he and Mrs. Reye actually were married "by order!" Furthermore, they had no wedding breakfast, no cake, no customary speeches. These facts therefore served to heighten the pleasure of the members in thus preparing this anniversary wedding tea.

In November, 1925, Raimund Reye, then a young evangelist, was appointed to the mission field, and it was suggested to him that he "go out not alone." Without any difficulties whatsoever, he persuaded Nurse Ruby Thompson of the Sydney Sanitarium to accompany him as his wife. They were married on November 4, 1925, in the Wahroonga church by Pastor W. G. Turner, and after a brief honeymoon in the Blue Mountains, sailed for Samoa where they served for twenty-two years.

Three times during the course of the evening, proceedings were abruptly—but happily—interrupted by interstate telephone calls from loved ones "in the know," Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Reye of Wagga, N.S.W., Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Ellis of Gosford, N.S.W. (nee Elma Reye), and Pastor and Mrs. Griffin, also of Gosford (Mrs. Reye's sister Margaret who was her bridesmaid).

A white and silver coffee service with tray was presented to the guests of honour as a reminder of the occasion.



Pastor Raimund Reye, retiring principal of the West Australasian Missionary College, and his wife.



GRADUATION CLASS, 1965, WEST AUSTRALIAN MISSIONARY COLLEGE

FRONT ROW: Z. Corker, L. McKeough, L. Hook, G. Mitchell, A. Risbey, E. Smoker. SECOND ROW: G. Spicer, J. Owen, C. Maberly, L. Heise (President), N. Speck (Treasurer), E. Zeunert (Faculty Adviser), V. Parker (Secretary), P. Davidson, V. Chapman, H. Wolf. BACK ROW: R. Roennfeldt, E. Chambers, C. Leopold, A. Johnson, N. Mann, J. Bolst, J. Durbridge, L. Ellison, J. Cope, L. Tarbotton, M. Tarbotton.

West Australian Missionary College—59th Closing Exercises

R. A. SPOOR

For twenty-six graduates December 4, 1965, was "G" day with all its thrills, excitement, and occasionally tearful good-byes. For the principal it was the fifteenth such occasion. This year's souvenir programme was dedicated to the man with whom Carmel has become synonymous.

November 13, 1965, saw a gathering of over 400 to bid Godspeed to Pastor and Mrs. Reye. Only a few days before, they had celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary. Forty-two years of service in far-flung corners of the Australasian Division culminated with fifteen years as college "Dad" to over 1,500 students who have passed through these halls. The college family, class of 1965, and all past students join in wishing this loved and respected couple health and happiness for many years to come. May God bless them both.

1966 marks the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Darling Range School, today known as the West Australian Missionary College. Pastor H. W. Hammond takes up the heavy duties of

principal of the college in its Diamond Jubilee year.

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Estrangement Ends in Reconciliation

VIOLA M. PAYNE
Press Secretary, El Paso, Texas

Robert Todd Mason's friends in El Paso, Texas, knew him as a hard-working carpenter and devoted family man, never suspecting that he had carried an unhappy secret for many years. They didn't know that twenty-seven years ago a nineteen-year-old boy named Ludwig Dworak (Hungarian ancestry) had quarrelled with his mother and brother and left home in Paterson, New Jersey. Nor did they realize he had come to the Southwest and changed his name to Robert Mason.

For a while Robert followed a carnival and rodeos, and did ranch work in Arizona. In 1941 he married Amy Daley in El Paso, after he had enlisted in a cavalry division at Fort Bliss. Mrs. Mason, also being from the Northeast, noticed things about her husband's manner of speech that puzzled her, and realized that he was hiding something about his background. Overseas service and years of construction work in El Paso followed. Two sons were born to

the family, and the Masons began hunting for a church they could truly believe in.

About a year ago Robert Mason told his wife the story of his past, but would not let her get in touch with his family. In the meanwhile the Masons began learning something of the Seventh-day Adventist faith. They made a casual acquaintance with several Adventists, and purchased books from Ernie Pyle, a young colporteur. Reuben Pyle, Alyce Bennett, and others invited them to the Johnson-Sims evangelistic meetings. When these ended, the Masons agreed for Pastor N. L. Sims to continue weekly Bible studies in their home.

When the pastor attended the recent laymen's congress in Keene, Texas, he asked me to continue these studies during his absence. One Sunday morning my little boy woke up with the three-day measles. I hastily called the head elder of the Westview church, Eugene Lender, to see if he would take my place and give the study on the Sabbath question.

Brother and Sister Lender took a film-strip to the Masons that evening, and soon focused a picture of the Ten Commandments on the screen. Robert Mason already believed that the seventh day of the week is the true Sabbath, so his eye wandered

over some of the other standards of God. Suddenly his attention was riveted upon "Honour thy father and thy mother"—and his conscience troubled him.

There was little sleep for Robert and Amy Mason that night. Robert realized he had a matter to clear up if he was to be right with God and man. Mrs. Mason wrote a letter to the Paterson "News" in New Jersey. The editor, at the suggestion of Mrs. Mason, asked a reporter to check at the missing persons' section of the police department. A detective on the force hurriedly called a fellow officer named Captain Joseph Dworak. He had indeed reported his brother Ludwig as missing, to the police and to the FBI.

Mrs. Mason then received a call from the editor of the "News," asking her and her husband to stand by for a call from his brother. It was a wonderful moment when the call came through. For one thing, Bob learned that his mother, now eighty-two years of age, had never given up hope of hearing from him. A devout Catholic, she had been praying for years that she would live to see her son again.

And now with forgiveness freely given from his family, the dearest hope of Bob and Amy Mason is that they can make a visit to these dear ones in Paterson. The El Paso Westview Seventh-day Adventist church hopes to have a part in making this dream come true.

tion and the most cruel treatment, He was still of good courage."—"Desire of Ages," page 330.

Such an undisturbed peace in all the shifting vicissitudes of life Jesus is graciously proffering you and me, as He offered it to His disciples of old. The often harassed Apostle Paul verifies the reality of this peace when he assures us that "the peace of God, which transcends human understanding, will keep constant guard over your hearts and minds as they rest in Christ Jesus." Phil. 4: 7, Phillips.

What about your peace of mind? Is it stable and unshaken despite outward adversities, or is it at the mercy of externals? Is it like a thermometer that only reflects the conditions on the outside, or is it like a thermostat that controls its surroundings and creates the desired peace in fearful hearts? Although we will not be able to change all the external conditions, it is our privilege to live in an atmosphere of peace and trust.

But this abiding peace that Jesus is holding out to you and me is obtainable only at the same price that He Himself paid for it. Trust or peace of mind is predicated on harmony or oneness with God, just as unconfessed sins or variance from God spells fear. The price therefore is full surrender to God.

"But many who profess to be His followers have an anxious, troubled heart, because they are afraid to trust themselves with God. They do not make a complete surrender to Him; for they shrink from the consequences that such a surrender may involve. Unless they do make this surrender, they cannot find peace."—"Desire of Ages," page 330.

"Thus said the Lord. . . O that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea." Isa. 48: 17, 18.

The peace of mind that God is willing and eager to give to you and me in this bewildering age is as superabundant and unlimited as the ceaseless waves of the sea. There is no insufficiency or niggardliness with the gift of God; His peace is full and free to all who give themselves unreservedly to Him. The gospel prophet Isaiah, who ultimately died a martyr's death, knew that perfect peace is the result of full submission to the will of God. Of this divinely granted peace—the gift of God to those who trust in Him—he testified in the following words: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee." Isa. 26: 3.—"Atlantic Union Gleaner."

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RADIO STEPS OUT

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May God continue to be with Roy C. Naden and his associates, Pastor R. W. Howes and Pastor C. A. Hart, and all those working with them in the radio ministry of the Australasian Division. Each has his place in the God-given plan of broadcasting the message. And we all can pray, daily.

Peace

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ARNOLD V. WALLENKAMPF

Peace is a good conscience that relies on the mercy of Christ; it is a condition of spiritual well-being resulting from the assurance that God is our friend; it is restfulness in knowing that all is well between us and God. As Christians we possess this boon of peace. Jesus intended it that way. Such peace He bequeathed to His followers as He said: "Peace is My parting gift to you, My own peace, such as the world cannot give. Set your troubled hearts at rest, and banish your fears." John 14: 27, New English Bible.

Multitudes are troubled and afraid. But as followers of Jesus we have been delivered from fear before it has turned into terror, panic, or chronic anxiety. Fear is not a mundane novelty unique to our age. It has been a human legacy since Satan first planted sin or variance from God in the heart of man in Eden. In a world of sin fear is even a necessary servant. From fear Adam and Eve hid from God among the bowers of the ancient garden, since contaminated with unconfessed sin, they could not endure the presence of God. As fear drove Adam and Eve from God in paradise, so sin or separation from God has intensified and avalanched into terror, hysteria, phobia, or obsessive anxiety. These accentuated forms of fear effectively paralyse the creative genius of man and break up his personality.

All of us at some time or other have been afraid. David was afraid more than once. But he found the solution to his fear as he said. "What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee." Ps. 56: 3. In moments of fear David deliberately and reassuringly focused his thoughts on God. In this way he regained his equanimity.

The revelator lived in a dreary grotto on the Isle of Patmos, surrounded by hardened criminals. Despite this, peace reigned in his heart as he knew that he was fully committed to God and within the pale of God's will and care for him. John was willing to go wherever God would permit even evil men to take him. Thus surrendered to God's surveillance, he saw the glories of heaven and enjoyed

a more exhilarating experience of fellowship with Christ on the penal island of Patmos than he had experienced anywhere else. Although circumstances may not always be ideal, we need not be imprisoned by panic, but we may be exhilaratingly free in spirit.

It is God's purpose that our peace of mind be constant and continuous as it is anchored in our oneness with Him. Such was the peace of Paul and Silas in the Philippian prison. The gaolers were not able to deprive them of their peace, since it rested on fellowship with God rather than on externals.

It is impossible for men who really know God as their Saviour to be restive and filled with perennial tension and fear. As with David, so our fear will be dissipated when we remember that God knows our whereabouts and conditions, and we recognize that His love and care for us is ready to brave even death. This Jesus demonstrated on Calvary.

During His sojourn on earth Jesus often encountered troubles which might have furnished abundant reason for fear. His trials were climaxed on the night of His betrayal when every one of His disciples deserted Him. As Jesus faced the ordeal of His life and the test of the ages, He had to tread the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with Him. Even the eleven, who had so recently vowed they would share death with Him if necessary, forsook Him and fled at the moment of His greatest need.

As Jesus stood before His accusers and executioners He was tranquil and serene. Not even Peter's denial in the judgment court unsettled His emotional equilibrium or ruffled His peace of mind.

Christ's peace was not dependent on external circumstances. His peace was firmly grounded in His complete oneness with His Father. About this the messenger of the Lord says:

"In the heart of Christ, where reigned perfect harmony with God, there was perfect peace. He was never elated by applause, nor dejected by censure or dis-appointment. Amid the greatest opposi-

WEDDINGS



LONDON-WIGGINS. On Sunday morning, November 28, 1965, the first wedding in the new Glenorchy Seventh-day Adventist church took place when Peter Norman Lendon claimed Margaret Ann Wiggins as his bride. Peter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lendon of Warburton, and Margaret is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins of Wattle Hill, Tasmania. These young people are active members of the Eastern Shore Seventh-day Adventist church, Tasmania. As they make their home at Midway Point, we wish them God's richest blessing.
W. J. Cole.

MCDONALD-HOOK. Meryl Ruth, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hook of Bickley, W.A., proceeded down the aisle of the tastefully decorated Perth church on December 1, 1965, to unite her life with Ian Alfred Leister McDonald, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McDonald of Melbourne. The blessing of God was invoked upon Meryl and Ian as they vowed lifelong fidelity to each other before many relatives and friends. As these dedicated young people begin a life of sharing their faith and love, the good wishes and prayers of all go with them.
H. G. Bone.

WOOD-GROVE. In the evening of November 29, 1965, at the Brentwood Avenue church, Auckland, N.Z., Pauline, daughter of Brother and Sister C. S. Grove, and Cyril, son of Pastor and Mrs. S. H. Wood of South Australia, exchanged marriage vows before a goodly circle of friends and relatives. Pauline with her father, has been one of the Sanitarium Health Food factory team of workers. Cyril, a member of the N.Z. Army, is a student of law. The happy couple are setting up home in Wellington with the good wishes of their friends and the blessing of the church.
R. P. Brown.

DYSON-PLANE. Many relatives and friends gathered together at the Avondale (N.S.W.) church, on the evening of November 22, 1965, to witness the marriage of Francis John Dyson, a son of the well-known Dyson family of Bunbury, W.A., and Rosalie Anne Plane, daughter of Brother and Sister Plane of Cooranbong, N.S.W. The bridegroom is preparing for the ministry at Avondale College, and the bride has been a greatly appreciated worker in the Australasian Food Research Laboratories, Cooranbong. As they set up their home together we wish them much of the Lord's blessing.

SIMONSEN-HENMAN. On November 4, 1965, Raymond Simonsen, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Simonsen, and Wendy Henman, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Henman, met in the Preston church, Victoria, to exchange the sacred vows of matrimony. Both of these young people have been enthusiastic supporters of evangelistic missions held in Melbourne over recent years. We trust that as these two young people establish another family altar they will be an influence among their neighbours for Christ. May God richly bless Raymond and Wendy as they go through life together in our sincere prayer.
David J. Dabson.

GALLOP-CHESTER. On November 28, 1965, at the Perth church, W.A., Peter Harry, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Gallop of Albany, claimed his charming bride Lorraine June, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Chester of Perth. Peter and June are diligent workers in the church, and with Christ as the head of their home they can be assured of the blessing of Heaven upon their marriage union. After the service in the church, guests were entertained in "The White House"—a delightful old-world mansion by the banks of the Canning River. The happy couple will reside in Albany; may God bless their home.
V. J. Heise.

KERSEY-LAIRD. On November 21, 1965, William James Kersey and Jeanette Elizabeth Laird exchanged their marriage vows in the Mackay church, North Queensland. The groom's family have been church members for many years and live at Baker's Creek. The bride has been an Adventist for just one year, and comes from a very lovely family. More than two hundred well-wishers and relatives came together to witness their marriage being solemnized. As this young couple establish their own home in the community we trust that it will be another light testifying to God's saving grace.
R. G. Robinson.

UNTIL THE DAY BREAK

WOODWARD. On the evening of November 26, 1965, Sister Bertha Elizabeth Woodward, aged sixty-two years, passed away suddenly after a heart attack. Just nine years ago Brother and Sister V. Woodward and their daughter Noelene were baptized and became members of the Sherwood (Qld.) church. Words of courage, hope, and comfort were spoken by the writer and Brother G. Hedges in the church and at the Hemmant cemetery where our dear sister was laid to rest until that glad day when the Lord shall call forth His sleeping saints. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Brother Woodward and family as they mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother.
G. Weslake.

BEDFORD. A tragic road accident befell David William Bedford as he was returning to his home in Hurstville, N.S.W., after attending a reunion of Avondale students, and the 1965 graduation services at the college. For a day he lingered between life and death, finally to answer the beckoning hand in the late afternoon of Tuesday, November 23, 1965. The beautiful and touching floral tributes at the graveside in the Avondale cemetery spoke eloquently of the love and high esteem in which he was held. Sincere sympathy was extended to his wife and five children in their sad loss, as we laid him to rest in the hands of the Lord.
R. H. Abbott.

KLEEMAN. On November 23, 1965, Mrs. Clara Amanda Kleeman, one of the faithful members of the Coburg church, Victoria, fell peacefully asleep three days after her eighty-fourth birthday. She was born at Seppeltsfield, South Australia, and married August Gustav Kleeman at Tanunda. In due time they went to live at Albury, N.S.W. Here they heard and gladly accepted the Advent message. They then moved to Victoria to enjoy the company of their children. Our sister leaves three sons and two daughters, ten grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and three sisters in South Australia. We laid her to rest with her husband, who predeceased her by five years, to await the dawning of the resurrection morn.
H. S. Streeter.

LOW. Mrs. Rose Elizabeth Low answered her Lord's call to rest at the Sydney Sanitarium on November 25, 1965. Born in Kent, England, on August 16, 1891, our late sister eventually made her home in Wellington, New Zealand, where she was married to Phillip Ernest Low. In 1941 Mrs. Low, then a widow, accepted the message with her son Kenneth, as a result of studies given by Pastor N. C. Burns. Through the years, in spite of ill health, Sister Low maintained her faith and courage in the message to which she witnessed till the last. The funeral service was held at the Northern Suburbs crematorium. We join with the many friends of the bereaved loved ones in expressing deep sympathy with our late sister's only son, Pastor Ken Low, chaplain of the Sydney Sanitarium, and his family, and also the stepdaughter, Mrs. Iris Stephens and her family. With them we look forward in hope to the gloryland when "Sorrow and sighing shall flee away."
C. S. Palmer.

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PEOPLE *and* EVENTS

- ★ Two more of our nurses have been appointed to the mission field. Miss Marlene Broad has been asked to serve with the staff of the Togoba Hansende Colony for medical work, and Miss Alma Rose has been called to connect with the staff of the Hatzfeldhaven Hansende Colony along medical lines.
- ★ From time to time there has arisen the question whether credits should be given for photographs appearing in the "Australasian Record." We understand that the "Review and Herald" do not generally give credits for pictures. The officers of the division have decided that only where the name of the photographer appears on the back of the picture, will credits be given.
- ★ Some weeks ago notice was given through the "Australasian Record" that the South New South Wales Conference of Seventh-day Adventists would shortly transfer from Wagga to Canberra, the Capital Territory. We are pleased to note that the conference is now well established at 3 McKay Gardens, Turner, Canberra, A.C.T. The Box number is P.O. Box 800, Canberra City, A.C.T., and the telephone number is Canberra 49 6822.
- ★ Pastor Arthur Bath is about to open an evangelistic campaign in the Manly-Dee Why district early in the new year. He would be grateful to any of our readers if they would supply him with names and addresses of relatives and friends in the area. He will extend to them a special personal invitation to attend this series of lectures. Would you kindly address all letters to Pastor Arthur Bath, 7 Kings Way, Dee Why, N.S.W., and they will receive his personal attention.
- ★ Pastor R. C. Naden reports: "On Monday, November 8, we were delighted to hear the roar of machinery and to see the first earth moved preparatory to the erection of our new Advent Radio-Television offices and studio. According to the contract the building is to be completed mid-July. We have been very grateful for the many sacrificial donations which have been sent for our building fund, and we look forward to its completion."

A Meditation for Moderns

PASTOR REX D. EDWARDS
Perth, Western Australia

I was reading about a church the other day which over a number of years had fallen into a derelict state and in time ceased to be used for worship. However, it was eventually taken over to become an electrical power station. Alas, if it had fulfilled its true function it would in the first instance have been a spiritual power station, and need never have known of transfer to the commercial world.

The church is meaningful today only when it radiates God's power and when the living Word of God is proclaimed as the pertinent message for our deepest human needs. In all our lives there exists the hunger for truth and the knowledge of the certainty that our lives are really being guided by God. In a word, we need to be linked with God's power through His Holy Spirit so that our weakest resolves may become strong and our most fervent aspirations become a reality.

Worship is the launching point. As we give our thanksgivings to God and seek renewal of forgiveness, He pours of His Spirit into the withered places of our souls and makes us strong. From there we ourselves carry the blessing of God, infusing the graces of the Spirit into practical spheres of service, and demonstrating to others how the power of God activates us.

We need God's power. Let us all recognize our churches, and through them the members, as His power station, and come eagerly and expectantly for help.

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Demonstrating Practical Christianity

B. C. GROSSER

Public Relations Secretary, North New Zealand
Recently the members of the metropolitan churches of Greater Auckland, New Zealand, received the thrill that comes from Christian service.

The Home Missionary department, under the leadership of Pastor P. G. Starr, was asked by the president, Pastor F. L. Stokes, to arrange the sponsorship

of a refugee family from Hong Kong to Auckland.

This challenge was shared by the church members, who rallied to the call for furniture, etc., to completely equip a three-bedroomed home and provide kitchen utensils, crockery, cutlery, linen, and bedding for six people. The response was magnificent, and the local church pastor, A. G. Jacobson, caring for the district in which the rented home was situated, organized his local welfare society to prepare everything attractively inside and outside the house.

With everything in readiness for a delightful little handing over ceremony and an interpreter to assist with the language problem, this dear family of Adventist believers were met at the airport early in the morning of November 4 and conveyed to their home, where the president gave a speech of welcome.

Then came the television cameras to record this Christian service by the Adventist community and also the expressions of appreciation on the faces of these refugees as they were ushered into the home where breakfast was served by two of our Dorcas Welfare sisters.

All Auckland was to view this unique occasion and catch a glimpse of the smiling faces of the recipients and hear that Adventists are a practical people and do more than preach the Sabbath and wait for the Lord to come.

When it finally dawned on these dear folk that the equipment in the house was really theirs as a gift of love from the church of Auckland, their delight and appreciation knew no bounds.

Sister Gampel, born in Russia and later moved to China where her five children were born, had been rewarded for a long wait of five and a half years. At that time she had applied for permission to leave Communist China and become a refugee in Hong Kong. Six months ago this was granted and after waiting these months as refugees, they have now arrived in the land of their election.

Their brethren and sisters here have amply demonstrated that this is a "grand family to belong to."

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Phenomenal Growth in Coral Sea Union

Over the past eleven years, Pastor O. D. F. McCutcheon of the Coral Sea Union Mission of Papua-New Guinea, reports, remarkable growth was shown in the following:

	1954	1964
Number of churches	39	168
Church members	4,159	16,720
Sabbath schools	217	536
Sabbath school members	25,892	48,184
Tithe (annual)	£6,800	£30,200
Sabbath school offerings	£1,400	£6,100

This means that churches, membership, tithes and offerings have quadrupled in the eleven years. It also shows that Sabbath schools and membership have practically doubled in the last eleven years. These figures speak for themselves of the rapid advance of the gospel among these primitive peoples.