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Elders Peterson and Moseley shake hands with Vice-President Nixon and Mrs. H. Reid respectively at the recent conference for religious leaders, held in Washington, D.C.

Adventist Leaders Attend President's Conference

Seventh-day Adventists, now more than a million strong, are recognized as one of the major religious groups in America.

Five Adventists responded to invitations from the President's Committee on Government Contracts.

This was the third national meeting sponsored by the committee.

The Youth Training Incentives Conference was held in February of 1957, the Minority Community Resource Conference in January of 1958, and the Religious Leaders Conference at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., in May of this year.

Vice-President Nixon represented the President at all of these conferences. His personality and grasp of world problems is a decisive factor in world leadership.

One hundred million church people were represented at the Religious Conference by 550 leaders. Vice-President Nixon presided as chairman of the President's Committee

on Government Contracts. The invocation was given by Philip M. Hannan, Auxiliary Bishop and Chancellor of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington. Greetings were given by Rabbi Julius Mark, vice-president, Synagogue Council of America; Francis S. Harmon, vice-president, National Council Churches of Christ in the United States; and Monsignor Paul F. Tanner, general secretary, National Catholic Welfare Conference.

The roster of speakers included John A. Roosevelt, Bache and Company, and member of the President's Committee on Government Contracts; Alfred E. Driscoll, former governor of New Jersey, credited with having rewritten the State Constitution of New Jersey, now president of Warner-Lambert Pharmaceutical Company; Dr. Martin Luther King, pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist church, Montgomery, Alabama, and said to be the current leader of passive resistance to misunderstanding through love; and A. Phillip Randolph, president of International Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and vice-president of the AFL-CIO.

At the luncheon session, the Honorable George T. Moore, assistant secretary of the Department of Commerce and member of the President's Committee on Government Contracts, acted as master of ceremonies. The invocation was given by Dr. Olin Binkley, dean of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina. An address was given by the Honorable Lawrence E. Walsh, Deputy Attorney General of the United States and member of the President's Committee on Government Contracts.

Seated at the head table representing Seventh-day Adventists was M. V. Campbell, general vice-president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Present at all the sessions were Frank L. Peterson, associate secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; C. E. Moseley, Jr., field secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; W. L.

Cheatham, president of the Allegheny Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; and the writer.

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Pine Forge Student Nominated for Achievement Award

Samuel Carlton Hagan of Pine Forge Institute, Pine Forge Pennsylvania, has been nominated for the annual Achievement Awards program sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English.

In its second year, the Awards program is being conducted throughout the nation to grant recognition to outstanding high-school seniors for excellence in English. The writing abilities and literary awareness of each nominee will be judged by local State committees. The winners will be announced in January, 1960, by the N.C.T.E., and the names of the Awards winners will be sent to every college and university in the United States with the recommendation that these students be considered for scholarship assistance.

According to J. N. Hook, N.C.T.E. executive secretary, the Awards program was inaugurated last year in response to President Eisenhower's statement that America needs its Emersons as well as its Einsteins. "There were more than 2,000 nominees for the first Awards," said Mr. Hook, "and we expect about 5,000 for this second round."

"The quality of the writing submitted by last year's winners and runners up was very high," Mr. Hook asserted. "It constitutes a positive answer to statements that American youth cannot write effectively. These students, and thou-

sands more, are learning to use the language with precision and vividness."

Founded in 1911, the N.C.T.E. is a professional, nonprofit organization of teachers of English at all levels. Currently the circulation of the council's five professional publications is more than 51,000.

JAMES E. DYKES

Elder Edward Dorsey Returns to Active Evangelism

Elder Edward Dorsey, Bible instructor at the Pine Forge Institute, leaves the school where he has served for the past four years to return to active evangelism and pastoral duties.

Elder Dorsey, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, studied at Oakwood College and graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Michigan. He saw overseas duty with the 271st Quartermaster's Medical Detachment. His tour of duty was in England, France, and Germany.

Trained for the ministry, Elder Dorsey accepted a position with the Allegheny Conference of Seventh-day Adventists as pastor of the Akron, Ohio, district, where he remained for four years.

The executive committee and school board of Pine Forge Institute called him in 1955 to become Bible instructor and pastor of the Pine Forge church.

A farewell banquet was held in honor of the Dorseys. The speakers were W. L. Cheatham, conference president; M. S. Banfield, secretary-treasurer; and A. V. Pinkney, educational and public relations secretary. E. I. Watson, principal and manager of the school, was committee chairman of arrangements and James E. Dykes, instructor of English and dean of boys, was master of ceremonies.

Elder Dorsey began work in the North Jersey district about the middle of June. In his district are churches in Jersey City, Montclair, and Englewood.

Mrs. Dorsey, a graduate of Wilberforce University, taught special education in Akron, while her husband pastored there. Here at Pine Forge, she has held the position of office secretary of the secretary-treasurer. Her real interest lies in social work, and she has taken post-graduate work in this field at the University of Akron.

Elder and Mrs. Dorsey have one daughter, Joyce Ann.

A. V. PINKNEY



Elder and Mrs. Edward Dorsey

Mrs. Greenwood Tours Ten European Countries

Mrs. Elaine Norman Greenwood of Long Branch, New Jersey, teacher of special education, sailed on the *Queen Elizabeth* early this summer for a "look see" of education for the handicapped in ten European countries.

She has been with the Long Branch Board of Education for 18 years, and has been in the field of special education for the past seven years. Mrs. Greenwood was selected from a group of seven educators to become the pilot of an experimental group.

The thirty-five day tour will take the educator to France, Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, Swe-

den, Austria, Monaco, the Netherlands, and England.

There are several teachers in the Norman family. Mrs. Greenwood's sister, Gloria Norman Garrett, is principal of the Brooklyn Academy in New York, a Regional Conference school. Another sister, Helen Norman Martin, is clinical teacher at the Student Nurses' Queens General Hospital, Long Island, New York. Her brother, Charles Norman, recently became supervisor of nurses at the Marlboro State Hospital, New Jersey.

Mrs. Greenwood is said to be a natural leader among young people. She was graduated from Oakwood College, where she took an active part in the Young People's Society. She has also taken postgraduate work at Rutgers University.

Although busily engaged in brush-

ing up on her French and German and carrying a full teaching load, Mrs. Greenwood is the Missionary Volunteer leader at the Asbury Park church.

She will be prepared to give illustrated lectures upon her return.

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Mrs. Elaine Norman Greenwood, teacher of special education, in Long Branch, New Jersey.

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Southwest Region Camp Meeting Session

The Southwest Region Conference camp meeting convened May 26-June 6 at the camp site in Winona, Texas. This convocation was one that will long be remembered by all who were present.

Every phase of the service was inspiring and enlightening. V. L. Roberts, president, delivered the opening message. This message served as the keynote that prepared the hearts of the campers for this spiritual feast.

At 9:00 A.M. the Sabbath school department, under the supervision of A. R. Carethers, secretary of the Sabbath school and home missionary departments, held an interesting Sabbath school institute each day. These meetings were packed with methods and plans on how to conduct a well-rounded Sabbath school. Well-qualified instructors made clear all the techniques of making our Sabbath schools avenues of evangelism.

The speakers scheduled to bring the messages at eleven o'clock each day were used by the Holy Spirit to feed many hungry souls.

There were three classes conducted in the afternoon for the home missionary department—in lay preaching, home nursing, and first aid. The class in lay preaching was geared to instruct the lay preachers and lay Bible instructors in the know-how of reaching and winning lost souls to Christ. These classes were climaxed with a graduation exercise Sabbath, June 6, with R. S. Watts, field secretary of the General Conference, giving the address. Twenty persons in the home nursing class received home nursing certificates and pins, and eighteen persons in the first aid class received certificates from the Red Cross. We are very happy for this accomplishment in health and welfare work.

The activities of the primary, cradle roll, and kindergarten departments were climaxed with a one-hour program rendered in the main pavilion on the last Sabbath afternoon of the camp meeting.

The Health and Welfare Societies had an outstanding display. There were many items on exhibit. Much hard work had been done in order to present such good work. The Dorcas tent was neatly arranged under the supervision of Mrs. V. L. Roberts, conference Federation leader.

A well-rounded program was prepared for the youth each day under the supervision of L. A. Paschal, secretary of the MV and education departments. The youth worshiped God each morning outdoors, where nature and God's handiwork could be viewed in its fullest.

E. E. Cleveland, associate secretary of the Ministerial Association of the General Conference, delivered the eleven o'clock hour message the first Sabbath, and F. L. Peterson, associate secretary of the General Conference, delivered the message the second Sabbath. On Thursday evening, June 4, an inspiring message was brought by Elder Peterson, followed by an impressive communion service.

On Sabbath afternoon, May 30, an ordination service was conducted. L. D. Henderson, of the Lake Charles district, was ordained to the ministry. J. H. Wagner, Sr., president of the South Atlantic Conference, was the speaker for the occasion.

The following speakers were guests during the camp session: From the General Conference, F. L. Peterson, E. E. Cleveland, and R. S. Watts; from the Southwestern Union Conference, L. C. Evans, A. R. Mazat, R. A. Nesmith, and J. T. Welch; from the Voice of Prophecy, H. M. S. Richards, and the King's Heralds Quartet; from the Southwestern Medical Center, Dr. R. E. Simmons; and from Oakwood College, Prof. Phillip Giddings.

MRS. HELEN L. TURNER

Attitude Determines Altitude

By F. L. PETERSON

[Part of the Baccalaureate sermon given May 23, 1959, at Oakwood College.]

I have chosen as my subject "Attitude Determines Altitude."

Since the basis of Christianity is the value of the individual, the text chosen for this message to you is found in Genesis 11:4. "Let us make us a name."

I am sure you remember reading the story of what resulted from this incident. The true origin of the diversity of languages is herein revealed.

The seekers after fame were the descendants of Noah, who had so recently emerged from the ark, and were at the commencement of their residence again on the earth, under a new economy of divine government.

They set out to build a city and to erect a tower in order that they might fortify themselves against another deluge. They reasoned, "In the event God's rainbow sign does not hold true, we will be safe and secure in our famous tower. The act that we are going to perform will immortalize our name to the remotest generation!" And so they said: "Let us make us a name."

These Babel builders had two things in mind. First, to advance their own honor; second, to gratify their own wishes.

It was God's plan that the survivors of the Deluge should "multiply and replenish the earth." The earth had been given to man and they were to disperse over its vast expanse and not congregate in one area. These survivors took a different attitude toward God's orders. To fulfill God's command would deprive them of their creature comforts and cause them many inconveniences. They were suffering from a virus of material anxiousness and personal pride. They concluded that if they followed their own inclinations, their matchless skill would win them both security and fame.

They felt that the program God had planned for them of scatteri...

themselves over the whole earth could mean the loss of their individuality and the relinquishing of their distinctiveness.

For a time these descendants of Noah succeeded. Satan does give a little success to ungodly plans, as God permits. Their partial success animated them to pursue their task with superhuman vigor. Phenomenal progress in the work had been made and these builders anticipated the satisfaction they would have on the completion of their objective.

In Genesis 11:5, 6, we read: "And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. And the Lord said, Behold the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do, and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do."

These Babel builders had the wrong spirit. They took the wrong attitude toward God's plans and purposes. Their federated plans were founded on rebellion against God and all their schemes ended in burning shame and crushing defeat. What a dismal climax to man's earliest dreams of space flight.

May I present another Biblical character for your consideration?

Elijah was a man of God, a man of faith and courage and prayer, a man whose dauntless courage and fearless ministry brought a halt to the spread of apostasy in Israel. His voice was heard crying out against the evil of his day and his message contained healing balm for sin-sick souls.

In the palace of Israel we see a raging woman and hear her screaming furious invectives at Elijah in revenge for what had happened to the prophets of Baal. She said: "So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time." (1 Kings 19:2).

This highly trained and well-disciplined servant of God, in the hour of human weakness and indecision, fled from the land of Israel, and was later found suffering from human exhaustion fast asleep under a juniper tree out in the wilderness

of Beersheba. God heard him cry out "It is enough." Elijah was utterly discouraged, but because of his attitude toward God he was not left to struggle alone. It is the suffering and sensitivity of the lone soul that attracts God and engages His attention.

God told Elijah to go stand on the mountain because He was going to pass by. As Elijah waited on the Lord, he heard a still small voice, which assigned to him his lifework. That still small voice whispers today into the hearts of men and women to whom God has given high privilege. He is still calling men and women to come out of the caves of defeat high up into the mountain of hope and courage where He is passing by.

Today that voice says to those who comprise the 1959 graduating classes of Oakwood College that there may come times when you will meet with disappointments that will lead to utter discouragement, but you must stay out of the cave of despondency and keep yourselves on the top of the mount of God where He is passing by.

As you assume leadership in the cause of God you will meet with many temptations to reward your ambitious spirit. May I say here that it is all right to have a passionate desire to succeed, but not to succeed at any price. It is all right to show an active interest in the work of God, but never to seek to rise to attainment and power at the expense of your fellow man.

The height to which you may ascend will be gauged by the spirit that controls you and urges you forward. Do not go out from this institution to make a name for yourself. Let God do that for you. Someone has said, "There are two very difficult things in the world. One is to make a name for oneself, and the other is to keep it."

Do not look for praise or for congratulations for having lived a wholesome life or for having performed good deeds. The Christian, and especially a leader, is supposed to live a good life and perform good deeds. He is no martyr for having

done so, neither should he expect to become a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. He is a child of the King, a follower of the meek and lowly Lamb. A good name and the performance of good deeds is the natural result.

From the pen of inspiration I read the kind of leaders that are needed: "At this time God's cause is in need of men and women who possess rare qualifications and good administrative powers; men and women who will make patient, thorough investigation of the needs of the work in various fields; those who have a large capacity for work; those who possess warm, kind hearts, cool heads, sound sense, and unbiased judgment; those who are sanctified by the Spirit of God and can fearlessly say, No, or Yea and Amen, to propositions; those who have strong convictions, clear understanding, and pure, sympathetic hearts; . . . those who strive to uplift and restore fallen humanity."—*Testimonies*, vol. 7, p. 249.

We are told that the pastor of today is expected to know something about psychosomatic medicine, existential anxiety and the stress of life. Thank God for Potomac University where you can dig a little deeper in the storehouse of His love.

When your graduation exercises are over I pray that no one of you will say: "Let us make us a name," but instead may each one of you say: "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended; but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:13, 14).

REMEMBER THAT ATTITUDE DETERMINES ALTITUDE.

Hugh Roach Wins Oratorical Contest

Hugh Roach, who represented Canadian Union College in the fourth National Oratorical Program held at Portland, Oregon, 7:30 P.M.,

April 25, walked off with the top award. Fred Lee, Pacific Union College participant, and John Cameron, of Emmanuel Missionary College, received the second and third awards respectively.

James V. Scully, director of youth activities, American Temperance Society, stated that ten of our colleges in the United States and Canada sent representatives as follows: Atlantic Union College, Edmond Cassano; Canadian Union College, Hugh Roach; Emmanuel Missionary College, John Cameron; La Sierra College, Bob Brown; Oakwood College, Conrad Gill; Pacific Union College, Fred Lee; Southern Missionary College, Orville Swarner; Union College, David D. Dennis; Walla Walla College, Bob Kingman; Washington Missionary College, Charles Fryling.

The distinguished judges of the panel who were selected because of their outstanding contributions to civic affairs were: Marshall Dana, assistant to president, U.S. National Bank, forty years editor of the editorial page, *Oregon Journal*; Herbert Hill, chairman of the judges' panel, secretary, Washington Temperance Association, Seattle, Washington; Dr. Leslie R. Leggett, instructor in physical education, head football coach, Portland State College; J. J. Quillin, municipal judge, Portland, Oregon; Dr. Willard Mathiesen, surgeon, Portland, Oregon.

J. O. Gibson, director of finance, American Temperance Society, presented a cash award to each student who took part in the program. A crowd of 800 people was on hand at Stone Tower Evangelistic Center to hear the students present their orations.

Major arrangements for the program were made by George W. Liscombe, temperance secretary of the North Pacific Union Conference. R. C. Schwartz, of the Oregon Conference, and Jerry Lien, pastor of the Stone Tower Evangelistic Center, cooperated in making the overall program a success.

American Temperance Society
General Conference



Hugh Roach is congratulated by Herbert H. Hill, secretary of the Washington Temperance Association, as James V. Scully looks on.

Oakwood Offering—August 29, 1959

We were all made happy when we heard that Oakwood College

had been accepted as an accredited senior college by the Southern Accrediting Association. Years ago such a possibility seemed hopeless
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Our missionaries in Africa.

News Notes

The following workers were ordained at the Northeastern Conference camp meeting: Everett Alexander, A. C. Goulbourne, T. X. Perry, and O. A. Troy, Jr.

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Among those who graduated from the College of Medical Evangelist's School of Medicine were Lloyd A. Dayes, Samuel DeShay, and Grace Silvera.

The vice-president of the class of 1959 was Lloyd A. Dayes. Dr. Dayes was born in Kingston, Jamaica. He attended the West Indian Training College, and was graduated from Pacific Union College in 1955.

Martha Wideman-David Rand Wedding

Martha Nola Wideman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyddie Wideman, Sr., of Washington, D.C., became the bride of David George Rand of Monrovia, California, on Sunday, June 7, 1959. The ceremony was held at the First Seventh-day Adventist church, Washington, D.C., with Elder W. M. Fordham of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, officiating.

Music was rendered by Elder Charles L. Brooks of Philadelphia, and Paul Rolling of Washington, D.C.

The bride wore a gown of white lace and net over satin with a cathedral-length train. Mrs. Tretesious Gillis, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Wyddie Wideman, Jr., brother of the bride, was best man. Allen Breach was organist. A reception followed immediately in the Church Hall.

Mrs. Rand, born in Washington, D.C., is majoring in elementary education at the District of Columbia Teachers College. Mr. Rand is a graduate of Emmanuel Missionary College and the Potomac University in Takoma Park, Washington, D.C. They are now residing in Washington, D.C.

Bridesmaids were: Nola Elaine

Duhart of Detroit, Michigan; Harriet Moseley, Juanita Wilson, Rose Walker, and Mary Jo Connor, all of Washington, D.C.

Ushers were: Paul Bridgeford, Lloyd Rahming, Donald Williams, William McMillen, and Arnold Horne, all of Washington, D.C.

The flower girl was Angela Blackwell.

Candlelight Ceremony Binds Two

Sunday, June 14, at the First Seventh-day Adventist church, Washington, D.C., Barbara Jean Moseley, daughter of Elder and Mrs. C. E. Moseley, Jr., was married to Mervyn Alonzo Warren.

The candlelight ceremony was performed by the bride's father,

Elder C. E. Moseley, world field secretary for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (headquarters in Washington, D.C.).

Nuptial songs were sung by Miss Joyce Bryant, and by Dr. John Hamilton. Mrs. Lucille Herron served as organist. Elder Paul Cantrell, pastor of the church, added a word of blessing.

The bride, entering the church on the arm of her father, wore a silk organza dress with lace medallions over net with full chapel train.

She carried a white Bible with pale lavender orchids and a lavender shower.

Harriet Ann Moseley, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor, and the bridesmaids were Marian Ble-



Mr. and Mrs. David George Rand



Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Alonzo Warren

vins of Chicago; Phyllis Maycock of Detroit; Mrs. Phillipa Vanderberg of Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Hana Miller of Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Gwendolyn Collins of Los Angeles, California; and Rose Walker of Washington, D.C. The flower girl was Sheryl Gillis.

Allen Breach of Washington was the best man and the ushers were John Collins, Los Angeles; Cyril Myers, Canada; Teshome Wagaw, Ethiopia; Oscar Daniels, Pittsburgh, Elbert Sheppard and Edward White, Los Angeles; Paul Greene and David Wrice, Washington, D.C.; and Thomas Stewart, Cleveland.

Mrs. Helen Sugland was the wed-

ding consultant; Mrs. Joan Bates was the caterer.

The bride is a graduate of Washington Missionary College. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fields of Dallas, Texas. He completes postgraduate study for his Master's degree in theology in August, at Potomac University.

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and beyond our dreams of accomplishment, but as we reread the Spirit of Prophecy and further studied our objectives it seemed that we should step out in faith,

cooperating with God, to accomplish this seemingly impossible task. And now again we have evidence that God's biddings are enabling. Stepping forward, the way became more clear.

United interest and effort had much to do in clearing the way. Everyone involved put his or her hands to the task. A united church can accomplish the impossible, for God is with His church and her cause must triumph.

This has now been accomplished, but what of the future? Has God led us only thus far? No! This is just the beginning of a great future for our college and for our young people who receive their education there. Oakwood today, a college well fitted to train young people for lives of Christian service for God in the homeland and for mission service in many lands, is a mighty challenge to all Seventh-day Adventist youth. From its doors should come an ever-increasing stream of well-trained young men and women qualified to meet the world's urgent needs.

We have truly come a long way at Oakwood, from a very small struggling school to our present modern plant, well-trained faculty, and fine student body. And we see tremendous future possibilities—possibilities that offer every Seventh-day Adventist a part in that wonderful future.

There is so much still to be done. This is where we can help by sharing our means, making the necessary finances available. A special opportunity comes on Sabbath, August 29, when the Oakwood Offering will be taken. This should be a victory and jubilee offering, the largest that has ever been received for Oakwood.

On this day let us make a new dedication by our gifts. Let us give freely that Oakwood may accomplish all that God has planned. Its future is in our hands. It is time to continue to move forward in an even more positive way.

E. E. COSENTINE, *Secretary*
Department of Education