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Projector Club Enlarges Activities

40-50 Use S.A.V.E.

Units for Bible Studies

Between 40 and 50 students are now members of one of Madison College's most enthusiastic organizations, the Projector Club.

This club started with a few individuals who, although they had no special training in giving Bible studies, did not want to wait till they had finished college to work for souls. They are therefore using the S.A.V.E. machines until they are able to study more effectively with the open Bible.

A total of twenty such machines are now owned by different individuals on the campus; these owners generously permit students who so desire to use their machines. During the past school year one student, Ted Estey, became so enthusiastic about this type of missionary program that many others "caught" his enthusiasm; now there are between 40 and 50 who are participating in this program.

The members go out by twos. Madison's 200-bed hospital and sanitarium affords an excellent place to locate interests. A club member asks a patient who is not too ill whether he would like to see some pictures and hear some gospel music and a Bible lecture. In most cases, the answer is "Yes." During the time the patient is hospitalized, he sees two or three Bible studies on non-controversial subjects. By the time he is ready to return to his home, he is often willing for club members to bring the pictures and studies to his residence.

The plan is for each club member to attend at least one Bible study each week. If the student can spare the time, he is urged to give two studies weekly. Patients who do not live close enough to the college for home visits and those who find it inconvenient to have the projectors brought into their homes are invited to enroll in the Bible correspondence course.

The usual comment of the student who participates in this type of program is something like this: "That was lots of fun. I had no idea that Bible studies could be so thrilling. Now I see why the

Lord led me to Madison College." To those who have not experienced these joys, we say, in the words of Mordecai, "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

At a meeting of the Projector Club, held October 16, the following officers were elected: Mr. J. R. Kunau, leader, and Messrs. John Williams, Thomas Linville, and Carlous Mason, associate leaders. Professor Byron Patrick is the sponsor. The club plans to have bi-weekly meetings to exchange experiences and ideas. It is a spiritual, not a social, organization. Therefore refreshments are not served, for the meat of the club "is to do the will of Him that sent" them and "to finish His work."

Little Creek Founder Speaks at Chapel

Fifteen years ago Professor Leland Straw, then head of the Music Department, and his wife Alice, music teacher, loaded all their earthly belongings on a trailer and, with twenty-five dollars in their pockets, left Madison College to found the Little Creek School. Many of their friends, some here on the campus, had tried to discourage them as they learned their plans, telling them they were foolish to bury their talents.

Professor Straw, speaker at chapel Thursday, October 21, told the students of the vision he had caught while a student at Madison and of his conviction that the Lord had called him to go out by faith and establish a school on a tract of land belonging to the Layman Foundation, located at Concord, Tennessee, near Knoxville.

He told of the primitive conditions under which they worked during the first few years—living in a log cabin, carrying water, washing under a tent—yet their faith never flagged. That first September the school consisted of one building, three staff members, and three students.

"I can truthfully say that aside from the years I spent at Madison, I have never been happier in my life," stated Mr. Straw as he told

of the satisfaction he has experienced in proving the promises of God as he has helped young people gain a Christian education.

At present the Little Creek school has an enrollment of 50, its capacity. Every year many applications are turned down. In fact, a young person must have his application in a year in advance to insure acceptance. The management has no desire to enlarge the plant to accommodate more than 50 students.

Today the Little Creek staff consists of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Straw, Elder and Mrs. W. E. Straw, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Goodge, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Goodge, Mrs. Virginia Chenoweth, Clifford Tönsberg, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Peek, Sylvia Maltby, Mrs. Amy Manous, Dr. Bayard D. Goodge, Faye Hand, W. L. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Jones, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Jones, and Grant Tuttle. Most of these are former Madison students or staff members.

Inasmuch as Professor and Mrs. Straw and Mrs. S. B. Goodge are all musicians and firmly believe that every young person in their school should have the opportunity to pursue some kind of musical training, musical organizations play an important part in their school. Little Creek's thirty-five piece band is the pride and joy of the school and the community also.

Professor Straw's chapel talk led many students to express their desire to visit Little Creek and also to hope that some day they might be privileged to go out, as the Straws did, and establish other schools like this one.

Auction, Pictures Provide Evening's Diversion

Last Saturday evening the Madison Boulevard church sponsored an auction sale. The sale was held in the gymnasium with Gilbert Jorgensen as auctioneer. Everyone had a good time, including the auctioneer, who for once could talk as loudly as he pleased without fear of anyone telling him to be quiet.

After the sale was over, everyone went over to the chapel where the film "Tammy" was shown. The film showed how Tammy by her faith in God won her parents back to Him.

Johnson Leads Out In Week of Prayer

As the MADISONIAN goes to press an inspirational Week of Prayer is in progress. Elder Kimber Johnson, educational secretary of the Florida Conference, is the speaker. The general theme for the week being the love of God, the speaker opened his series of talks by showing the power of the gospel to save from the degradation of sin. "Life is uncertain; death is certain," the speaker emphasized.

By many apt illustrations Elder Johnson has made clear the different steps in the Christian life.

Besides the two meetings held daily at 1:00 and 7:00 p. m. for college students, Elder Johnson has talked daily to academy and elementary school groups.

The speaker's wide experience as a young people's leader has made him sympathetic with young people's problems. The students have appreciated the counseling periods he has made available to all who have wished to talk over their problems.

A fuller account of the week and its activities will appear in the next issue of the MADISONIAN.

McComas, Lester Exchange Vows

Sunday evening, October 17, at 7:30 in the College chapel, Miss Mary Ellen McComas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee McComas of St. Paul, Arkansas, became the bride of Private Albert E. Lester, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lester of Shreveport, Louisiana. The vows were exchanged before Elder R. E. Stewart in a candle-light chapel decorated with palms, ferns, and white chrysanthemums. Miss Ruby Sykes was maid of honor and Miss Lois Sharpe was bridesmaid. Thomas Linville was best man and Frederick Kerbs was groomsmen. Little Miss Carole Jean Wickham, niece of the bride, was flower girl. Misses Joyce Christensen and Grace Mizerski were candle lighters.

Nuptial music included vocal solos—"Because" by Gilbert Jorgensen; "Indian Love Call" by Miss Sue Townsend; and "The Lord's Prayer" by Harry Mayden. Mrs. Frederick Kerbs was the ac-

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Editorially Speaking

As each issue of the MADISONIAN come out, it is received by all, refused by no one; it is of interest to most of the group, uninteresting to only a few; it is supported by many, though neglected by some; it is put out by a small staff, yet its content represents the interests of the majority.

The MADISONIAN is the personality of the student body. If you are interesting, the chances are that the paper will be likewise. The school paper is produced for you and also by you. Therefore if something concerns you and you feel like "airing" your views, feel free to express yourself through the medium of the paper. We, the editors, are pledged to the serving of your best interests.

We are asking for your support of the MADISONIAN this coming year. Soon we will be having a campaign. We want you to stand behind the campaign and work untiringly until our goal is accomplished.

Town Talk

Here's just a glimpse of a few of the village students of the past, present, and future:

Janet Jensen was seen visiting on the campus last week end with Barbara Busch and Sue Holliman. She is now attending Collegedale preparing to become a nurse.

If you see James Culpepper pass by rather early in the morning, he is just on his way to work at his new job in Nashville at the Southern Pub.

Tulamae Self is now in Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital in Fletcher, North Carolina. She attended college here for a year but has returned to the school where she spent her academy days to take nursing. We know she will make a good nurse but we do miss her here.

We hear Alma Jewel Morris is enjoying her freshman year at E.M.C. We hope to be seeing her back here next year though.

Now for a few of the students of the present. We are all keeping busy.

It seems Linda Pitman and Naomi Henson have acquired two males' watches. (We're sure it was by accident, of course.) What

about that, Vern and David? Anyway, we hope Linda won't break that crystal for the third time.

Eva Jo, be sure to remind Walter that the "young" men must be in the dormitory at least 15 minutes after the program.

Now comes our little student of the future—"Candy" Wilson. She is just over one year old, but she's getting there fast. Candy has a very competent baby sitter from the village, Marilyn Campbell, but it seems that Ronnie Christensen has to come by and check that everything is going smoothly.

Pete Pepper was the only victim of an accident on his way to work last week. The boss was driving, and the collision was due to the early morning fog which obscured the view. Pete received back injuries—cracked vertebrae—and will be in the hospital, in a cast, for at least six weeks. Pete is a former student and returned to Wisconsin for health reasons. He is a tree surgeon, living in Beloit with his wife and small son. He would appreciate a card or letter from his old friends. Address him: Merrill O. Pepper, Beloit Hospital, Beloit, Wisconsin. Pete is the son of Mrs. Pepper in the Commercial Department.

Well, so much for now; we're running out of time and space.

Delta Nu Zeta

LILLIAN AZEVEDO

Hasn't been too much going on since last issue. I guess everyone is loafing. No, really, the girls have been studying harder than ever.

Perhaps you recall the small paragraph in the last paper referring to the "conventions" in room 311. Well, a few things have become clearer. The girls have been reading *Happiness for Young Husbands and Wives*. The old maid conventions must be reforming.

"Friendship" was the theme at a recent Delta Nu Zeta club meeting. Names of friendship sisters were distributed to the girls. The social committee of the club had planned a splendid program, the special feature being popcorn balls which concealed in capsules the names of the girls. Everyone had a "chewing" time and no capsules were taken internally. Don't forget girls, to do some little thing for your friendship sister often.

It's known that Clarine Kenaston caught the Bride's Bouquet at a recent wedding. Maybe she can tell us her future plans.

Dean of women, Miss Reis, is recovering quickly from a recent illness. We all miss her and look forward to her return. During her absence, Miss Olive Cruickshank has been getting "initiated" and is a fine substitute.

Kathrine Noblitt was asked by a young man recently, who was reading a paper with an advertisement, "What would you like to

have?" Politely she answered, "Why, you." Was his face red?

Rumors are around that we have Eskimos here. Pardon, because really they're the famous "Canadians."

Surprise party was held for Ruth Blaisdell recently. Belated happy birthday wishes to you from all of us.



BILL GRAVES

Hello to everybody from the men of Wasiota Hall and the Assembly Hall Upstairs.

The Wasiotans are happy to announce the new president of the Wasiota Club. Mr. Joe Schnell will be the man to hold the gavel in all the club meetings for the next two quarters. Joe comes to Madison from Kansas. He is also an assistant M.V. leader.

It occurs to me that maybe the rest of the officers of the Wasiota Club have not been made known. They are as follows: Ruben Perales, vice president; Stanley Rudisale, secretary; "Chico" Pavia, treasurer; David Niswonger, pastor; Bill Graves, parliamentarian; Warren Butler, sergeant-at-arms. Thank you also, Grant Duncan, for the fine job you did as president before your resignation.

It's good to see Ruben Perales up and around again, and also Eldon Vickers with the cast off his foot. When are we going to Washington again, Vic?

The fellows up in Assembly Hall are sorry to announce that Donald Bee has lost his Christmas beard. It seems as though several of the fellows shaved it off for him one night.

The occupants of room number two in Assembly Hall had a guest over the week end. Jack Gibbons, an old student, more recently a graduate of the U.S. Army, spent several days visiting his two sisters here.

Well, you know this is Saturday night, and it is about time for me to go and attend to things that should be attended to on Saturday nights. So until next issue, this is your reporter "sigh"ning off.

Gotzian Gossip

Have you ever tried hard to surprise someone, only to have a rainstorm and a bright-eyed four-year-old live-wire turn the tables on you just about two hours before the surprise is to be held? Well, that is exactly what happened Thursday evening, October 14. When my sister, Mary, returned a borrowed umbrella, a little Miss excitedly asked her, "Mary, is this your birthday? We're having a party for you in the parlor and you have got the most pretty

gifts." Well, it wasn't Mary's birthday, but she did have "the most pretty gifts." To those of you who brought or sent them, let me extend her heartfelt gratitude for the wonderful gifts and the help they will be to her in establishing her new home. Thank you, every one.

Saturday night was open night, and everyone had the right to go to the party of her choice. Muriel Durham decided to go for a "hay-ride," but she soon returned declaring there wasn't room enough for her on the wagon. Was it a small wagon, or was she that big, or was there a large crowd?

Faye Egger entertained Mary Jo, who appeared to have her "make-up" smeared quite badly. However, it proved to be a Halloween trick about two weeks early.

If you know who it is that has to take clothes to the laundry so early, please tell the person for me to be quiet enough so that my early morning sleep won't be disturbed. I can't help it if being "on call for surgery" has made me such a light sleeper that I awaken very early.

Oh, yes, that reminds me that I'm on call tonight and I'm sleepy, so if I'm to get any sleep before that telephone rings, I must sign off and turn in.



Pvt. and Mrs. Lester leaving the chapel. McComas, Lester Exchange Vows

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companionist. Mrs. George Thornton played a violin solo, "I Love You Truly."

Following the ceremony in the chapel, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Patrick presided at a reception for the newly-married couple and their friends. Private and Mrs. Lester are honeymooning in Arkansas and Louisiana.

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Blue Notes

EDNA THORNTON

With so many interesting things going on to talk about, we hardly know where to begin. Perhaps we had better mention first one of the more pleasant recent events.

The Music Club met on club night, Saturday, October 23, and inasmuch as it was so near Halloween, the refreshments served were suggestive of the approaching holiday. Doughnuts, Halloween candies, popcorn, and hot cocoa were the highlights of the program following a short business meeting which dealt mainly with laying plans to raise more money for the choir robe reserve fund we mentioned last time. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could have the choir in new robes by Christmas? Well, if you are called on to help, please respond generously.

Other pleasant things coming to mind are the music and flowers in our Sabbath school last Sabbath. The Cyrus Kendall family presenting their brass ensemble with piano accompaniment playing "Rock of Ages" was a fine example of what music can do for a family and a community.

The Kendalls are busy people living on their farm near Good-

lettsville, but they still find time for music. Mrs. Kendall, as busy as she is, comes in regularly every week for both vocal and violin lessons. The two younger boys, Bobby and Douglas, began their cornet work with Professor Mitzel-felt within the last three years, as did Norman who plays trombone. Dad Kendall couldn't be left out of the musical picture, so he dragged out the old trombone and began to "brush up" on it. He also finds time to come to our department for lessons quite regularly. And now the Kendalls make up a good portion of the brass section of the College Band.

Somehow we never feel that mentioning flowers in our column is out of place, for they are among the beautiful things that along with music make life worthwhile. Last Sabbath morning with our young daughter Gayle we walked down to the Faces' house to see what they had to offer in the way of flowers, and we were not disappointed. For we saw again some of our fall favorites—colorful zinnias, brilliant red hot pokers (at least that's our name for them), lovely roses (which, by the way made us think of our hometown, Portland, Oregon, the City of Roses), shy snapdragons,

and of course, yellow chrysanthemums.

And then when we got to Sabbath school there were some of those same yellow chrysanthemums which the Faces had brought to grace our meeting place. And along with them three lovely bouquets of chrysanthemums and dahlias grown and arranged by Brother Walker. Along about 8:30 every Sabbath morning you will see Brother Walker wheeling down his load of God-given beauty to share with the Sabbath school members. Not long ago it was the stately gladioli that gladdened our hearts, and before that the flowers of the summer season.

We promised a story about some

of the new choir members. Well, just a word about our youngest choir member—four-month-old Elizabeth Rye. She is one of our best members, comes to every rehearsal, never sings off-key, never talks back, and in general sets us all a good example of what the ideal choir members should be. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rye, and we hope she will always enjoy being in the choir as much as she does now. By the way, Elizabeth comes with her mother when she takes her piano lesson, too. We would say that little Elizabeth is getting an all-round musical education, wouldn't you?

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Editorial

As we face the challenge of a new school year, let us set high ideals and standards and stick with them throughout the year. If we become discouraged or downhearted, this little quotation will be a good "morale-booster": "Every youth who is ambitious to grow to the full stature of noble manhood must make up his mind at the start that he has got to be bigger than the things that are trying to down him. If he doesn't, he will go down with them."

Although we are not getting old, these notations might well be brought to remembrance when we get that feeling of independence and that we "know all that there is to know":

Socrates, at an extreme age, learned to play on musical instruments.

Cato, at 80 years of age, thought proper to learn the Greek language.

Plutarch, when between 70 and 80, commenced the study of Latin.

So, let us place ourselves in God's hands, and meet the challenge of the new year of school with faith and confidence.

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Principal's Message

It is one thing to begin a school year with good intentions and high spirits, but statistics show that it is quite another thing to finish the year the same way.

We have been told that "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Eccl. 9:10. If we could do that every day, one day at a time, we could all have a successful year.

We have a large student body this year, made up of fine Christian young people. Let us lend every effort to make every day a better day—physically, mentally, and spiritually. Let's "make the most of the best and the least of the worst."

—YOUR PRINCIPAL

"Ye Olde Manse"

Stan Sedlar

Well, here I am again, for better or worse. Everything is quiet here at Men's Court. I guess the Dean deserves most of the credit, since he made us be quiet. But I think we'll live if we put our minds to it. Of course the six weeks' tests we just finished might have something to do with the quiet. Although we still have Gene Furgerson making a racket with the garbage truck at 4:30 in the morning, I guess that eventually we will get used to that.

Then there is Donald Bee, whom we seldom hear about. I suppose that's because he lives over in the Assembly Hall and we don't see much of him. But the other day he was about the most talked-about person around here. It seems that it took eight college students to hold him down and give him a shave. I guess that they just got tired of seeing all the peach fuzz that it took him so long to grow.

Now Larry Wagner is having a tough time, too. He seems to think he is sick. "Love sick," "home sick," or "sick in the head," who knows? But as the old saying goes, "He'll live through it, if he doesn't die!"

Everyone is wondering why "Spider" is slowing down his bug-catching. It is our guess that either he has run out of bottles and boxes to put his bugs in, or there is no place left in his room to put them.

David Niswonger seems to have football on the brain, and with a little practice, he'll make a "dandy" player.

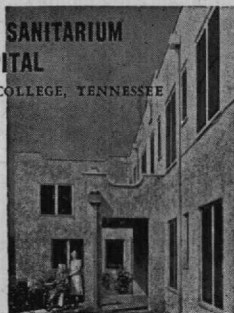
Aubrey Thompson, who came all the way from California, makes a swell fireman here at the court.

That seems to be all the say-so around here, so I'll sign off for now.

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Village Girls Report

Crash! Bang! Watch out! Tim—ber!!!

Have you been near Dr. Pitman's basement lately? Well, you should have been there Sunday night, or maybe you shouldn't have. One of our club members, Dorothy Cantrell, wound up in the hospital from it. (We hope she will be back with us soon.) It's a wonder every one of us isn't in the hospital, especially Linda and I, from the shock of finding a long black snake in the bottom of the woodpile.

We were cleaning up the basement for our tacky party. Are we going to have fun! On the night of the party—that is, before the party's over—that basement will be the cleanest it's ever been. Just think, in an hour's time we moved a whole pile of wood that took Tui three months to move.

I'm sure we will have a very lively club this present school year. Adios for now. See you in the next issue.

My Diary

DEAR DIARY,

Since I last wrote to you, a lot has happened! The hospital seems to have captivated me for a few days, as it has so many from our academy family. But all of us are "home" now and about our circle of activities.

It seems as if a new member

has moved into the dorm! He likes to leave his mark of distinction in almost every room. Sometimes he lets us know he was "just visiting" by leaving notes written on our mirrors, or honey or wax on our doorknobs. If the doors could talk, perhaps they could tell the secret. This visitor must know how to sew, too, for it seems he sewed some pajama legs up. Right, Cecilia and Martha?

How do you like your eleven-to-seven shift on O.B. NOW, Elsie? Could it be that the night scenery has changed? Of course we won't mention any names, will we?

We girls have been missing our "mother" more each day. We sincerely hope that our dean, Miss Reis, will be well and strong enough to be back home soon. Best wishes, Miss Reis. But we do want to thank Miss Cruickshank for the splendid job she is doing during our dean's illness.

We girls want to thank the committee for the exciting moonlight hayride that we enjoyed October 16. We all agree that straw and marshmallows are a good mixture.

I really must be closing for now. No six weeks' tests to study for, but I surely have enough other things to do.

Floris Schoonard

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