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World Stewardship Day December 10, 1977

"The experience of apostolic days will come to us when we wholeheartedly accept God's principle of benevolence, - consent in all things to obey the leading of His Holy Spirit." 7T 146

Stewardship

Stewardship is Christianity and Christianity is stewardship. In fact, all of life is a stewardship program. God is the owner and sustainer of all, but has shared life's blessings and benefits on the basis of a life-long stewardship. This is really a love arrangement. It is love in action.

The other morning Dr. Reuben Matiko spoke to the Executive Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, on the topic of "Water and Health". He illustrated that *Life* is stewardship as it relates to health with the following acrostic:

Air
Sunlight
Temperance
Exercise
Water
Abstemiousness
Rest
Diet (proper)

Such stewardship promotes healthful living. We all desire health. But, stewardship is more, it is life, it is Christianity, it is love demonstrated.

Of course stewardship relates to finances, also. Some hesitate to speak about this, while others seem to make money matters the chief topic of conversation. Money is vital to our way of life, and often is a real problem. The way we relate ourselves to finances is most important for our eternal welfare. While serving in Havana, Cuba, I read a statement from the pen of inspiration that has been kept alive in my mind.

"There are only two places in the universe where we can place our treasures — in God's storehouse or in Satan's; and all that is not devoted to God's service is counted on Satan's side, and goes to strengthen his cause." — *Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 35.

This is a very sobering thought. Add to this quotation, I Corinthians 4:2 "More-

over it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."

Many are true and faithful, giving and sacrificing with a loving heart. God blesses this dedication. Others are anxious for more information on stewardship, so once a year a Sabbath is dedicated to this Christian doctrine. This year the special date is December 10. Materials are supplied to the churches. I trust that this year's program will be inspirational and helpful, so that shortly, when Jesus will come with His reward, "to give every man according as his work shall be" your reward will be abundant, and you personally can hear the lovely voice of Jesus say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

L. L. Reile, *President*
S. D. A. Church in Canada

Life's True Priorities

During her long lifetime of 94 years Fanny J. Crosby, the famed blind composer of many religious hymns, often recounted the story of a minister who spoke as a guest in a church one morning. He was accompanied by his little son.

After worship service the minister recalled that no offering had been taken, and, as he was in the habit of never going to the Lord's house without presenting an offering, he left a coin in the offering box that he noticed beside the door. As he and his son walked away from the church, one of the church officers came running after them, saying "It is our custom here to give to the preacher whatever we find in the offering box after the service." And the man handed to the minister the coin he himself had left there.

Whereupon the little boy looked up into his father's face and observed, "Papa, if you had given more, you would have gotten more wouldn't you?"

In his simple, but striking comment, the little boy underlined the Biblical principle given by inspiration and penned by the wise writer centuries ago. "A man may spend freely and yet grow richer, another is sparing beyond measure, yet ends in poverty." Proverbs 11:24, NEB.

The Lord's Sacred Claims: First of all there is no question about the fact that God calls us to be stewards. "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." I Peter 4:10. "You are not your own; your Lord has sacred claims upon your supreme affections and the very highest services of your life, to the fullest extent of your capabilities, for His own honor and glory." — *Counsels on Health*, p. 385.

Notice how wide the scope of our responsibility is: "Stewards of the manifold grace of God" and the "Lord has sacred claims upon your supreme affections and the very highest services. . . ." The totality of life is included "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly, and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." I Thessalonians 5:23.

This part of a Christian's relationship to God is closely knit to the atonement. He bought us with all that we are and have. To glorify God because we are bought with a price takes in much more than we usually consider. Note this "I will enforce the truth on the conscience, and men shall be My witnesses, throughout the world, asserting My claims on man's

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time, his money and his intellect. All these I purchased on the cross of Calvary."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 1, p. 159.

Written under a painting of the suffering of Christ on the cross are the words. "All this I suffered for you. What have you done for Me?" May these words sink into our minds. On the cross Christ paid the price, first of all for our sins but He also bought our time, money and intellect. Everything now belongs to Him, even though He left the administration to us. Therefore, when we see the fuller meaning of the cross it leads to humility, thankfulness, acceptance and even dedication.

Sometimes we may wonder why God chose "self-sacrificing efforts" in order to bring God's grace to others, as "the only way" in which we can show our love to God. Why did He provide "no other" way? Here is at least part of the answer. "God could have reached His object in saving sinners without our aid; but in order for us to develop a character like Christ's we must share in His work. In order to enter into His joy—the joy of seeing souls redeemed by His sacrifice—we must participate in His labors for their redemption."—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 142.

In other words: The greatest blessings flow back to ourselves as we try to follow God's plan. The following words of Jesus that did not get into the Gospels but which Dr. Luke placed in the Book of Acts, express the experience of many of God's children: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35.

In the light of this instruction from Jesus, we see that life is not meant to be a grab-bag from which we take those things we desire. If that is our philosophy, we shall indeed be deeply disappointed. Life is rather an opportunity to share. It will then go out and multiply and return to us in forms we need, to our own joy and growth in Christian experience.

Stewardship, in its deep spiritual and practical meaning, is not only acts or good deeds. It is much more. It is an experience. We share ourselves in the transactions. When this philosophy dominates our lives, we open doors to blessings we could not obtain in any other way.

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"Moving Forward in UNITY"

This was the motto chosen for the Canadian Union Conference Committee Meetings held recently at Oshawa. How appropriate for leaders and laymen alike in these days of separation and confusion! "If Christians were to act in concert, moving forward as one, under the direction of one Power, for the accomplishment of one purpose, they would move the world." *Testimonies*, Vol. 9, p. 221.

UNITY of Faith
UNITY of Hope
UNITY of Love
UNITY of Purpose
UNITY of Mission
UNITY of Doctrine
UNITY of Organization



Presidents from across Canada met in Oshawa to attend the fall meeting of the Executive Committee of the church. Left to right: A. W. Kaytor, B.C.; G. E. Andersen, Maritimes; J. W. Wilson, Alberta; J. M. Campbell, Newfoundland; L. L. Reile, Canada; P. F. Lemon, Quebec; E. C. Beck, Ontario; W. G. Soloniuk, Manitoba-Saskatchewan.

Recently —

Elder and Mrs. J. W. Lehman have joined the staff of the Canadian Union Conference. He is a Revivalist for the Canadian Union. They came to us from Loma Linda, California where Elder Lehman had served as pastor of the Campus Hill Church. Previously, Elder and Mrs. Lehman had served in several conferences, also as overseas missionaries.

Pastor Lehman has had a fruitful ministry so brings with him a wealth of experience to share with our workers and members as he helps in each field of the Union territory. We are pleased to welcome the Lehmans, and happy to introduce them to our members.



Elder and Mrs. J. W. Lehman

Currently the Lehmans are in the Maritimes. Their next field is British Columbia.

Their dedication to God and His work is an inspiration and will be helpful in finishing God's work on earth.

The Lehmans have one daughter who is a supervisor in the Loma Linda Medical Center.

Please pray for the Lehmans in their important ministry.

Elder and Mrs. Walter Ruba and their son Gary have recently arrived in Oshawa. Elder Ruba replaces the much appreciated Elder Cliff Okuno as Director of the Publishing Department of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. They are now settled and active in their work. Elder Ruba has already visited each conference, and led out in the Union Literature Evangelist Institute.

Pastor Ruba has served God with distinction on three continents, Europe, Africa and North America. He came to us from the Trans-Africa Division where he served as Division Publishing Director.

It is a pleasure to welcome this devoted family to our Union, assured that their ministry will bring blessing to our



Elder and Mrs. Walter Ruba and Gary

literature evangelists and the many whom these ministers of the printed page contact.

Your prayers on behalf of Elder Ruba will be appreciated.

Ever since Brother N. W. Klam accepted the invitation of the Alberta Conference to serve there as treasurer, we have been looking for someone to assist Brother L. D. Dunn in the auditing work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.

Brother Allen Hrenyk has responded favorably to serve as an intern for the next two years in this important work. During this term he will devote some time to advanced study, while he helps in the various offices throughout our field.

Brother Hrenyk has served in the North York Branson Hospital, then with his wife was in mission service.

We are happy to have this valued addition to our staff, knowing they will bring strength to God's church and His work.



Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hrenyk

It is a pleasure to present Elder and Mrs. Glen Maxson to the members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada. The Maxsons have just returned to North America from Chile, in the South American Division, where Elder Maxson served as president of the Chilean Union. Previously he served as president of the Central American Union; prior to that he had served as leader of several local conferences, and also as departmental director in the Inter American Division and several Union Conferences.

Brother Maxson comes from a missionary's home for his parents served in the South American Division.

Elder Maxson replaces our former stewardship director for the Union, Elder



Elder and Mrs. Glen Maxson

Cecil Williams, who accepted an invitation to the General Conference.

The Maxsons have three children, David in Venezuela; Ben, an ordained minister, now at Andrews University; and Glenda, the wife of a faculty member at Sunnydale Academy.

We believe the Maxsons will give strong, spiritual leadership in our field, and are confident their ministry will bring much blessing. Please pray for them.

L. L. Reile, *President*
S.D.A. Church in Canada

Announcing —

Canadian Union College Courses Approved

The University of Alberta has just granted the approval of second-year courses offered at Canadian Union College. Details will follow in the next issue of the *Messenger*.

Dr. N. O. Matthews

An Urgent Plea

"Your talks have moved me to tears many times, but I am afraid they are like so many beautiful butterflies who choose not to land close enough for me to capture. Please pray that I may have them for my own some day real soon."

This plea came from a lady in Ottawa very recently. I hope someone has called on her to open the Bible and reveal Christ to her so she can accept Him as the real, living, caring Saviour.

There are many hungry hearts in the great Dominion of Canada who watch the *It Is Written* program, *Faith For Today*, and *Search*. There are many who hear the *Voice of Prophecy*, and *Quiet Hour*. Many are hungering and thirsting for the righteousness of Christ. They want to drink from that Spiritual Rock but they need someone to show them this "Fountain of Life." This is our responsibility as a church.

These two things are basically necessary, our time and our financial support. We need more laymen to help the ministers lead souls to the Saviour. We do not want the TV program to be like butterflies who do not land close enough to

capture. Have you ever tried to catch butterflies? They are so near, and yet so illusive. We need every layman to help these precious souls capture the wonderful message of salvation and eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The second basic necessity is more money to get on more stations, especially in Eastern Canada where our memberships are small. We have more than one-third of the Canadian population east of Ontario but few Adventists in that area. If each Adventist family in Canada could put aside one dollar per week for television evangelism, we could probably cover the rest of Canada not now being covered with *It Is Written* in both English and French.

Let us talk to our friends and neighbors and support the program even more than we have. Let us help Jesus finish the gospel work so He can come and take us home.

L. R. Krenzler, *Director*
Communication Department
Canadian Union Conference



Witnessing at Pacific National Exhibition

Labor Day found Sister L. Green about her Heavenly Father's business in the "thoroughfare" of the Pacific National Exhibition where she gave out 2500 *Info-Tel* brochures in 5½ hours. Her prayer was that the brochures would not be cast aside and, on searching the grounds at the end of the day, only three brochures were found!

As a result of seeing Sister L. Green handing out the brochures an interesting contact was made with Mrs. Grennan, President of the United Non-Smokers Association, who stepped over to chat. Mrs. Grennan expressed a desire to obtain the *Life and Health* magazines for the people with whom she works and indicated that she would be sending contacts to the Five-Day Stop Smoking Plan, which will be held periodically in Vancouver.

"We are not to wait for souls to come to us; we must seek them out where they are." *Christ's Object Lessons* p. 229.

Mrs. L. King
Communication Secretary
Vancouver Church

Luchaks Celebrate Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Luchak of Vancouver have been blessed in sharing sixty-five years of wedded life. They were both born in Austria but met and were married in Shandro, Alberta, in 1912.

In 1926 they moved to Vancouver. They have eight children — Sadie Webster, Bill, Michael, Janice, Chance, Violet Melenchuck, John and Alec, also 18 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Luchak accepted the Lord in the year 1948 and ever since have been greatly blessed in their strong love for Him.

Mrs. L. King
Communication Secretary
Vancouver Church



Mr. and Mrs. Nick Luchak celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.

Farewell to Bible Worker And First Elder

A farewell vesper service was held September 24, in the Vancouver Church for first elder, W. Diminyatz, and his wife Esther, their son Randy, and Bible Worker, Ruby Williams.

Fond memories of the Diminyatz family were recalled as various members told of sharing experiences with them over the past twenty-seven years. Their hospitality, their care for the senior citizens, their interest in the youth, their missionary spirit, their faithful attendance to every meeting, including the prayer meeting, are all fruits of their relationship with God. We will also miss Randy Diminyatz leading us in song service with his guitar.

Deep appreciation was expressed for the earnest labors of Ruby Williams who returned to Vancouver over a year ago from service in Beirut, Lebanon. Her friendly smile and spiritual counsel have blessed old and young among us.

It is our prayer that God's richest blessings will be with Miss Williams as she takes up her new duties at Camp Hope, B.C. and with the Diminyatz family in their move to the Okanagan.

"The Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another."

Mrs. L. King
Communication Secretary
Vancouver Church



Here and There In Metropolitan Toronto

A few are now attending Sabbath School in West Toronto as a direct result of the Vacation Bible School held in July and August. The seed has been sown, and we are confident that in due time the Lord of the harvest will bring about ripened grain. Thanks to Mr. Thoywell Kennedy and the other six instructors who volunteered to make this a success.

The Agincourt Company formed on Sabbath March 12 of this year was organized into a church on Sabbath August 27. The St. John's United Church which seats 350 was full by 3 o'clock and many were standing outside. Many individuals spent the whole day, and enjoyed a lovely vegetarian lunch provided by the ladies of the church.

Ten ministers participated, including Elders E. C. Beck, M. D. Suiter, president and treasurer respectively of the Ontario Conference, and pastors C. S. Greene and R. G. Payton of the West Toronto and Agincourt churches. The seventy-three members consisted of 53 from West Toronto and 20 from nearby churches.

Special music was provided by various churches, groups and individuals. Elder E. C. Beck briefly reviewed the doctrines of the church and gave a charge, then recommended that Agincourt be received into the sisterhood of churches. A presentation of hymnals was made by Elder M. D. Suiter, on behalf of the Conference. Mr. Beresford Brown, first elder of the new church body responded. Elder and Mrs. Beck crowned the evening service with the beautiful duet, "Speak My Lord", and the benediction was pronounced by Pastor L. Milliken. We thank God that another lighthouse is established and look forward to a bountiful harvest of souls as this faithful congregation witnesses for Him.

The Toronto Youth Rally, September 16, 17 & 18 took place in the auditorium of Seneca College. At the opening service on Friday evening over 400 were present. Four youth filled the air with trumpet

music to the tune of "Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus". Then there was the fitting parade of colors by the Pathfinders. Pastor B. Edsell, Youth Director of the Canadian Union Conference was the guest speaker for the evening.

Evangelist K. S. Wiggins preached Sabbath morning and also at the evening service. In his remarks he said that sin is like a scorpion, so Christians should keep at least three steps ahead of the devil and never allow him to overtake them. His Sunday night message dealt with the home, and the subtlety with which Satan undermines its happiness. God's recipe for a happy home, he said, is found in Ephesians 5: 22, 25. In a special message directed to the youth, Pastor Wiggins said there is great danger when pleasing ones self is labelled as freedom of choice.

Other interesting features of this weekend were the trophy hour, the Pathfinders parade, the musical program by church choirs, the group discussions on music and the church, love, courtship and marriage, a Bible quiz and two hours of outdoor recreation. Pastor Edsell charged the youth to keep the Faith, participating in the unfinished task and glorifying God every moment of every day. Sunday night's closing exercises were highlighted by a candle-lighting ceremony and the beating of the retreat by over two hundred Pathfinders.

L. P. Preddie

Communication Secretary

Choice News from Cannington

The Cannington S.D.A. Church, officially organized on June 18, 1977, is temporarily meeting in the lower level of the Cannington United Church. Being a newly organized church we have many "firsts" taking place which we are happy to share with you.

On Sabbath, October 22, we had our first baby dedication. Annette Cameron was dedicated to God by our pastor, Claire Yauchzee. Her mother, Cindy, was presented with the book *Child Guidance*.

We also had our first ordination of elders. John Thorne, our first elder, assisted Pastor Yauchzee in ordaining Henry Fletcher as our second elder.

Our prayer meetings held on Tuesday nights at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hampson are very well attended. Pastor Yauchzee is conducting a series on the last-day events. Five non-Adventist friends attend regularly.

Dolores Fletcher

Communication Secretary

Cannington S.D.A. Church

Ministry to the Blind In Northwestern Ontario

Marie Henry, representative for the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., is spending a month working in the Northwestern Ontario area. Again this year the Lord is giving the increase and many exciting experiences. Marie says, "that every day God blesses the effort put forth on behalf of the blind and visually handicapped. It is a very unusual day if something wonderful and exciting does not happen. It is not at all strange to go from receiving only one dollar in the morning to receiving hundreds of dollars in the afternoon. Every minute of the day is a challenge. One hour I'm explaining the work to a business man and in the next hour to the Inspector of the local police. Often I find myself being called into the police station to explain the nature of my work. It is with humble thankfulness I leave these interviews realizing that it is through God's grace that freedom is granted to continue the work."

Marie spends all year travelling around her territory providing Christian help to those who require it. She also visits the business people and accepts support for the work. This is her third visit to Northwestern Ontario, and she says, "The work is growing in a way that proves God's blessing and watch care over it. Every phase of the work is opened by the Lord."

Marie and over one hundred others bring God's plan of salvation to the blind and visually-handicapped across Canada and the United States through the ministry of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc.

Anita Howald

Communication Secretary

Thunder Bay S.D.A. Church

Vegetarian Cookery Course Offered

This summer the community college at Sault Ste. Marie took a survey to help determine the courses to be offered starting this fall. One of the greatest interests they found was in healthful cooking. After a few inquiries they found that we, through our health food store could offer such a course for them. As a result, beginning this fall it is our privilege to offer to the public 3 hours of vegetarian cookery every week for 10 weeks.

Woodland Park Foundation

South River, Ontario.

Health Ministry — Working Down Your Appetite

"What good is exercising in losing weight? If I exercise I'll just eat more, won't I?"

No, not if you are not exercising now. If you exercise 30 — 90 minutes a day you will very likely eat less.

Our appetite is regulated by our appetat, a section of the hypothalamus which is located at the floor of the brain. The appetat can become untrustworthy and allow us to eat more than is physiologically needed.

Exercise has a regulating effect upon the appetat which in turn regulates the appetite so that a person experiences hunger only for the amount of calories needed.

See *American Journal of Physiology*, 177: 544, 1954

Also J. Mayer & Thomas, "Regulation of Food Intake and Obesity", *Science*, 156: 328, 1967

The non-exercising individual will of-

ten be driven to eat to excess; not from a genuine sense of hunger, but from nervous exhaustion which seeks stimulation. These sedentary yet stressed individuals use food in place of a cigarette or cup of coffee or stimulating drug. Their body does not need food yet they believe they feel hungry.

Thirty to ninety minutes per day of vigorous walking, jogging, cycling, swimming or raking, four to six days per week, serves to relieve the effects of nervous strain and regulates the appetite so as to eat less rather than more. So instead of working up an appetite they will be working down their appetite.

Incidentally, it is sometimes observed that Sister White appeared to be overweight in pictures. This may be due in part to the style of dress. It was reported October 28, 1977 at the annual workshop of the Public Health Association of Sev-

enth-day Adventists that Sister White weighed 138 lbs. and was 5' 2".

Subtracting six lbs. for her dress, places her in the middle of the ideal weight category for a large frame and slightly above the medium frame; not on the obese category. It was her habit to walk one to two miles before breakfast.

Testimonies, Vol. 1, p. 464.

"There is no exercise that will prove as beneficial to every part of the body as walking. Active walking in the open air will do more for women, to preserve them in health if they are well, than any other means. Walking is also one of the most efficient remedies for the recovery of health of the invalid. — *Healthful Living*, p. 130.

G. D. Strunk, *Director*
Adventist Health Ministries

Report from the 1977 Annual Council

Representatives from most areas of the world Divisions gathered for the 1977 Annual Council of the General Conference which again met at our world headquarters in Washington, D.C. God's church is growing. Today 80% of the church's membership lives outside of North America. Back in 1904 the church sent out 40 missionaries, while in 1976, 1,147 left their homeland to serve the Lord in foreign lands. Our total membership at the end of 1976 was 2,810,606.

With so many countries and cultures involved it is cheering to note the harmony and unity that exists. We must constantly remember that we are all one body in Christ. He stated, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches." We are all to grow "till we come in the unity of the faith". Ephesians 4:13.

The devotional messages brought inspiration to all. Some will appear in the *Review*. The theme song of the session was:

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,

And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.

There are sweet expressions on each face,

And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Chorus

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,

Stay right here with us, filling us with your love.

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived

When we shall leave this place.

Some of the lands of earth experience economic difficulties. Poverty plagues many areas. One Division president told us of a country where the average tithe per member is \$4.50 per year. This compares to an average in North America of \$335.99. The total tithes and offerings given per member in our Division amounted to \$576.91 in 1976 as compared with \$164.68 in the overseas fields. The total world budget voted amounted to \$94,569,560.00. We thank the

Lord for this growth, and express gratitude to each member who so faithfully returned his tithes and gave to the support of the church's world program.

In this mid-term meeting many routine items of policy were, of necessity, considered. Situations exist that create perplexing problems. Please pray for your church leaders every day, they all need much of heaven's guidance.

The *Review* will publish a more detailed report on this important meeting. The great theme of the gathering was "moving forward in unity". The time is NOW to finish God's work on earth. The call is extended to all of God's family to arise and share in proclaiming God's last message to every home on planet earth. We in Canada are pledged to do our part.

L. L. Reile, *President*
Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada

Baptisms During Second Quarter North American Unions

UNIONS	1977	1976	+GAIN -LOSS
Atlantic	834	692	+142
Canadian	560	555	+ 5
Central	801	419	+382
Columbia	920	1,123	-203
Lake	781	680	+101
North Pacific	754	836	- 82
Northern	266	425	-159
Pacific	1,828	2,183	-355
Southern	1,361	1,120	+241
Southwestern	554	535	+ 19
TOTAL	8,659	8,568	+ 91



Linda Kwan



V. Matthews



Pastor Lyndon McDowell

Mrs. Linda Kwan was born and raised in Lethbridge, Alberta. She later attended Walla Walla College, receiving a B.Sc. Lured east by the desire to see a new part of the world, she attended Queen's University in Kingston where she received a Master's Degree in Biology, researching the effects of chemosterilants on *Rhodnius prolixus*, the South American kissing bug. Presently she is teaching Chemistry and Biology.

She is married to an engineer, Fred Kwan. She loves research and plans to complete her Ph.D. next year.

She is a plant aficionado and loves to be surrounded by greenery, both indoors and on camping and hiking trips.

Trudy Maier is teaching history and geography and acting as assistant dean of women. Born in Austria, raised and educated in Toronto, Trudy has worked as a stenographer in Ontario and as a translator in Germany where she enjoyed singing in the Marienhoehe College choir. She has studied the arts and English in Toronto and graduated from Andrews University in 1977 with a major in German and a minor in Behavioural Science.

"Ruby Joyce" is the pen name of our new art teacher, who was known in past years as Ruby Sollows. Born in Halifax, she has lived in many regions of Canada and the U.S. and has taught adult art classes in Florida and in Halifax. Her work has been recognized in exhibitions in two countries.

She enjoys doing large canvases and murals and has developed her own type of three dimensional floral paintings, which have gained her considerable acclaim in Toronto.

Keith Stokes, math teacher, was born in the eastern U.S., the son of a college professor. He received his B.A. in Mathematics from the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut, and later, his Master's in Education.

Mr. Stokes has lived in Argentina, Peru and Ecuador, and has earned his living as a pilot, wireman, designer, engineer and plant manager. He has taught school in a Navajo mission in New Mexico and also in public high schools and in the Catholic parochial system.

He is a deeply committed Christian who feels that to centre his life in Jesus is the way to experience real joy and gain true perspective in life.



Keith Stokes



Mrs. J. Vlug

Kingsway

*introduces the
who have joined*

Janice Saliba feels that frustration, more satisfaction, anxiety, more pleasure or more current Dean of Women. relaxation!

Her educational background Degree from Andrews University valuable to her current job gained as being co-principal School. Later, she added a Guidance and Counselling.

Mr. Randall Roger Heilmann Randy received all of his Schools and then transferred 11. He graduated from high school.

He then enrolled at Andrews his B.A. degree in Biology Secondary Education and Child

In 1975, he married Mary Kingsway College called happy to be connected with many sports including tennis, cycling and skiing over both

Mrs. Mary Jane (Jackson) Michigan of Adventist parents

Mrs. Heilmann received all Mount Vernon Academy a class of 80 students, in 1970

She graduated in 1974 with B.Sc. in Secretarial Science Education and Business Administration

Presently she is teaching typing and secretarial procedures Trails and for Sunshine Band

College

Happy new faces Faculty and staff

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Pastor Lyndon McDowell of the Religion department hails from South Africa, where he completed his B.A. in Theology at Helderberg College. Married to the former Alta Birkenstock, he spent six years in Zambia and Rhodesia in pastoral work. He has also served as an evangelist in Florida and Tennessee, before completing his M.A. at Andrews University. Later he returned to Helderberg to teach Theology.

Since returning to North America, he has pastored in Newfoundland and Ottawa.

The McDowell's have three children, each born in a different country. Sharon and Evert are currently at Kingsway, while John is at A.U.C.

Mrs. Vlug was born in Holland and was educated in her homeland before she immigrated to Canada in 1953.

When she landed in Canada from the Netherlands she settled in Woodstock, Ontario.

Mrs. Vlug has worked as an assistant in Home Economics at Canadian Union College. She has also been a teacher's aid in the Public School system and has worked in the Okanagan Academy. She has also been employed at Alberta and B.C. camp meetings and summer camps for the past six years.

Elder George called her to cook at New Camp Frenda. She remained in this position till she became the Food Service Director of Kingsway College.

Miss V. Matthews received her elementary and secondary education in London, England and Belleville, Ontario. She pursued a Combined Honors, B.A. course for French and German at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario and at L'Universite d'Aix-Marseille in southern France, not far from the famous French Riviera. She also had the opportunity of working in the renowned and picturesque Black Forest region of southern Germany. At the University of Toronto, in working toward her Bachelor of Education Degree, she was afforded the chance of visiting and teaching in high schools in the Toronto, Hamilton and Bracebridge-Muskoka areas. She has taught French and German in Belleville and St. Catherines. The loves of her life are the Word of God, music, travel, gardening and the culinary arts. Miss Matthews is one of the French teachers at Kingsway College.



Ruby Joyce



Janice Saliba



Mary Jane Heilman



Trudy Maier



Randall Heilman



First Family Camp at Foothills

Elder Leslie Neal, the newly-arrived M.V. Director for the Alberta Conference, had his initiation with youth camps this summer as he did a wonderful work in inspiring the young people to give their hearts to the Lord and also lead them in recreation. During the summer months not only were the Juniors and Youth inspired, but also there was a Blind Camp that was very well attended and of much blessing.

Elder Neal hoped that he could lead out in a Family Camp this summer, a time when the parents and the children together could study, play and rededicate themselves to the Lord.

This dream came true over the Thanksgiving weekend of October 7-10. Certainly it was a wonderful time of Thanksgiving. Never have I spent a weekend that was more profitable or enjoyable. Elder Neal chose Elder E. L. Minchin as guest speaker. Each day Elder Minchin had two services in which he tried to lead the families closer to the Lord. He made appeals to the youth and also to the

adults to give their hearts to the Lord. His burden on the opening service was that each one of us would have a new revelation of Jesus daily, that we would see Jesus in all His beauty and that we would be prepared to meet Him. He inspired the youth with stories of young people from around the world who had given their hearts to the Lord and who had stood firm among very trying circumstances. Then as a climax to the spiritual activities of the weekend, around the table as we were preparing for our Thanksgiving dinner, a testimony meeting was held in which each family gave thanks to God for all the blessings that they had received during the year. This was a wonderful, inspiring service, knitting the families together in bonds of love.

Not only did we have spiritual activities during the weekend, but there were also physical activities. Some of the families went canoeing. Elder Neal himself tested the water by falling out of the canoe and doing a swimming demonstration for the rest of us. There was horseback riding and hayrides for the children and adults. During the day of the hayrides we had quite a snowstorm and it looked as though there would be a toboggan ride. Then there were the crafts under the leadership of Elder Bugden.

Elder Neal has many plans for the families of Alberta for the future. He mentioned the fact that in one year's time he plans to have a skiing camp where there will be cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, tobogganning and all the activities that will keep a family happy and together as well as the spiritual side that

is so necessary. Finalized plans for this camp will be published in the *Messenger* later on, but already the dates have been set for the Family Camp for next summer. The next Family Camp will be held August 6-13, 1978. There will be many who read this article who would like to attend. Try to plan your holiday or part of it around this time. Instead of a weekend, there will be one full week and I'm sure that it will be a blessing and inspiration to all just as this last one was. Those who wish to attend can contact Elder Neal at the Alberta Conference office.

J. Howard
Lay Activities Director
Alberta Conference

Church Officers Retreat At Bowden

Friday evening October 14 was the beginning of a very inspiring weekend at the camp in Bowden. All the officers and their spouses from Calgary Mountain View and Pineridge churches were invited to participate in this event.

Pastor Terry and Jean McComb and Pastor Stephen and Phyllis Lee spent many hours organizing the agenda and planning menus.

Friday evening Pastor McComb presented "Tyranny of the Urgent". We learned that our greatest danger is in letting the urgent things crowd out the important things.

Early Sabbath morning Wilfred Schurig and his wife, Ria (from the Pineridge church) presented a nature film on Creation. What a wonderful way to start the Sabbath morning!

The Sabbath morning lecture entitled "Discovering your Spiritual Gifts", was presented by Pastor McComb. There are seven spiritual gifts and every Christian has one of them. The seven gifts are 1) Prophecy 2) Serving 3) Teaching 4) Exhortation 5) Giving 6) Organization 7) Mercy.

Sabbath afternoon and Sunday morning the officers split up into their own groups to discuss and plan their objectives for the coming year. These meetings helped each officer get acquainted with his/her duties and responsibilities. By planning in advance our church has an idea of what is going to happen and when.

The Saturday evening highlight was a very enjoyable movie on Martin Luther.

Roieen Ewing



Hayride - Family Camp.



Baptism at Alberta Beach

Pictured above are Mrs. Ernest (Marylyn) Atwood and daughter, Linda, on the occasion of their baptism into the Alberta Beach Church, Alberta on October 22.

They were first contacted by colporteurs, and became interested through reading our good books. Follow-up visits and studies by their friend and neighbor, Linda Adams and Pastor G. Davies, resulted in their decision.



\$500 Prize Awarded to St. John's Academy Student

Each year a story-writing contest is promoted by the Canada Permanent Trust Company. The objective of the contest is to stimulate writing among Canadian high school students. Emphasis in judging the many thousands of manuscripts submitted is on writing ability, imagination and originality. A cash prize of \$500 is awarded to the winner in each province.

The winner in Newfoundland for the school year 1976-77 was Jennifer Morgan of St. John's Academy.

We extend our congratulations to Jennifer on this outstanding achievement.

Connie Janes,
English teacher
St. John's Academy



Left to right: Connie Janes, English teacher, St. John's Academy, Jennifer Morgan, J. A. Garland, Principal.



Winnipeg Family Leave for Beirut

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Rose (Donna Hienricks) and their three girls Lisa, age 10, Pamela, 7, and Shauna, 5, left Winnipeg August 23 1977 for Beirut, Lebanon. Mr. Rose will be the school principal in the Overseas Division for grades one to twelve.

Dwight was principal of Red River Valley Academy for the years 1965-73. He then spent one year as principal of C.U.C. Elementary and one year at Calgary, returning to Winnipeg in the fall of 1975 to the Winnipeg public school system.

Both Dwight and Donna were very active in the Transcona church and Dwight led out in the Five-Day Plan. They shall really be missed by their many friends in all the Winnipeg churches and we wish God's blessing in their new capacity.

Jean Yuros
Communication Secretary
Transcona Church

CAMP MEETINGS 1978 CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE

Alberta	Bowden Beauvallon and Peace River	June 30 - July 8 July 14 - 16
Man-Sask. - Korean	Blackstrap Blackstrap Clear Lake	May 19 - 21 June 30 - July 8 July 12 - 15
Ontario	Keswick Keswick Thunder Bay	June 30 - July 8 July 14 - 22 August 11 - 14
Maritime	Pugwash	July 7 - 15
Newfoundland	Southwest Pond	July 18 - 22
Quebec	St. Damien	July 21 - 29
British Columbia	Hope	August 4 - 12
Indian Council	Glacier View Camp, Colorado	August 21 - 22

Literature Evangelist Finds

Hutterites Welcome Adventist Message

While visiting briefly with Dr. Pierce at Gladstone Hospital recently, I spoke to the gentleman in the next bed to him. As I was leaving the room there were perhaps four members of a Hutterite family visiting with this gentleman. They asked if I belonged to the same church as the man I had been visiting, then proceeded to tell me that a colporteur by the name of Simon David from Brandon had called on their colony this spring and had sold them some very interesting books. After a few comments I mentioned that I, too, was handling those same books, living at Portage la Prairie, and if they ever felt they wanted more books I would be happy to make a trip to their colony.

Apparently, about a month ago this man was in the hospital again, and mentioned to an Adventist nurse, Miss Lianny Lee that he was wanting to get in touch with me because they wanted a set of *The Bible Story* in German for the colony.

Somehow the message was delayed and finally Thursday morning I made the trip with a car full of books. What a warm welcome! You just wouldn't believe it! Very soon I had an order for *The Bible Story*, *My Bible Friends*, a *Family Heritage Bible*, and *Desire of Ages*.

The manager said, "You must not go away without seeing my Dad. He is the man you saw in the Gladstone hospital." We picked up a cheque for the books, then went to Dad's home. What a thrill awaited me there! He had nothing but praise for Seventh-day Adventists—Dr. Pierce, Miss Lee at the hospital and Ron Dorchuck, who had been our pastor a few years ago. Ron had introduced him to *The Great Controversy*. "A fantastic book!" Then he showed me another book *Bible Readings for the Home*. He said, "I wouldn't sell that book for \$1,000.00 right now! It is packed so full of important information!" Miss Lee had given him three pocket books to read while in the hospital—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, *Ministry of Healing*, and another book. Due to his thirst for knowledge he tells me he spends his happiest hours every day just pouring over these books which are bringing new light and understanding to the Scriptures.

This man now purchased a *Family Bible* and another copy of *Bible Readings*. He persuaded his daughter-in-law to buy *Bible Readings* for her home. Before I left, his home was full of women and children, all just thrilled at the thought that these books are going to be available for them to read in the colony.

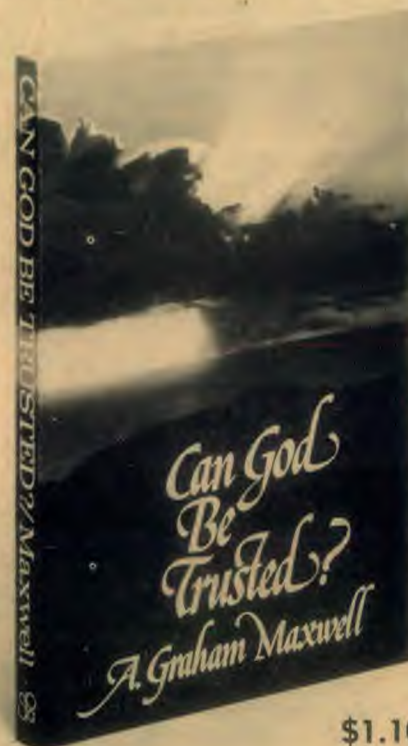
As we had prayer together, they made me promise that, God willing, I will soon be back to share with them more of our message. Brother Stahl commented as I was leaving, "Seventh-day Adventists are always more than welcome at our colony. The more I read of this message, the more I can see that this is the message for these very last days. Next time you come, we will be buying more of your books."

Yes, it was a thrill to me to come away with a large order from them. But the most important thing to me is that the door is open, their hearts are receptive; they are hungry for further light. God has used many people as channels to convey His message. Just as a pebble cast into a brook sends out ripples, so God is using each of us, if we will let Him, to bring His final message to the world.

Gwen Troop

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- Items of General Interest -

YOU'LL BE GLAD TO KNOW—

* **Pollett Effort** — The Pollett brothers have just concluded a very blessed series of meetings in Oshawa, Ontario. The Oshawa and area churches supported the program very enthusiastically. Fifty-two were baptized and others are preparing for baptism.

* **Tucker Effort** — Elder L. E. Tucker of the *Quiet Hour* has just finished an effort in Willowdale, Ontario. Fifty-four were baptized and many more are preparing for baptism under Pastor L. Milliken's leadership.

* Elder J. W. Lehman is now leading the Week of Spiritual Emphasis at Kingsway College. His practical and inspirational talks help the entire audience reflect the love of God more fully in their daily experiences.

* *The Signs of the Times* will be available for missionary distribution at \$2.95 U.S. (about \$3.30 Canadian) per yearly subscription. Each member should provide several friends with subscriptions at that price.

* 1978 has been designated Stewardship Year by the General Conference.

* Testimony Countdown II has already been started in several churches. Special program material is available through the conference office and the Spirit of Prophecy books still are available at a 25% discount.

* *It Is Written* has been produced in both English and French for use on Canadian TV stations. It costs over \$110,000.00 to produce these programs. In addition it also costs for time to show the programs on the local stations. Though the large offering is received on Sabbath, February 11, 1978, funds sent in now marked "Canadian Television Evangelism" will help ensure keeping the program on the air.

* Central Alberta was without the *It Is Written* TV program. The churches of the district joined in raising the necessary funds to have the benefits of this weekly TV program. This is an excellent witnessing medium.

* In 1976, \$3,454,023.41 was given in Sabbath School Investment offerings. What an increase from \$21,000.00 in 1925. A total of \$42,933,000.00 has come to help advance God's work through Sabbath School Investment.

* A portion of the current Sabbath School Investment offering is coming to the Ontario Conference to help open French work in northern Ontario.

L. L. Reile, President
S.D.A. Church in Canada

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"I have had Wayout sent to me before and I threw it away, but now I am glad, you sent them to me again. Thank you very much. I don't know what you have in store for me next, but I'm sure it will be interesting." — Ontario.

"I don't know how to thank you for everything! I get along better with my parents now that I've read your pamphlet on "Problem Parents." I'm really happy that you sent me all this. Now I have a better view on religion, etc., but I'm a Catholic and think that most of the stuff they do in church isn't necessary." — British Columbia.

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I am your chance to preach for I am a silent sermon of your devotion.

Ashley Booth

Canadian Union Conference Literature Evangelists Honor Roll

Top Ten Regulars
January — September, 1977

NAME	CONFERENCE	HOURS	DELIVERIES
Cross, D.	Ontario	1540	\$41,464.20
Park, S. W.	Ontario	1366	32,349.65
Christenson, G.	Alberta	1359	28,338.91
Morgan, C.	Newfoundland	1476	26,465.52
Waugh, Mrs. V.	Ontario	1552	25,761.36
Thomas, J.	Ontario	1517	24,745.13
Cutts, R. & J.	Man-Sask.	1634	18,822.46
Dixit, P.	Ontario	1213	17,733.96
Houston, G.	Maritimes	1196	16,004.45
Van Appelen, W.	B.C.	1479	15,976.05

Top Ten Students
September, 1977

NAME	CONFERENCE	HOURS	DELIVERIES
Johnson, E.	Man-Sask.	360	\$ 9,336.58
Barikor, C.	Man-Sask.	250	7,561.13
Kathare, D.	Man-Sask.	180	2,835.45
Johnson, H.	Ontario	201	2,561.65
Morgan, W.	B.C.	130	2,473.80
Wilson, G.	Maritime	181	2,449.70
Ederesinghe, C.	Ontario	166	1,875.85
Ongwela, G.	Man-Sask.	219	1,823.25
Emmanuel, J.	Quebec	165	1,779.55
Leonce, A.	Ontario	118	1,755.14

Andrews University Canadian Club

Greetings in behalf of the more than one hundred Canadian students enrolled at Andrews University this year, as well as from an equally large number of families, faculty and staff.

The Canadian Club has recently been organized for the 1977-78 school year, and we wish to assure you of our interest in the progress of the work "back home", and to thank you for your encouragement and support in the past years.

We feel that the Canadian Club has had some part to play in the fact that many AU graduates have returned to Canada to further their studies or to work. You too, however, have played a large part. We have sincerely appreciated the occasional visits of conference representatives, as well as your faithful financial support. This support has enabled us to advertise our programs and guest speakers as well as maintain correspon-

dence with our students here and workers and institutions in Canada.

Tentative plans are being made for a Sabbath afternoon potluck and vespers which will feature the Canadian Student Missionaries of last year (there are 4 or 5). This is always a highlight and draws many former Canadians, workers who have been in Canada and lots of friends-of-Canadians. So far, December 3 seems to be the most promising date.

We look forward to receiving news of visiting administrators from your conference and, if you let us know, we'll plan to have a visit and a meal with the students from your conference in one of the special rooms in the cafeteria. We thank you in advance for the assistance you may be able to give, both financially and through visits and communications.

Denis Gimbel *President*
Canadian Club

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Editor



Weddings

ANDERSON - RADU

On Thanksgiving Sunday, October 9, 1977, in the sanctuary of the Vancouver Seventh-day Adventist Church, Mary Radu became the bride of Ken Anderson. At the reception, the guests united in wishing for Ken and Mary a home blessed by God and designed to be a foretaste of the eternal reward.

A. W. Robertson, *Pastor*
Vancouver Church

PAVLIC - OSTOJIC

On Sunday, October 9, 1977, Nevenka Ostojic and Dusko Pavlik exchanged marriage vows at the Kingsview Village S.D.A. Church in Etobicoke, officiated by Pastor Manestar of the Toronto Yugoslavian Church. Matron of honor and best man were Steluka and Nikola Ostojic cousins of the bride. Nevenka and Dusko will reside in Chicago, Illinois.

Sanda Cestarc,
Communication Secretary



At Rest

ROGERS - Ethel Mae Spracklin Rogers was born September 22, 1892 in St. John's, Newfoundland and passed to her rest at North Sydney, N.S., September 7, 1977. She was joined in marriage to Clarence Rogers in 1917 and to this happy union were born eight children. Sister Rogers was an active, faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to her death.

Left to mourn her passing are all eight children: Clarence, Mrs. Violet Aitkins, Mrs. Margaret Miller, Mrs. Vivian Mulley, Gordon, Mrs. Helen Roland, Mrs. Olive Brown, and Sherman. Also one brother, Gordon Spracklin, 21 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren, and a host of friends and relatives.

Interment was at Lakeside Cemetery, North Sydney, Nova Scotia.

David S. Crook, *Pastor*

WILMOT - Albert Thomas Wilmot, died May 24, 1977. He was born in Montreal 62 years ago and in 1942 he married Dorothy Heath. In 1966 they moved to a farm in Williamstown, Ontario.

Bert leaves to mourn his death his wife Dorothy, sister Pat, of Montreal, Que. and a brother, Norman, who lives in England.

H. Thomas

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A projected circulation of 1 million copies per month within two years is anticipated. The new format is being introduced to make it easier for church members to increase their *Signs* subscription lists and thus widen the influence of the magazine. A goal of at least one piece of Adventist literature in every home in North America before the 1980 General Conference session has been projected.

Installation of a new 5-unit Harris web offset press will make possible the printing, folding, and pasting of the 32-page magazine in one operation. The 35 thousand per hour printing rate will drastically cut production time thus reducing costs.

"The new price will be in effect during November and December of this year," notes Periodical Manager A. R. Mazat, "as we attempt to reach out, build up, and gather in through the new *Signs*." Jay E. Prall

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SEROOL — George Serool was born February 22, 1941, and passed away October 18, 1977 as the result of a tragic accident on his farm at Fenelon Falls, Ontario.

He was baptized on September 9, 1967 in the Simcoe church and was an active member of the Cannington church, Cannington, Ontario.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife, Frances, (nee Machney), his son Darren; his mother, Mrs. Edna Cotter of Kelowna, B.C., and three sisters: Mrs. Irene Zbitnoff of Warburg, Alberta, Mrs. Joan Malinowski of Regina, Sask., and Mrs. Rose Popoff of Saskatoon, Sask.

Funeral services were conducted from the Baldock Funeral Home with Pastor Robert Toms of the Simcoe church, Pastor Claire Yauchzee of the Cannington church, and Pastor Don Donesky of Camp Keswick officiating.

Interment took place at Oakwood Cemetery, Simcoe, Ontario, where he awaits the call of Jesus.

Nancy Kotanko
Communication Secretary
Simcoe S.D.A. Church

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THE MORNING TRAIN

THE TRAIN JOURNEY from our Redemptorist house in the suburb of Pennant Hills to Sydney takes about forty minutes. You rattle down the hills through Epping on to the river flats around Rhodes and Concord West to Strathfield. Then the train, with its mates from Liverpool and Parramatta lines, races gleefully through the inner suburbs to Central.

One morning last year a Redemptorist priest boarded the train at Pennant Hills and found himself sitting next to a schoolboy about fourteen or fifteen years of age. Unable to place the college whose badge the boy was wearing, the priest enquired where he went to school. He was told the Seventh-day Adventist College at Strathfield. The lad was in third form.

Being a man of wide interests, the priest asked, "I wonder would you mind if I asked you some questions about your religion?"

"No," said the boy, no doubt a bit startled by such a request from a priest, but braving it out. "Go ahead."

"Thank you," said the priest. "Well, I'd like to know what you believe."

The boy gave a big sigh. You could almost hear him thinking, "At this hour of the morning!" Then away he went.

In typical enough schoolboy language he gave an account of Seventh-day Adventist doctrine. It was not always in perfect order. Rather as the points occurred to him he gave them out. "We believe this . . . We believe that . . ." Now and then he was clearly drawing on his memory rather than on his own experience; now and then he had trouble phrasing his ideas. But it was a most competent account of the beliefs of his church and of the reasons for such beliefs. Every so often the priest helped with questions, taking care not to seem in any way to cross-examine or upset the boy's obvious religious convictions.

When the lad's account petered out the priest enquired about the Adventist programme for youth. He was amazed to learn that on Saturdays when most of Sydney's teenagers are on the beach, the Adventists have a detailed programme of religious formation. The boy explained what he was doing and what he was working towards in his religious education.



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By this time the train was nearing Strathfield, where the lad would get off. There was time for one more question. "Do you know who founded the Adventists—where they began?"

The boy was stumped. He frowned, thought it over for a moment. Shook his head. He didn't know. But it didn't worry him for long. Looking the priest straight in the eye, he said, "Will you be on this train tomorrow morning, sir?"

"Good for you, man," thought the priest as he told his young companion that unfortunately he would not be on the train next morning. He thanked the boy and said good-bye.

It takes fifteen minutes to get from Strathfield to Central, and as the train rattled along, the priest thought about his erstwhile companion. He reflected how good it would be if all our secondary boys and girls could make as good a fist of explaining the Catholic religion to a stranger on a train, how good it would be if all our secondary pupils knew as much about their religion as the boy did about his, how good it would be if they had enough apostolic spirit to check up on something they didn't know and continue their apostolate with the man on the train tomorrow morning. How good it would be!