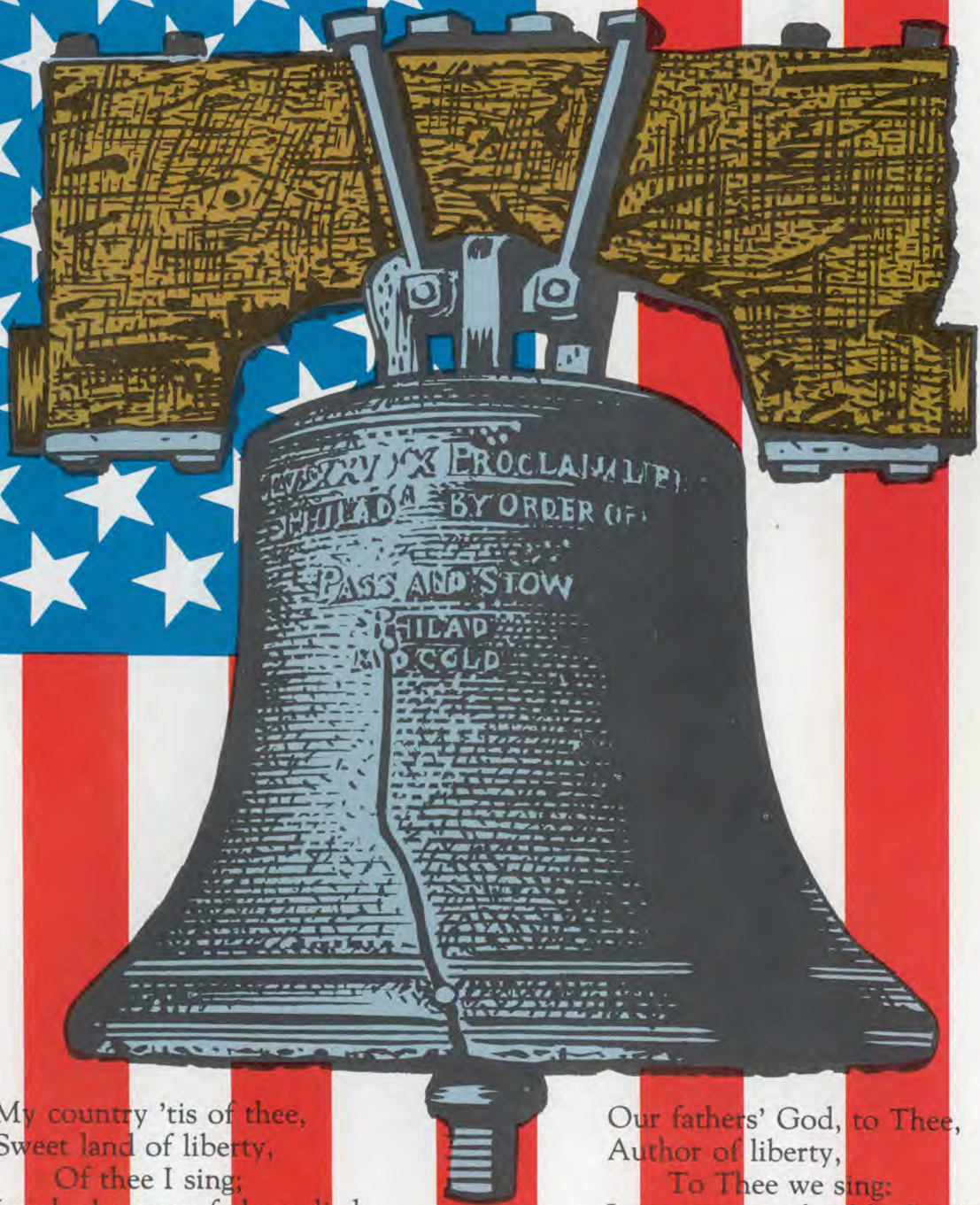


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Outlook

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My country 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrim's pride,
From every mountainside
Let freedom ring.

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

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Dear Friends,

With this issue of OUTLOOK I'd like to introduce some more of our wonderful staff members here at MID-AMERICA headquarters.

William E. Peeke serves the Union as Sabbath School and Stewardship director. He was born in Mobile, Alabama but grew up in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. He attended Washington Missionary College to prepare for the ministry. It was while attending college that Bill met Ina Strawser who was to become his wife in December, 1944.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree, Bill began his ministry in Washington, D.C.

For nearly five years he labored in Southwest Virginia conducting for two and a half years a weekly broadcast called "The Bible Hour." In connection with this broadcast he directed a Bible School and raised up a church in Marion.

In the spring of 1948 Bill returned to the Seminary to finish the requirements for a Master of Arts degree in Bible and Systematic Theology.

For twelve years Bill and Ina served in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference as pastor and departmental director.

Bill worked in the Kentucky-Tennessee conference for two years as Lay Activities and Sabbath School director and Ina as an office secretary. Then Bill was called to the Atlantic Union Conference to serve as Lay Activities and Sabbath School director. In 1975 Bill was called to be Lay Activities director of the Central Union Conference. At the following union session he became Sabbath School director as well.

The Peekes have two sons—Bill, pastor of the Port Charlotte, Florida church and Bob, Bible teacher at Collegedale Academy.



William E. Peeke



Howard H. Voss

Howard H. Voss, an Oklahoman by birth, serves our territory as director of the Personal Ministries (formerly Lay Activities) and Family Life departments. He received his education at Southwestern Junior College and La Sierra College. He began his work for the church as Dean of Boys at Oak Park Academy, Nevada, Iowa. From there he served as principal of Houston Junior Academy, Houston, Texas. The Texas Conference then invited Howard to join Frank Sherrill (now president of Arizona Conference) in public evangelism. Following evangelism years, he pastored a number of churches in Texas. He then was called to Wyoming to pastor and then to departmental work. He continued his work as departmental director in the Lay Activities and Sabbath School area in Minnesota, Arkansas-Louisiana and Oregon before being called to be the Lay Activities director for the former Central Union Conference. After working in this capacity for three years, the Nebraska Conference elected Howard to serve as conference president, where he continued for some five years. Earlier this year Howard joined the Mid-America staff to fill a great need in the Family Life area and to share his expertise in the Personal Ministries department. His wife, the former Thelma Jean Nix of Fort Worth, Texas, worked right by Howard's side in the departments and served as Assistant Sabbath School Secretary for the Oregon Conference as well as in Family Life Seminars. Thelma has always been active in the organized program—serving as secretary to a conference president, conducting Family Life Seminars over a wide area and college secretary. She is now working in the Humanities Department at Union College.

They have three daughters, two grandsons and two granddaughters scattered from Keene, Texas to Brewster, Washington to Lincoln, Nebraska.

I appreciate very much these men and the very good work that they do in helping to finish the Lord's work here in Mid-America. They add so much to the spiritual tone of our union team.

Cordially,

E. S. Reile, President

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Apple Pie, Liberty, And the Moral Majority

By Roland Hegstad

"I sense . . . the mood of some of my fellow evangelicals . . . and it scares the daylights out of me. The Israelites discovered, after they got what they wanted, that power, even with anointed beginnings, has an unfortunate way of turning in upon and magnifying itself. I see little to convince me that evangelical power — past or present — is less immune to that kind of misuse than any other kind of power." — Stan Mooneyham, editor of *World Vision*, quoted in *Liberty*, September-October, 1980, page 7.

Is religious liberty really as much a part of our national scene as apple pie?

Most Americans would hardly give the question a second thought before answering "Of course."

But as editor of *Liberty*, a magazine specializing in religious rights, I'm not so sure. In fact, I've met many people who don't seem to like "apple pie" liberties.

During the 20 years I've been in the nation's capital, I've seen virtually every facet of religious freedom attacked as un-American, subversive, and communist. Rights guaranteed under the First Amendment have been labeled drivel, obscenity, bigotry, trash, and hogwash — to mention only a few of the printable designations. Readers have suggested using *Liberty* for lining trash cans, papering privies, and cleaning dirty paintbrushes.

I believe such critics of religious liberty are a minority in today's America. But polls show that a majority of Americans are willing to discard some guarantees of the Bill of Rights.

Motivations differ. Some would trade freedoms for security — as we do when we walk through the detectors at the airport, before boarding a plane. Others abandon their commitment to paper freedoms when confronted by the reality of Hare Krishna solicitors in airports or on downtown street corners, Jehovah's Witness teams knocking on their doors, Moonies holding mammoth rallies and allegedly brainwashing youth, and Scientologists stealing classified government documents and buying up properties.

Even those who survive these tests of commitment waver before seeming threats to their "rights." They speak of the "anti-God" forces — the November 17 ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court that struck down the Kentucky law requiring the posting of the Ten Commandments in the state's public schools, the November ruling by the Tennessee Attorney General's office that coaches cannot constitutionally conduct prayers before athletic events (one wonders what public reaction would be if the coach were directing his prayers to Buddha), and the U.S. Supreme Court's prayer and Bible-reading decisions of the early 1960's which, they say, "kicked God out of our schools."

Attempts to rectify the perceived ills have included a drive to impeach Earl Warren, former chief justice; amendments that would limit the right of the Supreme Court to rule on Bible reading and prayer; and the drive of the emerging Christian right to replace liberal politicians with the "right kind" of Christian.

Evangelical preachers who, a few years ago, were condemning liberal churchmen for marching on Selma, are marching on Washington, seeking to reclaim the nation's capital for Jesus. Scores of politicians unresponsive to morality as defined by the Christian Right's Index rating system have been voted out of office, with such organizations as "Christian Voice," "Moral Majority," and "Religious Roundtable" claiming credit for their defeat.

Certainly every citizen has the right to vote his political convictions by seeking to elect the kind of person he wishes to represent him in public office. And we must hope that our nation's future will be better secured by new leaders, with more respect for life, more fiscal responsibility, a more hard-nosed view of the global threat of communism, and more emphasis on enhancing the value of the public schools and the security of the family.

But we must not close our eyes to the admixture of good and evil that uses such ideals to achieve its own goals at the expense of religious freedom.

Today, the push for "goodness" again includes a religious amendment to the Constitution, with Ronald Reagan having declared his support. (My guess is that it will come as a pro-life, pro-prayer amendment backed by a Roman Catholic-Evangelical coalition.) And already a leader of "Christian Voice" had spoken approvingly of the virtue to be achieved through a national Sunday law.

Barriers to an amendment have fallen, with many of the senators who thwarted attempts to enact one having suffered defeat in November at the hands of the "Moral Majority." And on the Supreme Court itself, only one or two presidential appointments to replace aged justices expected to retire during Mr. Reagan's term could change the course of American judicial history.

However laudable the moral standards of the new Christian Right, their attempt to implement them through political activism and to enforce them through the police power of the State, should be a warning flag to "apple pie" citizens — those who hold in their lifeless hands the rich freedoms hard-fought, hard-bought with their forefathers' blood, but who have not inherited their spirit.

— Roland Hegstad is editor of *Liberty*, a magazine of religious freedom.

Bethesda Conducts Temperance Campaign

By Joan Herrington

The Bethesda Church of Omaha, Nebraska, recently conducted a Temperance Emphasis Program in conjunction with Adventist World Temperance Day and the National Great American Smokeout Program for the Omaha area. "The Energy of the Eighties" was the theme.

Joan Herrington, church temperance secretary, challenged church members on Sabbath morning to an appeal for adherence to the temperance principles outlined in the Bible and the writings of Ellen G. White. Remarks by an Omaha public school teacher, Patricia Frampton, and the Bethesda AY leader, Thomas Bennett, underscored the need for temperance work particularly among the youth of Omaha.

Realizing the need to share in the work of letting others know about the "abundant life," Bethesda members sponsored *Listen Magazine* subscriptions to ten junior and senior high schools in the community, a hospital, the Omaha SDA school, and Bedford Elementary School. These, together with personal subscriptions, brought the total number of *Listen* subscriptions to 30.

Pastor Gerald H. Jones presented a thought-provoking sermon Sabbath afternoon, calling upon members to make a commitment to temperance principles in every phase of daily Christian living.

The day's activities ended with several members going to a shopping area in an effort to support the American Cancer Society and sign up people for the Great American Smokeout.

Joan Herrington is temperance secretary of the Bethesda Church.

Handicapped Guest Thrills Berean Sabbath School

By Marie Thomas

Ann Edwards, assistant Sabbath School superintendent of the Berean Church, St. Louis, believes in practicing what she preaches. On her recent Sabbath School program, she featured Minnie Smith, a resident patient of the Truman Restorative Center in south St. Louis. Her guest thrilled all hearts with a beautiful soprano rendition of "In the Garden."

For nine years, Ms. Smith was announcer/producer of a Gospel

Hour on one of the local radio stations. Even though she is now confined to a wheelchair, she remains actively involved in church work, radiating joyous vitality and a contented spirit.

Ann not only invited Ms. Smith, but brought her to the church. She set a perfect example for other Sabbath School members to follow.

Marie Thomas is communication secretary for the Berean Church.

Report from Allon Chapel

By Alma York

Women's Day

Allon Chapel members in Lincoln, Nebraska, were participants in the Newman United Methodist Church Women's Day Services held November 23.

The participation is the result of a commitment to share activities among area churches, and the Community Outreach Program of Allon Chapel.

Mrs. Alma York, church communication secretary, was the guest speaker for the 11:00 a.m. event. Mrs. Nina Doves and Mrs. Ruth Lee provided

the music for the service. A special musical feature was an original composition sung and composed by Mervin Williams: "God Empowers Thee." The song was written for this occasion.

The theme for the service was — "Christian Women United in Christ."

Ingathering Goal Reached

Allon Chapel celebrated its Ingathering Campaign victory on Sabbath, November 29, which was in record time.

This was accomplished under the leadership of Tom Lawrence, Lay Activities leader. Lawrence is a senior theology student at Union College. He reported that the church had surpassed its goal of \$900. The object was to reach the goal before the *real cold* weather set in, according to Tom Lawrence.

Pastor Jones congratulated the members and noted specifically that even though the church has a building campaign for a new church, the members were diligent in meeting its commitment to the mission program of the church.

Alma York is communication secretary of the Allon Chapel Church.

REPORT FROM PHILADELPHIA CHURCH



From left: E. A. Pembleton, Olga Hill, E. F. Carter

Olga Hill, Sabbath School superintendent at the Philadelphia Church in Des Moines, Iowa, has received the Jasper Wayne Award for raising \$130 toward the ingathering campaign. She has reached this goal each year since her baptism in 1963.



From left: G. Ryles, E. Roberts, L. Robinson, E. F. Carter

These Philadelphia church members give regularly scheduled Bible studies with the newly purchased Dukane machines.



From left: E. F. Carter, Lay Activities director, and E. A. Pembleton
Pastor Pembleton is leading the way in using his church's three new Dukane machines to give Bible studies.

TOPEKA CHURCH WITNESSES AT MID-AMERICA FAIR



The College Avenue Church of Topeka, Kansas, operated a religious booth at the recent Mid-America Fair held in Topeka. Countless tracts and magazines were given away. Many contacts were made from the drawing for gift Family Bible given by the Topeka Adventist Youth Society.

Zephyr Williams, assistant Health and Welfare leader, with the help of Mayo Mitchell, Lay Activities leader, and the entire church working together made the fair booth a success.

La Vida Mission Constituency Meeting

By R. A. McCumber

Sixty people attended the annual constituency meeting of the La Vida Indian Mission Sunday, November 16 on the reservation, about 50 miles south of Farmington, New Mexico.

The assembled Board of Directors was welcomed by Elmer Duncan, Director of La Vida Mission, who pointed out that all bills for operating the past year had been paid, and that a small amount of money was left. This was possible only because of the generosity of friends and church members in the Colorado Conference and the great Adventist family around the world.

Orville Baer, pastor for the Mission Church as well as the Farmington, New Mexico, congregation, who is well loved and respected by Indian leaders and young people alike, reported that 15 of the Indian young people had been baptized into the church.

Chairman of the operating board, Dr. Ernie Stromeier, a dentist from Farmington, New Mexico, introduced the staff of the Mission and pointed out that the greatest asset in reaching the Navajo Indians had been the addition of the Nez family, native Navajos. Debbie, Alfreda and Raymond, the children of Mary Nez, are all giving aggressive leadership to the mission. Debbie and Alfreda are teaching the eight grades. Raymond is a literature evangelist and Bible instructor for the Mission. The Nez children attended the Holbrook School and Southwestern Union College. Their ability to communicate with the young people in their native language has proven a great blessing in presenting the love of Christ.

Elected to give leadership on the operating board for the next year was Dr. Daryl Specht, D.D.S., chairman; Dr. Wetzel Williams, M.D., vice chairman; and Elmer Duncan, Mission Director, as secretary and treasurer.

"Thank you for your prayers, your physical and financial support," commented Duncan, "and please remember us in the year that lies ahead."

R. A. McCumber is communication director for the Colorado Conference.

Serving Healthful Food Brings Success

Two Nutrition and Health Seminars that have just been completed demonstrated that public interest in what Adventists eat hasn't dwindled in the least.

Hazel Austin, communication secretary for the Cedaredge Church, reports that a six-session program conducted by Jack and Jeannie Hardaker was well attended. Jack presented the lectures each night. Jeannie, assisted by the ladies of the church, demonstrated the preparation of meatless protein dishes.

The Community Services Center of the Colorado Springs Church sponsored a four-night cooking and nutrition school. More than 60 persons registered. Doug and Peggy Briggman, assisted by members of the church, presented an interesting program. The students at the school especially enjoyed Doug's demonstrations of his culinary skills in preparing several dishes. A buffet was presented each evening so that everyone could sample healthfully prepared vegetables as well as meatless protein dishes.

LEGAL NOTICE

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COLORADO CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that a special session of the Colorado Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held Sunday, February 8, 1981, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Campion Academy Church, Southwest 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado. This special session is being called by the Colorado Conference executive committee for the purpose of considering the feasibility of the merger of the Colorado Conference with the Wyoming Conference, and any other business that may properly come before the session.

Delegations from the churches comprising the Colorado Conference is per the following basis: one delegate for each church organization and one delegate for each fifty members of each church, or fraction thereof.

Wm. C. Hatch, President
Gordon L. Retzer, Secretary
Lloyd D. Cleveland, Treasurer

Actions Taken by The Executive Committee

By Wm. C. Hatch



Gordon L. Retzer

Gordon L. Retzer has been elected by the Colorado Conference Executive Committee to serve as the Secretary of the Conference. For the past two and one-half years, Retzer has served as director of the Lay Activity and Sabbath School departments. During this time he also served as chairman of the Plans Committee, an important group of laymen and pastors who study suggestions and recommendations to be presented to the regular Conference Constituency meeting.

The Retzers began their ministry in the Florida Conference where they served a number of churches. They also pastored churches in the Iowa Conference and later directed the departments of Lay Activities and Sabbath School in Iowa.

Mrs. Cheryl Retzer is serving as the secretary of the Child Evangelism Center in our conference office. The Retzers have two children, Carisa 8, and Timothy 7.



Jim Harvard

Pastor and Mrs. Jim Harvard have been asked to serve the Sterling and Julesburg churches. The Harvards joined the pastoral staff about a year ago, coming to us from the Theological Seminary at Andrews University. Pastor Harvard has been giving excellent leadership as an associate pastor as well as assisting in several evangelistic meetings. The Harvards have three children, Joseph 6, Patty 5, and John 3.



Don Whittle

Pastor and Mrs. Don Whittle have accepted the invitation of the Executive Committee to serve the Aurora, Colorado, congregation. They have been serving the College View Congregation, Lincoln, Nebraska, as associate pastor during the past year.

Pastor Whittle began his ministry in Washington state in 1966. He has served as a departmental director in Brazil and pastored churches in Wisconsin. In 1975 he became Dark County Evangelist in Montana and Conference Evangelist in the Potomac Conference from 1977 to 1980.

Mrs. Whittle has been serving the Christian Record Braille Foundation in Lincoln as a secretary. The Whittles have two children, Wendy 13 and Kevin 12.



Edward G. Bartter

Pastor and Mrs. Edward G. Bartter have accepted an invitation to serve the Campion Church. Pastor Bartter has a strong background in youth work and pastoral skills. The Bartters come to us from the Mount Vernon Hill Church in the Ohio Conference, where they have

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been serving for the past eight years. He was born in Kenya, East Africa, and educated in secretarial science at Heiderberg College in Africa. They have three children, Glenn 16, Yvonne 13, and Sharon 11.

In other actions of the Executive Committee it was voted to re-align the Limon and Burlington church district. The Limon congregation will become part of the Colorado Springs District and will be cared for by Pastor Sidney English and his associate pastor Ralph Watts III. The Burlington congregation will become part of the Lamar and Springfield and will be cared for by Pastor Don Sales.

We covet your prayers and ask for your support as these men and women who have dedicated their lives to God take up their new assignments in this beautiful part of God's great worldwide vineyard.

Wm. C. Hatch is president of the Colorado Conference.

STUDENTS HAVE "BEST WEEKEND EVER"



The Longmont School students, with their teacher, Mrs. Marie Jones, spent three days enjoying God's Book of Nature.



Friday was spent at Rocky Mountain National Park among the beautiful aspen trees. By Sabbath they were all settled at

Glacier View Ranch. There were worships by the campfire, hiking, making Bible scenes from nature objects and Bible pantomimes.

On Saturday night there was a campfire with roasted vege-dogs and marshmallows, and on Sunday there was canoeing, a picnic, and then the trip home.

LEGAL NOTICE

FEBRUARY 8, 1981 CONSTITUENCY MEETING THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO

Notice is hereby given that a special session of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Colorado will be held at the Campion Academy Church, Southwest 42nd and Academy Drive, Loveland, Colorado, in connection with the special session of the Colorado Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, February 8, 1981 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting is called for the purpose of transacting any business as may properly come before the Association. All delegates to the special session of the Colorado Conference of Seventh-day Adventists together with the members of the Board of Trustees of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Colorado are the delegates of the Special Session of the Seventh-day Adventist Association of Colorado.

Wm. C. Hatch, President
I. B. Burton, Secretary

HOSPITALS

KILEY NAMED ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SMMC



Dennis Kiley

Dennis Kiley has been named an assistant executive director of Shawnee Mission Medical Center. He joined the hospital in January 1979 as an administrative resident.

Kiley is a member of the Mission Chamber of Commerce and the New Haven Seventh-day Adventist Church. He and his wife Kathy live in Shawnee.

New Member of Surgery Staff

Doctor Joseph Tyburczy is the newest member of the surgery staff at Brighton Community Hospital. As a child he set his sights on the wild blue yonder and the exciting life of a test pilot. "When I was in the sixth or seventh grade I found out I was going to need glasses," he remembers. "That ended my test pilot dreams. My father was a doctor and there was a certain amount of hero worship involved. He

died when I was 14, and that's when I decided to become a doctor."

The long hard grind from the decision to enter the medical profession to the achievement of that goal involves several years of concentrated study, clinical training and postgraduate experience. Dr. Tyburczy received his doctor of medicine degree from Pomona College in California in 1973. This year, when he joined the medical staff at Brighton, he entered into his first private practice.



Dr. Joseph Tyburczy

Following his internship at Presbyterian Hospital in Denver, Doctor Tyburczy served the U.S. Army as a general medical officer at Pyongtaek, South Korea and then at Fort Ord, California. When he was discharged in 1976 he returned to Denver for a general surgery residency at St. Joseph's Hospital. After four years of intensive training, he heard of a practice opportunity with Dr. Robert Larsen in Brighton. He contacted him and decided to move here.

To cope with the tensions of professional life, Doctor Tyburczy enjoys

heavy-duty backpacking, cross-country skiing and photography during his off-duty hours. In the meantime, however, the demands of family life are tying him to more practical pursuits. His wife, Merry, is expecting their second child next May.

BCH Auxiliary Fetes Hospital Staff

All hospital employees, medical staff, members of the board of directors, and volunteers had received the simple, but official looking invitation in the mail. The event was the annual Brighton Community Hospital Auxiliary Holiday Buffet. Auxiliary member Joyce Greenfield, co-chairman of the buffet with Nelda Gamble, explained, "This is our way of expressing our appreciation each year for the work the hospital staff does to help patients feel comfortable and get well."

The Auxiliary members can remember when Betty Kersting and Jeanne O'Dell originated the Holiday Buffet almost ten years ago. Since then, guests and hosts, alike, look forward to the annual event.

The guests' appreciation is made obvious by the way they pass by the table, fill their plates, and sit down to devour the feast. Expressing his gratitude on behalf of all the guests, BCH assistant administrator Donn Swartz stated, "We value all of the Auxiliary's efforts to help us provide the best possible health care for our community, and we especially appreciate this token of their support."

Church Campout At Elkhorn Ranch

By Vera Ness

Helen Grattan, social chairman of the Ankeny, Iowa, church arranged a campout at Elkhorn Ranch August 22 through the 24th. All the churches which their pastor, Lester Jones, had served in Iowa were invited to join them for a weekend of fun.

Topics of discussion were inspirational, and emphasis on the home, family, and God's ideals. Tom Nesbitt of the Baptist Church in Ames held a two-part series on the home. His lectures were presented at Friday vespers and on Sabbath afternoon.

Mel Wiese, head elder of the Ankeny church, taught the Sabbath School lesson, and Otis Graves, education director of the Iowa-Missouri Conference, preached the eleven o'clock sermon.

This was followed by an enjoyable Sabbath afternoon nature walk and a singspiration at sundown around the campfire bowl. On Friday and Sunday the campers enjoyed tennis, horseback riding, canoeing, swimming, and just relaxing in the beauty of nature.

Vera Ness is the communication secretary of the Ankeny Church.

Revelation '80 Laymen's Evangelistic Series

By LaVerne Zumboum

Adopting the name of "Revelation '80," laymen of the Kansas City Central Church conducted a three-weeks evangelistic series in the Cleveland Chiropractic College of Kansas City in September. Eleven new members have been baptized as a result, and others are continuing to study. An average of 35 people attended the meetings.

Governed by an evangelism committee the group, under the sponsorship of the Lay Activities Department, chose Bob Sorter as speaker, Rick Anderson as platform chairman, Bob Koffler as song leader, Jerome Conner as coordinator, and Rhonda Bedell as secretary-treasurer. Twenty-one laymen were actively involved in this soul-winning effort.

Prior to the meetings, laymen attended lay-preaching and Bible instructors classes conducted by Pastor Louis R. Torres, conference evangelist assigned to the Central Church. They contacted It Is Written and Voice of Prophecy interests and began Bible studies. Laymen in teams went to the Country Club Plaza area and handed out 900 handbills on the streets. They also mailed 1,500 handbills to homes in

the area. A Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was conducted under the direction of Rick Canine, leader of the Medical Department of the church.

Future plans include two laymen's evangelistic meetings beginning in January, one for the Lee's Summit area and one for the Kansas City Central area. "With such forward-looking plans and dedicated laymen, God's Spirit will surely bless in even greater growth of the church," commented Pastor James H. King.

LaVerne Zumboum is communication secretary for the Kansas City Central Church.

Ankeny Member Attends Annual Council

By Vera Ness

The Ankeny, Iowa church, organized in 1976 from former members of the Des Moines First Church, is comprised of active dedicated people who are uniting their efforts to share the love of Jesus until He comes.

Mel Wiese, first elder of the Ankeny church and a member of the General Conference Executive Committee, was among fifty laymen from the entire world who attended the Annual Council in Washington, D.C. October 7 through 14. Brother Wiese was a lay representative of the Mid-American Union Conference. The lay representation included a cross section of various professions, business men and women. Conference presidents, division leaders from North America and other nations, and people from various departments of the General Conference were also in attendance.

Vera Ness is communication secretary of the Ankeny Church.

Community Service Fall Federation Meetings

By Maxine McAdoo

The Community Services Fall Federation Meetings for Iowa-Missouri have been completed, and it was a thrilling experience. We were privileged to have as a speaker, Richard Grafe, Associate State Federation President of the Florida Conference. With slides he presented the uses of 14 vans in the Florida Conference, and the effect they have had on spreading the message. The Holy Spirit is working through this young man and the Community Services work. Giving blood pressure, diabetes, and blood tests, and giving them literature, is a way of reaching people to present the Message. An actual case history of one couple who had had no real church

interest, showed they were led to the truth by first having a blood pressure test from a van. Questions, more literature, and Bible studies followed.

Mr. Grafe himself is an inspiration to all Adventists. Having been a member himself for only four and a half years, he is a true example of what each member should be. Ellen White tells us that each person has at least one talent and we should use it with all the means that we have, and Mr. Grafe certainly does that.

Dick Judson, lay activities director for the conference, and director for the Federations, promised each member a rewarding and fulfilling experience by becoming involved with the "right arm" of the Message in promoting health classes, health screenings, and the welfare ministry to the needy.

Maxine McAdoo is public relations secretary for Community Services Federation.

Marshfield Students Collect Cans for Food Baskets

Teacher Joe Meek and all 12 students in the Marshfield School participated in their annual food drive resulting in 175 cans of food being donated.

Church Welfare leader, Alice Scull, works closely with the local Welfare Agency to learn of families who are in need of food. Thanksgiving food baskets were distributed accordingly, using the food which had been gathered.

One person given a food basket last year said, "If I ever join any church it will be the Adventist church because of the kindness shown me."

MARSHFIELD STUDENTS COLLECT CANS FOR FOOD BASKETS



Teacher Joe Meek, Mrs. Meek, their two children, and the students with the food they gathered.

KANSAS - NEBRASKA

Philosda and Single Adults Retreat

By Naomi Shelton

Plan now to come join us at Camp Tall Oaks by Bonner Springs, Kansas, January 16, 17, and 18. Pastor Steve Poenitz will be our guest speaker. This retreat is for you if you're single, divorced, or widowed.

Weekend prices will be \$15.00 for members and \$18.00 for non-members.

For more information, write or call Naomi Shelton, 13205 Oak, Lenexa, Kansas 66215. Telephone (913) 888-8573.

Naomi Shelton is president of the Kansas Chapter of Philosda International.

McPherson Church Active and Growing

By Edith Fisher

The recent Week of Prayer has resulted in many blessings for the McPherson, Kansas, church. A young couple, with a small daughter, who had previously read, studied and searched for the truth, came to the meetings. They were looking for a Seventhday Adventist church. They were baptized by Pastor Harold Peters.

Two prayer groups are meeting each Sunday evening — one in the Inman, Conway and Marquette area, the other in the Lindsborg, McPherson, and Galva area. *The Impending Conflict* is now being studied and the public is invited to attend.

Edith Fisher is communication director of the McPherson Church.

Hemingford Students Tour Black Hills

The six boys from the Hemingford Seventh-day Adventist Elementary School spent a weekend this fall camping in the Black Hills. The boys, students of Marcia Wehtje, comprise the entire student body of the Hemingford school this year.

The weekend began with swimming at Evans' Plunge and included Marine Life, Mt. Rushmore, and The Needles, a natural rock formation.

Fourteen-year-old Roger Townsend demonstrated his camp cooking skills by preparing Sunday breakfast for the entire group.

The three seventh-graders in the group fulfilled Pathfinder requirements by building a trench fire (for cooking), a teepee fire (for quick warmups), and a log cabin fire (for heating). Although a light rain was falling and they were not allowed to use

manufactured kindling material, all were successful.

The students in the group were Roger and Shon Townsend, Carl Wehtje, Greg Ruffing, David Roberts, and Steve Rozmiarek. Adults were Marcia Wehtje, teacher; Joan Roberts, Delma Townsend, and Mike and Rose Rozmiarek.

Capitol View Witnesses To New Community

By Philip Marino

When the members of Capitol View moved to their new church in September, they recognized that they had a new community to witness to, and began to draw up plans to tell their new neighbors about Jesus' love.

On two occasions the members and several Union College students conducted a door-to-door survey of the homes around the church. Each person surveyed was asked what program they would like to see the church offer to the community. Doug Kittleson reported that 103 indicated an interest in a cooking school, 100 were interested in a sacred artist series, and 30 showed an interest in a Pathfinder club. Considerable interest was shown in studies dealing with the life of Christ, and several said they wished to participate in Bible studies.

Another aspect of witnessing to the new community will be a literature evangelist campaign. To prepare the literature evangelists and the church members, a rally was held at the church. Hoyet Taylor, Mid-America Union publishing director, told the congregation that every Christian's

duty is to bring someone to Christ.

Literature evangelists participating in the program were James Hunt, Scott and Karen Butcher, Mary Stalker, Roy Simonds, George Hornung, Frank Curl and associate directors, Don Phelps and Bob Tate.

Philip Marino is communication secretary for the Capitol View Church.

College View Church Hosts Congressman

By Maria Butler

For the majority of those on Capitol Hill, religion plays a very important role, according to the Honorable Douglas Bereuter, United States Congressman from Nebraska. Informal weekly prayer meetings are held in both the Senate and the House, he said, and he often attends them and receives inspiration.



Congressman Bereuter (left) accepts THE DESIRE OF AGES from Elder Don Whittle

Bereuter was a guest by special invitation of the College View congregation at their Fall Visitors' Day, November 22. On behalf of the congregation, associate pastor Don Whittle presented him with a deluxe copy of *The Desire of Ages* with his name in gold.

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KANSAS - NEBRASKA

Congressman Bereuter mentioned that there are five or six active ministers in Congress, as well as many lay pastors. He stated that in the next year or two, Congress will need to make many difficult decisions on the basis of religious principles. He requested prayer for himself and his fellow congressmen as they face the future.

Maria Butler is communication secretary for the College View Church.

Pathfinders Share With Others

By Maria Butler

On November 22, as the College View congregation stood to the strains of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," the American flag and the Pathfinder flag were carried into the sanctuary. Uniformed Pathfinders followed with unit guidons which they positioned at the front of the church. The Pathfinders then joined the congregation in pledging allegiance to the flag.

Under the direction of Fordyce Koenke, Janiece George and their assistants, the 42-member youth club has had a busy year. They have learned candlemaking, metalwork, plaster-

craft, photography and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. They have camped in Kansas, Western Nebraska and Iowa, but Woodland Acres, the church's campground near Seward, is their favorite place.



College View Pathfinders with goods they collected for Thanksgiving baskets

Several weekends the Pathfinders solicited for Ingathering. The Tuesday evening before Thanksgiving they delivered Thanksgiving baskets for which they had collected canned goods instead of trick-or-treating on Halloween. Ten Lincoln families were able to observe Thanksgiving because of the College View Pathfinders, the generosity of those who contributed canned goods, and the Good Neighbor Center, which gave fresh produce for the baskets and furnished names of recipients.

Maria Butler is communication secretary for the College View Church.

Two New Members at El Dorado Church

Evangelist Charles "Bud" Williams and Pastor David Troyer stand beside the lake with Emma Toellner and



Lucille Gray. Emma joined the church by baptism and Lucille by profession of faith. This special service was the result of Bible studies and the evangelistic series conducted by Bud Williams.

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NORTH DAKOTA

Five Baptized At Lehr

By Connie Aman

It was a stormy day in August but a peace and calm was within the hearts of three young people as they made their decision to follow Christ.



Left to right: Lisa Kowarsch, Robert Schrenk, Angela Schrenk and Pastor Heinz Kowarsch

Harold Ashcraft, former pastor of the Streeter and Gackle churches, presented the words from Scripture to a number of friends and relatives who had gathered to witness this joyous occasion. The three young people are Robert and Angela Schrenk, children of Earl and Joyce Schrenk; and Lisa Kowarsch, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Heinz Kowarsch.

The following week two people from Linton made their decision also. They were Bill Lawler, who is a freshman at DAA, and his great uncle, Dewy Lawler, who has for many years studied and believed the Advent message. Sabbath afternoon Lehr church

members and the baptismal candidates drove out to the Lawler farm where the baptistry was set up under the spreading shade tree and Bill and his uncle Dewy publicly united their lives with Christ.

Connie Aman is public relations secretary for the Lehr Church.

Jamestown Witness With Food

By Maxine Lang

Mrs. Glenn Kerr, Community Services Director, and Mrs. Robert Liebelt



Preparing the plates.

coordinated the Thanksgiving project from the Community Services Center at Jamestown this year.

The Community Services members prepared 75 plates of fresh fruit, fruit breads, cookies, nuts and other goodies; and packed 28 boxes of food to make sure persons who would otherwise have been without, had a happy Thanksgiving.

Maxine Lang is communication secretary for the Jamestown Church.

Rudo — the Reckless Russian To Appear at DDA

By William L. Wood

John Rudometkin, the "Reckless Russian," former star basketball player for the University of Southern California, who was voted Athlete of the Year in 1962, will appear the weekend of January 24 for a special Family Weekend at the academy. Rudometkin also played for the San Francisco Warriors and the New York Knickerbockers before a serious fight with cancer ended his professional career.

During two sessions Rudometkin will tell the story of his life from a college and professional basketball star to his conversion to Christianity and Seventh-day Adventism and his miraculous healing from cancer.

Don Holland, Youth Director for the Mid-America Union, will also be a guest speaker at the Friday vesper service. The Junior class will conduct a play Saturday evening.

This weekend has been planned for the parents and young people of the Dakotas and surrounding territory. Lodging is available at the academy on a first-come basis. Inquiries concerning housing for the weekend are to be sent to the academy.

William L. Wood is director of the Youth Department.

Minnesota Combines Departments

By Earnest E. Lutz, Jr.

Financial considerations have made it necessary to reduce the number of departmental leaders in the Minnesota office. To facilitate this, a re-organization of departmental responsibilities was voted in a November Conference Executive Committee meeting.



Arthur C. Carlson



Stephen L. McPherson

The Lay Activities/Sabbath School Department has been combined with Ministerial. Arthur C. Carlson, currently Ministerial Director, was selected to head this new department. Lay Activities/Sabbath School has been under the direction of Stephen L. McPherson since 1974. Carlson will begin his duties in Lay Activities/Sabbath School when McPherson relocates.



Larry Kromann



Ray Daniel

In another merge, Youth/Communication is being connected with Education/Temperance. Larry Kromann, most recently North Dakota Youth/



Wendall Springer

Education Director, will serve this new department. Education/Temperance has been vacant since June when L. E. McClain left to become principal of Dakota Adventist Academy.

The Publishing Department is also

involved in the re-organization. This department, taken out of the local Conference office in 1978 upon institution of a new Union publishing program, is now being returned to it. Chosen as director of this new department was Wendell Springer, formerly Nebraska Publishing Director. He has already begun his duties.

Earnest E. Lutz, Jr., is president of the Minnesota Conference.

Anywhere With Jesus

By Willfried Kowarsch

Curt Bacon believes in going anywhere with Jesus. He not only loves Jesus and wants to serve Him always but desired to be baptized in God's beautiful nature as Jesus was. Thus on October 4, a crisp but sunny day, Curt followed His Lord in baptism at Split Rock Creek Lake near Pipestone, Minnesota.



Terry Forde, Amy Lay, Heide Bergh and Curt Bacon with Pastor Willfried Kowarsch

Three other soldiers of Christ were baptized earlier on June 14 at camp meeting in a beautiful lake at Hutchinson, Minnesota. They are Terry Forde, Amy Lay and Heide Bergh. Forward they go witnessing for Jesus anywhere.

Willfried Kowarsch is the pastor of the Pipestone Church.

Health Hut a Hit At Duluth

By Judy Bachovchin

Jim and Josette Wahl and their family are newcomers to the Duluth church, but they have already made an impact on the city. They are the managers of the "Health Hut," a health food store with a lunchcounter. The *Duluth Herald* newspaper gave them coverage recently and used almost a full page write-up with pictures to tell about their activities. The Wahls have dedicated their lives to serving others and are sharing the truth by their innovative, courageous and enthusiastic participation in the Lord's work.

Judy Bachovchin is communication secretary of the Duluth Church.

Northbrook Has Investment Bike-A-Thon

By Lorelei Brosdal

On Sunday, September 14, the Junior Sabbath School Department of the Northbrook Church participated in a Bike-A-Thon for Investment. Even though the sky looked promising for rain, the spirits of the twenty-three youth (some who came from other churches to give their support) and five adults were not dampened.

The Bike-A-Thon began at the flag pole on Victory Memorial Parkway at 9:30 a.m., and followed the bike trail to Lake Harriet. Pastor Ratcliffe, offered prayer as they began, and some of the parents stayed by. The two-way trip averaged about 34 miles.



Lining up for the Bike-A-Thon.

The majority of the group went most of the way despite a few incidentals such as blow-outs, a dip in the "mud" by one girl and a sprained ankle by another. There was even a determined young lady who rode with a cast on one arm!

Two of the male adults *drove* a truck to keep an eye on things! "That was *their* story, anyway," says the Junior Sabbath School leader, Renee Westerman.

The thrilling news is that with the help of the Lord and pledges from friends, families and neighbors the Northbrook Junior Sabbath School Department is happy to have earned over \$550 to further the work of spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to others who have not had the joy of knowing Jesus as their Saviour. Congratulations to the Juniors and their dedicated leaders and praise the Lord for the Investment Harvest!

Lorelei Brosdal is communication secretary for the Northbrook Church.

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Young Adults Canoe the Niobrara

By William L. Wood

Under the sponsorship of the South Dakota Conference Youth Activities Department, several young adults performed a "first" for South Dakota, while canoeing in the Niobrara River in North Central Nebraska this past October.



Group of canoeists along the banks of the river

The group journeyed down the first half of the river leaving Valentine about 2:30 p.m. on a Friday afternoon. A highlight of this stretch was the sighting of a large elk in the game refuge along the river. Friday evening the canoeists camped along the banks of the river in a very primitive area. During the evening hours they were

entertained by the sounds of chickens, wild turkey, and the howling of coyotes in the distance.

After a lively discussion of the Sabbath school lesson and a hike to a nearby waterfall in the morning, the group finished canoeing the last half of the navigable stretch of river on Sabbath afternoon. The fall colors were at their peak and what an inspiration it was to witness the kaleidoscope of colors produced by a variety of trees. Many kinds of water fowl were observed flying along the banks of the river. Upon completion of the trip the group returned to their camp and closed the Sabbath with worship around a roaring campfire.



Canoeists camp

The canoeists returned home Sunday tired but refreshed, and ready for a repeat performance.

William L. Wood is youth director for South Dakota.

WYOMING

Faith Action Advance in Wyoming

By Ben J. Liebelt

When our world leaders outline for us a concept to *finish the work* we are indeed interested. In my opinion, *Faith Action Advance* is a timely marriage in our church attempting to change the picture. By this I mean that administration, ministerial and the departments of the church are convinced they must be as one to finish the work. And F.A.A. is the outcome of this conviction.

What I like so much about it is putting the emphasis where it belongs: *have the church board lay the plans and set the goals* for every church in the conference. Two goals: "Number of inactive to win back," and "Number of new ones to be added," in the new year. In turn they ask for aid from church leaders to accomplish their goals. Because it becomes the church's responsibility for growth, it is hoped that every church will put more emphasis on that than on the need for a new roof or a furnace.

Right after *Faith Action Advance* was presented to us, we decided to implement it in Wyoming. We conducted 5 area meetings in the autumn of 79 in the conference to explain the pro-

gram. Printed materials were placed in the hands of all present and contents of the plan were highlighted. In the January 1980 workers meeting we reviewed it again for the ministers, opened up for discussion and questions and gave to them the goal sheets in quadruplicate to be used for church boards. Every pastor worked the plan and provided the conference with the duplicate sheets of goals set for every church.

Our theme for camp meeting was "Faith Action Advance." Speakers and all promotion at camp meeting had this theme as a platform from which to build every objective which had been set.

December 12-14 we had a conference-wide *Faith Action Advance Congress*. General Conference help, Union help, and local conference leaders again focused upon the concept of F.A.A. to help finish the work. Delegates were chosen from every church. Others were invited to profit from the inspiration and instruction of this meeting.

1980 looks to be a good soul winning year for us, and we feel it's a good beginning of what hopefully could turn into a "loud cry."

Ben J. Liebelt is president of the Wyoming Conference.

Sioux Falls Reaches Investment Victory

By Alice Paulson

At the beginning of 1980, members of the Sioux Falls church pledged \$2,300 toward Investment, and, under the enthusiastic leadership of veteran Investment secretary Carolyn Doss, raised a total of \$3,053.82, or \$753.82 over the goal.

More is to come as the children's divisions are still working on their projects which they exhibited during the special Investment program.

The Primary division created a garden of Eden with flowers, trees, leaves, a brook, fish, turtles and homemade birds placed there each time the children bring in their dimes. They also have a tooth chart with 54 teeth so far. This is a self-denial device for Investment.

The Kindergarten children save pennies and labels while one of the ladies contributes a dime toward the Miracle Fund for each day she is healthy.

Alice Paulson is communication secretary of the Sioux Falls Church.

LEGAL NOTICE

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE WYOMING CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that a special joint session of the Wyoming Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held Sunday, February 8, beginning at 2 p.m. at the Campion Academy Church, SW 42nd and Academy Drive. This special joint session is being called by the Wyoming Conference Constituency for the purpose of adopting a constitution and by-laws for the new conference.

Delegates from the churches comprising the Wyoming Conference is per the following basis: one delegate for each church organization and one delegate for each fifteen members of each church or fraction thereof.

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'Design for Decade' Program Tops Record \$100,000

Faculty and staff of Union College have completed an astonishing goal—commitment of \$100,093 over a three-year period to a capital improvement program for the school.

"Design for a Decade," was launched at a November dinner in the college gym. William Hubert, alumni and development director, presented the program, which called for each worker to support the growth of Union College.

Two weeks later, the \$100,093 total was announced at a faculty meeting. Participation rose to the level of 94.3 percent of all 190 faculty and staff, which includes part-time stipend teachers. School officials were exultant.

"This means we can approach the Lincoln community and our own alumni in confidence, showing that our money is where our collective mouth is," reports President Hubbard.

Individual staff members have committed from \$5 to as much as \$50 a month toward the program. Included in "Design for a Decade" are a new Fine Arts Center and the completion of the Health and Physical Education Complex.

College Reaccredited For Maximum 10 Years

Union College has received the seal of approval from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools for another 10 years. The association, which is the official accrediting organization for the Midlands area, made an interesting exception in Union's case.

Normally, four-year, liberal arts colleges are given a five-year approval, says Academic Dean John Wagner. "The visiting team was impressed with our commitment to academic and spiritual excellence, and said so in their report. For that reason, we received the 10-year rating, which is unusual."

Another outstanding element in the accreditation story was the fact that the association waived the requirement for an institutional self-study. They accepted in its place a long-range masterplan developed by President Dean Hubbard while he was academic dean.

"Few colleges in the country have devoted as much time and energy to long-range, systematic planning as Union College," the association's final report said.

"Nearly every student interviewed thought he or she had a close, personal friendship with a member of the

faculty or staff, which would continue after graduation," the accreditors said.

The team from North Central was chaired by Jack Rossmann, academic vice president of Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota. They visited the college for three days in April, 1980, and issued their report in November.



**HOWARD
DOTY**

Howard Doty, age 83, ran into a problem last fall. After his wife suffered a stroke, he found his inability to cook to be a real problem. So the Lincoln resident called Union College and enrolled in a food preparation class in the Home Economics Department. Lenore McEndree, his teacher, says the octogenarian was a model student. "He had so many interesting experiences to share with students who were only a quarter his age," she said. Mr. Doty audited the class. Not a Seventh-day Adventist, he nonetheless asked to participate in the class' worship period and once brought a written prayer to use in the exercise.

HIGHLIGHTS

World-Wide Intercessory Prayer Offensive

By E. S. Reile

Our General Conference president, Neal C. Wilson, is issuing a world-wide call among Seventh-day Adventists for an intercessory prayer offensive to begin in every home and every church on April 4, 1981. I share Elder Wilson's concern in this area. No matter who a person is or what his abilities are, he can pray. As we face increasing limitations of human resources we need to pray. Surely we all realize that God is holding back the forces of evil just a little longer and "God's people should make mighty intercession to Him for help now." — *Evangelism*, page 704.

At the recent Annual Council in Washington, D.C., the church leaders voted to recommend to our people around the world to join together in this very important work. We are to pray for our immediate neighbors, our communities and for their needs. Pastors and their church boards will be allotting each Adventist family a specific territory for which to pray.

Surely something tremendous is going to happen when God's people

unite with their petitions in behalf of their neighbors and their communities. There are people all around us who need our prayers. Remember to pray for places where we have no organized churches. Pray for those not of our faith — pray for the church — pray for our leaders.

Let's enter into this INTERCESSORY PRAYER OFFENSIVE wholeheartedly and see what the Holy Spirit will do.

E. S. Reile is president of the Mid-America Union.

Cooperative Effort Results in Baptism

By Halle G. Crowson

Laymen, conference Bible instructor, public evangelism, pastoral care and the NORTHERN SCHOOL OF BIBLE PROPHECY all worked in a cooperative effort on the lives of Gary, Cheryl and Racquel Schneider.

Mrs. Florence Swanson, Cheryl's grandmother, was baptized a few years ago during an evangelistic meeting conducted in St. Paul, Minnesota by E. W. Oliver and Halle Crowson. Immediately she began telling Cheryl about

her new-found faith. From time to time Cheryl would attend church with Mrs. Swanson. Earlier this year when the NORTHERN SCHOOL OF BIBLE PROPHECY was organized, Mrs. Swanson began working as a volunteer and brought Cheryl along to work also. Cheryl, by this time, was enrolled as a student of the Bible School, but said with a smile, "I promise not to look at lessons ahead of where I am studying."



Left to right: John Van Denburgh, Cheryl Schneider, daughter Racquel, husband Gary, and Bible instructor Letty Stotz.

HIGHLIGHTS

About this time Cheryl was attending church occasionally and became acquainted with Letty Stotz, conference Bible instructor for the Northbrook Church. Bible studies were begun with Cheryl's family and continued until John and Clara Van Denburgh began evangelistic meetings in the church.

What a beautiful experience it was on Sabbath, November 29, when the Northbrook pastor, Rodger Ratcliffe, and John Van Denburgh baptized the

entire family, together with a large number who had made decisions during the meetings.

Halle G. Crowson is the director of the NORTHERN SCHOOL OF BIBLE PROPHECY.

SAWS Report On Italian Earthquake

Many of our people have been inquiring as to what the Adventist

Church has done for the victims of the Italian Earthquake. To date, \$50,000 has been spent for tents and blankets and delivered by six trucks to the disaster zone. Adventist teams are aiding victims and clearing the rubble. A further shipment of tents and blankets is being arranged. Persons desiring to contribute may designate SAWS, Italian Earthquake on your offering envelope.

Initial reports are that no Adventist lives were lost, but heavy property damage was suffered.

MIDDAG BECOMES GENERAL CONFERENCE YOUTH DIRECTOR

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NORTH BUILDING



Norman Middag has just joined the General Conference Youth Department. He has a rich background in youth work beginning in academies in Michigan, then as youth pastor in California, and as conference youth director in California, Florida and the Potomac Conference. Middag will be the "curriculum specialist" for the General Conference Youth Department in charge of publications. Norman Middag, right in photo, is pictured with Leo Rauzolin, World Youth Director.

EVERYBODY WANTS TO REACH THE TOP

Paraplegic Rick Leavenworth says that includes him too. Though both of his legs are paralyzed, Rick likes to climb mountains, and he doesn't let his handicap stop him. Rick's climb up Red Slate Mountain of the High Sierras is the subject of a new documentary film produced by Faith For Today and Morning Star Films. Scheduled for release around March 1, 1981.



DONALD W. CHRISTENSEN RECEIVES FIRST INSTALLMENT



H.M.S. Richards, Jr. (left) presents Donald W. Christensen, business manager of Mountain View College in the Philippines, with the first installment of the Children's Christmas Club goal of \$30,000 for the school's radio station. During a visit to the Far East this past February, J.O. Iverson, former VOP associate broadcast speaker, noted the need of additional studio space and updated equipment to operate efficiently. A challenge was made to Seventh-day Adventist elementary students to raise the funds. Last year the Christmas Club raised \$25,000 for a new antenna at the Adventist World Radio facilities in Guatemala.

CHRISTIAN RECORD BRAILLE FOUNDATION SPONSORS INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS SEMINAR



The panel discussants during a humorous moment. Panelists described their greatest obstacles in dealing with their handicaps, how to enlighten the general public on the disabled and what churches could do to make their sanctuary barrier free to them.

Christian Record Braille Foundation has launched the United Nations' 1981 International Year of Disabled Persons observance by sponsoring a two-session seminar for local clergy and other concerned individuals.

The seminar included a panel discussion consisting of handicapped persons who shared their needs and problems with the participants. Fourteen speakers and panelists participated in the program. Represented were the Nebraska Commission for the Hearing Impaired, Lancaster Office of Mental Retardation, City Hall, Special Education for the Deaf at University of Nebraska, Hotline for Handicapped, League of Human Dignity and Library Commission for the Blind, among others.



Suzanne Shackelford, field representative for the Nebraska Commission for the Hearing Impaired, demonstrates the Teletypewriter during Christian Record's IYDP Seminar.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MID-AMERICA

April 4—World Intercessory Prayer Offensive Begins

CENTRAL STATES

Workers' Meeting—Kansas City, MO, February 1-3
Conference Committee Meeting
10:00 a.m. February 1.

Temperance Contests—All churches are to hold local Temperance Contests by February 14.

Youth Congress—All names of Youth Congress delegates are to be received by February 27.

Conference Audit—Kansas City, MO, 10:00 a.m. March 1.

Bible Bowl—Temperance Rally—Kansas City, MO, March 6-7.

Board of Education Meeting—Kansas City, MO, March 8.

Community Relations Day—All churches, March 14.

Eastern AY Federation—St. Louis, MO, March 21.

Youth Baptism Day—All churches, March 28.

COLORADO

Prophecy Panorama, Henry Barron, speaker. Jan. 14-Feb. 14, 1981, Wednesday and Sunday evenings, 7:30.

Anyone having relatives and friends they would like to receive invitations, write: Henry Barron, 3101 South Golden Road, Golden, CO 80401.

NEBRASKA

Evangelism

Harry Sharp evangelistic crusade:
Falls City—Jan. 24-Feb. 28

Send names of interests to Elder Harry Sharp, 4851 Baker Avenue, Grand Island, NE 68801.

Youth Bible Conference—Jan. 22-24, grades 9-12, Camp Arrowhead.

UNION COLLEGE

Sacred Artist Concert Series

Jan. 9, 7:30 p.m.—Robert Hale and Dean Wilder.

Jan. 24, 4:00 p.m.—Voice of Prophecy King's Herald's Quartet.

Jan. 31, 3:00 p.m.—The Nebraska Chamber Orchestra/Union College Unionaires.

Family Entertainment Series

Jan. 10, 8:00 p.m.—Film "The Black Stallion."

Jan. 24, 8:00 p.m.—Film Walt Disney's "My Fair Lady."

Jan. 31, 8:00 p.m.—Mozart on Fifth in concert.

OBITUARIES

ANDRESS — William Melville, was born May 15, 1883, at Oakland, IA. He died November 16, 1980, at Loma Linda, CA. In 1905, he graduated from the Iowa Sanitarium in Davenport. He entered the active ministry as an evangelist in the Iowa Conference in 1906. He pastored churches in Colorado and Utah before becoming the chaplain of the Boulder Sanitarium from 1925 to 1937. He was chaplain of the Melrose Sanitarium in Massachusetts from 1937 to 1948. Upon his retirement in 1948 he moved to La Sierra, CA, and worked as a private duty nurse until the age of 80. At the age of 86, he moved to the Paradise Valley Manor in National City, CA, where he served as chaplain for several years. Survivors include his wife, Elva; three sons, Wesley, Victor and Stanford; a brother and a sister; 7 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

GRANT, Helen, was born March 22, 1908, in Sioux Falls, SD, and died October 12, 1980, in Sioux Falls. She was a member of the Sioux Falls Church. Survivors are 1 daughter, Mrs. Harry Kamben of Sioux City, IA; 3 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren; and 1 sister, Mrs. Maude Sievert of Cabot, AR. Pastor Duane Brown officiated at the service.

HAMPTON, Robert Lowell, was born January 26, 1902, in West Liberty, IA, and died October 18, 1980, in Des Moines, IA. On March 20, 1930, he was married to Juanita Hircock. He was a member of the Ankeny, IA, Church and is survived by his wife.

NORMAN, Frank Arthur, was born May 22, 1896, at Denison, IA, and passed away October 8, 1980, at Spencer, IA. He was survived by his wife, Lillian, 1 sister and 1 brother. He was a member of the Spencer Seventh-day Adventist Church.

SMITH, Bertha Ruark-Morrow, was born in Clarke County, IA, February 17, 1897, and died October 15, 1980, in Des Moines, IA. She was married to Oscar L. Morrow on August 31, 1916. Surviving are 2 sons, Galen Morrow of Romeo, MI, and Robert Morrow of Des Moines; 3 daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Camp of Peru, IA, Mrs. Maxine Kirk of Loremore, IA, and Mrs. Margaret Allen of Murray, Iowa. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Oscar and Lloyd. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Des Moines First Seventh-day Adventist Church.

WELDEN — Marcus Leander, was born in Welch, OK, on Valentine's Day 1899 and passed away in Hutchinson, KS, on October 20, 1980. His wife, Alice Ina Hopper, preceded him in death on December 26, 1976.

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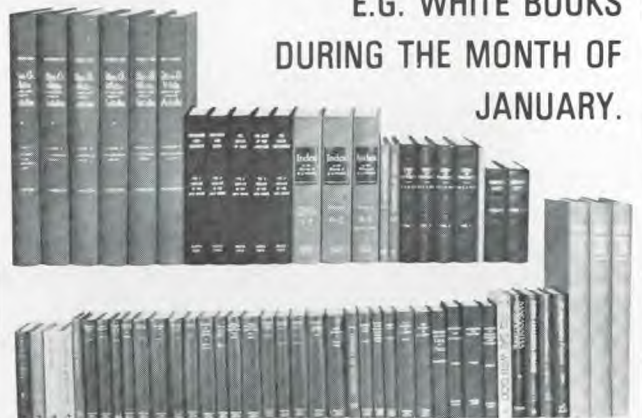
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Chinnow-Clark

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The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Dolores Clark, Summit, SD, and Dwight Clark, CA.

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Jan. 9	Jan. 16	Jan. 23	Jan. 30
Denver, CO	4:53	5:01	5:09	5:17
Grand Junc., CO	5:09	5:17	5:24	5:32
Cedar Rapids, IA	4:53	5:01	5:10	5:19
Des Moines, IA	5:03	5:10	5:19	5:27
Dubuque, IA	4:48	4:56	5:05	5:14
Sioux City, IA	5:11	5:19	5:28	5:37
Topeka, KS	5:18	5:25	5:33	5:41
Duluth, MN	4:39	4:48	4:58	5:09
Internl. Falls, MN	4:37	4:47	4:57	5:08
Minneapolis, MN	4:50	4:59	5:08	5:18
Rochester, MN	4:50	4:59	5:08	5:17
St. Cloud, MN	4:52	5:00	5:10	5:20
Kansas City, MO	5:14	5:21	5:29	5:37
St. Louis, MO	4:57	5:04	5:12	5:20
Lincoln, NE	5:17	5:25	5:33	5:41
Scottsbluff, NE	4:42	4:49	4:58	5:07
Bismarck, ND	5:14	5:23	5:33	5:43
Devils Lake, ND	5:01	5:10	5:21	5:32
Fargo, ND	4:58	5:07	5:16	5:27
Williston, ND	5:20	5:29	5:40	5:51
Huron, SD	5:12	5:21	5:30	5:39
Pierre, SD	5:21	5:29	5:38	5:48
Rapid City, SD	4:33	4:41	4:50	4:59
Sioux Falls, SD	5:09	5:17	5:26	5:35
Casper, WY	4:50	4:58	5:07	5:16

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