THE KEY NOTE



EXPERIENCE

The varied experience brought to the General Conference office by the women employees gives us courage to believe that with our combined energies and talents we should be able to accomplish any task assigned to us as a group.

Among those who have profited by overseas division office and other experience are:

Australasia: Eileen Robson

China: Rachel Anderson, Gertrude Loewen, Mary Ogle, Kathryn Scharffenberg, Mary Scott, Hazel Shadel

Inter-America: Elsie Argent, Betty Gray, Ruth

McAdams, Mabel Mulholland

Northern Europe: Elsie Argent

South America: Gertrude Von Tenspolde, Arabella

Williams

Southern Asia: Mary Scott, Cora Thurber

Southern Europe: Erna Borm

Union conferences served are as follows: Atlantic, Canadian, Central, Columbia, Mexican, Northern, Pacific, Southern.

Local conferences included in the list are: Alabama-Mississippi, Arkansas-Louisiana, Atlantic Colombia, California, East Danish, East Pennsylvania, Georgia-Cumberland, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Ontario-Quebec, Potomac, South New Zealand, Uganda.

Two are former employees of the Voice of Prophecy office in Glendale.

Several college printing establishments as well as the following publishing houses have contributed to our training: Canadian Watchman Press, Brookfield Branch of the Pacific Press, Cristobal (Canal Zone), Review and Herald, Signs Publishing Company (Australia), Southern Publishing Association.

Medical institutions also have done their share:
Attleboro (Massachusetts), Battle Creek, Glendale, Graysville
(Tennessee), Hinsdale, Middletown (New York), Mt. Vernon
(Ohio) Rest Home, Ohio State, Sydney (Australia), Takoma
(Tennessee), Washington, Worthington, and White Memorial.

We have been found working in school business offices at times in our career: Atlantic Union, Australasian Missionary, Broadview, Canadian Union, Clinton, College of Medical Evangelists, Emmánuel Missionary, Maplewood, Mount Vernon, Newbold Missionary, New Zealand Missionary, Oshawa Missionary, Pacific Union, Southern Missionary, Southwestern Junior, Takoma Academy, Union, Vincent Hill, Walla Walla, Washington Missionary.



And just for additional variety we have had a hand in the following enterprises:

Telephone company (Army Air Corps), Worthington Foods, Standard Fireproofing Company, Carolina Coach Company, Red Cross National headquarters, Telephone company (Bluefield, W. Va.; and Denver, Colo.), doctors' offices, Traveler's Aid Society, insurance offices, Sanitarium Health Food Company (Australia and New Zealand), wholesale household appliances, government office (Paris, France), patent attorney's office, Westinghouse Company, private duty nursing, French Purchasing Mission, teaching church school, Bible teaching, U.S. Steel, Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., brush business, hand tailors, newspaper editing and printing, midwifery, Pullman Company, Southern Dairies, Federal Land Bank of Louisville, Citizens Fidelity Bank & Trust Co., U.S. Chamber of Commerce, U.S. Government, Veterans' Administration, advertising agency, wholesale florists, Y.W.C.A., real estate offices, International Mutrition Laboratory, the R. & H. Cafeteria, and a commercial bakery.

Mrs. L. G. Scales, formerly of Athens, Georgia, has joined the workers at the Home Study. Mr. Scales is attending the Seminary. They formerly were connected with the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Scales and their daughter Jacqueline into our circle of friends.

Evelyn Ruch is now working for Elder Read. She is not a stranger here for she worked for the Home Study for two years. She has returned from Delaware, and her husband plans to attend Washington Missionary College next year.

Mrs. Dorothy Emmerson, on furlough from Mexico, is working part time in the Press Bureau while Lydia Schander is at her home in Nebraska recuperating from her illness.

Janine Carol, baby daughter of Ingrid Beaulieu (and Johnny), born March 15 at the Washington Sanitarium and weighing six pounds and nine ounces on arrival.

Arlene Sweeny comes to the Young People's Department from the Atlantic Union. Her husband is attending the Seminary.

Donna Rae Skinner, a student at Takoma Academy, is working part time in the Young People's Department.

THESE ARE NEW TOO

The Purchasing Department is having its face lifted—inwardly. At any rate it will have a different countenance when present alterations are completed. Come and give us the once—over, they say. The Purchasing Department folk them—selves confess they never know where to find anyone. They dial a number expecting to hear a soft Southern drawl, but instead there comes floating over the wires a Western twang or a New England slur. Or with ears attuned to receive sweet feminine tones they find themselves wondering if the owner of that deep masculine voice could possibly be Miss So—and—so with a cold in her esophagus. As one worker puts it, "If you don't like where you are now, wait a minute." Lois Mullinax at the reception desk will be happy to tell you who's where, that is, if she can find out herself.

Ellen Buckwalter especially invites everyone to visit the new sales room when it is completed. It will be located in much more spacious quarters on the second floor, with plenty of room for display.

Elsie and John Minesinger have a new Nash.

OTHER NEWS

Genevieve Melendy says the National Flower and Garden Show, March 23-29 in the National Guard Armory, attracted a number of Keepers. Beautiful gardens transplanted indoors -trees, shrubs and grass as well as flowers -- made a lovely picture. There were gardens, from tiny dooryard size including vegetables as well as flowers, to city park layouts, and a woodland mill complete with wasp nests on the trees. Orchids, crimson anemones, calceolaria, gloriosa lillies, African violets, pansies, azaleas, and roses were a few of the lovely accents. The Maryland University had an interesting display showing planting and care of roses. There was a seedstarting exhibit showing seeds coming up in sphagnum moss and in vermiculite. The plant starter which was like a tiny greenhouse with fluorescent lights for use indoors, Genevieve comments, was just what she could use (if she had a place for it). There were interesting flower arrangements, some in appropriate room settings. On this earth we see flowers in perfection only in the seed catalogs and the flower shows. What will it be to wander through fields of lovely flowers in the New Earth!

After passing on to Ena Manuel the associate-editor's pen of the KEYNOTE, Hazel Olson was handed the editor's pen of the Crusader, the little weekly paper of the young people's society of the Takoma Park Seventh-day Adventist church. Hazel says she thinks it is rather abnormal for her, a member of the Sligo church, to fill an office in the Missionary Volunteer society of another church. On the other hand, she says she finds it interesting and helpful to have regular contact with two churches. She declares she enjoys editing the Crusader in spite of the fact that this task involves much more responsibility, concern, time and work than one would think when reading its four small pages.

Gertrude Loewen is the new "first lady" of Ohio, and will be leaving us one of these days to join her husband who has been elected president of the Ohio Conference. Back with us from a six months' stay in Atlanta, where she and her husband have been carrying on the Bible Correspondence school in Elder Eckenroth's effort, "The Prophetic Crusade," is Alvina Roberts. She's found her desk in the same spot in which she left it—the Ministerial Association office, across from Margie Hild's.

The suitcase stolen from Louise Meyer has been recovered by the police and identified by her; but that does not mean that Louise has the suitcase. She is still awaiting summons to appear in court when the police have apprehended the thief.

The SoundScriber fleet owned by the office is getting a real workout these days, with the session reporters eager for all the practice possible before undertaking the assignment at San Francisco.

We don't know whether Mary Reinhard promised switches or lollypops to second floor workers, but she succeeded in gathering in a goodly amount of news this month.

The Purchasing Department would like suggestions on what to do with the guinea pigs bestowed on them by well-meaning friends. Want to buy one?

Mary Ogle engaged in a bit of extra-curricular activity Sabbath, March 11, by giving a talk on Investment at the Sligo Sabbath School.

Vivian Ross is thrilled with the prospect of a trip to Florida from which she no doubt will return all nicely browned.

Mrs. Thompson was missed the two or three days she was out of the office caring for her sister who was 111.

Hazel Peter and Esther Halswick were born too! -- Hazel in Michigan, and Esther in Wisconsin.

Mrs. Yost welcomed Dr. Yost back from South America March 3.

"OPERATION DOORBELL"

Mary Reinhard was among the "timid" ones looking for a partner who could do the talking in "Operation Door Bell." She had succeeded, but the last minute another frightened soul joined their group and so Mary gave up her brave partner to the newcomer and went out by herself. She found the people very friendly and thoroughly enjoyed her contacts with them.

Ruth Williams and Mary Ogle took part in "Operation Door Bell" Sabbath afternoon, March 4, and found themselves visiting the sick. Two or three persons spoke highly of the Sanitarium, and one lady wanted to know where she could get Glutenberger. The day's exposure brought Ruth down with the flu, which kept her away from the office a week.

RECIPES FOR RECOVERY

Eleanor Libby was a recent guest at the Sanitarium, where she parted with her tonsils.

Virginia Kennedy too has had a bout with the flu, spending several days in bed during the worst of the battle. P.S. Virginia won.

Stella Fleisher put in her appearance at the office March 27 after spending a number of days in the Sanitarium. She is glad to be out even if it is necessary to use a crutch for a while.

Mrs. Esther Fenn, bookkeeper at the Purchasing Department, is at home recuperating very nicely from her surgery at the Washington Sanitarium. She will be back at her desk soon. Mrs. Rachel Anderson, late of the China Division, is struggling with the intricacies of the bookkeeping machine during Esther's absence.

Following a few days in the Sanitarium last month with Virus X, Irene Walters took a two-week trip to Florida with her son Louis and his family. She spent the time with her sister in Orlando, resting and enjoying the oranges and grapefruit fresh from the trees, while the young folks went on to Miami. However, she did a little sightseeing, visiting Silver Springs and the Marine Gardens.

RECENT ROVINGS

Naomi Dart, husband Charles, and sister and brother-in-law are visiting relatives in Ohio early in April.

Bertha Terry accompanied her husband to Richmond over the week-end of March 17 and 18 and assisted in the missions program in the church there.

Grace Fields returned March 20 from a trip to Tennessee on Ingathering business, then left March 28 to attend Dorcas Federation meetings in Northern New England.

In connection with her recent field trip Miss Kleuser could find it in her heart to answer "Yes," to the remark, "It must be difficult to carry with you the proper clothing for the various seasons." Leaving Washington basking in the sunshine of early January, her clothing diary includes: Berrien Springs and Chicago, heavy coat; Lincoln, Nebr., sweater and other warmer clothing added, including galoshes; Collegedale, Tenn., coat scarcely necessary; Orlando, Fla., summer weight clothing; Atlanta, Georgia, clothing suitable for early spring weather. But weather is not all-important to our traveling workers, and Miss Kleuser reported a most profitable trip. While the days were crowded with teaching appointments and evangelistic visiting, the joy of accomplishment for God's cause is great compensation.

Helen Smith is in the Atlantic Union holding Press Work-shops.

Evelyn Perdue visited her sister, Mrs. Clyde Dougherty, in Hopewell, Va., over the week-end of March 10-12.

In company with the Misses Dorothy Evans, Sue Callis, and Carol Russ, Corrine Wilkinson of the Home Study spent the week-end of March 12 visiting Southern Missionary College and her friends there.

PARTY TIMES

Jean and Derwood Chappell were guests of Lena Wetmore while here on their way to Accra, West Africa. In their honor Lena entertained the Insurance Department girls.

Majorie Hild still celebrates her wedding anniversaries by months. The most recent occasion was a supper with rice and curry served Indian fashion to Alvina and Bruce Roberts and Louise Kleuser.

Two lucky infants-to-be were showered with a variety of lovely garments and what-nots with which to begin their earthly sojourn. On two separate occasions Georgene Krenrich and Alice Shobe were guests of honor.

The doings of the month for the Temperance Department include celebration of husbands' birthdays—husband of Ruth Helmerson and husband of Helen Soule, who were entertained at a surprise birthday party at the home of Anita Olsen.

Emma Howell entertained fourteen of her friends, some of them from the time of her childhood in Iowa, at a Shamrock Party March 12. Though Emma's apartment is not so large, she did her usual excellent job of entertaining, all reporting a very pleasant evening.

The Department of Education celebrated four birthdays
March 5, at the Mathews home. Guests of honor were Professor
Rasmussen, Arabella Williams, Bethel Barger, and Doctor Reynolds.
Then March 25 the Department group gathered for an evening of
games and pictures at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Williams for
still another birthday celebration, T. Rose Curtis being honored.

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Shure and it was a great night for the Irish when sixty or more Keeper colleens gathered in the Review and Herald chapel the night of March 14 to celebrate the wearinto! the green! Those straight from the ould sod couldn't be better sports or better singers than our colleens and their husbands

and friends as they matched the phrases of familiar songs and them marched to the platform group by group to sing their song for the merriment of the other groups. Is "Curtis" an Irish name? Well now, and I don't know about that, but shure T. Rose won the prize for her familiarity with Irish subjects in the game of Twenty Questions. Irish songs, by a girls' trio, by Gladys Dunn, and by Eddie Hild, were delightful, Caseynow there's an Irishman for ye, and what an Irishman! It was only by sheer will power that our crowd retained their seats as Donald Tarr depicted "Casey at the Bata" We wanted to throw our hats in the air and shout "Hurrah!" as we saw that "leather sphere" go sailing so far out into space that it was never found again. Shure and kids are the same no matter where you find them the world over. We laughed till we cried over the antics of Our Gang in "Kids and Pets." Someone on that refreshment committee --Hazel Shadel, Pauline Klady, Mrs. Mathews-must be Irish, for the table looked like a little bit of the Emerald Isle, all gay in green and white and replete with delicate refreshments. Thus ended another Keepers! party.



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