We are very anxious to get news from SMC, and especially from the class of 1955. Best wishes to all.

ROBERT DRACHENBERG — '55
Box 2006, Balboa, Canal Zone

JORDAN

Our work is going successfully here, for which we praise the Lord. Arabic language study is not an easy thing, and we have little time to devote to it, but we are trying to at least be conversant. The membership has doubled since we came here four years ago, and the Sabbath schools have multiplied miraculously. At first there were two Sabbath schools, total membership under 100 (no records then), while today we have eight Sabbath schools with (at last count) 423 members. This gives us a good hope of many new members in the future.

MARY LUCY TUNISON DARNELL
ROBERT C. DARNELL — '48

NAIROBI, AFRICA

The challenge is great in East Africa. Karura Mission includes our work (schools and churches) for Embu, Tharaka, Mbere, Kamba, and Kikuyu tribes. There are over a million Kikuyu alone. Mau Mau terrorism, originating among the Kikuyu, presents many obstacles to the work, but God is able to overrule.

BEN D. WHEELER — '49
ANN MORGAN WHEELER — '46

COLOMBIA

"The past eight years we have been connected with our Training School in Medellin, Colombia. I teach English and help in the Normal Department, my husband has the printing industry. This is an interesting country. Many of our students have suffered for their faith but all have proved faithful.

MRS. LETTIE SIBLEY COLLINS — '35
Corredor Aero 877, Medellin
Colombia 8, South America

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

"I spent the Summer quarter at Peabody, and I am also enrolled for the Fall quarter.

I expect to return to the Philippine Union College in the spring, but I hope to have completed the requirements for a M.Ed.S. before that time."

NELIE FERREE — '28
C/O Philippine Union College
Box 1772
Manila, Philippine Islands

INDIA

"I have just returned from South India where the field is actually on fire for God. There are 312 workers in that Union and every one of them will be engaged in conducting an evangelistic effort of some kind or else assisting with one.

"If present plans carry we shall leave India April 9, 1956, for furlough. Thomas, his wife Bette and daughter Lynda (now 3½ yrs.) and little twin Frankie (now 2 yrs.) plan to go on furlough at the same time. We look forward with pleasure to visiting SMC when in the States."

J. F. ASHLOCK — '25
Southern Asia Division
Salisbury Park, Poona 1, India

MEXICO

"We’re beginning our second year down here in Old Mexico. This is a Junior College, one of the best in this Union, and it’s the typical mission school in all its interesting aspects.

We’d be so happy for a visit from any of you. We’re 50 miles south of Monterrey, right on the National Highway. Seems we’re the only English speaking college here from Collegedale (in Mexico), although we do get a few former students and alumni in the fun of tourists from time to time."

LORABEL PEAVY MIDRICK — '41
Apartado 16, Monte Morelos
Nuevo Leon, Mexico

DEAN REBOK SUCCEEDS

DEAN HAMMILL

Elder Dean Rebok, one of the General Secretaries of the General Conference, canceled his appointments to Africa and the 1st East this year to come to SMC on a temporary basis to fill the vacancy in the Dean’s office.

Dean Rebok was President of this college in 1942-43 and so he is not a stranger on campus. His background of forty years in educational work and his wide experience in wool fields has contributed tremendously to the success of this school year. He is dearly beloved by both the students and faculty.

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Collegedale, Tennessee

S. M. C. REMEMBERS HER OWN
It is quite normal to have pride in the members of one's own family. Since alumni belong to the family constituting their alma mater, it is fitting and proper that we communicate with one another. Fellowship is a privilege enjoyed by human beings, and Christian fellowship is the most wonderful of all opportunities to be enjoyed at Southern Missionary College. Since your college days have ended, at least temporarily, you can perpetuate a measure of fellowship only by communication at a distance. Let we take advantage of this opportunity to invite you to keep in touch with your college periodically by dropping us a letter about yourself or friends who once inhabited the halls of Southern Missionary College? It is the plan of the College to publish three alumni periodicals per year which will be sent to all SMC alumni without subscription charge. Elder H. B. Lundquist, now serving Southern Missionary College as director of Development and Public Relations, is to act as executive secretary of the Alumni Association and editor of the Bulletin.

We wish it were possible for each of you to visit the old campus, for we expect to arrange for an annual Homecoming week-end to be

Those in attendance at the meeting of the Colledale Chapter of the Alumni Association were:


Present but not in the picture were: Frances Andrews, Bruce Ringer, Wayne Taylor, Theresa Rickman, and Dr. Walters.
started in the spring of 1957. This will afford those living in adjacent conferences the opportunity of meeting one another amid familiar surroundings. Watch for the announcement of a date very soon. While on campus you will be thrilled to view the new Lynn Wood Hall Chapel that now seats nearly six-hundred. A complete renovation job which has modernized walls, windows, ceiling, and rostrum must be seen to be appreciated. The faculty and student body have assumed responsibility to rearrange the room with appropriate chairs, and we hope you will join enthusiastically in donating to the project. Undoubtedly someone has solicited you—if not, why not send your check to Elder Lundquist now?

The College officers in consultation with the board of trustees is now giving concerted study to an expansion program which will soon be announced. The plans include extensive major additions to be realized over a period of six to seven years in an endeavor to place Southern Missionary College in a more enviable position so far as building facilities are concerned.

We are anxious that you continue to be proud of your college and hope that your support will continue to be strong in spirit and increase in material tangibility.

The SMC faculty continues to be among the strongest assets of your college. The staff of consecrated men and women is splendidly prepared academically. This year an even dozen hold the Ph.D degree or its equivalent, and others are working toward it. All of us who might be classed as "newcomers" enjoy meeting or hearing from you who loved Southern Missionary College before we were acquainted with its beauties and advantages. "Come on down to" or keep in touch with, Colleldale.

CHAPTER ORGANIZATION

Ted Graves, President
Alumni Association

It is the heartfelt conviction of every graduate of either Southern Missionary or Southern Junior College that Jesus is coming soon. Whether you are in the organized work or not, I am sure that conviction has never left you nor ever can. It should be the burden of each alumnus to hasten the day when our Saviour will conclude His work for a dying world.

It is to this end that your SMC Alumni Association has been organized. Knowing that houses and lands and numbers will not supply a shortage of spiritual power, still we recognize that these, too, are nevertheless essential. By while filling our places in the forefront of battle, may we not forget nor neglect the opportunities and reinforcements afforded by our Alma Mater. I think of the Spirit of prophetic statement: "With such an army of workers as the youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, a soon-coming Saviour might be carried to whole world!" Education, p. 271.

We should be willing to boost SMC's mater needs, its student needs, and its prayer needs; giving for needed expansion; by sending students for training; by praying for spiritual binding and growth.

For this reason, we want to urge in a very definite way that every graduate of our College seriously consider membership in an alumni chapter. We feel that chapters organized in every location where alumni numbers warrant it is a must. Our College is willing to send a representative to assist you in organizing chapter in your locality. Do not wait, but in touch with our Alumni Association executive committee, and get things under way where you are. We would like to see the chapters in every major city possible, in conferences, in unions, and in divisions.

In this last hour of earth's history this shot provide another avenue for drawing together in a closer association which will present another line of defense to the attacks of Satan.

Join us in planning and praying that the Alumni Association may be a positive power in finishing the work of carrying the Gospel to the world, each member standing in his place.

NEW PLAN OF FINANCING ASSOCIATION

John Goodbrad

It was voted to accept the generous offer of our alma mater, Southern Missionary College, to finance the publication and distribution of the Alumni News Bulletin. This was a most encouraging gesture on the part of the College, and should result in an endowment fund which will enable the Bulletin to continue indefinitely.

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Haven't You Heard?

ALUMNI CHAPTER NEWS

The annual meeting of the Collegedale Alumni association was held in the cafeteria of Maude Jones Hall on Sunday, May 27. Special guests were the members of the 1956 graduating class. Fifty-one were present at the breakfast meeting, and greetings were heard from members around the world.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER

James Joiner ’53 reports that an alumni chapter in the Washington area was organized recently, and the following officers were elected to serve for one year: President, Ferdi Wuttke ’55; vice-president, Ed Sanburn ’51; secretary-treasurer, Faye Mixon; editor, Mable Mitchell Joiner.

Nearly one hundred former students and teachers were present for a July 4 picnic at Sligo Park in Ashington. After games and “Collegedale” talk, a group gathered around a family-style picnic table, enjoying the meal. Dr. Richard Hammill led out the evening worship. A program planned by Ferdi utkce included music by the King’s Carolers Girls’ quartet. Dick Wuttke, still at SMC, led in the camp singing. Others prominent in executing the program were Ruby Teasley Campbell, Cal Campbell, II Twombly, Roy Battle, David Bauer, James and able Joiner, and Faye Mixon.

Other chapters who have “get-togethers” are encouraged to write to the alumni officers, and tell so are present at the meeting and other items of interest.

RECENT DEGREES GRANTED

Edward C. Banks ’31, head of SMC’s Division of Religion, was granted the degree of Bachelor of Divinity last August by the SDA Theological Seminary.

Edward Vick ’55, Norman Gulley ’55, and Burton Wright ’51, received the Master of Arts degree from the same institution in August.

Frances Andrews ’49, J. D. Bledsoe ’55, Ruth Beck Boynton ’53, Edward Collins ’51, and Merrill Crooker ’53 received the Master of Arts degree from George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tennessee, in August also.

Layton Sutton ’52, Calvin Acuff ’51, Victor Stuyvesant ’52, and William Walker Oliphant ’38 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the College of Medical Evangelists in August, at the same time that Verlie Reiber Carren received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Dewey Urick ’52 has just been granted his Certified Public Accountant license. He is one of the youngest ever to be granted it in the state of Georgia. Dewey and Carolyn Gibson Urick are living in Columbus, Georgia.

Elmyra Conger ’54 received the Master of Arts degree this summer from the University of Chattanooga.

RECENT ORDINATIONS

W. Maurice Abbott, Jr. ’53, William S. Hancock ’51, Robert L. Matthews ’50, Don B. Martin ’52, and David Wagner ’50, were ordained the past summer.

AMONG OUR MISSIONARIES

Among the most isolated of our missionary families is William Tol ’51, who is working at Mount Rosaima, British Guiana, among the Davis Indians. Dr. and Mrs. George Tolhurst ’42 are now in Okinawa, where they will be in charge of our medical missionary work. Mrs. Tolhurst is Ethel Co-hran ’43.

Elder and Mrs. Fred Veltman ’51 are going from the island of Cyprus to the Middle East College, Beirut, Lebanon.

J. Frank Ashlock ’25, and his wife, Marcella Klock Ashlock ’46, are on furlough from India, and are now studying at the Seminary at Washington, D. C. His son, Thomas Morton, and daughter-in-law, Betty Zollinger Ashlock ’50, are also at home on furlough from Assam, and are enrolled in classes at the Seminary.
SINCE LAST WE MET

• **Annual Ingathering**: Suppose we begin with the latest item of interest, the annual Ingathering campaign. It was ably led by the genial pastor of the Collegedale church, H. R. Beckner, and ably seconded by E. A. Crane, and coached by Theodore Oswald of the General Conference and S. S. Will of the Union. Two hundred fifty students and conference workers either went out to visit the neighboring countryside or stayed at home and worked and turned in the proceeds. Anyway, the total was $4,500.00, or an average of eighteen dollars per solicitor. At least 10,000 pieces of literature were handed out. Fifteen thousand was the total distributed last year, so we are just nicely started on this year's goal.

• **1956 Graduates**: There were twenty-seven graduates in May from the degree courses, and eight from the pre-professional and terminal courses. In August, there were another ten graduated from the degree courses and three from the pre-professional and terminal courses, thus making a total of thirty-seven from either the B.A. or the B.S. degree, and eleven from the fourteen grade courses, or a grand total of forty-eight. The officers of this class were: John Thurber, president; Cecil Abernathy, vice-president; Carol McClure, secretary; George Gager, treasurer; Harold Weiss, pastor. The sponsor of the class was A. M. Lauritzen. Since 1946, we have graduated 445 from the 16th grade.

• **Improvements**: Two entire floors of the men's home have been refurbished at a cost of three hundred fifty dollars each room, and the chapel has likewise been redecorated, and enlarged. The new platform and the smooth walls of plastic wall-board and the vertical style Venetian blinds and the recessed lighting and celotex ceiling made an incredible difference in the looks of this familiar hall. At the present a lively campaign is being conducted looking to the reseating with opera-style springback cushioned seats and the purchase of a new grand piano. The improvement in morale as well as in reverence is noticeable.

• **Two New Scholastic Divisions**: A new course of four years in Nursing Education including two years of scholastic and two years of clinical training terminating with a Bachelor of Science degree has been inaugurated this year under the able direction of Mazie Herin, who during the past eight years has directed this training at Union College, College View, Nebraska. Twenty-two young ladies have joined the second year class, and nearly this the freshman class this year. Under the general direction of L. N. Holm, the general manager of the College, this year for the first time we are creating a Division of Business Administration. Assisting Don Holm are Ralph Davidson and Wayne VandeVeer. This work leads not only to a degree but also to the CPA after practical application of the course.

• ** Destruction of the Wood Products Plant**: On July 5 at 10:30 a.m. the plant of our furniture factory went up in flames, incurring a loss of two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, more or less. Over eighty thousand dollars worth of insurance was received to partially cover the loss. At least one new industry will be added to provide work for students, and another one of those already operating will expand.

• **Enrollment for 1956-57 School Year**: To date (October 24) our enrollment stands at 486 as compared with 488 for 1955-56 at the end of the nine week period. These hail from thirty-seven states and ten foreign countries.

• **Additions to Faculty and Staff**: Anderson, Dr. Keith, College physician and head of Collegedale Clinic; Baldwin, Mildred, Elementary teacher; Bushnell, Clyde, Head of Language and Literature Division; Chace, E. Stanley, Principal, Elementary School; Chinn, Clarence, Chemistry; Collins, Bob, Sheriff; Cooper, Joseph B., Physical Education; Coulter, Perry, Buildings and Grounds; Herin, Mazie, Head Nursing School; Hulsey, Harry, Head Industrial Education; Northrop, Richard, Manager Southern Mercantile; Hyde, Gordon, Head Speech Department; Merriman, Mrs. M., Piano and Music Theory; Shankel, George E., Social Science Division; Starkey, Mrs. L., Spanish in the Academy; Thurber, John, Voice; Underhill, R. A., Academic Dean; Upchurch, J. A., Dean of Men's Home.
The one thing that is lacking to make it ultra-modern is the seating. On Wednesday, October 17, the Student Association put on a program in the form of a convention, and at that time the entire faculty and student body was divided up into three divisions, the Deep South, composed of Florida, S. Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi and Alabama; the Border States, composed of Tennessee, Kentucky, and N. Carolina; and the Independents, composed of all other states and countries. These three groups are now working to secure new seating for the chapel and, if funds permit, a new grand piano. This project will cost $14,000. We have high hopes that if the $7,000 pledged by students and teachers is reached that the Union will vote to match dollars, and make these new furnishings a reality by Christmas.

Now this is where we come in: The faculty has already pledged one thousand dollars. The seats are to cost between $18.00 and $20.00 each. In order to show our appreciation for the progress being realized at our Alma Mater, it is suggested that each alumnus and each alumnna subscribe something toward the realization of this noble objective. All single teachers have pledged one seat, and married teachers, two. However, if you feel you cannot take an entire seat, your donation of whatever size will be appreciated. Send it to R. C. Mizelle, our treasurer, and it will be credited to the account of the SMC Alumni Association for this very worthy purpose.

TEAR OFF AND SEND IN TODAY

I am herewith contributing to the Chapel Furnishing Fund of Southern Missionary College the following:

$100.00
$ 50.00
$ 36.00
$ 25.00
$ 10.00
$ 5.00

$18.00 ONE SEAT

TWO SEATS

Please make check to Southern Missionary College. Receipt will be sent by return mail. If not received promptly, please advise.

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MAILING ADDRESS
Edward Collins '51 reports that he is under appointment to the Bekwai Training Institute, Bekwai Gold Coast, West Africa, as director of their teacher training staff. His wife, Virginia Dart, and son, Donald, will also go with him.

LaVerne Fuller '50 and family have returned to Colledgale from a term of service in India. LaVerne has enrolled in the pre-medical curriculum at SMC.

MOVES AMONG OUR TEACHERS
Carol McClure '56 is teaching music at Maplewood Academy.
Russell Hieb '56 is in the music department at Cedar Lake Academy.
Charles Pierce '51 is head of the music department at Mount Vernon Academy.
Dean Kinsey '56 is dean of men at Blue Mountain (Penn.) Academy.

Fred Sanburn '51 is dean of boys at Oak Pa Academy.
Don and Doris Polen '55, with their small daughter, Dianne Susan, have accepted a call to the Wisconsin Academy where he will supervise the Industrial Arts program.
Thyra Sloan '42 is teaching fourth grade at an elementary school at Long Beach, California.

WEDDINGS
Nancy Matthews '55 to Frank McMillian '55.
Margarita Dietel '46 to Houston Merriman
Mary Ann Hoehn '56 to La Don Homer
Charlotte Eller '56 to Dan Tullock
Celeste Sue Lasseter '56 to Horace Beckner
Viole: Stare '55 to Peter Durichek
Jane Liles '56 to Milton King
Ann Liles to Deryl Hoyt.
Come on Down to Colledgedale

By President T. W. Walters

Memories are inestimable treasures. "God gave us our memories so that we might have roses in December." We wish to have you all the rosy memories which you possess of the Southern Missionary College camp back in "the good old days." Today amidst same familiar surroundings which you by eager youth who have taken your place, you would enjoy knowing them.

For a gala occasion in the near future your college desires to invite you to return to its halls and its halls on the week end of May 3rd to enjoy an "SMC Homecoming" celebration. It will provide opportunities to become acquainted with new faces and new developments on the campus of your college.

Construction will begin on a new home economics and cafeteria building before the middle of April. The dining hall in this unit will seat nearly 400 persons and will afford the pleasure of viewing the Colledgedale scenery through beautiful picture windows. A room dedicated to use as a student center will meet a prevailing campus need by providing a social gathering place for youth. The home economics section of the new edifice will satisfy a demand of long standing. Modern food and clothing laboratories, expandable lecture rooms, and applied arts facilities will be functional as well as attractive.

By the time you arrive for "Homecoming" a new campus grade school should be under construction. This development will permit the moving of the academy to the present grade school building and enable the college to become fully of age in filling its place among our senior colleges. The move will prove to be a blessing to Colledgedale Academy by giving more independence and a greater flexibility of program to that branch of education.

Yes, you will want to come back home and see at first hand the present and proposed developments since you last viewed Southern Missionary College. A royal welcome awaits you here at your college. Put a circle around the date, May 3-4, and "Come on down to Colledgedale."

Hackman Science Hall, Southern Missionary College