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"Eat well, and be well." A suburban newspaper reporter meets the new dietitian at Sydney Adventist Hospital.

DIETS ARE HER LIFE-WORK

DIANA SMOUHA "North Shore Times," Wednesday, March 17, 1976

RAE LYNNE WARD is a marvellous example of the old adage, "You are what you eat!"—clear eyes, healthy skin, perfect teeth. As new dietitian at the Sydney Adventist Hospital in Wahroonga, her job will be to make people understand and act on that adage.

Only a few months ago, she was working in poor areas of Dallas, Texas, teaching Negro and Mexican women how to provide a nutritional diet for their families on a pitifully low income.

But malnutrition is not just the domain of poor people. Wealthy families eating rich foods are prone to the effects of an unbalanced diet too. Rae Lynne (pictured, right) will explain the rights and wrongs of eating, in public-health education classes run by the hospital on week nights. She will also give nutrition lectures to nursing students and at the hospital will arrange special diets for patients with specific problems.

However, Rae is keen to extend her role even further than all these tasks. She would like to train dietary technicians to go out into the field and advise and encourage former patients.

And the key word in all functions is—vegetarianism, Though not an aggressive evangelist on the issue, Rae sees enormous problems associated with non-vegetarianism.

"Meat-eaters have a higher incidence of cancer of the colon, more heart attacks, more digestive problems," she explained.

"The old question about 'How to get protein?' can be easily answered by the transfer to legumes, lentils, chick peas and peanuts, for instance," she added. "Even the problem of finding a suitable substitute for sources of vitamin B₁₂ has been found in soy sauce produced in Japan.



Ecologically, meat eating is wasteful of our resources. It takes so much land and grain to get just one pound of meat. All these ideas are not difficult to implement, and they need not take over in one night. Just being a vegetarian for one day is a good start," Rae continued.

"It's not expensive, and even children will take notice of good food habits if parents set a good example. You need not follow complicated formulas in order to be properly nourished. On the other hand, you can't afford to be careless and indifferent. Good nutrition results from eating a variety of ordinary unrefined foods in a sufficient amount to maintain ideal weight. Use fruits and vegetables plentifully. They are the least concentrated of nature's foods, and are rich in vitamins and minerals."

Fiji's Early Link with Avondale

RAYMOND COOMBE, Northern District Director, Fiji Mission, C.P.U.M.

A LITTLE PIECE of Avondale School history has just been unexpectedly recovered thousands of miles away in Fiji.

Mr. Jack Shute, who is a Seventh-day Adventist, lives in an old homestead overlooking the tropical waters of Savusavu Bay on Vanua Levu, Fiji. One day he was cleaning out the old shed when he found a tin trunk containing some personal effects of the previous tenant, now deceased. For many years Mark Dodds, who was a part-European Fijian, had been good friends with Mr. Shute, and was a well-known identity in the town of Savusavu.

Now, to his surprise, Mr. Shute found his friend's Bible, and with it a little collection of autographs tied together with a strip of old cloth. As he went through the autographs, he found that they were all written in 1901 at the Avondale School. Later, as I visited Mr. Shute, he showed me this collection of autographed messages that tell an interesting story of bygone days.

Apparently Mark Dodds came in touch with our early missionaries in Fiji as a young man, and was encouraged to go to the Avondale School in Australia. There is no evidence that he was baptized, but he must have been one of the first students from the Pacific Islands to enter Avondale. For some reason he was not able to complete his first year at the school and left towards the end of April, 1901. The student body and faculty obviously felt the need to extend their acquaintance and influence on this lad from Fiji by each writing a parting message to Mark Dodds.

Friendships

The deep spiritual tone of the school, and the tender friendships that had developed are clearly evident in the sincere, personal messages that have been written. From one of the staff members comes the following:

"Dear Friend Mark,

"I am sorry you are going to leave us. Hope you will carry with you to your island home many fond remembrances of the time spent at the Avondale School,

"I hope also that you will be a faithful representative of the principles which it has been the aim of your teachers to instil into the minds of the young people who come to the school.

"With kindest and best wishes, I remain, "Sincerely your friend,

"A. T. Robinson, "April 21, 1901."

Another teacher, C. B. Hughes, writes: "Dear Mark,

"I shall always remember the pleasant times we spent together in planting the school flower garden. I hope that some good seed has been planted in your heart while here at school, which will blossom into a beautiful character. 'Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to Thy Word.'" Psalm 119:9.

Humorous Memoirs

Bible texts, poems and the usual autograph rhymes appear among the collection, but there are also a few humorous memoirs that add a touch of reality to school life at Cooranbong at the turn of the century. Several students attached small pieces of fern (now well pressed, but still preserved) with the caption, "In remembrance of the picnic." We also gain an insight into the dining-room seating and menu at Avondale from the following:

"With pleasant memories and kindest wishes from your table friends: Thomas A. Sherwin, Charles Whippy, Rachel Heaton, Hattie Andre, Emma L. M. Hill, S. N. Young, Stella Goldthorpe. Please think of us when feasting upon your delicious island oranges, bananas, guavas, coconuts and paw-paw, and we shall remember Mark when the grapes, pears, zwiebach, rolls and peas patties come to our tables. Let us all be sure to sit at the marriage supper of the Lamb."

The thoughtfulness and ingenuity of Hattie Andre is seen in a note of instruction that reads:

"Dear Mark,

"Enclosed are twelve packets. Please until only one each day so as to have something new and fresh each morning of your voyage, and a little while after getting home. Much happiness and pleasure be yours while devouring the contents, Good-bye, Mark."

And one can only guess at the contents of those little parcels provided by that very kind lady. A large number of names that are well known to the Adventist family in Australia appear among this historical collection of autographs. They include the names of A. T. and L. V. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Paap, Ethelbert Thorpe, Maud Guilliard, Annie Faulkner, Will and Ted Rudge, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hughes, Minnie Hawkins, E. Chapman, Annie Higgins, F. J. Parkin (a room-mate), Ella Boyd, Thomas Sherwin (a room-mate), and many others.

The Results?

One cannot help but wonder what results their earnest messages had on the heart and life of young Mark Dodds. To the present generation of Adventists in Fiji, his name is virtually unknown. Unfortunately, it would appear that his ex-



Mr. Jack Shute stands beside the old shed where the autographs were found in Savusavu Bay, Fiji.

Photo: R. Goombe

perience at Avondale was not enough to enable him to withstand the temptations of the world, and although he was well liked in the town of Savusavu, Mark Dodds was not known as a Seventh-day Adventist. It came as a surprise to our church members there to find that Mark Dodds had in fact been a student at the Avondale School at the turn of the century.

However, it also stands as a challenge to us in Fiji. Here was a man who had an unusual opportunity. Here is evidence that the message came very early to Savusavu. In fact, the log-book of the "Pitcairn" indicates that a part-European man in Savusavu, Fiji, had shown interest in the message before this. Yet many "silent" years have intervened. Our membership in the town of Savusavu is gradually growing, but still they do not have a church in which to worship. Our members need a building that will witness to the presence of the Advent faith, so that other silent followers like Mark Dodds might be gathered in and strengthened in the faith.

TRUE WISDOM

True wisdom is in leaning
On Jesus Christ, our Lord;
True wisdom is in trusting
His own life-giving Word;
True wisdom is in living
Near Jesus every day;
True wisdom is in walking
Where He shall lead the way.

-"Quotable Poems," page 45.

HEALTH-WISE

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

WHILE THE EXPERTS view with alarm, and plan massive attacks on our health problems, what can an ordinary citizen do to safeguard his health and his future? Here are a few specific suggestions:

- 1. Learn more about how your body works and what it requires for normal functioning. Gain greater respect for the marvellous mechanisms of hearing, seeing, digestion, blood circulation, etc.
- 2. Don't depend on your too-busy doctor, TV commercials, health faddists or haphazard reading in newspapers and magazines to tell you what you need to know about your health. Get the facts from reputable health journals and books which will enable you to separate fact from fallacy in the barrage of health information.
- 3. Take time every day for pleasurable, outdoor exercise. At least twenty minutes of vigorous exercise is needed to strengthen the heart and lungs.
- 4. Help young people, not by preaching, but by example, to establish good eating habits. (Do your children ever hear you say, "I know I shouldn't have another piece of cake, but . . ."?) What are they learning from you about eating breakfast, snacking between meals, choosing between junk foods and good nutrition?
- 5. If you are a home-maker, remove the too-rich, unhealthful recipes from your file and replace them with wholesome, natural foods that have taste appeal.
- 6. By establishing a way of life free from cigarettes, alcohol, pills, coffee, tea and cola drinks, help youngsters to develop habits of self-control that will protect them from the hazards of our drug-saturated culture.

The most serious consequence of an unhealthful life-style is not premature death, although this is an almost certain result; but, for some, it means years of misery and disability, of being a financial and physical burden on other people. How many dreams of happy retirement are cut short by crippling diseases which are wholly preventable!

It may seem difficult to change longstanding habits, to eliminate favourite foods, to take time to be healthy; but the stakes are high. The body has a marvellous capacity to recover from misuse, and at any stage of life efforts to improve health habits are rewarded by increased vitality, freedom from pain and dependence upon drugs, and the satisfaction of being in control of oneself.

HISTORIC PICTURE GALLERY



THE AVONDALE FACULTY, 1932

Back row (left to right): H. S. Taylor,* H. J. Osmond,* R. W. Johnson, A. W. Martin, J. Strange,* K. E. Carrick. Second row: Edna Welburn, Mrs. Schowe,* Marjorie Mills, Beatrice Aitken,* Amelia Dawkins, Catherine Walker.* Front row: L. A. Butler,* C. H. Schowe,* G. S. Fisher,* H. K. Martin (principal), A. F. J. Kranz, G. H. Greenaway,* R. B. Watts.*

*Indicates known to be deceased.

Photo: H. K. Martin.



This photograph should awaken nostalgic memories for a great many Avondale students of earlier days. The exact age of the picture is not known, but the legend on the back states: "Avondale Industries, earlier than the 1920s."

Photo: M. Schmidt.

"To keep the body in a healthy condition, in order that all parts of the living machinery may act harmoniously, should be a study of our life. The children of God cannot glorify Him with sickly bodies or dwarfed minds. Those who indulge in any species of intemperance, either in eating or drinking, waste their physical energies and weaken moral power."—"Counsels on Diet and Foods," page 18.

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"LET IT GO FREE"

"WE CHINESE have a saying: If you want something very badly, let it go free. If it returns to you, it is yours indeed. If it does not return, it never belonged to you." Perhaps this is a genuine drop of distilled wisdom from the Orient, or perhaps it is a romantic idea thought up by a television scriptwriter, who phrased it in the right idiom and gave it the status of age-old wisdom.

In the language beloved of the entertainment industry, this segment was televised as part of a "preview of a forthcoming attraction." A young and very beautiful Chinese girl spoke the words soulfully to her male companion in a setting implying that she felt strongly drawn to him, but recognized the barriers separating them. An all-too-familiar theme. But instead of making me resolve not to miss the show, it made me wonder if there might be a germ of truth in the saying—something of help for you and me in our attempts to follow the Christian pathway.

It seems that most of us are unable to free ourselves from the habit of wanting things badly. Christ's counsel and prayer for His disciples, that we should be in the world, yet not of the world, becomes ever harder for us to put into practice. We are daily, even hourly, being conditioned to accept the world's emphasis on consumer goods, the world's standards of fashion and sophistication, and the world's concept of morality. We are urged to become "fun" people, and in so many ways, both blatant and subtle, there is pressure brought to bear to persuade us that we do indeed need and want to be part of the scramble of modern life.

Almost certainly the primary emphasis of the adage given in the guise of Eastern philosophy is on the theme of romantic love. Equally as certain is the fact that one of the great dangers to God's church exists in this very area. These days we mention almost casually in conversation that yet another marriage in our group of acquaintances has broken up, that one partner has run out on the other, usually in company with an illicit love. Such events, rarely heard of in Adventist ranks even up until fairly recent times, are becoming commonplace now. Even Adventists, it seems, are accepting the world's dictum that if you are mismatched and unhappy you have every right, in the words of the poet, to shatter the sorry scheme of things and re-mould it nearer to the heart's desire.

J. W. Lehman, in the March, 1976, issue of the "Ministry" magazine, warns of the potential for destruction in the casual attitude adopted toward morality by today's society. After pointing out that even secular authorities are expressing concern at the "suicide of the sexes" and the consequent decline in the quality of life, Pastor Lehman states: "Since marriage is a union, a joining of two into one, a merging together so that one is identified with the other, anything that might injure one would in the same process harm the other who is united to that person. Therefore, anything that I do that hurts my wife would in the same process injure me. If this be true, a husband committing adultery, thereby causing heartache and other emotional injury to his wife, also in the process commits some injury to himself,"

And in a later paragraph Pastor Lehman points out: "In marital love there seems to be some dimension or quality that is enhanced and grows as it is showered exclusively upon one person. To such true love there comes a natural response of returned love and affection. It is this 'love returning' that warms the heart and makes us sense that we are desirable and accepted. It leads to more demonstrations of true love and then to more returned love; and onward the cycle leads, higher and higher, into a most intimate and exalted relationship. On the other side of the picture, adultery by either party breaks all of this, for in it there can be no expression of true love, since it is not exclusive—the essential quality in marital love."

Biologists use their own language to state that the "pair bond" can be in greater danger when no actual adultery has taken place. The words of the Saviour about committing adultery in the heart take on an added meaning. His message to the modern world is that homes can be destroyed and lives blighted by discontent, envy and jealousy; by vain and useless longings for the things that are not for the Christian. Truly our prayers should be for strength that will enable us to be set free from such thoughts.

Then there are those who could with reasonable truthfulness say that they have kept a close watch on their affections, that they have not harboured so much as a passing thought for the charms of either friend or stranger. Can they yet declare that they have never been guilty of wanting something very badly, so badly that it became a barrier between them and true communion with God?

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6: 33. Probably the one thing that Jesus' original hearers wanted most of all was to be freed from the bondage of the Romans.

We who live today in a world in which our highest hopes are not satisfied, must find a way of coming to terms with such a world. There are those whose bitter resentment at such a state of affairs causes illnesses, such as arthritis, gastric ulcers and asthma. We can be confined in a prison of our own making by setting our affections on the things of this earth, for they are often unattainable. Some of the best-known words of the Spirit of Prophecy give a reliable guide to us here: "Jesus does not release us from the necessity of effort, but He teaches that we are to make Him first and last and best in everything. We are to engage in no business, follow no pursuit, seek no pleasure, that would hinder the outworking of His righteousness in our character and life. Whatever we do is to be done heartily, as unto the Lord.

"Jesus, while He dwelt on earth, dignified life in all its details by keeping before men the glory of God, and by subordinating everything to the will of His Father. If we follow His example, His assurance to us is that all things needful in this life 'shall be added.' Poverty or wealth, sickness or health, simplicity or wisdom—all are provided for in the promise of His grace. . . The city of God will open its golden gates to receive him who learned while on earth to lean on God for guidance and wisdom, for comfort and hope, amid loss and affliction. The songs of the angels will welcome him there, and for him the tree of life shall yield its fruit. 'The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.' Isaiah 54: 10."—"The Mount of Blessing," pages 99, 100.

Thus, from the pen of inspiration and the thoughts of a Christian minister, the message to our hearts is that we cannot, of ourselves, set our desires free. We continue to cherish those things that never belonged to us and in so doing cause pain to those around us and weaken the witness of the church in the world.

The final stanza of a hymn we often sing has a relevant message to this theme:

"The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from Thy throne,
And worship only Thee."

Whether the idols that claim our fullest intensity of feeling are human, or whether we are caught up in some other snares of the devil's devising, we can claim the assurance that the Lord will set us free from them. In return, the choice blessings that will come to us will be ours indeed, in a way that no Chinese proberb could ever match.

JAMES H. RABE.

SUMMER SCHOOL POPULAR

The "Lake Macquarie Herald," January 15, 1976

A SUCCESSFUL ten-day summer school finished at Avondale College last week-end. The college threw open its doors to young and old, offering them a range of subjects from Biblical history to welding.

More than one hundred people took the opportunity to attend the courses and to relax in the quiet college atmosphere, with its swimming-pool and tennis-courts.

The school overlapped the musical festival by three days, so there was an added attraction.

Fibreglass work was one of the most popular classes. Under the tuition of Mr. Owen Cowley, the class built \$2,000 worth of items, including eleven canoes, two 3.9-metre boats, chairs, and plant containers. Mr. Cowley said members built a fibreglass canoe for about \$100, for which the retail cost is about \$300.

The welding class, under Mr. Warren Simmons, held three sessions a day. The students were mostly beginners, and were taken through the elementary part of electrical and oxy-welding.

Other classes included lay evangelism, homecraft, art and a five-day writers' seminar.

The Harvest Is Ready

G. H. JURY

Communication Secretary, Morphett Vale Church, South Australia

TODAY [March 8, 1976], across the little valley which fronts our church, we see a picture which must give inspiration to some; a square mile of beautiful food grapes are being harvested. We see forty-five or more people picking a harvest which must amount to hundreds of tonnes. There are seven tractors, each with a metallic trailer capable of carrying over a tonne, three of which are being loaded simultaneously, with two or three others standing by, waiting to be loaded as they are needed, while one or two more are on their way to and from the winepress.

It makes us feel that we should be so grateful to our generous and benevolent Creator, who supplies all this food, irrespective of what use we make of it. We cannot but realize how well God has cared



Mr. Owen Cowley, Manual Arts teacher at Avondale College, and Mr. Black, a student at the Summer School, work on a fibreglass canoe.

Photo: courtesy Newcastle Morning Herald.

for us in this harvest. It reminds us of another, more precious, harvest being reaped in our district. Many people are conducting a survey locally to find those who are waiting to be gathered in, not for the winepress, but for the heavenly kingdom where all will reap their own harvest.

Our winepress, the Morphett Vale church, South Australia, is now bursting at the seams as its seating capacity is severely taxed, but despite this, our present leaders are moving forward with a mighty gathering in of these souls, knowing that God will, in some way, enable them to find seating for all.

Full credit must go to our Pastor G. Youlden and his assistant, Brother E. Stewart. They are moving forward as Israel of old did when they faced the Red Sea, knowing that a way to accommodate all will be found by the One who told Joshua, "As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee."

Joshua 3: 7. I am sure our leaders will be greatly encouraged by this promise. I also feel sure they will claim this promise. Great preparation is being made for our forthcoming mission. The choir is practising, supporters are waiting to attend, handbills are being prepared and distributed. When the time has come, may God add His blessing to all these efforts, and may we all as God's people nurture the souls that will be found for His kingdom.

"The end is near, stealing upon us stealthily, imperceptibly, like the noiseless approach of a thief in the night. May the Lord grant that we shall no longer sleep as do others, but that we shall watch and be sober. The truth is soon to triumph gloriously, and all who now choose to be labourers with God, will triumph with it. The time is short; the night soon cometh when no man can work."—"Evangelism," page 692.

The Gentle Art of Courtesy

From a Morning Worship given by DR. J. M. COURT, at the Sydney Adventist Hospital

THE PLACE was Southern Portugal, also known as the Algarve, where I was holidaying with my family in 1971. On one particular afternoon, we made our way to the seaside town of Armacao de Pera. Through acres of vineyards we travelled, until we came in upon the esplanade, planted with palms. We pulled into a parking-place beneath a low palm tree, and the children bounded out.

My eldest boy, Adam, never at a loss to know what to do with his hands, began to pull a palm frond down for inspection. Immediately, the gardener, who was working nearby, looked over at us and shook his finger at the lad, indicating that he should not pull the palm leaves. He then bent his tall frame, plucked a flower from the garden, handed it to Adam, and raised his straw hat to my wife-all in the space of thirty seconds. Not a word was spoken. All was clearly understood. The whole exercise had been carried out by this large, thoroughly sun-tanned, craggy man with the skill and charm which would normally be associated with the professional diplomat. In fact, he was a simple peasant who had obviously learnt what happy human relations were all about, and how to cultivate and maintain them.

We, here, have had the advantage of an education. Some of us may even have attained some kind of a degree. Others hold high office in the church establishment. As Christians, it will all be for naught if we do not practise the gentle art of courtesy, which is an expression—a vital expression—of the divine quality of love. We can be courteous without being Christian, but we cannot be true, practising Christians without being courteous.

Greater Opportunities

Because of the nature of our many advantages and our modern society, the opportunities to make and maintain friendships are greater. There is no language barrier for us. How often, for instance, do we say, "Good morning" without addressing by name the person whom we are greeting, when we are well aware of it. Perhaps we have forgotten momentarily, or are too tired, or, alas, it may indicate a lack of respect and Christian charity.

Words and actions can never be regarded as being detached from the person from whom they emanate. They indicate consciously and subconsciously some facet of our attitude to the person to whom we are addressing ourselves. If we are indifferent or bad-mannered, this indicates several things. First, it indicates that we do not care for the person whom we are addressing, or second (and this is what the speaker sometimes forgets), that discourtesy serves to show what we are, not the nature of the person who is the object of our discourtesy.

Very often, our lapses of courtesy can be put down to thoughtlessness and to the fact that we are really not accustomed to being constantly courteous. We keep such fripperies for when it is absolutely necessary to be polite. How often have we heard someone say, "I'm straightforward and down-to-earth. I can't be bothered with all that stuff."

Small Courtesies

Any of you who have the privilege of working with consistently courteous people will know how much sweeter, and altogether delightful a day can be when consistent courtesy is practised. The fact is that difficult and embarrassing situations can be quickly passed over, or smoothed out, by the right word, action, or facial expression. Solomon tells us how important the soft answer is, not only, I believe, to turn away wrath, but to keep the ship of human relationships floating



smoothly. The little things are important. "Please," "Thank you," "Do you mind," "I wonder if you could (or would) do this for me," "I'd be grateful if," etc. Even if we do feel a natural reluctance on occasions, for whatever reason, to be courteous to someone, if at least we can remember some of the basic introductions or responses, we can save the day with the right word. Let us not equate honesty and frankness with plain, unvarnished bad manners. We can be both honest, frank and good - mannered under all circumstances.

As difficulties arise, we can ask and be certain to receive the help of God to succeed. Mrs. White tells us that Jesus never hurt anyone needlessly. He was

ever courteous, and often to some unlovely characters.

Let us, as we begin today, remember that courtesy springs directly from love, and if we are not courteous, we show a lack of this divine quality. With God's help, let us pay attention to the little courtesies, as they will make the large ones seem the more genuine, and our place of work will be even as our homes should be—a foretaste of heaven.

HOW TO PRAY

- Pray where you are. God is present everywhere and ready to listen.
- 2. Pray when possible in a quiet spot where you can be alone. It is well to fix your mind deliberately on God, apart from confusing distractions.
- 3. Pray to God simply and naturally, as to a friend. Tell Him what is on your mind. Get help from the prayers of others.
- 4. Pray, remembering the good things God has done for you. Reckon up your blessings from time to time and give thanks for them.
- 5. Pray for God's forgiveness for the unworthy things that you may have done. He is near to a humble and contrite heart.
- 6. Pray for the things that you need, especially for those that will make your life finer and more Christlike.
- Pray for others, remembering the situations they confront and the help they need.
- 8. Pray for the world in its need, asking God to bring better things, and offering your plan to help Him.
- 9. Pray above everything else that God's will may be done in you and in the world. His purposes are deeper and wiser than anything we can imagine.
- 10. Pray, and then start answering your prayer.
 - —Deane Edwards, "Canadian Union Messenger."

Evolution?

Although there is nothing to this idea of evolution proposed by Dr. Charles Darwin, some church folk seem stubborn as mules about church work, sly as a fox in their own business dealings, busy as bees in spreading the latest gossip, blind as a bat to the world's needs, quiet as a mouse in spreading the gospel; but have eyes like a hawk to see the mote in their brother's eye. They are eager as a beaver about a fete or a barbecue, but lazy as a dog about prayer meetings; mean as snakes when things do not go their way, but gentle as a lamb when they need the pastor's aid; noisy as crows for the church to advance, but slow as snails in visiting the unchurched. Many are night owls on Saturday night, but bed bugs on Sunday morning; slippery as eels on Sunday night, and scarce as hen's teeth during missions.

-"New Life Publications," submitted by Pastor L. N. Hawkes.

Golden Wedding

MRS. E. SMITH Secretary, Health and Welfare Society, Hamilton Church, New Zealand

WHAT A GREAT DAY it was for Mr. and Mrs. Anderson of Hamilton, New Zealand, on April 8, 1976, when they celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary! It was the privilege of twenty or so Welfare ladies and Pastor and Mrs. Wolfe to pay a special visit to them. We did try to keep it a secret, but somehow the news got ahead of us to them that they were having special visitors that afternoon.

On arriving at the Anderson home we were greeted by Mrs. Anderson at the door. She certainly looked surprised! She was given a very nice shoulder spray, and Mr. Anderson, who is not in the best of health, had a buttonhole of flowers pinned to his coat lapel. The bridesmaid of fifty years ago was present and she, too, received a beautiful floral tribute. She spoke very highly of her love for Mr. and Mrs. Anderson who had through the years been lovely Christian friends to her. They all exchanged reminiscences of long ago, and would love to live it all over again.

Pastor Wolfe gave a short devotional talk of how through their love of God, their marriage has been so successful. Many marriages today last barely fifty days instead of fifty years. Mrs. Hedges rendered an appropriate poem which was presented to the happy couple. Two beautiful arrangements of flowers graced the lounge, showing the love and esteem with which the people present regard Mr. and Mrs.



Friends from the Hamilton Dorcas and Welfare Society gather with Mr. and Mrs. Paterson on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Photo: Chris Jones

Anderson. To add to the happy occasion, Chris Jones, a young lad whom the Andersons brought up with his twin sister, surprised them by taking time off work to come and take coloured photos of the gathering.

A very nice decorated cake, given by one of the guests present, was there to adorn the tea-table. We all enjoyed a delicious meal put on by the Welfare ladies.

During the past eight or nine years, Mrs. Anderson has made many beautiful toys for little children in hospital. She gets such joy making the toys, and the children also get much joy from them.

We ladies here in Hamilton save all small bits of material, fur, and laces. These are used to make the toys.

Hamilton Health and Welfare Society is proud to be associated with Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, and we rejoice that we were able to help make their wedding anniversary a memorable Christian occasion.

Nunawading's Appealing Children

G. V. PALMATEER, Communication Secretary, Nunawading Church, Victoria



Mrs. Della Gough, assistant church evangelism leader, interviews eight-year-old Robiena at Nunawading church during the 1976 Appeal for Missions.

Photo: G. V. Palmateer.

"THE CHILDREN of the Nunawading church did a fabulous job," said Mrs. Della Gough, Missionary Appeal leader. Their stories were used as a promotion during the campaign.

Interviewing them with the microphone from the Sabbath school platform during the missionary service, she began with Timothy and Brendon, who excitedly told how they met the famous cricketer, Ian Redpath, who gave them a "big" donation and said, "You are doing a very good work."

Owen and Mark received a friendly gift from a Chinese lady. Since she was unable to speak "Australian," they showed her the special canvas in Chinese.

Another little eight-year-old girl who had just moved to Melbourne with her parents, continued her Appeal enthusiasm after collecting \$17 in Albury.

Mrs. Reg Brown, Pathfinder counsellor, took her group out one at a time and introduced them. However, Robiena, being very enthusiastic, took over the canvass, telling the story of medical help to the lepers, and how fifty per cent of the children would be able to continue their education beyond primary level. Drawing attention to the \$100 donation in the Appeal magazine, she assured her listener that this amount would train a nurse like the one pictured on the front of the magazine, then turning the last page said, "They say a big thank you, and so would I!"

The story was never finished, but who knows what effect this appeal may have!

We admire the example of these eightyear-olds, and are thrilled with their missionary zeal and enthusiasm.

There used to be a time when our collecting cards showed only a 3d. or 1/3 for a hard day's work, but today the appeal is so positive, so outreaching and rewarding, the light of God's evangelism shines everywhere. Nunawading has almost reached the \$5,000 mark for its appeal.



Pathfinder Directors Mr. and Mrs. M. Green. Photos: R. J. Porter, except where indicated.

"The Pathfinders Can't Do It"

ROBERT J. PORTER, Lay Activities Director, South Australian Conference

THAT IS WHAT the "by-standers" said. They were wrong. The Pathfinders did do it, and to the glory of God. It seemed that divine Providence worked overtime giving the Pathfinders outstanding success. It took them less time than it often takes the "by-standers" to get started. It took just four Friday evenings.

It all started with the 1975 Appeal for Missions campaign at the Adelaide City church. Pastor Peter Jack, in his typically enthusiastic way, challenged the Pathfinders to reach a goal of \$1,500 in four Friday evening sorties into the concrete jungles of Adelaide.



A unique and improbable way to deliver a canvass.

Intrepid Pathfinder leaders Milton and Jan Green soon gave evidence that they were not of the immature quality suggested by their names. Word soon spread through the rank and file of the Pathfinder corps that a water-melon feast was in the offing every Friday evening. All you had to do to qualify was march around the sultry streets of Adelaide for two and a half hours each Friday evening, knocking on doors, asking for donations. Anybody and everybody knows that "Adelaidians" can't refuse giving to a dehydrated Pathfinder with a hang-dog look, wilting on their doorstep.

The first big night presented itself in garments of searing, century heat. Not deterred, the skate-boards were oiled, the bikes were given a last-minute overhaul, cars were crammed full of eager, pecuniary solicitors of the "root of all evil"; and soon the coffers were full to the brim—and overflowing, may I add, to the tune of 500 well-earned dollars. Their splendid effort makes good arithmetic:

- 1 pastor
- + 2 Pathfinder directors
- + 3 assistant directors
- + 35 Pathfinders
- + 4 nights
- = \$2,000

The tutorials had to be good. Pathfinders Trevor and Martin Stohr gave evidence of this by each returning with a crisp \$100 cheque.

The success story continues in 1976, as does the water-melon donated by a "generous supporter of all worth-while projects"—Brother Tebor Shelley. This year these was no languishing of the spirit, even though we had lost the drive and enthusiasm of Pastor Jack.

To fill the gap, T.A.U.C. Lay Activities director Pastor Ephraim Giblett, South

Australian Conference president, Pastor W. A. Townend, and South Australian Conference Lay Activities director, Pastor R. Porter, responded to a Macedonian call for help. Any hesitation vanished when they were told about the water-melon feast.

Sooner than you could guess, every Pathfinder was on the tramp. The Stohr boys came with their hundreds, others with their fifties, the pastors with their tens, and some with the old excuse, "We had to drive." But the grand total was:

- 3 pastors (one had to drive)
- + 2 Pathfinder directors
- + 3 assistant directors
- + 35 Pathfinders
- + 4 nights
- = \$2,480.



Tebor Shelley, donor and carver of the thirsty A

Pastor Peter Jack will have to work hard with the "Kiwis" in Christchurch to better that one!

What motivated "our kids" to such soliciting accomplishments and heights of achievement? Was it the drive of the minister? Or was it maybe the watermelon feast? Was it the scheming ingenuity of the Pathfinder directors? Was it the tongue-hanging-out, just-can't-wait, urge to be out in blistering, century heat, walking on burning, toe-shrivelling cement footpaths? Just what was the motive? Let's hear the answer from some of our young people:

CESLOW MUCHA: "I enjoy collecting for Ingathering because I enjoy the company and fellowship of the Pathfinders.



is the centre of eager attention for the athfinders.



From left: Trevor Stohr, Martin Stohr, and Mrs. J. Green. The Stohr brothers each received a cheque for \$100.

Also, it gives a sense of achievement to be able to collect for a good cause and know you are doing something for Christ."

LOUISE VALDEREMAO: "I enjoyed Ingathering this year with the Pathfinders because of the experiences and togetherness we shared, the people you meet in Adelaide, the satisfaction of knowing you are helping further the Lord's work in less fortunate countries."

TINA VALDEREMAO: "I enjoy collecting for the Appeal for Missions because I like to meet and talk to people (not so much their dogs), and tell them what I am doing. I also get a feeling of satis-

faction when I am doing God's work. I like the way our leaders encourage us to go on to our aim. I love being with the rest of the club and joining in with the fantastic fellowship we have. It is not so much the reward we get (even though I enjoy the water-melon), it is the satisfaction we get out of helping other people who are not as fortunate as we are."

They said, "It can't be done." But it is being done, and more so, we believe, as the great day approaches.

Ellen White says, "Our youth, rightly trained . . . a power for good." I believe that. Don't you?



The happy group in the Adelaide City church, replete with water-melon and \$2,480 collected on Appeal for Missions. Pastors Townend, Porter and Giblett are at the extreme right.

Andrews President Accepts New Position

BERRIEN SPRINGS. — Dr. Richard Hammill announces that he will resign as president of Andrews University, effective June 1976, to accept the post of vice-president of the General Conference of Seventh day Adventists in Washington, D.C.

As a vice-president of the General Conference, Dr. Hammill's duties and responsibilities in the field of education will be assigned by the president of the General Conference.

Of Dr. Hammill's administration at Andrews University, Willis J. Hackett, chairman of the board of trustees, states; "Dr. Hammill has distinguished himself as a great educator and leader in the Seventhday Adventist Church. His vision and dedication is unparalleled.

"His work in the development of Andrews University as an educational centre has been appreciated by Adventist Church administrators in the United States and around the world. He has been elected to this new position because of his foresight in educational planning, his broad experience and his professional competence."

Dr. Hammill, 62, has been president of Andrews University since 1963. When I took over," he said, "the board of trustees had only recently established the university. I have always viewed Andrews as an emerging university, with the first phase as the development of basic facilities, as increasing teaching and research faculty and as a development of graduate education.

New Leadership

"In accepting the new post after thirteen years at Andrews," he continued, "I felt that it was important for the further development of the institution to have new leadership that will be able to give impetus to a new phase in the development and maturation of this university.

"In addition, several vacancies in the administrative staff would make it an opportune time for a new president to take over," said Dr. Hammill.

"In my new post I will work with the development of Seventh-day Adventist higher education, with an emphasis on education in overseas seminaries. This area has been of special interest to me."

During Dr. Hammill's presidency at Andrews University the operating budget for the university has nearly quintupled from the 1963-64 figure of over \$4 million, to over \$20 million for the budgeted year of 1976-77.

The value of plant assets in 1963 was over \$8 million. During the past thirteen years the plant value has increased to almost \$24 million. The major building projects during Dr. Hammill's administration

have included 236 units for married student housing; Meier Hall, the men's residence; Lamson Hall-West, women's residence; the Administrative Building; the swimmingpool and Beaty Gymnasium.

Other buildings include the Ruth Murdoch Elementary School; the Dairy Complex; Plant Service Building; College Wood Products Warehouse; Custodial Building; Bell Hall; the University Plaza and the James White Library addition, which is in progress.

The last major building project was the Science Complex, consisting of three buildings housing the chemistry, physics, mathematics, engineering and biology departments

There have also been significant investments in landscaping and campus beautification, and the campus acreage has more than doubled, from 700 to over 1,400 acres.

During Dr. Hammill's administration, the opening enrolments increased 75 per cent from 1,516 in 1963 to 2,655 in 1976.

Dr. Hammill has encouraged and aided in securing full accreditation with the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for all work done on a collegiate and graduate level.

Accreditation

Andrews University received formal accreditation from five national accrediting bodies. These included the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, The American Dietetics Association, the National Association of Schools of Music, the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, and the National League for Nursing.

Full-time faculty at Andrews has increased from approximately eighty to about 180, and the faculty members holding earned doctorates increased from fewer than fifty to over 100.

Nineteen one-year vocational programmes, twenty-two two-year associate degree programmes, sixty-four four-year programmes leading to a B.A. or B.S., twelve Master of Arts in Teaching, five M.A., and five doctoral programmes have been added. The doctoral programmes include a doctorate of education in educational administration, educational psychology and counselling, and religious education; a doctorate of ministry, and a doctorate of theology.

Of major significance was the addition of a new school, the College of Technology.

Born in California, Dr. Hammill earned his Bachelor of Theology degree at Walla Walla College, College Place, Washington, his Master of Arts degree at Andrews University, and Ph.D. degree at the University of Chicago.

He started his career in 1936 as a minister in the State of Washington, and went to the Far East in 1940 as a missionary. He was interned with his wife and son



Dr. Richard Hammill, president of Andrews University.

in a Japanese prison camp in the Philippine Islands during World War II.

After the war, he was appointed a professor of religion at Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tennessee, and later served as the academic dean of that institution until being appointed as associate secretary of the Education Department of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in 1955. The Andrews University board of trustees elected him president in 1863

An Established Author

Author of the "Judges" section of the Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary, Dr. Hammill also wrote the book, "In Full Assurance," and is a contributor to the books, "Problems in Bible Translation" and "Doctrinal Discussion." He has also written a number of magazine articles.

Dr. Hammill is a member of several service and professional organizations, including the Economic Club of Southwestern Michigan, the Michigan Colleges Foundation Incorporated, the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Michigan, the Michigan Association of Colleges and Universities, the American Association of Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities, the American Council on Education, and the Association of American Colleges.

He is married to the former Dena Tininenko, an employee in the Book Order Department of the Andrews University library. They have two children, Roger and Marcia.

"These past thirteen years have been delightful ones for me," he told the faculty, staff and students, "filled with much opportunity, with challenges, and with many happy times in association with all of you."

The new president will be elected by the board of trustees at a later date.

Records Broken in the Cook Islands

N. K. PEATEY

Communication Director, Central Pacific Union Mission

BROTHER TUTAI ARAMA, our literature evangelist in the Cook Islands, has recently set a new record with a single sale of thirty-one sets of A. S. Maxwell's "The Bible Story."

Brother Arama was trained in the work of literature evangelism in New Zealand where he lived for a number of years. Last year he and his wife worked as a team and were able to sell so many books that they were listed as having some of the highest sales in the Australasian Division.

However, Brother and Sister Arama are Cook Islanders by birth, and after a short holiday visit back to their home islands, during which time they were able to sell quickly the small supply of books they had with them, their hearts yearned for the day when they would be able to return and settle among their own people. Finally, at the end of 1975 these faithful workers paid their own way home and promptly

applied for the Cook Islands literature evangelist contract. This was quickly granted by the president, Pastor G. C. Porter, and his executive committee. Brother Arama had no sooner started than he realized the potential of the Government institutions, and thus began making appointments to present our beautiful publications to the departmental heads.

His first visit was to the Minister for Education in Rarotonga, before whom this worthy ambassador for Christ presented "The Bible Story" as a valuable asset to the libraries of the thirty Government schools situated in the Cook Islands. The Honourable Minister was very impressed with the clear presentation set out so beautifully in the colourfully illustrated volumes of "The Bible Story" and, after consultation with his aides, decided that this was just the work needed as a basic study set for religious instruction in each of his schools. The result was that thirty-one sets of "The Bible Story" were ordered immediately. The sale of virtually 310 books (ten books per set) in one order is believed to be a new record for the Australasian Division.

This sale naturally depleted Brother Arama's stocks, but he did have a good supply of the "Modern Ways to Health" sets. Therefore his next call was to the Government Health Department where he received permission to present his work to

the entire staff. Once more he was successful in taking a large order. Fourteen sets of "Modern Ways to Health" were sold, with one cheque being presented by the department on behalf of their employees, who will repay the department on a weekly basis.

Shortly after this our literature evangelist sold another three sets to the employees of the Post Office Department in one group sale.

But God is blessing Brother Arama in more ways than in straight sales. Being a deeply spiritual worker for Christ, he carries with him supplies of the Gift-Bible guides. Four homes have been opened for studies. One of these contacts is a retired inspector of Schools, another a judge in the Rarotonga Courts.

The work of selling Christian literature throughout the C.P.U.M. is virtually untapped. The challenge is great. The difficulties are enormous, because of the many language groups. However, despite these difficulties, the beautiful new Rarama Publishing House is geared to publish in each island's specific language, and God's printed page will be sown like the leaves of autumn. There are big things ahead. Pray that God's Spirit may raise up many more Tutai Aramas around these island territories, and thus spread the light of truth to every nation, kindred, tongue and people.

A first in Fulton colporteur evangelism . . .

LIKE A SMALL ARMY

LAWRENCE TANABOSE, Student Colporteur Leader

"LET YOUNG MEN of ability connect with experienced labourers in the great harvest field. Very many will succeed best by beginning with canvassing work and improving the opportunities afforded them for gospel ministry."—"Testimonies," Vol. 6, page 415.

As 1975 drew to a close, nine Fulton student colporteurs, hopeful and confident, went down to Suva to face the challenge awaiting them. They hoped that the encouragement and training given them by Pastor Knopper, the Division Publishing director, and Pastor Bradford, the director of the Theology Department at Fulton, would add to their success. Some of us had been colporteuring before, but for others it was to be a new experience.

Whatever our past sales experience might have been, we knew that in meeting the challenge we were fulfilling God's plan.

At Suva, the student colporteurs lived in the mission compound and were provided with accommodation and home facilities. Our normal daily programme saw us rising at 6 a.m., and 7 o'clock devotions were followed by breakfast. After that, we handed in our reports and sales from the previous day. New books were distributed, and we were assigned to our new territory.

Like a small army, we marched out to do battle for God each day. From door to door the soldiers of Christ went, with

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"This is the territory we shall cover." Photos: Communication Dept., Fulton College.



Tact, courtesy, and the agency of the Lord's Spirit have almost persuaded this lady to make an investment in Christian literature.

The Lord of the Harvest Is Ready

MARY STELLMAKER
Assistant Communication Director, North
New South Wales Conference

"IF OUR EARTHLY HARVESTS are joyous, what will be the joy of the final harvest when we enter our heavenly home?" asked Dr. A. Patrick as he commenced his Friday evening address in the Avondale Memorial church on March 12.

It was Harvest Thanksgiving week-end at our church. All day, many folk had been busy arranging the thanksgiving gifts in an attractive display. Now the church was resplendent in the good things created for our enjoyment by a loving heavenly Father. The beautiful fruits, vegetables, and flowers not only looked good; they smelt good too. The table of delicious-looking home-baked bread, which had been placed in front of the rostrum, reminded us that the Lord Jesus Himself said, "I am the Bread of Life."

But Dr. Patrick was directing our thoughts to our need to accept the challenge and responsibility that is ours, for we live in a unique time, and have a unique message. The Lord of the harvest wants to thrust in His sickle and reap. He is ready to reap His precious wheat, but His people-you and I-are responsible for the delay of that great announcement. In the "Review and Herald" of October 6. 1896, Ellen G. White wrote: "If those who claimed to have a living experience in the things of God had done their appointed work as the Lord ordained, the whole world would have been warned ere this. and the Lord Jesus would have come in power and great glory."

"The Lord's biddings are His enablings," said Dr. Patrick, and when we accept His promises and go forward in faith, He creates the reality. If we could taste the figs and pomegranates and fruits of the better land, we would be dissatisfied with anything less.

Our hearts were stirred in this, the first meeting of our Thanksgiving week-end, for thanksgiving surely means more than giving our pumpkins or grapes or bread! It is giving ourselves fully and completely in dedicated service, so that the work will soon be finished and we can go home to that better land.

The highlight of the Sabbath programme was the visit, for the fourth time to our church, of a bus-load of pensioners from the Newcastle Combined Pensioners Association. These folk have become our dear friends. We love them, and it is evident



Mr. Vern Stellmaker (left) chats with Mr. Bert Hough, the secretary of the Newcastle Combined Pensioners Association beside part of the display of fruit and vegetables in the Avondale Memorial church.

Photo: courtesy Newcastle Morning Herald.

they love us too, and are delighted to spend a Sabbath day with us. We take them home for lunch and some very wonderful friendships have been formed between our members and the pensioners.

At the conclusion of the afternoon programme, each pensioner or other visitor was presented with a basket of fruit by the Pathfinders wearing uniform. Let me share with you an extract from a letter written by the senior vice-president of the club. "Coming home on the bus, everyone said what a lovely day it was. We would also like to thank you for the lovely bas-

kets of fruit. It was a real surprise. I have been coming to your church every time and have made some wonderful friends. The church was lovely, especially when the sun shone on the flowers."

The sale of the Thanksgiving gifts on Saturday night raised \$936, which has been set aside to pay for the Adventist Aviation Association's trips out west by the aerial evangelist team from our church.

The joy of our Harvest Thanksgiving most certainly awakened in our hearts a longing for the greater joy of the heavenly harvest. May it be soon.

LIFE SKETCH OF PASTOR A. E. MAGNUSSON

W. J. RICHARDS

ANDERS ERNEST MAGNUSSON was born on April 11, 1901, in northern Victoria, and died on January 18, 1976, at the age of seventy-four years. He was the eldest of five sons in a family whose mother died when he was but ten years of age. His early work and responsibilities were mainly in connection with wheat farming.

Through the influence of an invalid neighbour, Anders Magnusson gave his life to the gospel ministry, and spent the years 1924-1929 at Avondale College in preparation for his life-work. After graduation, he was appointed to North Queensland for office and ministerial work.

He was married to Thelma Mason in 1932. There are two sons in the family, Eric and Ralph, and five grandchildren. Pastor Magnusson worked as a pastorevangelist in Tasmania, where he was ordained to the gospel ministry, and this was followed by periods of service in Victoria, North New South Wales, Greater Sydney and New Zealand. He also spent a period as Bible teacher at Avondale College. He was a keen student of the Scriptures, and his personal work earned him the respect and affection of congregations in many centres.

His nine years of retirement in North New South Wales were very happy and very active right up to the time of his last short illness. His faith was never stronger than in the last month, and he expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to experience the true meaning of the Christian's victory in the face of death. May we all be able to say, "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his."

Well Done!

Pastor A. H. Forbes, assistant to the treasurer, Australasian Division, advises that a number of workers have retired in recent months. In one case at least, retirement has still to take effect, but we take this opportunity of acknowledging the denomination's debt to those who have served so faithfully and well in so many departments. Most facets of the work are represented in this list of illustrious names. Our wish for them is that their retirement years may bring satisfaction and joy as they see the onward progress of the work in which they had an active and rewarding part.

MISS OLIVE FISHER. Retired December 31, 1975. Employed P.N.G.U.M. 32 years' service.

MRS. J. A. A. McLAUGHLAN. Retired December 31, 1975. Employed Victorian Conference. 25 years' service.

MISS P. YETTIE. Retired December 31, 1975. Employed Sydney Adventist Hospital. 36 years' service.

V. T. DOUGLAS. Retired January 19, 1976. Employed Carmel S.H.F. Factory. 36 years' service.

MISS I. M. KING. Retired January 31, 1976. Employed Warburton Sanitarium and Hospital. 40 years' service.

PASTOR E. C. ROSENDAHL. Retired February 2, 1976. Employed South Queensland Conference. 37 years' service.

M. E. PARKINSON. Retired February 7, 1976. Employed Signs Publishing Company. 48 years' service.

PASTOR J. J. DEVER. Retired February 24, 1976. Employed C.P.U.M. 42 years' service

B. J. PASCO. Retired March 1, 1976. Employed Perth S.H.F. 19 years' service.

S. G. COZENS. Retired April 10, 1976. Employed Warburton S.H.F. 42 years' service.

A. P. CARR. Will retire July 31, 1976. Employed Adelaide S.H.F. Factory and Wholesale. 41 years' service.

"All are bound by the most sacred obligations to heed the sound philosophy and genuine experience which God is now giving them in reference to health reform. He designs that the subject shall be agitated and the public mind deeply stirred to investigate it; for it is impossible for men and women, while under the power of sinful, health - destroying, brain - enervating habits, to appreciate sacred truth."—
"Counsels on Health," page 21.



Pastor Paul Gordon, associate secretary of the Ellen G. White Estate, surrounded by a group of interested and attentive Avondale High School students.

Photo: M. Stellmaker.

High Schools Students and Ellen G. White

MARY STELLMAKER, Assistant Communication Director, North New South Wales Conference

OUR THREE HIGH SCHOOLS in the North New South Wales Conference enjoyed a visit from Pastor Paul Gordon in the week following the opening of the Ellen G. White Research Centre at Avondale College on February 22.

At each of our schools — Hamilton, Murwillumbah, and Avondale — Pastor Gordon spoke to individual classes so that he could establish a more personal relationship with the children. He related many incidents from Mrs. White's life, which helped our young people to picture her as a very real person; and this, of course, stimulated interest in her writings.

Ordination

D. E. HAY President, Western Pacific Union Mission



The two new pastors and their families.

THE ORDINATION of two workers took place at the Eastern Solomons Session on Sabbath, April 4, 1976. The men received into the gospel ministry were Pastor Peter Duna, district director of Bellona Island, and Pastor Kaleatu Keke, evangelist, East Guadalcanal.

Pastor D. E. Hay, Union president, preached the ordination sermon, and Pastor Drelly offered prayer. The charge to the candidates was given by Pastor Pellie; and Pastor Elisha Goropava, president of the Eastern Solomon Islands Mission, welcomed the two new pastors to the ranks of ordained ministers.

[No identification came with the photograph, except the stamp on the back declaring it to be the work of Un Tak Fook. The editorial staff hazarded a guess and plumped for Pastor Peter Duna and family to be the party at the left of this charming group.]

LIKE A MIGHTY ARMY (Concluded from page 11)

bright smiles on their faces. It was not an easy job, for we were often confronted with discouragement, fierce dogs and bitter opposition, but because of God's help and guidance, the colporteurs emerged successful and blessed at the end of their effort.

Each day the colporteurs would work long hours, endeavouring to place God's Word in every home. Climate and weather combined to make the work more difficult. The young men usually came home at about 7 or 8 p.m. A light tea was followed by some brief relaxation, private devotions and retiring, in order to gain new strength for the next day.

The towns of Lautoka and Nadi (the site of the international airport) were also "invaded" by the Fulton colporteurs. As student leader, I was at Nadi supervising the canvassing when I experienced God's guidance in a very definite way. This is how it happened:

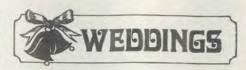
While I was canvassing in the Vatulevu area late one afternoon, the owner of a house shouted out an invitation when I walked past his home. I was still making my way up the stairs, when he enquired whether I was selling children's religious books. "Yes," I replied politely. Inviting me into his home, he told me that he had dreamed about these books prior to my visit.

God does and will work in many wonderful ways in answer to our prayers. Why not follow the example of the Fulton ministerial colporteur evangelists during this year and experience God's guidance?

The total sales of our 1976 campaign amounted to more than \$F3,000.

In the near future the newly completed Rarama Press in Fiji will increase the number of books printed in the various national languages of the Pacific, and we are awaiting the day when many more colporteurs will go forth. The Holy Spirit will water the seed planted.

Please pray that this work of putting God's Word into all the unreached homes may be carried forward to hasten Christ's return.



Would those who send notices of weddings and obituaries please remember that two facts must be included in every notice. These are the date and the place at which the death (or burial) or wedding took place. Without this information the notices cannot be published. Correspondents are reminded that wedding details must be limited to ninety words and obituaries to one hundred and twenty words.—Editor.

HARCH-GROOM. On the evening of April 10, 1976, at Woodridge, Brisbane, Queensland, a very happy event was witnessed, when Daphne Berenice Harch and Wiffred Winston Groom joined hands in the sacred estate of matrimony. Our best wishes go with the happy couple, praying that God will bless their home, and grant that in a little while they shall be among those who will take part in the glories of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb with all the saved in the kingdom of God.

KING-EAGLE. Glenda Eagle and Michael King were united in marriage at the Rotorua Adventist church on Sunday, March 26, 1976. These young people join the respective Rotorua families of Mrs. D. King and Mr. and Mrs. E. Eagle, in closer fellowship. We pray that Heaven's benediction will rest upon this young couple, so that their union will bring honour to God's name and cause.

J. Ludlow.

LOWE-BANNERMAN. John Lowe and Beverley Bannerman chose as the trysting place for their marriage on Friday, April 16, the Moorool-bark Presbyterian church, Victoria. Sunshine, colourful floral arrangements, the music of organ and violin, a church filled to capacity, and the consciousness of the presence of the Spirit of God combined to make this a very happy occasion. May the blessing of God be upon the new home that will be established at Mount Dandenong in Victoria. G. W. W. Drinkall.

PRISGROE-ROWAN. At 2.30 on Sunday afternoon, April 18, 1976, the first wedding in the Numurkah Adventist church, Victoria, took place. Sarah Ellen, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rowan of Cobram, Victoria, met Richard Eric, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Prisgrove of Alice Springs, Northern Territory, at the altar, where they became husband and wife. Although Ella was born in Ireland, and Richard in England, they met while Ella, a graduate nurse of Sydney Adventist Hospital, was working in Alice Springs. Many friends and relatives witnessed this happy union and wished them God's special blessing as they establish another Christian home in Alice Springs.

H. G. P. Miller.

TATTERSALL-AMOS. On Sunday, March 21, 1976, in the Hamilton Seventh-day Adventist church, New Zealand, John Peter Tattersall and Coral Linda Amos pledged themselves to a life union in holy matrimony. The bride is a member of the well-known and highly respected Amos family. Her parents, Brother and Sister Ray Amos, reside in Kerikeri, where John and Coral will be making their home. They will be welcomed as a useful addition to the Kaikohe church. Many relatives and friends were at the wedding to wish them God's blessing. A. F. J. Kranz.

WEBB-WHYTE. Michael Webb and Lenise Whyte met while they were students at La Trobe University. The developing friendship was made beautiful by their interest and belief in the Word of God. Beauty, serenity, simplicity—all were part of the garden wedding enjoyed by relatives and friends on March 1, 1976, at Ascot House, Ascot Vale, Victoria. These two young people are both active members of the "Save the Earth" committee, a youth outreach from the Preston Seventh-day Adventist church. As the attention of the newly-married couple is focussed on Jesus, their home will be another light in a darkening world.

James M. Johanson.

GOOD

WITH SALLY HAMMOND



Children and their lunches can often pose a problem to a mother trying to give them nourishing food. For a meat-eater it is so easy to open a tin or jar of sandwich spread and use that, but what do you do if you do not eat meat?

Here is a recipe which was passed on to me, and which I hope will be of help to you.

SANDWICH SPREAD

1 cup TVP Mince (Vitaburger)

1 medium onion, chopped

2 tablespoons oil

½ packet or approximately 2 tablespoons dry soup mix (tomato or tomato and vegetable).

Soak TVP in enough hot water to just cover till absorbed (about 10 mins). Meanwhile sauté onion in the oil. Add TVP and stir till it dries out a little. Stir in soup mix. Store in the refrigerator.

TILL HE COMES

BROWN. On April 20, 1976, Elfreda Maria Brown finally laid down life's burdens after a prolonged illness. An evangelistic campaign was conducted in the city of Launceston, Tasmania, in 1942, by Pastor Nelson Burns, assisted by Pastor Ben Cormack. In December of that year, Mrs. Brown was baptized. Through the years that followed she was faithful and true to the message that she loved. She was buried in the Carr Villa Cemetery in Launceston, where words of comfort and hope were spoken to the relatives and friends, who sadly mourn their loss.

B. E. Bobin.

MAGNUSSON. Anders Ernest Magnusson fell asleep in Jesus at the Rathmines Hospital, New South Wales, January 18, 1976, after thirty-seven years of faithful service for his Lord. He entered the work in January 1930, as secretary-treasurer of the North Queensland Mission. This was followed by many years in evangelical and pastoral work. He was also Bible teacher at Avondale College for a time. He was a lover of the Bible, and it was his guide and strength. In later years the resurrection hope became especially dear to

his heart. His wife and two sons, Ralph and Eric (the latter is the well-known principal of Avondale College) mourn his passing, but they sorrow not as those that have no hope. Pastor W. J. Richards and the writer conducted the funeral service at the Avondale Cemetery. G. Burnside.

MURPHY. Though called to rest from life's labours on April 1, 1976, Sister Hene Murphy will long be remembered for her cheerfulness and friendliness. Many friends and relatives gathered in Central Church, Brisbane, Queensland, on April 5, as we recounted the Lord's goodness in her life, and then laid her to rest at the Pinnaroo Lawn Cemetery. Long had she laboured for her Lord, and her blessed assurance was in Jesus. With confidence we point the maphers of her With confidence we point the members of her family to that great resurrection morning so soon to come, when we all, if faithful, may greet our loyed one again.

H. G. Harker. loved one again,

MUDGE. Doris Bell Mudge, a loyal member of our Levin church, passed quietly to rest in the Palmerston North Hospital, New Zealand, on April 12, 1976. She was seventy-five years of age. She left to mourn her passing, her husband Mr. W. S. Mudge of Otaki and daughter Fiona. As we Adventists have no church in Otaki, the Maori of their historic Rangiatea church for the funeral service. Later, Sister Mudge was laid to rest in the Otaki cemetery, there to await the call of the Life-giver.

RAETAHI. Brother Donna Raetahi died suddenly on February 17, 1976, just a few days after committing his life to his Maker and Redeemer. While he was not able to be baptized and received into church fellowship, we know that he had fellowship with Christ. In the absence of the writer, the funeral service and interment was conducted at the Onepu Marae by Brother Robson Erceg, who gave the assurance of a soon-coming Redeemer who will reunite loved ones. Brother Raetahi is survived by his wife, Sister Hine Raetahi, and also sons, daughters and grandchildren.

WADE. On Monday evening, April 19, 1976, Sister Tryphena Wade peacefully closed her eyes in sleep in the belief that she will be awakened by her Lord at His coming. To her daughter, Sister Austin Cooke, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren we extend the comfort of the Scriptures, which guarantee to all who sleep in Jesus a glorious resurrection. Sister Wade had served the Lord as a colporteur for some time in Adelaide. During the past nine years she has been in the Charles Harrison Home. Unable to talk in her latter years, her mental alertness was evident by her sweet smile and disposition. These testified of her love for her Lord. Pastor A. Cooke and the writer conducted the service at the graveside in the Avondale Lawn Cemetery, Cooranbong, New South Wales.

L. C. Coombe.

WILLIAMS. Stanley Roy Williams was a kind Christian gentleman. Like his Master, Stan always went about doing good. This is the way he died at Bunbury on April 5, 1976, aged sixty-nine years, for it was while helping a friend in need that he collapsed and died. Brother Williams was one of the charter members of the Bunbury church in Western Australia. He was the first elder elected when the church was first organized. His widow, Eva, has the sure promise of meeting Stan soon when Jesus comes. Pastor Wilson and the writer conducted the services. I. Vickery.

YOUNG. Rita Margaret Young died on Thursday, April 8, 1976, in the Smithton General Hospital, Smithton, Tasmania. Since her acceptance of the third angel's message some forty-five years ago, she has been a tireless worker for the Lord. As a fully qualified nursing sister she followed her Lord's example by extending a loving healing ministry to many throughout the district. The large number present to say "farewell" showed that this ministry was greatly appreciated. To her children, Norman, Beverly and Annette, and their families, we commend the hope of a someoming Saviour and a glorious resurrection. Pastor C. S. Adams, Conference president, assisted the writer.

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FLASHPOINT

- DELIGHTFUL WEATHER is the news from North Queensland on the occasion of their annual camp meeting. Everyone is delighted, too, with the response to the Missions Appeal programme on the first Sabbath afternoon. A grand total of \$10,995 was received, more than double the previous highest figure of \$5,014 received in 1974. They are praising God and thanking Him for the faithfulness of His people in North Queensland.
- ★ Speaking of campers: No doubt you heard that the bushfire at Menglers Hill, South Australia, was started by the Pathfinders holding a Camporee there. Not so. Pastor John Banks declares it to be just one of the many inaccurate reports circulating about the event. Despite the loss of personal property, Camporee leaders are happy to have escaped a major disaster, which it could well have been, had it started up at night. The Youth Department and the South Australian Conference are sponsoring a Bushfire Appeal to compensate those who sustained losses.
- The continuing saga of the Vandeman It Is Written Seminars shifts to the Victorian scene. Outstanding successes are reported from Melbourne and Ballarat. Seven hundred and sixty participants entered into a full-day Bible study programme with enthusiasm, and listened with rapt attention as Pastor George Vandeman and Pastor George Knowles unfolded the secrets contained in Revelation 12, and the condition of man after death. Regional seminars in Ballarat, Preston, Burwood, Nunawading, Glenhuntly, Spotswood, Coburg and Dandenong have recorded over 200 people earnestly waiting to study further into the series.
- Congratulations are due to Brother Eddie Craig, principal of the Adventist Primary School in Muswell-brook, New South Wales. After nine years of study by correspondence, Eddie was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Educational Studies at the Queensland University. The Muswellbrook Primary School commenced activities at the beginning of this year, and their principal can now put the letters B.Ed.St. after his name. We rejoice with Eddie, and with the children of Muswellbrook who will be taught by a Christian and a scholar.
- Farewells are being offered at the Australasian Division office in Sydney to Brotheer Tulagi Sifoni who has worked for the past year in the Treasury Department. Brother Sifoni and family are returning to his native Solomon Islands, where he will serve as accountant for the Western Pacific Union Mission. Tulagi's colleagues at the Treasury have appreciated his work, and join in wishing him much of the Lord's blessing in the island mission field.
- If you have spent your annual leave at Surfers Paradise for the past eighteen years or so, you could well give some thought to a Positive Alterna-

tive. The recently arrived issue of the magazine "Better Living" advises that the Second World Congress of the International Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism will convene at Acapulco, Mexico, August 22-27. Using the theme, "Positive Alternatives to False Dependencies," a programme of prevention of alcoholism and drug dependency will be spotlighted. The Princess Hotel in Acapulco offers superb facilities for the congress at special rates. Plan now to attend this event of a lifetime! World leaders and leading personalities will be present to ensure that this will be a first-class presentation. Write to the ICPA Executive Director, 6830 Laurel Street NW, Washington, D.C., 20012, for information.

- From Papua New Guinea Union Mission, Pastor L. A. Smith, president, writes: "During March and April, I have been privileged to visit every institution and local mission headquarters in the P.N.G.U.M. In every place plans are already under way for a strong and active soul-winning programme during 1976. There were 4,883 baptisms in P.N.G. in 1975." It almost seems that the live-wire president is already thinking in terms of eclipsing that figure in 1976.
- → ON FURLOUGH: Brother and Sister Gordon Taylor and their two children are in Wahroonga at the present time. The Taylors are on furlough from the Papua New Guinea Mission, where Brother Taylor has been Officer in Charge at the Togoba Hansenide Hospital near Mount Hagen.
- Also seen at Wahroonga recently was Dr. Heath Rowsell, from the 135-bed hospital in Bandung, Indonesia. Dr. Rowsell has had an extensive stay in the East, having served in Adventist mission hospitals in Rangoon and Karachi, in addition to his present appointment. He was home briefly, following the death of his father. We extend our sympathy to the Rowsells at this time.
- Probably the largest boarding secondary school operated by the denomination is the Rusangu Secondary School in Zambia. Last year the enrolment stood at 620, and a dream was fulfilled when a church seating 1,000 worshippers was added to the compound. Services had previously been held in the dining-hall. Home to tell us all about this and to visit her family is Mrs. Betty Palmer, wife of Pastor Nelson W. Palmer. He is the Bible teacher at the school.
- Avondale students of 1957 and 1958 will remember Murray S. Wood. A note in the Loma Linda Campus Highlights mentions that he has been appointed to the position of Assistant Administrator for Clinical Services. Some of his responsibilities, selected at random, are: Neurodiagnostic Laboratory, Respiratory Care, Pulmonary Care, Orthotics and Prosthetics, Chromosome Analysis, and a number of functional areas. All in all, it seems his master's degree in Health Care Administration will come in handy.
- INGATHERING. The seventh official bulletin from the Trans-Australian Union brings word that 111.85 per cent of last year's total has been reached. In cash terms this is \$397,597 as against \$355,472. In the T.A.U.C., every Conference has gone over the top, with the most impressive escalation coming from Tasmania, which achieved a 25.11 increase on the 1975 figure. Then came Victoria with a 17.49 lift. Splendid work from everybody!
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