

## A Dry Bone?

By L. E. SMART, Educational and MV Secretary

Atlantic Union Conference

There isn't much inspiration in contemplating on a dry bone, is there? And yet, the Lord taught a very valuable lesson by calling the attention of the prophet to a heap of dry bones. Dry bones make a rather dead subject, but let us look at the Scripture which tells of the experience of Ezekiel.

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones. And caused me to pass by them round about; and beyond, there were very many in the open valley and, lo, they were very dry (Ezek. 37:1, 2).

Dry bones — dead, generally considered useless and valueless — completely inactive and uninspiring. Even a dog is not interested in a dry bone he wants one with a little something left in it or on it. Dry bones, once they were part of a living being, but now there is no life. What was it that made these bones dry bones instead of part of a living being? As we read on in the thirty-seventh chapter of Ezekiel, we find how the Word of God came to these dry bones, "and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceedingly great army" (verse 10).

They were the same bones—what made the difference in them? It was the Word of God. Jesus said, "My words are life." What kind of an experience are you having? Do you find that your spiritual experience is dry, lacking in interest and vitality? Are you enjoying a living, growing, changing, progressive experience?

The fountain of life is the mind, or

the heart, as it is sometimes called in the Bible. The psalmist tells us how to avoid the dry-bone experience; "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Ps. 119:11). Over the years that I have worked, especially with young people, I have discovered that they sometimes hide things that they feel a little guilty about possessing. They hide things of which they are a bit ashamed.

In the early days of our country it was the custom of the early settlers to plant pumpkin seed in the corn rows, and thus get a double crop at one time from the same piece of land-corn and pumpkins. One pioneer farmer had his cornfield planted and the green shoots were just breaking the ground. Having other work to do he assigned his young son the task of planting the pumpkin seed at intervals along the rows of corn. The boy took his basket of seed and his hoe and began the arduous chore. He walked down a corn row, paused, dug a shallow hole, dropped in a couple of pumpkin seeds, covered them, walked on a couple of paces, and repeated the operation. The hot sun beat down on him, and he grew very, very weary of the monotony of his task. He thought of the old swimming hole, and the happy shouts of his young neighbors coming from the cool pool caused him to feel that his lot in life was indeed very difficult. Suddenly he came to a large flat stone nearly buried in the soil between the rows of corn. Looking at the stone, an idea suddenly came to

his mind. Moving the stone, he scooped out some dirt, and then emptied his whole basket of seed in the hole, and carefully replaced the stone. Soon he was enjoying a swim with his friends. Later his father asked him if he had planted all the pumpkin seed. "Oh, yes sir, I planted every seed. . . ." And he had. However, after a week or so had passed, his father invited him to visit the cornfield with him, and there to his great dismay, he saw not only neat rows of rapidly growing corn, and bright little pumpkins springing up along many of the rows, but he saw hundreds of little pumpkins sprouting up around the stone.

That which may be thought to be safely hidden from the sight and knowledge of others, has a way of coming to light. Evil thoughts cherished in the mind will eventually bear fruit.

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life (Prov. 4:23). As we said before, often in the Bible when the word 'heart' is used, it actually refers to the mind. To modernize our verse it would read, "Guard your mind with care, for it influences and directs the life."

The mind is a very interesting thing. It is very much like a trunk that you pack. You can carefully plan a trip, and pack into your trunk many things that you wish to take on your journey, but when you travel and reach the end of your journey, you take out of that trunk only those things that you have put into it. For the journey through life, what are you packing in your mind? Those things that will give you a living, satisfactory experience? or are you packing away those things that dry up the soul?

Many times I have observed an individual, sitting alone, looking of into space, completely oblivious to all that is transpiring around them. "What are

you thinking about?" I ask them suddenly. They start, blink their eyes, and reply, "Oh, nothing." But that is not the truth, the mind is always working during the waking hours of all normal individuals. We are never occupied thinking about nothing. The mind is occupied with thoughts, and Webster says that thought is "that which is in one's mind." That which is in the mind sooner or later be-comes a concrete part of our inner-most selves, and is expressed in our attitudes and our acts, if not in our actual words. It is a very natural and human mistake to allow the thoughts to wander aimlessly.

#### Secret Thoughts

I hold it true that thoughts are things, Endowed with being, breath, and wings, And that we send them forth to fill The world with good results or ill.

That what we call pur secret thought, Speed to the earth's remotest spot, And leave its blessing or its woes, Like tracks behind it as it goes.

It is God's law; remember it In your still chamber as you sit, With thoughts you would not dare have known,

And yet make comrades when alone.

These thoughts have life, and they will fly, And leave their impress by and by, Like some marsh breeze, whose poisoned

breath, Breathes into homes its fevered death.

But after you have quite forgot, Or all outgrown some vanished thought, Back to your mind to make its home, A dove or raven it will come.

Then let your secret thoughts be fair, They have a vital part, and share In shaping worlds, and moulding fate, God's system is so intricate.

-ELLA WHEELER

[To be concluded]

# 1962 General Conference Session Hotel Information for Non-delegates

The 49th session of the General Con-ference of Seventh-day Adventists will be terence of Seventheday Adventusts will be held in San Francisco, California, from July 26 to August 4, 1962. Any who plan to attend all or part of the session and who are interested in securing hotel or motel reservations should contact the sec-retary-treasurer of the conference in which they reside and hold membership, to se-cure a list of the available hotels. There is no space available in such hotels as the Whitcomb, Shaw, etc., and any others that do not appear on the list. These have been completely reserved for the use of official delegates.

W. J. Blacker, Secretary-Treasurer Pactic Union Conference

#### NOTICE

There has been a new increase in postal rates for all undelivered secondclass matter. The fee is now 10 cents for each GLEANER returned to us. We are appealing to all our readers who are moving to send in their changes of address promptly two or three weeks before the move is made.

Both old and new addresses should be given when a change is requested. Zone numbers should be included for all zoned cities.

#### A Plea for Help

"I am going to attend this group therapy and get over my smoking. I will give you a daily account of how I make out in the next five days. Hope to meet some of the rest of you there.'

Thus ran the editorial in the newspaper of the Daily Eagle at Claremont, New Hampshire. That good lady was there. I know because E. J. Folkenberg and I met her, along with forty other citizens of Claremont who were at our class to get help to stop smoking. They are deeply grateful for this five-day plan to get rid of the filthy weed.

Wouldn't you like to see this work extended? Think of the people in these cities and villages who would like to be free of tobacco. We want to see this program grow. You can help us by remembering Medical Missionary Day, March 24, in Southern New England, Northeastern, and Greater New York conferences. The offering on that Sabbath is for health evangelism. New York's and Northern New England's offering will come later. Watch for the dates!

> J. WAYNE McFarland, M.D. Medical Secretary Atlantic Union Conference

#### Notice

Word has just come to us that the station WLIS, Old Saybrook, New London, Connecticut, has discontinued the Voice of Prophecy broadcast with the last program of December 24.

This station has been a Mutual station but has now discontinued the Mutual releases. Since this area can hear the programming from WABC and WNBC in New York very clearly, we would suggest that our listeners in that area be asked to tune in to these two stations, which release simultaneously from New York at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning.

> ITHIEL E. GILLIS, Manager Voice of Prophecy

#### Youth — Temperance — Action

Congratulations to Union Springs Academy and a big thank you to all the academies who participated in the recent union-wide temperance oratorical program!

Union Springs Academy had a winner in Thomas Gibbs. Runner-up was Dan Bettle of South Lancaster Academy. Anthony Torres of Greater New York Academy placed third. Steven Conley represented Greater Boston Academy, and Gwendolyn Hickson, Northeastern Academy.

All the students showed they had spent a great deal of time and effort on their orations. We were proud of all of them.

The posters and jingles were excellent, too.

We want to give special thanks to Greater Boston Academy for being our host academy this year.

May we make a suggestion to our churches, MV societies, and pastors? Why not invite the temperance team from your academy to have a special temperance rally in your church? We think you would enjoy the inspiration of youth in action for the cause of temperance as much as we did.

> J. WAYNE McFarland, M.D. Temperance Secretary Atlantic Union Conference

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### First-Aid Instructors' Course Conducted

The Atlantic Union Conference arranged for a Red Cross First-Aid Instructors' Course which was conducted February 17-20. We were happy to have a Seventh-day Adventist instructor trainer, E. T. Gackenheimer from West Virginia, to teach the course. A class of seventeen people completed the First-Aid Instructors' Course.

We are glad to report that the conference home missionary secretaries in the Atlantic Union completed the course to be first-aid instructors. The following received certificates: V. A. LaGrone, H. E. Voorhees, J. J. North, M. E. Payne, H. J. Harris, and D. E. Caslow.

A number of people from the community attended the class either to receive or renew their first-aid instructors certificate. They were: Richard W. Knapp, Fern W. Knapp, Florence B. LaGrone, Emile S. Johnson, Raymond J. Kongorski, Arthur L. Schumacher, Mary E. Schumacher, Philip E. Lawrence, Stanley J. Roberts, Harold W. Fitts, and Olive I. Fitts.

There should be a trained first-aider in every Seventh-day Adventist home. We also envision the value of first-aid training in connection with our disaster relief and civil defense activities. Much has been accomplished in many churches along the line of first-aid training; however, we recognize the continuous need for classes to be conducted in the future.

We believe the instruction received and the skills acquired by this group of new instructors will greatly strengthen this phase of activity which prepares us, as a people, to be modern Good Samari-

tans. D. E. CASLOW, Secretary Home Missionary Department Atlantic Union Conference

#### Rosama

Rosama is a little girl from Kerala. She came to Poona to help in the home of a family here. Rosama is eleven years old. My first meeting with her was on October 26, 1960. We were giving milk to the children on the mission estate and the order was to have them drink it on the spot. Rosama was working in a home where there were three little boys. Every morning she brought them for their milk. She looked after them like a real little mother. The youngest of the three was Johnnie, a cute little fellow just over one year old but he was ill, so we decided to give him milk three times a day. Because he did not drink enough from a cup I got a bottle and started him on four ounces a time as that was all he could drink. Soon the feeding was increased, before long he was drinking three bottles a day.

For over a year Rosama faithfully brought Johnnie three times a day, sunshine or rain. During the monsoon



Red Cross first-aid instructors' class conducted at the Atlantic Union Conference office, February 17-20



Rosama and Johnnie

rains she would dodge the heavy showers carrying Johnnie under an umbrella and wrapped in a piece of plastic. She sat on a reed stool and gave him his bottle, patiently waiting for him to finish. If he should go to sleep or not drink fast enough she found that by squeezing the plastic bottle he would get a mouth full and then start drinking.

Rosama was not so successful when I decided to teach her to sew, somehow it just petered out. I could not speak her language and she could not understand my Hindi or English but somehow we got along.

Rosama has gone back to her mother in Kerala away down in the south tip of India. I really miss her. Johnnie, who is now more than two years old comes for his milk with his brother who is just over three years old. He still comes three times a day, he is off the bottle and brings his cup like the big boys.

Rosama reminded me of the little Jewish maid in the Bible far from home but faithfully helping her mistress. There are many little girls like Rosama in Kerala and other parts of India. One of the projects for the offering this 13th Sabbath is a hospital in Kerala. Won't you give more than ever this quarter to help little girls like Rosama? In Southern Asia we have chosen as our motto for 1962 "Give More than Ever Before." Will you join us?

MRS. E. R. STREETER

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#### Case Referred to Court of Special Sessions

Appearance by Faith for Today in a City of New York Magistrates' Court in answer to a recent Sunday-law violation charge resulted in referral of the case to a Court of Special Sessions.

case to a Court of Special Sessions. Constitutional law specialist, Leo Pfeffer, counsel for Faith for Today, made request in Magistrates' Court that the case be referred to Court of Special Sessions. The plea granted by the Magistrate Court judge means that this unusual case in which a religious institution is cited for Sunday-law violation will be presented before a court consisting of a panel of three judges. Trial date will be, according to normal scheduling, in about five or six weeks.

The charge came when a New York City policeman entered Faith for Today's premises and cited Howard Lund, press manager of Faith for Today, for violation of the Sunday law termed as the "Sabbath law" Normally the Faith for Today offices are closed on Sunday; however, on this occasion the telecast staff was engaged in its strictly religious duties working to meet urgent deadlines for the annual offering appeal.

Leo Pfeffer, attorney for Faith for Today, in his discussion of the case with W. A. Fagal, director, and Joseph H. Webb, Faith for Today's treasurer, stated that the case will be a full brief of all aspects of this issue involving basic tenents of constitutional law and rights. "We will prepare to carry the issues involved, that is the right to carry on activities of a religious nature on Sunday and the duestion of exemption on the basis of the religious observance of the Sabbath to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary." Pfeffer is a noted authority on constitutional law and author of the book Church State and Freedom. He has also had seventeen years of experience in this specialized field of law.

One of the ominous notes in the very brief courtroom appearance was sounded by one of the officers of the court who called: "Are there any other



Constitutional lawyer, Leo Pfeffer (second from right) counsel for Faith for Today, discusses legal aspects of the Sunday-law violation charge recently made against the telecast organization with Howard Lund (left), press manager cited in the unusual application of the law, Pastor W. A. Fagal, and Joseph H. Webb (right) treasurer of the telecast. Appearance in a City of New York Magistrates' Court on February 20 resulted in referral of the case to the Court of Special Sessions.

Sabbath violators?" Those who responded to the question were seated on the front row of the courtroom. Before the presiding judge each violator declared themselves "guilty" or "not guilty" and were either fined or referred for a trial date. It was also observed that the fine for stealing six packs of beer from a car was \$2.00 whereas admitted Sunday-law violators were fined \$5.00 in each case.

Faith for Today expresses appreciation for the prayers and support by friends and members of the church in the past. Your continued support in prayer and provision of means is earnestly solicited as this case is continued to a higher court and as the telecast forces face the tremendous challenge of reaching the multitudes with God's climatic hour message.

> H. E. HASS, Director Public Relations Faith for Today

#### Attention—Teachers!

Intermediate school, junior, and senior academy teachers are reminded that entries for the second edition of *First* the Blade are being received until March 28 according to T. S. Geraty, associate secretary of the General Conference Department of Education.

This emphasis upon creative writing

may be used by teachers of English I-IV in all schools of the North American Division. It need not conflict with manuscripts for the *Instructor* Pen League inasmuch as materials for *The Blade* are shorter and may be written by students in all four high-school years. Encourage the students in your school to be original and creative.

Data concerning *The Blade* submissions were sent to the teachers in mid-October. However, you may secure a reprint from Dr. Geraty's office. Briefly, the standards call for poetry not to exceed thirty lines, prose three hundred words.

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#### Spanish Sabbath School Institute

All ten of our Spanish churches in New York City were represented at our Spanish Sabbath School Institute

#### **Dorcas Federation Meetings**

March 31, Sabbath 3:00 p.m. Spanish Mott Haven Church New York City

April 1, Sunday 10:00 a.m. 70 Highland Avenue Middletown, New York

April 2, Monday 10:00 a.m. New York Center New York City

Felix Rodriguez will be guest speaker at the Spanish meeting. Elder and Mrs. J. C. Christensen from the New York Welfare Depot will be guest speakers at Middletown and the New York Center meetings. Come and bring your good reports and interesting experiences.

Plan Now to Attend

in the Intervale church on Sabbath, February 10. Several pastors and church officers, and many members attended.

G. R. Nash, General Conference Sabbath School secretary, was our guest speaker, both during the church hour and in the afternoon. Wesley Amundsen, also from the General Conference, presented a quiz to the entire group in the afternoon. He did not need an interpreter, as he speaks Spanish fluently. Mrs. Edwina Latham, wife of our conference assistant treasurer, presented an illustrated talk and demonstration on the flannelgraph board in the afternoon. The entire program was interspersed with musical selections and other music throughout the day.

Elder Nash especially emphasized the importance of Branch Sabbath School work. Several indicated a determination to organize Branch Sabbath Schools in their areas. We expect that there will be two more Spanish companies or churches organized soon as a result of Branch Sabbath School work. Both Elders Nash and Amundsen gave invaluable help in explaining to the pastors and members as to just what materials are available in Spanish language, and in answering questions. In fact, the evening program was devoted mostly to questions and answers. The Institute closed at 9:30 p.m. Saturday evening. The writer served as chairman of the day's program.

H. E. VOORHEES

#### Have YOU Made A Will?

Recently a most interesting little booklet came to my desk. As I read it I wished that every Seventh-day Adventist believer could have a copy and read it carefully.

This booklet was titled "A Christian's Obligation to Make a Will" and it contained an address given by Craig R. Smith, assistant vice-president, The Hanover Bank, New York City.

Mr. Smith points out what happens to a person's property if he leaves no



W. J. Harris from the General Conference Sabbath School Department; D. E. Caslow from the Atlantic Union Conference; and H. E. Voorhees of the local conference, will give instruction. *Be Sure to Come* 

will—"His property is disposed of according to the laws of descent and distribution of the state of his domicile." Later in his address Mr. Smith said, "No part of any estate goes to social service, education, or to the church, except by a will."

Surely Seventh-day Adventists want to see their money and property distributed according to their desires and not simply distributed by the State.

#### GREATER NEW YORK ACADEMY ORATORICAL CONTESTANTS



At the left, Greater New York Academy oratorical contestants: Stephen Nyirady, runner-up, and Anthony Torres, winner (center and right), receive prize money from E. F. Armour, conference temperance secretary. On the right, winners of the poster and jingle contests at Greater New York Academy are: (left to right) Eileen Wangerin, Donald Voorhees, Gabriele Cornelius, Bette Croft, and Kenneth Voorhees. Gabriele had a winning jingle as well as poster.

Their first thoughts will naturally be to their loved ones. They will also want to promote the ideas and the work of their church and the institutions carrying on the work of the church, for it is through this church that they found the truth that is so dear to them.

It is perhaps time that we all gave a little more thought to the wisdom of making a will and, as far as possible, to make our bequest to church institutions that are carrying the last gospel message.

> H. A. MUNSON, Superintendent Adventist Home, Inc.

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#### Evangelistic Workshop in Syracuse

The workers of the New York Conference met in Syracuse, February 5-8, for a speech and communications seminar. E. J. Folkenberg, union conference ministerial secretary, conducted many sections of this workshop.

The special feature of the meeting was the presentation of Dr. J. Calvin Callaghan of the speech department of Syracuse University, who challenged all ministers to give more attention to the content and delivery of their sermons. Dr. Callaghan, quoting from Matthew 26:73, "Thy speech bewrayeth thee" said: "Your speech can betray you but it certainly does reveal you. For, you



After two years of Bible study with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Courtright (pictured above) and the pastor, Mrs. Williams (center) has recently joined the Binghamton, New York, church. Mrs. Williams, who is an invalid, was baptized in her own home and looks forward eagerly to the coming of her Lord. G. H. Greene District Leader

are the sum total of all communication, verbal or otherwise."

During the months of March and April, some nine evangelistic efforts will be started across the conference. The following is a list of the pastors and the areas in which they will be holding meetings.

- A. T. Bidwell-Niagara Falls
- W. J. Schwerer and J. D. Everts-Buffalo
- W. L. Woodruff-Jamestown
- D. E. Klam and H. K. West-Amsterdam
- J. S. Blahovich-Wayland
- C, A. Nelson—Canton G. E. Carter—Ithaca
- G. H. Green-Oneonta
- Douglas Logan—Gowanda

Sunny Liu will be helping with the music in these programs. Pray for these brethren as they launch out on these spring campaigns.

S. L. FOLKENBERG Conference Evangelist

#### Binghamton Laymen's Training Course

Laymen who completed the training course just concluded in the Binghamton church, including Theodora, a young African exchange student.

A number of these dedicated workers

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On the left, Dr. J. Calvin Callaghan of Syracuse University speech department presenting an analysis of sermon preparation. Right, workers of the New York Conference who will be engaged in evangelistic efforts this spring.

Bible Studies = Baptism





Lagmen who completed the training course in the Binghamton church and the pastor, G. H. Green (third from the left, par row).

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are putting their instruction into practice and all are marking their Bibles, purchasing equipment, and laying plans for an all-out program for 1962.

We are confident that God's blessing will attend the consecrated efforts of these faithful members as they carry the message of hope from home to home. G. H. Green (third from the left, rear row), pastor of the district, is assisting in this home visitation program.

> H. J. HARRIS, Secretary Home Missionary Department

#### News Notes

• H. E. Voorhees recently spent six days in South Lancaster, attending a Red Cross first aid school for training instructors. Those attending were all the conference home missionary secretaries in the Atlantic Union, and several lay members from the near-by area. Elder Voorhees now holds a certificate authorizing him to conduct Red Cross first aid classes for the Standard and Advanced courses. Churches or societies which are interested in organizing classes might contact him.

Wednesday afternoon, February 21, and all day Thursday, February 22, were busy days in the Greater New York Conference office. On Wednesday the annual commission met with various union officers present, also R. W. Moore and R. C. Mills, president and secretary-reasurer of the New York Conference; and Carl Anderson and Harold Maddox, president and secretary-treasurer of Northern New England Conference. On Thursday, February 22, the annual audit and conference committee members met together to formulate the budget and discuss other business for the coming year and months ahead. C. H. Kelly, F. R. Aldridge, and L. E. Smart were present from the union office to render counsel and advice.

#### Union Springs Academy J. M. DAVIS, Principal

#### Academy Spotlight

Thomas Gibbs won the Atlantic Union Conference oratorical contest held at the New England Sanitarium chapel on February 24. Lawrence Wright, U.S.A. Chapter president, attended the contest also.

♦ J. M. Davis, principal, attended the Atlantic Union Conference educational meeting in South Lancaster, February 26.

A union-wide secondary English teachers' convention was held in South Lancaster, February 25-27. Flora Smith attended these meetings.

Northern New England C. P. ANDERSON, President HAROLD MADDOX, Secretary-Treasurer Telephone SPruce 4-3611 Box 1340 426 Forest Ave. Portland, Maine

#### Encyclopedias Donated to Church School

The Keene, New Hampshire, church school is enjoying the use of a World

Book Encyclopedia set donated by Mrs. Frederick Bowe, who won the set by sending in a joke to the nationally televised quiz program "Say When."

Each morning Art James, emcee of "Say When" reads a joke sent in by a viewer. On Thursday, January 11, Mrs. Bowe was thrilled to hear her name and entry read. There was no problem as to what she would do with her prize as it was an answer to prayer.

Just the day before Elder Renzi had visited the school and had talked with the teacher, Mrs. Frank Davis, about the need of such a set in the school room. He even named *World Book En*cyclopedia as the best. After prayer meeting that evening, January 10, the members present discussed ways of raising money through some project for a set. Mrs. Bowe had always said if she won anything it would go to help the church. Don't you think this was an answer to prayer? We in Keene do as it was weeks before that she had sent her entry in.



Above on the right is Mrs. Frederick Bowe as she presents a set of "World Book Encyclopedia" to Beaman Senecal, Jr., chairman of the school board at Keene, New Hampshire, and the teacher, Mrs. Frank Davis. Mrs. Bowe won the set on the TV program "Say When" by entering a joke.

The newspaper in Keene was contacted and wanted to send out a photographer for a picture the day Mrs. Bowe presented the set to the church school. Also there was a release in the *Keene Shopper* of Mrs. Bowe's story as it was from an earlier issue of the *Keene Shopper* that she found her joke. Mrs. Bowe, a widow, is an active member of the Keene church and we appreciate her gift very much.

> MARCUS E. PAYNE Public Relations Secretary

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#### News Notes

• On the evening of March 4, Elder Yakush spoke at the Congregational church in New Braintree. He spoke on the origin and beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists, and the future program of Pioneer Valley Academy.

• Elder Mills is visiting Andrews University and Loma Linda University seeking additions for the ministerial force of the conference and doctors and dentists to set up practice in our conference.

• Revival meetings have just concluded in the Bridgeport and Danbury-Bethel churches. They were conducted by Elder Gaspie.

• A group of twenty children and juniors under the direction of Antone Diniz raised \$500 towards the Ingathering goal of the Taunton church. Ralph Conant, missionary leader of the church, said that the work of the youth was a real inspiration to the church as they engaged in their most successful caroling program to date.

• Dr. Peter A. Jensen has moved from Mystic, Connecticut, to Marlboro, Massachusetts, where he will be associated with Dr. J. B. Register in the practice of dentistry.

South Lancaster Academy Lloyd & Davis, Principal

#### Student-Faculty Day

Student-Faculty Day on Wednesday, February 28, was an innovation at South Lancaster Academy. Students replaced the regular faculty in all administrative offices as well as teachers. The ones elected for the administrative offices were: J. Mark Cox, principal; Christine Roberts, secretary to the principal; Leilani Pecci, registrar; Alan Perez, dean of boys; Sonia Sanchez, dean of girls.

Students who taught classes were: Marylou Ide, William Tymeson, Delbert Hodder, Christine Clauson, Judith Tyler, Judy Knutson, Carole Reynolds, Jean Lyons, Myron Mills, Dennis Sabol, Jocelyn Fay, Patricia Roberts, Ellen

#### Atlantic Union Conference

#### ACADEMY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Machlan Auditorium March 23-24, 1962

Friday 8:00 p.m.—Hymn Festival Sabbath 3:00 p.m.—Sacred Concert 8:00 p.m.—Secular Concert

> 125-Member Massed Chorus 100-Member Massed Band

Greater Boston Academy Greater New York Academy Northeastern Academy South Lancaster Academy Union Springs Academy

Myllykangas, Marcia Moeckel, Raleigh Hazen, Marianne Laurent, Virginia McIntyre, Amy Young, Robert Gorey, Janet Pratt, Joanne Kelly, Charles Waterman, Sheryl Walin, Judy Gaspie, Ronald Coombs, Bonnie Kennedy, Edward Nygard, Johnnie Smith, Eugene Cobb, Dan Bettle, Martha Meierott, Richard Folger, Christine Wilson, Betty Davis, Lauren Packard, Eric Packard, Linda Kilby, Doreen Johnson, Lorelei Cress, Don Rittenhouse, Winona Winkler, Maceo McGoodwin, Linda William Jensen, Nancy Layman, Daniels, John Alfke, Clyde Armstrong, and Jean Wells.

According to Principal Davis, the day was such a success it will probably bean annual institution.

#### Voice of Prophecy Shares with Those Who Care

(Continued from page 12) But have they lost what they had learned as junior Bible students? Read these next two letters:

Here are my Junior Bible Course papers from 1957. I am 21 now. I was going through old school papers, and found them. I hadn't sent them in because at the time I was going to the Baptist church . . and believed in Sunday as the Lord's Day. At least, it was shown to me that it was. Now I can understand that it is not.

I was going to write you years ago, and tell you I didn't believe in the seventh day or that it would be wrong to wear jewelry or dance, etc. (and send you Scripture passages on the first day). I should have, then, so you could have proved me wrong.

Now I am a Seventh-day Adventist. I don't think I realized that I had your literature. And I didn't know most of my relatives were S.D.A.'s. My father and step-mother came back also.

So my sister and her husband, my grandmother, Dad and Mom, and myself, were baptized together a little over four months ago.

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I wish to be enrolled in your Bible course for adults. I took the Junior Bible course and received a diploma. This was several years ago when I was a child. I enjoyed the course very much and learned a great deal from it. I especially enjoyed the Voice of Prophecy program, and listened to it every week.

I went to several different churches while growing up, but I cannot believe as any of them do. It seems what I learned about the Seventh-day Adventists' beliefs, when I was a child, has stuck with me. You believe closer to the Bible than any church I have gone to. So I have never joined a church.

A young Christian mother of another church wrote this interesting letter:

Would you please send me a Junior Bible Course? We have a nine-year-old boy that I would like to have become as interested in the Bible and love it as I always have. Your course presents a most timely study in these last few days of uncertainty.

I am a housewife with four small children. I teach a Sunday School class, and am president of the mothers' club.

I've been a Christian since the age of seventeen. With God's help and the help of His good people, I have acquired an education including two years of college. I want to thank you for the opportunity and privilege of taking your Bible Course.

The Voice of Prophecy radiobroadcast comes on while we are in Sunday School, but I have heard your programs occasionally and have known about your Bible courses for several years. I was so glad this opportunity came to my door.

And do the Bible lessons truly build spiritual strength into lives?

I should like to say lesson 11 is without doubt the most beautiful, powerful, moving essay on prayer I have ever read or heard. Congratulations to the one who wrote this mighty paper. Your whole course is well worth while just for this one magnificent lesson.

And finally, a great gap filled in a life:

Just a letter of appreciation. I am now checking over some of my Faith Bible lessons for some answers I need. And I want to tell you and The Voice of Prophecy how much my lessons in the Faith and Daniel and Revelation courses have meant to me. Mostly the Faith course.

It seemed as if life had a hole in it. And I could not fill it up. I kept asking myself, Why? There must be an answer. I went to different churches, read library books on religion, but never saw a Seventh-day Adventist book. So I sent for three different Bible courses. I said: "I'll study them and pick the best one, the one I believe to be true." One of these three was The Voice of Prophecy. . . Because of it, I am now a Seventh-day Adventist, and the hole in my life has been filled up with Jesus and His love and His ten commandments. Also, when I was baptized my husband and my mother were baptized with me. "My cup runneth over" with happiness, love, prosperity. Now Jesus can come to my house anytime. I

am looking forward to His second coming. Am hoping to be in the new earth, and to see Jesus face to face, although I have done many things to be ashamed of. But I have asked forgiveness and I know He has forgiven me, And I also forgive others.

Our prayer, and we are confident that your prayer also, is for similar experiences in the lives of thousands more. Our united prayers and efforts, under the leadership and blessing of God's Spirit, can bring to many a complete new life in Christ. Radio can reach them wherever they may be.

> D. V. Pond Director of Public Relations Voice of Prophecy

#### OFFICIAL NOTICES

#### Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the ninth biennial session of the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held March 24, 1962, at the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist church, 1921 Wirk 1922 Street New York New 101 West 123rd Street, New York, New York. The first meeting is called to convene at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive reports, elect officers, to make any necessary change in the constitution and bylaws, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

H. D. Singleton, President F. L. Jones, Secretary

#### The Northeastern Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the regular biennial meeting of the Northeastern Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the ninth biennial session of the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at City Taber-nacle, 560 West 150th Street, New York 31, New York, March 25, 1962. The first meeting is called to convene at 2:00 p.m., Sunday. The delegates to the conference are delegates to the corporation. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a board of trustees for the coming biennial period, to receive reports, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the delegates.

H. D. Singleton, President F. L. Jones, Secretary

#### OBITUARY

GILMOUR-Matthew Gilmour was born on April 10, 1875, at Coatbridge, Scotland, and passed away at a hospital in Worcester on February 19, 1962, at the age of eighty-six years. Matthew Gilmour came to America at the age of twelve and was educated in the American school system.

On April 26, 1923, he was married to

Anna Tasker at Hartford, Connecticut. In 1946 Mr. Gilmour was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church by Carrol Pike and the following year he was ordained a deacon of the Hartford church.

He is survived by his wife, Anna; one brother, Andrew Gilmour of Waterbury, Connecticut; one nephew, Dr. Harold Thomas Gilmour of Waterbury, Connecticut; and one niece, Betty Jane Painter of Waterbury, Connecticut.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer at the Queen Chapel in Lancaster.

Mr Gilmour was laid to rest in the Eastwood Cemetery at Lancaster where he awaits the call of the Life-giver.

RICHARD W. KNAPP

PASSEBOIS-Miss Gladys Prince, was born in South Lancaster, Massachusetts, August 27, 1904, and passed to her rest February 14, 1962, in Hinsdale, Illinois. She was a member of the Downers Grove church.

Miss Passebois devoted her life to the ministry of Christian nursing. After graduating from the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing, she worked for a time at the Iowa Sanitarium and at Paradise Vallev.

Miss Passebois then joined the School of Nursing staff at the New England Sanitarium and Hospital. In 1955 she came to the Hinsdale Sanitarium and served as assistant director in the School of Nursing. She served also as registrar and in nursing service.

Surviving are a brother, Oliver of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; a sister, Herminie of Stoneham, Massachusetts; and two nieces. Interment was in Bronswood Cemetery, Hinsdale, HAROLD L. GREER Illinois.

DAVIS-Mortimer Delbert Davis was born in Rochester, New York, on May 11, 1881, and died on January 18, 1962, in Rochester

at the age of eighty. On April 30, 1917, he was united in marriage with Lillian Pfanner. He was baptized on August 10, 1946, by O. D. Wright and was a faithful member of the Genesee Park Boulevard church until the time of his death, which came suddenly after a brief illness.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife, Lillian Davis; and several nieces and nephews. Our brother now awaits the call of Jesus as he rests in Maplewood Cemetery, North Tonawanda, New York.

R. E. SCHERMERHORN

VAN METER-Alice Van Meter was born in Oldham, England, March 15, 1878. She came to America at the age of seventeen. She accepted the third angel's message under the ministry of A. E. Sanderson and joined the Providence church in 1925. She was a faithful and active member until age and sickness prevented her from attending church. She died at the Cumberland Sanitarium, February 2, 1962.

She leaves to mourn three children: Garfield Howard of South Attleboro, Massachusetts, Edna Myers of Bridgeton, New Jersey, and Ruth Haigh of Hudson, Massachusetts; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was laid to rest in the Moshassuck Cemetery in Central Falls, Rhode Island.

DRIGGS --- Mrs. Rodrequies Escolastica Driggs was born on February 19, 1888, in Terceua, Azores, and died at the Barnstable County Hospital, Pacasset, Massachuetts, December 19, 1961. She was the widow of Joaquin Martin Driggs.

Although not able to speak the English language, Mrs. Rodriquies Driggs was a faithful member of the Cape Cod church since 1951.

She is survived by a brother and a sister. The funeral service was held at Jenkins Funeral Home in West Falmouth, Massachusetts. Mrs. Driggs was laid to rest in the Old Town Cemetery, Falmouth, Massachusetts, and now awaits the coming of her Lord.

H. ROBERT BURROW

#### ADVERTISEMENTS

ADVERTISENTENTS All advertisements should be sent, together with payment, to your local conference office for approval by the president or secretary-treasurer. The rate is \$3.00 for each insertion of forty words or less, and 5 cents for each additional word. No ad can run more than once a month. Check or money order should be made payable to Atlantic Union Gleaner or Atlantic Union Conference. Advertisements ap-pearing in the GLEANER are printed without endorsement or recommendation of the Atlantic Union Conference.

WANTED - Registered nurse, female. Wanted at once. Fuller Memorial Sanitarium, South Attleboro, Massachusetts.

IMMEDIATE OPENING AVAILABLE ----For two nurses (R.N. or L.P.N.) at Geer Memorial Sanitarium and Hospital. Apartment available next door. For details, write today to the Business Manager, Box 988, Canaan, Connecticut, or telephone TAylor 4-5427.

WANTED-Licensed practical nurses, 40hour week. Fringe benefits, seven holidays, good working conditions. Fuller Memorial Sanitarium, South Attleboro, Massachusetts.

FOR SALE OR RENT-Nimrod and Right camping trailers and travel trailers with heaters. Accommodate 4-7. Excellent travelers. Also tents and other camping equipment. Discount for Adventists. United Rent-Alls, 328 Paddock Avenue, Meriden, Connecticut. Tel. BE 5-3022.

WANTED-Salesman to travel New York and New England States. Salary and commission with traveling expenses paid. Give age and qualifications in first letter with snapshot picture. Worthington Foods, Inc., 900 Proprietors Road, Worthington, Ohio.

S.D.A. SUMMER SCHOOL IN MEXICO-June 12-August 12. Sponsored jointly by the Spanish departments of Southern Missionary College and Pacific Union College - eight weeks - eight hours credit possible. Variety of Spanish courses: beginning, intermediate, conversation, literature, teaching methods, laboratory techniques. Two weeks intensive study on campus of S.D.A. Junior College at Montemorelos. Six weeks intensive work in Mexico City while living in private homes. Opportunities for sight-seeing and visits to places of historical interest. Over-all cost from S.M.C. campus and return-\$350-\$400. For further information write to: Dr. Clyde Bushnell, Box 2033, Collegedale, Tennessee.

#### Atlantic Union College R. L. REYNOLDS, President Telephone Clinton EMpire 5-4561 South Lancaster Massachusetts

### Atlantic Union College News

✓ The annual meeting of the College Board of Trustees took place on Tuesday, February 27. The board members met at the college at 8:00 a.m. in the president's office at which time tours were arranged—under the direction of R. E. Cleveland and D. G. Prior—for them to visit the campus and the classes in session prior to the regular meeting. Tuesday evening the faculty-board banquet was held in the college cafeteria under the direction of Miss Mary Lou Durning of the Home Economics Department.

President R. L. Reynolds announced the decision of the board to proceed with plans for a new wing to be built onto Preston Hall making it possible to house sixty more college women. Plans also include in this addition a new worship room, parlor, and expansion of the present cafeteria. The cafeteria expansion will include a larger dining room as well as additional upto-date equipment and facilities in the kitchen area. The building is to be ready for occupancy by the opening of the fall term in September.

Faculty promotions voted by the annual board include: Dr. Mabel R. Bartlett, of the Art Department, to professor; Dr. Margarita Merriman, of the Music Department, to professor; Dr. Ottilie F. Stafford, of the English Department, to professor; Mrs. Gertrude M. Gibson, of the Secretarial Science Department, to associate professor; Dr. George Yamashiro, of the Department of Languages, to associate professor; Miss Mary Lou Durning, of the Home Economics Department, to assistant professor.

✓ Mrs. Rochelle Kilgore is currently attending the annual Servicemen's Retreat for Seventh-day Adventist servicemen stationed in Europe and North

Home-Coming Week End April 13-15 Alumni Banquet — April 15

#### ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE Presents the Annual AMATEUR HOUR Saturday Evening, March 17, 1962 8:15 p.m. Machlan Auditorium Students, Children: \$ .75 Adults: \$1.00 **COMING EVENTS** Music Festival-Academies of March 24 Atlantic Union Conference March 31 Vacation Lyceum: Edger Players April 7 April 14 Alumni Home-Coming

Africa, held in Berchtesgaden, Germany. Enroute she will visit Newbold College in England, Marienhohe Seminary in Germany, and the Seminaire Adventiste du Saleve in Collonges, France, where she will be a guest of President and Mrs. Jean Zurcher. Mrs. Kilgore will return to the college campus on March 16.

#### **Voice of Prophecy**

#### The Voice of Prophecy Shares With Those Who Care

Knowing that many thousands in every state and province of the United States and Canada are personally interested in the soul-winning results of the Voice of Prophecy radiobroadcast, we plan, from time to time, to share some of the actual letters we receive from those who are being baptized and are brought to Christ, at least partially through the broadcast and the Bible courses.

Of the ten to twelve thousand letters received each week, a large proportion are from persons not of the Adventist faith. Their stories of increased love for Christ, and for the wonderful truths of the Bible, richly repay us at the radio headquarters for our every effort to carry on this ministry for souls. We believe everyone who supports these same efforts, with monetary gifts or intercessory prayer, will be inspired by these spontaneous accounts. Here is such a one from Chicago: I have long been a listener of yours, and how I love the broadcasts and all who take part in it! I belong to a church of another denomination so I don't hear you every Sunday, but I've listened for many years. How much comfort and inspiration you've been to me; food for my hungry soul, balm and healing for all sorts of soul and physical trials. My earnest gratitude to you, who serve our Lord so well!

I am enclosing two dollars for radio ministry, asking God to bless all of you and the work you are doing for Him.

I don't think I've written for help (with personal problems) directly to you, though I've had and still have plenty. The ones I am most concerned and grieved over are spiritual. Concerning my children—particularly.

There are many boys and girls who study the Voice of Prophecy Junior Bible Course of twenty-four lessons. Then due to many various circumstances, some drop out and we do not hear from them for a number of years.

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#### Sunset Table Eastern Standard Time Mar. 16 Mar. 23 Bangor, Me. 5:42 5:52 5.47 5:56 Augusta, Me. Portland, Me. 5:485:58 Boston, Mass. 5:51 5:59 South Lancaster, Mass. 5:54 6:03 Pittsfield, Mass. 6:00 6:08 Hartford, Conn. 5:58 6:06 New York, N.Y. 6:04 6:11 Utica, N.Y. 6:09 6:18 Syracuse, N.Y. 6:12 6:21

Buffalo, N.Y. 6:22 6:31 Add one minute for each thirteen miles west. Subtract one minute for each thirteen miles east.

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Rochester, N.Y.

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