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### Silver Anniversary Observed at Homecoming, May 11-13

The 75th anniversary of the founding of the Madison school was the theme of Homecoming 1979. The founders came in 1904 to start a school. It is not clear just when school began for children on the place. Joe Sutherland was a babe in Mother Sally's arms when they came, his sister Yolanda a little older. According to the S.D.A. *Encyclopedia*, Under "Madison Institutions," p. 828, the founders took possession of the farm in October, 1904, and the N.A.N.I. began with 11 students.

Last year, 1978, marked the 50th anniversary of the little Rural Sanitarium. Soon a one-year uncertified nursing course began in 1910, becoming a two-year program in 1915. In 1919 it went to the 3-year diploma program where it stayed until 1964, when the college closed. Nursing has always been the predominant course. Through the years other courses were added, and a Bachelor of Science was offered.

At first the school was known as Nashville Agricultural and Normal Institute (N.A.N.I.). In 1937 the name was changed to Madison College.

**FRIDAY EVENING.** Lt. Col. Jack Gibbons of Silver Spring, Md., was the speaker Friday evening. Jack has gone far in the nursing education field since he graduated here in 1958. He did graduate work at several universities and colleges and earned his M.S. at Ohio State University.

He was a missionary nurse at Belem Hospital, Brazil, also served in administration at Kettering Hospital and at our hospital in Avon Park, Fla. He has also held important administrative posts at several army hospitals in this country and overseas. From 1975 to the present he has been connected with Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C. in various capacities, and is now chief of nursing education.

Jack's wife, Nancy (Fields), daughter Nancy Lynn, and two sons accompanied him,

and his sister, JoAnn (Gibbons) Jones '57, met him here. Nancy Lynn and JoAnn provided special music Friday night. Jack's address, "A Place in the Lord's Vineyard," appears elsewhere in this issue.

**SABBATH SCHOOL.** On Sabbath morning the missions feature was by Virginia Sellars '57 and Lou Ann Hyde, who had recently returned from the trouble torn country of Iran. Virginia's husband Gene had "stayed by the stuff." Norman Gulley, former head of the Bible Department at M.C., came from S.M.C. to conduct the general Sabbath School lesson. Special music was a vocal solo by Donna Leatherwood, wife of Rex Leatherwood '64.

Since it was the day before "Mother's Day," corsages were pinned on the oldest and the youngest mothers, also on the "Grandmother of the Year," Marguerite Roberts '60. Mention was made that Marguerite had served as M.C.A.A. president for 4 consecutive terms.

Otis Detamore (Anes. '68) was superintendent of the day. His wife Marion pinned the corsages on the mothers. (Incidentally the Detamores got one more "surprise" corsage--for Mable Towery, which was presented to her Friday night, with warm words of appreciation for her long faithful service and dedication in the Alumni Office.)

**SABBATH MORNING SERMON.** "Nothing to Fear" was the title of James J. Aitken's sermon Sabbath morning. (A condensation of his sermon appears elsewhere.) Elder Aitken has served as a departmental director and administrator in the Southern European Division in the South American Division, and the G.C. Presently he is executive secretary and treasurer of the A.S.I., also field secretary of the G.C. to the United Nations. He began his denominational work as a district pastor in Northwest Kansas near where this editor was born and grew up--Palco, KS.

Of special interest to Madison folk is the fact that Aitken's wife, Dorothy (Lockwood), was a student at M.C. for a few months in

1938. But Jim, a student at Union College had his eye on her, came down, and spirited her away to his college. (She was suspended for 5 days for leaving without permission!) They were married in 1939. Also of interest is that their second son, John, quite a few years later married a Madison girl, Harryette Goode. John is now an ordained elder, a pastor in New Jersey.

I have seen Elder and Mrs. James Aitken at a number of A.S.I. conventions, and he always has a good word to say about Madison and its philosophy. He believes in rural living. The Aitkens have an apartment near the G.C. where they work. (She is editor of A.S.I. NEWS.) But they have a country place in Virginia which they call "Tranquility Farm." Dorothy is author of 7 books and co-author with Jim of two books. . . . At an L.E.L. meeting in Harbert Hills he made the observation that the medical missionary work is the right arm of the message, but the self-supporting work is the *long arm*.

• Special music at the worship service was a vocal solo by Johanna Zerbee, daughter of Madisonites Richard and Jolene (Stiles) Zerbee '58.

**SABBATH DINNER AND SUPPER.** Two tasty, satisfying meals were served by Dorothy Mathews '37 and her helpers. Also those who attended the Health Emphasis workshop Sunday morning had a plus in that there were about enough leftovers to serve for dinner.

**REPORTS FROM HONOR CLASSES AND OTHERS** came on Sabbath afternoon.

**VESPERS.** Rex Leatherwood '64 was chairman at Vespers. Four "small fry," Suzuki violin students (John and Julie Boskind, Jonathan Burks, and John Rumsey) played "O Come, Little Children," on their tiny violins. A girls trio (Denise Detamore, Carole Morris, and Melany Johnson) sang, "Thank You, Lord." And the Brass Quartet (Glenn Littell, Randy Harr, Ralph and Greg Pieroni) concluded the music part of the program.

• Elder Aitken spoke a few minutes at Vespers, giving encouragement to graduates and students of Madison. He said in part:

"I think of the blessings you have been to humanity, and the blessings of this school founded through the guidance of the Spirit of God. . . .

"Woodrow Wilson said, 'A college serves to lift the eyes of its graduates to some horizon, which less instructed men have not had the privilege to see.' Remember you have had the privilege to see horizons that no one else has seen, beauties that no one else has seen, because you have been at Madison. My prayer is that we will be 'can-do Christians.' May God bless you, as you make your life more abundant for those about you, as you have done for me over this weekend."

### Saturday Night at Homecoming

(Ross Clark '63, then president of M.C.A.A., arranged the Saturday Night program in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the N.A.N.I.)

Several vocal numbers were rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Alan Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Hamilton, members of Crestwood Church. (Mr. Johnston is principal of the F. H. Jenkins Elementary School.)

In introducing the program, Ross Clark said his desire was that the story of M.C. be like the song, "Death can't keep me in the grave, I'm going to rise again."

Ross showed some slides of people and industries at Madison in former days. We attempted to get slides from the self-supporting academies to show on this Silver Anniversary occasion, but it was too near the close of school, and only Betty Johnson of Pine Forest Academy and Sanitarium brought slides.

John Jensen spoke on the future of the self-supporting work. He is presently located at Stone Cave Institute which he started. He is in the process of starting a work in Okinawa and in Honduras.

We regret that we had to hold over John Jensen's Saturday night talk for lack of space.

### Addenda on Homecoming

• ROSS CLARK '63 gave an enthusiastic welcome Friday night at Homecoming. Unfortunately we are unable to reproduce it at this time. However, we are giving Marguerite Robert's welcome of a year ago elsewhere.

• We wish to thank those who wrote out the Homecoming tapes—Bernice Schueler, Nora Melendy, Edith Johnson, Mary Cowdrick, and Shirley Weldemere.

• We attempted last year and this to get pictures of speakers and their families but don't always succeed.

• The gas shortage was just slightly beginning before Homecoming, and has increased considerably at this writing. One striking trucker said on T.V., "We could bring this nation to their knees!" How true. We can see how signs are fulfilling and how rapidly things could wind up. The time when we could not buy or sell may be nearer than we think.

## A Place In The Lord's Work

### By Lt. Col. Jack Gibbons Friday Night at Homecoming

This is the first Madison Homecoming that we have had the privilege of attending. In previous years it seemed as though something would always occur to prohibit our attendance. We were determined that would not happen this year. I'm glad to be here tonight, and happy my family can be with me to share the blessings of the weekend. I'm also pleased that my sister JoAnn Jones and her daughter, Karla, could join us from Hendersonville N.C.

As a family we have lived in many places both abroad and in the United States, and everywhere we go we find God's people like one big happy family. From the dense jungles of South America to beautiful landscaped Germany, to the crowded streets of Korea and the skyscrapers of Hong Kong and Singapore, God's people have much in common. We believe that Jesus is coming . . . I'm thankful tonight that I belong to the family of God, aren't you? After being away from Madison for twenty years, I find the same warmth and caring tonight that I found as a student. Often would I sit in Friday evening vespers in Helen Funk Assembly Hall and feel the working of the Holy Spirit. Many times I can remember standing to my feet in renewed dedication to God and His work as my heart was stirred . . . I challenge you to a renewed relationship with God, a rededication to the early Madisonian philosophy, and an understanding that one can be in the Lord's work wherever he may find himself.

As a young person growing up I wanted to work for the Lord. It was my desire to be in the Lord's work and bring souls to Him. I believed then and believe now that once a person accepts Christ as his Saviour, and is truly converted, he can go out to bear witness for the Lord. He endeavors to help lost humanity find a Saviour, who can take away their sins and heal their hurts. He can help fulfill Jesus' commission as found in Matt. 28:19,20 . . . I knew I could be used by God if I dedicated myself to Him. Anybody can. God can take the weakest, least promising person and make a great worker out of him.

When I was ready for college I enrolled in a denominational school, but was not really satisfied so I transferred to Madison College and felt that this was God's leading. This was in 1950. My sister JoAnn and I arrived on the campus together to begin our studies. What a wonderful four years those were, but broken for me with two years of military service during the Korean War. . .

You know what kept me and others faithful even amid hardships during the war? It was partially due to the outstanding training we had, sitting at the feet of Christian teachers right here at Madison. The philosophy that Madison had about education is revealed in the statement of Ellen White in the book EDUCATION, page 13: "True education means more than the pursuit of a certain course of study. It means more than a

preparation for the life that now is. It has to do with the whole being, and with the whole period of existence possible to man. It is the harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers. It prepares the student for the joy of service in this world, and for the higher joy of wider service in the world to come."

Madison helped develop the physical powers through work—hard work. I never worked so hard in all my life as I did while a student at Madison. Everyone worked here. I'm not sure one would have been accepted if he did not work. There's dignity in work and frankly I have never seen a Madisonite who wasn't dedicated to his work. That kind of faithfulness God can use. When Mrs. White stepped off the Morning Star on the Cumberland River 75 years ago and announced that this was the place God has shown her in vision for a school to be built, Sutherland and Magan didn't like it at all. They sat down and cried. They saw land that was rundown and full of stones and knew there would be plenty of hard work. Hard work there was, even Bessie DeGraw, one of the founders, drove a team of horses (or was it mules?) to Nashville to sell the pigs that were on the land.

I knew Miss DeGraw. Many of you did too. She was a fine dignified, intelligent Christian woman. Some of the feminists today have nothing on her as she was dedicated to a cause, believed in it and was determined that Madison was going to succeed. She worked long hours, not only teaching but helping out where she could in school industry. She was truly in the Lord's work whether she got a cent for it at the end of the month or not. Madison had many fine dedicated workers like Miss DeGraw, some of whom put their own money into the institution at times, instead of taking from it in wages. They built the buildings, cleared the stones from the land and developed a fine farm, which produced much of the food served in the school cafeteria. Little by little industries were added, which provided work for the ever increasing student body.

Student labor was cheap in those days, often not more than 5¢ to 10¢ an hour, and tuition, though not expensive according to today's standards, was high compared to the wages. The students worked hard and long hours, and most of them worked their way through college. Scholarships were almost non-existent and if a student finished school he/she had to be determined . . . Determination seemed to be part of the character of a Madisonite.

The school administration and faculty studied the "Red Books" written by Sister White on healthful living, Christian education, and spiritual life and endeavored to follow the "blueprint." God blessed and the school grew and it wasn't long until a sanitarium with a training school for nurses was established. E. A. Sutherland took the medical course so that the medical work could continue to grow. Nurses were trained not to only perform tasks in the care of patients, but to be concerned with their



psychosocial and spiritual needs as well. Concern for the total patient was emphasized. Nurses would pray with the patients and point them to the great Physician. As a student nurse at Madison years later, I was educated to do the same. I hope you who are nurses and doctors here tonight are still praying with your patients. That's what I call being in God's work. I know from firsthand experience that God answers the prayers of Christian nurses and doctors. While serving as a medical missionary in Brazil some years ago God performed a miracle and healed one of my patients.

Issac was playing with some of his friends when he slipped and fell into a mud hole, cutting his knee. His mother put some rags around the cut and hoped that it would heal. In a day or two Issac had a very high fever and one morning his parents found Issac with his jaws locked and his back beginning to bow. They brought Issac to Hospital Belem. As they came through the door I saw that this very sick boy needed immediate attention. The doctor examined him, and said he didn't see much hope for the child, but we did all we could . . .

Issac was now in the hands of the Lord, for He alone could heal him. We prayed often for Issac . . . The parents were sitting in the room looking very alone and frightened when I entered later that day. I asked them if they knew Jesus the Great Physician. They said No, but they would like to know more. I talked to them for awhile and told them of the loving Jesus, then we prayed together. Within one week Issac walked from the hospital healed. I saw many cases of tetanus in that hospital, none as advanced as Issac's, but he was the only one that I know who lived.

We can see more miracles like that if, as Christian workers, our relationship with God is what it should be. That's being in the Lord's work! God has His workers around the world. Madison has sent out many of these workers. I think of such people as Marion Simmons, who in her 70's, is pastoring a church in Bangkok, Thailand. Mrs. Simmons was one of my teachers, and was the epitome of Christian character. . . I think of our self-supporting schools where a young person can obtain a Christian education while working to pay for it. Clifford Tonsberg, a Madison graduate, with his bare hands carved a school out of the jungle of Chiapas, Mexico, where young Mexicans can get a Christian education and learn about Jesus. The list could go on and on. All of these are in the Lord's work, and God is blessing.

The educational philosophy at Madison was one of self-sacrifice. The school was established by people who sacrificed their all—that's being in the Lord's work! Students learned a trade while getting an education. It's too bad that there are so few Adventist trade schools today where a student can learn how to be a Christian farmer, plumber, bricklayer, electrician, or what have you. Madison was that kind of school. There are many young people in our churches today who must go to the world for their training in the vocations because there are few vocational schools. I challenge our

educational system to give study to this problem and try to correct it.

Madison College had its place in the Lord's work. It trained and educated many young people to fill all kinds of positions. Madison's influence has been felt around the world, but today the college no longer exists. The school closed its doors in 1964. It's sad to think about its closing. I'm glad I wasn't here at that time. It would have been like losing a close friend, and it was hard enough for me at a distance. There may never be another Madison College, but Madison graduates are still trying to carry out the spirit of Madison wherever they may be found. May God help us all to follow the "blueprint" in our individual lives. The philosophy of Madison can live in each of our hearts and be expressed in the way that we work for the Lord.

### Sabbath School at Homecoming Mission Report on Iran

By Virginia Sellars and LouAnn Hyde

VIRGINIA (Davidson) SELLARS: I bring you greetings from my husband, Gene Sellars. I received a letter from him a few days ago. He said to tell all of you "Hello" for him.

Iran is an area of about 636,000 square miles. That's quite a large area. The population is approximately 35 million people. The capital is Tehran, and that was where we were working. They have several languages. The main one is Persian, or Farsi. (The country used to be called Persia.) Then they have Kurdish, Armenian, Turkish, and Arabic. All of these, of course, make learning the language difficult.

About 98% of the people living in Iran are Moslem, and 93% of these belong to a sect of the Islam religion. Then they have a number of minority groups . . . We have only 150 Adventists in Iran . . . Our main group is located in Tehran, where our Iran Mission is located. . .

LOUANN (Fick) HYDE told about the colorful costumes and sparkling headgear that she and Virginia were wearing. Iranian women get a new skirt each year and add it to the several they already have on. The more skirts a woman wears, the wealthier she is considered. In this country the women are required to wear shawls covering their heads, and leaving only one eye showing.

When the recent turmoil started though, it was handy to have this headgear if one wanted to go out in public and didn't want to be known as a foreigner . . .

The tribal work is nonexistent as far as Adventists go. We have no work for the tribal people. Our hope and our dream is that someday a team of workers—medical, evangelistic, including child evangelism, and work for the women—will be able to go as a mobile unit and be able to take the gospel to those people.

VIRGINIA SELLARS: I'd like to tell you a little about the work of my husband, Gene. First of all he is supposed to be running the physical therapy clinic there at the mission. However, right now there are no patients for the clinic due to the upheaval that has been going on. We don't know what's going to

happen to our clinic or our mission for the time being. We do still have some missionaries over there.

Gene has been very active in the past year or so with the Healthful Living course. This is a correspondence course in healthful living, in Farsi. During the time of all the recent fighting they had to discontinue this course but for the last month or so they have been able to carry it on again. Also he has been helping with the Five-Day No Smoking Plan . . .

One of his dreams while we were over there was to write a very limited Bible course in elementary English. Many people over there speak English, but they don't speak the same kind of English we do, and of course their vocabulary is limited. He wanted to do it in very basic English. During the three months that I've been gone he completed this course and he has some people who are coming and taking it now.

He has also been helping the pastor of the Armenian church with Bible studies. In the almost five years that we were there we have had two baptisms.

Since the turmoil started our national church members seem to be much more dedicated and much more active since the war broke out in Iran. I am happy to report this morning that communications with Iran have started again and we can talk back and forth now.

LOUANN HYDE: I'd like to tell you just a little bit about the school that I have had. Last year I had eight children and we had 8 weeks of school before we were closed down. Virginia's youngest boy, Carl, was my eighth grader this year. All but two of the children I was teaching were non-Adventists. Most of these children had never learned to pray, and we were able to teach them to pray.

Every morning for worship we would read stories . . . One day out on the playground Susie, a little non-Adventist girl, came running up to me, and said, "Teacher, is Jesus going to come pretty soon?" I assured her, "Yes, Susie, Jesus will come soon. We don't know just when, but it will be soon." "Oh, I'm so glad!" she said. "I want to see Jesus. I want to go up and sit on His lap and just give Him a big hug."

We don't know what the future holds in Iran, but we do know who holds the future, and we are assured that one day in the kingdom we will greet with tears of joy some of those people, those dear ones, that we love.

VIRGINIA SELLARS: Many times I've been asked what my impression was during the time of the fighting and turmoil—and there is still fighting and turmoil every day over there. Well, it is very difficult for me to try to put it into words. But I believe the impression that will always remain in my thoughts is how I felt when that nation toppled. In a 4-month period I witnessed a great nation brought to its knees. The man who had claimed to be the shah, which means, king of kings, was no longer able to control his country and would have to flee for his life. It was with sadness and great emotion that I saw on my television set the shah leave his beloved country, knowing full well what was in store for him.

It was at this time that I, with a number of our fellow missionaries, bowed our heads, and asked the Lord to be with that country in the struggle ahead and to protect us from a thousand evils we knew we faced. And the Lord protected us in many ways and answered our prayers.

When we were asked by the U.S. government to evacuate Iran, we left on February 5 (1979) from Iran with a large group of military and embassy men and were taken to Athens, Greece. I will be forever grateful to those young, kind, smiling Air Force men who were our liberators. It was a great emotional display when that airplane arose into the air with us, knowing that those men had risked their lives coming in after us, without the Iranian government's permission and without any air traffic control.

After we were airborne, I closed my eyes and thought of another great airlift soon to take place—the one in which we can all take part. When the true King of kings, Jesus Christ, will come to claim His own, may we all be ready to meet Him is my prayer.

## Sabbath School Lesson Study By Dr. Norman Gulley, Religion Department, S.M.C.

Our study today is the second lesson on the great time of trouble. When we think of the time of trouble, we think of the early time of trouble, the great time of trouble, Jacob's trouble. It's all trouble, and I'd like to suggest at the very beginning that we need to see Christ rather than the crisis. . . . Most of my life has been spent in training ministers, the last seven years on the graduate level. And now we are at S.M.C., we're back home in Tennessee again in the same training program.

One particular burden that has come upon me through the years is this: Gulley, take your eyes off the crisis; keep them fixed upon Christ. It's Christ I need and He's the only One who can take me through the crisis. Right?

Just to begin with let us notice this comment: "Let the watchmen now lift up their voice and give the message which is present truth for this time. Let us show the people where we are in prophetic history." 5T 716

Isn't that wonderful! It was here at Madison that I caught a real vision of what coming events meant. I feel the Lord brought me here and gave me a graduate training in the books that we have as a people. As I began to pore over these books and studied all the information we have as a people, I realized we are rich, very rich, aren't we? The events connected with the close of probation and the work of preparation are clearly presented. But multitudes have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed.

Just down the road here we lived in that red shingled house. In that kitchen many a night, alone with the books, many a morning early, is where I learned to appreciate as never before these wonderful Testimonies that we have as a people. Oh, how privileged we are. With the Bible, how much they give to us! We have a chart pointing out every waymark on

the heavenly journey and we ought not to guess at anything. . . .

As we look at what is to come, a sequence of events, we do not know the period between them. We don't know dates. The prophetic year-day principle was finished in 1844. So we cannot apply that principle to anything in the future. And that's very important in connection with the length of the time of trouble.

Just to get it before us briefly, let's build a chart, shall we? First of all, let's say that these are the two times of trouble—the early time and the great time of trouble, which is our lesson today. But just to get everything in perspective, what is the first event we are to expect here? What great law is going to be passed in our country? The Sunday law. . . .

God is stirring His people in different parts of this world and there are many of them that have the conviction that His coming is near. What a homecoming that's going to be! I want to be there, don't you? . . .

After the Sunday law is passed in this country, what's going to happen in the rest of the world? An international Sunday law. Different countries will follow America's leadership all over the world. This is the context to the great time of trouble. But thank God for the latter rain that comes. We don't have to face trouble alone, do we? He has made provision.

During this period we'll be giving the final invitation to the world to come out and join us so that together we can go home. (Rev. 18) We are told that some of our loved ones will come back and join the truth. . . .

When the invitation is gone and they've accepted or rejected it, what comes after that? The close of probation. Now after probation closes, our lesson begins today—the great time of trouble. . . .

The Lord will not leave us alone. The Holy Spirit has come for a purpose. The latter rain comes in the future, at the time of the Sunday law. We will need the Holy Spirit's power then as never before. That's why He comes. Do you think He's going to come just at the close of probation and then leave us? No, He's going to come so that we will be able to go through. Thank God for that! . . .

The great time of trouble is a time of trouble for the world first. It starts just a little time after the close of probation. The lesson tells us that between the second and the third plague there's going to be a decree passed. What is that decree? The death decree. Now who is the death decree against? God's people. That will begin a period called Jacob's trouble. But what will Jacob's trouble conclude with? Deliverance. [Referring to the chart.] We have now the Sunday laws, the early time of trouble, the great time of trouble, Jacob's trouble, and I want us to notice that our lesson deals, therefore, with two aspects—trouble for the world, trouble for God's people.

Would anyone like to elect to go through the 7 last plagues? Of course not. They're going to be terrible, devastating plagues. Are they going to be universal? . . . The first five are not universal. The others perhaps will be. People all over the world will be affected by the plagues. What about God's people? Will they be affected. We will be protected. God will look after us. . . .

But there will be a time of trouble. It's called Jacob's trouble—mental anguish. We will lose much. We will be fleeing to the mountains, to the hills. Nobody wants to go there and lose a lot of things. But listen, friends, heaven is just around the corner. Don't think of Jacob's trouble and all the trouble. Let's think of Christ rather than the crisis.

Notice this beautiful quotation: "By means of angels there will be constant communication between heaven and earth" during that period. (9T 16) Isn't that beautiful! "Constant communication between heaven and earth" by means of angels. . . .

We are told that when we get to heaven we'll recognize the voice of our guardian angel. During this time we're going to hear that voice speaking. We're going to be fed by the angels. It's going to be a thrilling time. . . .

That sums up briefly the great time of trouble. What is it in a nutshell? Simply this: The world will have terrible trouble. They will have the plagues. And at the deliverance of the saints they will begin to be destroyed. God's people will be alone, separate from other people. They'll be out in the mountains, out in lonely places; but the Holy Spirit will be with them. Angels will be with them to feed them, to talk to them, to give them courage. . . .

## Norman Gulley Reminisces

(Elder Norman Gulley was head of the Bible Department at Madison College for 4 years. Among the classes he taught was Gospel Medical Missionary Evangelism. He and his class started the little Hermitage Church in Old Hickory and paid for the building with little or no financial help from the conference. He wrote a syllabus, "Coming Events" for one of his classes, and constructed an End Events chart which was in great demand by non-members of the class.)

I had never heard about Madison College, growing up in London when I came here 21 years ago to teach. I hadn't really visited or heard very much about it even at S.M.C. where I finished college. Then I went to the Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., spent 3 years there, and what do you think the first call was that the Lord brought my way? It was to come to Madison College, the last place we ever thought God would lead us to.

As we drove in last night as a family, a flood of memories came back. We thought of the little old upstairs room where my wife Leona and I, newlyweds, stayed for a few months as we were launched into our teaching. She taught in the nursing program; I taught in the religion department. Also they asked me to teach American History. Can you imagine that, me an Englishman teaching American History! It was great! We enjoyed it. When we came to the Revolutionary War, I could honestly say as an Englishman that I was thankful to the Lord that America won. Because of the future of our church, we needed a united America. We needed this country in order to have a world-wide work. . . .

I never dreamed that the Lord would take me and my wife in 1962 to Japan to teach. At that time we had only two children. Our first two were born here at Madison—John and



Sharon. So they are Madisonites. Dr. Jean Slate was the one who brought them into the world. She was a wonderful lady . . . John was 20 just a few weeks ago, so it was 20 years ago when this took place . . . Then in 1962 we went over to teach at Japan Missionary College. Japan is a non-Christian country where less than half a percent are Christians. They really need to know Jesus Christ. And there, as the years went by, James and Sonia were born . . .

We went to the Philippines after I finished my graduate work in Edinburgh, Scotland. It was a privilege to work with our Filipino brethren. We were at our seminary there for 7 happy years.

So we have had students from four different world divisions. Oh, to see our young people training to get a vision to go out and help finish the work! What a privilege to belong to the family of God. What do you say? (Amens.) I was just counting this morning and find that I have had the privilege of visiting 22 Adventist colleges—over there in the Middle East, in Europe, throughout the Far East, Avondale in Australia, in New Zealand, and of course, some here in America. And I cannot cease to marvel. God has a worldwide family, and He's moving out on every front to finish the work soon. I'm so proud to belong to this wonderful family . . .

This is a very important and a very special part of the family of God at Madison. I just felt that this was holy ground, for the Lord brought Madison into existence for a special mission. And so it's a real pleasure and a joy to be back home with you.

(At the close of the afternoon program Norman Gulley was asked to take a few minutes.)

It is always a joy to tell how much Madison means to me. Madison has precious memories. We were overseas for 16 years in Japan and the Philippines after we left here. We loved it over there, and we would still be there, but our children were getting older, and we thought we should be with them; so that is why we came home. But if time would last, and I don't believe it will, we would go back there. But you know something else, if Madison should open up again, that would be a temptation too . . . Today I saw many of my old students. This is what makes teaching all that it is. We came to Madison, my wife and I. Paul Dysinger was the one who gave us the call. When I finished the Seminary in Washington, Paul came to his son Bill's wedding. He said, "Would you like to come to Madison and teach?" This was just out of the blue. We had to think about it, so on our honeymoon, which was in the Smokies, we called by here and talked with Dr. Sandborn. After praying, we decided here is where the Lord wanted us to be, and we came in 1958.

What wonderful experiences we had here in the classrooms and out. I shall never forget "Operation Bedside." This was an idea the M.V. students had. To have a college right next to a hospital is a great combination, not only financially, with the hospital helping the school, but also in using the entering wedge in evangelism in the hospital and the community.

Do you remember the Hermitage Church?

It was sad to see it close just two years ago. But it was sadder to learn that Madison has closed. I don't know what the Lord's program is, but if I know you aright and I understand the spirit of those who have spoken, if God were to open Madison again, . . . it does seem that there are many students across this nation who are still called, who may need some help. I know that there are scholarships, but it seems today that the schools that are so big miss something that we had in smaller schools . . .

I am happy to be at S.M.C. I believe the Lord wants me there now; we are having a wonderful time. I believe in the program there, but there is just something about these big schools . . . I am so thankful that we have these small self-supporting schools and academies.

My son John is dean of boys at Little Creek. He is studying for the ministry at S.M.C. He told me just recently, "When I have finished I would love to go back to Little Creek if that is where the Lord wants me." I like that. It thrilled me. Our boy, James, is going to Little Creek Academy in a few months. I thank God for the self-supporting workers who have sacrificed. They have a wonderful program. And I thank God too for four happy years here at Madison with people just like you.

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## Sabbath Morning Sermon

By J. J. Aitken,

Executive Secretary, A.S.I.

(Elder James Aitken, speaker for the Sabbath morning church service, was in Europe for twelve years in various parts of the division work there and in South America for eight years, where he was president of the South American Division. Then, in the General Conference, he was in charge of radio and television. Now Elder Aitken is executive secretary and treasurer of the ASI for the General Conference. He is also the representative for our church to the United Nations.)

Homecoming! What a wonderful thought! Just before her death, Sister White told us, "The greatest privilege we have is to be on our way home, really home, as God's people. We are homeward bound."

We've come together to reminisce a bit on how God has helped us in the past, remembering, as Ellen White tells us, that "we have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history," (Life Sketches, p. 196). We talk about past history here at Madison because it helps to line up our vision and focus it right for the future. Great men and women of principle founded Madison College, and they helped the graduates to come out of this college with a vision for finishing God's work.

I think of the workers for God who got their start here at Madison. For instance, Elder Arthur White, grandson of Sister White. He told me, "It was down there at Madison that I got my start. How wonderful it is to be knit together with those who were at Madison College!"

I think of others that were here, including men in the G.C. Elder Neal Wilson, now president of the G.C., grew up in this conference and then went over to India and the far-flung areas of the world. Elder Don Christman, now in the Lay Activities Department in Washington, attended Madison. Dr. Wayne McFarland took his premedical here and is a director in the Health Department . . .

Sister White says, however, "It is not alone by men in high positions of responsibility, not alone by the men holding positions on boards and committees, not alone by the managers of our sanitariums and publishing houses, that the work is to be done which will cause the earth to be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. This work can be accomplished only by the whole church acting their part under the guidance and in the power of Christ." 8T 47

The great vision that came out of Madison, as I understand that vision, was a threefold message—the hand, the heart, and the mind together in practical work, agricultural work, the sciences, and the Bible—all of these combined that we might do the work that the Lord would have us to do.

I saw a monument near here. This monument shouldn't mean that we have buried the great principles that were enunciated here, but that we carry to the very ends of the earth God's plan for the development of the hand, the heart, and the mind.

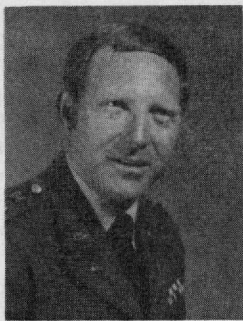
Luke 12:32 says, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." This little flock that gathered together here had no fear for the future because they knew that God was leading them. And the work they started has expanded around the world.

Then Luke talks about selling your possessions, giving everything for the advancement of the cause of God. That sounds to me like the beginnings of Madison. As Sister White got off of the "Morning Star," she said, "Let us move forward in faith. There is a little property out there that can be purchased for approximately \$12,000. Let us follow God's leading. God will go before us if we will look to Him as our counselor and our strength." And they bought this property. Luke says, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

The students at Madison were taught: Open up your Guidebook every morning, drink deep of the wells of living water from God's Word. Balance out your life with the sciences; learn how to work. Learn these basic principles and you will have nothing to fear for the future.

And so, fear not, little flock. What is it that keeps us from fear? We read in 1 John 4:16 that God is love; and in verse 18, "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth our fear."

An ambassador in South American wanted to hire a Seventh-day Adventists girl to be his housekeeper because he felt she could be trusted. He said, "Adventists seem to have principles built into their characters." Aren't we thankful for that? That's the great character-building process of our Adventist



Lt. Col. Jack Gibbons, guest speaker, Friday night at Homecoming.

schools, both denominationally-operated and laymen-operated.

Sister White says that these laymen-operated schools have their very special place. She used to counsel the brethren, "They have a part in the work of God also, and don't try to cut off freewill offerings to them. Try to help them once in a while. Encourage and justify, support and defend, the various lines of soul-winning work conducted by our workers who are responsible for their own financial support."

Now there's another thing we ought to do in a homecoming, and that is remember. God says, "Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee." We need to remember the past that we might not fear the future. God's messenger says it is a sin to forget.

I was on the ship "Arizona" the other day. We were planning for our next convention out in the Pacific Ocean. The army officer there in Honolulu said, "We forgot to be alert. And that was the reason why we were wiped out." As you stand on the "Arizona", think of all those bodies beneath that battleship because people forgot to be alert.

We read in Deuteronomy 8:18: "Thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth." A man had asked me where this text is found, and after he read it and heard of a very urgent need out at Loma Linda, he gave \$500,000 to help them with a special project. One layman is very much interested in that great self-supporting outpost, Living Springs Retreat, operated by Bill Dull and his group in New York City. He had heard of what they're doing and wanted to help them. Besides giving them two big truckloads of furniture and other things, he loaned them the money to rent the trucks and gave them \$2,500 in cash.

So you see God is touching hearts today. These things still happen as they did back in the days of Madison. They can still happen with consecrated laymen who want to see the work of God finished. We must not forget how God has led us in the past.

At the United Nations I was talking with the ambassador from Kenya. As a boy he had gone to an Adventist school, and he told me that in that little school in Africa, Elder R. H. Pierson had been a great inspiration to him, and he considered it a wonderful privilege to have been in an Adventist school.

I once worked with a diplomat who was very close to the Shah of Iran. Even though we have only 150 members there, the shah had paid for a representative from the

General Conference to come over and help them in the celebration of their 30th anniversary. Through the Spirit of God people recognize us and understand the work we are doing.

Although the leader of 600 million people, Madame Indira Gandhi, got acquainted with Seventh-day Adventists and considered them a good people. Dr. Kurt Waldheim, secretary general of the United Nations, said that the thing that impressed him about us Adventists was our educational system and our medical work. Dr. Henry Kissinger said that he knew he could send American Embassy employees to Adventist hospitals anywhere in the world and they would receive conscientious care.

Isn't it wonderful the medical work that was begun here at Madison? The late John F. Kennedy said that he didn't know much about Adventists' religion, but he knew that they have a good educational system and a good medical system around the world, and he felt that they were a special people. Wherever I go in the world, and whomever I meet, they say we are special.

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." How thankful we are for the Madisonites who have been active and have done something in this world. Madison can be praised for the powerful ideas and truths that came out of here in those early days when the school was founded. True education is the preparation of the mental and the moral and the physical for the performance of every duty. It is the training of body, mind, and soul for divine service. This is the education that will endure unto eternal life.

Congressman Don Clausen said to me, "You know, Jim, I'm really not an Adventist—yet. I'm a Lutheran, my brother's a Catholic, my wife is an Adventist, and so are all my children, so we have a great ecumenical movement. Do you know that you, as Seventh-day Adventists, have everything going for you? You have the Pearl of Great Price, Jesus Christ, and all of His principles for your educational institutions. The only problem is, once in a while you don't open the shell and let the people see the Pearl. You keep it closed too often... Let the world know that you have the Pearl."

My prayer for each of you this morning is that the great principles enunciated here at Madison College—these great principles of faith and truth—help us to remember that there is nothing to fear for the future except as we forget how God has led us in the past. The world is waiting for our message. God help us to give it to them, is my prayer.

### HONOR CLASS REPORTS Class of 1929 (50 years ago)

Only 3 came from the Honor Class of 1929 (50 years ago)—Elsie Sanford Hamerly, of Lacey, Wash., Dr. E.B. Johnson of Pullman, Mich., and Hazel King, of Meridian, Miss. Elsie came early and helped with the registration and in other ways. She gave

news of some in her nursing class. She reported the death of Nona Gillespie Allison and Mrs. T.R. Treece, and said Catherine Baker died in a fire a few years ago.

We got letters from Josephine Walker Lawrence, who is now Mrs. Disbnow, Zoetta Nichols Hauser, Carolyn Port, and Hazel King. The latter not only came but wrote before she came.

Delphine Lawrence Disbnow,  
Palm Springs, CA

(We had last trace of Delphine Walker Lawrence after the death of her husband, Dr. Berwyn Lawrence, and heard she has remarried. We "found" Delphine by writing her doctor son, Patrick Lawrence, in Pasadena, CA., and she wrote in reply.)

My son forwarded your note to me. You are doing a good job (a hard one, too!) I cannot get away to attend Homecoming, but would love to see everyone. A lot of water has gone under the bridge since Madison days! I have enjoyed good health all these years and after my husband Berwyn's death I took a refresher course and nursed in I.C.U. and C.C.U. for 13 years. After not nursing for 30 years it was interesting to get back in, and I believe I enjoyed it more than when I was younger. I remarried 11 years ago and now live in Palm Springs, CA. The last person from Madison that I heard from is Ruth Spurgeon Baughman. She phoned me from Los Angeles. Will always enjoy seeing and hearing from anyone from Madison.

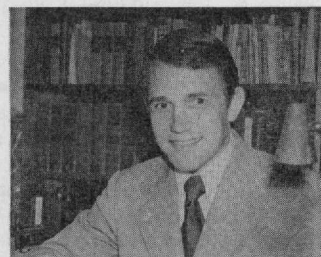
Hazel King '29, Meridian, Miss.

HAZEL KING took what was called the "Normal Course" at M.C. in 1929, in other words, a teaching course. In response to our Honor Class letter she wrote as follows:)

My sister Audrey and I have both retired. She was the director of nursing service at the East Mississippi State Hospital for 21 years.

My last teaching was at Whynot, Miss., a private academy established in 1969—opening January, 1970. I worked for 6 years in the grade school and in high school. It was pleasant to be with the young people again after having been with my mother through her illness. Now Audry and I are both at home, doing a few of the things we thought about before. We keep busy and happy and enjoy our 9 acres in the country.

I'll be staying with Mildred Sanford while at Homecoming. She is Lois Hendershot's sister. Lois and Betty Johnson and I taught the Madison church school in the early 30's. Bonnie Miller Clark and I worked in the old print shop. The week the men installed the



Warren Ashworth, guest speaker a year ago at Homecoming. His subject was "Sutherland, a Sanctified Heretic."



## LETTERS

Mrs. Ralph Moore, Loveland, Colo.

We appreciate the MADISON SURVEY and always read it with a great deal of interest. The years come and go, but we find with the passing of time, nothing or no one takes the place of friendships made while at Madison. Our hearts are saddened when we read of the passing of dear ones, like Ethel Steel, Tekla Wilson, and others. . . . We enjoyed the September, 1978, SURVEY very much. I enclose \$2 for two more copies of it please.

• In a later letter, Earlene wrote that she and Ralph had retired as of Feb. 25, and moved from Eden Valley, Loveland, CO., to Harlingen, TX. The Moore's daughter Arlene married Smuts Van Rooyen, a teacher at A.U. Son John finished Anesthesia at Madison Hospital in 1977, and is working at Vanderbilt Hospital. His wife Gwen has been working in Accounting at Madison Hospital.

Marvin C. Midkiff, Chattanooga, TN.

(Marvin Midkiff attended M.C. 1937-8, and has been in hospital and nursing home administration for years. He recently transferred from Silver Spring, Md., to Chattanooga, and wrote as follows.)

I certainly enjoyed the Homecoming weekend in Madison. This was my first, but I hope not my last. You did an excellent job in organizing and providing an interesting and informative program.

I have moved to the Chattanooga area and am now associated with Edwin Martin of Cleveland, in his Care-More Nursing Home chain. Ed, like myself, did not graduate from M.C., but was a student there at one time.

### Madison Academy Graduation

Twenty seniors graduated from Madison Academy the weekend of May 18-20, 1979. Speaker for the Friday evening Consecration service was Elder Oliver Maize, Bible instructor at the academy. Elder Jan Doward of the G.C. Youth Department spoke for the Baccalaureate service Sabbath morning.

The commencement address was given by June Carter Cash, wife of country music singer Johnny Cash. Mrs. Cash said three of her children were born at Madison Hospital. Fred Cothren was her doctor. After son John was born, Winfred (Rushing) Kelley stayed with the Cashes for 9 years to help care for him. Mrs. Kelley has been a good influence in all their lives. Mrs. Cash gave a down-to-earth talk and admonished the seniors to hold on to their self-control.

### SUNDAY MORNING WORKSHOP

A Health Emphasis Workshop, with demonstrations, was conducted Sunday morning at Homecoming by Elder and Mrs. George Kendall, their daughter Annabelle, Joe and Renee Van Inwagen, of Yuchi Pines Institute, Seale, Ala. We hope to give a fuller report later.

• Laymans Extension League convention is the last weekend in September (27-29), and the ASI Convention is the last weekend in October (Oct. 27 - Nov. 1).

## GOOD NEWS -- A HERITAGE HOUSE

We have word that the Madison Hospital board voted on June 21, 1979, to give the M.C.A.A. a ten-year lease on the former DeGraw-Sutherland home as a Heritage House and alumni center. This is the large white house which stands next to the Druillard Library, where Bessie DeGraw lived so many years until her death. After the death of Dr. E. A. Sutherland's first wife Sally, he married Miss DeGraw, and they both lived in this house a year until he died in 1955. Thus the house can rightly be called "the Sutherland House."

At long last, after a number of attempts, we now have the privilege of using this historic house. It will take several thousand dollars to put it in shape—insulation, roof repair, insect control, heating, installing pillars under the house, and restoring the interior to the original "status quo."

The house has been painted recently, and is in good shape in that respect. It has been used for the past few years as an auxiliary dormitory for S.M.C. nursing students. All S.M.C. furniture will be removed this summer. Both office and household furniture will be needed. It is our desire to make a guest room available to Madisonites traveling through.

We propose to put this house in excellent shape so Madison College alumni will be proud of it. We need donations of money, labor, furniture, and furnishings. Most all Adventist colleges have a heritage room or house. Now Madison College can have one. Use the coupon and return envelope for your response. Gifts are tax deductible. Let us hear from all you good Madisonites and Friends of Madison out there.

### COUPON

1. Yes, I want to help with the DeGraw-Sutherland Heritage House. \_\_\_\_\_  
I am sending my gift (or pledge) of \_\_\_\_\_
2. I am willing to donate labor \_\_\_\_\_
3. I am interested in donating furniture, furnishings, and/or equipment. \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. I enclose \$\_\_\_\_\_ for alumni dues (\$5 a year; \$50 life), and/or MADISON SURVEY.
5. Please send a tax deductible receipt. \_\_\_\_\_
6. NAME & ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
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Remarks or News:

Linotype machine Bonnie and I set the type for the MADISON SURVEY. I'm looking forward to Homecoming.

ALFRED ROCKE (N '29) is working at a hospital in Riverdale, CA. His sister Irma sent a SURVEY sub for him, and a renewal for herself. She wrote: "Alfred graduated from the nursing course there in 1929. Could you start the SURVEY with the March number? It is an extra special interesting paper this time and speaks of so many people that he knew."

Elsie Sanford Hamerly '29, Lacey, Wash.

Today my mind goes back to our graduation. In an old scrapbook of mine, I have a copy of our class song. I think Dr. Wallace's wife wrote it. We had two nurses in our class who were quite good poets, named Barber and Brown-Bascom. One verse in our class song went like this: "As classmates we no more shall gather; no more in the halls we shall meet. Training days are all over; our outline of studies complete." Our training days weren't over, however, and that certainly wasn't the end of our studies. In the last 50 years I have learned a great deal . . .

I didn't stop studying when I left Madison. I went to New York for a course in obstetrics and taught it for awhile in a hospital at home. Then I married. I lived near a university, where I took a course in Public Health. I worked at that for several years. We had two sons; so I stayed home and raised them. Madison gave good, firm spiritual ground to walk on. It also gave a broad foundation, and whether you were a professional or a mother, it taught you a lot about how you want your own children raised. I am proud of my children. They both went to Walla Walla College and married girls they met there.

While I was in Nashville after I graduated, I worked at the Florence Crittenden Home for Children. I was asked to write an article for the SURVEY. I was really proud of it, as it got on the front page . . . This is what I said in the article: "Madison gave me a training of untold value both as a professional or a mother, that I could have gotten nowhere else." I really feel very grateful for Madison. I didn't go to any of our denominational schools, as I didn't have any money. I came here with \$40, and every penny I earned during my three years of nurses' training I earned at ten cents an hour. Someone said, "It was hard work at Madison." It surely was, but hard work never hurt anyone. I knew how to work when I came, and I learned better when I got here. I will always be thankful for having come to Madison. It has been 49 years since I was here. I don't recognize the place, but the ground is still Madison.



Elder and Mrs. John Aitken with son John-John. John is a son of James Aitken. Harryette (Goode) is a former M.C. student.

## The E.A. Sutherland Story

At long last after years of struggle and perseverance, the book by Ira Gish and Harry Christman has been published. It is a "Redwood Paperback" by Pacific Press, titled *Madison - God's Beautiful Farm*, with a more meaningful subtitle, "The E.A. Sutherland Story." The book contains 188 pages and sells for \$2.95.

Dr. Ira Gish is presently librarian at Weimar Institute, Weimar, CA., where he is very busy cataloguing 18,000 books. Elder Harry Christman, co-author, is in poor health. He and his wife are at Ventura Estates in California, near daughter Ruth, whose husband Lewis Schutter is editor of *Our Little Friend*.

Dr. E.B. Johnson '29, Pullman, MI.

When I left here I went to Michigan and worked a year before going to Medical school. After I finished my medical course a friend of mine wanted me to come to Michigan to practice, so I landed at Allegan, where I did general practice for about 35 years. About 20 years ago a man called at my home and wanted to start a self-supporting work in the North. Since I was trained at Madison, I was very much interested and took up with it. He got some others interested and we got the work started at Oakhaven. Nine years ago I semi-retired and moved out to Oakhaven, doing a little practice there. We are operating four different health food stores and cafeterias over the country, and are building up more all the time. We conduct 5-day plans and cooking classes and health classes at various times. Last summer I retired, but still see a patient now and then.

My fondest memories are of Madison. I always remember the first day I arrived here. I had gone to Berrien Springs with the intention of taking my pre-med there, but I didn't have any money. I had never heard about Madison, but while at Berrien someone told me about this school. I wrote down here and got some literature, which sounded very good to me. I decided to come down here, but my wife was a little leery about it. She talked to the Bible teacher. He said, "Oh, don't go down there! That is the devil's jumping-off place. You will be lost to the cause." When I came home that evening, she was all in a dither and said, "We can't go to Madison!" She told me what he said. I said, "That literature didn't read that way to me. Let's go down and see what it is like anyway. If we find that it is the devil's jumping-off place, we won't stay."

So we packed up and came to Madison. Who do you suppose was the first person we met? Mother D.! She was a dear old soul, and the moment we met her we had no question in our minds. We were going to stay. We felt right at home. The next day we went in to see Aunt Bessie, and we really got a currying. She couldn't abide these Northerners coming down here to get their education and then going back North . . . When she got through talking, she shoved the application blank over to us, and we signed it just like that.



J. J. Aitken, cultivating his garden on Tranquility Farm in Virginia. (No shortage of gas here.)

My wife decided that while I was taking my pre-medics she was going to take nurses' training, so she came in the next day and signed up. We were supposed to pay \$35, and I only had \$70 when we arrived, but we talked them into letting us keep \$5. We worked, and when we left, we had \$25 cash. I would like to know what school you could go to then or now and do that.

I regret that I can't place the location of buildings in my mind, and when I come on the ground now, I am lost. This is the second Homecoming I have been to. My first wife (Charlotte Legg) and I were here about eight years ago. She passed away in 1976. My wife Dorothy here is not the one that was with me when I was at Madison. I am very happy with my present wife. She has been a godsend to me . . . I am very thankful for Madison, and it will always have a warm place in my heart.

Carolyn A. Port, Morganton, N.C.

Thank you so much for keeping the SURVEY coming. I'd miss it. Father and Mother took the SURVEY 60 years ago. In fact it was one of the influences in their selling a comfortable home and farm in Wisconsin and moving to North Carolina to start a school.

We felt we were one of Madison's children as long as we had a boarding school. And now we have a real nice grade "A" church school that serves 4 churches and is operating in the black. And we have 2 consecrated Madisonites as teachers. They are Kenneth and Aida Henderson '62. I think they were married in Helen Funk Assembly Hall and their first son was born in Madison Hospital.

We're still holding God's principles high as we learned at Madison. It makes me feel like a death in the family whenever I think of Madison College not existing anymore. . . . I'm well and still helping relieve people's pains daily. I have 2 adopted children and 3 grandchildren.

Thanks again for the SURVEY and thank the Lord for restoring you to us again. May your work not be too heavy and may He give you helpers so you can carry on a long time.



## HONOR CLASS OF 1939 (40 Years Ago)

Only one person came from the class of 1939—Helen (Biggs) Socol of Portland, TN. She was accompanist for special music Friday night.

Beatrice (Leach) Stephens, wife of the late George Roland Stephens, came and persuaded her sister, Judy (Leach) Turman to come too. Both of Bea's girls, Nancy and Susan Coffin, are at Loma Linda. Nancy has a civil service job and works as a pediatrics nurse practitioner at Norton Air Force Base. Both girls live together in a condominium in the Loma Linda area. Susan did office work for a number of years before deciding she wants to take nurses training.

Letters were received from Elder and Mrs. Herbert Hewitt, Jon Robere, Sarah (Spady) Truitt, and Ruby (Ferguson) Beard. (Irene Felice Osborne wrote earlier. See her letter in March SURVEY, p. 7)

### Ruby Ferguson Beard '39, New Hampshire, Ohio

This fall I will be an active R.N. for 40 years. Our God has blessed. May our loving Father continue to bless us all through His blessed Son that many souls will be won to Him.

### Elder and Mrs. Herbert Hewitt Louisville, Ky.

We are so sorry we cannot attend the Homecoming this year. We are having an evangelistic crusade in our church by Jerry Willis. The weekend of May 12th is our closing date and it will be impossible for us to leave here at that time. Herbert would really like to come and we are so sorry the date conflicts with our program here.

We are both very busy. Our church is growing and active. I will be conducting a 4-session cooking school and a nutrition seminar in the new church annex on May 20-25, and I am working on that now. We will stress a low fat, low cholesterol, low sugar, vegetarian diet, and will be inviting the public.

### Nina (Thomas) Bogar, Portland, Tn.

In answer to our inquiry, Nina Bogar '39 wrote as follows:)

My years at Madison were from 1935 to 1940 as head of the department at Kinne Kitchen. My husband Harold worked 1936 to 1940 in maintenance at Madison Sanitarium and as head of the diet kitchen.

We were at Glen Alpine, N.C., from 1940 to late 1942. My husband was manager of the institution there. I was principal of the school the first year; also we had the girls home and supervision of food service. The second year my husband had the same responsibility, but we found a young man to be principal - Jim Whitlock—who is now a physician. I continued to teach and carry my other duties.

From 1942-4 we were at Mount Vernon Academy. Then we spent a year with Dr. Harry Miller, my husband as engineer in his food factory; I as dietitian in the hospital. In 1945 we moved to McMinnville, TN., and

helped in a newly organized church by teaching a ten-grade school for two years.

In 1947 we were asked to go to Highland Academy, I as director of food services and my husband filled several places, at different times—conference builder, farm manager, maintenance, director of food services for Highland Hospital, orderly at the hospital, and bookkeeper in the academy office.

We retired in 1963. We have two married daughters, Teresa Brady and Roberta McIntyre.

### Sarah Spady Truitt, Donna, TX.

I have been looking forward to the year when my class would be an Honor Class, and now that it is here, the date has been moved up and I am unable to attend. The school year does not end here until May 30 . . . I am teaching 8th grade Science and am head of the Science Department in Weslaco Independent Schools where we have around 1350 in the two grades. It has been quite a challenge and I have enjoyed it very much.

We have two children, daughter Gerry, and a son Alan ("Sonny"). Both are married and live and work in the Dallas area. My husband, Bill retired this year but always finds plenty of work to keep him busy. Sonny and his wife Karen, opened up Mangrum Radiator Warehouse in Nashville two years ago, so while they were there we went out to see them and took a drive out to Madison. It has changed so much we could hardly remember where anything had been. We did find the remains of one gas pump where the station used to be, and Bill spent so many hours. So Sonny looked to see if the gas price was there, and it was, 25¢ a gallon!

### Jon Robere '39, Chattanooga, TN.

What a pleasure to receive this late issue with so much news of many whom I have not seen for years! I was tempted to try to come for a few hours, but my wife Marion gently reminded me that crowding so much in so little time—and with a shortage of gasoline!—that it might not be wise. So I'm writing a few words to let you know that I recall the happy parts of being at Madison College with relish. The annoying parts I remember, but remembering also that I was given stimulus for character. God has blessed the efforts from that fine institution.

After graduation I went to Peabody College for my M.A. Then four years in World War II which was a waste of my time, a classic example of how the government and Army can waste human resources. But since then things have been moving well. The joy of developing a useful music business in Chattanooga has been tremendous. I have my own music studio, am a church organist, a piano and organ teacher, performing professionally on both, regularly, plus a combo which offers music at various select functions.

My health has been wonderful. God has blessed the life-style learned from the S.D.A. health philosophy. I'm a distance runner—not a "Johnny-come-lately," but for the past 14 years—Boston Marathon 3 times and an hour of running every morning. And I love it. I write a newsletter for running friends over the country and keep in touch with a great bunch of human beings. All praise to God for letting me witness in this area as well as music.

I have two children and 6 grandchildren, and we find them delightful. Oh yes, I'm still moving along full steam, but look forward to cutting back a bit in another 5 years when I'm 70. In the meantime, God bless all of you. I wish I could see you! Let's have another reunion and I'll promise to be there.

## Honor Class of 1954 (25 Years Ago)

We saw only 3 from the classes of 1954—Olive Snapp, Bettie Clark LeForte, and Don Jennings. Velma Midghall McNeal called long distance, giving greetings and regrets at not coming. She promised to send her life dues. Letters were received from Herbert Meador (Anes.), Agnes Effenberg Dorosh, and Marie (Wilson) Logan. Bill Park replied he couldn't afford to send dues, saying his money was needed elsewhere. We are sorry to lose him, but appreciate his frankness.

### Herbert Meador, Ilwaco, Wash.

We had hoped to make it to the alumni reunion but will not be able to do so since we are moving to Ilwaco, WA., this month. After 17 years at this hospital in St. Helens, Ore., we decided on moving on. I will be working with another anesthetist in a smaller hospital, will be having less calls, and get more time off, at about the same salary. This will give me a chance to slow down a bit.

My wife Ada has been working part time but plans on taking off the rest of the year. Our children are most all grown now. Steven, 17, is still in academy at Laurelwood Academy. Maxine is teaching school in Bowman, N.D. this year but is planning on moving out west next year. Perry is a registered nurse in Longview, WA., working in public health. Joey and her husband Duane Douglas are at College Place, WA. She is nursing at Walla Walla General Hospital while he finishes his engineering course at WWC.

### Agnes Dorosh, Wilbur, Ore.

(Agnes Effenberg Dorosh, nursing graduate 1954, sent her life dues, thanked us for the addresses of her classmates, and wrote as follows.)

We surely appreciate your faithfulness and hard work in putting the Madison SURVEY out. I enjoy receiving the paper and thus keep in touch with old schoolmates. I really enjoyed my years at Madison and the good nursing training I received there. Madison was a wonderful school.

We still live in the Roseburg area of Oregon. My husband Steve is free-lancing in anesthesia. I work at the community hospital here on the night shift. Our daughter Charlene attended WWC, is married, and now living in Vancouver, WA. Our son Randy will be a junior this fall, and living at home. God has been good to give us two wonderful children.

Sorry I will not be able to be with all of you at homecoming, but wish all of you a wonderful fellowship together.

## Marie Logan, Farmington Hills, MI.

Marie (Wilson) Logan lives in the Detroit area. She is a life member of M.C.A.A. and wrote last year that the class of '53 was really her class, but she had to take state board later. She attended the 30-year reunion of her class at Enterprise Academy last year in Kansas. Her mother, who lives in Kansas, was not well so she went to see her at the same time. She gave several items of news regarding Madisonites.

"Worth and Jean Lowder who have been at Cedar Lake Academy in Michigan for several years, have moved to Pioneer Valley Academy in Massachusetts, he as the business manager.

"Katina Paulus Johnas was dean of nurses at Madison. I think it was in 1951. She was a classmate of Gladys Drury in nurses training, and a good friend of Shirley Drury, too. She lives in Overland, Mo.

"Ned Zacharias of Towanda, KS., was at Madison during the 40's for a time, and then finished at Union College. . . . He is a C.P.A. for Boeing Aircraft in Wichita, KS. He was in denominational work for a time in the early 50's."

• Marie asked for address of Iris Savage Kearns, and we gave her the address in Hawaii.

• Marie also gave us the address of Keo Rose Weegar (N '54) and she gave it to us in St. Louis, but we heard later she had joined Betty LeForte in doing anesthesia in the same hospital, Brookhaven, Miss.

## Betty LeForte '54, Brookhaven, Miss.

I am very happy to be here. I don't see a single classmate here—so I will have to talk for 24 people. The summer before I came to Madison, I'd graduated from a public high school. Before that my mother had me take correspondence, for she felt very strongly that her children should be in Adventist schools. I took correspondence until my senior year and then went to a little high school in Missouri for my senior year and got my diploma. My mother said, "You'd better get busy because you're going to college this fall." So I worked all summer in a factory, sewing a hind pocket on Levis.

When it came time to go to school I said, "How am I going to get to Madison?" She said, "You are going on a bus." I had never been on a bus by myself. She bundled up all my things in a box, an ugly box tied with ropes every which way. She said, "Here is your money and your ticket. You will need some money to register." So I went down to the bus depot and got on the bus.

When we got to the town of Madison, the driver said, "You have to get out here." He let me out in the middle of Madison. I went up to the first door and asked if that was Madison College. They looked at me rather strangely and said, "No, it is way out there." They gave me a phone number to call. I called and asked them to pick me up. They said, "No, you have to walk." I said, "What about my box? I can't carry it." "Get a taxi," they said. I found one,

and the driver dropped me and my box off in front of the hospital. They asked me, "Are you a patient?" "No," I said, "I've come to college." I was so excited.

Madison has become my heart. I took two years of pre-nursing, but when it was time to go into nursing I didn't have the money to buy the long cape and the uniforms (eight inches from the floor in the fifties). So I worked another year. I took a course in public speaking, so I wouldn't be so frightened, and took woodworking. These didn't take much studying, so I could work more and save money to go into nursing. After 5 years I got my R.N.

I had a job in California, where my brother lived. Larry Cheever told me to get a learner's permit to drive, and I could go to California with them. I got a job in a hospital emergency room, where I met Gerald LaForte, an ambulance driver. We were married and had four children. Then he died.

Realizing my nurse's wages were not enough to pay all the expenses and raise four children, I wrote back to Madison and said, "I want to take Anesthesia." I never would have made it if my mother hadn't come to help me with the children.

During these years I have been telling you about, I have noticed that at Madison everyone worked hard and was happy to be here. This is the happiest group of people I have ever been with. What I have learned in my five-year nursing course has made me able to work circles around those in a hospital who came with their fancy degrees and diplomas. The basic training we got, the loving care we were taught to give our patients—although it has been 25 years since I graduated—the principles I was taught here are still the very best.

After I graduated from Anesthesia, I was asked to come back one year as an instructor. Reuben Perales taught me how to put in a tracheal tube one time, and from there on they all went to the right spot. I am still teaching doctors and other anesthetists how to put in a tracheal tube like Reuben taught me.

After I left Madison I went to St. Louis and worked in a 250-bed hospital. When the staff became larger and larger—500 beds and 25 anesthetists—I said, "This is too large for me. I love the simple life." So I left a very good position.

By this time my mother had died, and I decided to go back to California. My two brothers out there wanted me to come and do abortions, but I didn't want to do that. My brother in Mississippi wanted me to come there. Seeing an ad in an anesthesia journal for a nurse anesthetist in Brookhaven, Miss., I called them. I decided to go there. I found I was working with two anesthetists who had taken their training at Madison—Ben Couillard and Logan Sturgis. Logan later moved to Arkansas. Then, as there was need for another, I thought of a former roommate, who had worked with me in St. Louis. She came, and is happy in her work there in Brookhaven.

There is a small church of 17 members there, and I have been chosen to teach the

children in Sabbath School who range in age from 18 months to 14 years.

Several years ago, when we came back to Madison on a visit, they were just tearing down Old General, and my little boy exclaimed, "Look, Mother, they are ruining Madison." This showed that even my boy loved Madison.

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## Elder George Kendall, Chaplain Yuchi Pines Institute

George McClure was in the honor class of 1929, but wasn't able to come. We bring greetings from the McClures. They had retired from Wildwood, where they had been a long time. As the Thrashes were looking around for some counsel and guidance in starting a new place, the McClures were recommended. So they went to Seale, Ala. Until this last year, the McClures have been carrying heavy responsibilities at Y.P.I. They have authored a number of publications. Mrs. McClure has books on diet, gardening, dress, etc., and he has some on Christian education and self-supporting work. Keeping up with the demand for these books has kept them busy, but they have come to the place where they can't keep it up. They have turned this over to Yuchi Pines Health Dept. They have bought a trailer and moved it onto the place. They said they had not retired, but had just retreated when they came to Yuchi Pines. We appreciate the work the McClures are doing there.

We are thankful that we have a young couple of workers who have been inspired to come to Yuchi Pines, who will be presenting the Health Emphasis material.

(Several others who were not in the Honor Classes spoke Sabbath afternoon, but we'll have to hold these over till the next issue: Allan Moon '59, Arna Maxson '51, John Dovich '61, Mr. and Mrs. Everett LeMaster '35, Ralph Davidson '34, William H. Frazier, president of Edson White College, and Beatrice Stevens.)

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## Paramedical Honor Classes (Ten Years Ago)

Of the paramedical classes of 1969, only one came—Otis Detamore. (Otis said he actually finished Anesthesia in 1968, not 1969.) Only two wrote—Gilbert Qualls (Anes.) and Rebecca Ruiz Marcelo (Lab.).

## Gilbert Qualls, Clanton, Ala.

(Mary Faye Draughon (N '58), wife of Gilbert Qualls (Anes. '69), wrote to give news of their family and also to give their new address.

We think of Madison and our many friends so often and were hoping to be able to come for alumni weekend this year, but looks like we won't make it. Gilbert is staying busy with his anesthesia work, and I am busy at home. Our children are growing up fast, it seems. Debbie will soon be 15. Kevin will be 10 years old in June, and Renee' is 8.

I enjoy so much reading the MADISON SURVEY. I usually sit down as soon as it comes and read it from cover to cover. It is



like a letter from home. We will be moving to San Marcos, TX., next month. Gilbert has accepted an anesthesia position there.

REBECCA RUIZ (Lab '69) is married to Rowland S. Marcelo, and lives in Charleston Heights, S.C. The Marcelos have two children, Rowland and Rachel.

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### Welcome by Marguerite Roberts '60 at 1978 Homecoming

(After being absent from home and office for several months, and a patient in two hospitals and a nursing home, moving from room to room in all three health-care institutions, it is little wonder this editor lost track of some things. Requests to those going back and forth to bring certain items did not always result in finding them. One item of particular concern was the welcome speech by then president of the M.C.A.A., Marguerite Roberts. This has recently been found, and we believe you will enjoy reading it, although late.)

To the graduates of Madison College, to former students and staff, to our distinguished speakers, to our church members, and to our out-of-town visitors, we extend the hand of friendship and love and wish you a pleasant weekend.

As I thought about my address tonight, SO many things have been said about Madison, I wondered *What I could say that someone hasn't said before, and I realized - probably nothing.* So tonight, I share with you some words about Madison that others have said.

"To this estate came a little company of teachers to begin a training school for Christian workers among the mountaineers." --*Men of the Mountains*, A. W. Spalding, p. 149-50 (S.P.A. 1915)

"Madison students learned precious lessons of foresight, diligence, industry, and responsibilities, . . . eager to round out their education by uniting the hand to the head and the heart." - A. W. Spalding, *Christ's Last Legion*, 61, 62.

"The quiet of Madison College is unbroken by idle chatter or empty laughter. There is no athletic stadium because there are no athletics, there are no recreation halls because there are no student frivolities. The only extra-curricular activity at old Madison is work." - St. Louis Post Dispatch, Nov. 6, 1938 (newspaper clipping)

"Your emphasis on practical curricula rather than the classical, and on service rather than personal gain, contributes to an important need of our economy and that of the world." (Quoted from letter written by Parkes Armistead, former president of First American Bank, Nashville, dated May 12, 1955. Mr. Armistead is honorary chairman of the board (1978).

"Students trained at Madison found their way into many parts of the world where, by toil and sacrifice, they helped establish the work. . . . The impact of the work done by these early pioneers will never be fully known until the day of judgment; but it is certain that much of the strong work that the Seventh-day

Adventist church carries on in the South today traces its beginnings to little bands of self-supporting workers who found their way through the hills and across the streams, by wagon and on foot to isolated places where by faith and hard work, they laid foundations that others have successfully built upon." (From p. 3 of a 16-p. brochure titled, "Wildwood Historical Sketch," 1975)

Today, as we look over the campus, we try to visualize what it looked like when we were here. Our memory is dimmed as we look for familiar landmarks, no longer there. We try to associate in our minds where certain buildings were. We ride on streets that no longer go where they used to go! We see monuments erected to help us remember, and let others know, WHERE—WHAT—WHEN! But these are only material things made with brick, stone, and mortar. We remember people and places. Oh, Yes, *and they are dear to us.* But the real Madison—the spirit of Madison—is not dulled or dimmed by changes or things, nor are the lessons learned from the staff of dedicated teachers and classmates. Madison College is no longer, but Madison students will always be Madison students - no matter where, when, or what they do! I think we tend to forget this.

In this year, 1978, the Lord has not forgotten Madison. As I said last year, His divine hand was in the starting of this institution, and His hand is still at the wheel. We do not know the road, but He does, and we must keep our hands off the wheel.

We as a church have a duty which was imparted to us many years ago. We must continue to think and plan ahead for this, wherever it leads, or whatever we do. "We have come to a time when every member of the church should take hold of medical missionary work." 7T p. 62

That quote is as important today as it was when Sister White penned it years ago. In all the confusion in our lives, the heartbreak, the tears, the pain, the sadness, and evil abounding all around us, I have one last quote. John, the Revelator, says it so well: **EVEN SO, COME, LORD JESUS.**

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## ALUMNI NEWS

• At Homecoming, PAUL STUYVESANT '15 was recognized as the student who graduated from M.C. the longest ago. He and his wife were here visiting son Wilfred and family.

1917. A recent letter from Bessie (Cotton) Swallen (N '17) told of her move from Tracy City, TN, where she lived for quite a few years, to Hixson, TN. She wrote: "I was 85 on May 17. I feel good and have a good appetite . . . I still like to play the piano. I played for the Monteagle church for years . . . I studied music in college and enjoy playing very much." Bessie is living with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Moses.

1928. Jennie Lee (Vest) Brownlee of Portland, TN., has remarried since the death of her husband, Elder John Brownlee.

Married to James Brown in 1978, she has just shortened her married name by three letters.

1935. Hazel (Teague) Pierce graduated from M.C.A. in 1932. She retired after 47 years of hospital nursing, including 30 years as surgical supervisor at Kadlec Hospital in Richland, Wash. She wrote, "I owe any good I have done to the dedicated teachers at Madison. May you continue the good work with God's help."

1936. DR. WILLIS G. DICK '36, long-time medical missionary to the Far East, wrote from Medical Arts Center, Iola, KS.: "Dear Editor: My wife, Eleanor Sutton, R.N. '36, and I have made a permanent return from the mission field and are residing in Iola, KS. I am still practicing medicine. Just can't make it to the reunion this year, but some time when we retire we plan to do it."

1941. Jewell R. Robinson, Franklin, Indiana: "Those who remember me knew me as Judy Ritchie, class of 1941 . . . It was fun reading the SURVEY. I came across a few names I remember and it brought back a flood of wonderful memories. I was a nurse in the Army in Texas where I met my husband. We have raised five wonderful children. The best of luck in all your good work."

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## HOSPITAL NEWS

- Several new doctors have joined the staff of Madison Hospital: Dr. James Moore (Family Practice); Dr. Jim Seeley (F.P.); Dr. Paul Daugherty, medical director of the new care unit; Dr. Khushra Frenchman, a plastic surgeon; Dr. Virginia Calderone, a psychologist (her husband, Victor, is also an M.D., practicing at Central State Hospital). Several of the new doctors have offices in the Madison Professional Building on nearby Gallatin Road.
- Darryl Barclay, R.R.T., of Glendale, CA., is chief of Respiratory Therapy at M.H.
- Carol Jean Barry is director of Medical Records at M.H.

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## CAMPUS VISITORS

- Among recent campus visitors were:
- Elder and Mrs. N.C. Wilson of Colton, CA., who came with their daughter Ruth and husband Bill Murrill from the General Conference.
  - Margaret Brown from San Diego, CA., who came for Kentucky-Tennessee Campmeeting, and stayed awhile after that in the little house on campus where she had lived so long.
  - Hoytie Freeman (N '58) and her daughter Dedra from Louisville.
  - Two young men who were interested in the history of Madison and in the self-supporting work—Rob Burns of Williams Lake, B.C., Canada; and Bill Dziuba of Mt. View, CA.
- Iika Marmon wrote from her new address in Loma Linda. She and husband James moved there because he needed constant medical care. She asked for our prayers and added, "I still love Madison College!"

# LETTERS

Alice Dignan, Ypsilanti, MI

(Our apologies to Alice Hecox Dignan who was in the Honor Class of 1928 last year, and wrote one of the most enthusiastic letters ever. But somehow it was overlooked and didn't get printed. Here it is.)

I am so sorry I will not be able to come to "Homecoming" this year. Nothing I would like better. Fifty years! I can't believe it. My brother, who lives in Colorado, has been planning a family reunion for a year, and he picked June 17, 18 for the date!

Our oldest child, Helen, is going with us. Our next child, Patrick, will still be in school. He teaches and coaches in "Ypsi" high school. Our youngest child, Jay, also a teacher, has three boys. They live close to us, so we see them frequently. They are a real joy to us. I will be thinking of you and know you will have a wonderful Homecoming.

Dr. Floyd Rittenhouse, Angwin, CA.

I appreciate your keeping my name on your mailing list. Every time I receive the SURVEY, I read it with special interest. By this time, I am sure you know that I have a very big place in my heart for Madison and all that concept implies. I grieve that the board originators, Dr. Sutherland and his associates, were not succeeded by as capable and dedicated leaders . . . We hope that you are fully recovered from your recent illness. All is well with us.

(Dr. Rittenhouse, former president of several Adventist colleges, including Andrews University, is now retired in Angwin, CA. He is a member of the committee to restore "Elmshaven," the historical home of Ellen G. White in St. Helena, CA.)

**BUSINESS MEETING.** At the business meeting Saturday night, Ross Clark stated that he did not feel he could continue as president of the M.C.C.A. for another year. Bob Johnston was elected as president and Marguerite Roberts as vice-president. Katherine Marshall will continue as treasurer. There was discussion regarding obtaining the DeGraw-Sutherland house for alumni headquarters and as a Heritage House. Even though it was pointed out that several thousand dollars would have to be expended to put it in shape, there was much enthusiasm for the idea by those present, and pledges were taken up.

• If you gave \$5 or more at the Homecoming offering and would like a receipt, let us know. Incidentally, \$2 came in an envelope recently, with no clue as to who sent it. It was postmarked "Memphis." We'd like to know, of course.

• Keep your dues and SURVEY donations coming, and *change of address*. We had 34 changes at one time after the March number was sent out. At 25¢ each, this came to \$8.50, and more changes came later.

• We remind you again to ask Madisonites as you see them if they are getting the SURVEY. This may be more important than you think.

• A number of items had to be left out this time. We hope to get them in later.

## Burchard's Golden Wedding

On June 17, 1979 Mr. and Mrs. Wallace H. Burchard celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at their mountain home, located near Dayton, TN.

Children attending were their daughter, Carol (Mrs. J. M. Mayboo), of Honolulu, HI., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burchard of New Orleans, LA., Mr. and Mrs. Sam K. Buchard of Paxton, Neb. Son Bob and family are in Hong Kong.

Mrs. Burchard (Orphia Klaus) graduated from the Madison School of Nursing in 1928, and has been active in the nursing profession for 50 years. She has practiced her profession in Dayton and Chattanooga, TN., Battle Creek, MI., Candler and Asheville, N.C. Mr. Burchard has been engaged in Agriculture all his life.

## The Roosevelt Sisters

Four Roosevelt sisters were in school at M.C.—Helen, Gertrude, Carrol, and Ruth. They were related to "Teddy" Roosevelt. We had not heard from any of them in recent years. After W.W. Oakes visited the Siemsen in Kamiah, Idaho, he wrote us that Mr. Siemsen had had a stroke, and gave us the address. Later we had a letter from Gertrude Siemsen giving news of her family and her sisters.

MRS. WALTER SIEMSEN, KAMIAH, IDA.

Our days at Madison were very demanding but also rewarding. We look back on them as "good days" and the loyal staff of workers as the best on earth. To meet any of them is always a pleasure and we welcome any visits from those who pass this way.

We retired from library work (both of us ended as professional librarians). Walter was head of technical processing in Billings, Mont. Public Library. He processed most of the books for the state of Montana. I was reference librarian at Eastern Montana College and taught librarianship in Billings. We both loved the work, but teaching was our first love. We retired to the mountains of Idaho in 1974 because of failing health. We have a beautiful spot. We enjoyed gardening and working to build up a church here. After Walter's stroke, he has been a semi-invalid.

The Lord has been good to us and is our help. We give praise to Him for His goodness. May the Lord bless you as you carry on this worthwhile project.

(Of the Siemsen children, Helen is a nurse at Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Florida. Quentin is with a tree planting service, spending summers in the North and winters in Southern States. The Siemsen were very influential in helping get a new church building constructed in Kamiah, Ida. See the story in A.S.I. NEWS, May, 1978, p. 19)

## HELEN ROOSEVELT LARSON

(We quote from Gertrude Siemsen's letter who wrote that her sister Helen Larson died in 1975.)

Helen graduated from Madison College in 1940 with a nutrition major. She lived in and near Vancouver, WA., from 1943 until 1975. She died from a stroke after three years of illness in February, 1975. She graduated from the Chiropractic Course in Portland, OR. However, most of her career was teaching. She was always attending sessions of special studies, workshops, etc. She loved school and was an outstanding student. Rosemary Larson Day (Mrs. Roy Day) is her only child and lives at Battle Ground, WA.

From Helen's alumni card we learn that she took advanced work at Portland State College and the University of Oregon. She worked as a dietician in Texas, California, and Washington State, taught school in Montara, CA. and Vancouver, WA.

In addition to Gertrude, the two other Roosevelt surviving sisters are Carrol and Ruth. Carrol and her husband, Edgar Husted, live in San Bruno, CA., where they are both working for United Air Lines. Carrol attended M.C. in 1939-40, and took nursing at Portland Adventist Hospital.

Ruth also attended M.C. in 1939-40 and took nursing at Portland, Ore. She married Harry Fouts, a student at Madison 1947-48, worked in the pharmacy, later was pharmacist at the University of Colorado. He died of cancer in 1960 at Hinsdale, where he was pharmacist. Ruth lives in Vancouver, WA., where she is head nurse in the recovery room at Memorial Hospital.

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News Note or Remarks:



## FRANK JENSEN

(Before his death, Hiram Sauer wrote the SURVEY regarding his friend Frank Jensen '28 as follows.)

I notice you were asking for the address of Frank Jensen. I roomed with him at Hutchinson, MN., years ago. I think from there he came to Madison. I received a newspaper clipping a few weeks ago about Frank. Everybody around Boulder City knew him as "Doc" Jensen. Frank was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1904. He worked as a first-aid attendant at Hoover Dam from 1932 until his retirement from Government service in 1969.

"A ceremony was conducted for the Honorable "Doc" Jensen at the Palm Funeral Home in Henderson, AZ., April 5, 1978. Frank Jensen's body was borne in state with a flag-draped coffin carried by close friends of the family. The Nellis Air Force Guard was present. He was buried in his naval uniform.

"Frank married Lola Sudderth in 1954. The last years were hard years for Lola for a dread stroke caused Doc to fail progressively until he had to be placed in an Elks nursing home in Tucson, AZ., until his passing. They had one daughter, Christyna Denton, of Chattanooga, TN."

## THELMA CAMPBELL BARNETT

Thelma Barnett, 70 died after a long illness, in Bakersfield, CA., on April 30, 1979. Thelma Campbell graduated from the M.C. nursing course in 1933, where she was the tiniest member of the class, weighing only 80 pounds a few years later. After graduation she joined the Sandborns and the Maddoxes in self-supporting work in Illinois. James Barnett went along also, and later they were married. Thelma served as a registered nurse in the hospitals of Kern County, California. She had lived in California for 65 years.

Thelma is survived by her husband James, and 2 grandchildren.

## STEPHEN WILLIS HICKOK

Stephen W. Hickok, 61, died June 16, 1979 in Jackson County Hospital in Gainesboro, Tenn., of a brain tumor.

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Hickok graduated from Anesthesia at M.C. in 1969. He as administrator of Jackson County Hospital from the hospital's beginning in 1950 until he retired in 1974. He was anesthesiologist for the hospital until he was hospitalized in December 1978.

He was an elder of the S.D.A. Church and a past president of the Rotary Club.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel Climer Hickok, and four sons.

## HELEN FENG CHEN

Helen Chen, wife of the late Dr. Philip Chen, died April 16, 1979, at Camarillo, CA., at the age of 77.

The Chens were both at Madison in the 30's, he as a teacher of chemistry at M.C., and she as a student. She graduated from Home Economics in 1936. When they went to A.U.C., she was supervisor of the college library. They retired in Camarillo, CA. in 1970. Surviving are their 6 children. Three of the sons, John, George, and Samuel are M.D.'s. The other sons, Philip, Jr., has his Ph.D. Their two daughters, Helen Chung and Ruth Seet, have Master's degrees.

## Selma Frederick Millar

Selma Millar was born in Webster, S.D., in 1886 and died March 28, 1979 at Porterville, CA. Selma and her husband, the late Alf Millar, took the cafeteria course at M.C. Later they worked in Louisville, KY., Kansas, and finally California, where Alf passed away in 1954. Selma retired at La Sierra at the age of 82. Survivors are her sons Gerald and Ben.

## THOMAS McCOY LOWDER

T.C. Lowder born in 1900, passed away Feb. 20, 1979, in Fletcher, N.C. He married Gladys Wagar (N '32) in 1923. He and his wife were with the Fletcher Institute from its infancy, working there 47 years. He headed the gardening and orchards.

Survivors are wife Gladys, daughter Genella Hunt, and three brothers—Clay, Worth, and Bill. Elder R.H. Pierson was one of the officiating ministers at the funeral.

• PHILIP PATTERSON '48 died of a heart attack on November 28, 1978.

## Gwendolyn Duke Sutherland

Gwendolyn Sutherland, wife of Dr. Joe Sutherland, passed away May 9, 1979 at her home in Goodlettsville, TN. She is survived by her husband Joe; sons Robert W. Sutherland of Goodlettsville, Walter Shaen Sutherland of Lawrenceburg, TN., J. Duke Sutherland and Danny J. Sutherland of Goodlettsville, TN.; daughters Judy Moore of Atlanta, GA., Donna Shell and Angie Sutherland of Goodlettsville, TN.; 9 grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren.

## FRANCES LINDA DITTES

Dr. Frances R. Dittes, first Seventh-day Adventist to earn a Ph.D in nutrition, died in Trevecca Health Center in Nashville, TN, April 7, 1979 at the age of 88. At the time of her retirement she had served 48 years, more than any other staff member at Madison College and Hospital, as teacher and head of the Department of Nutrition.

She was quoted as saying, "I came to Madison in 1910 from Monticello, MN., hoping to teach in one of the mountain schools of the South. Since all my education had been in outside schools, I felt the need of attending a school where I could study Bible. Madison had a certain sound and ring in education that made its appeal to me." She and her sister, Florence, joined the Madison faculty in 1912. She said, "work became our joy and pleasure." She also commented, "Postage stamps, shoes, et cetera had to be prayed for, as did our buildings. Each building became a pillar in strengthening our faith and religious experience."

According to the MADISON SURVEY, Dr. Dittes attended Columbia and Cornell Universities, finally receiving her Ph.D from Peabody College in Nashville, where she had done research on soybeans. Between 1935 and 1955 Dr. Dittes worked full time at Madison College and Hospital, expanding its Nutrition Department. In 1949 and in 1954 she took trips to Europe and the Near East to study nutrition, including post-war conditions. While in Germany, she visited relatives.

Shahpour Ansari from Iran, now a teacher in Gallatin, TN, met Dr. Dittes when he came to the United States. He tells of her taking him in as a son and educating him. Ansari received his Ph.D from Peabody College last May.

Dr. Dittes was listed in *Who's Who Among American Women*. She gave free dietetic service through a Nashville vegetarian restaurant. She also responded to a request from the Citizens Committee of the White House for suggestions on a food conservation program. She received a reply that many of her ideas would be used in radio programs, newspapers, et cetera.

Following funeral services at Madison Funeral Home, Dr. Dittes' body was sent to Monticello, MN for burial. She is survived by several nieces and nephews, among them Dr. Albert Dittes of Portland, TN, and William H. Dittes of Red Wing, MN.

## Betty Van Eman Ramsey

Betty Ramsey died September 22, 1978. Her husband, James Ramsey '46, passed away in 1970. She is a graduate of the nursing class of 1954 and worked at Highland Hospital. She is survived by two children, daughter Kay Chamberlin and son Skip Ramsey.

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