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A SILHOUETTE SPEAKS



By Margaret Weir

From my breakfast window, silhouetted against the red, glowing sky of the rising sun, I can see a chimney on my neighbor's house. Its structure is such that it gives the appearance of a living sentinel on guard. The body is of brick, the shoulders are of cement, and the neck and head are formed by the tile flue.

This sentinel, gazing into the east, is tall, stately, dignified. Though swept by wind and storm, he stands unshaken, immobile. Because of him a vision of higher ideals comes to my mind. Silently he imparts renewed courage, imbues me with a dogged determination to stand unmoved by disappointment and trial, inspires me to rise above those things that are vain and trifling, and to be on guard lest thoughts and actions bring dishonor to my Maker.

Keepers of the Keys, you who go on early morning hikes, what message comes to you from the silhouettes against the eastern sky?



Virginia Butler's absence from the office is due to the necessity for an appendectomy. We wish her a speedy recovery, and willwelcome her back to the office again. Clarence Miller is temporarily taking Virginia's work in the Mailing Room, and Mrs. Margaret Elliott is filling in in the Ministerial Association.

Among the many General Conference "February birthdayites" are Marjorie Marsh and Marguerite Perkins. Marjorie has hammered steel andirons, a hearth set, and screen for the fire place of her new home to remember the surprise party which her friends gave her on the 17th. Peg rejoices over a big easel given her at a birthday party at Irma Lee's home.

Our President, Miss Kathryn Jensen, has just returned from a tour of our denominational medical institutions in the southeastern part of the United States. Her visit included Ooltewah, Madison, Riverside, Orlando, and Fletcher. About the middle of April she leaves for the West, returning to Washington about July 11. She is expecting to conduct a nurses training school at Pacific Union College June 3 to July 6.



Painstaking Tax

March 16. Relief from the great national headache is being experienced this morning. Our Income Tax reports have been dispatched, with the hope that there will be no summons to appear at the Tax Collector's office and explain why our 15% reportable under "Contributions" is out of all proportion to our income. If any Keeper encounters a crusty representative of the Government, don't be frightened but tell him that you are entitled to common courtesy and ask for a gentleman with whom to deal.

The U.S. Treasury anticipates that the Federal tax will amount to \$750,000,000. During the first eleven days of March over \$75,-000,000 was received, which was \$9,000,000 more than for the same period in 1937.

Those of you who live in Mary-land and have been trying to augment your future sustentation allowance by saving a few pennies and investing them, will suffer another attack of headache (accompanied perhaps by violent nausea) when the county treasurer informs you of still another tax assessment. Why save, Keepers? As one humorist has said, If I should save for a rainy day there would be a thunderstorm in the afternoon.—S.F.

HERALDING

THE KEY NOTE

THE KEY NOTE is in search of hobbies -- your hobbies. Won't you help us find them?

Maybe your hobby is photography, and among your treasured possessions is a picture you have taken of the Lincoln Memorial at night; or of the Golden Gate Bridge, silhouetted against a cloudfeathered sunset sky; or of a pine tree, each dark, dropping bough iced luxuriously with glistening snow.

Perhaps your specialty is cooking, and you are happiest when beating up a cake, or mixing a little of this, a cup of that, and a pinch of something else into

a souffle to tempt the apfriends. (And if this is to have devoted friends.)

Again, reading may be the pastime you enjoy most, and you are one of those fortunate individuals who find adventure, romance, enchantment, all between the covers of a book.

Or is your hobby music? or tennis? or collecting? or travel? Whatever it is, we know you are interested in it--and so are we. So capture some of that enthusiasm you feel about your hobby,



hammer it out on paper with theaid of your faithful typewriter, and send it to the editor as an entry in THE KEY NOTE Hobby Hunt. There will be a first prize

and a second prize--both well worth working for. Also, the prize sketches, and later other good entries, will be published.

The search is on. The contest begins when you receive this paper, and closes May 15. Come--join the fun.

Rules

1. All Keepers of the Keys, except editors of THE KEY NOTE, are eligible to enterthe contest.

2. Sketches must not be over 150 words in length.

3. Type sketch, double space, on an 8½ x 11 sheet. Donot sign sketch, but attach a slip of paper bearing your name as writer.

4. Papers will be judged anonymously, and the decision of the judges will be final.

petites of your devoted

your hobby, you are sure

5. First and second prizes will be awarded, and prizes will be appropriate to the hobbies of the winning contestants.

6. The contest closes Sunday, May 15. at 5 P.M.



THE SPONSO

STAR GAZING

The evening of the 28th of February brought a real treat to a group of star-gazers, made up of Keepers of the Keys, and a few friends and appendages, who visited the Naval Observatory, on Massachusetts Avenue.

It was a crisp evening, and exceptionally clear, an almost perfect setting for star study. We were each allowed a few seconds to look through the big twelve-inch equatorial mounted telescope at the planet Mars, and the Pleiades, or seven sisters. Then we saw the most spectacular and interesting point in the reavens -- the nebula in Orion which contains the "great open space" in the heavens. telescope was next pointed Sirius, the "dog-star." It is the brightest star in the heavens of the bluish-white type. found just below Orion. Betelgouse, a giant reddish-star, was the last to come under observation. It is about 300 light years away, while the great nebula in Orion is estimated to te 1,000 light years away. These figures are hard to comprehend, but do make one feel very, very smell, when compared with the vastness of this universe of ours .-- Cecil W. Higgins, for tho Nature Sponsor, T. Rose Curtis

FOOD FASHIONS

Perhaps you haven't thought of these salad combimations before Celery hearts and malaga grape with nuts; hearts of lettuce wit water-cress and a minted pear value a dash of cream or cottage cheese orange slices on endive with dash of coconut; slit grapes, remove seeds, fillwith cream cheese serve on lettuce with sliced or anges; A peach half, filled wit cottage cheese or peach slices ar ranged on the top of a pineappling, garnished with mint and ber ries.--La Verne B. Case

TENNIS

Tennis time will soon be her again. Already we are working o plans to secure permits to play o the courts close by.

But before we secure the per mits, we desire to have the na of all the girls who wish to pretennis during the coming season Will all the Keepers of the Key who are interested please turn i your names to the Tennis Sponso giving first and second choice of time when you can play.

As soon as I receive this info mation, I can make definite are ments for securing permits those who desire them. -- V. Butler

SPEAK

SEEING THE STAR

Thirty Keepers of the Keys, terested in the making of a tropolitan newspaper, assemble d the Evening Star building at P.M., March 15, and were concted on a special tour by M. A. ttit. They came away with cand close-ups of reporters, ediors, cartoonists, linotypists. eumatic tubes. matrixes. circur plates, rolls of paper weighig a ton each, and with the deafing roar of octuple presses in eir ears. Some facts of inerest gleaned from this visit to ne home of Washington's oldest

(1) More news copy passes over s city desk than over the city osk of any other newspaper ne country, and it carries the argest amount of advertising.

ad largest newspaper follow:

(2) Its working force numbers

en hundred.

(3) The actual cost of producng the Evening Star is 15¢ per opy and 25¢ for the Sunday Star. eccipts from advertising make up ne difference between this and nat we pay.

(4) Approximately one ton aper is used for each page of caily paper or over forty tons one completed newspaper.

(5) The prosses print, cut, and fold 48,000 newspapers an hour. (6) Of the daily paper, 135,000

copies are run, and of the Sunday edition, 140,000 .-- Mable Hinkhouse

CREAM OF THE CROP

If cigarette companies advertise that they obtain the cream of the tobacco crop for their particular brand, it doesn't impress us. But the cream of the magazine articles should be of interest. The following are recommended:

"We Lose the Next War," Elmer

Davis in Harpers for March.

"A Little Girl's New York," by

Edith Wharton, Ibid.

"Hawaii Likes Music," by Sigmund Spacth, Ibid.

"My Jungle Childhood," by Ralph

Haloy, Asia, March.

"The Nanking that Was," by T. H. Chen, Ibid.

"Jack Benny," by Hubbell Robin-

son, Scribner's, March.

"Is Courtship a Lost Art?" in

Forum, Fobruary.

"Toscaninni," by Alex H. Williams, Atlantic Monthly, March.

-- Thelma Wellman

THANKS A LOT! For the grand surprise, the lovely presents and the expression of your friendship. The latchstring is always out at 130 Carroll, so do come again .-- Marie



"CHECK, AND DOUBLE CHECK"

seems to be the principal routine of the General Conference auditors. Their field is the world. They check in many languages and figure in many currencies.

Each year they divide the world field into three parts. Two auditors are assigned foreign divisions, while the third covers North America. They work on a rotating program, so that each year a different auditor remains at home. That means two years on foreign appointments and one in the States.

In pursuit of their duties, the auditors are the champion travelers of the office. They nonchalantly board a train for the West Coast, where they embark on a round-the-world trip, making business stops in China, Japan, the Philippines, India, and Europe, before they cross the Atlantic to New York and proceed to Washington, completing the circle.

Another feature of the work of the department is the classification and filing each year of financial statements from every Seventh-day Adventist organization in the whole world.

The Auditing Department has taken under its wing the compiling of monthly summaries of the work of the North American sanitariums. And for presentation at Autumn Council, it compiles extensive reports of the financial activities of all schools and sanitariums in North America.

In connection with the various audits, there are numerous statements and reports to compile and correspondence to handle, which keep the auditors well occupied during the relatively short time they are at headquarters. M. Wyatt

SECRETARIAL SNAPSHOTS

March 6. Symbolic of St. Patrick's Day, the three-leaved shamrock carried the invitations to our March social at the Fire Hall. Green paper streamers adorned electric lights. Shamrocks formed curtain tiebacks.

On arrival, the fifty guests were asked to identify clipped magazine advertisements, familiar but strangely blusive shorn of manufacturer's names. First honors went to Marian MacNeil, Louise Surface, and Thelma Wellman.

Musical chairs--what fun to watch the stick-to-it participants hurriedly occupy a chair or half a one when the music ceased. Sachet powder envelopes were

INTRODUCING -

Ora Williams, whose home is in Kentucky, the gateway to the South. For sixteen years, she was conneeted with the Joint Stock Land Banks of Louisville, as secretary to the president, with whom she had previously worked when he was chief executive of the Federal Land Bank of Louisville. When the Ohio River overflowed a few years ago, she learned from personal experience how it feels to have seven feet of muddy water flood one's home and ruin almost all one's cherished possessions. The local Missionary Volunteer leader will be delighted to know that Miss Williams has had very successful experience in Harvest Ingathering work. Her hobby, she admits, is reading. Her workhere is in connection with the office of the Central European Division. Section II, and her local address is 720 Kennebec Avenue.

awarded Miss Ginther, as winner.

More exhilarating games; then refreshments: Cookies and cake decorated with shamrocks set in yellow frosting. Vanila brick ice cream with lime sherbet centers. Ginger ale with frozen green cherries. Chocolate-covered cracker sticks and mints.

March 7. The regular monthly club meeting convened at 5 P. M. in the chapel. Letters of acknow-

ledgment from recipients of flowers and gifts were read. Plans were announced for a tour of the Evening Star newspaper office on March 15. It was agreed to call a meeting soon to consider the report of the committee on amendments regarding election of officers. A short discussion ensued on plans for future activities. Adjournment at 5:30 P.M.

How I feel for those goats in the mountains

Who leap over canyons all day!
Igo leaping from pay day to pay-

The same insecure-feeling way.
--The Cheerful Cherub

According to Webster, "a hobby is a favorite subject of discourse, thought, or effort."

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THIS M THAT

Dot and Edna are the first to report a game of tennis this season. On March 22, they celebrated the arrival of spring weather by an early morning workout. Since then, other Keepers have been seen on nearby courts.

Surprise! Surprise! Surprise! To be surprised once in an evening is enough, but to be surprised three times is just too much. That is what happened to Marie Mooney on Wednesday evening, March 16, when about 60 of her friends from the office visited her on the installment plan to admire her new apartment and bring her a few useful gifts for it.

Have you ever heard of a water-drinking contest? Well. it's the very latest thing. The contestants in this instance were Thelma Wellman and Louise Meyer, and the contest took place on Sunday, March 20 in the Sabbath School Department. If you wondered why both girls looked too full for words after it was all over, you will know that it was because of the 20 glasses of water each was able to consume. The focs were so full of admiration for their capacity that they rewarded each other with large Hershey bars

"What's the matter with my telephone?" "I was talking to someone and all at once there was the worst blast in my ear and then I couldn't hear a thing." "I have tried and tried to get the General Conference."

EXPLANATION: The telephone company is moving the unsightly box of switchboard connections out of the basement hall to a less conspicuous place in the basement workroom. This necessitates, among other things, the splicing of each wire in the cable. If the technicians start working on your line when you are using it. you may hear a loud blasting, or you may be disconneoted. If in the pursuit of their duties, they blow a fuse everything stops until they run to the Review basement, where the battery is located, and replace the fuse. I know you will be glad when the work is completed and so will the Operator . -- G.M.

If you wondered why Harriott Richardson was all smiles over the week-end of March 11-13, you will be interested to know that she had a special reason for being happy since her mother, father and little nephew, Bobb Dan, from Mount Vernon, Ohio visited her. She assures us that a grand time was had by all.