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ACTION IS NEEDED NOW

DRINKING, said chief cause of road deaths." "Drinking drivers, alcoholic missiles." "100,000 Canadians declared alcoholics." "Claims problem drinker causes heavy losses." "Hull record worst for drinking, Ottawa sip or two behind." "Claims drinking brings downfall of teenagers." "Youth, 19, dies of alcoholism." "Drinking chief home wrecker." These shocking statements are all taken from headlines of recent Canadian newspapers. These, together with scores and hundreds of others, just as shocking, tell a sad, sad story of what is happening to Canadians because of the sale and use of alcoholic beverages.

Below the headlines, as we read the story more in detail, we learn that there are an estimated 1629 alcoholics for every ten-thousand Canadians. Another story tells us that Canadians in 1953 drank enough beer, wine, and liquor to fill something like one hundred and seventy-five million standard sized, twenty-five ounce bottles, and that 1952's national bill for drinks totalled seven hundred and forty one million dollars, and that it was expected to run close to eight hundred million dollars in 1953. Public opinion polls reveal that Canadians are drinking more and more, and that more Canadians are drinking. Tee-totalers make up less than thirty percent of the population today, whereas a decade ago the non-drinking percentage stood at forty-one percent.

Quoting from Judge Watson, of Winnipeg, "Liquor was the main cause of discord for nearly two-thirds of the 381 married couples in Greater Winnipeg that sought legal separation during 1952. The one alarming factor in Winnipeg's family life is the increased and excessive use of liquor." The judge added that the frequency with which alcohol appeared as a major culprit in family discord was a blot on our society that demanded a cure.

These statements of actual conditions in Canada today are in full accord with

By H. E. McCLURE



the following declaration from the pen of the Lord's messenger as quoted in *Temperance*, page 165. "Intemperance lies at the foundation of all the evil in our world."

What is our responsibility as Seventh-day Adventists in this crisis hour? Here there is no question, for we read the following message through the Spirit of Prophecy in *Temperance*, page 239. "The conflict against this evil which is destroying the image of God must be vigorously maintained. A warfare is before us. No tame message will have influence now." In *Medical Ministry*, page 25, we read, "Now is our time. Now is our opportunity to do a blessed work."

A special opportunity comes to every Seventh-day Adventist in Canada on January 30, and during the early days of February. In harmony with a denominational plan, every Seventh-day Adventist in Canada will be asked to sign a temperance pledge on January 30. We have been told by the Lord's messenger that Seventh-day Adventists should sign the temperance pledge whenever it is presented, and in *Temperance*, p. 222, she wrote, "From the light God has given me, every member among us should sign the pledge and be connected with the Temperance Association."

The Temperance pledge on January 30, has no connection with the annual membership drive and it does not cost one penny to sign. We trust that every man, woman, and child in our churches will sign the pledge on that day. These pledges will then be gathered from all over Can-

ada and attached to a mammoth scroll and then taken to our General Conference session in San Francisco in May. This scroll will then be unrolled, showing the adherence of Seventh-day Adventists in Canada to the principles of temperance. When the scrolls from all of the Unions of North America are unrolled at that time, it should make a mighty spectacle that will have a tremendous impact on attendants at that conference, and also upon people everywhere through the publicity which it will bring about.

The temperance cause needs funds, however, and the programme needs your active support throughout the year of 1954. Therefore, on Sabbath, February 6, the 1954 membership drive will be launched in Canada and it is hoped that every member and young person will become active members, supporting in a definite and financial way the fight against this great evil. The regular \$2.00 membership fee enables us to carry on a vigorous campaign throughout the year and also furnishes you without additional cost, a year's subscription to *Listen* magazine. In case several members of the family become members, you will be given the opportunity of designating where you would like the additional subscriptions of *Listen* to go.

We trust and believe that the response of our believers this year will be the greatest in the history in the cause of Temperance in Canada. May God help us to respond most generously that there might be no cessation, but rather a mighty impetus given to this important phase of the work in 1954.

Peterson of Religious Arts, 25 Duryea Street, Islip, New York can provide you with attractive church markers which, if strategically placed on the principal highways leading into the city, will inform people of the location of the Adventist church in town. Of course, it is well not to neglect all the media of advertising the time and place of worship in the Seventh-day Adventist church.

This is a relatively small problem, yet one that essentially can be solved on the congregational level by pastors, church boards and members that take seriously the Divine injunction to "let your light shine." How about it, will they know where your church is, and where your life is charged with the Heavenly light? If you cannot give an affirmative answer to this question try to do something about it.

Editor's Note: Further information on this can be obtained from Elder J. R. Ferren of the Bureau of Press Relations, General Conference of S.D.A., 6840 Eastern Ave., N.W., Washington 12, D.C.

Freedom is Everybody's Business

Public Relations News

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY—News from Quebec reports a special Government bill before the Legislature especially designed to curb the activities of the Jehovah Witness group. The danger of this type of legislation is that it cannot be quarantined! Can anyone predict who will be the next victim of such legislation!

Reports from British Columbia indicate renewed pressure upon the Attorney General to order the police forces to crack-down on violators of the Lord's Day Act.

What have you done during January to meet the menace to your religious freedoms? Next year might be too late! Just a hint, if you completely forgot about giving enough to sponsor *Liberty* subscriptions to key people in your community, you can still do it!

An interview with the Honourable Doctor W. J. Dunlop, Minister of Education for Ontario reveals a man who has the courage of his convictions to order nuns teaching in a public school in Hawkesbury, Ont. to remove their crucifixes while in the school. He holds similar convictions about their distinctive garb. Schools supported by tax funds should not become centres of sectarian or denominational instruction, for the benefit of one religious group.

HIDDEN CHURCHES

By DARREN MICHAEL

WHY is it Pastor, that Seventh-day Adventist churches are not open during the week for passers-by to drop in for a moment of prayer or meditation? They all seem to be locked up so tight," remarked a non-Adventist friend to one of our ministers.

Do you know the answer? I mean, of course, a satisfactory answer, not just an excuse, that it is cold outside, something might be stolen or it would mean having someone there all the time. Other churches find it possible to do it, and in so doing, win many friends from among people who need the solace and comfort of a church.

But there is another way in which we "lock up" our churches almost as successfully, so that even on Sabbath, it would be almost impossible for one of our friends to find us at worship. In town after town, and city after city across the country the

location of the Adventist church is all but unknown, it need not be so!

Did not the Lord say something about "a light upon a hill" not being hidden. It would appear that all our churches, or almost all of them, have been very successfully hidden "away where nobody sees."

Public relations activities as conducted by faithful church members, pastors who are wide-awake and progressive, alert conferences and union officers all combine to make Seventh-day Adventists better known across Canada. But, where will the newly interested friend of Adventists find the nearest Seventh-day Adventist Church? Not in the newspaper list of churches, not in the hotel or railway station directory of churches! No, they are not exclusive enough for this "elusive" denomination.

May we suggest that there is a fairly simple and inexpensive answer. Mr. A. E.

PRESS RELATIONS—From Vancouver, B.C. comes our biggest "big story." Within ten days three stories and two three-column wide pictures in the *Sun* and *Province*, two of the largest papers on the coast! Heartiest congratulations to Press Secretary Erdman and Elder Rentfrol! The stories dealt with; a sermon report of an evangelistic meeting on Christian standards in the home, a colporteur institute, and a feature story on sea-going colporteurs Clyde and Nancy Gildersleeve aboard their mission launch "Sea Gypsy."

In Manitoba-Saskatchewan they believe in making news! The Winnipeg *Free Press* and *Tribune* both carried stories of the election of new church officers. Also a fine short article in the *Tribune* about welfare caroling conducted by the English church. Well done Press Secretary Kiely and Elder Reeves! In the Saskatoon *Star-Phoenix* it took an attempted safe-cracking at the Conference office to break into print! If our motives are not misunderstood, we extend congratulations to Conference press

director Soloniuik!

From Medicine Hat, Alberta two clippings from the *News* indicating that Pastor Reimche is on the job with excellent sermon reports of his evangelistic services in the paper. Makes good "medicine" for a lot of other pastor-evangelists! Try it, and see!

Ontario-Quebec scores in three districts using four newspapers! Special commendation to W. E. Kuester of Windsor for an article in the *Daily Star* on Christian literature; to Press Secretary Joan Brewer of St. Thomas for a good report on Dorcas welfare activities in the *Journal*; to Elder Eric Zins, for two fine stories in the *London Free-Press*; and to Hamilton for a three-column wide picture and story on Dorcas work.

Three cheers, however, to Elder D. E. Tinkler, of Chilliwack, B.C. for a signed, feature article in the *Progress* on the Christmas story as the "Biggest News Story," which indicates real recognition by his editor!

Gossiptown

"Have you heard of Gossiptown on the shore of Falsehood Bay, where old Dame Rumour with rustling gown is going the livelong day?

"It isn't far to Gossiptown for people who want to go; the Idleness train will take you down in just an hour or so. The Thoughtless road is a popular route, and most people start that way; but its steep down grade, if you don't look out, will land you in Falsehood Bay.

"You glide through the valley of Vicious Folk, into the tunnel of Hate, and after crossing the Add-to-Bridge, you walk right to the city gate. The principal street is called 'They-Say,' and 'I've Heard' is the public well, and breezes that blow from Falsehood Bay are laden with 'Don't-You-Tell.'

"In the midst of the town is Tell-Tale Park. You're never quite safe while there, for its owner is Madam Suspicious Remark who lives on the street Don't Care. Just back of the park is Slander's Row, and there it was Good Name died, pierced by a dart from Jealousy's bow in the hands of Envious Pride.

"From Gossiptown, peace long since has fled, but Trouble and Grief and Woe and Sorrow you'll meet instead, if ever you chance to go.

"'Tis a dangerous road that leads down there, and beyond is the hill of regret you must finally climb to free yourself, and gain your self-respect. Though tears be spilled as you ascend, though forgiveness may be won, alas! you never quite can mend the damage you have done."

If all the gossipers in the world would give the energy thus expended for Jesus' cause instead, what glorious good would be wrought for Him that day!

Incidentally, one of the best ways to talk for Jesus is to become a Colporteur Evangelist and go to the thousands who are prayerfully anxious to speak to someone about their souls and Jesus. Dozens of souls were won to Christ in 1953 by our brave colporteurs. Will you not talk to Jesus a little while about this today? There is no higher calling, no greater work.

J. M. BUCY,

Canadian Union Conference

Sabbath School Lesson Quarterlies To The Philippines!

If you send Sabbath school lesson quarterlies or other Sabbath school materials to the Philippines, kindly send them only to one or the other of these two addresses:

Elder P. C. Banaag
Sabbath School Department
North Philippine Union Mission of
S.D.A.
P. O. Box 401
Manila, Philippines

Sabbath School Department
South Philippine Union Mission of
S.D.A.
P. O. Box 3
Cebu City, Philippines

In the past it has too often happened that lesson quarterlies and other Sabbath school materials have been sent to private individuals in the Philippines, and, unfortunately, difficulties and problems have resulted from this, so our two union mission Sabbath School Department secretaries there have urgently asked that in the future only the two addresses given above be used.

Also, kindly remember that our people in the Philippines are not more than six months behind us in the study of Sabbath school lessons, and send them only such Sabbath school lesson quarterlies and materials as can be used after their arrival in the Philippines. Attention to this matter will save waste of time, effort, and funds.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MESSENGER WRITERS ATTENTION!

It is like a housewife making a cake. She can, all other things being equal, make no better cake than she has materials. It takes the finest, most tasty materials to make an highly edible cake. It is like that with the MESSENGER—the MESSENGER is made out of the materials you send us. Highly interesting and readable material, together with skilful editing makes for an interesting Union magazine.

Send us "human interest" material. Write about people, their Christian experiences, answered prayer, activities in the church: Bible studies, Sunday schools and Sabbath schools conducted for non-Adventists, Colporteur exploits of interested people found, Bible Correspondence Course results, and *Bible Correspondence school news* (how many students, offerings, plans, baptisms).

All these things and many others, are things that people will read, and that will promote the Lord's cause in Canada.

One thing more: Send photos of new groups, Sabbath schools, Sunday schools, new churches, Colporteurs, Temperance work, radio, TV, and newspaper achievements, baptisms et cetera. These are but a few.

Yours for a better MESSENGER in 1954.

DALLAS YOUNGS

A Mighty Influence

The happiness and eternal destiny of husband, wife, and children depend largely upon "home" influence. The most wonderful thing that can happen to anyone is to have a real home. Home influence outweighs all others for children. Parents, therefore, have an unusual opportunity for Christian service within their home: "The education and training of their children to be Christians is the highest service that parents can render to God. It is a work that demands patient labor—a lifelong, diligent, and persevering effort."—*Adventist Home*, p. 268.

What are the bulwarks of such a Christian home? How can a true Christian home be maintained? This is the topic for consideration on Christian Home Day—the first Sabbath of the second month, February 6, 1954.

Every church is urged to observe Christian Home Day. We sincerely hope that every pastor will present some phase of this great subject on that day. For those desiring suggestions, programme materials can be found in the February issue of the *Go* magazine. This or some other phase of the Christian home should be presented to all of our churches on that date.

Too many of our Seventh-day Adventist homes are disintegrating; too many are losing their children to the world. Let us study God's plan and build up the bulwarks of a Christian home. Remember, FEBRUARY 6, 1954, CHRISTIAN HOME DAY.

G. M. MATHEWS



Box 337, Oshawa, Ontario

G. Eric Jones _____ President
A. G. Rodgers _____ Secretary-Treasurer

Make wills and legacies payable to the Ontario Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Presentation of Adventist Books to Libraries

SOME time ago the General Conference committee initiated a plan to place some of our truth-filled Adventist books in the libraries of important centres of learning. At the suggestion of our Conference president, Elder G. Eric Jones, the writer made contact with the librarians of the University of Western Ontario in London, and of the Central City library, who graciously expressed their willingness to accept the works of Seventh-day Adventist scholars such as LeRoy E. Froom, M. L. Andreasen, F. D. Nichol, and certain Ellen G. White volumes.



London Free Press

Dr. J. J. Talman, Librarian at the University of Western Ontario, London, receives the three volumes written by Elder L. E. Froom, *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, from Elder E. Zins, district pastor.

The recent gift of some twenty representative Adventist books to each of these libraries was noted in the news columns of the *London Free Press* and they sent their photographer to record the event.

Thousands of university students and members of the public library have access to the books of prophetic interpretation, while others deal with such specific subjects as the Sabbath, the Sanctuary and

Christian Education. We believe that interests for the saving truths of these eventful days will be awakened, and that souls will eventually be found in God's Kingdom through this method of the dissemination of Adventist teachings. It is certainly a thrill to consult the library file and find many Library of Congress cards classifying our familiar books under the heading "Seventh-day Adventist"!

ERIC ZINS



The complete set of *Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, together with more than fifteen other volumes was placed in the University Library, and also in the Central Public Library. The librarians in each case were happy to receive the books featuring Seventh-day Adventist teachings.

Do You Believe In Total Abstinence?

Sabbath, January 30, has been set aside by the General Conference as COMMITMENT DAY at which time we are inviting every Seventh-day Adventist, as well as our children and young people who have not yet been baptized, and others who may be present to renew their temperance vows and to sign the pledge. These pledges, in turn, will be sent back to our office where they will be mounted on a scroll by churches.

These scrolls will be sent to the Union Conference Temperance Secretary who will arrange the conference scrolls into one mammoth scroll for the unfurling exercises which will take place at the great temperance rally scheduled for Sunday afternoon, May 30, at the time of the General Conference session in the Civic Auditorium in San Francisco.

We are sending detailed instructions to our pastors, church elders and temperance secretaries for Commitment Day and we are anxious that *everyone* participate in this very important occasion. By practice and belief, we are total abstainers, not only from alcoholic beverages, but from tobacco and other harmful things. *Let us register our belief and faith by being sure that each of us has signed the temperance pledge on Sabbath, January 30.*

Isolated church members are invited to write our office for one of these temperance pledges so that their names can be included on our conference scroll which will ultimately go to San Francisco. It is imperative that you write immediately for your pledge cards. May God grant that we will have a one hundred per cent response to this appeal!

F. B. WELLS, Temperance Secretary,
Ontario-Quebec Conference

Seeing Results of Colporteur Work

The year 1953 has been a good year for our colporteurs in the Ontario-Quebec Conference. During the year they placed over seventy thousand dollars worth of our truth-filled books and magazines. Many thousands of sermons were preached to one and two soul audiences and only eternity will reveal the full result of our work. Already a number have been baptized with many more interested. In one area we have started three Branch Sabbath schools from colporteur contacts. Two colporteurs are leading out in two of these schools; Brother Del Sudds is in charge of one, Brother Reed Wagar the other, and Elder Blair the third. Brother Sudds reports nine persons attending his Sabbath school. We thank God for the many interested souls we find in our literature ministry.

The colporteurs who are putting in full time and are consecrated to their task are being blessed financially. One of our colporteurs who sold his business and entered the colporteur work in April of 1952 has since delivered nearly twenty thousand dollars worth of *Bible Readings for the Home*. God never fails us when we serve Him faithfully and well; our part is to place ourselves where He can pour out a blessing upon us. In Vol. 1, p. 260, we read, "Satan is now seeking to hold God's people in a state of inactivity, to keep them from acting their part in spreading the truth, that they may at last be weighed in the balance and found wanting."

Another opportunity for training in the colporteur work will be opened to all when our colporteurs meet for their regular Institute in the Toronto Awde Street church, January 27-31. If you would like to have a part in finishing the work of God on earth, a very cordial welcome awaits you there. For further information write your local Publishing Department Secretary, 114 King street E., Oshawa, Ontario.

F. CONNORS

Christmas Cheer Baskets at St. Thomas

THE members of the active Dorcas Welfare Society of the thirty-member Seventh-day Adventist Church at St.

Thomas, Ontario, can look back upon another year of fruitful service as they close the records of 1953. Many a time, faithful workers, under the energetic leadership of Sister Lois Kantor, have proved as true the words of the Servant of the Lord, "By showing an interest in the wants of suffering humanity, we can best reach hearts." Letter 116, 1897.

Several lay-workers have been able to conduct regular Bible studies in homes contacted through the welfare ministry of love. Several individuals were baptized as a result of the combined labours of all phases of home missionary activities in the church.

When the members packed the Christmas cheer baskets for some twenty needy families, scores of new and reconditioned toys were donated by the men of the local fire brigade who had painted and prepared these yuletide gifts in spare hours during recent weeks. Because the firemen had learned of the unselfish services rendered to the community by the Adventist Dorcas Society, they gladly augmented our own gifts of food and clothing for needy families through numerous toys which meant so much to the children in the families remembered because of previous missionary contacts.

Yes, dear fellow-believer, the goodwill created through a consistent, whole-hearted Dorcas Welfare programme, brings many dividends to God's Remnant church, and glory to the name of Christ.

E. ZINS, Pastor



A nice way to close the year. Pastor Eric Zins, Mrs. Lois Kantor and members of the St. Thomas Dorcas Welfare Society pack Christmas Cheer baskets for the needy. This Society has operated a Welfare Centre for the past two years.



Elder F. B. Wells with the members of the newly organized MV Club at London. Elder and Mrs. Zins, together with Brother and Sister Trevor Davidson loyally support the Club.

London MV Club

It was with pleasure that your conference MV Secretary was a guest on the opening night of the London MV Club. These young people gather together periodically to participate in Christian fellowship and recreation, as well as various crafts. These folks are also diligently working on

their MV class work and they are looking forward to a good investiture in the spring. We congratulate Elder and Mrs. E. Zins and Brother and Sister Trevor Davidson, the local MV leader, for their enthusiastic interest in this club.

F. B. WELLS, Secretary,

M. V. Department, Ont.-Que. Conference

1954 DATES FOR JUNIOR AND SENIOR CAMP

By F. B. WELLS

YES FOLKS, even though Deer Lake and the Yamaska river are frozen over, and even though the loons are sunning themselves in warmer climes, and even though the old black bear is fast asleep in his winter cave, the time "has" come when we should be making plans for "our" boys and girls to attend one (or both) of the junior camps that will be held at Camp Frenda, South River or Camp Eben-Eden, Foster, Quebec.

There are numerous ways that boys and girls can either save or earn money for their camp fees and expenses. I venture to say that if our juniors would begin "now" to save all their money that is spent on gum and candy that by July they would not only have most of their fees intact, but they would probably be much better healthwise! Then there is the sale of those excellent magazines *Listen* and *Life and Health* which are first rate money raisers for camp. Some of our juniors right here

in Ontario-Quebec have earned their camp fees in this manner. Let us as parents and church members make it our business to see that our youth have the advantages of these Christian-operated summer training camps.

Heretofore Camp Frenda junior camp has always been of only ten days duration. Year after year many people have requested that we operate a two-week camp (fourteen) days as is done by the brethren in the United States. I am happy to announce that beginning with this year a fourteen day camp will be operated. Of course the camp fees will have to be raised slightly to care for these four extra days. The new fee is a nominal one which also includes insurance on the child while at camp. This fee does not however include the bus fare to and from camp, for those who use the bus service from Oshawa. The fee will be \$23.00 for one child, and a discount of 13 per cent or a fee of \$20.00

for each additional child from the same family. If a church is paying for two or more children (in cases where parents or guardians et cetera are unable to pay) then the church will also be eligible for the discount. Junior camp dates will be July 19 to August 1.

This year (by popular request) senior camp will convene for one week instead of the usual four-day encampment. The dates for senior camp are: August 2 until August 8. Those who are age sixteen or older are invited to this camp. Do not let small children keep you from senior camp. **BRING THEM WITH YOU!** Of course, parents will be responsible for their children. What a glorious opportunity is afforded for Christian fellowship and recreation in one of the Province's A-1 camps! Each year the Ontario health department inspector has always paid high tribute to our camp. He has remarked on different occasions that it was a pity more people failed to take advantage of the facilities that Camp Frenda affords. We sincerely hope that in view of the fact that this year's senior camp will be of one week's duration that many of you will plan to take at least a part of that vacation at Camp Frenda amidst the beauties of nature. Do come and join with us around the morning watch circle, prayer bands, craft table, the lake et cetera, and last but not least, the never-to-be-forgotten camp fire circle!

On the shores of the lovely Yamaska river and nestled in Fessenden Flats is beautiful Camp Eben-Eden that serves the youth of Quebec, and Eastern Townships in particular. August 2 to 8 will be the dates for junior camp here. We especially invite the children of the French Mission and Montreal English church to be present at this camp.

Let us plan "now" to be present for one of these camps. Remember, these camping facilities exist to serve only "you"! Take advantage of them.

Pre-Christmas Revival

IT WAS most appropriate that the revival services enjoined by action of the past Fall Council should be conducted in Canada's capital by Elder D. L. Michael. For in this city Elder Michael has met with many government leaders and made contacts which may not lead to immediate baptisms, but which will prove extremely valuable to us in the future.

Prior to the beginning of the eight-day services, Elder Michael and the local pastor made an effort to visit in as many homes as possible. We felt that the hearts of the people could be more easily reached in the family circle than at the public meeting. Former members of the church became the objects of special concern. We made every effort to assure these people that they still had a very definite place in

our hearts, and that we wanted them to have a special invitation to come and enjoy the blessings of these special meetings. Following a brief but friendly visit with them, we bowed together in prayer, beseeching God's special blessing over their home and over the services of the revival week.

The fact that the series came just before Christmas seemed at first to be a disadvantage, for this would be the time when everyone would be preparing for the festive season. But Elder Michael wisely turned this seeming handicap into a stepping stone. In the local newspapers the meetings were referred to as special pre-Christmas services to combat the commercialized, materialistic trend in the observance of this season. Excellent publicity was gained by stating that the Adventist Church was sponsoring this Christian-emphasis week to rekindle the true Christmas "spirit" by providing positive leadership in returning to a Christian way of life that is founded on a Biblical rather than a materialistic basis.

During the revival week, services were held at Almonte and Russell and were well attended in spite of the inclement weather. The snow and the cold were not allowed to prevent the visiting of members who lived some distance in the country. On some occasions the fresh snow made the pushing of the pastor's car necessary, and the guest speaker proved efficient even at this.

A special commitment service was held on the last day of the revival series, which in a very simple and beautiful way and without causing embarrassment to anyone, gave all an opportunity to express their faith in their Saviour and indicate how much the special week of services meant to them.

Both through personal visits and through messages from the pulpit, many will long remember the blessings of this revival period. Surely the fruitage from this series cannot be fully measured until our Lord returns.

H. WARD HILL

Wedding

A quiet wedding ceremony was solemnized December 7, 1953, at the home of the writer when Miss Sylvia Osborne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osborne, became bride of Alexander Kaminiski. After a short wedding trip, the couple returned to Hamilton where they will make their home.

May God's richest blessings rest upon this young couple as they journey through life together.

G. S. REMICK

NOTED SOLOIST VISITS CANADA

By MRS. W. E. KUESTER

DEL DELKER, internationally-known contralto solist and recording artist with our world-wide radio programme, the Voice of Prophecy, was welcomed to Canada by Elder Nelson when she was presented in a programme of song and story at the Windsor church. People were present from Detroit, Chatham, and other surrounding territory and those hearing the programme were impressed not only by the quality of Miss Delker's voice, but by her humble spirit of consecration. Miss Delker sang the songs that have come to be associated with her, and told the story of the phenomenal growth of the Voice of Prophecy now being heard in four-fifths of the world, and of some of the providential results of the lessons now being given in more than fifty languages. Miss Delker and the quartet sing in five languages.

The occasion of the programme was made more thrilling by the presence of Elder Nelson, our union president, as it was given on the final Sabbath afternoon of his series of revival services in the Windsor church. It was the first time Miss Delker had been in Canada, and Elder Nelson welcomed her, not only to Windsor, but to the entire Dominion, and invited her to return whenever possible to appear in other of our churches of the

union. Elder Nelson was president of the Northern California Conference at the time Miss Delker accepted this message and had played an important part in influencing her for the truth, so the reunion was a joyous occasion for both.

Through the medium of the radio, God is bringing the message of salvation to millions who otherwise would have no way of hearing it.

MRS. W. E. KUESTER, *Press Secretary,*
Windsor Church

Television and the Windsor Revival

TELEVISION, radio, and newspaper publicity obtained during the Windsor revival conducted by Elder W. A. Nelson was a real blessing from the Lord. Television station WXYZ-TV of Detroit invited Elder Nelson for a TV interview featuring his trip to the Far East. He appeared on a one-half hour programme, approximately twenty minutes of which was given to his mission experiences. Elder W. E. Kuester was given time on the telecast to speak of the revival services being conducted by Elder Nelson at the Windsor church. The programme director was so pleased with the presentation that it was desired to have Elder Nelson appear on an-



Del Delker, internationally known contralto, is welcomed to Canada by Elder Walter Nelson. Elder W. E. Kuester, pastor of the Windsor church is an interested onlooker.



Elder W. A. Nelson and Elder W. E. Kuester in the WXYZ-TV studio at Detroit. This TV station gave Elder Nelson thirty minutes to tell of his visit to the Far East, and were so pleased that he was invited to return.

other interview. As station WXYZ-TV covers all this section of Ontario and Michigan, the telecast was of immense value to the Adventist denomination as well as the Windsor church.

The Windsor Daily Star published six newspaper articles during the revival. Included in these were two pictures. Almost forty column inches gave sermon reports, told of the travels of Elder Nelson, and advertised coming revival subjects, thus keeping the programme of the church before the public. The Star has a daily circulation of over seventy-four thousand.

During the revival Elder Nelson was interviewed on the local Windsor radio station, CKLW. Mr. Austin Grant, the newscaster, gave us over half of his 1:00 p.m. news period of fifteen minutes, again featuring Elder Nelson's travels in the Far East and the Windsor revival. This powerful station of fifty thousand watts, covers all or parts of Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Northern Ontario, and this section of Ontario. This same station carried free spot announcements for us during the entire week concerning the revival.

By the blessing of the Lord these powerful channels of publicity have been made available for the service of His work. We feel that they were a blessing, and will continue to be so, by the good will created for the church.

W. E. KUESTER



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G. E. Taylor _____ President
L. H. Davies _____ Secretary-Treasurer

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Dorcas Supper for Underprivileged Children

The Leduc Dorcas Welfare Society sponsored a supper and programme in the church basement on December 30 for underprivileged children in the Leduc area. The names of forty-one children were obtained from the Edmonton Red Cross and the local Municipal officers as well as from the school Principal.

Miss Cecelia Goltz led the children in several games while supper was being prepared and the table set. After supper the children enjoyed a programme of films. Just before going home each child received a gift of clothing or some other useful article and a bag of candy, nuts, oranges, popcorn balls and apples. The happy smiles on the faces of the youngsters as they eagerly grasped their gifts eloquently spoke their thankfulness.

Three of these families have been given hampers during the Christmas season. Several of the parents were present and

two families at least, said that they plan to visit our church in the near future.

The new leaders for 1954 are Mrs. David Steinke and Mrs. Arthur Comm. Even though our Welfare Society is a small one, there were four-hundred hours of Christian help work reported, and forty-seven people helped during the past year.

MRS. C. GOERTZEN

Baptism at Calgary

Sabbath, December 5, was a high day at the Central Seventh-day Adventist church of Calgary. During the morning service ten candidates came forward to receive the rite of baptism. Elder C. C. Voth administered the rite to two of the candidates who were received into the fellowship of the Bridgeland, Calgary church. The remainder of the candidates were presented and baptized by Elder C. S. Cooper.

The Calgary church has been carrying on an active programme of evangelism centred about Sunday evening services in the Central church. A good interest has developed for which we are very thankful. The fall series of meetings was concluded on December 20 with a special Christmas programme at which an offering of \$218.56 was received to aid in the care of Korean orphans.

It is planned to resume Sunday evening services in the church on January 17 with "Great Doctrines of Christ" as the central theme of the winter series.

CHARLES S. COOPER,
Pastor, Calgary Church

"This Should Be the End of the Rod"

It is quite apparent that a large number of Seventh-day Adventist believers in this conference received a sheet of paper recently without signature entitled, "The Shepherd's Rod Menace and How to Combat It." I am sure that all those who took time to read even a few lines of this sheet knew the source of it immediately even though there was no signature.

From the third paragraph I quote, "Finally the falsity of the Rod will be published far and wide in one or more of our papers and from then on everyone will be able to meet the Rod on its own ground. *This should be the end of the Rod.*" (Italics mine.) It is certain that the Seventh-day Adventist Church did not send out this sheet of paper. It is equally certain that those who did *made every effort to give the impression that it was sent out by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.* In fact, they tried so hard to deceive that the deception is at once apparent. Personally, I agree with the writer

of the sheet that "this should be the end of the Rod." Anything based on deliberate premeditated deception sooner or later comes to an ignoble end. It is heartening and also a bit amusing to know that the ones responsible for this little sheet have been caught in their own trap, and by sending out this material fulfilled their own prophecy which I shall quote again, "Finally the falsity of the Rod will be published far and wide in one or more of our papers, and from then on everyone will be able to meet the Rod on its own ground. *This should be the end of the Rod.*" It becomes apparent that after so long a time an off-shoot will club itself to death with its own tools.

Every member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church knows that whenever the denomination sends out material from its general, union, or local conference headquarters identification is always given.

R. R. BIETZ, President.

News Notes

★ Elder E. M. Chalmers, Conference Evangelist, and family arrived in Calgary December 31 and left the next day for Edmonton, where they will be located until Elder R. J. Ritchie arrives sometime in March. Elder Chalmers spoke to a full church on Sabbath January 2, and the membership in Edmonton are pledged to give him their loyal support as he enters his work in that capital city.

★ Visitors to the Conference Office who signed our guest book during the month of December were the following: Elder R. S. Whittsett, Washington, D.C.; Myrtle E. Henry, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. B. Krenzler, Beiseker; Elmer Schaber, Carbon; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Kay, Stettler; Dan Trefz, Hanna; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Trapp, Barons, B.C.; Mr. and Mrs. B. Bell and Mr. and Mrs. D. Bell, Burnt Lake; Vonnice Boyd, Danstec, B.C.; Ralph Schaber, Carbon; Donald Been, Picture Butte. The above names represent only a few of those who called at the office in the last month as many who visit the Book and Bible House fail to come upstairs and sign the guest book.

★ Elder H. E. Reimche was a recent visitor at the office and he reports a continued interest at the Bassano evangelistic meetings. When the Sabbath truth was presented to the largest audience in the entire series, all but twelve raised their hands indicating their determination to keep God's holy day.

★ As a result of Elder Reimche's meetings at Bassano a Sabbath school of thirty-two members was organized by Elder Ira D. Follett on Sabbath, January 2. We expect it will not be long before a church is formed in this district.

★ The Sabbath school group who have been meeting in Red Deer were organized into a company on December 19th., when Elder L. H. Davies met with them. Brother Gehardt Friezen, who is looking after the work in Red Deer, is positive that it will not be long until a church is organized in this important city in central Alberta. This new company is already talking of formulating plans for a church building of their own.

★ Starting Sunday night, January 17, Elder C. S. Cooper will begin another series of meetings in our church in Calgary. Anyone having friends or relatives living in the Calgary district should invite them to attend these meetings. The church is located on the corner of 14th. Ave., and 4th. St. W.

GEORGE E. TAYLOR

Wedding

Another new Christian home was established on January 3, 1954 when Meldra Ashcroft and Donald Rafuse were united in holy wedlock in a beautiful candle-light ceremony at the Canadian Union College chapel.

Miss Shirley Ashcroft and Miss Joyce Rafuse attended the bride while David Eichler and Arthur Spent acted as ushers. Little Meldra Rodier was the flower girl and Bruce Rafuse was the Bible boy. Elder Clarence Goertzen, an uncle of the groom, performed the wedding service.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the club room of the College Cafeteria. The three tiered wedding cake was beautifully decorated by Mr. Sahley. The young

couple received many good wishes and valuable gifts for their new home.

May the Lord bless Mr. and Mrs. Rafuse as they establish their new home and as they plan to continue their education to become workers in the Lord's vineyard.

MRS. C. GOERTZEN



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Outpost Evangelism

I WAS ashamed of the little we were doing to "Share Our Faith" in and around Waldheim, after hearing the experiences of the young people at the Pan-American Youth Congress. That is why I started a Sunday school in our district for the children who haven't such privileges.

The parents seemed very happy to have such an opportunity for their children, and one mother even suggested having a class for the adults, too. I invited some of the other parents to attend and it wasn't long before they were coming with their children. My husband teaches the adult class using the 20th. Century Lessons for Bible Schools. Each family ordered one of these quarterlies. They all take a very



Mrs. Ruth Brucks of Waldheim, Saskatchewan, relating her Outpost Evangelism experience at a recent Saskatoon Youth Rally.

active part in the discussion of the lesson and are definitely developing an interest in the study of the Bible.

The children enjoy their Sunday school which, each week, consists of character building songs, prayers, memory verses and a portion of the story "Clever Queen" depicted in the sand table. For their lesson study we use Adventures in the Holy Bible which is recommended by the Sabbath School Department for Branch Sabbath schools. They enjoy the quiz sheets and the looking up of the various texts. The largest boy of all is entranced with the Bible stories; they are all new to him. And just think, we had the idea that everyone in our community knew all these stories.

Will you pray with us, dear fellow believers, that we may do the right things and speak the right words to win some souls for Christ in this very prejudiced district.

MRS. RUTH BRUCKS

Manitoba Federation Meeting

The Manitoba Dorcas Federation's semi-annual meeting was held in the Winnipeg English church, Sunday afternoon, November 29. The Morden church and the three Winnipeg churches brought in favourable reports as to how the work has been progressing in their societies.

The Welfare Society's report for the year included 2,145 articles of clothing given away, 87 pairs of shoes, 8 new wool blankets, 3 quilts, 3 baby quilts, 9 food baskets, 129 pieces of literature, with a total of 98 families receiving aid. Our faithful sisters spent 459 hours in welfare work. Elder L. L. Bock presented Dorcas pins to ten ladies who had spent fifty hours or more in Christian service.

After much study it was decided to move the centre from its present location to a more suitable one. Federation members, though thankful for the accomplishments of the past, were desirous of developing an even stronger work in the future.

The new officers for 1954 are: Mrs. J. Taylor, President; Mrs. P. Heinrichs, Vice-President; Mrs. K. Dietz, Secretary-Treasurer; and Mrs. H. Litke, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

MRS. ELSIE KERR

News Notes

★ Congratulations to Elder C. G. Samograd and the members of the Winnipeg Ukrainian church; they have reached their 1954 Ingathering Minute-Man goal! They tell us that they raised \$1,100 through Christmas caroling alone.

★ From early reports we are happy to know that \$5,000 has already come in for the 1954 Ingathering as a result of the Christmas caroling programme.

★ Mrs. E. L. McDonald of the Bethel Fort William church is to be commended for her good work as Press Secretary during 1953. During the last quarter she was successful in placing thirteen articles in her local newspaper.

★ The annual Manitoba-Saskatchewan Colporteur Institute was held in Saskatoon January 19-23, under the leadership of Walter E. Bergey, Conference Field secretary, Elders D. A. McAdams of the General Conference and J. M. Bucy of the Canadian Union led out in the instruction given the colporteurs.

★ Lay evangelistic and church officers' institutes were held in the city of Winnipeg, January 15-17, at Fort William, January 19 and 20, and at Regina, January 22-24. Elders H. E. McClure of the Canadian Union, H. D. Henriksen, Conference president, L. L. Bock, W. G. Soloniuk and Miss Helen McKibbin, R. N., led out at the institutes.

★ A 20th. Century Bible School student writes: "I am sorry to have kept the book *Desire of Ages* so long. It is a most wonderful book and needs study. I should like to own one." If anyone has an extra copy of this book which he would like to give away please send it to The 20th. Century Bible School, 1004 Victoria Avenue, Saskatoon and we shall send it on to this faithful student. Thank you!

Wedding

On Sunday December 6 the Saskatoon Seventh-day Adventist church became the scene of a beautiful wedding in which

Marie Evelyn Salomka and Fredrick Hargrave exchanged wedding vows.

The groom was attended by Mr. Edward Dobroskay of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and Miss Patricia Kobasiuk of Edmonton Alberta was matron of honour.

After a short programme and a tasty dinner the guests extended their best wishes to the bride and groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Hargrave are making their home in Edmonton, Alberta. May heaven's blessing rest upon them as they share life's pathway together.

W. B. STREIFLING

Women of the Bible

A PAGEANT, "Women of the Bible," sponsored by the Saskatoon Dorcas Society and directed by Mrs. George Miller, was an inspiration to those who viewed it on December 19 in Saskatoon, and December 20 in Borden.

Eve, the mother of all the living, Sarah, Queen Esther and many other women from the Old and New Testaments told their stories, and the audience thrilled as they listened to their varied experiences. Pictures on the screen and special vocal selections made the scenes even more realistic.

The participants were as follows: Dolores Clark-Eve; Mrs. L. L. Bock-Mary, the mother of Jesus; Mrs. B. H. Stickle-Jochebed; Doris Stickle-Miriam; Mrs. J. Rusk-Naomi; Mrs. W. E. Bergey-Mary, the sister of Lazarus; Mrs. N. H. Koseruba-Queen Esther; Elsie Sereda-Sarah; Mrs. W. B. Streifling-Rebecca; Mrs. W. G. Soloniuk-Elizabeth; Mrs. I. Klam-the woman of Samaria.

It is planned to present the pageant at other nearby towns at later dates.



A pageant, "Women of the Bible," given by Saskatoon Dorcas Society.



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Maritime's Faithful Colporteurs

The Maritime Conference has experienced a record breaking year in the sale and delivery of our literature during 1953. For this we praise our Father in heaven. The sales for the year soared over fifty-thousand dollars while the delivery figure crowded the thirty-five thousand dollar mark.

Brother G. O. Pearson lead the field in sales and deliveries. We extend a hand of thanks and deep appreciation for what this brother has accomplished during 1953. Special mention should also be made of brother and sister Mooers, brother Heeney, brother Munroe and brother Mercer for
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OBITUARIES

TRIEBWASSER—Orvin Clarence Triebwasser was born at the home of his parents in Leveland, Alberta on the 21st. day of July 1920. He was involved in an automobile accident on December 23, 1953 near his home in Strathmore. He was taken to the hospital in Calgary, Alberta where he died a little over twelve hours later. He took a keen interest in farm life at an early age, and carried the responsibilities of farming in early life. At the age of nineteen he was employed by Sam Leiske in Leveland and while there accepted Christ as his personal Saviour and was baptized into the remnant church in July of 1943.

He was united in marriage to Esther Will the 20th. day of November, 1945. This happy home was blessed by three children: Elaine, 6; Brenda, 4, and baby son, Bruce, 8 months. Orvin was proud of his family and laid plans to carry on a continuous programme of educating his three little children in the ways of God. He also took a great interest in the church activities and was always a willing helper. His sincere life and Christian experience has made a deep impression on the lives of everyone who knew him. Certainly his life has been a real testimony and witness. Even though he is now asleep, awaiting the call of the Master, the memories of his sincere Christian life will win souls to Christ.

He leaves to mourn, besides his wife and three little children; his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Triebwasser; three brothers, Raymond, Lawrence and Glen; three half brothers, Emil, Herbert and Edwin Lang; one sister, Mrs. Ida Kindopp; ten aunts; ten uncles; a number of cousins and other relatives and a host of friends.

The funeral services were conducted in the Rosebud church in Leveland on Tuesday, December 29. The obituary was read by Elder Ira D. Follett, Home Missionary

Secretary of the Alberta Conference. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder C. S. Cooper, Pastor of the Rosebud church and Elder C. C. Voth, Pastor of the Bridgeland German church, Calgary. Songs of comfort and assurance were rendered by a male quartet composed of: Marvin Dick, Elmer Koronko, Bob Koronko and James Suelzle; also a duet sung by Brother Earl Chandler and his mother, Mrs. Chandler. Brother Triebwasser's body is resting in the Leveland cemetery, which adjoins the church property, to await the call of the Master on the resurrection morning.

IRA D. FOLLETT

KNISTER—Rilla Mary Gooden-Knister was born April 29, 1883 at St. Thomas, Ontario and passed away quietly in her home, December 2, 1953 at the age of seventy years.

In 1893 when ten years of age she accepted Jesus as her personal Saviour and became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She was one of the first to accept this message in Ontario.

Her passing leaves to mourn her husband, a sister in Detroit, Ada of Oshawa, Evelyn Shamon of Alberta, Vera Gordon of Toronto, Kenneth of Gravenhurst and Dora Evens of Bowmanville and many relatives and friends.

A message of comfort was given by Elder G. E. Jones drawing lessons from the experiences of Abraham.

Our sister was laid to rest confident in Christ's keeping power, and in the hope of a glorious resurrection at the return of our Lord and Saviour.

L. W. TAYLOR

GRAEB—David Graeb faithful pillar of the German Adventist Church in Winnipeg was called by his Master January 6, 1954 at the age of seventy-three.

He was born in Groft, Russia where he also married and in 1907 migrated to Canada. His young wife joining him two years later.

God gave them eleven children, three preceeding their father in death, the other eight are living in Winnipeg and vicinity. With the bereaved family, the church members, who dearly loved him, await the resurrection morning to join our dear brother to meet the Lord in the air.

H. J. ESLINGER

COVEY—Mrs. Elizabeth Mae Covey was born in Wisconsin January 8, 1878 and passed to her rest in the Delisle hospital November 22, 1953. Mrs. Covey had accepted Jesus as her Saviour and before her death expressed her strong faith in Him and had hope of having a part in the first resurrection at the coming of the great Life-giver. She leaves to mourn two daughters and eight grandsons. Mrs. M. R. Carley of Saskatoon and her husband are members of our conference church. The service was held in McKagues funeral home and interment took place at the Smithville cemetery.

H. D. HENDRIKSEN

KOWTEK—On September 11, 1887 Domnika Kowtek was born in Bukovina, Austria and passed away to her rest at the home of her loving husband on December 26, 1953 in Choiceland, Saskatchewan. In 1906 she was united in holy matrimony to Mike Kowtek at Cherniwtzi, Bukovina, Austria and settled with her husband on a homestead near the town of Samburg, Saskatchewan in 1921.

In 1922 they were both baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church and Mrs. Kowtek remained a faithful member until death. She leaves to mourn her passing four children, John and Peter of Choiceland, Mrs.

Edna Soroka, Snowden, Saskatchewan and Mrs. Peter Dovich of Erwood, Saskatchewan as well as eight grandchildren and many friends.

The funeral service was conducted in the Church of God, Nipawin, Saskatchewan and interment was made in the Nipawin cemetery where she is waiting to hear the call of the Life-giver.

PETER SAMOGRAD

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their faithful work and outstanding success in orders and deliveries. There are others who should be mentioned for their faithful work but space does not permit me to mention all by name. To you also we say *thank you* for the part you played in making 1953 such a successful year in the literature ministry. God has promised that His Word would not return unto Him void. Therefore, we can look forward to seeing a harvest of souls saved as a result of the many books and magazines distributed throughout the Maritimes during the past year.

1954 is before us with all of its possibilities for good. May God help each one of us to make this year even better than 1953 in the distribution of literature so that Christ's kingdom may be hastened.

R. G. NEIL,

Publishing Department Secretary.

There Should Be One Hundred

THE territory of the Maritime Conference is vast. Our three provinces have a combined land area of fifty thousand square miles with over a million and a quarter inhabitants. Before Jesus comes all of these people must receive the last warning message. The task is gigantic. However, the Lord is at the helm and is guiding and directing in this great work. He has a thousand ways of performing this work, one of the most important being the colporteur service.

During the past ten years our faithful colporteur evangelists have placed over a quarter million dollars worth of truth-filled literature into Maritime homes. Heaven only will be able to reveal the full results of this ministry. But while we have done much, there is still a great work to be accomplished. We need more colporteurs—many more.

In *Testimonies*, Vol. 6, p. 315, the messenger of the Lord wrote: "From the light given me I know that where there is one canvasser in the field, there should be one hundred." What would actually happen if this instruction became a reality? Just think how many more families would be contacted by these messengers of truth. The hundreds and thousands in our territory would soon be warned.

The invitation and assurance from the Spirit of Prophecy is very definite. "Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul-winning. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it?"—*Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 33.

J. W. BOTHE, President

Wedding

A very pretty wedding took place on the afternoon of December 28 in the Harvey, N. B. Seventh-day Adventist church when

Miss Jeanene Embleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Embleton of Harvey, became the bride of Mr. Ronald Buchanan of Toronto, Ontario. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Clarice Embleton, and Mr. Glenwood Embleton, brother of the bride, was the best man. "O Promise Me" was sung by Mrs. R. G. Christiansen of Fredericton.

Following the wedding ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Embleton.

We pray that God's blessings will rest upon this newly-established Christian home.

G. B. SMITH

Colporteur Institute

The Maritime Colporteur Annual Institute will be held in Moncton, N. B. from February 5 to 11. The first meeting will be held on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to a good Institute with the help of Elder J. M. Buey and Elder D. A. Mac-Adams. Remember the date: February 5-11. C. R. Neill

C. U. C. News Notes

★ The chapel speaker at the College on January 4, as the students returned from Christmas holidays, was the Reverend J. A. Duncan, pastor of the United Church in Lacombe. He asked, "Why is the Christmas spirit seemingly packed away at the end of the Christmas season along with the decorations, or carried away with the old Christmas tree?" The answer might well be, the speaker continued, that men can worship the baby Jesus without the same self-searching that accompanies the worship of Jesus, the Man.

★ Under the sponsorship of J. Roy Bowett, honorary president of the Canadian Union College Alumni Association, the *Aurora*, student publication of the college, recently devoted several columns to news of the alumni. From news of the 1953 graduates it was learned that of forty-one graduates of the high school division, twenty-three have returned to the college this year.

★ The honour roll, released by A. V. Winn, registrar, at the end of the first quarter, has sixteen college students listed and thirty-one high school students.

★ Verne Gustavsen, *Aurora Borealis* staff photographer, assisted by Ken Trefz, has begun the taking of student portraits for the 1954 yearbook. Marjorie Erickson and Alva Williams, associate editors of this year's book, have announced that the book will feature the heritage of Canadian youth. Each of the provinces will be repre-

sented with typical pictures. Printing will be done by the College Press and the book will be bound by the college book-binding.

★ The first full meeting of the Student-Faculty Association was held on January 8, with George Reid, president, in charge. At this meeting it was voted to finish the work on the skating rink, begun last year. The rink shack will be repaired and reflectors will be added to the lights already strung over the ice. In addition to these improvements, a board fence will be built around the addition to the rink. The ice is in use, several afternoons each week and almost every Saturday evening since cold weather set in, some time has been provided for skating. Recreational phase leaders of the association are in charge of flooding the rink.

★ On January 16 the speaker in the College Heights church was Elder George Taylor, president of the Alberta Conference.

★ Students at the college profited by a week of emphasis on courtesy, in which special chapel and worship programmes were presented under student leadership. Questions on social customs were taken up in two chapel periods. Miss Alice Jewkes, cultural phase leader of the Student-Faculty Association, was in charge.

★ A faculty committee has been elected to study the needs of students which can be met through careful planning of chapel programmes throughout the remainder of the year. Elder J. Ivan Crawford, Bible instructor, is chairman of the committee. He will be assisted by Miss Lilian Marais, home economics teacher; Miss Marilyn Brown, instructor in secretarial science; Lloyd Cowin, chairman of the division of applied arts; and John Tarangle, instructor in modern languages and typewriting.

★ Recent visitors at the College from the conference office include Elder and Mrs. L. H. Davies, of Calgary.

★ The college auditorium, in which Sabbath services for the College Heights church are held, has been greatly improved in recent weeks by the installation of a baptistry and the addition of a hardwood floor on the platform and paneling on the walls to the height of the windows. A hardwood floor will be laid in the rest of the auditorium at a later date, according to Elder Todd C. Murdoch, pastor of the church.

★ A. O. K. Herrmann, of Calgary, a student at the College from 1915 to 1924, was a visitor at chapel on January 15.