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COVER STORY



The present Riverside building is modern in design and occupies a prominent spot at the bend of the Cumberland River in North Nashville. Photo by Vando L. Rogers, Jr.

BALM FOR THE FEVERED PACE An Update on Riverside Adventist Hospital

By Louis B. Reynolds

Our hospital in Nashville is making news these days as more people than ever are attracted to its fascinating health programs. They come from great distances to attend cooking classes, weight management seminars, instruction on prenatal care and the Five-Day Plan to stop smoking, all offered at Riverside.

Each Tuesday on WTVF Channel 5, the CBS affiliate in Nashville, Brenda Blackman, hosting the program, "Mornings on Five," presents Dr. Sheila Robertson and Christine Rucker, health educators from Riverside. They are given 20 to 30 minutes to focus on family diet, tell how to prepare unique vegetarian meals, use simple home remedies and eliminate habits that may threaten health. Listener response has been so favorable that the station is presenting this valuable television time without cost. Robertson and Rucker also have appeared on other television shows and have been called upon for extended radio interviews in the Nashville area.

The word is out that Riverside is being turned around, that it is moving into the eighties with the most imaginative health care concepts in the nation. Study is being given, for example, to a "wellness program," which in some ways is similar to the original sanitarium idea, that of fostering health and fitness as a buffer against disease.

Such health care innovations featured at Riverside years ago attracted people like U.S. Congressmen Oscar DePriest and William L. Dawson, both represent-

ing the southside district of Chicago. It also brought to the sanitarium Mary McLeod Bethune, president of the National Congress of Negro Women, and Edith Sampson, U.S. alternate delegate to the United Nations.

Chester Franklin, editor of *The Kansas City Call*, and Toki Schalk Johnson, a columnist for *The Pittsburgh Courier*, came to Riverside and wrote glowing reports about the hospital in their respective newspapers.

Benjamin G. Olive, vice-president of Universal Life Insurance Company, came with his wife to stay four or five weeks every year for 23 years, and Judge Henry J. Richardson and his wife of Indianapolis, Indiana, had a record of stays almost as long. The list of people is impressive, mainly because Riverside offered then and now a type of physical fitness and health maintenance that appealed to those who had mammoth goals in life and wished to live to see them realized.

The newest architectural projections show Riverside having a 200-bed capacity, with a special section for the wellness center. Part of its appeal in the eighties will be to the ever-expanding list of business and professional people who tend ordinarily to neglect their health, but wish in some way to make up for it. The hospital will emphasize teaching programs, and as is the practice now, will foster these for the general public. People come now from as far as 25 miles away to attend the vegetarian cooking classes.

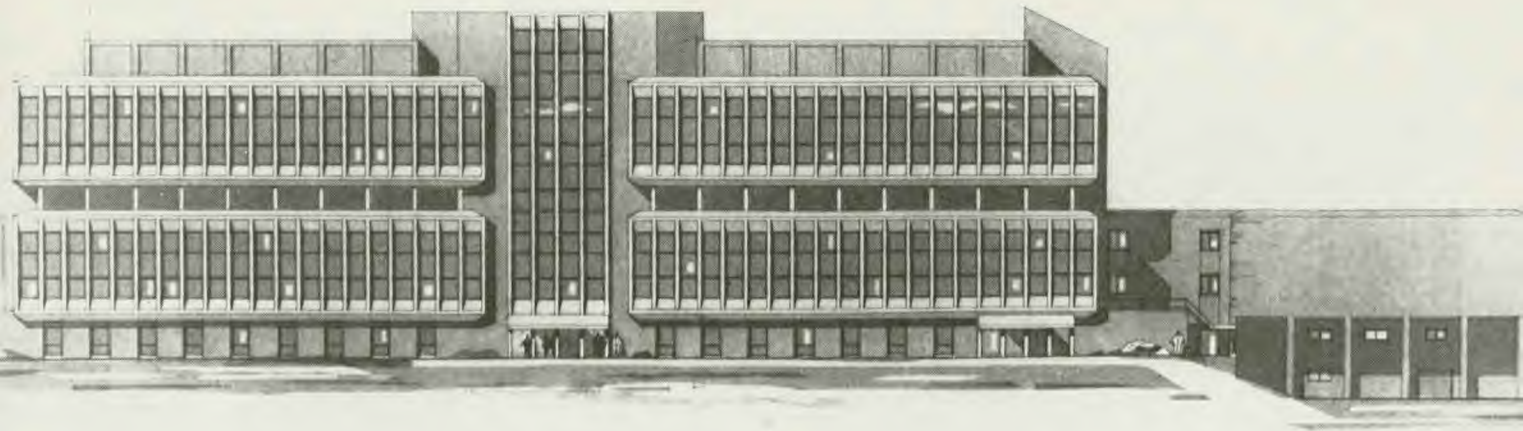
It is the feeling of Womack H. Rucker, Jr., Riverside president, that the institution was brought into being for a special purpose, and it is his personal goal to see that this purpose is fulfilled. He is aware of the founding of Riverside by Nellie H. Druillard and the enormous investment she made to get Riverside started. He knows about and appreciates the sacrifices of Dr. Lottie C. Blake and her family, who worked toward the same objective in an earlier time.

The story of Dr. Blake's work in the Nashville inner-city and north of town at Hillcrest is an important rehearsal of the difficult times that went into the making of an Adventist hospital. She began a sanitarium and treatment room in Nashville around 1903, but a sophisticated black community, where Meharry Medical College, Fisk University and Walden University were just getting a foothold, looked with disdain on what they termed

"rag treatments" of hydrotherapy, and they seriously questioned any doctor's practice of medicine without drugs. But Lottie Blake was resolute and determined to get a sanitarium going. Although it is a question whether being a woman hindered her, the fact remains that patronage was never large and the sanitarium census did not seem to grow. A later move to the Hillcrest property on White's Creek Pike proved equally disappointing.

In the interim, other health-minded people in the north were preparing to make their contribution to the growing physical therapy and diet reform ministry of the church. One of these was Harry E. Ford of Vincennes, Indiana. Only here and there does one meet men like Ford—a person of few words but one who proved a burning spiritual light to numerous troubled, aspiring youth. He was utterly self-forgetful, devoted to a great ideal of righteousness, and seemed destined for a significant place in the Adventist work. When his family joined the church about 1905 he enrolled at Beechwood Academy and later pursued the nurses' course at Wabash Valley Sanitarium. Here he was introduced to the intricate processes of the denomination's health care program, already enjoying a worldwide reputation at Battle Creek. He also studied the new science of x-ray at Purdue University and learned to take these machines apart and put them together again. In the midst of his educational pursuits, however, Ford was drafted for World War I army duty.

When the armistice was signed in 1918, he was on his way home to Indiana and stopped by Hinsdale Sanitarium, where his younger brother Lewis was employed as a nurse. There he met for the first time Dr. David Paulson, founder of Hinsdale, who had been a teacher in the American Medical Missionary College. At the time of Harry Ford's visit, Dr. Paulson was opening an x-ray and laboratory section of the hospital and was looking for a man to head this department. Ford seemed to have just the experience and background the sanitarium needed, so Dr. Paulson invited him to join the staff. Ford accepted the position and moved to Hinsdale in 1919. During his years at the sanitarium he learned so much about medical diagnosis that his colleagues considered him to be on par with the physicians. Behind the scenes with



Architect's perspective of an expanded Riverside Adventist Hospital shows a building with 200 beds, four times the present size of the facility. As the hospital moves into the eighties, it will appeal more and more to the nation's business and professional leadership. Photo by Vando L. Rogers, Jr.

doctors, he would often venture the diagnosis of a doubtful illness. The physicians would offer opinions and sometimes Ford would differ with them sharply, but his colleagues declared that he was nearly always right.

Meanwhile, during the years Ford was building up the laboratory and x-ray department at Hinsdale, Nellie H. Druillard, who had received money from Cecil Rhodes' mining operation in Africa, decided to do something to provide a health program for the black population of Nashville. Ellen G. White had earlier exacted a promise from her to build a sanitarium for this recently-emancipated people, but her work at Emmanuel Missionary College (and later at Madison College) seemed to consume all her time and energy. The day came, however, when she remembered her promise. During a General Conference session in San Francisco she was struck by a car and sustained a broken leg and other painful injuries. The pledge she had made more than a dozen years earlier once again came forcefully to mind. Nellie Druillard promised the Lord that if He would restore her to a degree of health and usefulness she would proceed with a sanitarium for these people whose cause Ellen White had again and again championed in her lifetime.

On a plot of land facing Trinity Lane north of Nashville, Nellie Druillard decided to begin this health institution. The difference between her program and Dr. Lottie Blake's was that Nellie Druillard had considerable resources and could move ahead without being hampered by budget considerations. She therefore proceeded with plans for five frame buildings, similar to those erected on the

Madison campus, where she had spent several years. In a little while foundations for all five were completed.

Unknown to her, word spread through the white community that this woman was coming into their midst to organize a colony for black folks. She was deluged with protests from people who had no idea of the importance of her mission. To those familiar with the story, it appeared that Edson White's Mississippi ordeal was being repeated in Tennessee and all her good deeds seemed about to be reduced to ashes.

But Nellie Druillard was not to be defeated. She would not give up the work the Lord had especially impressed her to do, and even though it was a disappointment to abandon her project—almost before it had begun—she arranged promptly to purchase other property. It didn't take long to move the sanitarium location down to Young's Lane on a high, rocky plateau at the bend of the Cumberland River. A seminary operated by the Baptists was close by on White's Creek Pike, and she felt there would be no complaints in that environment. The new location proved a fortunate choice, since it afforded a commanding view of the city and was a safe distance from the road. Also, because the river wound past immediately below, it eliminated the possibility that a developer might spoil its potential with poorly-built homes or taverns blaring out their raucous music.

Nellie Druillard took in several girls and trained them in hydrotherapy and nursing procedures. Among these was Grace McDonald, a young woman whose parents had abandoned when she was nine years old, and whose

mother and sister had taken to the Steele Home for Orphans in Chattanooga. She in turn helped Grace McDonald get to Hylandale Academy in Wisconsin. Later Mrs. Scott, a daughter of Mr. Funk, of Funk and Wagnalls dictionary fame, took her to Riverside and introduced her to Nellie Druillard. Grace McDonald, therefore, was with Riverside almost from its beginning and, through high moments and difficult times, was always a loyal surgical nurse. To this day she can be counted on to perform her work with compassion and faithfulness.

When Nellie Druillard reached the ripe age of 80, the routines of a sanitarium and training program had become inordinately tedious and demanding. Because she could carry the load at Riverside no longer, she sought relief from the fledgling health institution on which she had embarked. In 1936, therefore, when she learned that the General Conference was seeking a location for a sanitarium to serve the black constituency, she decided to give the institution to the church for this purpose. From her personal funds she had spent approximately \$250,000 to build cottages, equip hospital units, and operate the sanitarium and its practical nursing program from 1927 to 1936. She told the General Conference audience in San Francisco of her conversation with Ellen White, who urged her to start this sanitarium. She mentioned also her procrastination in doing this and how the auto accident brought about a resolution to get it accomplished without delay.

The General Conference then asked Harry Ford to take over this work, and he left Hinsdale almost immediately after the San Francisco meeting to begin

tours of churches on behalf of Riverside. His brother, Lewis E. Ford, also trained in nursing at Wabash Valley Sanitarium (and an excellent craftsman and maintenance expert), came to the sanitarium to help with remodeling and installation of new equipment along with responsibilities in physiotherapy.

Dr. Theodore R. M. Howard, a recent graduate of the College of Medical Evangelists who had interned at Provident Hospital in St. Louis, came in 1937 as a resident physician. Geraldine Oldham from California was chosen director of nursing service. She was a perfectionist who apparently found it difficult to adapt to an institution just beginning its mission and lacking so much in needed equipment; so she remained about a year and then joined the staff of Meharry-Hubbard Hospital in the city.

Ruth Frazier was the obvious choice for a successor since she was trained at Hinsdale and had considerable experience with Chicago's Shiloh Clinic and related health care institutes and programs. When she accepted the post at Riverside, she felt she must carry this task through to the finish; therefore, through all the vicissitudes of the sanitarium's struggle to raise health standards for blacks she was a faithful ally. She had known Harry Ford at Hinsdale, had shared his interests, and when the invitation came to join this pioneer adventure she had responded with youthful enthusiasm.

When nursing education was difficult to negotiate within the denomination, she was a constant support for the girls who went into training at Meharry's school of professional nursing. From her leadership background in Montgomery and at Oakwood, she had also learned to rally people around the church's mission enterprise and eagerly entered into this phase of Riverside's work.

In her contacts with patients, Ruth Frazier was a good listener. She had the special art of making people so thoroughly at ease and confident about themselves that they came from great distances to Riverside with the high expectation of seeing her and talking with her about their troubles. She remained at Riverside nearly 20 years, and while in Nashville married Joseph T. Stafford, for many years a teacher at Oakwood.

Another fortunate development came in 1939 with the addition to the Riverside working force of Dr. Carl A. Dent, a recent Loma Linda graduate, who came to

the sanitarium as head of the medical staff. He was the first black physician to complete an internship at Los Angeles County Hospital in southern California; even so, for him and his family, Riverside was literally like pioneering in an underdeveloped country. He set up a small clinic on the hill to serve outpatients and, with much less than was needed in personnel and equipment, cared for long lines of needy people. He also went out to churches across the land to tell the story of the institution's work and plans for its future.

Since Carl Dent was a person who liked people, patients came great distances to avail themselves of his services. One woman who became ill while in Europe traveled all the way from Yugoslavia to have the benefit of his meticulous diagnosis and care. In medicine the ability to diagnose is, of course, a highly prized asset. Dent was



Pearl B. Jennings, R.N., pampers a patient restless to return home after hospital tests. Photo by Walter Crockett.

thorough in his examinations and unusual in his ability to detect an uncommon pathology. Patients also appreciated his complete honesty in telling them what was wrong and what they had to do about their condition. Moreover, his skill as a surgeon was consummate. Even fellow doctors were high in praise of his competence.

Judge Henry J. Richardson, Jr., from Indianapolis, Indiana, and his wife were regular patrons and both had many good words for Riverside and the Adventists. When the application of Oakwood College came up for consideration by the United Negro College Fund board, Richardson, then a member of that board, was startled to hear objections to the acceptance of Oakwood. It seemed that a few vocal people felt the Adventist participation would be disruptive to the program.

"They don't attend functions on Friday night or Saturday," one member said, "and this could complicate our meeting arrangements quite seriously."

Then Judge Richardson took the floor on behalf of Adventists. "I know these people," he said. "I've gone annually to their Riverside Sanitarium for many years, and you won't find a more sincere and more dedicated people on the top side of the earth. It's true they observe the Sabbath, the original Sabbath, and I admire their integrity and their willingness to stand alone, if need be, for what they believe. Gentlemen, I would say that we need more people like the Adventists. As for the Oakwood faculty and students, they have a remarkable group on that campus. I've been in the city of Huntsville and have observed these youngsters. Their dress and deportment is a credit to us all. We admit they're different, but in a way we all should appreciate. They're striving to live up to an ideal, and I would offer as my considered opinion that, in the area of education and educational promotion, we need more people like the Adventists."

When Richardson sat down there were no more speeches on the question. The vote was taken and Oakwood was admitted to the UNCF by a considerable majority.

Harry D. Dobbins, Adell Warren and Lysle S. Follette, all capable and experienced leaders, served in their turn as administrators for Riverside. During these years following World War II, the nation witnessed a great surge toward new hospital buildings and the latest equipment. When Norman G. Simons was named administrator in 1959, he saw effective ways by which Riverside could be updated. For example, the 1947 building was over 20 years old, and though it had been outstanding when first opened, it was now, in light of new and sophisticated monuments to medicine everywhere, more than slightly antiquated. During Simons' tenure a new 50-bed hospital facility took shape.

There followed in all hospitals nationwide, with the instigation of Medicare and Medicaid, a period of meticulous governmental controls, and what some have described as a complete revolution in health care practice. During this stormy interlude, Joseph Winston and James Merideth guided Riverside's destinies and, joining the vast Adventist Health Systems/Sunbelt, flung into place

a circle of wagons against disaster.

The call went out for the best trained and the best prepared people the church had available. Womack Rucker, Jr., and his wife Christine, with diversified experience in the new Kettering Hospital and the renovated Washington Adventist Hospital, responded, and have, within the last several months, cast their lot with Riverside. With them have come Sandra Randolph as vice president and Adell Warren as controller. Prior to their joining the staff Jeanne DeAllen accepted the post of director of nursing services and Washington Butler, Jr., was appointed vice president for public relations and development. This magnificent display of talent augurs well for the hospital's future.

But sometimes people in leadership and particularly those faced with a crisis feel pressed and persuaded to make far-reaching decisions without taking time for proper perspective. And often amid the distortions of darkness, many things are imagined and troubles are magnified. Certainly it is perspective that reveals true shapes and values, and it is time spent in agonizing prayer that appraises the values, and reveals the proper course to pursue. Long ago Ellen G. White wrote, "The Lord will teach us our duty. . . . If we come to Him in faith He will speak His mysteries to us personally." *The Desire of Ages*, p. 668.

Because it is seldom safe to make far-reaching decisions in the discouragement of darkness and without Divine aid, the reason for Riverside comes clearly into view. With Chaplain Xavier Butler's magnificent prayer meeting discussions his members declare their tendency to defer the decisions of darkness and discouragement until they can look at things in the light—for, they say, the clearness of daylight and the calmer consideration that follows the first sharpness of crisis is a safer time for decision. This is the outcropping, the meaning of a church at the center of a hospital.



this is dependency. This may be degrading under certain circumstances. It is the responsibility of parents to teach this to their children. To be self-supporting must be instilled in youngsters in their early years. Thus a generation of motivated people will emerge determined to "find a way or make it."

Clear signals from Washington indicate that social programs designed to help the needy are being phased out. The reason given is that "they just don't work." My 97-year-old father-in-law, whose hospital bills are paid by government assistance, wouldn't understand that. He says, "Praise the Lord for medicare and medicaid. *They do work; they're working for me.*"

The involvement of government in programs of social uplift is as old as the system of taxation. Originally, the tax principle was "tax the citizen to pay officials to provide goods and services for the people." Officials do not exist to perpetuate themselves, but to serve the citizenry. The opposite of this is the practice of kings who in former years taxed the people to support their own expensive appetites. Their philosophy was that government owes the people nothing in the forms of economic and social relief. What people needed they could do for themselves. Government exists to defend the people from outside intrusion. People should pull themselves up by their own bootstraps.

This policy has been tested once before in our national history under Calvin Coolidge and Herbert Hoover. The crash of the stock market in 1929 and the subsequent hard times brought the nation to the brink of social and economic collapse. Franklin Roosevelt's solutions were no miracles. He simply realized that there just had to be a proper mix of "guns and butter" if the nation would survive.

But this nation has passed through deep waters trying to find and keep a proper balance between defense and maintaining that which it defends. Involved are such things as "balanced budgets" on the one hand and providing relief to the needy on the other, and there are among us the genuinely needy.

First, there are the aged. After years of paying taxes into Federal and state treasuries, they have a right to some form of security in old age. Secondly, there are the physically ill. It is a national tragedy that our nation as of this writing has no comprehensive health insurance or medical insurance plan, with medicare and medicaid—the little we have—under fire. Food-stamp eligibility is being sharply curtailed. The job-training program, CETA, is being eliminated, sending thousands of unemployables back to the streets. These are young people, some in advanced stages of reclamation, on the threshold of the good life, turned again into the wilderness. Programs like CETA are an attempt to equalize the equation of preparedness between the "haves" and the "have nots." Without these "catchup" programs blacks and Spanish become permanent unemployables. Concern for the poor is clearly taught in Scripture. Whether it be government organizations or individuals, the strong must bear the infirmities of the weak.

There are the children. The school lunch program is being curtailed. The children most affected are those whose home situations do not involve good nutrition. In Cleveland, Ohio, (as of this writing) more than 40,000 people go to bed hungry each night. If the figures on the national scale were revealed, it would amount to a national scandal.

Fortunately, voices are now being raised in protest, grass-root voices giving rise to some hope that concern for humanity has not wholly fled the hearts of men. Perhaps at this late date there will arise a concern for the survival needs of men. Sociologists are warning of social chaos if the present trend continues. Perhaps it is too late to salvage anything of the "concern" programs enacted since the "Roosevelt" era. One would have to live through the 1929-1933 era to understand what this nation now fears and faces. The Federal government entered the lives of its citizens out of pure survival necessity. The present young economic advisers to the president know nothing of the suffering

PUBLISHER'S PAGE

CLEVELAND'S COMMENTARY ON SELF HELP

Self-reliance is a virtue of the first order. It is a prime essential in the development of character. The opposite to

The Editor's Desk



Pictured are members of the families at the Reid-Davis family reunion held in St. Louis, Missouri, in July.

SUNSET CALENDAR

	Nov. 27	Dec. 4	11	18
Boston, Mass	4:14	4:12	4:12	4:13
New York City	4:26	4:24	4:24	4:25
Buffalo, N.Y.	4:43	4:41	4:40	4:42
Atlanta, Ga.	5:30	5:29	5:30	5:32
Miami, Fla.	5:29	5:29	5:31	5:33
Charlotte, N.C.	5:12	5:11	5:12	5:14
Birmingham, Ala.	4:40	4:39	4:39	4:42
Jackson, Miss.	4:56	4:55	4:56	4:58
Memphis, Tenn.	4:49	4:48	4:49	4:51
Louisville, Ky.	5:24	5:23	5:23	5:25
Detroit, Mich.	5:04	5:02	5:01	5:03
Chicago, Ill.	4:22	4:20	4:20	4:22
South Bend, Indiana	5:17	5:15	5:15	5:17
Minneapolis, Minn.	4:35	4:32	4:32	4:33
St. Louis, Mo.	4:41	4:39	4:40	4:42
Kansas City, Mo.	4:57	4:56	4:56	4:58
Denver, Co.	4:37	4:36	4:36	4:37
Little Rock, Ark.	4:59	4:58	4:58	5:01
Dallas, Texas	5:22	5:21	5:22	5:24
New Orleans, La.	5:01	5:00	5:01	5:04
Albuquerque, N.M.	4:56	4:55	4:55	4:57
Oklahoma City, Okla.	5:19	5:18	5:18	5:20

Add one minute for each 13 miles west; subtract one minute for each 13 miles east.

of those years. Nor are they old enough to know or understand the relief that has come to black people since the Federal government entered the picture.

The black church will assume even greater importance to the survival of "Black America." It is the only thing we have. Here the black male is accorded the respect he is denied in secular society. The black woman has had little difficulty getting jobs historically. Statistics show that the black male is the last hired and the first fired. During the "lynching season" it was the black male who suffered most. The job situation contributes greatly to the matriarchial state of the majority of black families, but the church restores the family order, thus contributing to the young peoples' sense of security and well-being.

As we face the future, black people must understand that we will need each other as never before. We will be forced to help each other and thus ourselves. We will have to trust each other; trouble will force us to. Self-hatred is a legacy of slavery we must renounce to survive. We are on the verge of bone-grinding, mind-shattering social events. Stabilized by the power of God, we will get through. I cannot see how, but "I don't believe that God brought us this far to leave us." He will see us through, but we will have to get together. As someone put it, "we will hang together or separately."

The "black church" must preach us through the crisis to which we have come. Despair on one hand and violence on the other are neither adequate nor appropriate. Hypertension is still the greatest killer in the black community. Economic and social conditions rooted in oppressive history would be sufficient to produce this, but add widespread ignorance of nutrition, alcoholism, the drug plague and sanitation and you have a broad field of labor that can claim the church's attention. It is an agenda to which we *can* and *must* address ourselves.

For anticipation of the immediate crisis, church boards should be meeting now, planning cooking schools, health lectures, "Stop Smoking" sessions and "Drug Rehabilitation Clinics." I have met doctors and nutritionists anxious to donate their time to these purposes. The Red Cross is looking for places to teach first aid. If by spring or summer conditions worsen, thought must be given at the church level to serving free meals to

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THE CONFERENCES IN ACTION



President H. L. Cleveland installing his son, H. L. Cleveland II and his son's wife, Barbara.

CHRISTIAN JOY

Few experiences give as much joy to a conference president as installing his one and only son into the gospel ministry and his first charge.

Pastor Harold L. Cleveland II was installed into the district of Danville and South Boston, Virginia. The joy is increased when he reports that by God's grace he is baptizing and his goals are in the gain column. "Keep me in your prayers is his watchword."

Elizabeth M. Cleveland
Conference Reporter



Pastor Cleveland II with some of his young people.

IN THE MIDST OF THE STORM, GOD'S HELP IS NEAR

Tornado warnings have become a commonplace experience for residents of central Ohio. The open plains in many areas make this an ideal location for winds and rains to gain speed and bring havoc and destruction.



K. S. Smallwood, inner-city and dorcas director for Allegheny West Conference.

We used to take these warnings with a grain of salt until the devastating tornado that struck Xenia, Ohio, fifteen miles north of Dayton, a few years ago.

One such warning came this summer. The winds were so fierce, lightning so strong and rains so hard that all in the vicinity knew something had happened nearby.

Pastor K. S. Smallwood, Allegheny West inner-city and dorcas director, was alerted to the fact that Cardington, Ohio, a small community about 45 miles north of Columbus, where the headquarters for Allegheny West Conference are located, had been struck by a tornado.

Smallwood immediately equipped the Community Services van with necessary items that his department had on hand,



The director interviews a family that had lost everything and seen two neighbors killed.

contacted the local churches (Ephesus church with S. T. Lewis as pastor and Hilltop church with S. G. Coles as pastor) and had their inner-city and dorcas departments ready to move out in a matter of hours. Like the good Samaritan, they went forward to help where they could.

The tornado had done its work and left many homeless, without food, water or clothing. The van was used as a medical and dispensing station for those in need.

President H. L. Cleveland commends Smallwood for his immediate response, along with his departments, to meet the urgent needs of this area.

Elizabeth M. Cleveland
Conference Reporter



One of the dispensing stations.



In the path of the tornado.



Scenes depicting the devastated areas.



A portion of the devastated area.

A NEW CHURCH FOR COLORADO SPRINGS

A dream has finally come true. For several years the members of the Colorado Springs, Colorado, church have been out-of-doors. They have been working, praying and sacrificing for their own church building.

During the month of May, their church home became a reality when Otis Rupright of Lafayette, Indiana, donated the prefabricated church building. Not only did he donate the church building, but he personally delivered it to Colorado Springs and paid for the foundation and the complete exterior construction.

The interior of the church is to be completed by local members and dedicated members from the Claremont Seventh-day Adventist church in Pueblo.

On the days the exterior of the church was under construction, it was a beautiful sight to see members of the Colorado Springs and Pueblo churches working together, with Rupright supervising and his wife taking pictures of every maneuver. Conference President S. H. Cox also took time out of his schedule and spent a day working on the building.

The idea for the Colorado Springs church was spearheaded by I. J. Lewis, a local elder of the Claremont church in Pueblo. Several years ago Rupright donated a similar church to Lewis's son, Pastor S. T. Lewis, in Amery, Mississippi, of the South Central Conference.

The Ruprights are dedicated laymen who believe the Lord is coming soon and want to do what they can in getting souls

ready. They are retired from their own business in Lafayette but still work and contribute to the cause of God.

The pastor and members of the Palace of Peace SDA Church desire your prayers.

Emmitt Slocumb, Pastor
I. J. Lewis, Church Correspondent

KING'S DAUGHTERS HONOR WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Carol Anderson of Lincoln, Nebraska, was named woman of the year by the King's Daughters organization. The award was presented at special services conducted at Allon Chapel honoring all women of the church. Pastor W. S. Lee, Pastor Gerald Jones, Martha Allen and Ruth Lee were participants in the program.

Carol is a native of Omaha, Nebraska, and a mother of eight children. She has been employed by the health care system for more than 25 years. Carol is presently employed at the Madonna Professional Care Center as a licensed practical nurse and works in the rehabilitation of patients who have had cerebral vascular accidents (strokes).

The Andersons moved to Lincoln three years ago so that Ted, Carol's husband, could continue his studies in theology. Carol is known as a pleasant, friendly and hard-working Christian woman with a ready smile. She enjoys singing, playing the piano and crafts in her leisure time.

According to Jones, Carol's selection as woman of the year was very timely

and appropriate. Carol was honored specifically by the Sabbath school, Adventist youth and King's Daughters. As part of the ceremony, all women of the church were given long-stemmed roses.

Alma York

EDUCATORS COMBINE PIANO TALENTS

Adora Green and Eula Washington combined their musical talents in a benefit concert for the Beacon Light church in Kansas City, Missouri.

Adora Green is a graduate of Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, with a bachelor of arts degree in music education. She is employed by the Omaha, Nebraska, school board as a teacher, teaches private piano lessons and is active as a church organist for the Omaha Sharon SDA Church as well as director of the children's choir.

Eula Washington, also a graduate of Oakwood College, has a B.A. in music. A native of Louisville, Kentucky, she is married to Raymond Washington and the mother of two children: Wayne, 13, and Wanda, 10. Along with serving as organist, pianist and choral director at the Beacon Light church, she is employed as music and choral instructor at Cedarvale Junior Academy in Raytown.

The concert helped to raise money for the Beacon Light church building program. Adora and Eula have planned to combine their talents once again for the school building program in Omaha, Nebraska.



Mr. and Mrs. Rupright



Carol Anderson, "Allon Chapel woman of the year," being congratulated at the Women's Day program after receiving bouquet.

"TO VENICE WITH LOVE"

On a beautiful Sunday evening, the gymnasium of the Peterson-Warren Academy in Inkster, Michigan, beckoned nearly 400 guests to "Venice, Italy" to celebrate the annual King's Banquet. "To Venice With Love" was the theme of the evening. The program was hosted by Hudie Davis, school board chairman, and Joyce Bone, senior class sponsor.

This was the first year to feature the Peterson-Warren senior class as debutantes in a scholarship coronation. Fourteen young ladies and one young man with their escorts and date promenaded to the music of Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata."

Each participant had raised funds by selling advertisements to create a scholarship fund. This scholarship drive was culminated by the crowning of Miss Peterson-Warren and her royal court, with more than \$6,000 being awarded in scholarships.

Vernester Elaine King, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Willie King of the City Temple church, won the title as her total raised tipped \$1,000. First, second and third place trophies were awarded respectively to Andrea Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Jones, Angela Parker, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. J. David Parker of the Burns Avenue church, and Milane Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lane Todd.

Other awards went to Celestine White, Jacqueline Goree and Jennine Harris, who raised \$500 or more. Celeste Lewis received an award for women's basketball.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by: Cedric Dent, pianist; Nadine Thomas, clarinet soloist; the academy choir, directed by Marilyn Anderson; and several teachers who hosted and toasted members of the senior class.

On hand to crown the new Miss Peterson-Warren was the outgoing queen, Beverly Hayes, who is presently attending Andrews University. Beverly, in her melodious eloquence, challenged the audience to "Dream the Impossible Dream." After her final walk, Beverly relinquished her title in as stately a manner as she had received it.

David Logan honored the new queen with his rendition of "One in a Million." Near the end of the song, the audience rose to its feet in applause, honoring Miss Vernester King as Miss Peterson-Warren 1981.

INDEPENDENCE JUNIORS WITNESS AT SUNRISE

At 4 a.m. one recent dewy morning, more than 25 junior Community Service workers and counselors from the Independence Boulevard church were at the lakefront greeting joggers, morning strollers and others on their way to work with tracts and a warm greeting.

One participant said that "I have worked in the Community Service department for more than 20 years, but I have never had a more heartfelt experience. The morning was so peaceful and quiet and the young people had such sweet spirits and attitudes that few passersby neglected to take the tracts."

After hiking for approximately three hours the young people enjoyed breakfast, taking time to discuss the experiences they had along the trail.

Coordinators Elvert Williams, Jr., and Nadine Barnes agreed it was most rewarding to see and hear the results of the sunrise witnessing event.

GOSPEL PUPPETS COME TO CHICAGO

After a successful evangelistic meeting in Chicago this summer, Pastor Tyrone Boyd of the Morgan Park and Beacon of Joy churches invited Andrews University seminary student Mike Faison to his church. Assisted by Tommy Blevins, another seminary student, Mike uses puppets, stories, music and slides to teach moral lessons to children while entertaining them.

Mike developed the program a little over a year ago and has been featured in newspapers as well as on television.

The smiles and handshakes from children of all ages let us know that everyone enjoyed the message of the Gospel Puppets.



Tommy Blevins, left, assists Mike Faison with his Gospel Puppets.



Pastors Tyrone Boyd and Olie Smith baptize a new convert from the Health and Happiness Crusade.

PASTOR BOYD BAPTIZES 24

Pastor Tyrone Boyd of the Morgan Park and Beacon of Joy churches in Chicago conducted a Health and Happiness Crusade which resulted in the baptism of 24 people.

Crusade sermons were made clear and viable by the use of dual-screen colorama—two seven-foot screens flashing as Boyd preached the word nightly. Young and old were captivated under the power of the Holy Spirit.

Personnel included Pastor Claude Shaw, who led a rousing song service nightly, Carol Connor, soloist, Kenneth Peters, who conducted the review of previous messages, and Olie Smith, assistant to Pastor Boyd.

VESPER WITH THE ARCHER QUARTET

The Pontiac Southside church was blessed through song recently when the Archer Quartet provided the vesper service.

Brothers Junior, Len and Austin Archer, along with Riley Caesar, sang a variation of black and white spirituals as only they can do. Accompanying them on the piano was Edite De Burgo, a native of Brazil. Host for the evening was Pastor Oliver Pilgrim.

The Archer brothers are from the Caribbean Islands, while Riley is from Ghana. All four singers are attending Andrews University, working toward master's degrees and plan to return to their native homes after graduation.

The Lake Region family will miss these masters of harmony when they do leave. Until then, "to God be the glory!"

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THE AEOLIANS BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN—PART II

by Stephanie Johnson

Piatra Neamt: The City of Tranquility

June 15, 16—On Monday morning we were greeted by chilling rain as we left Ploana Brasov. Although the skies were gray and dreary, nothing could dampen our spirits as we travelled to Piatra Neamt. I knew the sun would come out.

The ride through the Romanian countryside warmed my spirits. I am amazed at the thrift and industry of the Romanian people. According to our guide, Felicia, there is no unemployment. In Romania everyone works.

With great interest I observed young and old diligently working in the fields. Plowing is done by horses or oxen. Planting and harvesting are done by hand.

The life of the Romanian peasant is one of simplicity, free from urban excesses. They live quietly in pastel-colored homes made of stucco or wood. Inside you find several rooms that are sparsely furnished. Many homes have no indoor plumbing or electrical appliances.

Families are closely knit. You find several generations living together. Consequently, the epidemic of divorce plaguing our society has not left its telling blow on Romania.

On our way to Piatra Neamt we had the thrilling experience of driving up the summit of the Carpathian Mountains. The scenery was breath-taking. The mountains are legendary.

By late afternoon we arrived in Piatra Neamt. It was a beautiful day! The sun came out! Piatra Neamt is a city landscaped with flowers, painted with quaint eateries and etched in medieval architecture.

It is a budding city with a population of 83,168. Here you never experience rush hour traffic or a crowded city tenement. The people take time for quiet repose. The siesta is an important part of the day. The decadence of urban society has not reached its tranquil shores.

It was in this pastoral setting that the Aeolians held their second concert. Predictably, they were received with glowing adoration. Piatra Neamt loved the Aeolians!!!

To conclude next month

MOVING ON WITH THE PATHFINDERS

The Ephesus Pathfinders are always on the move, always leading others in the right direction. In 1981 their actions are no exception. The year has been filled with many activities.

One highlight was a first aid class sponsored by the Pathfinders but open to church members and the community. The class was held every Sabbath afternoon for several weeks. Certificates were granted to all those who passed a rather difficult test and attended class regularly.

From June 19-21, former Pathfinders and counselors met at Rockland State Park for a reunion. It was just like old times as campers pitched their tents, bedded down in their sleeping bags and fought off the mosquitos!

Thoughts on heaven, songs of praise, reflections on the Prince of peace, the idea that even "nature keeps the Sabbath," and celebrations over a bonfire were all part of that special weekend at Rockland!

Ephesus Director George Sanders encourages all junior youth to be a part of the Pathfinders, the youth organization that is "on the move!"

Caroline Jones
Communication Secretary



Left to right: Forstie Ephraim, Cullen Phipps, Delvin Callwood and Mrs. Horsford (Bx. church)—campers at the Pathfinder reunion.

PROFILE OF AN SDA YOUTH

Dana Reed, an Ephesian "since conception," is a young man who is definitely on his way to a successful career in the communications field. After just one year at Southern Missionary College in Collegedale, Tennessee, Dana is receiving a scholarship for the 1981-82 school year because of his outstanding contribution to the public relations program at S.M.C.



Dana Reed

He is a member of the Southernaires, a college quartet that is part of the public relations team that travels throughout the U.S. encouraging young people to enroll at S.M.C. The team includes a ventriloquist, a speaker and the quartet. Dana says that "wherever they are needed, they will go."

In addition to his participation on the team, he is an announcer on the college radio station, WSMC. Dana aspires to be a producer of a progressive gospel radio show, a professional singer and writer. His goals are many, but they can be summed up in his poem:

God is love, love is God.
If I can show love
To someone each day,
Then I can say
I've done my task,
I've chosen the right way!

He is most appreciative of his parents and his brother Anthony, who have given him the support, love and gentle "push" that he needed to get moving. He says "thank you" to Ephesus for the many learning opportunities given to him and to the Harlem community for its diversity of lifestyles and its people, who represent all countries.

Dana Reed, writer of 43 songs (one is being recorded by the Praise Singers from California), radio announcer, musician, Christian. Dana Reed, an Ephesian who is "young, gifted and black."

Caroline Jones
Communication Secretary



Haynes Gardens Apartments

HAYNES APARTMENTS CELEBRATES TENTH ANNIVERSARY

Haynes Gardens Apartments, a 208-unit complex sponsored by the South Central Conference, celebrated its tenth anniversary on August 27 with representatives from the mayor's office, Senator Bonner's office, the Metropolitan Ministerial Alliance and other civic and religious organizations.

Dr. Robert Hardy from Meharry Medical School and Robert Lewis, president of the Citizens Bank and Trust, gave greetings to the group assembled under a tent erected on the lawn for the occasion. Dr. J. L. Powell from the Baptist Theological Seminary offered the invocation.

Dr. Dogan Williams, president of the ministerial alliance, read the Scripture. Dr. N. G. Simons, Riverside Hospital's retired administrator, gave the history of Haynes Gardens.

Dr. C. E. Dudley, president of the Haynes Gardens Housing Board, told of the future plans for Haynes Gardens. In his address to the future, Dudley mentioned the projects that are now under construction in Clarksville, Tennessee, and Cleveland, Mississippi.

He pointed out that the Christian is to redeem the whole man, and all men, wherever man is found. He received the loudest applause when he said that "It is love of mankind that causes us to want to build in this neighborhood a high-rise for senior citizens."

Sally Coopwood was honored for being the oldest tenant. Gwendolyn Baynes was recognized as one of the first to move in who has been with Haynes Gardens for ten years.

Haynes Gardens Apartments was founded by N. G. Simons with the objective of meeting people's needs in housing.

It is a non-profit, no-income organization in which the Federal government provides subsidies to individuals and families who do not meet rent requirements. It is believed the complex helps encourage the level of living standards for low income persons that match the level of other classes in society.

The administrative leadership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church under Pastor Isaac Johnson has brought about an atmosphere in Haynes Garden Apartments which has produced homeowners, doctors and many others who have entered the professional ranks of society. The complex is an example of the Seventh-day Adventist Church's Christian success in its service to mankind.



Sally Coopwood is the oldest tenant of the Haynes Gardens Apartments. With her is the assistant manager of Haynes Gardens and Xavier Butler, pastor of Riverside Adventist Hospital.

THE REID-DAVIS REUNION

Three churches in two conferences opened their doors during the July 31-August 2 weekend to welcome home the Reid-Davis family at the family's first annual reunion.

The family observance got underway on Friday evening at sundown with vesper services at the Reid Memorial Church in East St. Louis, Illinois, then moved across the Mississippi River into St. Louis, Missouri, for the Sabbath worship at the Berean Seventh-day Adventist Church and a talent program at the Northside Seventh-day Adventist Church at the A.Y.S. hour.

The Reids and the Davises are descendants of the late Mary Frances Reid, who was a deaconess at Berean. She learned about the third angel's message after going to Laurel, Mississippi, in 1922 on a business trip. She stayed with a friend who had become a Seventh-day Adventist and taught her what she had learned.

When she returned home to St. Louis, she shared what she had learned with her three sons and a daughter, Silas, Frank and Jesse J. Reid and Viola Reid Davis.

After studying their Bibles, Frank, Jessie, his wife Johnnie Evangeline, and Mrs. Davis and her husband James became members of the Seventh-day Adventist church. The three families had a total of 21 children, all of whom were baptized into the church at Berean. Mrs. Reid died in 1944.

Speaker for the Friday night vesper services at the Reid Memorial Church, which was named in memory of the late Jesse J. Reid, Sr., was Pastor Leon Davis, Sr., a nephew and former pastor of the church, who is now in the communication and youth departments of the Atlantic Union. The family was welcomed to the church by Pastor Charles Gibson and the members.

Hazel Reid Nunn, a daughter of Jesse Reid, presented the church with a picture of her father. She had come from Pittsburg, California, for the occasion. McCann Reid of Memphis, Tennessee, and Mrs. Vernon Jenkins of South Central Conference were also members of this great reunion. Mrs. Vernon Jenkins was also present. The F. H. Jenkins Elementary School was named after her husband, the late Fitzgerald Jenkins. Mrs. Jenkins' brother, Pastor Dunbar Henri, is a retired vice president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Lovey Davis Verdun, dean of women at Oakwood College, was also present.

On Saturday night an update of the family honored the mothers, including Viola Reid Davis and Louise Spencer Reid, both of the St. Louis area, and Theresa Walton Reid of Kansas City, Kansas. Flowers were presented to them by their grandchildren, Pamela Reid of Huntsville, Alabama, Heather Clemons of Seattle, Washington, and Erika Phipps of New York City. Gifts were presented to them by their daughters, Jewel Reid, Hazel Reid Nunn and Lorraine Davis Henri. Viola Davis was given a plaque by her children. J. Roy Davis of New York was master of ceremonies for the Saturday night program and served as the general chairman for the reunion.

The reunion was concluded with a picnic in Forest Park in St. Louis. Approximately 100 persons participated in the family reunion.



Alex Horton returns from Andrews University.

HORTON RETURNS TO FIELD

Alex Horton is a graduate of Southwestern Adventist College in Keene, Texas, who had spent the past two years at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan, working toward a master of divinity degree. Upon completion of his studies, he returned to our field to begin his internship as a pastor.

A native of Oklahoma City, Alex is a wide-awake young man who shows real promise as a laborer in the Master's vineyard. We wish him God's choicest blessings as he assumes his first district.

DARK COUNTY WORK IN HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

For as long as we can remember, the city of Hobbs, New Mexico, had been a spot on the map, a dark county and a place for the nearby people in West Texas to do Ingathering. Literature had been left and seed had been sown, yet no permanent work for God had ever been established.

Then S. K. Collins of Roswell, New Mexico, took it upon himself to explore the possibility of establishing permanent work in Hobbs.

An interesting human experience occurred recently. Mr. and Mrs. James Lee of Glendale, Arizona, mailed his mother-in-law Bible studies on tape, and God blessed this endeavor, for she is now a Sabbath-keeper. Seventeen people meet weekly in this dark county with Collins in a permanent meeting place, and eight have been baptized with other interests. We look forward to this new group growing into a church.



New group keeps the Sabbath in Hobbs, New Mexico.



Carol Porter was recently appointed public relations and development secretary for Lone Star Camp. God has blessed Carol to make some valuable contacts for the camp. From left: Treasurer Baez, President Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Short, owner of a local radio station, and Judge Reagan, a county judge, in Athens, Texas.

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A NEW SCIENCE COMPLEX FOR OAKWOOD COLLEGE

The new science complex at Oakwood College is without question one of the finest facilities of its kind to be found anywhere. This \$3 million complex, consisting of three interconnecting modular buildings, will provide more than 85,000 square feet of laboratory, classroom, office and storage space.

The complex is designed to house the five departments in the division of natural sciences and mathematics. These departments are biology, chemistry, home economics, mathematics-physics and nursing. The first module will house the departments of nursing and home economics. The general auditorium, the science learning center and the department of mathematics and physics will be housed in the second module. The third module will house the departments of biology and chemistry, along with a greenhouse.

The division of natural sciences and mathematics is the largest division of instruction at Oakwood College, consisting of 21 faculty members and more than 300 science majors.

The home economics area in the new science complex will not only provide larger and better facilities for the teaching of domestic science, but will also make it possible for the department to meet state certification requirements.

Even though the new complex will provide much-needed space, the real strength of the science program at Oakwood College does not reside in brick and mortar, but in the competence and dedication of its faculty, the rigor and content of its curriculum and the quality and caliber of its students. Evidence of this is seen in the granting of full approval to the associate of science degree program in nursing by the Alabama Board of Nursing.

One of the many indices that can be used to measure the strength and effectiveness of a science program is the

number of graduates who go on to earn doctoral degrees in graduate and professional schools. Fifty-nine Oakwood science graduates have earned doctoral degrees since 1959 in such fields as medicine (44), dentistry (6), biology (3), chemistry (2), pharmacology (1), physiology (1), public health (1) and mathematics (1). More than 40 science graduates are presently enrolled in medical and dental schools, and nine have been accepted for the class beginning next September.

It is significant to note that in 1979 Oakwood College ranked fourth in the nation among all colleges and universities supplying black applicants to medical schools and eighth in the nation in the number of black applicants accepted.

With its impressive track record in preparing students for careers in science, it is hoped that this new science complex will enable the college to make a giant leap forward toward becoming a "mecca of science" for the education of Adventist youth.

As the division of natural sciences and mathematics moves into the new science complex, the words of the eminent French scientist, Louis Pasteur, resound down the ages to all who acknowledge the importance of science in Adventist higher education.

"Take interest, I implore you, in those sacred dwellings which one designates by the expressive term: laboratories. Demand that they be multiplied, that they be adorned. These are the temples of the future—temples of well-being and happiness. There it is that humanity grows greater, stronger, better."

E. A. Cooper
Chairman of the Division
of Natural Sciences
and Mathematics at
Oakwood College

Gossip is a dainty morsel eaten with great relish.

Proverbs 26:22



Oakwood College's new science complex.

OAKWOOD OFFERS "BLACK PRIDE"

In an effort to raise funds to update equipment and enhance program development for Oakwood's radio station, WOCG, station manager Stanley Ware has developed a one-man entertainment package of drama, poetry and music that explores the black man's odyssey from slavery to the present. The program, entitled "Black Pride," includes spirituals, poetry by Langston Hughes and James Weldon Johnson, and contemporary gospel songs that speak of black pride in our time.

Ware is an alumnus of Oakwood College, where he earned a bachelor of music degree. He was a scholarship student at the Julliard School of Music and earned his master of music performance degree from the George Peabody School for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee. For his graduate recital, Ware was accompanied by the Nashville Symphony Orchestra in a presentation of Benjamin Britten's Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings.

He has appeared as a guest soloist with the Nashville Symphony on eight occasions. On one appearance he sang opposite Giorgio Tottsi of the Metropolitan Opera in scenes from "Boris Godunov." Ware has appeared as a guest soloist with the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra on numerous occasions. Many of his appearances with the Huntsville Symphony have been broadcast on the Alabama Public Television Network.

Ware has also appeared in concert at Eastern Michigan University, Fisk University, the Tuskegee Institute, Andrews University, Atlantic Union College and Union College. He has been dubbed the "Black Caruso" and his voice has been compared with that of Seth McCoy, black tenor of the Metropolitan Opera.

To engage Ware for the "Black Pride" concert, please write Juliaette Phillips, Office of Public Relations, Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama 35896.

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DIETETICS: LIFELINE OF VLNC

By Stephanie D. Johnson

Few realize the importance of a good dietetics department in a nursing center. The health of a patient is not so much dependent on medication prescribed as it is on the well-balanced menu formulated by the clinical dietitian.

In *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, page 251, Ellen G. White points out that those who understand the art of properly preparing food, and who use this knowledge, are worthy of higher commendation than those who are engaged in any other work. "This talent should be regarded as equal in value to ten talents; for its right use has much to do with keeping the human organism in health. It is the most valuable of all gifts."

It is the dietitian who prescribes foods that nourish the brain, bones and muscles. The dietitian is the life-sustainer.

An improper diet means the weakening of the patient's health and ultimately his death, while a well-balanced diet supplies vitality and restores the health of the patient. It is a matter of life and death.

At VLNC this weighty responsibility is entrusted to Clinical Dietitian Betty Ann Smith-Swanston, R.D. She is responsible for assessing the nutritional needs of each patient and planning a menu that would be beneficial to their health.

After evaluating each patient's diet history and meal plan, she interviews them to discover their likes and dislikes. Close attention is paid to their age, ethnic background and religion.

Careful attention is also given to their medical history and the medication they are presently taking. For example, if a patient is taking Dilantin, a drug that depletes Vitamin C, she prescribes foods that will replenish the vitamin.

In order to meet the needs of each patient, she works with many of the departments at VLNC. If she finds a patient needs special tools for eating, she will work with the occupational therapist and help him design the proper tool. If a patient is under the care of a physical therapist, she will consult the therapist to assess whether the patient needs more or less calories to perform physical exercises. For the nursing department and staff physicians she provides a nutritional assessment for each patient.

It is a challenging job, but challenges are nothing new for Betty Smith-Swanston. She is one of twelve children born to Esther and the late Clarence Smith of Southampton, Bermuda. She taught elementary school in Bermuda before going to Atlantic Union College to pursue her bachelor of science degree in foods and nutrition.

She financed her education by working at a number of jobs: a breakfast cook (a job that required her to be at work at 4 a.m. to prepare breakfast for the entire school) and a maintenance worker in the dormitory, baby sitting, cleaning and washing for a critically ill patient, and working in the college snack bar. During the summer months she worked in the Massachusetts State Hospital as a nurse attendant.

After completing college she worked for a year at New England Memorial Hospital in Stoneham, Massachusetts, as an assistant dietitian and dietary worker. Then she did a one-year internship in dietetics at Loma Linda University. For the next eleven years she gained a wealth of experience in clinical and administrative dietetics at several hospitals and nursing care facilities.

At Doctor's Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts, she was chief therapeutic dietitian. At Methodist Hospital in



Betty Smith Swanston

Brooklyn, New York, she was part of the health care team and one of her many responsibilities included supervising and planning modified menus.

She served as chief dietitian and acting food director for Community Hospital of Brooklyn, New York. Before assuming her present position as clinical dietitian for VLNC, she was given the responsibility of being chief clinical dietitian for the Florence Nightingale Nursing Center (a 969-bed nursing facility).

Her experience, expertise and professional training greatly enrich the dietetics department at VLNC. She is a registered dietitian and a member of the American Dietetic Association, New York State Dietetic Association, Greater New York Association and Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association.

Betty is an active member of the Trinity Temple church in Poughkeepsie, New York, where she is actively involved in missionary outreach and the devoted mother of four vibrant children.

FORMER MESSAGE EDITOR, OAKWOOD PRESIDENT RETIRES

After 41 years of varied services to the SDA church, Dr. Garland J. Millet recently announced his retirement. His wife, Ursula Berry Millet, also served for 27 of those years, first as an elementary teacher in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., and later as an editorial and administrative secretary at the Southern Publishing Association, Riverside Hospital, and the General Conference Regional Department.

Dr. Millet's mother, Gertrude Johnson Millet, was an early convert through the ministry of Edson White's missionary boat, the Morning Star, at Yazoo City, Mississippi. She attended Oakwood during the early years and heard Ellen White speak there.

Three decades of Millet's service specifically involved the black work. He taught in academies at Washington, D.C., Los Angeles and Oakwood College in the '30s and '40s. He pastored the Santa Monica Delaware Avenue and L. A. Berean churches for five years and was ordained in the early '50s.

In 1954 Millet became the third black president of Oakwood College. During his nine-year administration thirteen buildings were erected, student enrollment doubled, faculty with advanced degrees multiplied, Oakwood received accreditation and the now-popular "Three-way Plan" of student aid was started.

After earning a Ph.D. at George Peabody College for Teachers (now Vanderbilt University) and serving for several interim years as assistant to the president at famed Fisk University, Millet became the third black editor of *Message Magazine*, from 1967-1970. Then, in 1970, he became the first black worker elected to the General Conference's Department of Education. During eight years as associate director there, Millet coordinated overseas higher education, edited *The Journal of Adventist Education*, and issued, with supporting committees, (1) a review of SDA nursing education, (2) "Seventh-day Adventist Concepts of Psychology," and (3) "Christian Education—Values Needed Now." He also served the Oakwood College board for some 20 years.

Millet's latest post was as special assistant to the president of Loma Linda University. One of his tasks was to encourage more black and other non-white



G. J. Millet

employment at Loma Linda University and Medical Center, which together comprise the world's largest Seventh-day Adventist institution. During his three years' service, the total number of black employees grew and 27 black teachers were invited to teach at the university. Approximately 50 invitations were extended to all other ethnic minorities.

The Millets plan to divide their immediate future between Huntsville, Alabama (now familiarly called the "capital of black Adventism"), and southern California. Their three children are Garland, a professor at Southern University at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Carol, a nurse and minister's wife in Montgomery, Alabama, and Debra, a word processing operator at Loma Linda University.

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the public. We have done it before, but this requires advance planning. Problems of security as it relates to "church movies" and "campmeetings" must be addressed. Already, some of us are taking precautions in "tent meetings" to protest the same. A state of emergency exists in the "ghetto."

It is a condition that will get worse before it gets better, but we will get through somehow. There is a God who identifies with the poor, who somehow moves to their relief. "I do not believe He brought us this far to leave us."

The Seventh-day Adventist church is uniquely equipped to deal with the problems herein cited. Our Community Services program, Dorcas organization and medical personnel and services will stand us in good stead in the days ahead. Advance planning is of the utmost importance.

E. E. Cleveland

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Like the first crunchy bite of a fresh apple.

Apple Delight

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