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An Act of Faith

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In the May 5, 1973 issue of the GLEANER, a small, six-line ad attracted the attention of high school teacher William Carlson. It read:

FOR SALE—Health food store in Walla Walla. Good business opportunity with good income. Priced for quick sale. Write: Walter Anderson, 111 NE Ash Ave., College Place, WA 99324.

Despite the fact that he didn't have enough money and that he didn't know if he could sell his own main asset—some property—Bill began correspondence with Walter Anderson.

Bill remembers the story this way: "I didn't have the money at the time, but after some correspondence, I made a trip during spring vacation to see the store. The price was right and I'd always wanted a business for myself.

erated **HEALTH FOODS**



Sharon and William Carlson

"The main thing was, I just had to sell the property I owned in order to buy the store. So Sharon and I brought it before the Lord and prayed about it. I never advertised my land, didn't put up any signs, just told the students in my classes it was for sale.

"In the next two weeks about ten people came. The first person who looked it over bought it!"

And that's how William and Sharon Carlson, along with their son Terry, now 14, and their daughter Wendy, 8, became the owners of the Health Hut in Walla Walla.

Why does a family step out in faith to start a new life as health food store owners?

"We enjoy teaching and helping people to a healthier way of living," says Bill. "And there are plenty of opportunities to witness." Besides the traditional literature rack in one corner of the store, Bill sells some cookbooks, books on nutrition and some religious books.

The Health Hut has an arrangement with inmates of the Washington State Penitentiary that provides unique witnessing opportunities. "They can order food and specialty items from us," explains Sharon, "from a list we give them of our supplies. Then, with each order we package, we include some literature."

"If I can see that a customer is interested in spiritual matters," says Bill, "I'll give him a paperback copy of the *Great Controversy* and tell him that he might benefit from and enjoy the book. Then, I leave it at that and let the Lord do some work."

Running a health food store is not all good times and witnessing opportunities. "People see us standing at the cash register, ringing up sales, and that's all they see," says Bill. "They don't see the hours of ordering, checking stocks, doing bookkeeping."

"Inflation has hit our business, just like everything else. We just try to carry the best quality for the cheapest price," says Sharon. "One of the problems with stocking health foods is that they do not contain preservatives so we are more apt to run out of products

because we can't keep big supplies of perishable goods around. But whatever our customers ask for, we try to get for them."

The Carlsons have been able to open a second Health Hut, this one located in the Eastgate Shopping Mall on the east side of Walla Walla. That, too, was a big step in faith for them.

"When we first wanted to open a branch store in the mall," explains Bill, "they told us we would have to be open just like all the other stores—including Saturday operating hours. So we just let the matter drop.

"But a year later, there was still a vacancy at the mall. We approached the Mall ownership and they took our request for exemption from Saturday hours to the individual store owner or managers. Sharon and I prayed about it and left the matter with the Lord. If there would be any opposition to Sabbath closing, we felt this would be the Lord's indication against this expansion. The other store owners voted 100 percent in favor of letting us come in with Sabbath closing privileges."

The Carlsons aren't sorry they answered that GLEANER ad. They enjoy their work. Stop by the downtown Health Hut in Walla Walla sometime and watch Bill show customers around the shop, proudly pointing out naturally dried fruits, the animal-rennet free cheeses, the whole grains available in bulk quantities, juicers, dehydrators or the do-it-yourself grinding mills.

Bill waxes enthusiastic on the subject of nutrition, too. "If you're an Adventist, you're interested. We just need to be careful to keep that interest alive. We need to really follow Mrs. White's recommendation of a simple but varied diet."

By promoting common sense nutrition as one necessity for a balanced life, the Carlsons are finding doors opening to the deeper truths of the gospel.

"After all," says Bill Carlson, "what better joy can a Christian experience in his day-to-day work than to see that work itself become an efficient witness?"

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Though we recognize that Christ was not born in the winter (and that Christmas is indeed of pagan origin), we must admit that the trinity seem nearer at this time of year. Worship, whether by child or white-haired sage, in a country church or a city cathedral, by Christians of any persuasion, is worship; worship of the God who made us, loves us, and gave His Son for us.

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Pat Farver wrote "An Act of Faith" while working for the GLEANER last summer . . . Don Lee ("Outreach from Laurelwood") is principal of that school . . . Arthur R. Lickey ("The United States and Freedom") is secretary of the Public Affairs department of the North Pacific Union Conference . . . Chris Robinson ("PAA's Seminar Group") is communication secretary of Portland's Glendoveer church, and a regular GLEANER contributor. Photos of the seminar group were taken by Gayle Norton, a senior at Portland Adventist Academy.

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Outreach From Laurelwood

Don Lee

Laurelwood Adventist Academy, located in a valley of the beautiful Chehalem hills, leaves little to be desired in location. Learning, however, cannot be limited to even the most beautiful of campuses. At this particular school, Christian education is carried far afield.

The annual Mexico Mission trip is a program of six years' standing. The program is sponsored by the Bible department and leads to credit in Applied Religion (Missions). Students,

under the direction of Elder David Allen, travel to Colegio del Pacifico at Navajoa in the State of Sonora, Mexico. The youth, 22 in 1974, spend their Christmas vacation along with their staff members at the Mexican school. Eating, playing and working with the students there, the group from Laurelwood make a contribution to the Lord's work as well as to better understanding between youth of the church in the world.

Projects through the year have

included planting trees on the Navajoa campus, building faculty residences, wiring school buildings, much-needed painting and repair.

Year by year, the Laurelwood students deliver quantities of clothing, equipment and other supplies gathered in Oregon and Washington for the Mexican insitution. This has involved equipping the Home Economics department with sewing machines and utensils.

Elder Allen says: "Our students gain perspective and a concept of missions in a way that could not be gained in the classroom." The director of the school in Mexico, Elder Mario Collins, wrote in a recent letter to Pastor Allen: "More than what they do and what they bring, their helpfulness and their happy spirits and glowing love of God are such a joy to us and an inspiration to everyone that they are really a pleasure to have come and visit."

This mission program, conducted without direct cost to the Laurelwood Adventist Academy, provides an experience long to be remembered by those who participate.



Visiting the villages gives the students a view of a different way of life.



Over the years, the Laurelwood workers have painted nearly every building on campus whether inside or outside.



The fellows spent many hours digging trenches in the hard clay soil to bury electrical wires.

Boxes of clothing, appliances, sewing machines and household goods were donated by friends to be given to the Mexican school.



While the Mexico Mission trip occurs at Christmastime, the history department tour of Washington, D.C. and New York City takes place in connection with the President's Day vacation in February.

Led by Gary Jacoshenk, the academy history teacher, the tour has been conducted during each of the past two years. In 1974, the 16-student group visited the capitol, White House, Smithsonian Institution, Mount Vernon and many other sites of national significance. In New York City, the schedule included a tour of the U.N. building, visit to the Statue of Liberty and other points which led the students to a greater appreciation of their national heritage.

Although the school grants 2.5 semester periods credit in Citizenship Education for the trip and reports made by the students, the cost is all borne by the participants.

The Bible department again takes to the field in early May, traveling to nearby forest lands owned by the Willemina Lumber Company of

Sheridan, Ore. The senior class, *en masse*, spend a week living in the wilderness, sleeping in shelters which each student must prepare for himself. A small sheet of black plastic is provided by the department but the ingenuity of the student finishes the quarters.

Curriculum for the week includes study of the closing chapters in *Great Controversy*, Orienteering, Natural Foods, Survival Techniques and Wilderness Hygiene. Naturally, attention is also given to the protection of the environment, preserving the beauty of the isolated location.

This activity is limited to seniors and serves as a social highlight of the final year at Laurelwood. Several teachers, including the sponsors of the senior class, participate, along with the Bible instructors.

Another outdoor learning experience which takes place closer to home is the Agriculture Program. In this discipline, one class may be at work in a pleasant greenhouse pruning tomatoes or propagating "Wandering Jew" plants while others are at work in the

soils laboratory, determining the needs of school fields or of neighboring farm lands. The composition of fertilizers is then determined by a program fed into the math department's mini-computer.

The Ag classes also cultivate three acres of Hood strawberries, an acre of Evergreen (thornless) blackberries and acreage in both grain and hay. Experience is available to these students in cultivation of walnuts and filberts as well.

"To him who learns thus to interpret its teachings, all nature becomes illuminated; the world is a lesson book, life a school. The unity of man with nature and with God, the universal dominion of law, the results of transgression, cannot fail of impressing the mind and moulding the character." *Education*, p. 100.

Whether on the irrigated deserts of Navajoa, along the Potomac, in the isolated valleys of the coast range, or at home on the sloping fields of the school farm, nature speaks to the Laurelwood student who will learn to interpret its teaching. ➤




Every year a special White House tour is arranged for our group.



Learning to recognize and prepare wild edible plants is one of the survival skills taught.



Students learn best by doing.



It was colonial America 200 years ago and strong drafts of Freedom Thoughts had been wafting through the minds of the citizenry for 150 years. The desire to be free was coming to a focus. Men with independent natures had long since been rubbed sore by the chaffing of restraints, directives, and taxes imposed by a distant English king far across the sea.

The cause of freedom was in the air. The colonies were already at war with England. The famous ride of Paul Revere was already history. Nearly a year of fighting was past and then—signatures were placed on the document prepared by Thomas Jefferson and his committee. On July 4, 1776, the adoption of the Declaration of independence made the already ongoing battle to gain independence from England the official stance of the colonies. A new nation was being born—a nation that would not only proclaim, but would also grant freedom to all its citizens and to those who came searching for liberty.

A part of that Declaration read, "We hold these truths to be selfevident, that all

THE UNITED STATES AND FREEDOM

Arthur R. Lickey

men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

God was present at the birth of this nation both by His prophetic foreknowledge and by the actual presence of His power. Prophetic foreknowledge? Indeed. He saw the rise of this nation, the United States of America, a nation upholding the principles of religious and civil liberties. He described it to the Revelator who wrote it down—"And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb..." Revelation 13:11.

Here was a nation arising at the exact time foretold by God through prophetic revelation—a nation that would be the home base for a great missionary effort to spread the story of God's saving power and love to a lost world. And it has proved to be just that.

God's protecting hand was placed over this nation at its birth and is yet over it. "...the nation for which God has worked in such a marvelous manner, and over which He has spread the shield of Omnipotence..." *Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 206. So speaks the prophetess of His church. And further—"The United States is a land that has been under the special shield of the Omnipotent One. God has done great things for this country..." *Bible Commentary*, Book 7, p. 975.

"My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,"—so goes the song—but these liberties did not come easily, particularly the freedom of religion. The Pilgrim fathers, separatists from the Church of England, came to the new world seeking freedom to worship God as conscience would dictate. It was on Dec. 21, 1620, that they came ashore at Plymouth, 56 years before the signing of the Declaration of

Independence. And yet, the freedom they sought for themselves they denied to others.

The Puritans followed and settled along Massachusetts Bay in 1629. The freedom they longed for they failed to grant to others.

Roger Williams, ordained an Episcopal minister in England, fled to this country. Fiercely advocating religious and civil freedom in the pulpit of the church in Salem, Mass., he was soon forced to leave—and good resulted from bad, for, in 1636, he founded the province of Rhode Island. The first time in history, there was a republican form of government with religious liberty and complete separation of church and state. In 1647, the First General Assembly adopted laws which gave religious freedom and stated that, "All men may walk as conscience persuades them, every man in the name of his God."

As the years went by, other colonies were founded where various degrees of religious freedom were established. Cecil Calvert, known as Lord Baltimore, founded Maryland as a refuge for Catholics; William Penn formed a colony where the Friends or Quakers would be free and in Virginia religious freedoms knew ups and downs as man sought to find the real essence of liberty.

The wonderful freedoms treasured and enjoyed in the United States today, to a degree unknown in any other nation on earth, were developed gradually over many years, and through these years the "special shield of the Omnipotent One" has hovered over this nation. It was in America that the concept of the separation of church and state became a reality. It was here that guarantees to keep the church from directing the government, and the government from directing or favoring any church found full realization. It is here today that the

individual has no restrictions in the espousal of a particular religion or no religion at all and is free to practice his religion in any manner he desires just so long as such practice does not infringe on the rights of others.

Perhaps more than any other factor, these qualities of freedom, religion and civil, and the full separation of church and state, have, under the blessing of God, made this country great. Look at some of these laws.

The United States Constitution, formed by the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia in 1787, had little to say about religious freedom. But, on Nov. 3, 1791, ten amendments became a part of the Constitution. We call them the Bill of Rights—and they guarantee many religious and civil freedoms. Look at those related to religion.

The First Amendment: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." Beautiful! The state is not to support or establish a church, nor is a man to be denied the right to freely exercise his own religion.

The Fourteenth Amendment makes the First Amendment applicable to the states, and so today, all state constitutions provide the same religious freedoms as are found in the United States Constitution. Most state constitutions deny the use of public funds to support religious activities—a clear result of the First Amendment guarantee of the separation of church and state.

In recent years, freedom laws have been enacted that protect the individual in very specific areas. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 is a federal law that forbids discrimination in employment practices related to hiring and firing. A person is not to be discriminated against on the basis of his race, color, *religion*, sex or national

origin. These same concepts are echoed in state civil rights laws across the nation, and protect not only in hiring and firing practices, but also in the purchase of or rental of housing.

What a blessing the civil rights laws are to the members of this church in providing statutory support for gaining accommodations for Sabbath work problems.

Investigative bodies function on both the federal and state level in relation to the civil rights laws—the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission is the federal body, and Human Rights Commissions on the state level.

There are a number of laws that protect those who have religious convictions that will not allow them to be members of or pay dues to a labor union. The National Labor Relations Act provides such protection for employees of non-profit hospitals. Oregon, Washington and Montana have laws that provide the same protection for public employees and public school-teachers.

Where else in all the world and in all of history is there and has there been a nation so blessed of God and so rich with guarantees of religious freedom in addition to the wealth of civil freedoms enjoyed by its citizens?

But a change is coming! The United States, the “beast coming up out of the earth,” with “two horns like a lamb”—this God-blessed nation of freedom—will end up speaking like “as a dragon.” The constitutional freedoms so long enjoyed will be lost and the time will come when “. . . he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: and that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark . . . of the beast.” Revelation 13:16, 17. The religious and civil freedoms of this nation will be lost.

“When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to

grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with Spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near.” *Testimonies*, Vol. 5, p. 451.

Without any attempt to touch all the implications of this statement and many others of similar content, we can know that there is a clear picture that depicts the erosion of the wonderful freedoms that have and are a basic part of this nation's heritage. Under the press of the staggering load of lawlessness that is increasingly burdening the civil powers, the breakdown of morals, the blatant ignoring of the rights of others by many of its citizens with attendant disrespect for law and order and the ever-increasing struggle to solve economic problems, this nation will restrict the liberties of its citizens. Constitutional guarantees of freedom will be lost. Churches will unite on commonly held doctrines and seek the aid of the state to create and enforce a national Sunday law. All this as an attempted solution to the ills of the nation. Inevitably, this will result in persecution of those who cannot be a part of these activities and who adhere to the true Sabbath.

This church has been told that, “It is our duty to do all in our power to avert the threatened danger. We should endeavor to disarm prejudice by placing ourselves in a proper light before the people. We should bring before them the real question at issue, thus interposing the most effectual protest against measures to restrict liberty

of conscience.” *Ibid.* Vol. 5, p. 452.

“Let us show the people where we are in prophetic history . . . awaking the world to a sense of the value of the privilege of religious liberty so long enjoyed.” *Ibid.* Vol. 5, p. 716.

As a church, we have a responsibility to the fellow citizens of this nation to reveal God to them—the God who placed his “shield of Omnipotence” over this nation. We have also the same responsibility to reveal this God to the whole world. As the gospel message of His salvation is taken to all mankind, so also is the message of religious freedom to be told. “The banner of truth and religious liberty held aloft by the founders of the gospel church and by God's witnesses during the centuries that have passed since then, has, in this last conflict, been committed to our hands.” *Acts of the Apostles*, p. 69.

God calls us to work for His cause while the peace and freedoms we now have remain among us. “The work which the church has failed to do in a time of peace and prosperity, she will have to do in a terrible crisis, under most discouraging, forbidding circumstances.” *Testimonies*, Vol. 5, p. 463.

How blessed we are to live in the United States—still the greatest nation in all the world—rich with freedoms. Should we not continue to rejoice in this fact and do all that we can to preserve these freedoms gained by great sacrifice and through the guiding hand of God?

Let us perform our tasks faithfully—living dedicated Christian lives, witnessing for the truth of heaven to all about us, and continue to rejoice in our good fortune in being citizens of the United States who are looking forward to citizenship in God's coming kingdom which will rule all the earth.

Above all, may continued fresh drafts of the richest freedom of all daily fill our hearts. What freedom is that? Freedom from sin and death found only in Christ. —

A PRISON BAPTISM

Mort Jueberg

Today I witnessed the beginning of a new life through baptism in an unusual place and under the most forbidding circumstances—behind iron bars, barbed wire and sliding electric gates.

All of this took place at the Oregon State Penitentiary at Salem as Jim, a convict serving eight years for burglary, joined the Adventist Church. Evangelist J. Lynn Martell performed the baptism.

No beautiful waterfall painting, stained glass window or church choir graced this baptism. The bleak surroundings of the prison's electrical maintenance shop, replete with workbenches, disassembled motors and wiring materials, provided the backdrop for the portable baptistry.

Before the service, a rainstorm swept across the prison yard, adding darkness to the already dismal scene.

But, despite these colorless surroundings, sunshine suddenly flooded the area—the autumn sun in all its glory shone through, to transform the ordinary maintenance shop into a temporary chapel of rejoicing.

Not that the sunshine was needed. The radiance of Jim's face provided ample light for the service. I have witnessed scores of baptismal services, but never one at which the presence of the Spirit of God was more evident.

None of the prisoners were allowed

to attend the baptism, but earlier at the afternoon church service in the chapel, many of Jim's prisoner friends wished him God's blessings in the step he proposed to take. The witnesses to the baptism included eight members of the South Salem church who have been visiting the penitentiary each Sabbath afternoon since July 1975.

Jim's background and the circumstances leading to his imprisonment are not unusual. Until the age of nine, he attended Sabbath School and church with his mother. After that, life in a foster home discouraged any tendency he may have had toward religion. From then on, his pathway led downward.

Drugs and alcohol in his life paved the way for trouble. "I was loaded every day for the past three years," he recalls. "I think it is a blessing that I wound up here."

Burglary proved to be an easy method for him to make a living, but this came to an end with his trial sentence.

With an eight-year sentence facing him and thoughts of a wrecked life ever torturing him, for the first time in years Jim began to think of God. He contacted a friend and asked him to get in touch with an Adventist pastor. Elder Harry Sharp, then pastor of the Salem Central church, answered the request and visited Jim in the penitentiary.

This visit resulted in the establishment of a jail visitation band by members of the South Salem church.

Under the leadership of their pastor, Tony Finch, jail band members gulp down a fast meal on Sabbath noon in order to be at the prison by 1:30 p.m. I joined them on the Sabbath Jim was baptized.

Necessary paper work, granting permission for the baptism, had been handled by Fred Mann, one of the South Salem members and head of the penitentiary's electrical maintenance shop. He also arranged for the portable baptistry to be set up. His knowledge of the prison routine has made him a valuable member of the jail visitation group.

Like all visitors, I had to pass through the supersensitive metal detection machine, similar to those found at airports. After emptying my pockets and still getting telltale beeps on the machine, I found it necessary to remove my belt. Only then did I pass through the device cleanly.

It was obvious to me that this is a high-security institution. At each of three electric gates, guards checked the papers before pushing the switch that opened the way for us to go on to the next door. At last, we came to the prison chapel where 17 inmates waited for the church services.

As I looked about, I was reminded of an earlier conversation at the dinner table. Mrs. Mann read a statement from Volume 4 of the *Testimonies* telling of Mrs. White's visit to the same institution nearly 100 years ago.

"I had expected to see a set of repulsive-looking men, but was disappointed," Mrs. White wrote. "Many of them seemed to be intelligent and some to be men of ability."

Informality prevailed in the church service. Fred Mann led an enthusiastic song service. Pastor Tony Finch spoke on the rite of baptism, patiently taking time to answer many questions raised by those in attendance.

Under normal circumstances, a great deal of one-to-one conversation takes place at the end of the service. On this Sabbath, chitchat had to be cut short because of the baptismal service to follow.

There is nothing rosy about Jim's future except as God gives him hope. His parole hearing comes up in February 1977. Only this hope and the Christian interest of the South Salem jail band will sustain him. It is no easy matter to be the only Seventh-day Adventist in an overcrowded prison with 1,346 inmates.

Pastor Tony Finch, (in foreground) reads a scripture prior to the baptismal service as Jim and Elder Lynn Martell anticipate baptism. Others in the picture are members of the South Salem church who have been participating in the weekly prison visit.



PAA's Seminar Group

Chris Robinson

Take a group of enthusiastic students, involve them in an active witnessing program in outlying churches, and you have the makings of a dynamic Christian experience called the "Seminar Group" at Portland Adventist Academy.

Students there have been volunteering their Sabbath time since 1970, traveling in the Pacific Northwest to answer requests primarily from smaller congregations for Sabbath School and worship service programs.

"It's difficult to tell how many trips we've taken," says Floyd Matula, coordinator of the seminar group and Bible instructor/counselor at the academy since 1964. He points to the map in his office cluttered with markers,

indicating the group's excursions as far north as Ocean Park in Washington, south to Cave Junction and east to Bend, Ore.

"We go about twice a month," Elder Matula continues as he pulls three bulging folders representing completed seminar trips from his drawer. "We go on so many calls that my associate in the counseling and Bible department, Elder Jim Robertson, has recently joined me in working with the seminar group."

Trips are planned several weeks in advance, with students signing up early in the counseling office to be responsible for either musical or speaking portions of the program.

"It's a stampede to get there, so many kids want to go," says one student. "Overnight programs are gone in a snap."

And the interest hasn't diminished even though students have recently

been asked to pay two dollars each to defray travel expenses.

Trips frequently begin before day-break, with group members assembling for worship and last-minute rehearsing at the academy. After prayer, between 13 and 17 squeeze into the school van for an early start to church.

Students raised funds in 1970 to purchase the van specifically for seminar group travel and other school needs; previously, private cars and a van loaned from Kramer Manufacturing were used.

As the van pulls out, happy sounds fill the air as students laugh, sing and



Closing the generation gap.



Students handle the entire program.



Doug Lott (standing) and Val Halverson perform special music.

play their instruments. Their conversation reveals a search for basic issues of Christian lifestyles—they are not so much concerned with rules *per se* as they are with the reasons why Christians live the kind of lives they profess.

A dimension of vibrant Christianity is apparent, transforming the group into a dynamic unit for telling others about the real power of Jesus. The group's spirit of contagious Christian joy is too strong to contain, and lives on through the Sabbath morning services and into the afternoon.

Arriving at the host church, the group begins a flurry of final preparations for the start of Sabbath School. Microphones are tested, instruments warmed up, notes copied and checked, and prayers said as the sanctuary starts filling up.

Students handle the entire program, leading song service and performing special music, reading Scripture, offering prayer and giving the mission appeal. The Sabbath School lesson is presented panel style, with Elder Matula moderating and encouraging congregational participation.

During the worship service, usually two students give sermonettes, each 20 minutes long on the topic of their choice. A tradition in closing is the group's linking hands with the congregation and singing "Side by Side."

Any remaining social, geographic, or age differences disappear as with one voice they sing . . . "Heaven is our

goal, to save every soul, brother and sister, I'll be there."

The friendly spirit continues as the congregation spreads out a fellowship dinner after the service. Young and old gather to strengthen bonds of Christian love—singing songs, getting acquainted and renewing friendships.

It's hard to tell who is enjoying it more, judging from comments of church members and seminar students:

Older lady: "We always enjoy the group coming to our church. They are so honest and sincere."

Grace Muncie, senior: "People are so friendly in small churches. It's fun going, an active sharing of faith, not being a bystander. It always amazes the older folks to see us kids up in front; besides, I like talking to the little ladies."

Dennis Whitted, junior: "It's a great opportunity to grow, to know each other better and to study the Bible."

Senior student: "It gives you a chance to tell others what you know about Christ and what He's done for you. It also gives you a perspective as to what other churches are doing."

Jeanie Osborne, sophomore: "It helps us when we help others. It not only helps kids to find God, but it also is serving as a training group for later life."

Junior student: "We enjoy it because we have the right leader to help us."

Insisting that Elder Matula is an essential ingredient, a group of participants commented that he's "a counselor, friend, helper, teacher, father and much more. He's always there, ready to quietly help you, giving you assurance from the front row."

Also lending support is Ed Norton, the academy's principal, who notes aspects of the program's success.

I'm as enthusiastic about this as the kids," he smiles. "It's not only an organized program for witnessing and encouraging our fellow believers, but also an opportunity for students to develop abilities in speaking, singing and performing music for groups."

Another benefit is the satisfying experience of association in small groups, Elder Norton continues. The seminar group provides an atmosphere for social fellowship which is sometimes lacking in a day academy setting.

Even with all these strengths considered, the most compelling force behind the program comes from the Master, who said:

"Go ye . . ."



Singing Side by Side We Stand.



Joanne House greets congregation after her sermon.



Elder Floyd Matula

people in transition

Oregon

Elder **Ralph Blodgett**, pastor in Oregon since 1970, recently Florence pastor, has accepted a call to serve as associate editor of *These Times* magazine, Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn. Elder Blodgett has written numerous articles for denominational periodicals and is author of a new book entitled, "Rapture! Is It for Real?" published by Pacific Press. He received his education at Walla Walla College and Andrews University Theological Seminary. Before coming to Oregon, he pastored in Michigan and Indiana. His wife, Judy, has taught in high school and academy and is completing her master's degree at the University of Portland. Their children are Debbie, 9, and Tammy, 6.

Ric Roderick has accepted the position of controller for White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, Calif. A graduate in business administration from Walla Walla College, Roderick came in 1972 to the Oregon Conference where he first served as auditor, then assistant treasurer until this summer. Replacing him as assistant treasurer is Dale Bidwell.



62 YEARS TOGETHER. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bailey marked their 62nd wedding anniversary on Oct. 27. They are active members of the Veneta, Ore., church.

Both Ric and his wife, the former Marilyn Kay Bulgin, are native northwesterners. Their children are Trina, 6, Jodi, 4, and Ryan, 15 months.

Pacific Press

W. Ross Wollard, Pacific Press Book and Chapel Record Department manager, has been named general manager of Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tenn.

Wollard, 55, joined Pacific Press nearly 32 years ago as a pressman. He later managed the Omaha, Neb., branch before returning to Mountain View in January 1953, as associate book department manager. He has served as department manager for the past 13 years.

Looking back over his years of PPPA service, Wollard relates an early lesson he received as a pressman. While helping move some paper which had been double



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY. Elder and Mrs. Ralph S. Watts celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Nov. 15. A reception was held in their honor in Vienna during the General Conference Session in July by their children, Elder and Mrs. Paul W. Nelson and Elder and Mrs. Ralph S. Watts, Jr.

On Nov. 15, 1925, the couple sailed for Korea as missionaries. Twenty-five of their 46 years of gospel ministry were spent in overseas service in the Orient and Africa.

Elder Watts, retired vice president of the General Conference, resides with his wife on Marrowstone Island on the Puget Sound and fulfills speaking engagements throughout the Northwest.

stacked, the top skid suddenly toppled, pinning another employee.

"As we worked to free him, I kept wondering why God had allowed this to happen when we had asked for His protection over our work that morning."

His question was answered when the freed worker walked to a waiting ambulance.

"The incident has pointed out to me that God does give protection in great odds, protection to individuals as well as institutions."

Wollard replaces SPDA retiring manager C. Len Paddock.

Faith for Today

Don Dick, Ph.D., has been appointed director of Faith's program department. He has been an active member of FFT's Lay Advisory Board and chairman of the communication department at Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tenn., for the last seven years.

His new position places him in charge of program production. His various responsibilities include: soliciting and selecting scripts; hiring directors and production crews; casting actors; planning all aspects of preproduction; overseeing the actual filming; and guiding and approving of the final post-production stages.

Dr. Dick takes the place of Roy Naden who is now speaker for the "Come Alive" telecast.



W. Ross Wollard



Don Dick



DeWitt S. Osgood

Deceased

Mrs. **Myrtle Mae Wood**, the first treasurer of the Alaska Mission, died Sept. 23, 1975 in Portland, Ore. She was the wife of Elder Harold L. Wood who was the superintendent of the Alaska Mission. Elder and Mrs. Wood accepted a call to organize the Alaska Mission in 1929 where they served until his death Sept. 24, 1944, in the crash of the Mission plane.

Elder and Mrs. Wood had served the church in Minnesota, Calgary, Alberta, British Columbia and Alaska. After his death, she served in Paradise Valley Sanitarium, Orlando Sanitarium in Florida as dean of women, and a part of a year in the Montana Book and Bible House.

The Sky Pilot of Alaska by Fern Royer Owens, Pacific Press 1949, is a story of their life together in the work of the Lord.

Myrtle Wood is survived by their three daughters; Lone Stagg of Portland, Ore.; Wanda Randall of Eugene, Ore.; Virginia House of San Louis Obispo, Calif.; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, and Vera Wood, her sister-in-law.

Elder DeWitt S. Osgood, 80, a minister for more than 50 years, died recently at Walla Walla General Hospital. He served as a conference president, in pastoral work, in radio evangelism and as an author.

Elder Osgood was born in Marseilles, Ill., on Sept. 12, 1895. He was married on Feb. 6, 1918 to Margaret

Gordon in Chicago, Ill. She survives along with numerous other relatives. An obituary will appear elsewhere in the GLEANER.

Myrtle V. Olney, a teacher in Adventist elementary schools in the North Pacific Union Conference for 17 years, died Oct. 13 at Newbury Park, Calif. She was born Nov. 3, 1874.

dateline news

Portland Official Calls For Church Taxation

PORTLAND, Ore.—Portland City Manager John Menario says property tax exemptions for churches, hospitals, benevolent associations and veterans are unfair. He termed the practice an "incredible political generosity at the expense of the taxpayer. Maybe years ago hospitals were charitable," Menario said, "but now the hospital is paid, regardless." He said the city's tax rate could be cut 25 percent if exempt property were taxed.

Prayer, Guidance, Bible Preferred Sermon Topics

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Churchgoers say they want more sermons dealing with prayer, God's guidance and the Bible, and fewer sermons on politics and social action. At least that's the opinion of more than 50,000 churchgoers who participated in a national survey on the subject. As for "charismatic preaching," 26.4 percent wanted more, 24.8 percent wanted less, and 24.3 percent said they felt the present emphasis was "about right." The term, "charismatic preaching," however, was not defined in the survey.

38,467 Baptized In Ten Months

MIAMI, Fla.—A total of 38,467 persons have joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Central America during the first ten months of this year. According to a report by officers of the church's Inter-American Division, this area of the world is experiencing the fastest growth of any of the ten divisions of the church.

conference news idaho

REGIONAL MEETINGS. Idaho Conference officers and departmental secretaries teamed up for four inspirational and informational area meetings. Guest speakers were Elders A. R. Lickey and M. R. Lyon of the North Pacific Union Conference; Elder N. R. Dower, General Conference ministerial secretary; and Elder T. R. Torkelson, associate editor of Signs of the Times, (right) being introduced by F. W. Bieber, conference president. An afternoon musical program was presented by area churches at each meeting. Pictured are the children's choir of the La Grande church school, the academy faculty ensemble and the Payette brass trio. The noon potluck dinners provided excellent food and gave time for good fellowship. Below are a group enjoying the food at Idaho Falls. Mrs. Geri Warmanen, (bottom) Twin Falls Sabbath School superintendent, introduces Conference Treasurer R. W. Wilmot, who conducted the Sabbath School lesson study at Twin Falls.



Parent-Teacher Day Held at Gem State

Some 50 parents gathered in the Gem State Academy chapel on Oct. 26 to begin the 5th Parent-Teacher Day. Principal Clayton Breakie welcomed the group and introduced Elder Dale Ringering, Bible instructor and pastor of the academy church, who presented a devotional thought in which he related the importance of home and school training to the care given growing plants, along with the perfection of the final product. The academy choir, under the direction of Frank Kravig, sang two sacred numbers as a fitting close to the devotional.

Board Chairman, F. W.

Choir Director Frank Kravig leads the Gem State Choir as they sing for visiting parents.

Bieber spoke to the group, emphasizing the role of the board and the conference in the operation of the school. Assistant Business Manager Dick Stafford discussed some of the financial aspects of the school's operation.

Principal Breakie opened up the meeting for any questions from parents on any facet of the school program. This allowed parents to take part in some meaningful two-way communication with school leaders. Many felt this was one of the valuable events of the day.

Champion Bake-N-Serv Manager Norman Rudolph discussed the importance of this industry to the school and the students. He led the parents on a full tour of the facility. To say that Champion Bake-N-Serv is a vital part of the Gem State campus would be an understatement, indeed, say school leaders. Many parents expressed appreciation for the opportunity to see it in operation.

Following lunch, all the teachers were available in their classrooms to discuss with parents the progress of their children. The day was planned to correspond very nearly with the end of the first grading period so that parents could get an accurate picture of the achievement of their students to that point.

Anytime two-way communication is practiced, the understanding level and goodwill between community and school markedly increases, believes Principal Breakie. Therefore, Gem State can look forward to the continuation of the Parent-Teacher Day program in the future.

some value clarification experiences.

During the noon hours, the students were asked to eat in silence while listening to some poignant vignettes read by Elder Schilt over the cafeteria speaker system.

A number of students expressed appreciation for Elder Schilt's approach to the subject of religion. His emphasis was on the importance of Who you know rather than what you know or even what you do.

● The Gem State Academy Cycle Club, behind sponsors Dean Holmes and Ray Blue, roared off toward historic Silver City, Ida., Sept. 14 on its annual fall trek to the famous ghost town. The day was perfect for riding with cool temperatures and just enough rain to settle the dust.

Club members enjoyed exploring a number of the mine shafts which literally honeycomb the hills behind Silver City. The only dampening aspect of the day was the



"FUN WITH FOODS" was the theme of the nutrition class held in the fellowship room of the church in Weiser, Ida., Nov. 4, 11 and 18. As many as 45 were in attendance for the classes which were coordinated by Marguerite Knauft, wife of the pastor of the church. Donna Avery, (above) demonstrated her bread-making techniques. Topics discussed were "Breakfast and Square Meals on a Round World," "Dinner—How Is Your Lifeline Anchor?" and "Slim and Trim, How to Keep Fit." The program consisted of lectures, demonstrations and slides on how to maintain good health.

hail that pelted the group for almost 15 minutes once they had reached the summit behind the town.

Kris Blue followed the group in her dad's four-wheel drive pickup truck carrying lunches and other emergency supplies for those with flat tires, seized engines or other problems.

The group is hoping that the snow will be gone soon enough in the spring so that one more trip can be made this school year.

● Both dormitories on the Gem State Academy campus have set aside the first 15 minutes of evening study period for Bible study and prayer. The young people are asked to be absolutely quiet even if they do not choose to study or pray. Boys' dean Kermise Rowe reports a favorable response to the program in his dorm. The boys all open their room doors during this time and soft sacred music is played throughout the dorm. Girls' dean, Nina Prohaska, also states that the response has been good in her dorm.

● Wednesday morning following third period and Wednesday afternoon following ninth period, interested students find their way to a classroom of their choice where they spend ten minutes in prayer with other students and teachers.

These prayer bands were begun during Week of Prayer, but by student request the practice has been continued. Classes are shortened slightly on Wednesdays to allow for the prayer groups to meet.

● Gem State Academy Industrial Arts Instructor Paul Rasmussen has been recently granted an automobile dealer's license. This will now allow him to submit official bids on damaged vehicles being auctioned locally. In addition to personal use, Rasmussen plans to use his new license as a teaching tool in his body and fender classes. The restoration of wrecked cars could be done as a student's personal project or as a class venture.

montana

School Opened in Baker

The Baker Company, under the sponsorship of the Bell Tower church in Ekalaka, Mont., has opened a one-room school in Baker, Mont. Miss Christine Todd, formerly a teacher in Great Falls, has accepted the assignment of working with seven of the energetic young people in this area.

The Montana Conference takes pleasure in publicly thanking the sisterhood of churches of the North Pacific Union Conference who make it possible for schools of this kind to be assisted in the Remote-But-Necessary School Funds which are administered by the NPUC and its education committee.



Christine Todd is teacher of the Baker, Montana, church school.

This far-sighted program may be responsible for many souls in the kingdom as it allows for remote, Seventh-day Adventist groups to have a part in Christian education.



BICENTENNIAL CONCERT. When the Bicentennial train was in Billings, Mont., Dale Sanford, head teacher of the Billings church school, conducted a musical group comprised of all grades from the church school. The group was accompanied by Mrs. Lloyd Senner on her accordion. A group of senior citizens who were visiting the train especially appreciated the patriotic songs which were sung by the young people.

Gem State Academy News

● Elder Clarence Schilt, pastor of the Blue Mountain Academy church, Hamburg, Penn., was the Week of Prayer speaker Sept. 28 to Oct. 4. Instead of the traditional evening meetings, Elder Schilt attempted to involve the students by having them gather in small groups in the gymnasium and take part in

1976 Camp-Out Date Set

The North Central Idaho Campout, which is scheduled for the first week in August 1976 will be held again at the new location on Rhodes Creek near Pierce, Ida.

Last summer's campout was well attended with representatives from 28 churches throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Elder Theodore Carcich, retired General Conference vice president, was the featured guest speaker. Carcich, who had just returned from the General Conference Session in Austria, brought reports of the work around the world.

Elder Bob Boney also brought a special program to the congregation on Friday night. The campout attendance

is growing every year and the plans now underway will make 1976 even better, say those in charge.



Clockwise from top. Sabbath morning at the North Central Idaho campout saw a large group under the big tent. Elder Hutchins, of Weippe, originator of the annual campout. Elder Theodore Carcich brought a report from the world session in Vienna. Ken Smith, of Weippe, telling a story Sunday morning. The Sabbath noon potluck at the campout is always well attended. Sunday morning Pathfinder breakfast with Mike Gross, John Gross and Carolyn Gates helping Eldon Hutchins. Watching is MaryIn Gross, Pathfinder leader.



Primaries Send Gift To Greek School

The boys and girls of the primary department at Upper Columbia Academy have learned what it is to sacrifice for missions. The ten members brought enough money to send a set of the *World Book Encyclopedias* to the Greek Mission School in Athens, Greece.

Mrs. Virginia Coombs, their leader, expressed the necessity of keeping their weekly mission goal up. The children were encouraged to earn the money to buy the books. Each child who brought a dollar earned one book with his name on it.

There were truly some sacrifices. One boy won \$5 and turned it all in, even though he had been saving to buy a special toy for himself. There were other similar accounts. Word was received from Greece that their *Encyclopedias* had arrived.



The Canyonville Church Story

Lorraine Juberg

A strange man walked into the church school and handed the astounded principal a \$100 bill. "This is to help build your new church," he said.

Traveling on the freeway, he had noticed the Sign, "Site of a New SDA Church," turned off at the next exit, and driven back to the Canyonville School. There he found the principal.

From top down. Youth chapel of the new Canyonville church. Sanctuary interior, and exterior, with the sign which brought a surprise contribution.



"I'm not an Adventist," the stranger explained, "but my wife is. I have a high regard for her religion. I saw your sign and I want to help."

This is but one of the surprise contributions received for the erection of the Canyonville church which was officially opened Sunday, Oct. 19, to climax seven years of planning, saving and working toward a new house of worship.

The Canyonville congregation branched off from the Myrtle Creek church in 1955. From then until 1958, they met in rented buildings. During 1957-58, they built the school where the 200 members have met in the auditorium until completion of the new facilities.

The church holds an imposing position on its three-acre, sloping hillside

site, set against timber and overlooking the town of Canyonville. The cluster of school, community services center and church buildings is visible from the freeway.

The slump-block exterior with rustic trim is a modified Spanish style with a concrete, simulated shake roof.

The main floor encompasses 9,000 square feet; the second floor, 3,000 square feet. These house the main sanctuary, youth chapel, Sabbath School division rooms and adult classrooms. Curved wooden arches support the high ceiling over the spacious sanctuary furnished with pews upholstered in burnt-orange crushed velvet and matching burnt-orange mottled with olive green carpet. Windows are amber; light fixtures are white and amber, made by one of the members.

Groundbreaking took place May 23, 1974, with Elder W.

At the official opening ceremonies of the Canyonville church on Oct. 19, Elder Walter D. Blehm, conference president, gave the main address. Other conference representatives present were: Elders H. J. Harris, executive secretary; Vernon Flory, Sabbath School director; and Ted Lutts, treasurer.

Printed invitations for weekend opening ceremonies were sent to community leaders and ministers of other denominations; and members took invitations to their friends.

Sabbath, Oct. 18, was Visitors' Day with Elder Charles Brown of Grants Pass as the worship-hour speaker. The new sanctuary, which comfortably seats 320, was overflowing with an estimated 400 in attendance, according to Pastor Steve Chinn. Among the visitors who stayed afterward for a fellowship dinner was a Mormon bishop. Chinn says, "It was the biggest potluck we've ever had."

For the 3 p.m. Sunday ser-

vices, the church was again full, with 12 ministers from other denominations, including a Catholic priest and the Baptist preacher, along with the mayor, justice of the peace, chief of police, and the president of the Canyonville Bible Academy in attendance.

The invocation was given by the Methodist pastor; scripture read by the Assembly of God preacher; and the benediction by the minister of the First Christian church.

The ceremonies continued with a history of the church by Mrs. Ellen Kennedy, a charter member. Building committee and fund-raising chairman, Clyde Marriott, gave an account of the building project, expressing appreciation to all who have helped. Harvey Bean, school principal, and James Church played an instrumental duet; and a floral presentation was made by the Methodist church pastor.

Afterward, tours of the new structure were conducted.

D. Blehm and Canyonville's mayor, Dan Daniels, assisting. Plans were drawn up by Bal-siger, Peterson and Shewbridge of Wilsonville; building contractor is Don Crawford.

Value of the building is estimated at \$300,000; the project total cost, \$175,000, with \$40,000 in volunteer labor, and the rest in donated materials and furnishings.

Pastor Steve Chinn feels that the biggest hurdle, not uncommon to building projects, was setting up plans to suit the needs and desires of the congregation and at the same time meeting official approval.

Laymen of the church represent a number of building skills such as plumber, contractors, cabinetmaker, heating system installer, heavy equipment operator and welder. Volunteers worked at regularly scheduled building sessions, Sundays, Tuesday and Thursday evenings; some were "on call" any time there was an urgent need.

How was the money raised? Chinn says, "I honestly don't know how 95 percent of it was raised, except that it was placed in the offering plate."

Some funds came in through film programs; several thousand through pledges. One big undertaking was a month-long rummage sale which netted \$3,000.

A list of needs for furnishing the church was distributed to the members, who chose individual or family projects. One family might pledge to purchase the pulpit furniture, another the sound system and another some pews.

The entire project has engendered unity and enthusiasm among members, says Chinn, as well as inadvertently promoting friendship and goodwill in the community. A bevy of city officials, civic leaders and ministers of other denominations came to the official opening; and the city's ministerial association scheduled its community Thanksgiving Day ser-

vices in the new Adventist church.

Chinn was particularly pleased with another unexpected donation from a lady restaurant owner whom he first met at Ingathering time. He remembers her cold unfriendliness to him and his partner.

Later, when the church invited civic leaders to the Community Services Center for a banquet, this businesswoman came. At the close of the program she wrote out a check of \$20 to the church. Some time after, she staged a ceremony in honor of a retiring chief of police and asked Pastor Chinn to read a poem.

Recently, he received a note from her in the mail telling of her appreciation of her Adventist neighbors, the prayers of the church and their kindness to her husband in his illness. She included a \$100 check to help with the building fund.

Newport Students Conduct Services

In a student-prompted achievement effort, the 11 students of the Newport church school recently presided for the entire Sabbath morning services.

They assumed responsibility for all sections of the Sabbath School and church programs, with the exception of teaching the classes and the sermon.

Mrs. Shirley Gurr, teacher, introduced the program. All of the students took active roles, and the group performed as a choir, directed by Mrs. Helen Stevens, music teacher.

Nancy Gurr, 8th grader, read an original poem. Students served as deacons.

For the church service, Dr. Boyd Olsen, conference education department head, presented the sermon.

Other participants were: Donny Long, 1st grade; Deanna Winter, 2nd grade; Kristin Strickler, 3rd grade; Keith Jacobs, 4th grade; Kim Long, 5th grade; Scott

Wheeler, Shelly Winter, and Lorrie Jacobs, 6th grade; Kelly Strickler and Laurie Winter, 7th grade; and James W. Palmer, teacher.

On the afternoon of Oct. 31, the students went out in the community and gathered 130 cans of food for the poor, under the direction of Pastor Donald McEune.

Lincoln City Baptism

An evening baptism in Lincoln City on the central Oregon coast brought moments of joyful thanks-

giving as the church witnessed the addition of 19 persons at the concluding service by conference evangelist Jon Johnston.

A special feature during the month-long series was the health emphasis time presented by Adventist physicians in response to questions from the audience. Dr. Erling Oksenholt was assisted by Doctors Robert Kaye and Robert Sproed.

John and Carl Clark, MV Taskforce volunteers, helped Evangelist Johnston and Pastor John Littlefield in the visitation program.



PIONEER SKILL. Students at Portland Elementary School have had a backward glimpse at the use of a pioneer skill that has almost disappeared in the 20th century of America. Mrs. Lorraine Wells, center, showed students how to card wool, and how to spin it into usable yarn. With samples of fleece on hand to show the students, Mrs. Wells also demonstrated how early American settlers used homemade dyes for brightening up the otherwise dull-appearing clothing.



FOOD FOR NEEDY. Typical of Pathfinder groups everywhere, on Oct. 30, 22 members of the Springfield Pathfinder club collected 646 cans of food, \$17 in cash donations and 40 articles of clothing for their Thanksgiving and Christmas gift baskets. Last year the club distributed 15 Thanksgiving and 12 Christmas baskets. Their leader is Frances Stebbins.

Alta Wright, a sparkling, happy, new Adventist, came to the nightly meetings, in spite of being in her mid-seventies and confined to a wheelchair. For three years, she had been quietly keeping the Sabbath, as influenced by the TV ministry of Elder George Vandeman on *It Is Written*. Another lady who regularly viewed the telecast and made her decision was Marie Chandler.

Pastor Littlefield says, "This fine group join hands and hearts with their fellow Adventist brothers and sisters in telling the good news of salvation and the beautiful teachings of the Adventist faith."

Noah's Ark Search Is Program Topic

Three Adventist authorities on the search for Noah's Ark will be featured in two programs at Portland Adventist Academy on the weekend of Jan. 9-10.

Elfred Lee, Takoma Park, Md., will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. Eryl Cummings, Farmington, N.M., for sessions scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9 and 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 10.

In announcing the program, Gary Force, head of the Greater Portland Area Adventist spiritual committee, said, "A great deal of speculation and misinformation exists about Noah's Ark. The two-part presentation is entitled 'Noah's Ark from the Adventist Perspective' and we feel it will give a clearer picture of what is currently happening in the search for the ancient ship."

Force said Elfred Lee, currently with the art department of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, was a member of a 1969 expedition to Turkey to search for the Biblical vessel.

"Elfred Lee has an Army background in photography and will show motion pictures taken on Mt. Ararat during the expedition," he said.

The son of missionary parents, young Lee spent three years in Japanese prison camps in the Philippines before American paratroopers liberated the prisoners. When his parents returned to their former missionary post in Korea after the war, he accompanied them and received part of his education in the Orient. He has traveled widely in southern Asia, Europe and the Middle East.

Mr. and Mrs. Eryl Cummings operated a real estate agency in New Mexico. Cummings has made nine trips to Turkey and has climbed on Mt. Ararat 16 times. Mrs. Cummings is the author of *Noah's Ark, Fact or Fable*.

"We feel fortunate in getting these authorities on the search for the Ark to make their presentation in the Portland area," Force said, "It is not our purpose to push any type of hearsay program. These people will present a factual program designed for the serious thinker."

There is no admission charge, but a freewill offering will be taken to defray the expenses of the auditorium use and the transportation costs for the guests.

Dorcas Leader 'Retires'

After 30 years of community service, Hilda Brown has stepped down as Dorcas leader of the White Salmon Adventist church.

Dorcas work was organized in this Columbia River



Joyce McLain (left) receives keys from Hilda Brown, who retired after 30 years as Dorcas leader.

gorge town in 1932, meeting in private homes until the church was built in 1941. Hilda started as leader in 1943, a capacity she has held except for two years.

The group's activity is impressive. They logged 1,745 hours in 1974, shipping 610 SAWS boxes (representing 13,988 articles), crafting 125 quilts, helping 343 local residents and dispensing 1792 articles. Typical of the enthusiasm is one worker who finished six or seven baby quilts each week in addition to her regular quilting at the center. Through the years, Dorcas workers have been instrumental in arranging for six children to be adopted into Adventist homes.

A big boost to their program has been the construction of new quarters next to the church in 1974.

As Hilda "retires," Joyce McLain is there to carry on as the new leader.

After all, with an inspirational group like this, there's work to be done!

alaska

Help for the Mormons

A devastating fire swept through the large, beautiful Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Juneau, Alaska, last year. Damages were estimated at approximately \$700,000.

The Juneau Seventh-day Adventist church had reached its Ingathering goal and had one evening left to carol. The people voted to give the last evening's funds for the rebuilding of the Mormon church.

About a dozen carolers worked that evening. They received many surprised looks as the solicitors informed the people "we are Seventh-day Adventists singing Christmas carols and soliciting dollars for the Mormon church which just burned down." Carolers came to the doors of several Mormon homes and these friends gave good offerings, often accompanied with tears. They were very surprised that Adventists were doing such a thing for them.

A few days later, Pastor Glenn Gingery and two of the solicitors, Butch St. Clair and David Merrill took a check for over \$100 to the home of the Mormon district president. Among the visitors in the home was a Mormon bishop from Salt Lake City. All were surprised they received the check. They said they had never known Seventh-day Adventists to be that way. The bishop said a write-up would appear in their paper which goes all over the world.

Before leaving, Pastor Gingery suggested that all could kneel together for prayer. He prayed for each person present that God would lead them and that the



Elder Glenn Gingery, right, with two Ingathering solicitors from the Juneau church. In the background is the fire-destroyed Mormon church. The Juneau carolers gave the proceeds from one night of Ingathering to the members of the Mormon church for their rebuilding project.

Gospel of Jesus would be preached to all soon.

Several of the members of the Juneau church have had some good relationships with the Mormon people since that time. "We hope and pray that through us God can open their hearts to the more full, saving truths of our Christ Jesus," says Pastor Gingery.

general news

Professionals Added To Blind Camp Planning

Among the progressive actions taken by the Christian Record Braille Foundation at its September 18 meeting in Lincoln, Neb., was one to authorize the employment of a new, talented Adventist couple, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Yarmac, to serve as an independent consultant team to envision, plan, organize and execute a master plan—the

Model Camp for Blind and Otherwise Physically Handicapped.

Specifically, the agreement includes responsibility to direct this new camp, to incorporate into the model camp the most successful activities and techniques observed in the National Camps for Blind Children, to select, train and maintain the appropriate personnel vital to the standards of the camp as a model; to recruit campers—a representative cross section of blind and otherwise physically handicapped; to investigate the development of a certified and/or accredited course for college students in Therapeutic Recreation for Physically Handicapped in conjunction with a pioneering SDA College or University, and also to influence the design and inauguration for an annual on-campsite working convention for Directors of National Camps.

The Yarmacs will be directly responsible to Frank Peterson, general director of camps, and Elder Fred

Thomas, manager of the foundation.

Prior to his membership in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Ed worked with the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., Foundation, National Office,

Washington, D.C. He served there under the direct supervision of John H. Eiler, in diversified assignments from June 1962 through October 1966. These assignments included work with the

Sustentation Policy Revisions

At the time the 1975 Annual Council was held in Washington, D.C., from Oct. 9-16, 1975, some revisions were made to the Sustentation Policy.

One of these revisions which applies specifically to the North American Division eliminates the penalty for breaks in service, so that after Jan. 1, 1976, an individual may be eligible for sustentation benefits if he has a total service credit of at least 15 years, is 65 years of age, and began his denominational service before he passed his 51st birthday.

This means that some individuals, who have previously not been eligible for sustentation benefits because of breaks in service, or because the individual discontinued his denominational service before he reached the normal retirement age of 65, may be eligible after Jan. 1, 1976. Application forms for sustentation

benefits may be secured from the local conference in which the denominational worker resides. The application should actually be filed with the local conference office, together with a signed personal service record, or some type of verification of the individual's denominational employment. The application is processed by the local conference and the union conference. It is then sent to the General Conference for final consideration.

The Sustentation Plan was established by the Annual Council of 1910 and began its operation Jan. 1, 1911. It has served the church continuously and effectively since that date. At the present time, there are over 4,600 individuals receiving benefit checks each month from the General Conference Sustentation Office in Washington, D.C.

J. C. Kozel
Assistant Treasurer

Promotion Ideas for It Is Written

Michael D. Fellows

In the North Pacific Union Conference, response to the It Is Written telecast is already climbing as a result of new telecast programs on subjects never before aired. But results from the telecast could be doubled if local church members would begin a program of telecast promotion as suggested by George Vandeman, telecast speaker.

Letters coming in to It Is Written indicate a strong interest on the part of those who watch. "I look forward every Sunday to watching you on TV. My husband and I live four blocks from the church you are from so I am going to go there and if they are anything like you, that's for me." (Nevada)

"We are a fairly young couple but don't go to church because we want to study the

Bible ourselves. Maybe someday we will join a church, but how can we know which church is right if they are all different? We listen to your program every Sunday and you have cleared up so many questions." (Michigan)

What miracles could the Holy Spirit perform if only more such searching souls were made aware of the truth-filled message of It Is Written. "The personal invitation of our church members to their friends, neighbors, or community members, is the single most effective means of increasing the soul-winning power of It Is Written," according to Vandeman. And the steps are easy.

It Is Written has made available through the local conference offices exciting, four-color advertising leaflets which can be hand delivered on a Sabbath afternoon or mailed to friends, patrons of your

business, members of a club to which you belong, or placed in waiting rooms or other prominent places.

Though there is nothing new about the concept of using the telephone to increase the audience of a television or radio broadcast, there is still no surer way of reaping the maximum benefits from a program such as It Is Written. Just a few quick, cheerful phone calls in your community prior to the telecast can mean a dozen new viewers for each caller and later souls for the kingdom. For added effectiveness, check for program titles with the pastor or the local TV Guide. Don't be afraid to let them know that you personally enjoy the telecast and that you just had to let them know it was on.

A new method of telecast promotion is now available from It Is Written in the form of a three-foot color poster

with space for local telecast information provided at the bottom. These posters will help reinforce the advertising done via the telephone, or through the use of the leaflets. The posters are representative of the telecast, dignified enough for use in the church narthex and yet could be used well in public buildings, store fronts and other appropriate places. The posters are now being made available to conference Lay Activities leaders, but may also be ordered at 25 cents each from It Is Written, Box 0, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360.

This year promises to be the best in the history of It Is Written, now one of the major evangelistic outreaches of the Seventh-day Adventist church. But just how great it is depends on the support and promotion of local church members in the NPUC. Determine now to do your part.

Shriver Camp for Retarded. He designed and directed the department of physical education and outdoor education for the Kennedy Institute and was a special consultant for President Johnson's Council on Physical Fitness. As the Kennedy Foundation liaison on the District of Columbia Recreation Department, he initiated recreation pilot schemes for the mentally retarded.

For several years, Kimberli, his wife, worked on research projects for the IBM Corporation, then trained at a police college to become the first policewoman on a regular patrol in San Jose, Calif.

Photo Workshop Set For Portland on Jan. 18

Five top flight Adventist photographers will take part in a workshop entitled "How to Take Prize-Winning Slides."

The workshop is set for Sunday, Jan. 18, at the North Pacific Union Conference office at 10225 East Burnside, Portland, Ore.

Each of the photographer participants will show some of their prize-winning slides and explain how they were taken. Some of the presentations will show in detail how problems facing the photographer were solved.

Those taking part include:

Lovyl Hagle, William Byrd, Bethel Wilson, Les Colburn and Gene Lambert. All have been consistent prize winners in color slide competition and the main emphasis will be on nature photography.

Attendance at the workshop is limited to 50 and there is a \$5 registration fee. For a husband and wife, or a parent and a son or daughter, the fee for the pair is \$7.50.

Those interested in attending the workshop are urged to register in advance by mail, sending the registration fee to Communications Department, North Pacific Union Conference, P.O. Box 16677, Portland, OR 97216. Participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

walla walla college

Scholarship Offering Valuable Student Aid

A year ago Karen Beierle was a senior at Auburn Adventist Academy. It was her second year there, since she attended high school her freshman and sophomore years.

Earlier that year she had attended high school just one day and immediately realized that her place was at the academy. So when discussion came up about going to college, Karen had already settled in her mind that she wanted to go to Walla Walla College rather than to a community college.

Two WWC representatives visited the academy and

It Is Written Cassettes Popular

It Is Written's first venture into the new field of audio cassettes has proven so successful that the telecast is now offering cassettes of George Vandeman's popular telecast sermons to the entire North American Division as well.

Timely subjects, selected to appeal to every listener, are recorded exactly as heard on the original telecasts. The 30-minute sermons (two on each cassette) deal with topics such as: how to find inner peace; how current world events vindicate Bible prophecy; how to develop a successful marriage; and how to deal with the reality of death. These topics proved popular the first time cassettes were offered to telecast viewers, with over 2,500 tapes mailed.

These cassettes may be ordered by using the It Is Written Cassette Club advertisement in this issue, or by sending \$3.00 to It Is Written, Box 0, Thousand Oaks, California 91360. The tapes have been priced so that the Cassette Club will be self-supporting, so as not to use contribution funds necessary to continue the telecast.

Reproducing popular telecasts on cassette for the convenience and enjoyment of It Is Written friends is only one of the innovative programs developed by the It Is Written staff. Revelation Seminars, which are streamlined one-day Bible classes, are being held now in major cities throughout the United States and Canada. These well-attended classroom-type encounters have proved successful, bringing more than 500 souls

reached by the telecast into the church in the past six months.

The concept behind the It Is Written telecast is unique in itself. This 21-year-old program, begun by George Vandeman in 1955, was designed to present the full message in a straightforward manner. It is keyed to reach discerning, serious-minded viewers. And what makes the telecast unusual is this: it works as the focal point of a carefully formulated plan of evangelism that combines the tremendous potential of mass communication with the essential participation of pastor and lay worker.

The telecast is released, by conference request and financing, only in areas where close follow-up is planned, since viewer response to the program is often phenomenal. And thanks to God's blessing, over the years It Is Written has competed and held its own even in prime television time. In fact, many TV stations with a long-time policy of not selling time to religion are now releasing It Is Written.

The It Is Written telecast, in conjunction with the Revelation Seminars and the outreach of the Cassette Club program, has proved its appeal in making favorable contacts and in breaking down prejudice with people who cannot be reached through other means. As a Seventh-day Adventist telecast, it is dependent upon members' faithful prayers and labor, so that the great potential of television as a soul-winning medium can be realized.

18 AU Scholars Contribute to Book

Eighteen professors at Andrews University are contributing to a book entitled, *The Sabbath in Scripture and History*.

Sponsoring the project is the Review and Herald Publishing Association, with Dr. Kenneth Strand, AU professor of church history, as coordinator on the AU campus. He hopes to see the book published in 1977.

Dr. Raymond Cottrell, book editor of the *Review and Herald*, said he plans for the book to be acceptable to the best of Adventist and non-Adventist scholars and educated laymen. "Pastors, teachers and laymen have lamented the fact that we had nothing of the kind," he said.

J. N. Andrews' long-time classic, *History of the Sabbath*, is not out of print and would not serve today's needs, Cottrell said. "We need a new work that would be of enduring value. It would be a major contribution to the church."

The book will include full documentation, sources, bibliography and appendices. Each chapter is to be written to stand independently and yet blend chronologically and topically with the rest of the book.



Karen Beierle

explained that several types of scholarships and grants are available to students who qualify. Among them is an employment grant.

Karen learned that the employment grant means that money is not just given to the student, but that the student will receive a dollar of grant funds for every dollar earned. In other words, if she could earn up to \$300, she could receive \$300 in grant funds for a total of \$600. The maximum in grant funds is \$750.

She also learned that in order to receive such a grant she should apply immediately because employment grant funds are limited. Now Karen is glad she did just that, because a friend who waited until nearly time for school to start found that none was available and had to go to a community college in Everett instead.

With the money earned, the grant, financial aid from her parents and a small loan, Karen will make it through her freshman year. She's looking forward to graduation and possibly educational work for the church.

"It wouldn't be possible without help from the employment grant," Karen says. "I really appreciate what the church members are doing when they contribute for these scholarships each year."

Karen's story can be repeated by scores of other students attending WWC this year. And it is all possible because the members of the North Pacific Union Conference contributed last year when the Annual Walla Walla College Scholarship Offering was received in January.

This year the offering will be received Jan. 10. A generous offering will help bring more students to WWC who are now attending community colleges because of the lack of sufficient financial resources for a Christian education.

Teacher Evaluation Set

Teacher evaluation by students at Walla Walla College has suffered a temporary setback as a result of action at the November faculty meeting.

The faculty had permitted a trial evaluation last spring but had deferred approval of publishing the results until the issue could be reconsidered this fall.

However, at the November faculty meeting, the faculty voted that the results not be published but that individual reports be given to each faculty member. Their action also called for the college president to appoint a committee of students and faculty to determine an evaluation procedure and its purpose and "present an instrument this (school) year, and that it be published during the fall quarter of the 1976-1977 school year."

The Collegian, WWC's

student newspaper, reported mixed reaction, but general acceptance of the plan.

The evaluation questionnaire used earlier this year was designed by students at Stanford University and has been used at several colleges and universities. However, some WWC faculty members felt that some of the questions did not apply to the objectives of WWC.

President Robert L. Reynolds has appointed seven members to the committee which will draw up the new questionnaire. Headed by Frank Howard, student chairman, the committee includes three students, Dan Todd, Jane Carnahan and Pam Dassenko, and three faculty members, Melvin Lang, Leal Dickson and Elwin Liske.

Sandra Camp Earns Doctorate in Music

The Doctor of Music Education degree was bestowed upon Sandra Camp, assistant professor of music, July 31 at Indiana University.

Her emphasis is in piano pedagogy. Dr. Camp's dissertation was titled "The Role of the Private Piano Teacher in Music Education in Selected Southern Central States." That area was chosen for her study because she was working in that area at the time of her dissertation writing. This included the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Oklahoma.

Dr. Camp was in residence at IU from 1968 to 1971 and then taught from 1971 to 1972 at the University of Arkansas in Monticello. Among those from whom she received instruction were pianists Walter Robert, Jorge Bolet and Norman Shetler.

She has been at WWC since 1972. Her master's degree was conferred in 1966 at Andrews University where she earned her undergraduate degree and the following year she studied in Vienna, Austria.

She holds membership in the National Guild of Piano Teachers, the Washington State Music Teachers Association,

the Music Teachers National Association and the Walla Walla Teachers Association.

Doctorate Awarded To Roland C. Blaich

A doctoral degree in modern European history was awarded June 5 to Roland C. Blaich, assistant professor of history.

Dr. Blaich's area of interest, church-state relations, became the focus of his doctoral dissertation. It is titled "Rivalry for Ideological Leadership: The German Churches and National Socialism During the Second World War."

The dissertation is a study of church-state relations based on Nazi documents centering on the Lutheran and Catholic churches. A

copy has been contributed to the Peterson Memorial Library.

Blaich intends to continue researching the subject with emphasis on smaller evangelical churches including Seventh-day Adventists and extending back to the early 1930s.

"I must do my research soon," Blaich confided, "because the number of people from whom I can get information is growing smaller."

"This topic is especially relevant because I expect the church will have to confront these issues again," he predicted.

He holds membership in the American Historical Association and the American Association of University Professors.

northwest medical foundation

Health Rally Features Former Surgeon General

Community residents, health officials, physicians and Adventist leaders from Oregon and the Northwest gathered recently to renew the focus of attention on the movement to help people stop smoking.

Highlight of the event was Dr. Luther L. Terry, the former United States surgeon general, who addressed a "Smoking and Health Rally" sponsored by Portland Adventist Hospital Nov. 17 in the Bonneville Power Administration auditorium. He spoke on the topic, "Smoking Statistics: Scarecrows or Storm Signals?"

The free rally, arranged especially for graduates of the hospital's Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, was open to all persons interested in the effects of smoking on health.

Dr. Terry was the surgeon general who, on Jan. 11,

1964, released the government's 387-page, 150,000-word statistical report, *Smoking and Health*, which linked cigarette smoking with lung cancer and other diseases.

The government's finding, after a 14-month review of medical evidence on the subject was that "cigarette smoking is a health hazard of sufficient importance in the United States to warrant appropriate remedial action."

The report was the unanimous conclusion of an impartial committee of leaders in various health fields, supported for the first time by the weight of federal authority.

The committee had sifted through more than 8,000 medical studies, the most recent—and perhaps most conclusive—being an American Cancer Society (ACS) study. Dr. E. Cuyler Hammond, the society's chief statistician, summarized the ACS report during clinical meetings of the American Medical Association in Portland. The ACS study of 1,078,000 Americans was the most massive of all the reports and it showed that the death rate among heavy



smokers (a pack a day or more) ran consistently about twice as high as among non-smokers.

In the aftermath of the surgeon general's report, millions of Americans gave up smoking and stringent government controls were placed upon tobacco advertising.

U.S. Sen. Maurine Neuberger of Oregon led the effort which ultimately succeeded in forcing cigarette companies to put a cautionary label on every ad and pack of cigarettes. The currently required wording is, "Warning: The surgeon general has determined that cigarette smoking is dangerous to your health."

Across the nation, there was increased interest in stop-smoking programs. In Portland, a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking, scheduled the

month after the surgeon general's report was issued, attracted an opening night crowd of nearly 1,000 persons at Benson High School Auditorium. At the end of the five days, 73 percent of the participants who filled out questionnaires said they had succeeded in giving up cigarettes.

The Five-Day Plan was the third sponsored by Portland Adventist Hospital, which had conducted similar programs in August of 1962 and October 1963. It was announced that because of the interest in the program it would be conducted regularly at the hospital.

It is estimated that nearly 7,000 persons have participated in the hospital's Five-Day Plans since 1962. Assisting with the program have

been members of the hospital's medical staff, chaplains, respiratory therapy and dietary departments. Support over the years has also come from the temperance and public affairs departments of the Oregon Conference.

Harold O. Burden, the hospital's director of health education, invited Dr. Terry to be the speaker in the hope of bringing together as many "alumni" of the Five-Day Plan as possible for an evening refresher in the stop-smoking program.

He is planning to use this first rally as the inauguration of regular monthly gatherings on smoking and other health education topics. Invited will be graduates of the hospital's various community education programs and others who are either engaged in or contemplating participating in a health education program.

Dr. Terry's visit to Portland generated widespread interest in the news media. Although his formal press meeting was set the morning before the rally, Dr. Terry was interviewed by some of the media in advance. There were newspaper and radio reports Monday morning before that press meeting. Several TV stations and radio stations joined with print media representatives from as far away as Vancouver for the subsequent press meeting, which was conducted in the Audio-Video studio of the hospital. Ron Robinson, AV's director, taped the interview, which included comments by Burden and Dr. Theodore Flaiz, medical education director, for the hospital's own use.

Terry's busy schedule included an early morning breakfast for physicians and others who have taken part in the Five-Day Plans, the press meeting, appearance at the weekly Portland Chamber of Commerce Forum meeting in the Benson Hotel (where he was one of the speakers of the day), and a visit to the American Cancer Society's office in Portland to confer with Oregon ACS staff personnel.

announcements

Philosda New Year's Party

All Northwest SDA single adults are invited to the Philosda New Year's Eve party, Dec. 31, in Portland, Ore. Phone (206) 693-4626 or (503) 287-9270 for time and place.

Knechtle to Speak At 3 Meetings

Emilio Knechtle, Washington, D.C., will be a guest speaker in the Washington Conference on the weekend of Jan. 9-10.



Emilio Knechtle

Sessions are scheduled as follows: Friday night, Jan. 9, 7:30, Olympia church; Sabbath, Jan. 10, 3:00 p.m., Rainier Auditorium, Auburn Adventist Academy; Saturday night, Jan. 10, 7:30, Burlington Edison Cafetorium, Burlington.

Well known as a devotional speaker, Knechtle always draws large crowds at his meetings. His visit to the Washington Conference will provide an opportunity for many to hear him.

Education for the Deaf?

At the time of the Annual Council, a special committee met with representations of a growing and significant group of deaf



Dr. Terry holds the Distinguished Service plaque he received at the Smoking and Health Rally in Portland. The award was presented by Elder Ronald M. Wisbey, North Pacific Union Conference health director, on behalf of the General Conference. Seated is Donald R. Ammon, executive vice president of Portland Adventist Hospital.



Dr. Terry addresses breakfast meeting of physicians and friends of stop-smoking programs. Seated from left: Burden; Elder Frank Baker, Oregon Conference Health Services director; George Rue, M.D., president of the hospital's medical staff; and G. W. Eklund, M.D., the hospital's chief radiologist.



Press conference drew most major Portland media. Seated at right is T. R. Flaiz, M.D., the hospital's director of medical education and former director of the General Conference Health Department.

Seventh-day Adventists. They earnestly desire to see the church reach out to an estimated 1,800,000 deaf and hard of hearing in the United States in a work similar to that already being done for the blind through the Christian Record Braille Foundation and the camps for the blind. They also desire an Adventist education for families handicapped by deafness.

For very practical considerations, we need to know what the potential enrollment for such a service might be. If you know of any church-related deaf child or youth of school age, please send name, age, current grade level and school arrangements and address to the NPUC Department of Education or to Dr. Charles R. Taylor, Department of Education, 6840 Eastern Ave., Washington, D.C. 20012.

Steve Marshall Is Alive

Reports have been circulating that Steve Marshall, whose parents live in Woodburn, Ore., has been killed. These reports are in error. Steve is associated with the Glenn Coon ABCs of Prayer group. Another member of the group was killed in a car crash last summer.

Christmas Concert

A Christmas Concert will be given Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m. by the Green Lake church, 6350 E. Green Lake Way North, Seattle. A variety of carols will be presented by the adult and junior choirs. An orchestra and several instruments will be featured. The organist is Ken Rudolf and choir directors are Connie and Gene Lysinger.

Information Needed

The Anchorage SDA church would like addresses or information as to the current location of the following individuals: Stephen Bliss, Joyce and David Carr, Linda Greiner, Mrs. Ray Hermens (Karen), Arthur Hill, Mike and Nancy Howard, Richard and Myra Miller, Edith Newton, Doris Savage, and Sherry and Tony Stephan. Contact the church clerk: Mrs. William Oakes, 7420 Old Harbor Rd., Anchorage, AK 99504.

PAA Christmas Concert

Portland Adventist Academy announces its annual music department Christmas Concert, Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m. Guest harpist Cheri Salvatore will be featured. Choral director is Jon Gilbertson and instrumental director, Dick Herington. Local prayer meetings have been cancelled for this occasion so that Portland area church members can attend this concert of sacred and secular music. The concert will be held in the gymnasium-auditorium at 1500 SE 96th Ave.

Singles to Meet At Florida Camp

Adventist Singles Eastern Regional at Camp Kulagua, Fla., (near Gainesville), Dec. 30-Jan. 4. Guest speakers from the Southern and Columbia Union Conferences. Recreational activities including water sports and excursions. \$13 per day (\$11 for members). Deadline Dec. 19. For reservations or further information, write to Merlene Wilson, 8811 Colesville Rd., No. 415 Silver Spring, MD 20910; (301) 587-5571.

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Finding presents is hard!
And my nose is cold... How
come I'm doing this any-
way? I know I'd get some
gifts even if I didn't give
any... So maybe I'm
doing this cause
EVERYONE ELSE
gives presents
at Christmas.
That's a stupid
reason. Hey! If
people like the
presents I give
them, they'll like me
... 'Course that
doesn't really
work.



I've got it... I'm
doin' it so when
they all open
their presents
they'll see how
much I love
them! Guess
this is even
fun!



!!! Suree hope
Tammy doesn't
try to hug me
when she sees
this doll I got
here!



It is more blessed
to give than to receive. ACTS 20:35

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weddings

Edwin L. Baumgartner and Pamela C. Hilde, June 22, 1975, at Wapato, Washington. They are residing in College Place, Washington. (Notice received November 13, 1975.)

Brent V. Buhler and Cynthia A. Roderick, August 24, 1975, at Seattle, Washington. They are making their home in Surrey, British Columbia.

Bruno Jeider and Linda Kay Pellow, September 7, 1975, at Spokane, Washington. Residing at Pullman, Washington.

obituaries

BAKER—Ora Baker was born Oct. 14, 1896 in Sauk Center, Minn., and died Oct. 3, 1975 at Federal Way, Wash. She is survived by three sons: Lee, Seattle, Wash.; Bryce, Kalispell, Mont.; and Murry, Auburn, Wash.; a daughter, Ione Ballestrasse, Enumclaw, Wash.; a brother, Warren Stickney, Alaska; and three sisters: Ethel Zuffer, Federal Way; and Carrie Zielinski and Shirley Searight, both of Seattle.

BICKFORD—Orville L. Bickford was born June 7, 1901 in Ellis County, Okla., and died Oct. 10, 1975 at Walla Walla, Wash. He is survived by a brother, Jess Bickford, Walla Walla; and two sisters: Olive Tracy, Raytown, Mo.; and Jacqueline Schieber, Kansas City, Kan.

BLANCHARD—Florence C. Blanchard was born Sept. 13, 1895 in Amour, S.D., and died Oct. 18, 1975 in Seattle, Wash. Her survivors include a brother, Raymond Cole, Loma Linda, Calif.; and two sisters: Emma Schultz, Pierre, S. Dak.; and Eva Wade, College Place, Wash.

BROOKS—Nellie Mae Brooks was born Mar. 23, 1897 in Long Prairie, Minn., and died Nov. 1, 1975 at East Wenatchee, Wash. Survivors include her husband, Carson, East Wenatchee; a son, Gordon; and a daughter, June Dorner.

BROWN—Harvey Brown was born Sept. 1, 1910 in Brentwood, Ark., and died Aug. 19, 1975 at Walla Walla, Wash. He is survived by his wife, Mable; two sons: Raymond, Auburn, Wash.; and Eldon, Milton-Freewater, Ore.; and three sisters: Mrs. Robert Monroe, Mrs. Carl Clinton and Mrs. Max Badgett, all of Lenox, Ia. (Notice received Nov. 11, 1975.)

GILLILAND—Anna C. Gilliland

was born Nov. 6, 1883 at Atchison, Kans., and died Aug. 9, 1975 at Walla Walla, Wash. She is survived by two sons: Robert, Walla Walla; and Earl, Deary, Ida.; and a sister, Goldie Nelson, College Place, Wash. (Notice received Nov. 11, 1975.)

HUNT—Clara M. Hunt was born Mar. 7, 1895 in Minnesota, and died Oct. 23, 1975 at Bellingham, Wash. Her survivors include two sons: Harold Bowen, Bellingham; and Jack Bowen, Anderson, Calif.; and a brother, Frank Groat, Salem, Ore.

LEONARD—Julia D. Leonard was born Aug. 26, 1892 at Brookville, Penn., and died Oct. 31, 1975 at LaGrande, Ore. She is survived by a son, Arthur, LaGrande; two daughters: Charlotte Jones, Pendleton, Ore.; and Corabelle Winn, LaGrande; two brothers: Kenneth and Blake Knapp, both of Brookville; and three sisters: Lottie Thompson, North Tonawanda, N.Y.; Gladys Murray, Brookville; and Ethel Delzrose, Cool City, Ind.

LITTLEFIELD—Arthur Evans Littlefield was born May 20, 1883 in Hopkinton, Ia., and died Oct. 15, 1975 in Baker, Ore. His survivors include a daughter, Mary Bradford, Halfway, Ore.; and a sister, Mary Ann Porter, Ryan, Ia.

MOORE—Leta Moore was born Jan. 21, 1886 at Winterset, Ia., and died Oct. 17, 1975 at Enumclaw, Wash. She is survived by a son, Herbert, Houston, Tex.; a daughter, Reva Orock, Auburn, Wash.; two brothers: Ernie Stiffler, Phoenix, Ariz., and William Stiffler, Seattle, Wash.; and two sisters: Flossie Stiffler, Auburn; and Lucille Jones, College Place, Wash.

OVERG—George W. Overg was born Feb. 22, 1894 at Astoria, Ore., and died June 4, 1975 at Ojai, Calif. He is survived by his wife, Yvonne. (Notice received Nov. 19, 1975.)

OLNEY—Myrtle V. Olney was born Nov. 3, 1874 and died Oct. 13, 1975 at Newbury Park, Calif. Her survivors include a son, Stephen; and two daughters: Mrs. R. D. Kaylor and Mrs. George Overg.

OSGOOD—DeWitt S. Osgood was born Sept. 12, 1895 in Marseilles, Ill., and died Nov. 4, 1975 at Walla Walla, Wash. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, Walla Walla; two sons: DeWitt, Jr., DeKalb, Ill.; and Gordon, Quakertown, Penn.; three daughters: Charlotte Tillman and Margaret Trautwein, both of College Place, Wash.; and Betty Sue Keller, Palatine, Ill.; and a sister, Zanna Osgood, Yucca Valley, Calif.

PROHASKA—L. Martin Prohaska was born Oct. 30, 1893 in Stevens Point, Wis., and died Oct. 9, 1975 at Boise, Ida. Survivors include his

wife, Hazel; and two sons: Forrest, Boise, Ida.; and Lynn, Caldwell, Ida.

REIDENBACH—Rudolph V. Reidenbach was born Sept. 7, 1901 at Pittsburgh, Penn., and died Oct. 25, 1975 at Boise, Ida. His wife, Sarah, survives him, as does a brother, Rohe, Santa Monica, Calif.; and two sisters: Irene Murry, Escondido, Calif.; and Hortense Qunn, Cleveland, Ohio.

REUBLE—Marie Reuble was born Mar. 25, 1909 in Germany and died Sept. 10, 1975 at Coupeville, Wash. She is survived by her husband, Gus, Coupeville; and three sons: Ray, Burlington, Wash.; Karl, College Place, Wash.; and Jerry, Coupeville.

ROBINSON—Irene A. Robinson was born Apr. 9, 1892 at Hango, Finland, and died Sept. 29, 1975 at LaGrande, Ore. Her survivors include two daughters: Gertrude Butterfield, Cove, Ore.; and Roberta Watts, Willows, Calif.

SCHOFIELD—Timothy Oliver Schofield was born Aug. 29, 1889 in Colorado Springs, Colo., and died Oct. 20, 1975 at Walla Walla, Wash. He is survived by his wife, Myrtle, Walla Walla; and a stepdaughter, Ruth Hagey, Mesa, Ariz.

SMITH—Bertha Ellen Smith was born Mar. 17, 1890 in Parker, S.D., and died Dec. 2, 1974 at Auburn, Wash. Her survivors include four sons: Earl, Buckley, Wash.; James, Reno, Nev.; Everett, Bainbridge Island, Wash.; and Howard, Moxee City, Wash.; and four daughters: Myrtle Mears and Violet Nixon, both of Tacoma, Wash.; Vera Cummings, Auburn, Wash.; and Vada Cauteruria, Walnut Creek, Calif. (Notice received Nov. 10, 1975.)

SPEARS—Marie Katherine Spears was born Aug. 21, 1918 in Elgin, Ore., and died Oct. 29, 1975 in Boise, Ida. Survivors include her husband, Leonard, Boise; a son, Derril, Boise; three daughters: Miriam Griffith, Caldwell, Ida.; Harriett Hewitt, Eugene, Ore.; and Ellen Bishop, Portland, Ore.; three stepsons: Merle, Claude and Leonard Spears, all of LaGrande, Ore.; two brothers: Huga Coffin, Imbler, Ore.; and Albert Coffin, Orange, Calif.; and four sisters: Grace Masterton, Island City, Ore.; Dorothy Fowler, Portland, Ore.; Lovene Dailey, Wallawa, Ore.; and Lois Quibberman, Dayville, Ore.

THAYER—Ethyl Thayer was born Jan. 19, 1899 at Broken Bow, Neb., and died Oct. 16, 1975 at Spokane, Wash. She is survived by her husband, Leo, Spokane; two sons: Winifred Flanigan, Spokane; and Vincent Flanigan, Pine, Colo.; three daughters: Mrs. Earl Olmstead, Aloha, Ore.; Mrs. Leo Grant, Spokane; and Mrs. Nick Oskolkoff, Anchorage, Ak.; three

brothers: Roy Claver, Cutbank, Mont.; James Claver, Stanford, Mont.; and Ira Claver, Lewistown, Mont.; and four sisters: Orpha Flesch and Mrs. Tom Cowan, Lewistown; Mrs. David Scott, Council Bluffs, Ia. and Mrs. Howard Stout, Oregon.

WHITHERELL—Sally Ellen Whitherell was born Sept. 12, 1906 in Strang, Okla., and died Oct. 12, 1975 at Chehalis, Wash. She is survived by three sons: W. D. Carter, Strang; John Carter, Rochester, Wash.; and Robert Carter, Centralia, Wash.; and a daughter, Jackie Moore, Kent, Wash.

WOOD—Myrtle Mae Wood died Sept. 23, 1975 in Portland, Ore. Survivors include three daughters: Ione Stagg, Portland; Wanda Randall, Eugene, Ore.; and Virginia House, San Louis Obispo, Calif.

ZOLBER—Martha Alice Zolber was born Mar. 26, 1902 in Berry County, Mo., and died Oct. 19, 1975 at Grangeville, Ida. She is survived by her husband, Frank, Kamiah, Ida.; three sons: James and Clayton, both of Pullman, Wash.; and Clifford, Kamiah; a daughter, Eva Mae Breeze, Kamiah; a brother, Henry Skelton, Clarkston, Wash.; and a sister, Maggie Howerton, Clarkston.

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