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Faculty & Students Bid Farewell to Amundsens

The recent action at the Autumn Council of the General Conference appointing President Wesley Amundsens to the office of secretary-treasurer of the Association of Self-supporting Institutions, leaves a void on Madison's campus that will not be easy to fill. Since arriving at Madison in the fall of 1950, both Elder and Mrs. Amundsens have endeared themselves to students, faculty, and workers. Their cheerfulness and indefatigable spirit have won for them the respect and admiration of the host of friends and well-wishers that remain here as they go from this place.

Madison, the first and by far the foremost of self-supporting institutions, has proved to be a springboard for mightier endeavor for the energetic talents of the Amundsens. The first-hand experience which they have obtained here only better fits them for this more responsible work of directing a chain of similar institutions that dot North America.

Elder Amundsens, who strongly believes in the self-supporting work, and who has worked for the further development of self-supporting, soul-winning endeavor at Madison, will, no doubt, early prove to be an invaluable stimulus to the new work which he now goes to head up at the General Conference.

Madison College and Madison Sanitarium and Hospital have lost two loyal workers, but have made two loyal friends. We wish them Godspeed and a Christian farewell.

MADISON COLLEGE CAMPUS

Dear Elder and Mrs. Amundsens:

Since we students may not all have the opportunity to bid you farewell, we are writing you this letter to let you know that we are sorry to lose you from our campus.

We remember the first Sabbath you were here, and how eager we were to see what the new president and his wife looked like. We very attentively listened to every word of your sermon that day, Elder Amundsens, to get an inkling of what to expect from our new president. Though we may have forgotten what you talked about, we do remember the friendly, humble Christian way in which you presented your message.

The next day, when you went to your new office, and the following days, you quickly won our confidence as we came to talk over our problems with you. Perplexed students found good counsel

within your office, and those who entered your door greatly disturbed or anxious left feeling relieved and comforted. The students who worked for you said working for you helped them to be better Christians. Those who were downcast brightened up when you greeted them on the walk with your gloom-chasing smile and words of personal interest in them. The church school children also were delighted when you stopped to show an interest in their affairs. As controversies arose, you gave us broad-minded, sound advice, leaving a trail of peace behind you when you left.

As we have sat in your classes and listened to your chapel talks and sermons, we have felt that your instruction has better prepared us for accomplishing our mutual objective of helping to finish the Lord's work. We recall the theme of one of your sermons, "Dare you pray for the Lord to come, and are you willing to shape your life in accordance with your prayers?" And those personal experiences from the mission fields have inspired us with wanting to go after similar experiences.

Of course we students didn't attend the faculty prayer meetings you inaugurated, but as we heard them announced, we always felt that we were in good hands if our president and teachers were getting their instructions from God.

We read in the *Survey* and other periodicals of your training laymen in the Inter-American Division for just the kind of work we were here preparing to do, and were well pleased with the Laymen's Workshop you set up for us and others who came for the training. We feel that the Lord sent you to us for such a work.

Mrs. Amundsens, the meals you planned and served us were ones we wrote home about. We rushed to the cafeteria knowing we would find a variety of well-prepared foods with at least one of our favorite dishes, and sometimes all at once, especially on Sabbaths. We appreciated your listening to "what my mother cooks" and your going to much trouble to duplicate certain dishes for us. Rumors sometimes stole out from the workers among the pots and pans that "things run more smoothly when Mrs. Amundsens is here." We watched you work from before breakfast in the morning until after supper at night. In spite of the weariness you must have felt, your motherly smile, always present, cheered us and encouraged us.

Elder and Mrs. Amundsens, we students are sorry you are leaving us. We

have learned to love you dearly, and we wish this friendship and companionship did not have to end. But the influence of your lives will not end as you leave us, for we shall, with God's help, be true to the principles you have upheld. We shall be eagerly waiting for letters and frequent visits from you. After you have gone from Madison, we shall continue to carry with us the ideas and ideals that you have talked and lived among us.

YOUR STUDENTS

F. T. A. Receive Pins

The members of the Future Teachers of America club received their pins at the chapel exercise on Thursday evening, March 6.

"Teachers of Tomorrow." These are the words on a small silver pin presented to the Future Teachers of America. We may compare this pin to the cap received by the student nurse at the capping exercise. The future teachers are just as thrilled to receive the tokens of their chosen profession as were the future nurses.

In his address, Elder H. S. Hanson presented a challenge to the future teachers. The club's response to the challenge was given by Clifford Tonsberg, Mrs. Roy Saunders, and Paul Blankenship.

The pins were presented by Elder Teddrick Mohr, the educational secretary of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. Twenty-six members were to receive pins, but three were absent because of illness. Their pins were given to the club's sponsor, Dean J. A. Tucker.

Those who received pins are: Mr. W. R. Zollinger, Thelma Bogue, Marilyn Schuenger, Mrs. Mable Nielsen, Ruby Sykes, Willie Patton, John Capitumini, Mrs. Juanita Bray, Mrs. Iola Saunders, Paul Blankenship, John Read, Leon Gray, Glen Schaeffer, Marilyn Jensen, Antonio Rivera, Virginia Huenergardt, Mrs. Edna Pepper, Clifford Tonsberg, Charles White, Lewis Dickman, Phyllis Brown, Josephine Garrard, Tom Fowler.

Orchestra Gives Concert

The Madison College Orchestra appeared in its first concert this year on March 15. Three soloists appeared with the orchestra. Mrs. Edna Thornton played *Concerto in A Minor* for the violin, composed by Vivaldi. She was accompanied by the string orchestra. Mrs. Patricia Ostrander, coloratura soprano and instructor of voice, sang *Ouvre Tan*

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Spring!

Throughout the campus we see signs of unfolding spring. The grass is greener, trees are budding and beginning to leaf, flowers are blooming, and some of us are experiencing the earlier stages of Spring Fever.

Spring is the Renaissance season of each year. It brings to life the dormant, hidden beauties of nature, causing them to blossom forth. They in turn reinvigorate us mentally, physically, and spiritually, bringing us closer to God and nature—filling us with new hope and courage. Thus renewed and refreshed, we can again take up our duties, accomplishing more because of a brief respite from them.

Let's enjoy our spring vacation!

m. j. j.

Spring Rain

Great, silver drops
Shining, weeping, flashing—
Each
With a bit of rainbow
For a heart.

Whispering, misty things,
Bright tears that fall
From the dewy heart of heaven,
O'er filled with poignant loveliness
Of waking spring.

— Lawrence Arlington

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Coeur by George Bizet and was accompanied by the college orchestra. The third soloist was Mr. Maurice Loveman, a prominent Nashville businessman and former member of the Nashville Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Loveman is now a member of the Board of Directors of the Nashville Symphony Orchestra. He played a flute solo with orchestra accompaniment. His number was *Fruhlingstraum* by Klose.

Other guest musicians were Mrs. Dorothy Goodrich-Moon and Mrs. Elizabeth Goodrich-Frank, violinists; Miss Mary Anne Ridley, string bass player; and Dr. Henry Crail, cellist.

Gotzian Home Improves

Gotzian Home has undergone more improvements. The parlor of the Dean's apartment has been enlarged and redecorated with paint and wallpaper. Credit for this achievement goes to Mr. Zollinger and his helper, Joe Lampe.

The nurses are grateful recipients of new plywood ironing boards which fold back to the wall. Not only will the new boards facilitate ironing and pressing, but they will also improve the appearance of the ironing room.

Elsewhere in Gotzian, several of the nurses have done their own redecorating, wielding paintbrush and bucket to achieve a fresh new look in their rooms. Any other aspiring decorators will find the maintenance headquarters willing to supply their needs for paint, brushes, and ladders.

Delta Nu Zeta

The girls of Delta Nu Zeta enjoyed a marshmallow roast at the recreation area Wednesday evening, March 5. Thanks go to Mary McLean and Betty Nelson for building the fire.

A surprise farewell party was given February 22 for Betty Jo Allred. Williams Hall residents are sorry to lose their evening monitor; her smile and friendly disposition have won the hearts of all who know her.

Sanitarium Notes

The vacancy in the Clinical Laboratory left by Don Welch will be filled by Clayton Spady, Class of '52.

The Sanitarium kitchen has added a new hot-food cart to its equipment. This cart, accompanied by two servers and one checker, serves approximately 80 patients in Surgical Wing, O.B., and West Hall; the patients are well pleased with this improved service.

Mrs. Blair, who has long supervised the Ladies' Hydrotherapy Department, will no longer be connected with the institution. She plans a long visit in Iowa. The vacancy in Hydro will be filled by Mrs. Mill.

The Sanitarium has received the wholehearted support of the students recently, thanks to the flu epidemic. There have been at least eight students at a time occupying hospital beds. Many others have been ill also, but could not be admitted to the Sanitarium because of insufficient space.

Thumb Nail Sketch

While attending a non-Adventist college in the Middle West, a non-Adventist boy became acquainted with a family of Adventist friends and saw in their faith something he wanted to claim as his own.

Larry Martin's history reads much the same as that of thousands of American boys. He was born nearly twenty years ago in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he went twelve years to public schools. In high school he was active in the Hi Y Club, Hunting and Fishing Club, United Commercial Club of America, the Masques Club, a drama club in which he spent much time, and the R. O. T. C. During these years Larry enjoyed fishing and swimming; and at present he ranks high among his likes music and travel. He is also very fond of dogs, being the proud owner of two beautiful collies.

While a student at Western State Teachers' College, Larry often visited the home of Dr. and Mrs. Howard, an Adventist family of previous acquaintance, and became much interested in their religion. Larry, a Roman Catholic, inquired into this new and different faith. As time passed, he began studying the Bible with them and later he made his choice and was baptized. Larry is now here at Madison preparing to have a part in the finishing of God's work.

March Birthdays

William Patton - March 1
Aline Wallis - March 4
W. R. Zollinger - March 5
Helen Burg - March 9
Martha Miracle - March 9
Rex Leatherwood - March 13
Charles Bessire - March 13
Lyle Browning - March 13
Mrs. Shirley Chastain - March 14
Louise Johnson - March 15
Joyce Haight - March 16
William Hyde - March 17
Mrs. Virginia Bailey - March 18
Francisco Sanchez - March 20
Mary Leung - March 22
Larry Martin - March 22
Jeanette Vernon - March 25
Theodore Williams - March 25
Juanita Bray - March 26
Ramona Seath - March 29
Carl Upton - March 29
Evelyn Moore - March 30

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The reason why most men do not achieve more is because they do not attempt more.



Wasiota Highlights



A moment of relaxation between songs finds (l. to r.) Marie Wilson, Tommy Lovett, Jose Morales, John Read, Harry Mayden and Dick Ackerman on their cabin porch.

Wasiota Elects New Officers

The Wasiota Club elected its new officers Tuesday evening, March 11. They are as follows:

President Larry Martin
 Vice-president Charles Bessire
 Secretary Alvin Wolfe
 Treasurer John Capitumini
 Parliamentarian Kenneth Williamson
 Sergeant-at-arms Elmer Fast
 Pastor Harry Mayden
 Best wishes for success to the club and to the new administration.

Parlor Gets Redecoration

Anyone having noticed the elevated level of certain noses (belonging to young men on the campus), and desiring to ascertain the reason for this distinctive characteristic, may solve the mystery by peeping inside the parlor of Wasiota Hall. Now can you blame those fellows for beaming with pride?

Getting to the bottom of the situation, you will discover a brand new simulated tile linoleum covering the entire floor. Burnt Orange is the predominant color. The walls have been freshly painted a medium gray and the ceiling, white; dark green draperies frame the windows.

Seating space is provided by the two large leather couches—one red and one gray. A matching sofa and chair set, a stuffed wicker chair, a sofa upholstered with leaping deer, and three television chairs—red, gray, and green—complete the seating arrangements. A maple desk with a mirror above adds to the utility and beauty of the room. Two floor lamps and one table lamp, all evincing a definite masculine taste, provide soft but adequate lighting. A coffee table displaying good reading matter adds a homey touch inviting you to stop and read a while, or if too weary for that, the entire room beckons you to relax

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Club Entertains at Banquet

The young ladies of the Delta Nu Zeta and Nightingale Clubs were entertained at a semiformal banquet in the College Cafeteria, February 24, given by the men of Wasiota.

Several weeks ago Indian war whoops, flashing tomahawks, and thudding drums preceded the invitation extended to the Delta Nu Zetas to attend the 1952 Wasiota Banquet. At last the time arrived with everything in readiness and everyone prepared to enjoy a lovely evening.

The entrance lobby was lined on either side with shubbery, potted plants, rocks, and figurines—simulating a garden, whose path led the guests through a fern-covered bower to the door of the dining hall. This doorway was hung with alternate green and white streamers tied back to form an opening. Matching streamers "lowered" the ceiling and draped the corners of the room. Bouquets of forsythia and jonquils complemented the color scheme. As a final touch long white tapers diffused a softening light over the entire scene.

The Wasiota Indian indelibly stamped his profile, in brilliant red, on each napkin and place card, and placed beside each girl's plate a miniature of himself in action.

A rude cabin erected between the two serving doors, proved to be the center of action. The porch of the cabin provided the platform for Bully Campbell as he welcomed the guests, and for the musicians who provided the dinner music, featuring Stephen Foster's compositions. Later it proved to symbolize

the home of Stephen himself, as he (Larry Martin) sat on the porch composing music. Then in a matter of seconds the cabin was inhabited by a group of colored folk, who did little else but sing. (They also showed a marked partiality for Foster's music which, incidentally, was well rendered.)

Ending on a note of true Indian gallantry, Chief Bully presented a Peace Pipe to the Squaw Chief, Joann Gibbons. This was followed by the Delta Nu Zeta response by Joann, and the Nightingale appreciation by Martha Higgins. Need it be said that a lovely time was had by all? Surely everyone present can heartily join Joann in saying, "The food was swell and the program, wonderful!"



An inviting corner in the new Wasiota Hall parlor

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and enjoy the waiting comforts.

Dean Oakes says that in the near future they hope to obtain a combination radio-phonograph to complete this project. For the Wasiota members this will be a welcome addition to their parlor.

The men of Wasiota express their whole-hearted appreciation for the work that has been done in their behalf. They wish to thank the doctors for their contributions, Mr. Gepford for the television chairs which came from his furniture factory, Mrs. Lorenz for reupholstering the furniture already on hand, and the Lorenz family for the work they have done to make this dream a reality and for the furnishings they have provided.

Services Held for Muriel Oost

Several carloads of students and faculty members motored to Owensboro, Kentucky, February 25, to attend the funeral services for Muriel Oost, victim of a recent airplane crash. Muriel, twin brother of Gerald and former Madison student ('51-52) was inducted into the Army on January 17 and was stationed at Camp Pickett, Virginia, during his short term of military service.

Funeral services were held in the Owensboro Seventh-day Adventist Church at 2:00 p. m.; one hour later Military Services were held at the Memorial Cemetery. Several members of our group assisted with the music and the flowers.

This & That

Mrs. Felix A. Lorenz, assistant librarian, is back on the job after a few weeks of absence. Welcome back, Mrs. Lorenz! Two high school seniors, Helen Pearson and Lonnie Lorenz, have been added to the library staff.

The Food Factory has a brand new addition to its family, twins in fact. Mr. Brownlee went to Chicago recently and traded the two old canning machines for two that look and run like new. This new equipment will aid in production and is a credit to the Food Factory and to the institution.

The Colvin family was called to Texas, where Mr. Colvin's father, S. P. Colvin, 81 years of age, had passed away. Deep sympathy is expressed to the family in their time of sorrow.

The Music Department has added a partition to inclose the piano, repair shop. A new bulletin board has been placed in the main corridor, and the band uniforms are to be inclosed in an attractive cabinet instead of hanging on an iron pipe. Plans are underway to regain use of the Dorcas room. This space is needed for music appreciation and study.

Farm Reports Success

Professor Lovett reports that the farmers have succeeded this time in growing a crop of oats. Last fall's crop failed, but the two plantings in February have already come up and are beginning to look green. A hay crop was inter-sowed, which will continue to grow after the oats are harvested. Since the feed is a big item on the farm, the boys hope to produce as much as is needed.

For preparing the land a semi-integral disc plow has been purchased, which will speed up the work by at least one third.

Mr. Medford, who has been attending the University of Tennessee this quarter, will be back this month to take charge of the horticulture.

The early March frosts have not done the fruit crops much good, but it is hoped that enough buds have been saved to produce a plentiful crop. The necessary pruning and spraying have been completed.

Shall we say the new milking parlor is "progressing"? Anyway, the dairymen are looking forward to the time when they can move in.

Last of all there are the 1,500 baby chicks, New Hampshire pullets, due March 15. As this is an increase over last year, it is hoped that the entire campus demand for eggs will be supplied.

Director Visits First Aid Class

Mr. Raymond H. Geis, director of the American Red Cross in Nashville and Davidson County, visited the First Aid classes Tuesday evening, March 4. After the classes were dismissed, all the members assembled in the Demonstration Building Auditorium where Mr. Geis demonstrated the new method of artificial respiration. A short period followed during which he answered the questions asked by the class members.

Clubs Report Activities

The Pre-nursing Club plans a trip through Mammoth Cave, Thursday, March 19. Happy hiking, Pre-nurses!

In addition to viewing a film on Time, the Industrial Arts Club visited the Banner Press. Mr. Davis of the Banner guided the tour, explaining the process as they viewed the steps in publishing a newspaper. Each member feels that the trip was very interesting and worthwhile.

The members of the Married Students' Club enjoyed a social evening in the College Cafeteria Saturday night, March 8. Approximately one hundred members were present. Each couple brought a covered dish. Needless to say, the group enjoyed the appetizing food and the delightful get-acquainted hour

that followed. This club has many good plans for future meetings. "Our club is the largest—let's make it the liveliest" is their slogan.

Calebs and Joshuas Organize

The Caleb and Joshua Club was organized on Sunday evening, March 3, with a charter membership of seventy-nine. Officers chosen to serve this year are as follows:

President Dr. David Johnson
Vice-president Felix A. Lorenz
Secretary W. E. Layton

The purpose of this club is to study the plans, objectives, principles, and ideals for which Madison College and sister self-supporting units were established, and to encourage loyalty to these principles today.

Band Giving Two Concerts

The Madison College Band under the direction of Professor H. E. Mitzelfelt has two concerts scheduled in the very near future. The first one will be at the Southern Publishing Association March 22.

Some of the numbers that will be played are "Argentina," an ever popular Spanish march; "The Eyes of Texas," arranged by Paul Yoder for concert band; "El Caballero," another Spanish march; "The Washington Post March," by John Phillip Sousa; "Ariosa," by Bach, arranged for the Goldman Band; and many other favorites. There will be solos and ensembles performing also.

The second concert will be given in Old Hickory at the end of the month. The high school students of Old Hickory are selling tickets now for the concert. An audience of at least 600 is expected to attend. Mr. Patterson is making the arrangements for the program. The program is for two purposes: To let people know that Madison College has a good music department and to help promote an interest in instrumental music in Old Hickory.

Jewish Rabbi Speaks

Sunday evening, March 2, Rabbi William Silverman of Nashville addressed the group in the Assembly Hall on the subject, "What Christians Should Know About Judaism." He emphasized the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Another interesting fact is that the Jews do no missionary work. It seems they do not believe in trying to spread the message to others. However, if a person wishes to become a Jew, he may do so by studying with the rabbi for a period of time.

The Choralairs sang "The Song of the Halutzim," a Jewish folk-song of harvest.