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DAVID ROSE

AUGUST 26 1947

Children Starving In America

By MRS. FLORENCE K. REBOK, Assistant Secretary for Parent and Home Education, General Conference Department of Education

ANY PARENTS today complacently Massume that our schools really teach everything, but a closer look reveals that the child's education is not complete without the contribution which can come only from his home. Though great strides have been made in raising the standards of classroom teaching and technique, the prevailing lack in the educational system was recently stated by one writer in these words:

"With all their advantages, America's children are being starved as surely as were war victims, only in an area which shows it less at the moment. Our children are showing signs of spiritual rickets. They are starved for the food which will make strong their backbones of moral integrity and fill well their minds with principles of right and wrong, and develop in their hearts ideals shaped by love of Christ." -Christian Home Life, July, August, September, 1947.

How grateful every Seventh-day Adventist parent should be for our system of schools, which gives religion its proper place in the training program! The above statement should be a challenge to Christian parents to be alert to detect any symptoms of spiritual disease. Just as physical rickets are a sign of malnutrition, so spiritual rickets result from certain deficiencies.

In a world that is fast losing its appreciation for spiritual values, we have an added incentive to bring up our children in the way they should go. "Nothing can replace the training of the home." Yet we are made sad to see many parents neglecting or ignoring their part in the training program. Because of the unique position which parents occupy in the education of their children, the Home and School Association functions to combine the work of these two important institu-"The teachers in the home tions. and the teachers in the school should have a sympathetic understanding of one another's work. They should labor together harmoniously, imbued with the same missionary spirit, striving together to benefit the children physically, mentally, and spiritually, and to develop characters that will stand the test of temptation." - Counsels to Teachers, page 157.

As the school bells all over the land call the children to return to their books, shall they not also call each parent to renewed effort in behalf of his children? Many parents feel inadequate to their task, but association in study and counsel with others having the same interest brings mutual strength. The Home and School Association is the medium for supplying this mutual help. Lay plans at once to begin the regular meetings with the opening of school. Suggestive topics for consideration at these meet- are ye if ye do them."

ings for the 1947-48 school year are to be found in the Department of Education section of the August issue of The Church Officers' Gazette. Thereafter program material on these topics will appear month by month in this same section of the Gazette. This magazine is a *must* for every Home and School leader. If you are not already receiving it regularly, order your copy now, and be prepared to conduct meetings that will be worthwhile.

Further, to meet the specific needs of parents, Home Education courses are available on several age levels, for group or individual study. Your conference educational superintendent will be happy to explain this study plan, to fill your order for any of these courses, and to give all possible assistance. Our heavenly Father has given us a definite plan for parents in their work. Do you know what it is? "If ye know these things, happy

College of Medical Evangelists Enrolls Seventy-nine

By JERRY L. PETTIS, General Manager, Alumni Association

The College of Medical Evangelists, . in a hospital approved for internship the Seventh-day Adventist School of Medicine in Los Angeles, announced this week that seventy-nine students had been accepted for the 1947 freshman class, and will enter upon their studies September 21, 1947.

According to Dr. W. F. Norwood, Dean of the Los Angeles Division of the medical school, all but four of the freshman group received their pre-medical training in Seventh-day Adventist colleges. He also stated that "great emphasis has been placed on character as well as scholarship in making the selection of this year's beginning group."

The present curriculum at the College of Medical Evangelists, the denomination's only medical college, calls for two years of study in the preclinical phases of medicine at Loma This is followed Linda, California. by two years of clinical medicine at the White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles. At the conclusion of this four year course in medicine, an additional year is spent in an internship

by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association.

The readers of the SOUTHERN TID-INGS will be interested to know that more than half of the 1947 graduating class at the College of Medical Evangelists have expressed the desire to serve the denomination as medical missionaries. Let us unite in our prayers that these highly trained physicians may all find a place in the Lord's work.

Present Truth for September

No. 41-Tithing:

Profit sharing with God has produced spectacular results in the experience of many prominent individuals such as Fritz Kreisler, the world - distinguished violinist; John Wanamaker, the well-known merchant of Philadelphia; William Colgate, the great soap manufacturer; Charlie Page, the oil millionaire; Jay Cooke, the banker; and Matthias Baldwin, founder of the Baldwin Locomotive

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The Helping Hand

(Continued from last week)

Sometimes I wonder whether our churches in America always are conscious of this greater significance of their gifts, of this, beyond the material help, greater and far-reaching ministry of their work of charity. Share with me a few letters that arrived just recently. One of our believers from the American Zone in Germany, an engineer, prites to his unknown benefactor:

"... You have given us really far more than the contents of the package. You are to us a sure proof that there are in this world still people who come to the rescue of us Germans in their greatest need, discarding all feelings of hatred and revenge toward their former enemies. Is this not a great miracle brought about by love to the neighbor and toleration? And this though you are as distant to us as people only can be who are separated by seas and who have never seen each other. ..."

A sister from Vienna has this to say:

. At the height of our worries about the food situation your package arrived. Thanks from the bottom of our hearts. My weight was down to 72 pounds. It was on a Sabbath. I told my daughter this probably would be my last visit to church, for I have no more the strength to climb the street car. In our meeting hall I noticed on one side many packages stacked against the wall. I thought that our church must have been taken over by a business firm-until I learned that it was food for us! I was so overwhelmed that I could not speak and cried for joy. In view of the difficulties in transportation, it is obvious that God Himself has held his protecting hand over this beautiful work of neighborly love. Our church soon coined the word of the HEAVENLY UNRRA in appreciation of your kind help. May God bless you all for taking so much trouble with us. . . .

Here is a report from Kassel, Germany:

". . . At the height of our worries church, formerly well-to-do, always ready to support the mission liberally, has lost all and now has to share a room with another sister. At the arrival of spring, she was watching the birds through her window, saying: "How much better off you birdies are! In winter as well as in summer you have your dress while I have none." -Soon after, a deaconess of our Dorcas Society entered and brought her a nice summer dress from the shipment from America. Can you picture the happiness and gratitude in this home? We could tell you many similar experiences. . . .'

And then, last, a few lines from the letter of a good brother:

".... Thanks for your help. I

was as though God had opened the windows of heaven and poured out His blessing in abundance. Such delicious things are unknown to us since long ago. For over one year we had no sugar; butter or shortening we are supposed to get about half a pound a month. All our members were speechless. You have raised a memorial before God in our hearts. We cannot repay you, but our prayer is that God will reward you abundantly in spiritual and eternal blessings. ..."

I could quote other letters to show that often the last crumb has been eaten and the family gathers around the family altar to present their needs to God, and then, toward the evening, a gift package arrives as a God-send: or, how a mother is anxiously awaiting the return of her daughter in order to take over, in her turn, the one pair of shoes they share, and then the deaconess enters instead and brings the much-needed foot gear for so many months longed for and prayed for. If we realize this, that our gifts mean much more than the material help, that they are the ray of hope that breaks through the dark clouds and makes those at the receiving end see God's face of mercy; that they are the voice of courage that comforts and strengthens them in their hour of despair, saving: "Keep on, struggle on. you are not alone!"; that they constitute the helping hand reaching overseas that stays and supports them when all strength threatens to wane; if we realize this, can we ever tire in our work of mercy?

Tire? you ask. Oh yes, it was no other than the apostle Paul with his profound knowledge of the human heart and human behaviour who thus admonishes, yea, almost beseeches the church of the Galatians: "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." Gal. 6:9, 10. He knew full well the deadly enemy of charity: indifference, the danger of by and by getting used to the appalling picture of human misery and distress around us and, consequently, of slowly but surely slackening in our efforts. Is it possible that the voices of suffering, too often reaching our ears, by and by lose their appeal? that our initial enthusiasm for this challenging task gives way to indifference? that this great

and inspiring work of help that started out as a mighty stream by and by becomes a mere trickle and threatens to fade away entirely? Let us beware of this danger. The situation does not warrant such an attitude of ours. The matron of our Old People's Home in Friedensau. Germany, writes in a letter of May 1, 1947:

"... The need is increasing daily, for the potatoes, the main food, were frozen last winter. The occupation forces take even the seed. ... So there is not much hope for improvement. But for the grace of God we would perish. The powers of darkness are active and threaten to destroy us.

And a major in the Military Government in Berlin. a brother of our faith, who in his official capacity may be taken as an objective, unbiased observer, in a private letter of June of this year pictures the situation as follows:

"... I am sorry to have to tell you that conditions continue to deteriorate in Germany, especially with respect to food. It makes me sad to see German people gathering grass, plants, and tender leaves from the trees. My German secretary tells me that she and many others get nettles from the woods. At present the weather is unseasonably hot, and the vegetation is drving up rapidly. It will be just too bad if Germany has a severe drought this summer...."

What are we going to do in view of these conditions? It is not the time now to relax in our efforts, to lapse back into complacency and indifference thinking that the peak of misery and suffering has passed and the rest will take care of itself. On the contrary, the peak may still be ahead. In spite of the gigantic efforts to stem the tide and the uncounted tons of relief goods that have been poured forth from this country, thousands of people in the needy countries of Asia and Europe have perished. But, on the other side, because of these gigantic efforts thousand of others have been saved and in the future may depend with their very lives on this continued action of love. Dare we fail them?

The story is told of a little girl who struggled her way through the woods with her little brother, only a few years her younger, on her back. A ranger meeting the couple, tried to cheer up the brave little one, calling out to her: "That's quite a burden you are carrying there, isn't it?" "Oh, no," she smiled back, panting under the load, "this is not a *burden*, this is my *brother.*"

My brethren and sisters in the Dorcas Societies and in the churches, in a few weeks I shall return to Germany, and I shall tell our believers there: "I have seen a wonderful thing -I have seen love in action. This is the spirit in which our wonderful believers in America meet the challenge of our times: 'Oh no, it is not a bur-den, it is my brother.' "I pray to God that He may give you strength and a burning heart to continue this work of love, that you may always remember the words of our brother: "You have raised a memorial before God in our hearts." This memorial of love may not be visible on this earth. But in the great day on the New Earth, when all those who failed in the test, who did not feed Him when He was hungry, who did not give Him a drink when He was thirsty, who did not take Him in when He was a stranger, who did not clothe Him when He was naked, and did not visit Him when He was sick and in prison, will have been cast into oblivion, the rest of us who will not be found wanting may gather around this memorial together with those of every nation, kindred, and tongue who "came out of great tribulation," and we may hear the words: "My brother, my sister, in my moments of despair, in my darkest hour of need, what encouraged me to keep up the struggle, what sustained my faith? It was your helping hand.' S. CHRISTOFFERS

ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI Box 1311, Meridian, Mississippi H. J. Capman, President M. J. Harvey, Secretary-Treasurer

Investment

The returns that are coming in from Investment are indicative of a great harvest by November 1.

Many who never invested before have invested this year and are reporting wonderful experiences as a result. One sister dedicated a pecan tree several years ago. This tree had never produced so as to exceeed all the other trees in the orchard. The year she dedicated this tree, it, for the first time, produced more pecans than any of the other trees of the same size. Bible House, Box 1313, Orlando, and it will receive their very prompt attention. R. H. FICKLING

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

547 Cherokee Ave., S. E., Atlanta, Georgia I. M. Evans, President R. S. Blackburn, Secretary-Treasurer

East Tennessee Federation Picnic

On August 24 our East Tennessee Federation held a picnic in the Great Smoky National Park, although the clouds were thick and overcast above and the rain fell when we awoke. Our East Tennessee Missionary Volunteers **are-not** easily discourtaged, however, so with lunches packed we started to the Smokies in the rain. Before we reached our destination, the clouds rolled back, the sun shone through, and we had a very pleasant day for the picnic after all.

Four churches were represented: Greeneville, Morristown, Knoxville, and Lenoir City. The group met at New Found Gap, and from there went tri-Indian Gap where lunch was the main point of interest. As the ladies were spreading the lunch, the men were "whetting" up an appetite. Who could blame them with such an abundance of delicious food! About the time the food was all on the tables. a visitor made his appearance in the form of a big black bear. What excitement there was! John McKinney took no chances with those luscious looking pies and hurriedly fled to the car with them; however, the bear soon left us to enjoy our repast without his presence.

After we thought everyone was through eating, we noticed that Elder McKee was still eating, but of course he had those two little girls to help care for, or so he said. Following lunch, several enjoyed a hike to Clingman's Dome, while others drove to the Indian Reservation, and still others went to Alum Cave. On the way down, Brother Clarence Wellman saw a bear which he thought would make a good photographic study. Evidently the bear had other ideas when Brother Wellman got within six feet of him, because he opened his mouth and gave a slight lunge. Brother Wellman hopes he snapped the picture at that time, as he did some fancy backing up within the next fewesseconds. We hope someone got a picture of Brother Wellman, too!

All of us enjoyed the pleasant association together, and it made us remember that we will have many such good times on the Earth made new if we remain faithful until the end.

MRS. JOHN MCKINNEY

Our European "Neighbors"

On Sabbath, September 13, opportunity will be given for sharing our blessings with our less fortunate neighbors across the sea. We are confident that a warm and hearty response will be made.

The following paragraph is taken from page 205 of "Ministry of Healing":

"In placing among them the helpless and the poor, to be dependent upon their care, Christ tests His professed followers. By our love and service for His needy children we prove the genuineness of our love for Him. To neglect them is to declare ourselves false disciples, strangers to Christ and His love."

It hardly seems necessary to add anything at all to these words. Several of our workers have had opportunity to travel in Europe recently, and they have vividly described the conditions they found in articles which have appeared in our church papers. I am sure these recitals have touched our hearts.

I have only one suggestion. If you should find yourself unprepared on September 13, please remember that your treasurer's books will not be closed until September 27. "He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack." R. S. BLACKBURN

R. O. DEACK

Missing

The following individuals are listed as members of our conference church, but we have not heard from them for a long time and we do not have their addresses. If anyone who reads these lines should know the address of one or more of these members it will be greatly appreciated if you will send it to R. S. Blackburn, Box 4929, Atlanta 2, Georgia.

Members of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference church for whom we have no addresses and from whom we have not heard for two or more years:

Mrs. Leonard Becknell, Mrs. Bessie Bradley, Mrs. M. A. Burke, Mrs. E. M. Cable, Mrs. H. W. Collins, Miss Margie Collins, Mrs. E. R. (Fannie) Cook, Mrs. H. P. Cromwell, Mrs. R. H. Dempsey, Mrs. W. M. Edmensen, Mrs. E. J. Hale, Dr. Lyle Herrmann, Mrs. Lyle Herrmann, F. M. Kidwell, James Phelps, Mrs. Steve Mincey, Mrs. Nellie Oliver, Mrs. A. J. Owens, Evelin Owens, Juanita Owens, Reba Owens, Mrs. Ruth Paxton, Mrs. M. M. Poland. O. C. Rogers, E. A. Sark, J. C. Scoggins, Mrs. J. C. Scoggins, Paul Smith, E. A. Strand, Mrs. E. A. Strand, J. F. Whitehead, Mrs. J. F. Whitehead, and Victoria Williamson.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

3208 West End Ave., Nashville 5, Tennessee W. E. Strickland, President C. W. Higgins, Secretary-Treasurer

Counting On You

The building of Highland Academy is truly a great mission project. We believe God is leading us and that His approval and blessing are upon the work there. We are building as economically and conservatively as possible in these times and have the conviction that our plans are in full accordance with the Divine order. Therefore, the work must go on in spite of the difficulties we are facing. It will advance as our people, the entire conference membership, rally to support it. It calls for faith and sacrifice on the part of all.

The need for funds is indeed very pressing, and we earnestly solicit liberal support from every member. The Lord will richly bless you as you give week by week. We appeal! Make a gift to the Highland Academy Building Fund, large or small as God has prospered you, every week. Send it through your church or direct to the conference secretary-treasurer. Such a plan of systematic giving will bring the best possible help to Highland Academy, your school, and also joy and satisfaction to you because of the service you have rendered.

P. E. SHAKESPEARE, Special Representative of Highland Academy

Sabbath. September 20. is the day designated by the General Conference as Temperance Day in all the churches. Helpful program material for that day appears in the September issue of the *Church Officers' Gazette*. As a people possessing great light on temperance, we owe much to the world, and should be doing more and more in the work of *temperance education* everywhere To assist in such service, a special temperance issue of the Signs of the Timate was published early in July, and doubte less our readers have seen it.

Over a million copies of the Temerance Education Issue of the Signs of the Times have been circulated in the few weeks since the July 8 publication date. Temperance workers, educators, and influential business men have expressed appreciation for the content of the paper. One felt that copies of the Temperance Signs should be placed in the hands of every legislator and offered to pay the cost of sending to all in his state. Quantities for distribution may be obtained from your Book and Bible House at the following rates: 10 or more copies, 4 cents each; 100 copies, \$3; 500 copies, \$12.50; 1,000 copies, \$22.50. Single copies are 5 cents.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE

Dark County Offering Total to Date

The dark county offering is being taken in order that funds be raised to enter the 130 dark counties of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. These funds will be used altogether and only to send evangelists into new places. What you give will help send the message of a sooncoming Saviour into new and dark places in our own home sections. Send your offerings and gifts for this work. Address them to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference or send them through your local church treasurer. Be sure to mark your church envelopes, "Dark County Offering.

"The strongest temptation cannot excuse sin. However great the pressure brought to bear upon the soul, transgression is our own act."—Patriarchs and Prophets, page 421. SOUTH ATLANTIC Box 4027, Atlanta, Georgia H. D. Singleton, President L. S. Follette, Sec.-Treas.

Book and Bible House Notes

Sabbath school supplies for the fourth quarter arrived two weeks ago. Some churches have already ordered and received their supplies. Why not be as wise and send in your orders today to avoid delay and disappointment. How many of you have not as yet purchased a copy of the 1947 Yearbook? This book contains very valuable denominational information and every Seventh-day Adventist home should possess a copy. It comprises a directory of the General Conference, union and local conferences, mission fields, educational institutions, publishing houses, periodicals, and medical institutions, including an administrative and workers' list and many other informative facts. Price \$1.50.

The holiday season is approaching. Let our Book and Bible House Catalogue give you ideas for gifts. You may obtain a catalogue from us merely for the asking. Please do not destroy or lose your 1947 Catalogue. No new ones will be published for 1948.

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"Right through all of my lessons until the very last one, I have been thrilled with all the truthful things I've learned. If I had gone to church all my life I could not have learned one-third as much."—West Virginia.

Happenings at the Southern Publishing Association

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your salesman or send the book C. O. D.?" Thus the apparently neverending stream of mail.

A new elevator has been installed in the factory, and paper which is stored in the basement can now be moved quickly to the press room on the next floor.

We hope you have one of our new catalogs for 1947. If not, write to your Book and Bible House for a copy. These catalogs cost us a lot of money, but they are printed for you and are free for the asking.

Three new children's books are in the making in our plant right now. You will want all of them if you have children or grandchildren. One of them, "Outdoor Friends," will be ready in a short time.

Now that the gift season is creeping up on us, we would like to suggest two new books just coming from our bindery, "Following the Master," by Elder M. L. Andreasen, and "On the Road to Tomorrow" by C. L. Paddock. They will both be suitable for senior young people or adults. The price on either book is \$1.

Recently we printed a series of eight temperance tracts in two colors. They are being used all over the United States and by temperance organizations outside our denominational ranks.

Elder Odom and his family are sailing this month for the Philippines. where Brother Odom will be the editor for the Philippine Publishing House. Brother Thiel, who has worked in the South both at Oakwood and Southerr. Missionary College, is coming here to take over the work of the book editor. His long experience should well fit him for the work he is to do.

Visitors who have not been here for some time say they hardly know the place, so many changes have been made. We have been trying to increase the efficiency of the plant so we can better serve you in the field. For the first time in many, many months, we have a supply of books on hand, waiting for shipment. It seems good to have a few books ready so they can be sent out as the orders come in. In all the improvements we have made here at the plant not one cent of debt has been incurred. Everything has been paid for as completed.

If we believe the instruction that has come to us that "In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel" of Revelation 18:1, we believe we may expect an even greater circulation of our literature than we have seen in recent years, and we want to be able to supply the books, magazines and tracts which you need.

We have been shipping the new Prediction Series by the millions to all parts of the world. They are in two colors and are excellent for missionary work. Carry some in your car, use them in reading racks, have a few in your pocket or purse. In every railway station of any size I find reading racks. Sometimes there is one being cared for by Seventh-day Adventists. I am always a bit disappointed when I find these Adventist racks untidy or empty.

Our carpenters have been busy the past few weeks preparing a home for Elder Reynolds, editor of "The Mes-sage Magazine." We are happy he is to have comfortable quarters in which to live.

Our workers have labored both day and night this summer to prepare literature, and it does our hearts good to see this literature going out day by day to all parts of our field and to the far corners of the world. We shall all reap according as we have sown. May we all be faithful in our sowing.

SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION

The Journey's End "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Revelation 14:13

ADKINS:-Elder W. L. Adkins was born December 7, 1880, in Cambridge, Maryland, and passed away at his home near Valle

Crucis, on July 24, 1947. Elder Adkins accepted the truth at about eighteen years of age, and at the age of twenty he entered the Washington Missionary College to prepare for the ministry. He labored in the ministry for seventeen years before he was forced, because of health conditions, to be placed on sustentation. During his years of labor he labored in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. During re-cent wars he has a post much of his time. cent years he has spent much of his time assisting in the work in the mountain area. especially with the Banner Elk and Valle Crucis churches. He leaves to mourn: his wife, Jennie Sue Adkins; and five children, Clayton M. Adkins, Mount Healthy, Ohio; Mrs. Louise Adkins-Lewis, Jacksonville, Florida; Leroy Adkins, Mount Healthy, Ohio; Mrs. Marvis Adkins-Gilgore, Pensacola, Florida; and Robert Meryle Adkins of Banner Elk, North Carolina. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Elder W. W. Scott and members of the local ministerial association. F. O. SANDERS

LAWRENCE:-Leona Gladys Waddell was born on Prince Edward Island, Canada, January 10, 1894, and died in Jacksonville, Florida, August 7, 1947.

Sister Lawrence came to the States about twenty years ago and settled at Orlando, Florida. She took her stand for the message shortly after her arrival. In 1934 she was married to Ernest J. Lawrence. Both she and her husband have been faithful employees of the Florida Sanitarium for nearly fifteen years. Mrs. Lawrence was greatly beloved by her friends and fellow church members. She was a real Christian. She leaves to mourn, her husband, E. J. Lawrence, one sister, and one nephew, all of Orlando.

H. A. VANDEMAN

HERRIMAN:-Clara Belle Herriman was born in Madison County, Georgia, on October 31, 1887. She passed to her final resting place on August 14, 1947. Her par-ents were the late D. M. and Lucille Patterson. Sister Herriman embraced this message less than a year ago, in December, 1946. She remained faithful until the day of her decease. There were two requests that she made just before her death: one was for her Bible which she treasured very highly, and the other was that her children would accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. We are looking forward to meeting this sister again on the resurrection morning. Funeral services were conducted in the Columbus church by the writer.

W. O. COE

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