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## Madison Host to M. V. Rally

The M. V. Society of Madison College was host to the youth of the Nashville Area at a rally held December 8. Delegates were present from Nashville, Bowling Green, Madison, Madison College, and Highland Academy.

Outstanding features of the afternoon session were Elder L. A. Skinner's account of the Paris Youth Congress and the boat trip home, with its opportunities for sharing the Advent faith; the singspiration conducted by Elder Teddric Mohr, Kentucky-Tennessee M. V. Secretary; and a youth forum, in which important questions were answered.

The rally was climaxed with a meeting Saturday night at which Mr. Charles Templin told his story of being miraculously healed. Preceding this, he showed beautiful color films of his collection of shells.

Special music was presented by the following M. V. groups: Highland Academy, a trombone solo, a male quartette, and a ladies' duet; Fatherland Street church, a male quartette; Madison College, a mixed quartette, a trumpet trio, a brass trio, a baritone solo, and a ladies' quartette.

An overflow audience packed the auditorium and filled the vestry and the porches. It is estimated that 600 attended most of the meetings.

To the students of Madison College, the rally was a fitting high day to close the Week of Prayer.

## Real Progress Being Made on Annual

The plans for the 1952 Cumberland Echoes are fast becoming realities. Already the individual portraits are being taken and the dummy is nearing completion. Friends will be glad to know that the cover has been chosen, and the staff is promising something extra special along that line this year.

Madison College has reached a year that is going to be full of real progress, especially in regard to annuals, for not only are the pictures being taken here on the campus by Madison's own Leslie Morris, but the printing of the book is to be directed by Mr. Richard Rimmer at The Rural Press. Can anyone ask for a better example of the type of education Madison College promotes?

The staff consists of the following: Editor-in-chief, Pat Mitzelfelt; Associate Editors, Howard Huenergardt, Sylvia Maltby; Art Editor, Betty Clark; Academy Editor, Anne Jensen; Business and Circulation, Victor Page; Assistant, Bob Silver; Academy, James Culpepper; Adviser, Felix A. Lorenz; Typists, Dalline Colvin, Minnie Mae Sykes.

Delivery date will be not later than June 1, 1952. This year's annual will be a success, as full co-operation is being given on every side, which the staff appreciates very much. Until next time then, we'll "BE SEEING YOU IN THE CUMBERLAND ECHOES."

#### Great Oratorio Well Received

The immortal and well-loved oratorio *The Messiah* was heard at Helen Funk Assembly Hall, on Sunday evening at eight o'clock.

Directed by H. E. Mitzelfelt and Mrs. Patricia Ostrander, the chorus of sixty voices from the Nashville area gave an appreciative audience an opportunity to hear a truly great composition.

Soloists included the following: Mrs. C. Kendall, Mrs. Edith Cothren, Mrs. H. E. Mitzelfelt, Patricia Mitzelfelt, Aquila Patterson, Mr. E. Bisalski, Dr. James Schuler and John Read.

Joyce Christiansen accompanied the chorus at the piano.

Among the best known choruses sung were "For unto us a child is born," "Surely He hath borne our griefs," and the well-known and inspirational closing "Hallelujah Chorus."

## Successful Week

## of Prayer Concluded

Madison College was privileged to have as its guest speaker for the Week of Prayer Elder L. A. Skinner, of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference. Meetings were held in Helen Funk Assembly Hall mornings and evenings during the week of December 1-8.

An interesting feature of the evening meetings was the interviewing of students conducted by Elder Skinner. Each night before he began to speak, he honored a different group of students by interviewing two members of their group concerning their experiences in accepting Christ and in gaining a Christian education. The groups represented were the girls of Williams Hall, the dormitory men, the nursing students of

## Lecture Thrills Audience

A full house was present to see the film, *Sheep, Stars, and Solitude*, brought to Madison College by Mr. Francis R. Line, traveler, lecturer and lover of God's created works.

People came expectantly, and they left satisfied, agreeing that the film was indeed "The Perfect Film," as it has been called.

The pictures brought beauty indescribable as they portrayed the fifty-day trek that the Mexican sheep-herder, Rosalio, made with his 1547 sheep twice yearly.

Whether their path crossed the desert amid treacherous cacti, led beside still waters or up rocky mountainside, the presence of the Divine Shepherd seemed to be there, urging on the weary sheep, till they reached their green pastures up in the White Mountains of Southeastern Arizona.

With the lecturer, one felt the insignificance of man's accomplishments in a world of hurry, noise, and confusion—those buildings reaching to the sky, those inventions that bring news of disaster and destruction. None of these seemed worth the peace that such solitude, away from civilization, brought.

Nothing could make one appreciate more the beauty and perfection of God's creation, the care of God for his children and his creatures, than to follow Rosalio and his sheep under the moon and the stars and through sunshine and rain. "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Gotzian Home, and the overseas students.

Elder Skinner presented Christ as the center of Christianity. Until man looks to Him, he never discovers his own sinful condition or gets a true picture of what he really is. It is only when Christ is lifted up in our lives that we are drawn to Him, the speaker pointed out.

He emphasized the importance of Bible study and prayer to Christian growth. "One of the most powerful weapons at the command of a Christian is prayer," Elder Skinner said. "However, unless a person is careful, praying can become a ritual, like turning prayer wheels in a temple," he warned. During the day Elder Skinner visited

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## A Christmas Prayer

We thank Thee for Thy bounty,
This season of the year,
For simple things, for shelter
And those we hold most dear.

We thank Thee for Thy plenty,
For we have such a lot,
And bless the ones who need it,
But simply have it not.

Dear Lord, cease our complaining,
Who have so much to bless,
And speed Thy blessed Presence
To those in deep distress.

And walk the field of battle,
The trampled, bloody sod,
And save our lads and lasses,
For they are Thine, oh God.

Forgive us our repining, Our indolence, our care, And listen, Lord of Glory, To this our Christmas prayer.

-Edna Atkin Pepper





## Vox Populi

(This column will regularly present student opinion on various questions. The editors solicit questions from readers).

"Hit them where it hurts!" "Use their social privileges or their spare time." This is a fair cross section of the range of opinions offered in answer to the question, "What do you think should be done to Sabbath Duty shirkers?" Actually, this was such a general opinion, one wonders who there is left to shirk Sabbath Duty.

The epidemic of Sabbath Duty-itis and comments on the comparatively new fining system, prompted this search into what campus folk think should be done to these delinquent members of campus society. The opinions were unanimous so far as the ineffectiveness of fining and the need for a more pertinent way of chastising the wayward are concerned. One student-worker even suggested that the failures be added to the student's permanent record.

Here is a sample of the statements made concerning this problem:

Martha Miracle, Gotzian Home monitor: Take their privileges away on Saturday nights and don't let them have dates. Making them pay fines is no good. That doesn't hurt them; it hurts their parents.

Opal Lawry, Cafeteria worker: Like any other offenders, they should be desocialized or be punished in a way that really hurts them. After all, no one likes Sabbath Duty but everyone should do his duty.

Whitcomb Zollinger, active labor supervisor: It might be that they should be charged the amount that was paid to their substitute plus having to fulfill their own turn on the following Sabbath

Edna Pepper, Secretary to Labor Distributor: I believe that Sabbath Duty shirkers should be used as "extras," on call for any shift, the Sabbath following the failure. The record of failures might then be included in the student's folder, and so become a part of his permanent record, for anyone interested to inquire into it.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER

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Williams Hall, Men's Court, and Gotzian Home, getting acquainted with the students and giving them opportunity to counsel with him. He was also in the church office during certain hours for counsel. The students appreciated the personal interest Elder Skinner showed in their work, their study, and their problems.

As a result of this special week of devotion, all were strengthened in their Christian experiences, and a number expressed a desire to begin the Christian life and join the baptismal class.

#### BEACON STAFF

The material for this issue of THE BEACON has been prepared by members of the English classes.

## Thumb Nail Sketches

By BEN GREENING

(Your reporter hopes to make this column a medium for becoming better acquainted with fellow-students and teachers).

THE BEACON presents a personable young man who calls himself Clayton Spady.

Clayton was born about twenty-three years ago in Shafter, California. He was a sort of vagabond in his early days, having lived in Texas, Oklahoma, California, New Mexico, and Kansas.

Enterprise Academy in Kansas was his home for four years. Homesickness did not bother him, perhaps largely because he enjoyed his school work and because extra-curricular activities claimed so much of his time.

This is Clayton's final year at Madison College, as he has finished his X-ray Course and has almost completed his Laboratory Technician's Course. He secretly hopes to leave here with a B.S. degree, but Uncle Sam may have other ideas.

His hobbies are music, books, and photography. He likes cream on all his foods, almost, but detests eggs and hillbilly music.

When asked about his ideal, he wisely replied, "I'll know when I see her." Intelligent fellow, I'd say.

A true Southern gentleman, Dean Warren Oakes, was born in Vicksburg, Mississippi, about thirty-five years ago.

Dean Oakes is one of the few real Southerners on the teaching staff, having received his academy and college training at Southern Missionary College. He received an additional forty two months' training of another sort in Uncle Sam's Army, serving in the Pacific and Asiatic theatres of war. Mr. Oakes graduated with a major in Biology and minors in History and Education. He received His Master of Arts degree from Peabody College for Teachers.

When asked what his pet peeve or dislike is, Mr. Oakes replied very appropriately, "People who have pet peeves." He also dislikes hill-billy music and says he has never gone to the Grand Ole Opry. His hobbies are good music, photography, and stamp collecting.

Dean Oakes has a secret wish. He would like very much to see a nice cottage built close to Boys' Court so the Dean could be right on the spot and still have his home life.

Dean Oakes wishes all students to feel free to come in to counsel with him on either business or personal problems.

Sentimentality is no indication of a warm heart. Nothing weeps more freely than a block of ice.

## Delta Nu Jeta

All week long strains of the "Hallelujah Chorus" sounded through the halls as chorus members in Williams Hall anticipated singing with the Nashville Community Chorus at the War Memorial Building on the night of December 10. The night arrived. Drivers were assembled in front of the dorm. Last minute after-class touches were made and the procession was off.

The program started beautifully. The moment approached when Madison's members were to take part. Every one stood for the singing of the "Hallelujah Chorus"; the beginning chord was struck—and not a sound came from the Madison section. Tragedy of tragedies! They were not seated in sections, and it was impossible for them to sing. Let-down of 1951. . . .

The friend of the Spanish-girl-away-from-home—Opal Lowry. Last year Rosa Martinez went with Opal to her home in Thayer, Kansas. This year the lucky girl is Luz Journet. Madison wishes it could do as well for all its overseas students.

Flakes of white on Williams Hall front porch had nothing to do with the weather. It was only the excess rice shed from the shoulders of former dorm resident Omelia Martin, who with her new husband, Joe Adams, was on her way to the reception following their wedding, Sunday, December 9.

Wedding bells will also chime for Joanne Partridge and David Harvey on December 19. Joanne and David will set up housekeeping at the elite Number 4, Sunshine Court.

The "drying room," third floor, Williams Hall, has been a priceless possession, but not too priceless to trade for a new resident in the person of Dorothy Allen. Dorothy expects to stay until she receives her B.S. with a major in dietetics, sometime next year.

"Anybody have a room for rent?" is Susie Townsend's query. Sue will move to Nashville and start a brand new job as Elder Teddric Mohr's secretary sometime before Christmas.

The cafeteria and San kitchen workers joined in a Christmas Party Saturday night, December 15. Also Williams Hall girls had a small Christmas celebration Wednesday evening, December 12, at which time the girls revealed themselves to their friendship sisters through their gift exchange.

Leah Sepulveda was entertained by Miles Coon and Miss Marjorie Cates, former Williams Hall dean, in celebration of Leah's birthday on December 12.

Also Beulah Garrard was honored with a surprise birthday party given by David Patterson in the kitchenette on December 8.

Williams Hall old-timers will be glad to know that a '50-'51 dorm sister, Lois Wiik, will be wed to Cecil W. Killen on December 23, in Wytheville, Virginia. Lois is planning a post-honeymoon visit to Madison sometime in January.

Your Williams Hall reporter will close, wishing you a Merry Xmas and Happy New Quarter and wondering how many people will be awake on registration day. It's the day after New Year's Eve, you know.

#### Sanitarium Notes

Dr. J. C. Gant is planning a muchneeded and deserved vacation in sunny California, starting the week before Christmas.

Dr. David Johnson left December 16 for New York, where he will take his State Board Examination in Neurology.

A barber service for the patients has been provided by Mr. Adams, a Madison barber. He makes his visits on Sundays and Wednesdays.

The Sanitarium now has a chaplain committee, who will be happy to aid patients in any spiritual problems. This committee is comprised of Pastor Kimble, Elder Stewart, Miss Violet Richie, and Mr. Ernie Michael.

The cashier's office and also the admitting office have recently had their faces lifted with a fresh coat of paint.

There is soon to be a two-way call system installed on general, which will be of great service to the nurses as well as to the patients.

The workers in Ladies' Hydro are pleased with the new diathermy machine which they have been using for the past two months.

The Christmas spirit overtook the workers in Ladies' Hydro. Mrs. J. W. Blair and her group—Hazel Wade, Mary Jane Sparks, Joyce Haight, Eula Hill, Louise Blackwell, Lily Sherrill, and Nancy Vest—put away their work and had a final get-together on December 17 at noon. Small gifts were exchanged and lunch was served. French-fried potatoes, baked beans, sandwiches, deviled eggs, stuffed celery, olives, punch, and pecan pie were on the menu. These people have all enjoyed working together this past quarter and give many thanks to Mrs. Blair, their supervisor, who has taught them much.

Mrs. Menton Medford, head dietitian of the Sanitarium, is beaming with happiness now that she has moved to the new baby formula room. The room was completed on December 3, and on December 4 she and two student nurses moved all the supplies from the San kitchen down to the new room, which is located next to the general nurses' office on O.B. In contrast to the inconvenient conditions under which the formulas have been prepared, the neat new room is furnished with modern and up-to-date equipment.

The Sanitarium lobby will be the

scene of the annual Christmas party for the office workers, doctors, nurses, and laboratory personnel on Tuesday night, December 18. Names enclosed in small capsules were exchanged for gifts at the Christmas tree, which will start the season off right for all.

The stork continues to bless Madison campus. Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Jones have a baby boy born November 24. Congratulations!

Ramona Seath and Marie "Tubby" Wilson have moved into the new formula room, which is right next to the nursery. All they have to do is to open a little door and pass the milk to the babies.

Henry Bedford is going to start taking X-ray when he comes back from vacation.

## Musically Speaking

One of Madison's most enthusiastic departments is the Music Department. Professor H. E. Mitzelfelt, head of the department, is director of the college band of thirty members. Concerts are being planned for the new year.

The college orchestra, with about fifteen members, is also directed by Mr. Mitzelfelt.

Then there is a lively junior band, composed of thirty members. This band has already given several numbers and has been well received.

One of the instrumental ensembles is the trumpet trio, which is widely known and in demand by many organizations.

Fifty-two students are enrolled in the piano and organ departments; Mrs. Mitzelfelt and Professor Rimmer are the instructors. A recital by these departments is in the offing. The "organ meditations" by several students has been enjoyed by all.

The a cappella choir of about thirty voices has received invitations from several churches, and the Choraleers, a select vocal group directed by Mrs. Ostrander, are slated to give a program at the Old Hickory Country Club.

Some of the vocal groups are the girls' trio, ladies' quartette, and the Ambassadors Male Quartette. These groups have already appeared in several programs. The Ambassadors sang several numbers recently at the Veterans' Hospital in Murfreesboro.

The Community Chorus presented Handel's Messiah on Sunday evening. Mrs. Ostrander gives thirty voice lessons every week and also conducts several voice classes.

Some of the students have been giving musical programs at the Sanitarium parlor and also musical numbers at the other parlor services.

Requests have come in for the formation of a music club.

To get nowhere—follow the crowd.

#### Food Factory Jottings

Madison Foods has finally decided on a name for its chicken, and it has 32,-000 newly designed labels on hand, using the name Mock Chicken.

To get the product before the public, the company ran an ad in the Union papers offering free samples. As a result the factory has been swamped with orders.

The Food Factory family is planning a biscuit supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee during the holidays. Hm-m-m, Hm-m-m!

Necessity is the mother of invention. This has again proved itself true in connection with the latest improvement in Stakelets. The factory ran low on certain ingredients and made a substitute, which greatly improved the recipe. They sent a sample to one of their main jobbers in the East, who by return mail said Madison had the best stake on the market. He placed a nice order for Stakelets and two weeks later ordered another truckload of Madison foods, the bulk of which was Stakelets. So the future for Stakelets looks very promising.

Mr. Raymond Norris has recently been called to Mt. Vernon, Ohio, to be bookkeeper in the food factory there. Since there is no one here to take his place yet, he is back assisting in finishing up the books for the month.

#### This and That

The Pre-nursing Club had its first meeting Thursday, November 29, 1952, the purpose of the meeting being to elect officers. The following officers were elected: president, Alex Brown; vice president, Ruth Grover; secretary-treasurer, Nancy Carney; assistant secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Aldrich; sponsor, Mrs. J. E. Zeigler. The following were elected for the program committee: Harriet Lowry, Mary McLean, Joyce Haight, Thelma Muirhead.

Ingathering at Madison College, under the direction of Brother John Brownlee, began on the downtown streets of Nashville on November 25. Solicitors range all the way from church school children to the older adult members of the church. Many students are participating. These faithful workers have raised approximately \$500 during the past two weeks. One member of the band gets a minute-man goal every time she works for three hours on the street. Five persons have reached the one-minute-man goal and two have reached the two-minute-man goal.

Did you know that every student of Highland Academy was on the Madison College campus on the Sabbath of the Youth's Rally?

The boys' club is losing members. It lost its sergeant-at-arms to Omelia Mar-

tin on December 9, and will lose David Harvey to Joanne Partridge on December 19, and Howard Huenergardt to Southern Missionary College, where he will go to take pre-med in mid-January.

Those of you who haven't seen Gotzian Home parlor recently have missed something. You might not recognize the room, for Mrs. Lorenz, Mrs. Zollinger, and the painters have been working miracles with those dilapidated chairs, the walls, and the floor. The chairs have been re-upholstered, there is a new green divan and a new rug, and, according to Mrs. Zollinger, before long new drapes will be up at the windows.

#### Agricultural Briefs

High school and college agriculture students are gaining actual experience as they carry on their calf projects. The boys, individually, own their calves, purchase the feed, and care for the animals, and the school furnishes housing. The following are the participants and their projects: Alvin Hold, a Whiteface heifer; Donald Cantrell, one Holstein and one Angus-Holstein male calf; Jimmie Riddle, a Holstein heifer; Tommy Lovett, one Holstein male calf and one Angus-Holstein heifer; Larry Riddle, two Holstein male calves.

The De Laval milking machines which have long been serving the Madison College dairy barn, have been replaced by Chore Boy milkers on a trial basis. They save time and are appreciated by the dairymen.

The John Deere people of Nashville, who are opening their new store, were hosts to Madison College agriculture students and instructors and the farms of the Nashville area on Thursday morning, December 6. The agriculture classes of the grade school, the high school, and the college, with Brethren Lovett, Cantrell, and Clayborn, went to Donelson in the school truck. Films illustrating modern methods in agriculture were shown to the visitors, who also saw on display the latest in modern farm machinery.

A hearty welcome to the Clayborn family — Brother Clayborn, his wife, Bobby, four years, and Jimmy, eight years. Brother Clayborn, former farm manager at Highland Academy, has come to be the dairy superintendent at Madison College. He takes the place of Brother Cantrell, who has served the dairy for seven years, and who is now assisting Brother Lovett on the farm.

#### Industrial Education

Some people think that plumbers are men that unstop drains and sewers. Follow the boys in the plumbing department at Madison and you will agree that such work is only a small part of what they do. Here is just a small picture of what that department has been doing. Several boys have just finished installing copper cold water pipe in four of the West Hall rooms. Next they installed a sterilizer in one of the wards. Another day they changed the water fixtures in one of the boys' barracks. Then came a rush call to move over to the new psychiatric building to put in the new fixtures. Now the plumbing for the new milk parlor is keeping them busy.

Rumors are flying that a new electric water pump is to be installed at the heating plant. This means that the firemen will have less cause for worry and that the efficiency of the heating system will be increased.

#### New Classes Announced

The Winter Term at Madison College begins on New Year's Day. All new students enrolling for the new quarter will need to be ready for the various tests that will be given for new students. All old students should be here not later than the morning of the first of January. Any changes in programs will be made on that day. A number of new classes will be offered during the Winter Quarter including Bible Survey, Daniel and Revelation, Freshman English, Introduction to Literature, Conservation of Natural Resources, Ele-mentary Radio, Poultry Husbandry, Childhood Education and Nursery School, Church Organization and Administration, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning, Social Relations and Marriage, Educational Psychology, Plumbing, Introduction to Fruit Growing.

## Just Suppose

Paul Blankenship stopped saying "Howdy, Friend."

Vincent Mitzelfelt took music lessons from Hank Williams.

Texans couldn't brag about Texas. Victor Page got a burr.

Madison College had no foreign students or Texans.

The cafeteria had no soup for lunch.

Williams Hall was quiet during study period.

Nobody could call 71 or 73.

Ladies' Hydro didn't have a wheel chair.

Bill Grover lost his voice.

Nancy Vest had to wash dishes in the cafeteria.

Velma Stewart cut her hair.

Rex Leatherwood lost his orange pique necktie.

Albert Bascom had no boots.

Professor Zeigler passed everyone in Physiology and Anatomy.

Taxes took away Santa Claus's reindeer.