

the Church," rather than "Gift of Prophecy" or "Spirit of Prophecy," unless the latter terms referred to courses dealing with the prophetic gift to the church throughout the ages, in some proportional fashion. In conversation and in the pulpit, the speaker should say, "Ellen White says — " or "We read from Ellen White — "

I believe that the terms I recommend come naturally from a realistic assessment of Ellen White's work and place. She received messages from God in the same manner as did the ancient prophets. Presumably God communicated to her, by the prescribed methods, messages as true and as divine as those he communicated to the biblical prophets. As a human being at first quite uneducated, Ellen White wrote out the messages as best she could, but with no more infallibility than that exhibited by the biblical writers. She was a person, a minister, no more nor less perfect or infallible than Elijah or Peter.

We rely on the Holy Spirit to teach us truth from all the sacred writings. We must have a consuming desire for truth and a willingness to forfeit every personal desire in order to find it if we are to read any of the inspired writings accurately.

## Book Selections

*Food for Everyone: The Mittleider Method: Reporting Dramatic Food-Production Demonstrations in the United States and South Pacific.* By Jacob R. Mittleider and Andrew N. Nelson. College Place, Washington: College Press 1970. pp. 608. Illus. \$16.70.

Mr. Mittleider is international agricultural consultant of the extension division at Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California.

*Freedom in Two Centuries.* By Otis B. Edwards. New York: Pageant Press 1969. pp. 121. \$5.00.

The author is chairman of the division of social sciences at Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama.

*Die Frühgeschichte der Siebenten-Tags-Adventisten bis zur Gemeindegründung 1863 und ihre Bedeutung für die moderne Irenik.* By Konrad F. Mueller. Marburg, Germany: Elwert Verlag 1969. pp. 206.

The author is professor of church history and systematic theology at Marienhoehe Missionary Seminary, Darmstadt, Germany. He has written a well-documented work on the origins and early history of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

*Die Gemeinschaft der Siebenten-Tags-Adventisten in volkskundlicher Sicht.* By Irmgard Simon. Münster, Germany: Verlag Aschendorff 1965. pp. 228.

This book, based on a doctoral dissertation, is written by a non-Seventh-day Adventist. It presents the history and doctrines of the early Adventist church, comparing them with the present beliefs of the church. The major part of the book discusses the structure and activity of individual churches in Germany. Special attitudes and modes of living are discussed, such as health reform, fashion, and relationships of the church members to their fellowmen, and culture in evangelism, literature, theater, and art. This is a scholarly work in which the author entered significantly into the life and feeling of the church groups she studied so intensively.

*The Stature of Christ: Festschrift: Essays in Honor of Edward Heppenstall.*

By twenty-four colleagues and former students. Collected and published by Vern Carner and Gary Stanhiser. Loma Linda, California, 1970. pp. 225. \$3.00 (\$2.50 to SPECTRUM subscribers) plus \$.15 postage [request from Vern Carner, Division of Religion, Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California 92354] (paper).

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### RECENT BOOKS BY ADVENTIST PUBLISHERS

Mountain View, California: Pacific Press Publishing Association.  
Nashville, Tennessee: Southern Publishing Association.  
Washington, D. C.: Review and Herald Publishing Association.  
East Berlin (Stollberg), East Germany: Gemeinschaft der  
Siebenten-Tags-Adventisten.  
Hamburg, Germany: Saatkorn-Verlag.

*The Chronology of Ezra 7.* By Siegfried H. Horn and Lynn H. Wood. Second edition, revised. Review 1970. pp. 192. \$5.95.

*The God-Man: His Nature and Work.* By Roy Allan Anderson. Review 1970. pp. 160. \$2.95 (paper).

*John Harvey Kellogg, M.D.* By Richard W. Schwarz. Southern 1970. pp. 256. \$5.95. The author is chairman of the department of history and political science at Andrews University.

*The Lord's Day on a Round World.* By Robert Leo Odom. Revised edition. Southern 1970. pp. 254. \$5.95.

*A Search for Meaning in Nature: A New Look at Creation and Evolution.* By Richard M. Ritland. Pacific 1970. pp. 320. \$4.50, \$2.95 (paper).

The author is director of the Geoscience Research Institute at Andrews University.

*Unsere Welt — Zufall oder Schöpfung?* By Martin Glöckner. Saatkorn 1969. pp. 272. DM7.80 (paper).

*Wege und Irrwege der Christenheit von der Urgemeinde bis zur Vorreformation.* By Walter Eberhardt. Gemeinschaft der STA 1968. pp. 438.

This book discusses the history of the Christian church from the Apostolic period to the pre-Reformation. The emphasis is on the effect the church had on the world in which it found itself, and also on how the church was affected by cultural, religious, and philosophical environments during this period. There are 120 pages of references, notes, and quotations.