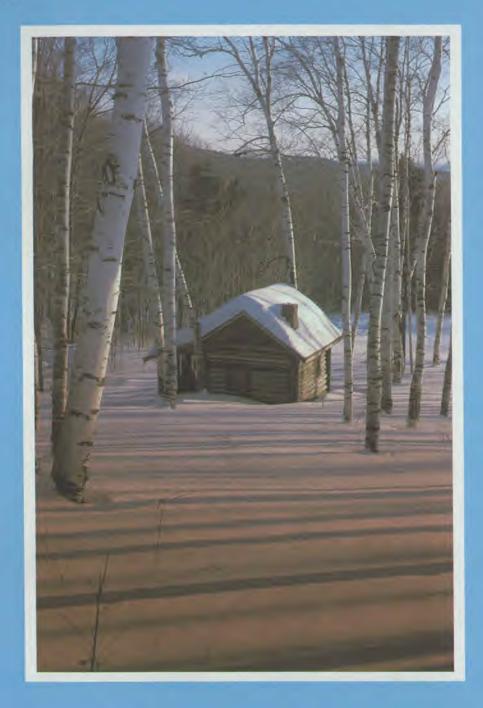
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EARLY PIONEERS IN NEW YORK STATE

by D. E. Wright Communication Director New York Conference

In this first of four articles dealing with the early beginnings of Adventism in New York State, we are going to give a vignette of William Miller and the chapel that he personally built and is to-day called the "William Miller Chapel."

William Miller was the oldest of sixteen children being born on February 15, 1782, in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. While he was a young child, the family moved to Low Hampton, New York, a frontier area of New York next to Fair Haven, Vermont. The War of 1812 interrupted the life of William Miller.

The date is September 11, 1814; the place is Plattsburg, New York, on Lake Champlain. We find the War of 1812 has been in progress for some two years but is nearly over though no one knows it as yet. It has been slow and tedious going and boasts few events worth mentioning. The Battle of Plattsburg has become a brilliant exception, because a small American force has just beaten a much superior and larger British force. It truly has become a glorious day for America.

Report of the day's engagement is made by a gallant captain on the American side just entering his thirties. It is signed, "Yours forever, William Miller." After serving his country for five years, he retired from the army.

Thus we find in 1815 that William Miller and his wife, Lucy, are moving to the little town of Low Hampton, New York, where he built a farmhouse, which still stands. That house located near the chapel, which we shall mention more about a little later, was to be his home for the rest of his life. We are glad to be able to report that his home has recently been purchased by the Seventh-day Adventist Historical Society and is to be opened in the future as a museum so everyone may catch a little of the inspiriation of Miller's life.

Challenged by his friends, Miller begins a thorough study of the Bible. The farmer-Bible student shares these findings with his closest friends. Irving Guilford, a nephew from Dresden, New York, which is located about ten miles north of Whitehall, in August, 1831, brought an invitation that Miller present his views in Dresden. Miller at first was reluctant; but he finally consented, because he had promised God that he would go if such an invitation were given. He stayed for more than a week after this initial preaching engagement.



Roger Coon (center), Associate Secretary of the E. G. White Estate, is shown visiting with Nikolaus Satelmajer and Ross Lauterbach of the New York Conference Office atop Ascension Rock located directly behind the William Miller Chapel.



A picture of the Chapel with the National Historic Site marker in the foreground.

As Miller continued to preach, few Millerites, as his followers came to be known, numbering some fifty or so accepted the new light about the work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary. They found the seventh-day Sabbath, too, and accepted the leadership of the Spirit of Prophecy as manifested in Ellen G. White. These few became in time the Seventh-day Adventist Church, which today encircles the world. But most of the fifty thousand Millerites gave up. In confusion they stumbled and went out. How tragic!

From 1833 to 1844, Miller had preached some 4,500 sermons. Under his tireless ministry, we find some 40,000 added to the Methodist Church; 45,000 to the Baptist Church; besides 50,000 of his own followers.

Several months after the disappointment, the Baptist Church, which is located several hundred yards west of the Miller Chapel, dropped Miller, his family, and others from its membership. In 1848 the Chapel was built, and nineteen individuals including William and Lucy Miller started calling the Chapel their church.



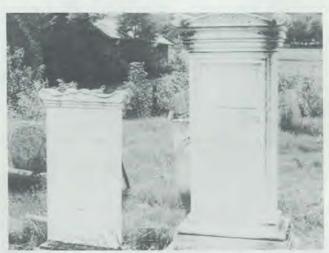
An interior view of the William Miller Chapel with a list of the charter members on the right back wall under the text of scripture.

Miller was not privileged, however, to worship for long in this Chapel which he built with his own hands for during his sixty-eighth year on December 20, 1849, he died in his house. At the time he was nearly blind, shaking with palsy, and exhausted from superhuman labors. The Chapel was too small to hold his funeral service, so the family first held a private service in the house with others joining them for a public funeral in the Congregational Church. It is said that some 100 sleighs followed the procession to the cemetery east of the Chapel.

The Miller Chapel, as it has come to be known, was built beside a maple grove just a few yards from what is known as Ascension Rock. Its walls bear the text that is engraved on his tomb, "The vision is yet for an appointed time, . . . though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come." Habakkuk 2:3

In 1952, Philip M. M. Phelps, a descendant of William Miller, deeded the property to the Advent Christian Denomination with the stipulation that the Seventh-day Adventists would also have the privilege of worshiping in it. On July 17, 1975, the Chapel was entered on the National Register of Historic Places. It is to-day maintained by both denominations with both groups using it for special services.

The Chapel is today a memorial to William Miller and his ministry. It, also, stands as a witness to the faith which Miller had in Jesus Christ. In a famous letter which summed up his final creed, he wrote to his friends, "Brethren, hold fast. Let no man take your crown. I have fixed my mind upon another time and here I mean to stand until God gives me more light and this is today, Today, and TODAY until He comes." May this be the prayer of each one until that grand and marvelous event transpires, is my prayer.



The gravestones of William Miller on the right and that of his wife, Lucy, on the left in the nearby cemetery.

About Our Cover Mary Miller of Vernon, Vermont, took our cover photo of a log cabin nestled among white birches in Weathersfield, Vermont.



PETRO KAMILOS, Publishing Director FACES THE CHALLENGES OF THE PUBLISHING WORK IN THE ATLANTIC UNION

Elder Petro H. Kamilos is the new publishing director of the Atlantic Union Conference. Kamilos, a Californian by birth, became a literature evangelist in 1954. In 1960 the Northern California Conference appointed Kamilos as assistant publishing director; later he became assistant publishing director in the Illinois Conference. He has labored as director of the publishing work in the following conferences: Nevada/Utah, Central California, Pennsylvania, and Southeast California before assuming his present position. Kamilos succeeds Elder Paul Bernet who resigned last year.

In the following paragraphs, Pete Kamilos responds candidly, inspirationally, and optimistically to questions I thought you would want to ask. LHD

Leon, you ask what made me choose the publishing work as a career. Simply put, I have no question but that God called me to my work. You see, immediately following my baptism I became very, very active in witnessing. Especially was this so during the Sabbath hours. For the first three or four months after my conversion I spent several hours every Sabbath distributing literature. As I visited people more and more I came under the strong conviction that I ought to be in God's work.

I would like to have gone into the ministry; however, already being over 30 and having a family, I felt this wasn't feasible. Finding that Seventh-day Adventists have a work called colporteur or literature ministry, I found my way to the conference office. I expressed my convictions to the publishing director and told him I felt strongly that God wanted me in His work. I also told him that I felt that if this was not so, my request would be turned down in his office. Notwithstanding the lack of support from the pastor and the evangelist, I took that step anyway. I found later that their prime concern was that I would not do well, become discouraged and possibly not only leave the work but also even the church. But, Leon, let me tell you, in reality, being involved in the work has been one of the prime sources of my spiritual strength. In over 30 years of our ministry, we have never wavered or lost the conviction that God called us to our ministry.

You ask me what I believe to be my most outstanding experience. Leon, this is extremely difficult to answer. Our blessings and sometimes almost miracles have been so numerous it would be difficult to recall them all. However, one experience we can never forget. Shortly after I began to canvass, I came upon a family that seemed to have some needs. There were 10 children, the mother was pregnant, and the father had only part-time employment. At that point I made no effort to sell. I immediately alerted the church, contact was made, needs cared for, friendships made, and within a short time the family was attending church. Soon thereafter the mother was baptized as well as three of the older children.

It is interesting to note that one of the girls who was then a young teenager has served faithfully as an assistant Bible house manager for many years in one of the main branches of one of the large California conferences. This experience came within the first three or four months of my ministry and, to me, it seemed to confirm my calling.

I know of more than 30 people who have been baptized as a direct result of my ministry, and of course I have directed publishing programs that have been responsible for the baptism of hundreds.

Leon, while you say that you understand that the publishing work will endure to the end, yet you do mention that it appears as though this may not be so especially in North America. You also mention that the Atlantic Union is really not where it ought to be and that often we hear excuses being made, such as, people are not friendly, can't get into homes, and of course as most people do, you singled out the high-risers in New York City. While I can't tell you I believe I now have all the answers, I do believe that God will yet show us the way.

I can say that through various means of advertising we are getting in homes today that a few years ago we never dreamed we would enter.

You must remember that in Revelation 18 there is an angel that is spoken of who will yet combine for a finished work. Now, regarding that angel, listen to what the servant of the Lord has said: "And in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished and who lightens the earth with his glory" (Testimonies, vol. 7, p. 140).

No question but the work of the literature evangelist constitutes one of the main thrusts of the work of this angel. However, I believe that every member should be a part of the work of this other angel.

We have a wide assortment of inexpensive literature that comes in the form of our paperbacks, tracts, and various periodicals that ought to be given out by every Seventh-day Adventist. Let me tell you, Leon, I'm hopeful and optimistic. High-risers and iron gates can never shut out God's message. If necessary, He will convert people within that complex to accomplish His purpose and His will.

You now mention various criticisms that are often made relative to our publishing houses, especially with reference to what some consider the high price of books. You also ask if I believe there is a remedy? First, let me say this, our publishing houses have been wrongly accused with reference to price. While it might be true that various economies could be effected at the press, yet price wise our books compare very favorably with books from other publishers.

Let me tell you, Leon, if our people would buy and use our literature as they ought to be, so that when the press prints a book it would do so in quantities of 25, 50 or 100,000 instead of 3,000, we would see a rollback in prices that would please us all.

Now, with reference to the prices of subscription books, such as the Bible Story. The retail price is set by the various Home Health Education Service offices and the Family Health Education offices that serve the literature evangelist. Included in the sales dollar must be percentages for leadership, bad and doubtful accounts, advertising, office operation and, of course, a fair commission for the literature evangelist. So, let's not blame the press. It's the system of distribution that is in common use today. You will be interested to know that we are experimenting with various programs that hopefully will reduce the prices of books at the retail level.

Without doubt your next question is asked more often than all other questions combined. Can an individual make it in the colporteur work in these times? I would say "Yes" without hesitation. However, I would caution anyone contemplating the literature ministry to consider it prayerfully as a call from God. Once the issue is settled you don't vacilate or say "I'll try," but rather you commit yourself to the call saying. Lord, "Here am I, send me."



Elder Kamilos talks with Jim McKinstry, former director of Home Health Education Service (HHES).

You ask if there are incentives? I would say very definitely. There is the joy of fellowship at our rallies and institutes. Periodically we have financial incentives. But let me tell you, the greatest incentive of all is working with a knowledge that someday in God's kingdom you will meet those who would not have been there except for your call.

Regarding our plans for the future with reference to recruiting, I have discussed this with our local publishing directors, and we are ready to go. Our earnest prayer is that God will give those whom He has called courage to come forth and stand with us as we go forth to finish His work.

You ask now what the role of the Publishing Department on the local conference level is with reference to the church and its members. Leon, that's where the action is. Regardless of what is said, if it doesn't happen at the grass roots, it just doesn't happen. Among his many duties, the local publishing director must keep before the church and its members the importance and the role of the literature ministry in the closing work. And of course, the unsung hero of the Publishing family is the faithful assistant publishing director whose responsibility it is to inspire, motivate, and train his literature evangelists in the art of Christian salesmanship.

You ask if I would like to make an appeal to workers. Very definitely. It is short and simple. Be faithful, if that day of discouragement ever comes, get on your knees and study anew the life and ministry of those who comprised the New Testament Church. If someone wants to disagree with me, that's OK. But for myself many, many years ago I took very literally what Jesus said in Luke 9:62: "No man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

And now to others who are within the church, whether you are young or old, I would say, become involved. If you have a question as to where your involvement should be, let me refer you to one of my favorite texts found in the Old Testament in Jeremiah 29:13. The Lord speaking to His people in those ancient times said: "And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart." My friend, you find God; there'll be no question as to where you serve.

You ask if we have set goals or objectives for 1985. Very definitely. First, we are committed to making successful those who currently serve. And then, too, we expect to close 1985 with twice the number of regular full-time literature evangelists that we now have. To help accomplish these goals, we have regular workshops for our literature evangelists. And then, too, to help bring others in, our publishing directors and assistants, as well as myself, intend to be highly visible from the pulpits of the churches in the Union.

You will find that the members of the publishing family are always ready and willing to take time to sit down with anyone and answer their questions and explain more fully the program of literature evangelism. I might say it's easy to apply. You will find that publishing leaders always have an application handy for use. If more convenient, you may just write to your local publishing director in care of your conference office, or direct your communication to the publishing director of the Union.

Now, with reference to my position as the Union Publishing Director, I would say that my responsibility does cover a wide spectrum. Among my many duties is that of coordinating the programs within the various



Elder Kamilos and wife, Lucille, enjoy an early morning breakfast at the College cafeteria. On this occasion they were introduced to the Atlantic Union Conference office staff.

conferences to bring unity to the thrust within the Union. I would consider that I'm also the chief resource person for the development of new programs within the various conferences. Then, too, among major responsibilities is planning for institutes, publishing councils, workshops, and various meetings that are important in the literature ministry.

Then, too, I act as the liaison between the local conference publishing departments, the publishing houses, and the General Conference publishing department. I also work with various committees at the press in the development of new advertising and sales tools that can be effectively used by our literature evangelists. Again, as far as possible we attend all local rallies, district meetings, and fill speaking appointments in support of the local publishing program. I suppose we could continue on and on, but suffice it to say that if there is a need, we fill it.

Now, concerning our HHES operation, which is the business office that processes and collects the accounts of our literature evangelists, and also pays to the literature evangelists their commissions on a weekly basis. I work closely with the director to maintain a viable office. If and when the literature evangelist has problems or misunderstandings with that office, it is my responsibility to act as the go-between in resolving the problem or difference.

Then, too, I constantly evaluate our various HHES policies and monitor their impact on the work of the literature evangelist. When I have requests or feel it's necessary, I call for a review and restudy of those policies by the local publishing directors in counsel with the director of HHES. I also monitor very very closely the disbursements from various trust funds, such as leadership, held in trust at the HHES office for use by the various conferences.

Now you are beginning to get personal. You are asking where did I meet Lucille, my wife, has she had any particular or major role in my ministry, and if she has ever been involved in the literature ministry. First, when we met, neither of us were Seventh-day Adventists nor were we even Christian. At that time I owned and operated a bar, pool hall, and card room on Skid Row in Sacramento. I was introduced to my wife, Lucille, by a young lady who happened to be a mutual friend, one evening when I stopped by the night club where she worked.

I don't have the intention of going into the details of my personal life; however, I will say that I was an extremely heavy smoker as well as a heavy drinker. I will share this with you. While serving as a marine during World War II, I did go through four beachhead landings, including Iwo Jima, without a scratch. During the course of my years in the liquor industry, I rolled two cars, both times driving well in excess of 100 miles an hour, again without a scratch. Only God knows from what He rescued us. One thing for sure, every day of life that we have is nothing more than a gift of grace.

Now to my wife and her role in my ministry. When I entered the literature ministry, she was a very, very important part of that decision. We made the decision together and we became a literature evangelist family. Regardless of circumstances, my wife never flinched or complained. I can truthfully say that no wife could have given more or been more supportive to her husband's ministry than my wife has been to mine.

When I was called into the position of leadership, we worked as a team. One of our great joys has been working with our student literature evangelists during the course of the summer. And I must say that much of our success must be attributed to the support of my wife. To those young people, she became their summer mother. Even to this day, there are yet hundreds who call her "Mom K" when they see her. And let me tell you, after all of these years we are still a team.

Leon, as we close this interview, you ask if there might be any observations that I would like to make. Yes, there are. Recently, we came from the Far West to join forces with God's people here in what is known as the cradle of the Great Advent Message. As we have traveled through the Union, we have found a people who love God supremely and love His church. By and large we find that our people long for the coming of the Lord. Yet with many we find that there seems to be somewhat of a reluctance to become really active in witnessing for the Lord. We know it has been and still is difficult.

I have read most everything in the Spirit of Prophecy regarding the work in the East. We believe that the time for God's power to be manifest in the East has come. I often think of the statement penned so long ago that says; "God will give us favor with the world till our work is one." We believe that time is now. And, Leon, I would like to take this opportunity to invite our people to consider prayerfully becoming a part of "the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory."

HE WHO LAUGHS LAST . . .!

Perhaps it's because the Lord challenged Sarah for laughing at the promise of a child that some feel the Lord does not condone laughter. And when we use the expression: "He who laughs last, laughs longest," we unfortunately associate it with a malevolent attitude on the part of the one who laughs.

But didn't the Lord have the last laugh on Sarah? And could it not also be possible that there is a smile at the corners of His

mouth in some of His dealings with us?

Did that smile appear when Carl, who was looking for a laugh, carelessly flipped the pages of TV GUIDE? And did the smile grow broader as Carl turned on the TV to that particular channel on that particular day to watch that particular program so that he could get a laugh out of the Bible-pounding fanatics? Read Carl's letter, and you be the judge.

Dear Pastor Vandeman:

This past St. Patrick's Day, after leafletting for Senator Gary Hart's presidential campaign at the parade in Manhattan, I came home and opened that week's TV Guide. By chance I encountered the advertisement for the March 18 It Is Written broadcast, "Seventh-day Adventists, Who Are They? What do Adventists really believe? Why do they live from four to six years longer than the general population?"

I thought, "Why? Well, I know that Seventh-day Adventists

don't drink, so maybe it seems longer!"

Nevertheless, I watched the broadcast. I expected to get a few laughs from some Bible-pounding fanatics; instead, I saw and heard soft-spoken, articulate people, not the least of whom was yourself.

In the belief that the price was right, I ordered the book (excerpts from The Cry of a Lonely Planet) that was offered at

broadcast's end.

On the last Tuesday in May, I received some items from Andrews University, notably the 27 fundamental beliefs issue of Adventist Review. I'd not requested them, but decided to

peruse them anyway.

This former agnostic/atheist was surprised, but by no means disappointed, to learn that Seventh-day Adventists do not believe in an eternally burning hell. I had heard all my life from the Catholic church (I was "baptized" Romanish at one month old), various Protestants, and infidels, such as Bertrand Russell, that Christ preached eternal torment of the wicked. It was eye-opening to read what the Bible says on the subject.

The following Sunday I visited the Seventh-day Adventist Information Center and Bookstore on Manhattan's West 40th Street. Michael Daum, the young man in charge, listened sympathetically and answered my questions. I bought, among other items, Ralph Blodgett's pamphlet, Hell: Will the Wicked Burn Forever?, and Phyllis Bailey's pamphlet, Fascinating Facts About the Bible. I bought the latter because I've always been interested in trivia and oddities, e.g., Ripley's Believe It or Not! and Guinness Book of World Records.

During June I met Naomi Sica, Director of Information Services at West 40th Street, and I attended services and prayer meetings at the Ridgewood, Queens church, and classes at the Flushing, Queens Seventh-day Adventist Center. I met several good men and women, notably Pastor Gerald Mattenson and

Elder Carmen Gonzalez from Ridgewood, and Pastor Cyril Monks from Flushing.

Nevertheless, I wanted a sign that getting involved with the Seventh-day Adventists was what I should do.

Well, on the last Saturday in June, I was eating spaghetti and meatballs in an Italian restaurant near the Ridgewood church. Carmen approached me and said she recognized me from a previous prayer meeting. She invited me to the Sabbath school and service that was to take place at Camp Berkshire the next Sabbath. (The camp is where the Greater New York Conference holds its summer week-long meetings.) I thanked Carmen and said I'd go with her.

It was inspiring to see hundreds of Seventh-day Adventists learning and worshiping together. I also spoke with Pastor Walter Isensee who answered my questions about some things I'd read in the Bible.

In early August, a week after I attended my first communion service, I told Pastor Mattenson I wanted to be baptized. I attended his Sabbath class, as well as studying on my own, and was baptized on October 20. While in the baptismal tank, I told church members and guests that watching It Is Written was one of the things that led to my baptism.



Right now I'm working on coordinating the church's mailing list, I'm also thinking about some ideas for reaching new people. On Saturday nights I'm almost always socializing with some people from the church.

It's strange to think that all this has happened because I expected to get a few laughs from some Bible-pounding fanatics last March!

I guess the best way to conclude is to say that I spent the first 33 years of my life with no Christ, but thank God I can spend the rest of my time on earth, and, I hope, eternity after that, getting to KNOW Christ!

Your brother in Christ, Carl E. Rennhack

Maybe we do the Lord a disservice if we picture Him always as sober and stern-faced. It just might be that the smile at the corners of His mouth on March 18 changed to a hearty laugh of sheer delight on October 20 as He saw . . . and was satisfied.

Perhaps, after all, the Lord does have the last laugh. And remember, "He who laughs last . . .!"

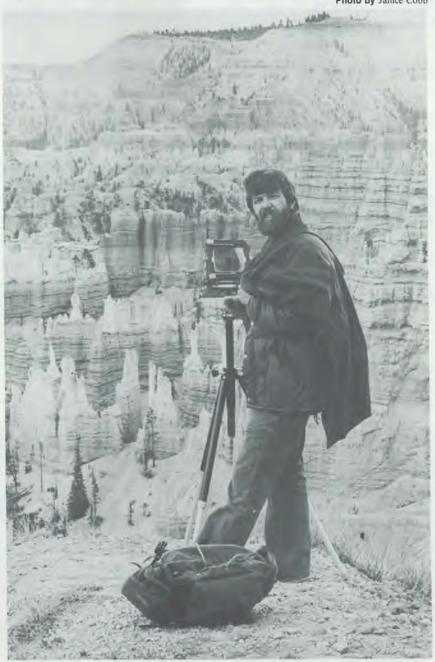
Atlantic Union College

Cobb Exhibits Impressions of the Southwest

Eugene Cobb, Associate Professor in the Art Department at Atlantic Union College, has recently closed a monthlong exhibit of his photographic series entitled The Southwest Portfolio at the Worcester Craft Center.

This exhibit was an investigation of new media combinations which expanded the artistic strategy of the photographer. The techniques include drawing on the photographs themselves

Photo by Janice Cobb



Art Professor, Gene Cobb, shown here on a photography trip to the Southwest.

using color pencils. The end results are interpretive descriptions based on general impressions of the southwest.

Worcester's Grove Street Gallery has also accepted the work of Professor Cobb. Two of his works using the photography and drawing technique have been included in their 1985 Photo Exhibit. The works have been well received in both places.

The project, originally funded by a research grant from AUC, was begun in the summer of 1983 when Mr. Cobb took a photography trip to the Southwest. Continued in the summer of 1984, Mr. Cobb completed his photographic impressions. The pictures from the summer of 1984 are currently on exhibition at AUC's Bartlett Gallery.

Wendy Ripley College Relations

Biology Field Trip Offered in 1985

The Atlantic Union College Department of Biology is currently planning a field course to be offered in May, 1985. This course may be taken for credit (3 semester hours) or non-credit, and will be taught by Dr. Gerald Wasmer, Chairman of the Department. The class is not limited to biology majors.

This course in Ornithology will be offered May 13 to 31. Two components will be involved: an eight-day trip to Point Pelee National Park in Ontario. Canada, and a two-week lecture session on campus. It will be possible for those not interested in college credit to participate in the Pt. Pelee trip by itself, but the trip will be limited to twelve participants. However, students taking the course for credit will be given first consideration for spaces. This will be the third time this course has been offered by the department, and it is an excellent opportunity for those wishing to develop an appreciation for birds and skill in birding.

DATES AND PROJECTED COSTS:

BIOL 399 Topics in Biology:

Ornithology

Dates: Field trip-May 13 to 20

Lecture-May 21 to 31

Non-credit (Field trip only):\$100 (covers trans-

portation and camping

fees)

Costs:

Credit: \$75 plus tuition

Accreditation Renewed

The Massachusetts Board of Education has recently approved the Elementary, Biology, and Home Economics Teacher Education programs for state certification and Interstate Compact Certification retroactive to the 1983-84 school year. The approval was for five years, the longest period of approval given. "John Baker, Gerald Wasmer, Leonor Fuentes, the members of these departments, and the members of the Teacher Education Council are to be commended," says Dr. Lynn Sauls,

Academic Dean, "especially in light of the fact that a number of colleges in Massachusetts closed down their teacher education programs rather than face the changes necessitated by the new state standards."

Also, the National League of Nursing renewed accreditation of the A.S. in Nursing program for the longest accreditation period granted, eight years. Special commendations by the NLN were given to the Nursing Department for the excellence of the self-study report prepared.

New Haven Church Rings in 1985 with Organization Weekend

One hundred eleven members gathered with friends and guests for the organization of the New Haven church in Brooklyn the weekend of December 28-30.

The weekend began with a Fridayevening consecration service at which Pastor Lynden H. Walton of Kingston, Jamacia, spoke.

During the eleven o'clock hour on Sabbath, December 29, Dr. Walter Douglas of Andrews University's

Greater New York

S.A.M.P.L.I. Opens a Branch in Bay Shore

Following the success of its first year of activities, S.A.M.P.L.I. (Seminario al Ministerio Personal Long Island) has opened its first branch, in the Bay Shore Hispanic church. S.A.M.P.L.I. is an institute designed specially to prepare Hispanic Bible instructors and personal ministries leaders. Any layperson wanting to improve his or her knowledge of Scriptures can also attend.

The new branch opened on January 18, 1985, with 35 students. Classes given this semester are:

New Testament I by Elder Orlando Newball The Sanctuary by Professor Jorge Suarez



(L. to R.) Elders Orlando Newball and Juan J. Suarez, and Jorge Suarez are instructors for the Bay Shore S.A.M.P.L.I. Elder Suarez is the father of Jorge, who serves as an assistant publishing director in Greater New York Conference.

Personal Evangelism by Elder Juan J. Suarez

The students belong to three different churches in the area. A number of non-Adventists attend.

As in the Rockville Centre S.A.M.P.L.I., where the fourth semester recently started with great enthusiasm, the students state that they find the classes spiritually helpful and a great blessing.

Riquelme G. Casali Director



Dr. Walter Douglas, professor of church history and world mission at Andrews Seminary, at the lectern.



Thirty-five Students attend the Bay Shore branch of S.A.M.P.L.I.



Newly appointed pastor for New Haven, Elder Mattahais Patrick, participated in the organization services.



Pastor Lynden Walton of Kingston, Jamaica, and New Haven lay leader David McDonald led out in a baby dedication during the church service on organization weekend.

Theological Seminary was the featured speaker.

The organization service was held at 3:00 p.m. on Sabbath, with Conference President Merlin Kretschmar presiding. In a "Statement of Accomplishment" David E. McDonald, lay leader of New Haven for its first year, commended church officers for their strong leadership in each phase of the church's work, despite difficulties. He noted that members of the congregation can "look toward the future without fear, for 'Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

"The Changing Faces of Adventism in the Caribbean" was the subject of a colloquium scheduled for Sunday, December 30. This special feature was hosted by Dr. Walter Douglas, who served until recently as Grenada's ambassador to the U.S., appointed during that island's interim government.

A Caribbean smorgasbord and festival followed, along with a special "This Is Your Life" feature, honoring Dr. and Mrs. Douglas, who were celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

Pelham Parkway Update

A Revelation Seminar was concluded at the Pelham Parkway church on December 1, 1984, with a fellowship-graduation dinner. The seminar had a constant attendance of 45 people, the majority of whom were visitors from the area. All showed an avid interest in the Adventist health message and in attending follow-up courses.

A Community Guest Day was held on December 8. Special musical numbers were provided by "Elijah" an Adventist musical trio consisting of Sergio Manente, Anthony Mazzella and vocalist Joe Otero. A considerable amount was donated to the building fund during the service. Social Committee Director Betty Belisle organized both successful functions.

Three "new" members were welcomed into the church in recent months: Derek Chandler, son of Jerome and Denise Chandler; Ruth Malave, daughter of Ricky and Ruth Malave; and Grace Sikoryak, daughter of Rick and Pat Sikoryak.

Camille Tomao Communication Secretary

Special Day at Maranatha— Ten Souls Baptized

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

Members of Maranatha church rejoiced in this Gospel commission on December 8, 1984, when ten precious souls were baptized.

Pastor Dudley A. Thorne officiated in the service, which proved to be a very moving experience for the congregation and, in particular, for the writer as her twin children gave themselves to the Lord

Members of Maranatha church thank God for His goodness and mercy in drawing four young people and six adults to Himself.

We welcome these new members into our church membership, and pray that God will continue to pour His blessings upon them.

Marie Jozy Celestin Communication Secretary

Ski Day

Freezing, snowy, windy weather did not keep 84 brave Greater New York Adventist youth and their friends from participating in Ski Day on January 20. Though it was the coldest day of the winter, the group took to the slopes at Big Birch ski area in Patterson, New York, for a day of fellowship and fun.

Since this was the first time skiing for most of the group, lessons were the first order of business after getting fitted for rental equipment. It was amazing to see the many different ways people tried to keep their balance!

After class, most of the group took a break to eat lunch and get warm before trying out the ski lift and going up the mountain to try real skiing. With such a large group, it was almost impossible to ride up the lift or ski back down without seeing or bumping into (sometimes literally) another. Because of the extreme cold, most of us had our faces completely covered except for our eyes and mouth, making positive identification of others a bit harder.

At the close of the day, almost all participants agreed that it had been an enjoyable experience to mingle with AYs from other churches, other countries, other cultures. Many youth asked, "Do we have to wait until next year for another Ski Day?" The answer to that is not yet known. Weather permitting, we do plan to have another Ski Day early in March. For information, call the Youth Ministries Department at (516) 627-9350 or (718) 895-4935; have your name put on the list for further information as it becomes available.

Lloyd Scharffenberg Youth Ministries Director





Greater New York Academy Corner

GNYA Student Becomes Finalist in 1985 Competition for Achievement Scholarships

The principal of Greater New York Academy, David A. Cadavero, has been notified that Karohn Jean Young was designated as a Finalist in the 1985 Achievement Scholarship competition sponsored by the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students. Approximately 1,200 are being considered for about 650 awards of three types. These include 350 single-payment National Achievement \$2,000 Scholarships, about 200 four-year awards sponsored by corporations and business organizations, and approximately 100 renewable scholarships offered by colleges and universities for students who plan to attend a sponsor institution.

Many outstanding black students from Greater New York Academy have achieved the Semifinalist standing in this competition. Karohn Jean, however, is the first student in Greater New York Academy's history to be designated as a Finalist. We congratulate her for this outstanding achievement, and we hope that the future holds many additional opportunities for her to develop her outstanding academic potential. \$\pm\$

A young man from New York recently wrote It Is Written: "I just want to let you know I was baptized this past year. You helped me so much in making my decision."

Lord on the first Sabbath of the New Year, January 5.

Presenting the church musicians was Dr. Margaret Hafner, Choir Director and Chairman of the Church Music Committee. Pastor Dick Dale read the charge to the musicians and the Act of Dedication as the group responded in unison, after which they presented the first act of musical worship in the new year.

The new emphasis on meaningful music in worship that Dr. Hafner has brought to the Syracuse church through weekly bulletin articles, varied musical presentations, and her overall musical leadership, has been a genuine blessing to the collective worship experience of the congregation. The Psalmist declares, "Serve the Lord with gladness; come into His presence with singing."

The Dedication Service served to make both parishioners and performers more aware of the joyous and important nature of the ministry of music and musical leadership in the church. Dr. Hafner expresses the hope that this "first" might also encourage other churches to recognize the important sacred role of the musicians of their congregations as well.

Pastor Dick Dale

New York

Farewell to Elder and Mrs. Clinton Shankel

Elder Clinton Shankel has accepted the invitation of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference (Southern Union) to become its new president. He has labored diligently for the past three and one-half years to further the work in Upstate New York, and his contribution has been appreciated by both workers and laity.

A good spirit has pervaded the field as we have seen many advances along all fronts. New churches have been built and dedicated. The program of Christian Education has been given a real thrust, and the development of Camp Cherokee and a real interest in our youth have been manifested throughout our president's tenure.

Mrs. Shankel has served faithfully as secretary in the M.V., Education, and Communication Departments of the New York Conference and will surely be missed. Mable will be employed at the Madison Hospital.

A farewell get-together was held on Monday evening, February 18, for the Shankels by the office staff with whom they had worked so closely.

The New York Conference wishes the Shankels Godspeed as they take up their

new work in Nashville, Tennessee, the location of their new headquarters.

Donald E. Wright
Communication Director

Syracuse Church Musicians Dedicated

Pictured are the church musicians of the Syracuse, New York, church whose gifts and talents were dedicated to the



Syracuse Church musicians are led in dedication by Pastor Dick Dale (center rear) and Dr. Margaret Hafner, Choir Director and Chairman of the Church Music Committee (center front).

Spiritual Gifts at Canton, New York

Having been involved in the Spiritual Gifts program last year at Dexterville, Elder Herbert Coe realized the tremendous blessing that came to its participants and determined to share this blessing with the members of his new district. The church at Canton decided to invite Elder Edmund Robinson and his team of involved laymen to come and share the workshop materials with them.

Since most of the members in the Canton area are farmers, Brother Walter Lacks, one of the Lay Witnessing Association Vice-Presidents, and Elder Coe arranged with Elder Robinson to start and end the meetings to accommodate the hours needed for "chores." Those farmers who came to the meetings were glad they did!

Weekend workshops of this kind are found to be beneficial since it allows a block of time to concentrate on a specific subject. Also close friendships are developed as people work, study and pray together in both small and large



Blanche Yates and Amelia Smith go for an "airplane ride," where they share their testimonies.

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groups. As members of small prayerfriendship team groups, petitions are sent to heaven for individual problems within the group. Loved ones are held up to the Lord and members plead for the Lord's work. As the students work on their assignments after they leave the weekend workshop, they are gradually led by the Spirit to know where they may best serve the Lord in His vineyard.

Elder Robinson presented the basic materials on Spiritual Gifts, what they are and how to determine which ones you have. (Every "born-again" Christian who is added to the body of Christ is given at least one gift so he or she can work for God.) Blanche Yates, the Lay Witnessing Association President, presented the section on giving one's personal testimony and her husband, Lee Yates, dealt with the gospel presentation. Ron Gadsen, another Vicepresident of the association, showed the importance of knowing and understanding our temperaments. Julie Yonke, Association Corresponding Secretary, along with the others helped lead out in the small group sessions.

A tired, but happy, group of people headed for home late Sunday afternoon thankful that the Lord had blessed again His work. These programs are done on a volunteer basis, so if you would like one given in your church, contact Elder E. O. Robinson, RD #2, 10 Roberts St., Endicott, N.Y. 13760 or Elder Nik Satelmajer, Personal Ministries Department, N.Y. Conference.

Vestal Hills Women's Day

Women's Day! What does it mean? Is that a new term that we are hearing in "our church"? We, here at Vestal Hills, feel we were very fortunate to have two very able speakers at our church for what has been called Women's Day! On November 3, June Strong spoke at our eleven o'clock service and Gloria Wright spoke at the 2:30 p.m. service, which made it nice for us. So many times we have speakers come and give us sermons, but seldom do we ever know what their wives feel or have to say. It was very refreshing to have these ladies speak to us. Thank you! Ladies, we enjoyed having you here. Come anytime.

Anne Whitaker

Five-Day Plan in Saratoga, New York

Five-Day Plans to Stop Smoking have been around for quite a while now, but no matter how long they have been here, it's still a thrill to see how happy people are who successfully "kick the habit."

One of these persons is a young man called Lanie Olson. Lanie works at a very stressful job as a government supervisor on a nuclear reactor. Having been transferred from the west coast to the Saratoga area, he and his family have been making all the usual adjustments to a new environment and work situation. When his wife, Cheri, invited him to come to the Five-Day Plan, he came to the first meeting only to please his wife. Cheri, who is now a Seventh-day Adventist had been asked by Pastor Mike Pizar to share her testimony on how the



Ron Gadsden, Elder Robinson and Lee Yates help the students grade their gifts sheets.



Some of the students plus Elder and Mrs. Coe as they listen to a Spiritual Gift presentation.



Cheri and Lanie Olson with their two boys, Bradley and Tony, holding Dad's certificate.



(Left to Right) Tom Bowser, Don Barry, and Lanie Olson receive congratulations from Pastor Mike Pizar upon completing the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking.

Five-Day Plan helped her give up smoking seven years ago. Even though he had no intentions of giving up his cigarettes which he loved, Lanie felt sorry for the

pastor because of a small turnout and decided to join the class.

On the very first night in order to help his team win, Lanie decided to quit "cold turkey." This was quite an undertaking considering that he often smoked four to five packs a day, and drank upwards of 30 cups of coffee! He is now drinking Pero and Postum and (maybe five cups of coffee when he can't get the other) plus lots of water and juice. Lanie has learned the value of plenty of deep breathing and exercise, too. Now, not only his wife, but also his two boys are glad that Dad "kicked the habit."

Two other participants, Don Barry and Tom Bowser also are hoping to stay in the realm of non-smokers. Don Barry "gives up smoking" each year as a New Year's resolution, but this year he followed it up with the Five-Day Plan and feels he's licked the problem for good! Tom Bowser has smoked for 51 years and is finding the struggle to stay off the cigarettes a constant battle. We are keeping all these men in our prayers that God will continue to give them success in their fight against "old lady nicotine."

Pastor Pizar is laying plans to make Five-Day Plans a regular part of the church's outreach to the community in Saratoga. The next one is scheduled for March 3 through 7 in the Saratoga SDA Church.

Juliana Yonke Communication Secretary



Grace and Lloyd Billings (right) standing with Pastor Ron Mills.

evangelistic meetings being held in Middlebury the fall of 1983 by Pastors Ron Goodall and Ron Mills. Grace and Lloyd attended the first meeting and did not miss one if they could help it.

Their interest in the truth continued to grow and they started attending church December 24, 1983. Next thing we knew, they had signed out Conflict of the Ages books from the local town library. In the spring of 1984 Mr. and Mrs. Billings attended a Revelation Seminar taught by Dale Briggs.

The Billings requested baptism and June 9, 1984, was the special day that Grace and Lloyd were baptized into the Family of God. The Billings are eager workers of their Lord. Mr. Billings has helped with two Five-Day Plans. Mrs. Billings taught the juniors at Vacation Bible School this summer. We rejoice with Jesus in having Grace and Lloyd Billings in the family of God.

This story shows what a blessing it is to distribute our literature. We may not know where it ends up or who it may have helped until the Second Coming of Jesus and we all pray that will be soon. But, in the meantime, incidents like this can encourage us to spread the written page like autumn leaves.

Alma Briggs Communication Secretary

Northern New England.

Victories For Jesus

The year of 1984 was very special for a few people in the Bristol, Vermont, church. We saw two of our young people take their stand for Jesus—Casey and Shannon Smith were baptized into the family of God. It is such a blessing to see our youth make their choice for Jesus.

The story that follows tells about a couple who were baptized in June. The last Sabbath before Christmas, December 24, 1983, was a special day for Lloyd and Grace Billings. It was the first time they attended the Bristol church and have been coming ever since. On Sabbath, December 22, 1984, their first

anniversary, Lloyd recalls the children having a special Christmas program for the adult Sabbath school a year ago.

This harvest was a result of different seeds being planted. The first seed happened to be someone giving the Billings daughter the book "How To Survive The '80's." She in return gave the book to her parents. Later two church members, Paula Roeloffs and Helen Willard, were going door-to-door in Middlebury leaving the book "Cosmic Conflict." Mrs. Billings' mother had a book left at her door and because of poor eyesight, she gave the book to her daughter. Shortly after this, the Billings got a flyer in the mail telling about some

Community Services at Mountain Missionary Institute

The students of Mountain Missionary Institute are using one of the gifts of the Spirit in the local community—Harrisville, New Hampshire. This gift is one that most all of us have, yet one that is neglected in quest for something bigger and better. This gift is one of the finest of God's gifts bestowed upon the church.

Each Tuesday after their outreach class taught by Ray Breer and assisted by his wife Janet, the students receive various assignments that require some outreach using the various talents each student feels is his or her area. Sheri Edwards and Lisa Zwieg have a real downto-earth project with a needy elderly lady. The two girls clean house and give hearty visitation each week to Mrs. Georgia Colburn who has been a widow for many years. Their first attempts at sharing spiritual things were rejected, but Mrs. Colburn's attitude changed when she saw that the girls were willing to continue helping her regardless of how she reponded to them. The love shown by acts of kindness have worked a genuine change in this soul and your prayers are needed as we cooperate with the Holy Spirit to win souls for the Kingdom.

Judy Benjamin, a first-year student, started a housecleaning job in the community. Soon she found several young people who were in need of her friendship. Judy started with just a friendly, helpful method and soon she found a way to share Christ with these girls who were hungering and thirsting for a better way of life. Judy is now studying with not one, not two, but three young people using a systematic study with the good news series and the Dukane projector. These girls are going to come in and be good solid Christians. Pray for them please. There are several other people being helped in the community and we can expect the Lord to work through His gift of helps to win souls.

You may be surprised how easy it is to develop a quick and lasting relationship with those around you and extend the gift of helps. The Lord used this gift and won souls thereby, so can you, so can I. Amen.

Ray Breer Lay Pastor

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Pine Tree Academy Christmas Program

Five musical groups from Pine Tree Academy gave a glimpse of the Christmas music and customs from Germany and Austria at the annual program, December 15. The parents and guests found the gym transformed by lighted trees, garlands, wreaths, and a homelike room at the front.

Jubilate singing group began the program with two German numbers and the elementary choir continued the theme with German and Bavarian carols.

Geoff Ganter and Todd Marshall acted out the story of the writing of "Silent Night," and after their skit, the Bell Ringers joined the elementary choir to play and sing that favorite Christmas carol as spotlights lit the front of the darkened auditorium.

Bell Ringers played two carols, the academy choir sang three, and the Academy Band played the "German Christas Festiva." The band switched to the 1812 Overture for their encore.

Tribute was paid to those who helped do all the background work that is necessary to put on such a program, and Mrs. Krueger gave a bouquet of flowers to Dorothy Waters, who wrote the script for the program.

Parents and guests commented again how much they appreciate the hours of hard work Mrs. Krueger invests in Pine Tree Academy's music program. One parent said, "My child is experiencing a quality of music education here that I think is superb!"

Only a week before Mrs. Krueger had directed a full-length *Messiah* Concert, and now to produce a program of this quality made parents and students alike

realize what an honor it is to have her talents at work for Pine Tree Academy.

"Mrs. Krueger IS the music program at Pine Tree," says Gary Frost, principal. "She has a special gift for bringing out quality music in our youth."

> Corrie Whitney, Brunswick Communication Secretary



"Joseph Mohr" (Todd Marshall, left) and "Franz Gruber" (Geoff Ganter) recreate the beginnings of "Silent Night."



Elementary choir at Pine Tree Academy sings the "Antiphonal Carol" from Bavaria during Christmas program.

Pine Tree Academy Presents Messiah Concert

One thousand people gathered in St. John's Church in Brunswick, Maine, to listen to *Messiah* presented by Pine Tree Academy Choir, The New England Youth Ensemble, and Harpsichordist, Carroll Googins. The program was given Friday evening, December 7, and was videotaped for television airing by the local Channel 13 Cable, which played it numerous times during the holiday season.

Doris Krueger directed the Oratorio. Her 63-voice choir and solists from Pine Tree Academy, Freeport, Maine, were joined by the New England Youth Ensemble from South Lancaster, Massachusetts. Dr. Virginia-Gene Rittenhouse, director of the ensemble, was the concert mistress for *Messiah*.

Harpsichordist Carroll Googins is the choral director of Brunswick high school. He has accompanied or directed Messiah at least 20 times.

St. John's Church is a large, cathedral-like edifice on one of Brunswick's main streets. Its arching domes and tall ceilings provided a very "live" acoustical environment for the concert. The strains of music echoed and reechoed, until they crescendoed in the "Hallelujah" chorus. But the testimony in music wasn't finished with that triumphal chorus. The glory of the resurrection and final anthem of praise, "Worthy Is The Lamb," brought the audience to its feet in standing ovation. The concert seemed to be more than a performance for most of those present. It was an experience.

The impact of the program was expressed in many ways by those attending. The audience demonstrated that the music touched more than their ears by quietly wiping away tears and the rapt attention they gave the musicians.

The manager of the television station commented that he could not believe a student group could sound so good. He



Pine Tree Academy Choir and New England Youth Ensemble performing Handel's "Messiah" in St. John's Church, Brunswick, Maine.

said several times how impressed he was with the youth and the quality of music Mrs. Krueger and Dr. Rittenhouse were able to elicit from them.

The Catholic pastor was very expressive of his appreciation to the participants and said it was a privilege to have them use his church.

The students, too, talked of how the concert had affected them. There seemed to be a feeling of participation and involvement with the music; it wasn't "just another concert."

Soloists for *Messiah* were: Tia Cannuli, soprano; Dawna Quittmeyer, soprano; Pam Quittmeyer, soprano; Chris Cannuli, alto; Brad Krueger, tenor; Robert Mills, Jr., bass; and Scott Mills, bass.

Corrie Whitney Brunswick Communication Secretary







Top (L. to R.)

Brad Krueger, PTA Senior, Tenor Soloist

Pam Quittmeyer, PTA Sophomore, Soprano Soloist

Dawna Quittmeyer, PTA Senior, Soprano Soloist

Brad Krueger and Chris Cannuli, PTA Junior, Alto

Bottom (L. to R.)
Scott Mills, PTA Sophomore, Bass Soloist
Tia Cannuli, AUC Freshman, Soprano Soloist
Robert Mills, PTA Senior, Bass Soloist
Chris Cannuli









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Southern New England

LOWELL BOCK AT SNE CAMP MEETING



Elder Lowell Bock, former president of the Southern New England Conference, will be speaking at camp meeting Friday and Sabbath evenings, July 19, and 20. Elder Bock is a native of Washington state, a graduate of Walla Walla College class of 1946. He spent 20 years laboring in Canada, thirteen of which was in departmental work and six as president of the Maritime and Ontarion-Quebec Conferences.

He came to Southern New England as president of our conference in 1966 and in 1970 he was called to be associate secretary of the General Conference. From 1975 to 1980 he was president of the Lake Union Conference. Since 1980 he has been a general vice-president of the General Conference.

In 1945 he was married to Merlo Cummins who is a registered nurse and they have three children, Dr. Allan Bock of New England Memorial Hospital, and Janel de Charleroy and Colleen Chapman, both registered nurses.

We are happy to know that Elder Bock plans to be with us for camp meeting. All our people will want to be present to greet him and hear his messages.

Late News Of Southern New England

The contract of sale for the Pioneer Valley Academy property was signed February 4 with closing scheduled for about June 30. Net proceeds of the sale are expected to be about one million one hundred eighty thousand dollars.

Arrangements have been made with Brother Lothar Suckert to build a new youth pavilion in time for camp meeting which begins July 12. The old one was destroyed by fire last fall.

Elder Ives Roberts has accepted the invitation to be pastor of the Northboro church beginning July 1. He comes from the Northeastern Conference.

David Berthiaume, teacher of our church school in Waterbury, Connecticut, has made application to be the first civilian to go on a Space Shuttle mission early in 1986. It has been determined that a teacher will be chosen for this flight.

The Haskell Club of Adventist retirees is called to meet April 7 at 1:15 p.m. in the Kilgore Chapel of Preston Hall at the college. Those who wish may have lunch in the cafeteria prior to the meeting as we have sometimes done before. The nominating committee will present its report and there will be other matters of interest to be considered.

Eleven Pathfinder Clubs from Southern New England have signed up for the N. A. Division Camporee at Camp Hale Colorado the last of July.

toys, dishes, secondhand clothing and literature.

In the last quarter of 1984, 58 persons were helped, and 1,268 pieces of clothing were distributed. In addition to satisfying some of the very real needs of the people seeking the services of the Center, much goodwill towards the church has been generated by the atmosphere of caring and helping which prevails.

Clyte Fortson Communication Secretary

Cooking School in Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts

Dr. Michael Lebowitz and his wife Cynthia from Mountain Missionary Institute in Harrisville, New Hampshire, conducted a cooking class on Wednesday nights for four weeks during November and December last year. The 26 people who attended were very appreciative of the opportunity to learn how to prepare simple but tasty and healthful meals.

The emphasis of the instruction was on food prepared without sugar or fats. At the end of each class, slides were shown depicting the requirements for a balanced diet.

Among the many tempting dishes for holiday meals were stuffed tofu and cranberry relish. Breakfast menus included nut-oat waffles, crockpot cereal and simple bread. A carob fudge recipe was also well received.

Two local dentists who attended expressed much appreciation for the instruction given.

> Clyte Fortson Communications Secretary

Shelburne Falls Church Active in the Community

The Community Service Center at the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, is a busy place. Maintained largely through the efforts of Josie Quinlivan, Dorcas leader, the Center regularly serves about twenty-five local families, supplying them with much-needed clothing and making available to them the uplifting literature of our faith.

Over thirty Christmas baskets were delivered containing gifts, handmade toys, food and literature. Response from church members to the news that a local family had lost their home by fire resulted in a delivery of new clothing,

General News . . .

Seventh-day Adventist Nurses Annual Meetings

The Association of Seventh-day Adventist Nurses and Nursing Council, NAD, will be meeting April 18-23, 1985, at the beautiful Cohutta Springs Adventist Center, Crandall, Georgia. The theme will be the "Cost of Caring—Economical, Ethical, Personal." Can patients afford caring? Can hospitals afford to care? Can nurses afford to care? Can the hospitals or the nurse afford not to care?

Coming in the ADVENTIST REVIEW

The April 18 ADVENTIST REVIEW will contain a cluster of three articles on marriage, affirming the editors' belief in strong Adventist homes and families.

Why local Adventist churches should become involved in programs that will strengthen the marriages of their members in the topic of an article by Chaplain and Mrs. Al Brendel from the Charles F. Kettering Memorial Hospital in Ohio. The article will include concrete suggestions for pastors and church members.

Elder and Mrs. Darold Bigger of the Walla Walla College church in Washington describe some of the challenges of marriage today and ways to meet them. And in the third article of the series, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Truitt of Turlock, California, give counsel on improving the husband-wife relationship through communication.

Next Month in SIGNS

One year after the merger of *These Times* with *Signs of the Times*, what will you (and those you sponsor) find in the pages of the new *SIGNS* for April? Here's a partial line-up:

"The Sabbath—A Sign of Belonging." Seven reasons why the Sabbath hours are designed to meet our deepest human needs for acceptance and belonging.

"Constitutional Convention: A Trip Into the Unknown." Thirty-two states—only two short of the required number—have called for a convention to propose amendments to the nation's highest law. Many constitutional scholars are worried that what happened in 1787 could happen again.

"Whistle Snapper's Easter." A story that will delight you and prove it's true that "a little child shall lead them."

"Salvation—Easy or Difficult?" Is it hard to be saved and easy to be lost? Or is it the other way around?

"Laughter—Nature's Doctor." Some hospitals are teaming up their sophisticated medical technology with an old-fashioned remedy. It works, and it's free!

"The Bridge Makes a Way Back." An unusual "family" on a Kentucky farm has given more than 150 troubled young people a new, drug-free life.

Some of the guest participants will include Fred Lee, Vice-President, Marketing, Florida Hospital; Mima Burgher, Professor of Nursing, Walla Walla College; and Leah Curtin, Editor of Nursing Management and nationally known lecturer on medical ethics. Friday evening vespers will be presented by the Southern Players, Southern College,

and Sabbath morning worship speaker will be Gordon Beitz, Pastor, Collegedale. Come and share the spiritual/professional fellowship and recreation at this lakeside conference center. Further information available from regional coordinator: Call evenings (617) 365-3990.

Hazel Muller

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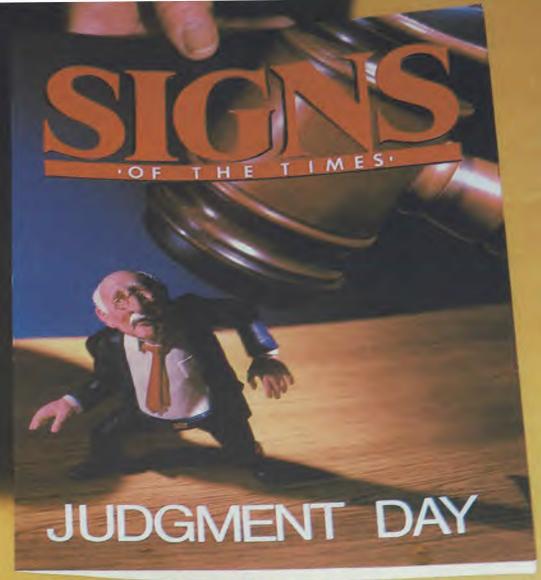
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NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Association of Adventist Counselors (AAC)

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Stoneham, MA, SDA Church 29 Maple St. Douglas Marshall in a Bach Celebration Apr. 28; 4:00 p.m.

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July 12-20

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Theme: "Christ and His life as a single person"
Speaker: John Robertson
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Information & reservations
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Communication Workshop

Sponsored by Southern N.E. Conf. and Atlantic Union Union Office Apr. 14; 9:30 a.m.

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STRUGGLE FOR AUTHORITY

By Earl W. Amundson, President Atlantic Union Conference

It is difficult to contemplate the origin of sin in heaven. How could it have started where everything was perfect? Satan and one-third of the angels rebelled against God's authority. They wanted to be equal with Him. But they didn't have a chance at succeeding. They were cast out of heaven. (See Isaiah 14:12-15 and Revelation 12:3-4.)

The rebellion that caused Satan's fall became the basis for the fall of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. They were tempted to believe that they could become as God (Genesis 3:5). They fell for the lie. Disaster followed.

The seeds of rebellion are everywhere today. Every man, woman, and child in the world is born with a nature that would rather do wrong than right. We are all tempted with the same lie that Satan told Eve. If we reject the truth of God, we will be deluded into believing Satan's lie (II Thessalonians 2:10-11; Romans 1:25).

Adam and Eve partook of dangerous and forbidden fruit. Today the forbidden fruit is the philosophies and vain deceit (Colossians 2:8) of humanism. Here are a few of them:

- "Religious humanists regard the universe as self-existing and not created." (One can see by this statement that humanism is a religion, and the foundation of humanism is evolution.)
- 2. "Humanism believes that man is a part of nature and that he has emerged as the result of continuous process" (again denying the biblical account of God's creating man in His own image).
- "Holding an organic view of life, humanists find that the traditional dualism of mind and body must be rejected."
- 4. "Humanism recognizes that man's religious culture and civilization, as clearly depicted by anthropology and history, are the product of a



gradual development due to his interaction with his natural environment and with his social heritage. The individual born into a particular culture is largely molded to that culture." (Humanists reject God, the Bible, and biblical morality.)

- 5. "Humanism asserts that the nature of the universe depicted by modern science makes unacceptable any supernatural or cosmic guarantees of human values."
- 6. "We are convinced that the time has passed for theism, deism, modernism, and several varieties of 'new thought."
- 7. "Religion consists of those actions, purposes, and experiences which are humanly significant. Nothing human is alien to the religious" (including any form of sexual perversion).

All of the above quotations are from the "Humanist Manifesto," originally published in the May/June issue of *The New Humanist*, 1933, (Vol. 6, No. 3).

More of this dangerous and forbidden fruit later.