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### Dr. Robert Bowes Battles Lymphoma

Robert R. (Bob) Bowes, who grew up at Madison and finished academy here in 1962, has had to face up to a more-than-a frog in his throat.

A recent breathing difficulty turned out to be a Mantle Cell Lymphoma based in a tonsil and growing down his throat.

He says the treatment does eliminate but not destroy it. A stem cell transplant could be a possible cure, but he has to live with it for now and appreciates the support of all his friends.

"I am thankful to be otherwise healthy," he says, "but I have had a tracheotomy or a hole drilled into my neck so I can breathe below my vocal cords should a tumor flare up. That amounts to an air line to my lungs below my Adam's apple."

Bob has six months of treatment ahead of him, in hospitalization for three-to-five days at a stretch.

"I hope to wipe it out, but the thing is presently incurable," he says. "Serious research on it has been done for the past ten years, and we'll hope some of the new protocols will be more effective."

His treatments will be at Riverside Hospital in Southern California, and he is presently staying near there at the home of his younger sister Liz Dickinson. Send cards and letters to him at 9578 Slope Dr, Cherry Valley, CA, 82223

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### Madison Survey to Become Part of Adventist History

During its active years and beyond, the Madison people have told their story through the *Madison Survey*, which started publication in 1919. A partial index is in

the alumni office at Madison.

Now, preparations are being made to place the *Madison Survey* on the World Wide Web.

The General Conference department of Archives and Statistics has agreed to digitize all the Surveys, so they can be made available for research.

"This means you will be able to put in any word combination and search for them on your own personal computers," says Brian Traxler, director of the E.A. Sutherland Education Foundation (EASEA) and who has arranged for this to be done.

Traxler has a complete set of bound copies of the Survey at the Layman Foundation going through the end of 1963, though it looks like the last two issues of that year may not have been published.

He found all but five bound copies at the Layman Foundation and uncovered two missing Surveys.

The General Conference archives had most of them already on file.

"Doing this does not involve a huge amount of time if we have all the issues," says Bert Haloviak, director of Archives and Statistics at the General Conference.

"We plan to make them all searchable for word and name and put them with all our magazines and periodicals on the web site. We are also working on digitizing all union papers and historical books."

Traxler wants as complete a set as possible before sending them on for digitizing and is missing the following five Surveys from the 1920s.

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Should you have one of these Surveys, contact Brian Traxler at P.O. Box 495, Collegedale, TN 37315 or call him at (423)-396-4545.

To see Adventist magazines and historical documents currently word and name searchable, go to the Internet and look up www.adventistarchives.org.

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#### The Recovery of Lida Scott at Madison

#### By Albert Dittes

When the wealthy and prominent Lida Funk Scott first made contact with the Madison pioneers in 1914, she was recovering from the loss of her daughter. She found in the work of Madison the answer to her deepest spiritual and emotional needs, and ultimately invested her personal fortune as well as personal life in the work of Madison.

Recently discovered letters indicate she was down emotionally and wrote to her husband, Robert Scott, back in New Jersey detailing the recovery process at the Madison Rural Sanitarium. Mr. Scott saved these letters written between 1916 and 1920 in a file with a title page saying, "Does a man ever understand a woman?"

I found these letters in a collection of historical letters left by the late Roger Goodge at Little Creek Nursing Home.

In the first letter, written on May 14, 1916, she describes the Madison Rural Sanitarium as an "interesting place." She called Dr. E. A. Sutherland, "a recognized leading educator in the South...Dr. Claxton, U.S. Commissioner of Education, (under Presidents William Howard Taft, Woodrow Wilson and Warren G, Harding) has been after hin for several years to describe his methods used here at the educational conventions, but he did not see his way clear until this year at Knoxville. Dr. Claxton is encouraging other institutions to model after this."

She mentions a Mrs. McConnelley. "She seems to be a

well known artist in America, but I am not up on these things," she said. "She painted the tapestry for the walls of the sanitarium at Battle Creek, doing her work in a wheelchair and directing the workers in doing the decorations as she wheeled around."

Her brother had offered to take her away if she didn't like Madison, but Mrs McConnelley replied she had found "one of the more charming spots she had ever been and would not think of leaving it."

"You see," Lida Scott went on, "it is a small one story building rambling over a lot of ground, there being plenty of room, with a wide veranda opening onto which are all the rooms and the patients are lying around on cots living out of doors all the time."

She herself stayed at the school.

"Dr. Claxton praises all this work most highly, and has published some government leaflets describing the principles on which they operate, "she wrote: "Both he and his wife are heartily in sympathy with the methods pursued and the results obtained. Everywhere these schools are established, they say, uplifts the whole community. People adopt more sanitary ways of living, education is more appreciated, and property increases, doubles, quadruples in value, and the health and happiness of all is promoted."

In a later letter, she mentioned that Mrs. Claxton had recovered from a nervous breakdown at Madison.

"I should go on a rest cure for two or three weeks at least," she wrote to him on September 14, 1916. "So I am put to bed at the sanitarium and am lying out under the trees all the day long for three days now, and oh, it feels good. I had no idea I was so worn out until I began to relax. I have high blood pressure, as high as is safe, probably due to exhaustion."

She felt good about being at Madison and looked forward to three months of warm weather so she could be out of doors.

"I am getting better, but will need a long rest as I am very easily exhausted," she wrote to him on September 22.

Two weeks later, she reported having a strong body but "a complete breakdown of her nervous system, including congestion of the brain. I have suffered much from exhaustion and every little effort...brings the fire back into my brain. They will not even yet allow me to have much company, and they never talk longer than about five minutes and leave...They want me to have no

responsibility whatever. I am getting along nicely, very nicely, but any little exertion gives me a setback."

She reported improvement by October and decided not to ask for the services of a specialist at the suggestion of her husband. A probable distant relative named Funk"from the same Pennsylvania stock as we are" was also a patient at Madison.

In November, she wrote a few lines "while waiting for Joe Sutherland to come with his pony to take me out for a drive."

"I feel better when I stay in bed a larger part of the day," she wrote. "The least excitement sets my head in a whirl, but I am getting better though I am finding by experience that nothing helps like a great deal of rest."

She first mentioned selling her house in New Jersey for a possible \$30,000. (with \$5,000 then the equivalent to

\$100,000 now, that would be a \$600,000 house). She planned to remain at Madison for awhile longer "as this is the best place to be free from care." Just writing this letter "Brings the blood to my head."

On November 13, 1916, she described Dr. Sutherland as "setting a nervous person a beautiful example. He is always reminding you of something in nature that illustrates his meaning. For example, there was a squirrel in the act of coming down the trunk of a tree, but on seeing us, he stopped perfectly still and watched us for a long while. Dr. S. pointed to him and said, "That nerve."

Lida Scott's name was apparently legion, for she reported many other people there in a similar condition. Not knowing how to help them, Nashville doctors, sent these patients to Madison. First they seem to get worse," she wrote. Then they would start to recuperate and start enjoying life once more. She reported going through "trying menopause period. Where the health of so many women is wrecked for the remainder of their days."

Dr. Sutherland advised her to remain there for another two or three months. "I have not been permitted to attend meetings, nor receive visitors for days at a time. This gives me a chance for complete relaxation."

She described her condition as not being a nervous breakdown but an accumulation of weariness."

By December 10, she started feeling better and enjoyed reading a biography of John Oberlin, who had lived 100 years before in the mountains in Alsace (Eastern

France). She described what he did there as "so similar to this work that the parallel is striking."

She was by then anxious to return home.

The set of letters has nothing for the year of 1917, but other correspondence indicates that Lida Scott had started making large donations that year to the struggling College of Medical Evangelists in Southern California and was forming a close friendship with Dr. Percy T. Magan, dean of the developing Los Angeles campus.

"I cannot tell you how pleased I was today to receive your long and very interesting letter of February 8th, " he wrote to her at Montclair, N.J., on February 15, 1917. "I had become quite worried about you, but am so thankful to know that you are much better and still keeping up your treatments and rest hours. This is splendid."

She was back at the Madison Rural Sanitarium on March 17, 1918. "We are in a little cottage of three rooms with private toilets," she reported to her husband, The doctor finds my blood pressure has gone up to 170 and wants me to remain here and remain as free from responsibility as possible. So I cannot tell when I shall leave. The weather is so charming that as far as that is concerned I could not find better farther south. I had no idea it could be so pleasant in March."

She told him about the largest powder plant in the world under construction about a mile from campus across the Cumberland river in Old Hickory. Explosives made there were to supply the U. S. Army then fighting World War 1 in France.

Proper diet and rest had brought her blood pressure slightly down to 155 by April 18, so she still kept quiet. She described a prominent Baptist minister and the sister-law to Dr. Claxton along with some others like them as "people of note and culture."

The next letter was written early in 1919 and described a fire destroying the cottage next door to hers. It dislocated 15 people, and fellow residents took up collections to aid them. She said little about herself, perhaps indicating that healing was on its way. She mentioned an offer for her house in a May 22, 1919, letter. By July of that year, she was getting ready to move to Madison and sent a list of articles for him to sent to her there.

She moved into her house on campus that summer, and

seemed well by her June 27, 1930 letter. She reported being busy and was writing under the letterhead of Nashville Agricultural Normal Institute and Madison Rural Sanitarium. She assumed her husband had enjoyed a trip to Europe and had made final arrangements to sell her Montclair, N. J. house. She finished that transaction by July 25, 1920, according to a letter written on that date, and she was arranging to dispose of her parents furniture.

Madison had cured her. "I am greatly enjoying my experiences and work down here and would not think of leaving it," she wrote. "Of course I have become a fixture here by this time and every day of my life I am thankful to have a work I can do for humanity at this place. I suppose you will greatly enjoy your work again."

With that this series of letters ends. Lida Scott spent the next 25 years of her life promoting the work of Madison, and died there in 1945. Robert Scott died at the Madison Sanitarium a year later.

#### An Alumni Mission Trip

Jim and Judy Culpepper spent two weeks in El Salvador during February doing painting and renovating work at an Adventist-owned orphanage about 40 miles from the capitol city of San Salvador.

Jim says that 95 children live at the orphanage organized into a group homes with house parents. He and Judy sponsor a teenage girl named Stephanie in the 10th grade of an 11 grade system. Many of the young people there go on to an Adventist college in Costa Rica.

The Culpeppers took their fifth trip to Central America with two other couples from Grand Junction, Colorado, and plan to continue doing so every two years.

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#### FROM HERE AND THERE





Arizona: Charlotte Hunt Alger, N '41, sent these words, "Madison Survey, To whom it may concern. First of all I am sorry to hear of Bob Sutherland's physical problem. Jesus is still the great physician Bob. I have enjoyed the Madison Survey over the years and I spent a lot of hours in the library that has been torn down. I was in the class of '41 and in our senior year Mrs. Scott had a party for us. Now that was 67 years ago. I also worked a year in the Health Cafeteria in Nashville as hot cook in 1937. Mrs. Scott sponsored the cafeteria and Mr. and Mrs Walen were in charge.

I am now 92½ years of age and have renal failure. I am moving again and you may remove my name from the mailing list because after I am gone there will be no one to discontinue the Survey.

Madison was a wonderful blessing to so many poor kids who otherwise would not have received an education of which I was one of them. I felt sad when the school closed. I can still remember the good soyburgers we used to make at Pop Mathews house on Saturday nights. Lots of good memories of Madison."

California: Toshi Hirabayashi, BS '39, sent dues and extra with this note, "We're living in Burlingame, Calif. now with our son Dean and his wife Debby. He's a doctor and Debby is a physical therapist. They take excellent care of us. I'm 93 years old and my good wife is 92. We're both healthy and happy. I have wonderful memories of student life at Madison College. Madison ways have influenced my life. I appreciate Madison's student work program which permitted me to obtain a college education. I also appreciate the many good friends that I met at Madison. Aloha Toshi."

California: Daniel Y. Loh, MD, S '50-'55, sent dues and extra with this terse message, "Enjoyed reading the Madison Survey."

California: Juanita Standish McGann, sent the following message: We always enjoy reading the Madison Survey, we were saddened this time, however, to read of Bob Sutherland's health problem. He and Stella have been such faithful supporters of the office. ... Wm. R. Gosse, My husband of 56 years, expired in 1998. In 2002, I remarried, and my name now is McGann...

In the most recent issue, Oct.-Dec. 2007, I believe there is some incorrect information. In the article by Jim Culpepper, entitled "The Rocks of The Madison College Campus". The pillars with the inscription "Madison College - 1904", were built later and apparently were of limestone. The stone buildings of the campus, however, were built of the more durable, field stones which, also was very prevalent on the

acreage. As I understand it, limestone is flat, softer, more apt to break.

I was born at Madison in 1923, and my father, H. E. Standish, was the builder of all the stone buildings on the campus. Prior to that, he connected the original wooden cottages of the Sanitarium.

**Florida:** Jack Anes. '57 and Lois Northcutt, MR '57, sent dues and extra to help and this note, "Dear Bob and Staff, Thanks to all for the work you do, Bob, we hope and pray your health has improved. Jack and I stay very busy in our retirement (?)! We are members of the Forest Lake Church of over 3,000 members. Three TV programs each week for *Hope TV* also a radio program and we are preparing for Net 2008 with Mark Finley in the fall.

We have a minimum of 5 services each Sabbath and two prayer meetings. Jack conducts one. I'm assistant to the Senior Pastor Derek Morris and the Church Administrator. Praise God for His blessings.

Our work is on a volunteer basis. Jack also runs one of the cameras for the TV program."

<u>Florida</u>: Eloise Y. Jackson, S. '42, sent the following, "Here are the rocks of Madison College campus. Nice article. Dear Stella, Enclosed are pictures I copied from George's album. Do you want pictures of students? I have Evelyn Beeler, Mary Irby Weeks, Jack weeks, Minnie Albarian etc.

The picture of the P. T. Magan house is interesting.

Also have pictures of some faculty and EAS.

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**Tennessee:** Elfa Lillie Edmister, BSN '44, sent this note, "Enclosed are dues and a little more. I so appreciate the *Survey* going. I enjoy it so much.

I wan to send a card to Doyle Martin re. Genevieve's death. She was one of my first roommates at Madison years ago. Would you kindly forward this as I don't have his address. Thank you so much.

I am 87 and live in an apartment in my daughter's home. I'm not to well but God is good."

Maryland: Harry, BS '57 and Joyce Mayden, BS '55, sent dues with this message, "Greetings to the Madison College Alumni Association office!

Enclosed are our dues plus that I'm sure you will put to good use. We are both keeping busy in our retirement.

Harry is currently serving as interim pastor at a small church about thirty—five miles away from us. There have been challenges but things seem to have smoothed out for now. We hope that we can be helpful to that congregation.

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Joyce still plays the organ nearly every week and also plays quite regularly at a church on Sundays. We are still doing some choir work at our home church and enjoy that.

Blessings on you folks who help keep the Madison spirit alive."

Missouri: Gertrude Scheible, BSN '43, sent dues and wrote, "Dear Madison Friends, I am ever so grateful for my Nurses training at Madison Hospital (1940–45).

Almost 99 years (6/8/1909). I thank God for a clear mind and health to care for myself and help at church. May God's blessing of loving care be with you all now and always."

North Carolina: Elsie Gibbons Worthen, MCA '55, sent dues and a note. "I graduated from the Academy in 1955. I took the LPN course in Nebraska in 1974. After working in Renal Dialysis, OB/GYN, Medical and Public Health I retired in 2005.

After living near Chicago, in Nebraska, Indiana and Kansas City, I finally put down permanent roots in North Carolina.

I have four children, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Thanks for the News Letter.

Ohio: Raymond G., BS '61 and Grace Campbell, '59, sent extra and dues and wrote, "To our friends at Madison, We just received our *Madison Survey* yesterday. Thanks for the reminder envelope. I will do this while it is fresh on my mind. So many things happening I don't know if I am going or coming. Sorry we are losing Bob and Stella. I never met Bob while we were at Madison. I met Dr. E. A. two times. He died the summer we enrolled. He was a great man. Continue the work with the *Survey*."

<u>Texas</u>: Maureen Drake Watson, BSN '60, writes, "Hello from Texas, Sorry I've been remiss about my dues, hope this will help. I enjoy the *Survey* so much and pictures of those I went to school with.

I am going to try to go to homecoming in '09. I see usy in our retirement.

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And by the way I am a complete believer in juicing and no chemo and radiation. Bless you in your fight. I had mine and won. God is good.

God Bless the Madison Heritage."

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#### RESTING UNTIL THE RESURRECTION

Clark, Fannie Lois, LVN '47, expired at the age of 93, February 26, 2008 of pneumonia in Calhoun, Georgia. Following graduation from the LVN training she worked at Madison Hospital (TCMC) until1976. At retirement she volunteered at the hospital and the Adventist Community Services. Five and a half years

Fannie Lois Clark

ago she moved to an assisted living facility in Calhoun, Georgia.

Culpepper, M. Elton, Age 90, passed away March 7, 2008 in Huntsville, Ala. He was a member of the Huntsville First Seventh-day Church and a WW II veteran. Preceded in death by his wife, Doris and all his siblings. He is survived by daughter Carole Rutter

and son Ron Culpepper. Moving to Nashville in the

mid 1940s he and Doris were invited by his brother Lester and wife Linda Culpepper to attend an evangelistic meeting held by Stanley Harris. They joined the Fatherland Street



Elton and Lester Culpepper

SDA church. Having problems at work regarding Sabbaths, Elton, joined the Colporteur work. Success led to responsibilities in leadership in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, Florida Conference and Associate in the Southern. His children attended Madison, the family living in the area. He looked forward to getting his copy of the Madison Survey.

Peek, Norman Eugene, 72, a former executive secretary of the Layman Foundation, died at his home in Ooltewah, Tenn, February 25, 2008, after a year long battle with cancer.

He was born November 15, 1935, in Tigertown, Texas, to Eugene and Winnie Peek. His family moved to Little Creek Academy in 1951. His mother served as Food Service Director there for many years. After graduating from Little Creek Academy, he earned a Bachelor's degree from Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tenn., and a doctorate in chemistry from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

He taught chemistry at Southern Missionary College (now Southern Adventist University) from 1963-1970, and then worked in the audio-visual department of the college and served as manager of the Collegedale Airport as well as directed the Layman Foundation.

At his death he was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in Harrison, Tenn. His memorial service was held in the Ooltewah SDA church.

Surviving are his parents of Monterey, Tenn.; his wife Ava Sunderland Peek of Ooltewah, Tenn. a son, Daniel Peek, an engineer for 3ABN, of Benton, Ill; a daughter, Charlene Ponder of Cumming, Ga.; his sister, Mary Peek Kurzynske of Madison, Tenn.; a brother, Leon Peek, of Fairfax, Va.; and two grandchildren.

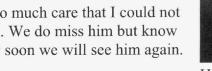
Perkins, Christine, N '58, Age 72, expired December 21, 2007 near Booneville, Ark. Chris and her sister, Joan attended Madison College from 1954 to 1958, graduating from the School of Nursing. She received her BSN from Southern University and her Masters degree from Emory University in Atlanta, GA. She served as Director of the School of Nursing at Southern University several years and later as the Director of the School of Nursing at Kettering, Ohio. She is survived by two sisters, Joan Roach and Patsy Franklin; three brothers, Leslie, Preston and Waymon Perkins.

She was truly a remarkable person and is missed by her large family and a multitude of friends.

Lynd, Homer R., S '39 – '41 He had not been well for several years. He kept having TIA's an each time he lost some ability to walk. He had been wheelchair bound for over a year. On November 10th he had a massive stroke. He never recovered and passed

away on Thanksgiving morning November 23, 2007.

We have been living in Maryland with our daughter and her husband. He needed so much care that I could not give him. We do miss him but know someday soon we will see him again.



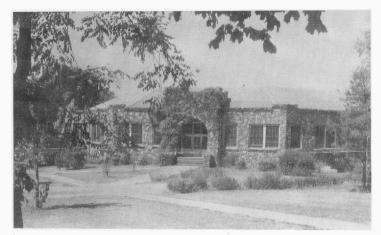




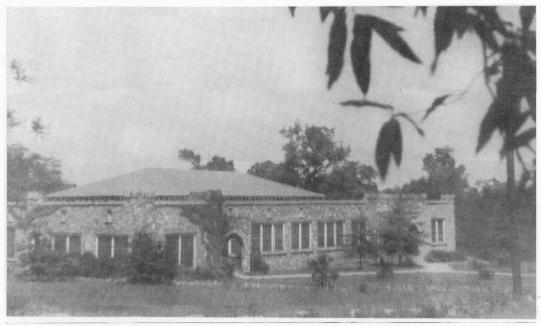
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