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**“While the earth remaineth,
seedtime and harvest, and cold
and heat, and summer and
winter, and day and night shall
not cease.” Genesis 8:22**

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Joel O. Tompkins

If you're a parent like me (by the way, I'm also a grandfather), you want your children to be saved in the Kingdom more than anything you could possibly wish for them—more than financial security, a worthwhile career or even a compatible marriage partner.

Of course, these things are important but eternal salvation overshadows them all, doesn't it?

Personally, I believe one of the best ways we can insure that our children will be with us in heaven is to provide them with a good Christian education.

Recent research by Dr. Warren Minder, education director of the Lake Union, strongly supports my belief. Dr. Minder determined that students who attend all 12 grades in an Adventist school have approximately a 50 percent greater probability of joining and staying in the church than those who do not.

In light of this conclusion, I want to share some alarming statistics with you. According to the General Conference Board of Higher Education, only 50 percent of Adventist children attend an Adventist elementary school. In academy the percentage drops to 25 percent and in college it plunges to a mere eight percent.

And we wonder why our children are leaving the church . . .

Brothers and Sisters, I can't say it strongly enough: Adventist education is expensive but it pays eternal dividends!

In the Mid-America Union, we have committed ourselves to helping our academy and college students afford a Christian education. Please take time to read the brochure inserted in this issue of the *Outlook* which explains Project S.A.F.E. (Student Assistance for Eternity).

Project S.A.F.E. is a perpetual endowment fund that pays out only interest earned to reduce the cost of education in our boarding academies and at Union College.

I pray that you will support Project S.A.F.E. because I can't think of a better investment than the eternal salvation of our youth. Can You?

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July: *Wheatfields, clouds and sky paint the landscape of wind-swept North Dakota. Kathy Joy Erickson of Cleveland, North Dakota photographed this scene on the farm she shares with her husband, Steve, and their two children, Amy and Chad. Kathy graduated from Union College in 1975 with a B.S. in medical technology. She grew up near Pipestone, Minnesota.*

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Lady Liberty And The Cross

“As an image of hope and inspiration, she has no rivals. She has in fact become the universal symbol of mankind’s quest for freedom and fulfillment . . .

“As we prepare to unveil the newly restored Statue during its centennial year, we realize that it’s more than just a celebration honoring the Statue of Liberty. It’s time to *rejoice* in the enduring success of liberty. And it’s also a time to *remember*—to reflect on how it all came about, and to *renew* our dedication to the shining ideals it has symbolized for so many for so long.”

Thus states the introduction to *Liberty Weekend*, a publication prepared for the centennial celebration of the Statue of Liberty this month in New York City.

The Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Foundation raised over \$200 million to restore the Statue which the people of France gave to the U.S. a hundred years ago.

On July 3 and 4, fireworks will blossom above New York Harbor like surrealistic flowers in the night. Tall clipper ships from around the world will glide into the harbor, the breeze billowing their sails in the breathtaking poetry of an age gone by.

President Reagan will lead out in a special lighting ceremony and musical pageant that will be televised to millions of viewers.

In all of this extravaganza, however appropriate and enjoyable, it is well for us to remember the words of this beautiful hymn: “In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o’er the wrecks of time. All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.”

The Cross of Calvary completely eclipses the Statue of

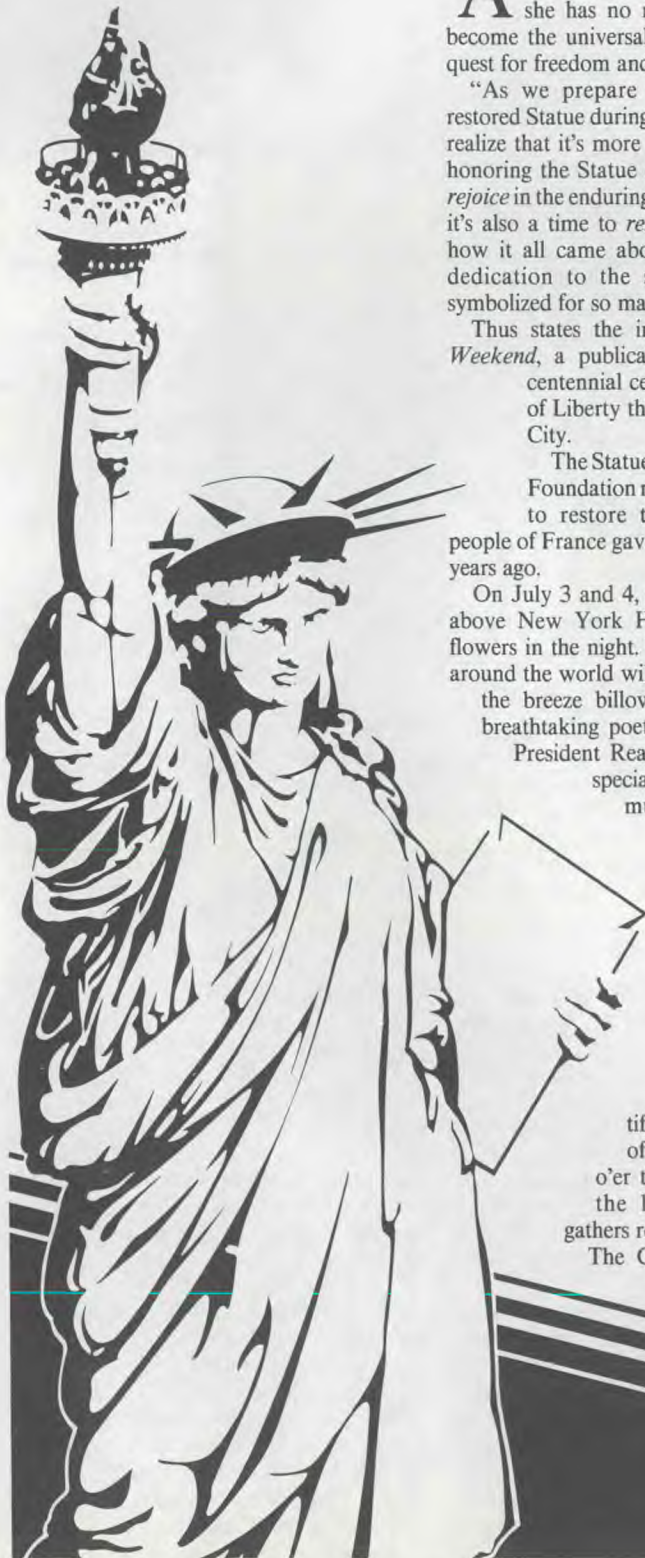
Liberty as the universal symbol of freedom because it promises liberty not from political oppression but from the bondage of sin and the condemnation of the law. It guarantees safe passage not to the promised land of America but to an eternal home in the heavenly Canaan.

Jesus said, “But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.” (John 12:32)

People who have never viewed the Statue of Liberty from the deck of an immigrant ship fleeing poverty and persecution in their native countries as well as those who have, can come to the foot of the Cross of Calvary and find eternal freedom and an everlasting home.

The Statue of Liberty had to be restored because time and elements had corroded it. We need to restore the Cross of Calvary as well in our church because legalism on the one hand and liberalism on the other have corrupted its timeless message: We can never be saved by keeping the law but the death of Christ does not give us liberty to willfully break it.

It is time for us to *rejoice* again in the liberty that the Cross of Calvary promises us. It is time to *remember* how Jesus came to our world and died for us. And, it is time to *renew* our dedication to the cross. —JLF





Neither snow nor lack of a car prevent Melvin Sheire from getting around the city of Lincoln. His guide dog, Joshua, assists with his mobility.

Do you know the best-kept secret in the Mid-America Union? Or the Seventh-day Adventist Church?

According to Elder Vernon Bretsch, president of Christian Record Braille Foundation, there's little doubt what institution is the best-kept secret in the church today.

"I'm amazed at how many Adventists are unaware that Christian Record is a General Conference institution of the Seventh-day Adventist Church," Bretsch explains. "We see evidence of this fact while visiting and sharing with the membership in North America what the ministry of Christian Record is all about."

Since assuming the leadership of Christian Record last August, Bretsch's primary thrust has been to implement the objectives of Harvest 90 and to better acquaint Adventists with Christian Record's unique ministry.

July 12 has been designated as Christian Record annual offering day. Those on the World Budget are encouraged to contribute to the plan. Funds received go to provide

John Treolo is director of public relations for the Christian Record Braille Foundation.

Christian Record Braille Foundation: A Secret No More

BY JOHN TREOLO

sectarian materials—Sabbath School lessons, correspondence courses and Spirit of Prophecy books—to blind and deaf Adventists or those wanting to know about our faith.

This year, Bretsch's prayer is that Christian Record will become a secret no more!

"Nearly one out of every 10 persons in this world is handicapped. Just think of the soul-winning potential during Harvest 90," Bretsch insists. "As the church reaches out to these persons through the free service Christian Record provides, and as the Holy Spirit directs, I'm certain that many, many once-handicapped individuals will be found in the New Jerusalem."

And that's what the ministry of Christian Record is all about: to introduce Jesus Christ to blind, deaf and other handicapped persons. Christian Record accomplishes this through braille, large-print and recorded magazines and books sent to over 80,000 persons worldwide in some 90 foreign countries.

Locally in the Mid-America Union, Christian Record is currently serving nearly 12,000 blind and deaf persons. Twelve district representatives in the Mid-America nine-state region personally visit the blind in their homes, offering encouragement, reading services, prayers and invitations to accept the One who will someday open their eyes and ears to a glorious eternity.

Melvin praises God

Melvin Sheire, now living in Lincoln, Nebraska, is just one blind Seventh-day Adventist in the Mid-America Union who praises God for directing him to "see" the greater light found in Jesus Christ.

Born blind in one eye and severely impaired in the other, Sheire was totally blind by age six. Blindness, however, wasn't Sheire's major obstacle as a child. His parents were both chronic alcoholics. His mother died when he was seven, and things went from bad to worse.

Reared in Janesville, Wisconsin, Melvin's father told him that unless he worked, he would have to go to an orphanage. So at age seven Melvin began a private enterprise career of making pot holders, not for his profit, but his father's.

"I would sell these pot holders in a tavern my father patronized. I'm not sure if customers bought these because they wanted them or because they felt sorry for

me," Sheire reflects. "My father would take the money and purchase more supplies and spend the rest on booze."

Because of his environment, Melvin survived as best he could. Stealing, drinking and deception became a way of life. But God also appealed to him.

"I asked my father to read the Bible to me. He made it through the first five chapters of Genesis, but when he came to the chapter on the Flood he tore up the Bible and threw it in the stove and told me if anybody believed in that garbage they should be shot," Sheire says with sadness on his face.

Little did his father realize at the time, but that act made his son all the more determined to know about the Bible. "I wanted to know what was in that Book that he didn't want me to know."

A short while later, his father no longer wanted to take care of him. Melvin recalls that between age eight and 16 he must have been in over 13 foster homes. Shifting from one home to the next made Melvin that much more confused about life and religion. On his own he kept studying different religions: Catholicism, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Confucianism, among others.

According to Sheire, none of these religions were able to satisfy his curiosity, especially about keeping God's true Sabbath. Melvin may have been searching, but God knew where he was all along.

First foster child

When Melvin reached 16, yet another foster home was arranged for him in Columbus, Wisconsin, under the care of Chuck and Ramona Trudy. Chuck was serving as assistant farm manager at Wisconsin Academy. Melvin was the first foster child the couple had ever had.

"When I told my father I was going to live with Seventh-day Adventists, he grabbed me by the arm and said, 'you will not go to live with Seventh-day Adventists,'" he recalls. "Those people are weird. They don't shave, don't take baths, don't comb their hair and they don't do anything on their Sabbath."

Taken aback, Melvin thought for a moment. Could his father be correct about Seventh-day Adventists? Melvin agreed to go to the Trudy home, thinking the first chance he got he would run away.

Melvin soon discovered the Trudys were

just regular people. "When they invited me to have worship with them, I was impressed that their readings followed the Bible. The Sabbath came and they invited me to church. Then on Sunday they offered to take me to the church of my choosing."

Impressed with their kindness, Melvin began attending Wisconsin Academy. During the summer before the start of his junior year, Melvin was baptized into the church.

Problems still plagued the teenager. Funds were minimal, and he wasn't able to enroll at the academy the next year. He went to public school. Before becoming an Adventist, Melvin had been a star wrestler. When his former coach saw him return to school, he invited Melvin to wrestle on the team again.

"I can't," Melvin told the coach. "I'm a Seventh-day Adventist and the matches are always on Friday nights."

Due to Melvin's expertise in the sport, the coach agreed to change all the matches if he would wrestle. This worked for a while but, during the state meets, the coach thought Melvin would give in and wrestle on Sabbath.

"I finally had to quit the team. Nobody would speak to me, but I was witnessing for God."

Melvin's engagement to a high-school sweetheart ended abruptly after he finished his secondary education. His life was at a low point. Suicide seemed to be the only way out.

"Before I could leap off a viaduct in Milwaukee, a man grabbed me and talked to me, calming me

down. No one else knew my plans. He told me that in two years I would be the happiest person in the world."

A year and a half later Melvin met his future wife, Mary. He firmly believes God sent that man at the right time to intervene in sparing his life.

Now the parents of two children, Melvin and Mary moved to Lincoln recently where he is pursuing a degree in psychology at the University of Nebraska. They are members of Piedmont Park SDA Church. Not only is Melvin thankful to God, he also expresses appreciation for the services supplied to him from the Christian Record Braille Foundation.

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Mary Pukey became a Seventh-day Adventist after becoming Christian Record's proofreader. Here, Mary stands next to the Braille Bible.

Fred Herrera, district representative for Christian Record in Colorado, canoes with a blind camper at Glacier View Ranch.



"I love you" is the signed message from this group of deaf campers at Broken Arrow Ranch in Kansas.

Christian Record Braille Foundation:
A Secret No More *continued*
Christian Record. I did not know at the time they were from Christian Record, but those magazines were a part of the materials I read.”

He currently receives the adult Sabbath School lessons in recorded form, allowing him to follow the daily lessons just like sighted members do.

Christian Record helped plant the seed in Melvin's life, the Trudy family

helped nurture it and the Holy Spirit did the rest. That's what Christian Record's ministry is all about.

Now you know the rest of the story. Christian Record Braille Foundation is a secret no more. ★

How To Aably Aid The Disabled

BY ANNE FITZPATRICK

I first met Bob when our two church choirs combined for a special service. His deep baritone voice was impressive, as was his strong and friendly bearing. I knew that he was blind, but as he sang the solo verses of “Be Not Afraid”, it was obvious that here was a man who saw himself in a brave light.

I went up to him after the service, and as I did, I saw him teetering on the edge of one of the choir steps. Did he know that he might trip and fall? I experienced a moment of frightened perplexity. Should I say something?

“Careful,” I finally said, “you’ll have to step down.”

“Don’t worry,” said Bob. “I see it.”

See it? I was surprised by his usage, and more surprises were in store as our family came to know Bob better. He invited us to his small apartment in a downtown high rise. Seeing him move about there, confidently making coffee, serving cookies, being a fully capable host, made me realize that I’d never known just how *able* the disabled can be. Correspondingly, I learned that I had a lot of prejudices—and anxieties—to overcome. If you’ve ever been around the blind, deaf or

paralyzed, perhaps you’ve also felt this need to learn new attitudes. Here’s what our friendship with Bob has helped me learn.

1. Know that the person is whole. Even though a person’s physical faculties may not be complete, he is nonetheless a whole person, with a heart and mind and soul. Don’t act as if the person’s intelligence is crippled. Bob often finds that people talk to him as if talking to a child, even going so far as answering his questions by directing their responses to the person with him. To avoid such condescension:

2. Learn to empathize. If you’re sitting with a group of people, just talking, close your eyes or pretend your body is paralyzed. Given what’s going on—a conversation—are you really handicapped at that moment? No, you’re just as able to participate as anyone. Teach yourself that in most situations the disabled aren’t disabled at all, and then you’re likely to feel more at ease.

3. Just the same, be ready to help. Would a blind person like to take your arm? Would someone in a wheelchair, unable to hold a book, like to be read to? You usually won’t offend by asking. Along this line:

4. Think about things you don’t

normally think about. For instance, don’t approach a blind person unannounced. Tell him who you are. If a deaf person can read lips, always take care to face him squarely as you speak, and enunciate clearly. If visiting a paralyzed person, or someone who has recently suffered a stroke, don’t stand or sit in a place that makes the person strain to face you.

5. Don’t fear thin skin. Disabled people I’ve known don’t normally take insult when none is intended. During a spirited discussion I once asked Bob, “But don’t you see?” I then gasped, Bob just laughed. The disabled need great courage simply to endure daily life. Have confidence in their deep strength.

6. Love as God loves—which is to love without pity. When you feel pity for people, you essentially feel that their hopes are much dimmer than yours. Your resulting feeling of superiority, however kindly, is usually false, especially when you pity the disabled. Hope belongs to them as much as to anyone. As I’ve learned from Bob, the blind are able to see God, the deaf able to hear Him, the crippled able to move freely into everlasting life.

Ultimately, the disabled are just as able as you and I to know God’s blessing. In this light, love them not with pity. Love them with respect. ★

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Pathfinders Collect One Million Pennies

BY FORDYCE KOENKE

Six months ago the Iowa-Missouri young people accepted the challenge of collecting 1,000,000 (1 million) pennies to construct restrooms and showers at Camp Heritage, Lake of the Ozarks.

They collected the pennies in many different ways. Some collected cans, some made collection jars for public places, some took time each Sabbath to remind the church members to check their pockets for pennies. There were special suppers, fund raisers, posters and buttons.

By February the project gained momentum. The people began to see the jars fill up. Some jars were large enough that with enough pennies in them they were difficult or impossible to move.

Each church, school, and Pathfinder club took pride in the amount of pennies collected. The reports were made in pounds (153 pennies per pound). As the "pounds" began to climb, the more excited the young people became. The total weight for one million pennies is almost 6,000 pounds.

Sunday, May 4, 1986, was the special high day of an exciting weekend camporee for 400 Pathfinders and staff.

The day began with a parade and ended with the young people dumping the pennies on the parking lot of the Citizens Bank of Climax Springs. As the pile grew, it was obvious that the goal was both reached and exceeded. According to our estimates, we collected 300,000 pennies above our goal.

It was exciting to see our young people successful in this campaign. As we invest in our young people, we invest in eternity. ★



Fordyce Koenke is the youth director for the Iowa-Missouri Conference.



Union College Theology Grad Baptizes Father

BY JAMES L. FLY

“Dad, as you come forth from the watery womb, you are a child of the King and of his bride, the church.”

—Tim Peterson

Today, it's common for the father to be in the delivery room for the birth of his son. But today is unusual because I, the son have the privilege of helping in the delivery of my father who is being born anew in Christ Jesus.

“Dad, as you come forth from the watery womb, you are a child of the King and of His bride, the church.”

Tim Peterson, a 1986 theology graduate of Union College, spoke these words before baptizing his father, Robert Peterson, in the College View Church on Sabbath, May 17.

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Baptizing his own father thrilled and surprised Tim more than his own baptism four years earlier, not to mention his graduation from Union College.

As a little boy, Tim attended church with his Adventist mother. When he was 12 years old, his parents divorced and Tim, along with his mother, stopped going to church altogether.

But Tim could not forget the lessons he had learned in Sabbath School. Several years later during summer vacation from high school, he felt impressed to start reading his Bible every day.

He continued to grow spiritually while attending Southeast Community College in Lincoln where he earned a degree in

electronics. Then, he travelled south to Houston, Texas, to work for an electronics firm.

One evening as Tim walked along a busy street, a billboard captured his attention. It read: “COMING SOON . . . JESUS CHRIST”. At the bottom of the message, Tim read the name Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Tears blurred his vision as he stared at the billboard but in his memory he could see himself as a young boy sitting in the primary Sabbath School room singing “Jesus Loves Me”.

When he returned to Lincoln a short time later, he began attending the College View Church and signed a card requesting Bible studies. One night he answered a knock on his door. A beaming Siegfried Roeske, associate professor of religion at Union College extended his hand and introduced himself.

“Call me Sig,” he said, with an easy familiarity that broke through the barrier of Tim's bashful nature.



Halfway through the studies, Roeske suggested, "Listen, Tim, why don't you come to some evangelistic meetings at the Capitol View church which are being held by some of my students. I know you would enjoy being with some fellows your own age."

At the end of the meetings Tim became

elementary education major from Coffeyville, Kansas. Together they spent a year in Korea as student missionaries. Later, they went to Colorado where Tim served as a task-force youth pastor.

In his senior year as one of Roeske's students, Tim conducted Revelation



Far left: Tim Peterson (standing) brought Curtis Lampe (left) and Robert Peterson (right) into the church through Revelation seminars he conducted as a theology student. Left: Tim Peterson and his wife, Sylvia, served together in Korea as student missionaries. Above: Siegfried Roeske, associate professor of religion at Union College, studied the Bible with Tim and invited him to an evangelistic seminar conducted by some of his students.

different my life would become. I'm convinced that God sent it directly to me because He has a plan for my life," says Curtis.

Two Revelation seminars

It took two Revelation seminars to convince Robert Peterson that he should join the Seventh-day Adventist Church. When he finally decided, he asked Tim to do the honors of baptizing him.

"I'm a handyman by trade and I can fix anything except a broken heart," the elder Peterson says, looking fondly at his son. Only the Lord can heal broken hearts but He chose Peterson's son, Tim, to be His instrument of healing.

"When I get discouraged, it helps me to look back and see how the Lord has worked in my life, and it's a double blessing to think about how He has led in the lives of other people like my wife, Sylvia, and my friend, Curtis.

"But it's especially gratifying to see how God has led in the life of my own father and to be able to help him come closer to the Lord," says Tim, who will study for his master of divinity degree at Andrews University next year.

And so both son and father are praising their Heavenly father for sending His Son who has reunited them not only as son and father, but also as brothers in the Lord. ★

Editor's note: Since Tim Peterson served for nearly a year as a student pastor in Colorado, the Rocky Mountain Conference gave him special permission to baptize his converts. The Kansas-Nebraska Conference extended the same privilege to Tim for the baptism of his father.

"I'm a handyman by trade and I can fix anything except a broken heart."

—Robert Peterson

convicted to join the church of his childhood.

A startling suggestion

Then Roeske suggested something else that startled him at first.

"Tim, why don't you come to Union College?"

Tim thought for a minute and scratched his head. "It costs too much, Sig. Besides, I've already got a career in electronics."

Roeske smiled at his young convert like an understanding father, and then pressed his point.

"Yes, I know, but maybe the Lord wants you to do something else, and if He does, He will provide the means."

Winter quarter found Tim Peterson studying theology at Union College.

His four years at Union brought many new experiences and relationships into his life. He met and married his wife, Sylvia, an

seminars. Two very special people who came to these seminars ripened into some of the firstfruits of his young ministry.

One of them was his father and the other a young man named Curtis Lampe who reminded Tim of himself and became his best friend. Curtis joined the church after the seminar and also began attending Union College where he has been studying religion and computer science. He will spend next school year in Haiti, however, as a student missionary.

Curtis, a native Nebraskan who grew up in the Lutheran Church and like Tim graduated from Southeast Community College in electronics, marvels at the way God led him through an invitation in the mail.

"It's amazing how receiving one piece of paper in the mail can change your life. When I received the invitation to Tim's Revelation seminar, I had no idea how



Adventist Education— The Only Option

BY MARVIN LOWMAN

The 1985-86 school year is now history. Before the new school year begins in August a decision will have to be made by parents who have school-age children. Where will I send my child to school next year? Aren't public schools good enough? Is it really worth the extra money to send them to church school?

I'll be the first to admit that there are many dedicated Christian people teaching in public schools. And not all church school teachers are perfect. Parents who live in small rural communities often tell me they know the public school teachers personally where their children attend. But who has the greater influence on your child in the public school—teacher or classmates? Can you guarantee the influence that other classmates will have on your child?

Is there an acceptable alternative to Seventh-day Adventist education for the Seventh-day Adventist child? Let me answer the question with a question. When was the last time you heard of a young person from a Seventh-day Adventist home being baptized as a result of being led to Christ in a public school by a public school teacher? When was the last time your local public school conducted a Week of Prayer to draw students closer to Jesus?

Example: The Spring Week of Prayer was held at Dakota Adventist Academy May 2-10. Bob Bretsch and Terry Bock, pastors of the College View church in Lincoln, Nebraska, in their appealing style, led the students to see the importance of being a true Christian instead of hiding behind a fake mask of nominal Christianity. Along with their two chapel talks each day, they spent time talking with students in Bible classes and in the dormitories.

The influence of Christian staff members on students and stu-

dents on other students has prepared the way for a real spiritual uplifting to take place on the campus. A baptismal class conducted by the Bible teacher/campus pastor, Elder Marshall Bowers, has resulted in four student baptisms. On Sabbath afternoon, May 10, Liz Larrabee, Cheryl Rowland, Jon Tebelius and George Tebelius surrendered their lives to Jesus through baptism. Before each young person was baptized, a special song was sung. At the close, the entire student body formed a large circle in the chapel and sang "Side By Side We Stand" as a commitment to be together when Jesus returns to take us home.

Where will your child attend school next year? Will your child have such an opportunity?

Marvin G. Lowman, Communication Director, Dakota Conference.

Doctor Wins Souls

BY MARVIN G. LOWMAN



Marion C. Barnard, M.D.

Marion C. Barnard, M.D., a Seventh-day Adventist physician from Bakersfield, California, was the featured speaker at the 1986 Health Care Retreat in the Dakota Conference. The retreat is held each year at Dakota Adventist Academy especially for Adventist medical and dental personnel as an opportunity of learning new ways to serve the spiritual needs of individuals as well as the physical.

Dr. Barnard, who still has an active practice though past the normal age of retirement, conducts regular Bible studies in his home and has been instrumental in leading many people to Christ.

Dr. Barnard's clinic waiting room has only Christian literature available for reading. Nurses and assistants are trained to watch for those who show an interest in spiritual things. When one series of studies is concluded there is always a list of new people waiting to attend the next series.

Church Organist Honored



Amy Stuart receives Outstanding Service plaque at Bismarck, North Dakota.

Amy Stuart, Bismarck Seventh-day Adventist Church organist, was recently presented with a plaque for outstanding service. Stuart has served as church organist for the past 15 years and is presently head organist. Lana Halmrast, Arlys Stampka, and Lorraine Stilwell are her assistants. Halmrast made the presentation.

Amy said the first time she played the organ was at Sheyenne River Academy, Harvey, North Dakota. "They had an old pump organ that one could pump or someone could stand at the side and crank it," Amy laughed. "In 1944 when I took organ lessons there, the music instructor, D. Robert Edwards, put his own Hammond organ in the music studio for us to use."

Prior to moving to Bismarck in 1969, Amy served as church organist for 13 years at the Minot church. Her life has centered around the organ. She even met her husband, Allan, while serving as organist in Kansas City, Missouri, where he was a member of the choir. They have worked together in music ever since. Allan is now choir director for the Bismarck church.

Disaster Child Care

BY MARVIN LOWMAN

The Dakota Conference hosted two Disaster Child Care Training Workshops recently in Mandan, North Dakota and Pierre, South Dakota. The purpose is to train potential "care-givers" to work with children at the time of disaster.

When disaster occurs—natural or otherwise—family routines are often disrupted, parents face tasks which are difficult and demanding. Most children do not have a clear understanding of what has happened and need special care to help them through the experience. It is a great relief to parents and a help to children to have professional child care consultants on hand to assist in the situation.

The Church of the Brethren developed the Disaster Child Care Program in 1979 and since then have trained "care-givers" from many denominations. Trainers Roma J Thompson and Marlene Neher, either separately or together, have conducted about 50 training programs. There are 10 other trainers and over 750 "care-givers" have now been prepared for this special service. Seventeen were trained in the Dakota workshops.

Since 1979, Disaster Child Care-givers have responded to forty-two disasters and have cared for over 13,000 children.



Mariene Neher displays paintings made by child victims of disaster.



Cooking School In Mandan

The Mandan Community Services completed their seventh Cooking and Nutritional Class. The success of the venture speaks for itself as the enrollment rises with each class including several

men. People continue to ask when we will have the next class.

Alice Pierson of Redfield, South Dakota, was the instructor and was assisted by Ruth Chase and other ladies of the church.



Kitchen crew, front: Esther Walker, Helen Gussner, Alice Pierson, Ruth Chase, Beatrice Schrenk. Back: Linda Soules, Sherrie Vliet, Corkey Gordon, Linda Rohrich, and Hazel Pierson.



Left to right are: James and Cindy Sperling with Tyler Scott and older brother Dustin; Jeff and Sally Bertsch with Melissa Sue and Amanda Sue, and Pastor A. Hiebert.

church and feel an increasing need to have Christ's help and blessing in this important task.

Tyler Scott was dedicated to the Lord by his parents, James and Cindy Sperling, and his grandparents, Richard and Delia Kungel, who took part in the dedication. Melissa Sue and Amanda Sue were dedicated to the Lord by their parents, Jeff

and Sally Bertsch. Their grandparents, Clifford and Janice Bertsch, and Ron and Lou Lang also took part.

The Lord promises: "I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children." Isaiah 49:25.

Arthur Hiebert, pastor, Kulm church.

Children Dedicated

BY ARTHUR HIEBERT

Members of the Kulm church

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Neighbors and Associates"



"Kids For Christ" In Greeley

BY OPAL JOSEPH



The Greeley Pathfinders recently held five evangelistic meetings called "Kids for Christ" in their school auditorium. The boys and girls presented Christ-centered Bible studies, health demonstrations and musical numbers. The average attendance was 100 each night. Seven requests for baptism were turned in at the close of the meetings. The youth also fulfilled the Pathfinder requirement of the Bible Evangelism Honor by personally inviting five people.



Kami Smith presented the dangers of alcohol.



Josh Bright presented a Bible topic.



Fawn Meyer and Wendy Dorn demonstrated "Smoking Sam".

Opal Joseph, communication secretary, Greeley church.



Church Building Expanded

BY PAUL VERCIO

At last! The time has come. It's really here. After three years of saving and planning, an addition to the Worland, Wyoming church was started on May 1. It will include a school room, three Sabbath School rooms, a community service room, and a much-needed storeroom.

Paul Vercio, pastor, Worland church.



Busy Pathfinders

BY STAN PATTERSON

The Cheyenne Cougars are an active and growing Pathfinder Club! The club was loosely organized in time to go to Camp

Hale in Colorado last summer. In February of this year the club was officially organized under the able leadership of directors Rick and Mary Davies who formerly were Pathfinder leaders in the Portland, Oregon area. Assistant directors are Felix and Evon Alicea, who were baptized in 1985 into the Cheyenne church. Others volunteering their valuable skills and time are Kathy MacDonald, Fred Culek and Dee Garcia.

On March 15 Elder Bob Reynolds visited the Cheyenne church and shared in the Pathfinder Day celebration. Pathfinders conducted the worship service and Elder Reynolds served as guest speaker. At 2:00 in the afternoon Pathfinders as well as students from the Cheyenne Elementary School took part in our annual investiture service. Honors and awards were presented for achievements made during 1985. Eight Master Guides were present to congratulate and invest the candidates.

Special honor was given to our oldest Master Guide, Edna Hedeem. She doesn't remember the exact date of her Investiture as Master Guide, but she said it was in the Southern California Conference in the 1940s. She is nearly 90 years old!

On May 4 the Cheyenne Cougars attended the Wyoming Pathfinder Fair in Casper. All the members participated in the events and won several awards. The greatest award was, however, the chance to meet new Pathfinder friends from around Wyoming and gather new ideas for improving the club in the coming year.



Cheyenne, Wyoming Pathfinders in full dress uniform. Edna Hedeem, center, is the "oldest Pathfinder"—soon to turn 90!

Stan Patterson, pastor, Cheyenne church.



**Adventist
Health System**

AHS Wins Award

During their recent awards banquet, the Julesburg Chamber of Commerce gave the citizenship award to Adventist Health Systems. Nominations for this award are accepted from the general public, and the chamber of commerce board of directors makes the final selection.

Adventist Health Systems is currently under a management contract to administer the hospital and nursing home complex. In addition, they have been active in recruiting medical expertise for the area.

During the past year under AHS, the Julesburg hospital has been able to make an almost \$100,000 turn-around in the financial outlook of the facilities.

AHS was the first organization to be recognized by the chamber of commerce at their awards meeting.

Replacing Lost Teeth

A procedure for replacing lost natural teeth with permanent artificial teeth is being offered at Porter Memorial Hospital's day surgery center. The implant system and instrumentation were developed by Professor Per-Ingvar Branemark, M.D., Ph.D., a Swedish researcher and head of the Institute for Applied Biotechnology in Gothenburg, Sweden.

The system, trademarked BIOTES, involves the insertion of tiny titanium fixtures, similar to screws, into the jawbone. The pure titanium has a characteristic called osseointegration, forming direct structural and functional connection with living bone tissue.

The procedure will be performed on an outpatient basis in two stages, the first stage at

PMH's day surgery under local or general anesthesia, and the second in a dental office under local anesthesia.

"Work Wise"

Porter Memorial Hospital has introduced a new worker's compensation and occupational health program to Denver businesses. Called "Work Wise", the program provides fast access to medical care at PMH for employees of participating companies, and helps reduce the employers' paperwork.

In addition to emergency and outpatient medical care, Work Wise offers pre-employment physicals through physicians on the PMH staff, vision and hearing screening, customized health education programs and pharmacy discounts.

Volunteers Honored

SMMC has named Betty Dawson as its Volunteer of the Year reports Roma Armbruster, Director for Volunteer Services at the medical center.

Mrs. Dawson has given more than 2,300 hours to the medical center since joining the volunteer corps in November 1972.

In addition to her work as a volunteer, Mrs. Dawson has been very active in the SMMC Auxiliary, which raises funds for various hospital needs.

Kathy Shiflett has been named Outstanding Junior Volunteer for 1986 by SMMC. Ms. Shiflett, 18, is a senior at Shawnee Mission Northwest High School. Ms. Shiflett has donated more than 1,200 hours of service to SMMC.



MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
BOULDER

Hospital Week

In order to continue strengthening ties with the community it serves, several programs were

planned to attract visitors to the hospital during National Hospital Week, held May 11-16. On Wednesday, May 14, public tours of the hospital were conducted, featuring demonstrations of the laser surgery and digital subtraction angiography equipment, and the newly completed third floor Physical Medicine area. Following the tours, guests were invited to choose from six free health tests, including glucose, health age appraisal, body fat, hearing, blood pressure, posture, and cancer counseling. On Thursday, the editors and executive staff of the local newspaper, *The Daily Camera*, were invited to the hospital for a luncheon and tour, resulting in a new awareness of the wide range of services available at Memorial. Thursday was also employee appreciation day. Employees toured the new Physical Medicine area, and were served refreshments. A full page ad appeared in the newspaper listing all employees by name, thanking them for their loyal service. Thursday evening, the annual service awards banquet was held, honoring employees who have served five, ten, 15 and 20 years.

The hospital auxiliary celebrated its 25th anniversary with a banquet luncheon on April 24, Volunteer Director, Dorothy Babcock, a past president of the auxiliary, organized the event with the aid of auxiliary president Mary McGowen. The auxiliary was organized in 1961 by Edna Fay Campbell, an important hospital benefactor. Six of the original charter members were present at the anniversary luncheon. The program included a handbell choir, and a delightful fashion show featuring clothing fashions of the 1960's. Memorial's President, Warren M. Clark, presented awards to auxiliary members for total hours donated, and expressed appreciation for their dedication.

The Lincoln Norris Legacy

BY EDWIN GALLAGHER

When Lincoln Norris suffered his second heart attack at home one day in October, 1981, every-

thing was not about to end. In fact, something special was about to begin.

Mr. Norris, resuscitated by paramedics, was brought to Porter Memorial Hospital, a Seventh-day Adventist institution in Denver, Colorado.

Says Mrs. Norris, a nurse for 45 years, "Chaplain Don Ham met me at the door. He took me to a private meeting room and sat with me. He imposed absolutely nothing on me, but was available for whatever I wanted and needed.

"Lincoln was taken to the Intensive Care Unit. Chaplain Ham guided me to where Lincoln was, showed me a room where I could lie down and rest, and brought me pillows and refreshments. Not until I was settled and waiting for the cardiologist did he leave."

Through the terrible "aleness" of this time, and of Mr. Norris's death 12 days later, Mrs. Norris became more and more impressed with the concern of the chaplain and other hospital personnel. She had never seen the kind of care received at Porter.

In the days and nights that followed, Mrs. Norris's mind was gripped with the idea of doing something that would perpetuate the kind of atmosphere she had experienced. She was also looking for a memorial suited to her husband's uniquely energetic and loving personality.

Mrs. Norris shared her thoughts about a memorial with Chaplain Dick Cathell, and together they arrived at the idea of setting up a fund to sponsor annual seminars for clergy and health care professionals. The seminars would highlight the emotional needs of patients and their families, and address ways in which these needs could be met. So with ready support from family friends and relatives, the Lincoln Norris Memorial Fund was established. Each of the four all-day seminars held to date has attracted a maximum attendance.

"Lincoln would appreciate the Fund," says Mrs. Norris, who is now a volunteer at Porter.

*Edwin Gallagher, staff writer,
Porter Memorial Hospital.*



Camp Meeting Memories



Ordination Service. Left to right: David and Nancy Penno, Pat and Margret Stout, Chester and Cindy Schurch, Russell and Laura Jensen.

The Adventist Book Center was a busy place.



Keynote speaker was Lewis Walton of California.



Health lectures were conducted by Dr. Agatha Thrash.



Dan Matthews, director of Faith For Today.



Glaucoma Testing

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Special Music by the Shepherdess Choir.





Baptisms At Clinton



Ten new members were added to the Clinton, Missouri church through baptism and profession of faith following a seven-week evangelistic crusade conducted by Pastor and Mrs. Clay Peck. Pictured from left to right: Clay and Selene Peck, Mary Todd, Betty Cain, Loyal and Elizabeth Miller, Junior Miller, Scott Miller, Tom Miller, Sally and Mel Schnieder. (Not pictured Joyce Schmidt.)

Conference Rally

BY JEAN POLLARD



Pictured are the conference office personnel involved in the Rally.

May 3 was Conference Rally Day at Branch Memorial Seventh-day Adventist church. A meeting was held in the sanctuary after morning services and following a fellowship hour and dinner.

W. D. Wampler, President of the Iowa-Missouri Conference, spoke on behalf of the churches in different areas. A film, "The

Open Cathedral", was shown and then questions were answered pertaining to the film. Elder Wampler asked, "What are we doing as a church to draw people to Christ?" He asked us to take an inventory of ourselves.

The bookmobile with literature and foods was available for everyone's convenience Sabbath evening.

Jean Pollard, communication secretary, Branch Memorial church.

SPECIAL EVENT—The "Good News" is better than you think! A review of the 1888 Message—Righteousness by Faith. Robert J. Weiland, speaker. August 1-3, Friday evening, 7:00 p.m.-noon, Sunday. Fellowship meals, book sale, questions and answers, church homes to stay in (RSVP). Joplin SDA Church, 1501 Kansas, Joplin, MO. Call (417) 623-1570.



Knoxville Jays at Penny Parade—Climax Springs.

Penny Campaign Succeeds

The spring Camporee, May 2-4, 1986 was a weekend long to be remembered by the Pathfinders of all ages. It was the best ever attended with 400 Pathfinders and staff members present.

John Thurber, Mid-America Union youth director, was our guest speaker and shared with us some of the experiences he had with H. M. S. Richards when he sang with the Voice of Prophecy.

Sunday morning the Pathfinders were pounding nails, tying knots, marching and identifying mammals, and preparing for the

parade and penny dump. The girls saw their new showers and restrooms being built for future use with the money from the penny campaign. Also, on Sunday morning 47 acres were donated to the camp by Alvin and Meta Ortner. Then came the big events of the weekend—the parade and the penny dump! The pennies—1,300,000—were dumped on the parking lot of the Citizens Bank at Climax Springs.

It was an exciting weekend and we want to thank all who helped.

Camp Heritage Enlarged



Pictured are Tom Evans, conference treasurer, Alvin Ortner, donor, Bill Wampler, conference president, Fordyce Koenke, youth director.

Camp Heritage and the young people of Iowa-Missouri have been blessed by the fine work and committed spirit of Alvin and Meta Ortner.

On May 4, 1986 the Ortners donated 47 acres of property adjacent to the present camp.

This property enlarged the camp by one-fourth and also provided a much needed buffer area for the Green Cathedral and boys camp area. We would like to thank Alvin and Meta Ortner for their commitment to the young people of Iowa and Missouri.



A Farewell

BY IVORY CHALMERS

A farewell program was given to G. H. Taylor and family Saturday night, March 22, at the Park Hill church in Denver, the birthplace of Elder Taylor. Testimonials were given by Albert Groves, Gerald Christmas, Glenwood Bryant of Community church and Thelma Butler. Program highlights included musical selections from Master of Ceremonies Daryl Robinson, a youth singing group, Just A Portion, and Terry Coleman, a poem recited by George Nealy and a gift from the church presented by Albert Groves.

Elder Taylor and family will be relocating in Kansas City, Missouri, where he will serve as pastor and Sabbath School director for the conference. The

Taylor family will be missed as they move to another of God's vineyards.



Albert Groves presenting a gift to Dorothy Taylor.



Youth singing group, Just a Portion.

Ivory Chalmers, communication secretary, Park Hill church.

SDAs Trained For Disaster

BY MAGNOLIA HARRIS

The St. Louis Area Disaster Emergency Services (SLADES), organized by the St. Louis area churches, held an "Introduction to Disaster" class. Pastor Thurman Petty of the St. Charles and West County churches arranged for the class, taught by the American Red Cross, to be held at the Hillcrest SDA School.

The instructors informed SLADES members of some of the important issues of dealing with disaster. Approximately forty people listened as the instructor touched upon medical needs, food, clothing and shelter that are needed in a disaster. The

message given at the class is clear, that "when disaster strikes there is no place for the unskilled". The SLADES training committee with Lee Carrell as chairman, has planned more classes in the future.

Magnolia Harris, communication secretary, Kirkwood church.

Mayor Attends Guest Day

BY LEON MARTIN

Sabbath, April 5, was a high day in the history of the Kinloch church. This was our spring Community Guest Day and we were blessed with many friends who came to worship with us. Among the distinguished guests in our

midst was the Mayor of Kinloch, the Honorable Bernard Turner. During the worship service he read a proclamation declaring that day as Seventh-day Community Guest Day in Kinloch and also related that as a boy he attended our church weekly with a now-deceased member.

The message of the hour was delivered by our pastor, Elder B. T. Rice, who spoke about the significance of the Sabbath observance. The day came to a climax during the AY hour as we were blessed with the Fiddmont Singers in concert.

Leon Martin, communication secretary, Kinloch church.

The Torch Is Passed

BY GORDON SIMS, SR.



Omaha Sharon church was blessed April 12, with the introduction of their new pastor, E. Slocumb, Jr., shown above. Pastor Slocumb was introduced to the waiting congregation by their former pastor, W. S. Lee. Below: the Gospel Tones, a new quartet at the church, gave special music to welcome Elder Slocumb and family.



Gordon Sims, Sr., communication secretary, Omaha Sharon church.

Investment Program

BY CAROLYN MONK

With the able and enthusiastic leadership of Sister Lessie Griffin, Linwood Boulevard church raised \$2,600 for Investment in 1985. Sister Griffin's inspirational example involved a sacrificial project. By saving the cost of new hat purchases, she was able to give \$250. Elder Vivian Roofe, an eighty-two year old senior citizen, baked and sold bread, raising \$250. Brother Walter Williams, a church deacon, gave weekly to Investment, beyond his tithe and other offerings. His total was \$800. Sister Griffin challenges Linwood to 100% participation in 1986.

Carolyn Monk, communication secretary, Linwood Boulevard Temple.

Health Emphasized

BY JUAN STRICKLAN

The members of the Beacon Light church celebrated their annual Community Guest Day, March 22. Guests and visitors were treated with special care and attention, as each received a free copy of *Message* magazine, a nutritious vegetarian meal and free blood pressure screening. Thanks to qualified nurses Helen Kanion and her daughter Neva Artis, church members and guests were brought to a new awareness of their health condition as they went through the medical van.

Other highlights of the day included presentations from Leisa Reid on the value of Christian education, Sister Pettway on the service of the Better Living Center, Neva Artis on how to understand what blood pressure is and Juan Stricklan on the features and benefits of the 5-day Plan to Stop Smoking.

Juan Stricklan, communication secretary, Beacon Light church.

The only way to get others to God is to first get to Him yourself.



Faribault News Notes

BY TERRI FREEMAN

• The Faribault church recently witnessed several children being dedicated to the Lord. Dominic and Heidi DeCoux, the children of Curtis and Laurie DeCoux, Anthony Rathai, son of Gary and Brenda Rathai, and Bambi Weed, daughter of Louise Stadler, were all dedicated by Elder Don Burgeson.



Don Green baptized by Pastor Kevin Brown.

• The church had the privilege of involvement in the baptism of Don Green. Don had Bible studies with several church members as well as Pastor Kevin Brown.

• Minnesota Conference president, Earnest Lutz, visited the Faribault church this spring and ordained Darwin Geyer as head deacon.

• During March and April the Faribault Community Services gave away 1,292 items of clothing, donated 81 hours, and handed out 163 pieces of literature.

• A Vacation Bible School was scheduled for the last week in June.

Terri Freeman, communication secretary, Faribault church.

"Helping Your Child Learn"

BY MARILYNE SAYLER

Duane and Marion Madden, principal and teacher respectively at the Thief River Falls Elementary School, and parents of Jamie, 14, and Jodi, 12, were featured speakers at a recent meeting of the monthly Adven-

tures in Family Living series sponsored by the Thief River Falls church.

The Maddens gave a sensitive and in-depth presentation on the topic, "Helping Your Child Learn". They addressed such theoretical concepts as the functions and development of the right and left hemispheres of the brain and the relationships that right and left-sided dominance have on learning. They identified three problem areas in our current society which are contributing to unbalanced development in children: television, lack of reading, and families being too busy to talk together.

Their presentation also included several practical suggestions for parents who are interested in developing the full learning potential of their children. Citing counsel from the Spirit of Prophecy, Mr. and Mrs. Madden shared a sobering challenge—that children need to see their parents studying and praying. "It is a law both of the intellectual and the spiritual nature that by beholding we become changed." *Great Controversy*, page 555.



Duane Madden



Marion Madden

Marilyne Sayler, communication secretary, Thief River Falls church.

Cuisine Of Mission Land

BY MARILYNE SAYLER



Eleanor Cross, standing right center, poses with her Junior Sabbath School class.

Eleanor Cross, leader of the Thief River Falls junior Sabbath School division, hosted a dinner for the students and teachers. Because the recent quarter's mission emphasis was for the Far Eastern Division, Mrs. Cross prepared a traditional Chinese meal to expose the children to that culture. Deco-

rations around the dining area were from Okinawa and chop sticks were used for the meal. "I think that noting the cultural differences surrounding the serving of a meal helped to make the mission field a bit more real to the children," comments Mrs. Cross. "Besides that, we just had a lot of fun!"

Health Message On Radio-TV

BY MARILYNE SAYLER



Panelists included, left to right, Paul Bortnem, chaplain of Northwest Medical Center, Pastor David Girardin, and Dan Cole, pastor of the Assembly of God church.

David Girardin, pastor of the Crookston and Thief River Falls churches was recently featured on a local radio and T.V. station as part of a panel dealing with "chemical dependency". The program allowed Girardin to discuss the Adventist health message and also some of the resources which the church has developed to assist in preventing and overcoming chemical dependency.



Pictured left to right: Myrtle Christensen (grandmother), Angela Christensen, Pastor Don Thompson, Vanessa Christensen, Larry and Simone Christensen (parents), Jacob Christensen.

Children Dedicated

BY CHRISTINE PETERSEN

A child dedication ceremony was held at the Fergus Falls church conducted by Pastor Donald Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Christensen praise the Lord for their children, Vanessa, Jacob, and infant Angela, and have dedicated them to God and His service.

Christine Petersen, communication secretary, Fergus Falls church.



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Do You Remember When?



From time to time we receive pictures from out of our past history. The one below, which was sent to the conference archives by Pastor Herman Guy, shows those who attended a 'colporteur institute' at Iola, Kansas, in 1918. The picture was taken by Carl A. Beckner. Is there anyone out there who can identify any of the individuals? We'd like to hear from you! Teddric Mohr, Kansas-Nebraska Conference, 3440 Urish Road, Topeka, Kansas 66614-4601. Telephone: (913) 478-4726.



Jeanetta Cole

90 Years

BY CURTIS DALE

Jeanetta Cole, a member of the Nebraska City church, celebrated her 90th birthday on May 30. An enthusiastic Sabbath School teacher, she attends church and prayer meeting regularly, a real inspiration to many of us much younger!

Curtis Dale, pastor, Nebraska City church.



At the recently opened Elm Creek Emergency Services Center, Mrs. Delores Johnson and Janet Westlake display clothing all ready for distribution. The Center workers are to be commended for the great program they are carrying on.

Community Service Center Is Born

BY SUSAN SANDOVAL

In September 1985, action was taken to start a community service center. We started from scratch and much work had to be done. One thing we did have was a building, originally the Elm Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church School. For over thirty years it had been actively involved in the Christian education of many children. The doors were closed in 1982 and it stood empty and lonely waiting to be of use again. (Actually, it was doing what all empty, abandoned buildings do—falling apart.) The Lord showed us the "need". The caring church began to work,

and the "old school house" again filled a purpose.

Remodeling got off to a good start in January, 1986 with the help of members of the community and church. Volunteers scrubbed floors and walls. Painting crews freshened up faded woodwork and put up paneling and new ceilings. Partitions were built and dressing rooms installed.

Jerry Kane of the Kearney Hub came and took pictures and wrote about what he had seen. The article helped to establish who we are and what we are doing. After seeing the Hub article, the AP contacted Clair Olson for permission to run it. In turn, stores were willing to help with discounts and donations for materials needed to clean, paint, and remodel.

The enthusiasm caught on in the rest of the community. Other churches have become involved. This really is a "community" project, sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, but backed by the other churches and community members in Elm Creek. Through the perseverance of Pastor Bill Colburn, Mrs. Olson, Reuben Johnson, Mel Sandoval, and many others, a "community" service center was born.

Susan Sandoval, communication secretary, Elm Creek church. Norman Taylor, photographer.



Rueben Johnson, one of the founders of the new Elm Creek Emergency Services Center provides clothing for a young recipient.

Ingathering Wins Souls



In organizing for the 1985 Ingathering, the Eureka church set as the number one priority the winning of souls for Jesus. They rejoiced when the Fowler family of 3, Clifford, Phyllis and Ginger were baptized as the result of Ingathering. Also baptized were Dallas and Rhonda Purkeypile, (on the left) students at Eureka Adventist School, with Pastor Harry Sharp.

A Loyal P.V.A. Family



The family of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Cowin have set a record which will be difficult to match. They have seven (7) children, all of whom have graduated, and/or are enrolled at Platte Valley Academy. From the left: Mr. Cowin; Susan, '80; Nancy, '82; Jeanette, '85; Connie '88 (sophomore); and Judy Sloan, a friend. Former graduates, not pictured: Tom, '79; Julie, '77; and John, '75. All seven have attended (or are bound for) Union College.

Music For Vespers

BY PHILIP MARINO



The College View Academy band, a flute duet, brass trio and clarinet quartet, under the direction of Ray Ostrander, performed a special vespers program at Lincoln's Capital View Church. Vespers also included a short sermon by Doug Brown, associate pastor of the College View Church, who gave an account of the role of music in the spiritual life.

Philip Marino, communication secretary, Capital View church.



Student Financial Aid

With today's economics and the government's diminishing role in education, the financial aid a college can incorporate in its marketing is critical to drawing students to an institution.

Union College has offered, from time to time, various types of financial packages. For the coming school year Union offers two new plans:

Tuition Incentive Program

In order to maximize enrollment for the fall semester the college is offering financial incentives for current students to return in the fall and also to recruit additional students from their home states.

This incentive program is hinging on two prime factors: The conservative projection of 600 FTE (Full-time Equivalent) students returning to Union next school year, and the projection list of FTE students from each state.

The program works this way. Suppose the FTE minimum projected for North Dakota is 10 and 5 extra students enroll from that state for next school year. To calculate how much tuition reduction each North Dakota student will receive, multiply 5 (FTE excess for North Dakota) by \$3,180 (Tuition per semester). That amounts to \$15,900. Then divide that amount by the total FTE students from the state. In this case each North Dakota student will receive a \$1,060 tuition reduction grant for the next school year if the 5 additional students remain at Union the entire school year.

Awards are contingent upon the total FTE exceeding 600; and only full-time students are eligible for the awards. If all the states meet and exceed their FTE minimum, each student will receive an award from his/her state's total divided by the number of students from that state. However, those states that do not meet or exceed their FTE minimum will not be penalized or awarded. They'll just pay the regular tuition rate.

Students from outside the Mid-America Union Conference can collectively participate as an entity equivalent to one of the Conference states. Similarly foreign students who comprise 10% of Union's enrollment are also entitled to join this incentive program.

Degree Enrichment Program

This is a plan to attract the growing population of non-traditional students. Under this program anyone with a baccalaureate degree from any accredited U.S. college can work toward a second degree at half tuition on a space-available basis. These students are not required to take a full class load, but would need to declare a major and take those subjects pertaining to the major.

In tandem to this enrichment program is another existing program exclusively for Union graduates called **Guaranteed Education Program**. This program simply offers free tuition for Union graduates who return to Union, two years after graduation, for a second degree.

UNITE

UNITE is Union's Initiative for Total Education, an innovative program started five years ago that has worked well for the college and the students. It is a comprehensive program that first takes into consideration the financial contributions from four sources: parents, student work, external resources, and the federal and state grants and loans. The difference between the the sum of these contributions and Union's tuition is made up by a grant from the college. UNITE also offers incentives for payment in advance.

The introduction of UNITE program necessitated the discontinuation of an earlier program which gave discounts to siblings who enrolled at the same time. UNITE offers more to each sibling than the previous program since an increase in siblings attending Union often decreases the amount of parental support, a key factor UNITE takes into consideration.

The Old And The New In Teacher Ed



In this day of "new" and "improved", Union College not only teaches its student teachers to cope with the modern techniques but also with old-time methods and situations. It does this through an innovative teacher-education program, now ten years old, that prepares teachers to handle single-grade as well as multi-grade classrooms.

George Stone Laboratory School began as an answer to a serious problem. Although Union College had a fine, accredited teacher education program, graduates were not prepared to handle multi-grade situations, yet most schools in the midwestern area were these kinds of schools. Teachers had to be hired from outside the union and trained for the old-fashioned one-room school.

This dilemma perplexed Dr. Virginia Simmons, professor of education at Union College. She, along with others in the education department, undertook the task of recreating a setting in which Union College education students could practice in a multi-grade setting. They developed a two-pronged program. Hence, George Stone Laboratory School was born.

Housed in one classroom on the college campus, this unique school has 24 to 26 students in grades one through eight. They are taught by two teachers, since the daily interaction with student teachers causes additional work. The students in George Stone School work together and learn how to cooperate in both a learning setting and a social sense. The school is popular: there is a waiting list, and some prospective

students are on this list who are not yet born!

This type of teacher training is valuable for Union College students because it gives them a preparation applicable to both Seventh-day Adventist and public schools. Graduates from this program actually prefer to remain in the Mid-America Union, where probably 95% of the schools are multi-grade situations. And since the midwest public school system still boasts schools of this type as well, Union College students have a favorable advantage in seeking teaching positions. No other teacher training institution in the midwest offers this type of program.

Students in the George Stone Laboratory School certainly don't suffer from this experimental setting. After several months in the program, students consistently score above the 90th percentile on the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills. They have available a wider-than-normal range of learning experiences as they learn from their teachers, the teacher trainees, and each other.

In addition, this training school was highly commended by a visiting evaluation team from the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

To step into the George Stone classroom is to experience just one more way in which Union College attempts to meet the needs of its students and prepare them for a better life here and for eternity.



UNION COLLEGE



MFI Takes Lincoln Project

Three Nebraska Adventist building contractors, all members of Maranatha Flights International, have teamed up to supervise the construction of a new People's City Mission for the homeless in Lincoln, Nebraska this fall.

Marlyn Schwartz, Charles Henkelmann and Calvin Krueger hope at least 50-60 Maranatha volunteers will join them along with many other Christian volunteers from the Lincoln area to build the 22,000-square foot, \$900,000 facility.

The new building will have room for 58 men, six single women and 28 family members with a kitchen and chapel to serve their physical and spiritual needs.

Preliminary concrete work will begin in late July while the rest of the construction will take place between September 22 and October 17.

The project, one of the largest that Maranatha Flights has ever undertaken and one of the few for the interdenominational community, will require 100 workers per day.

"This will be like an old-fashioned barn raising," says Steve Janovec, executive director of the People's City Mission which has served Lincoln's homeless since 1907 in an overcrowded building.

To finance the project, the mission has carried on an extensive fund raising campaign among Lincoln-area Christian churches called "Caring Enough To Share".

Sylvia Kalua, project administrator at Maranatha Flights International's headquarters in Michigan says, "It is a huge project, much larger than we normally take but it is so worthy that we approved it. Building churches is important but meeting the needs of community people is more exciting."

The project will be completed in time to usher in 1987 which the United Nations has designated as the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless.

Interested volunteers may

write or phone Maranatha Flights International at Berrien Springs, Michigan 49103; (616) 471-3961. Or they may contact the People's City Mission, Construction Volunteers, P.O. Box 94641, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509; (402) 476-7070.

Reader's Outlook

The *Outlook* welcomes your letters because we value the opinions of our readers about the editorials, features and news we publish. Please sign your letters and include your address. Letters should be no more than 250 words. We reserve the right to reject letters and to edit the ones we accept for continuity and space requirements. Write to: Editor, *Outlook*, P.O. Box 6127, Lincoln, NE 68506.

Congratulations

Congratulations on your sharp *Outlook*. I am pleased as I see the *Outlook* presenting in a nice way the message and reports to your constituency. Glad to see the nice human interest stories. As you know, we have a special interest in your office right now, since our daughter, Jackie Bragaw works for your publishing department. God bless you in your work there.

Charles C. Case, editor
Lake Union Herald

Community Service Work

I read in the *Outlook*, May 10, the article "Dreams Do Come True", and I agree with what the author wrote.

We are told that "Jesus mingled among men, as one who desired their good." He took the children on His knee, He patted the tired oxen, and told the woman in adultery "neither do I condemn thee, go and sin no more." He came to save all men, and our work as Community Service workers is to do the same, even for street people, and those living under a bridge, who have no home.

The ministerial association has informed an Adventist lady here that they will cooperate with her one hundred percent if she will lead out in getting a place for used furniture for needy families in our area.

I telephone lady friends in other churches if I find there is a need I cannot supply, and they do help and seem glad to.

I wish more ladies could be heard

from, so that all of us could get more suggestions on what we can do.

Mrs. Ruby Ware,
Community Service secretary,
Aitkin, MN

Radio, TV Logs

April, 1986, *Outlook* gives Adventist TV and radio log, page 28, but The Quiet Hour is left out. Also Amazing Facts.

I became an Adventist because of The Quiet Hour's TV on health. If it hadn't been for them I'd probably still think Sunday is the sabbath. Why are they not listed?

I enjoy *Outlook* more than *Signs of the Times* or *Adventist Review*.

Wish some one would give a run down of the rumored calendar change—Monday the first day of the week.

Howard Moore
Montgomery City, WY

Editor's Note:

Because of space limitations we decided to limit the media log to denominational programs produced at the Adventist Media Center. We do recognize, however, that both *The Quiet Hour* and *Amazing Facts* are popular with many and exert a positive influence for the gospel.

We have not heard of an anticipated calendar change in the U.S. Many European calendars, however, have shown Monday as the first day and Sunday as the seventh for several years.

Latest Book By Everett Dick



Dr. Everett Dick, research professor at Union College, recently completed and published his thirteenth book on frontier history. *From Horses To Horsepower, Life In Kansas: 1900-1925*, was written in commemoration of the 125th anniversary of Kansas' statehood and according to Donald F. Danker, president of the Kansas State Historical Society, "[Dr. Dick's] book is a detailed and informa-

tive picture of life in rural and village Kansas . . ."

In this large volume Dr. Dick portrays, from personal and family experience, with numerous illustrations, what daily life was like in Kansas during the first quarter of this century. The story opens in drowsy little Ozawkie, a little town of 250 with a roller mill, three churches, a bank, a blacksmith shop and some stores—in one of which the post office was located. The most important institution in town was the railway station. For the Dick family and other town folks, the railroads brought the pulse of life to their town. Dr. Dick describes how it was the depot agent telegrapher that brought the news of McKinley's assassination and the information that Theodore Roosevelt was the new president.

The book includes a profusion of illustrations. Many are from the collection of the Kansas State Historical Society. They depict scenes as varied as a gas-operated cannon in Iola and Dr. John Brinkley in the operating room of his Milford hospital.

This is more than a family or local history. For example, the chapter "The War to End Wars" enlarges one's understanding of the impact of World War I upon the nation, the state, the community and the family.

Dr. Dick has not relied upon memory alone for information. He has drawn extensively from newspapers, interviews, diaries, documents, books and articles in order to authenticate and enlarge upon his own recollections.

The author has had a noteworthy career of teaching and writing history. He states the purpose of his book: "Young people of today have little idea of some of the most common practices and processes of half a century ago, of how we carried on our activities and why . . . Many customs, processes and attitudes that cannot be preserved in a museum are becoming equally obscure. These I am attempting to 'salt down' in this volume in order that they may not be lost to future generations."

—compiled from comments by
Louis Arokiasamy and
Donald F. Danker.



Dr. Mary Ann McNeilus

Dr. McNeilus Honored

Mary Ann McNeilus was one of six honored alumni during the 1986 Andrews University Alumni Homecoming Weekend, April 24 through 27.

Honored alumni receive the Alumni Medallion in recognition of their outstanding service to the university, unusual achievement in a profession or occupation, or contributions to the community or church, according to Nancy Anderson-Flory, director of alumni relations at Andrews.

Dr. McNeilus, a 1966 graduate of Andrews, began her career in family practice in 1974. She has spent the last five years as a volunteer medical missionary for Adventist Development Relief Agency in Juba, Southern Sudan, serving the needs of refugees there. Currently between assignments, she is concentrating on raising her three boys, ages 9, 7, and 3. Dr. McNeilus and her husband, Marnelle, live in Dodge Center, Minnesota.

New Radio Spots

A new series of Seventh-day Adventist radio spots features children imitating common statements parents make in anger. An announcer then invites parents to hear themselves through their children's ears.

The 16 public service messages were produced at the Voice of Prophecy and were sent to all radio stations in the United States

and Canada. Half the spots are 30 seconds in length, while the others are 10 seconds.

One 30-second spot begins with the sound of a dish shattering, followed by a little girl's voice: "Mommy, for once in your life, can't you ever do anything right?" The announcer then says: "If we could hear what we sound like to our children, would it make a difference? Would we be less critical? More positive than negative? The more a child hears of 'can't', the less she'll believe in 'can'."

Brakes screech and metal crunches at the opening of a 10-second spot. A boy's voice scolds: "Mother, you just wait till your husband gets home!" The announcer adds: "Next time, hear what your kids hear."

Another spot starts with a boy saying: "Now listen, Dad. I don't care what you think. You're gonna do it anyway and you're gonna do it now and that's final." The announcer suggests: "It's amazing how we expect our children to grow up to be reasonable, after telling them their thoughts don't matter. So next time, hear it through his ears."

Each spot closes with the tag line: "A parenting reminder from this station and the Seventh-day Adventists."

John Robertson, researcher and producer at the VOP, creates three sets of public service spots each year. He says, "We hope hundreds of stations air these messages. And we hope thousands of parents think about the ideas they present."

This Month In Signs

Everyone who has ever had an argument with husband or wife (or who has found some other occasion to need to forgive someone) will want to read the July *Signs* cover article "The Priceless Secret of Forgiving", by John Brunt, dean of the theology school at Walla Walla College. Why is it so hard—almost impossible—to forgive and forget? What is the secret that makes it easy?

Or if you have ever lost a loved one, Larry Yeagley's sensi-

tive, practical counsel can bring a world of healing—and it's not just counsel; it's about real-life people who have worked through their grief. Look for "When Grief Comes My Way".

Another kind of death, but also chillingly real, is dealt with in "Dying for a Drink—Five Myths About Alcoholism". This article puts the responsibility for this terrible condition squarely where it belongs—in compassion and hope. Alcoholics can change; the power of the gospel can overcome anything.

Ken McFarland deals with the biblical truths of death and the resurrection in "The Ultimate Escape". Man truly dies at death, but resurrection and immortality await at Jesus' coming.

And don't miss John Odom's story, "I Would Have Killed You!" John looked up to see a man in overalls and a black nondescript hat cradling a scope-mounted rifle pointed right at John's chest! Find out why he didn't shoot.

This is just a sample of the July *Signs of the Times*. There's much more. And for a little while, there's still time to subscribe for yourself and a friend at the low campaign price. Until July 31, subscriptions are only \$6.99.



IW New Miniseries

The success of *It Is Written's* recent miniseries, "The Rise and Fall of Antichrist", has led to active planning for a major follow-up production, according to David B. Smith, director of public relations for the telecast. The new miniseries is scheduled to be aired nationwide early in 1987.

Tentatively entitled "Rescuers of Neglected Truth", the eight-part series will focus on the rediscovery of lost Bible truth by various religious groups or individuals. The weekly episodes hosted by speaker/director

George Vandeman will be entitled "What I Like About the Baptists", "What I Like About the Lutherans", "What I Like About the Methodists", etc.

Each week's program will include an interview with a key religious leader representing the featured denomination. Scheduled guests include Dr. Oswald C. J. Hoffman, speaker of the The Lutheran Hour, Dr. James Ault, president of the Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church, Dr. John Draper, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and other dignitaries.

The series will conclude with two special programs describing how the Seventh-day Adventist Church has gathered together various gems of light, the neglected truths championed through the centuries to complete the Reformation. Interview guest Elder Neal Wilson shares his convictions about the unique world view that Adventism offers.

Why the miniseries format again? "We've found that our major miniseries have been among the most widely viewed telecasts *It Is Written* offers," reports Smith. "Ever since 'The Miracle of Hunza' back in 1982, we've always enjoyed a dramatic increase in audience response to these important presentations."

Interest is already building for the planned 1987 miniseries presentation, according to Pastor Vandeman. The telecast scripts will be available in book form as the 1987 Adventist Missionary Book of the Year, and support expressed by the various denominational leaders being interviewed for the project has been extremely positive.

The series will be taped during *It Is Written's* autumn "shoot", and will be highlighted by new film shot on location in Eastern Europe behind the Iron Curtain and in England, according to producer David L. Jones.

"We know God can effectively use this new miniseries format to portray the miraculous recovery of Bible truth and our church's key role in the continuing Reformation," says Vandeman. "We urgently need the prayers of our church family as this vital project goes forward."



Christian Lifestyle Magazine

The far-reaching influence of "Christian Lifestyle Magazine" (produced by Faith for Today) was illustrated recently in a letter received from a young sailor. The postmark was dated April 14, from the United States Navy aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. *Enterprise*:

Just a note to let you all know how much "Christian Lifestyle Magazine" and programs mean and encourage me.

Currently enlisted in the United States Navy and spending most of my days away from the states out at sea, it is really difficult at times to stay in His Word. But we have to be strong.

We are off the coast of Libya and in a real hostile situation at the moment, but I

know He hears my prayers.

I am enclosing a gift of \$25.00 to you so as to help you spread the Word. I have never donated any money to anyone or any cause before, but I feel that if it is needed to bring the Word to more people it is worthwhile.

Bob received a personal letter from Dan Matthews assuring him of our prayers for him as he served his country in hostile and dangerous waters.

Globe On Permanent Display

The 1700-pound globe that has been at almost every General Conference session since 1932, has now retired and will be on permanent display at Andrews University in the Heritage Room in the James White Library.

"To me, it was always the heart of the General Conference

session," says Louise Dederen, church employee for 39 years and curator of the Heritage Room at Andrews University. "For those who have assisted in the General Conference sessions it was a meeting place. Imagine all those Adventists from all over the world meeting at the globe! The sentimental value is much more than the monetary value."




Built of aluminum in 1932 for the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago, the six-foot globe

is covered with small lights indicating the Adventist work all over the world. But it became fragile to work on and transportation was more difficult.

A letter of inquiry was sent from the General Conference Office to several potential spots for permanent display, including Andrews University. When Andrews' president, Richard Leshner, told Mrs. Dederen of the inquiry, she enthusiastically pursued making the Heritage Room the final resting place for the globe.

"We are hoping that when the new General Conference Office complex is completed, there will be an electronic display in the entrance depicting the world," says D. C. Robinson, associate treasurer of the General Conference.

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The Strategy of Rebellion

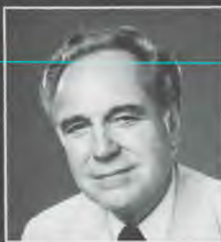
Sunday, July 6

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E. G. White Articles

Ellen White wrote more than 500 articles for the *Youth's Instructor*. Her first article was in the issue of August, 1852, and her last article appeared in June 9, 1914. Bound copies of her *Youth Instructor Articles* are now available in local conference Adventist Book Centers.

Obituaries

DAVIS, Anne M., was born Apr. 28, 1915 at Holstein, IA, and passed away May 7, 1986 at Huron, SD where she was a member of the SDA church. Survivors are 2 daughters, Joan McAdaragh of DeSmet, SD, and Mary Lou Davis of Huron; a brother, Erwin Fromm and 1 grandchild.

FALLICK, Opal E., was born July 10, 1901, in Trenton, NE and passed away May 12, 1986, in McCook, NE. She leaves to mourn her daughters, Florence Lytle, Twin

Falls, ID and Violet Doraskin, Denver, CO; her son, Vilas J. Adamson, Portland, OR; 2 brothers, Lloyd Gibson, and James Gibson; 8 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

GLANTZ, Joseph H., was born July 20, 1893 in Culbertson, NE and passed away Apr. 30, 1986 at Eden Valley Health Center, CO, where he had been a resident the past few years. His wife preceded him in death in 1981. He leaves to mourn his sister Mrs. Fred (Sara) Scheidt of Scottsbluff, NE, several nieces and nephews and a multitude of friends.

HART, Pauline, was born Feb. 16, 1904, on Statton Island, NY, and passed to

her rest in Denver, CO, May 12, 1986. She taught church school at Denver Junior Academy (now Mile High Academy) and later she was active in the Denver Social Services Department. She gave much valuable leadership in the planning and organization of building the Denver Community Services Center. She served on numerous boards and committees for social service organizations and the Seventh-day Adventist church at both conference and local levels. She is survived by 1 brother, Charles Hart; and 1 sister, Ruth Hudoch, both of Statton Island, NY.

McPHEE, Katherine M., was born Feb. 1, 1892, Redwood County, NM, and died May 13, 1986, Boulder, CO. She received her RN degree at the old Boulder Sanatorium (now Boulder Memorial Hospital) and continued to work there for many years. She is survived by a niece, Lois Corriell and a nephew, Richard N. Carmen.

ROHLF, Earl E., Sr., was born Apr. 19, 1909, in Moose Lake, MN, and died May 8, 1986, at his home in Gold Hill, OR. He was a church school teacher at Williams and at Remer, MN, 1928-1930. He was a member of the Duluth SDA Church for some time, leaving in 1961. He is survived by his wife Ruth, son Earl, Jr. of Medford, OR; daughters: Patricia Rohlf of Medford, OR, Gretchen Pike of Beatrice, NE; sister Virginia Spigler; 3 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

SHOWMAN, Verena Louise Segebartt, was born near Argonia, KS, Sept. 13, 1915 and passed away at Neodesha, KS on Mar. 8, 1986. She leaves to mourn her husband John Showman, Neodesha; a daughter, Janette Dykes, Grand Junction, CO; 2 sons, Charles C. McClure, Livingston, TX, and John H. Showman, Baytown, TX; a sister, Ida Mae Friesen; 2 brothers, Alvin and William Segebartt; 9 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

SLAUSON, Mariette (Dolly) Ernst, was born Jan. 8, 1906 in Omaha, NE, and passed away May 19, 1986, in Lincoln, NE. Dolly's faithfulness was an inspiration to all. She leaves to mourn her passing her daughters, Roberta Boyer, Denver, CO, and Enid Rayburn, Lincoln, NE.

SMITH, Clarence E., was born in Galena, KS and passed away on Mar. 24 in Joplin, MO. Clarence, a faithful member of the Galena SDA Church is survived by his daughter, Letitia Link of Galena; a sister, Levetta Smith; 3 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

STEPHENS, Cheryl, was born Nov. 23, 1961, in Lincoln, NE and was tragically murdered on May 9, 1986. She was a faithful member of the Northside Seventh-day Adventist Church, and though she was mentally handicapped was a dependable and willing helper. She is mourned by her sisters Marlys Dieken, Lincoln, NE, Shirley Terru, Denver, CO, and Arlys Butler, Lincoln, NE; and a brother, Cyrus Butler, Lincoln, NE.

WILSON, Anna Henretta, was born Mar. 28, 1901, in Independence, KS and passed to her rest on May 15, 1986 in Iola, KS. She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Frank Wilson of Eureka, KS; 5 daughters, Martha Purkeypile, Eureka, KS, Opal Simmons, Wichita, KS, Peggy Thornbro, Milton, KS, Carol Barnes, Lawrence, KS, Patsy Fredrickson, Cranbury, TX; 3 sons, Tilden of Iola, KS, C. C., Bakersfield, CA, Frank L., Jr., Gladstone, MO; 2 sisters, Martha Reddy and Bess Murray; 27 grandchildren, 58 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great-grandchildren.



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Writers' Week July 28-31

July 9-25—Volunteers will be assisting the McClusky congregation in building a new church facility. July 26 will be a "Maranatha Day" celebration in the new facility and we would like to invite all Mid-America chapter members and interested friends to join us for the celebration and the fellowship potluck after church. We will need 40 volunteers.

August 21-September 5—Volunteers will be working in Newcastle, Wyoming where they will be assisting with the addition of a sanctuary to the existing school. Needed: 40 volunteers.

September 22-October 17—Volunteers will be working on the Lincoln, Nebraska People's City Mission project to provide housing for the homeless of Lincoln. This will be an interdenominational effort supported by the local churches. We need at least 60 volunteers.

Attend the first-of-its-kind Writers' Week held at the Review and Herald Publishing Association and get a close look at publishing from the editor's office to the mailing of the finished product.

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Space is limited. For information write to: Penny Wheeler, Writers' Week Coordinator, 55 W. Oak Hill Drive, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740.

Church Manual Ready

We are happy to announce that the revised *Church Manual* has come off the presses, and is available in your local conference Adventist Book Centers now. The latest version has the new policies, and policy revisions, from the General Conference session of 1985.

This edition has been re-formatted in a larger, easier-to-read style, and is available with either a hardbound or paperback cover.

Notices

ATTENTION NATIVE AMERICANS Camp meetings especially for Native Americans and those interested in Native American work will be held in the following places: July 4-5, Six Nations Reserve, Ontario, Canada; contact Kenneth Campbell, (416) 383-7383. July 11-12, Monument Valley, UT; contact Greg Harper, (801) 727-3241. July 31-Aug. 2, LaVida Mission, Farmington, NM; contact Don Eckenroth, (505) 326-4720. Sept. 18-21, Hope, B.C. Canada; contact Darlene Reimche (604) 869-2615. Please call ahead of time to ensure accommodations.

ELDER W. C. SCALES, JR., Ministerial Secretary of the North American Division will be holding a Real Truth Crusade, July 20-August 30, 1986 in Washington, D.C. at the D.C. Armory, 20th and Capitol Streets. Grand Opening is on July 20 at 7:00 p.m. If you have non-Adventist relatives or friends in the D.C. area who should receive a visit or invitation by phone or mail, please contact Elder W. C. Scales, Jr., at the General Conference of SDA, 6840 Eastern Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20012, phone: (202) 722-6508.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER. For information and reservations, call (303) 366-0744. Neil and Connie Welt.

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JOB OPENING: The Potomac Conference is taking applications for a full-time Family Life Director. Prerequisite is a college degree in Family and Marriage Counseling or its equivalent. The job description will be to promote family enrichment, including singles' ministry, to conduct seminars and develop resources for pastoral and church member use. Applications, with recommendations, should be sent to: President, Potomac Conf. of SDA, PO Box 1208, Staunton, VA 24401.

ASSISTANT LABORATORY CHIEF—Hackettstown Community Hospital, Hackettstown, New Jersey. A 106-bed acute-care facility located in northern New Jersey, it offers a country setting, yet is only an hour's drive from NYC. SDA school, grades 1-12. Send resume to Director of Personnel, Hackettstown Community Hospital, 651 Willow Grove Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840, or call (201) 852-5100.

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHER: Walla Walla College's Department of Computer Science is now accepting applications for full-time tenure track position available immediately. Master's or Ph.D. required. Excellent teaching skills a must. Growing department seeks enthusiastic candidate to join faculty team. Excellent computing facilities; good benefit package; great opportunity to assist in developing top program. Applicants should submit complete curriculum vitae with names of references to: Chairman, Department of Computer Science, Walla Walla College, College Place, WA 99324.

CHAPLAIN WANTED, retired SDA ordained minister for Chaplaincy at Pueblo Norte Retirement Village and Nursing Center. Must be energetic and motivated to serve, have excellent rapport with non-SDA, as well as SDA residents. Hourly wage plus apartment in the Retirement Village provided. Contact Richard Emery at (602) 948-5800.

PRESIDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT—There is currently an opening for an Administrative Assistant to the President of the Ohio Conference. Applicants should have experience as an Executive Secretary or Administrative Assistant. Applicants must have good secretarial skills, plus proven ability to handle administrative assignments. Send resume to Conference President, Box 831, Mt. Vernon, OH 43050.



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	July 4	July 11	July 18	July 28	Aug. 1
Denver, CO	8:31	8:29	8:25	8:20	8:13
Grand Jun., CO	8:44	8:41	8:38	8:33	8:26
Pueblo, CO	8:25	8:23	8:19	8:14	8:08
Cedar Rapids, IA	8:45	8:43	8:39	8:33	8:26
Davenport, IA	8:39	8:37	8:32	8:27	8:20
Des Moines, IA	8:52	8:49	8:45	8:39	8:32
Sioux City, IA	9:06	9:03	8:59	8:53	8:45
Dodge City, KS	9:05	9:03	9:00	8:55	8:49
Goodland, KS	8:17	8:15	8:11	8:06	7:59
Topeka, KS	8:52	8:50	8:46	8:41	8:34
Wichita, KS	8:55	8:53	8:49	8:44	8:38
Duluth, MN	9:06	9:02	8:57	8:50	8:41
Intern. Falls, MN	9:18	9:14	9:09	9:01	8:51
Minneapolis, MN	9:03	9:00	8:55	8:48	8:40
Rochester, MN	8:56	8:53	8:48	8:42	8:34
Columbia, MO	8:38	8:36	8:33	8:28	8:21
Kansas City, MO	8:48	8:46	8:42	8:37	8:30
Springfield, MO	8:37	8:35	8:32	8:27	8:21
St. Louis, MO	8:29	8:27	8:23	8:18	8:12
Grand Island, NE	9:09	9:06	9:02	8:57	8:50
Lincoln, NE	9:02	8:59	8:55	8:50	8:43
North Platte, NE	9:19	9:16	9:12	9:07	9:00
Omaha, NE	9:00	8:58	8:53	8:48	8:41
Scottsbluff, NE	8:33	8:30	8:26	8:20	8:13
Bismarck, ND	9:40	9:36	9:31	9:24	9:15
Fargo, ND	9:25	9:21	9:16	9:09	9:00
Williston, ND	9:57	9:54	9:48	9:40	9:31
Pierre, SD	9:29	9:26	9:21	9:14	9:06
Rapid City, SD	8:38	8:35	8:31	8:24	8:16
Sioux Falls, SD	9:11	9:08	9:04	8:58	8:50
Casper, WY	8:48	8:45	8:41	8:35	8:27
Cheyenne, WY	8:35	8:33	8:29	8:23	8:16
Sheridan, WY	8:57	8:54	8:49	8:42	8:34

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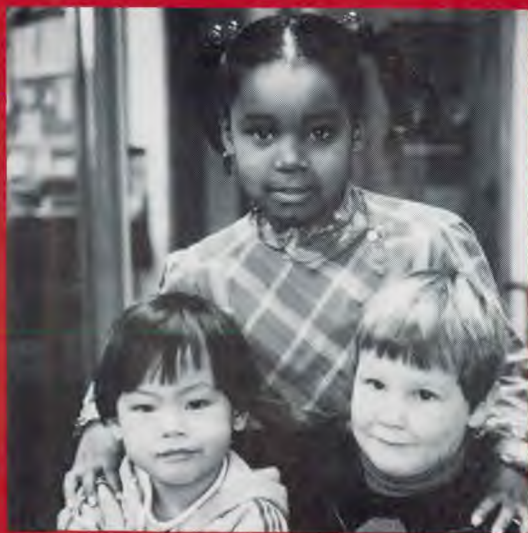
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*A dynamic plan we're going to enjoy building through the balance
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year until JESUS COMES.*



*Turn inside to see the interesting answers to your questions about this
innovative program—the SAFE Endowment Fund.*

Q. Is there really bad news? Are we in trouble with Christian education?

A. Well, the costs are high. Figure it out for the children with questioning eyes on the cover. 16-20 years x \$_____ per year! Also, more families than we have wished have given in and have sent their precious children along to public school, not really knowing the difference between Adventist and public education. (You'd be shocked if you could see the statistics on this.)

But no, it's not that bad. There is a way out. God has never asked us to do anything without providing the means with which to do it.

Q. What is the way out?

A. We can endow your Adventist educational institutions and thus make sure that an Adventist Christian education is within the reach of every one of our youth.

Q. Why is it time we set up an endowment fund?

A. It is a program long overdue. Because of rising tuition costs and parents' diminished ability to pay, the increased single-parent families, and inflated operating costs demand an endowment of our schools.

Q. What does it mean to "endow"?

A. Webster defines "endow": "to furnish a person or an institution with money as a permanent fund for support." The SAFE Endowment Fund will be established by gifts with the understanding that the principal of these gifts will be held in perpetuity and the earnings applied to support the education of qualifying students.

Q. Is helping deserving students with their tuition a new concept?

A. No. Over one hundred years ago a fund was set up by James and Ellen White for the education of three physicians, one of which, at least, you would know. Ellen White said, "Provision should be made, means invested; funds secured to educate men and women." *Selected Messages*, Book 2, pages 208, 209.

Q. **Will there ever be a time when the Endowment Fund will pay a student's entire bill?**

A. No. Students in academy and college will be expected to work. The endowment grants will help prevent escalation of educational costs as well as provide help for those with special financial needs.

Q. **How did the SAFE Endowment come into existence?**

A. Months of study have been given by educators, interested laymen and church administrators. They have struggled with the following:

- a sobering decrease in enrollment in our schools
- the escalating costs
- the lack of awareness of the existing differences between Adventist and public education
- the possibility of students helping themselves by work-study if properly encouraged
- many more meaningful considerations.

All have agreed that something must be done to guarantee our youth a Christian education. Thus the Endowment Fund concept was recommended by a special committee of local conference presidents, educators and laymen and adopted by the Mid-America Union Conference Executive Committee.

Q. **Can the Endowment really answer the existing problem?**

A. The good news is YES.

Q. What will be the main source of funding for this Endowment?

A. There are four main sources for this funding:

1. Present gifts from individual church members through their home conferences.
2. Gifts from corporations, some operated by church members and some corporations outside of the church.
3. An annual gift from the Mid-America Union Conference.
4. As Seventh-day Adventist members may elect to do so, there will be estate gifts through trusts and wills.

Q. Just how will the money in the Endowment Fund be used?

A. The principal will be held in the Endowment in perpetuity. The donations will be divided 50% for grants to Union College and 50% for grants to academies. Donors may choose to restrict the donation to the school or schools of their choice.

Q. Who can benefit from these Endowment grants?

A. Any Adventist youth who

1. Resides in the Mid-America Union territory.
2. Is committed to the ideals of Adventist Christian education.
3. Is willing to help themselves by working to earn part of their own educational expenses.
4. Has an established financial need.

Q. How much should one give?

A. The amount the Holy Spirit impresses one to give. There is no individual goal. Each one should thus ask the Lord for guidance in this matter. Some will give much. Others may be able to give only little. But if everyone prays and gives as God indicates, there will be plenty.

- Q.** What is the SAFE Endowment's total dollar objective?
- A.** Ten million dollars.
- Q.** That's a lot. But is it enough?
- A.** Not really, when you count all the academies in this union, as well as Union College.
- Q.** But can we start small and grow?
- A.** Yes. That's what we must do.
- Q.** Has the Endowment Fund laid careful plans so that God can guide in the very end time?
- A.** Yes, as best as the counselors knew how. Matters have been left open to the Lord's instruction as to what should be done. We all must pray that God's purpose will constantly be made open to us. He has promised to tell each one at the right time what to do with financial possessions. We have been promised that He will care for that which has been placed upon His altar.
- Q.** What if means are left here when Jesus comes?
- A.** He will take care of that. For those of us who remain to that day, we will be able to take the "army of youth we have helped prepare" along with each one of us to a land better than the one we've left behind, and we'll be satisfied.
"Even so come, Lord Jesus."



*Now, wasn't that
Good News?*

