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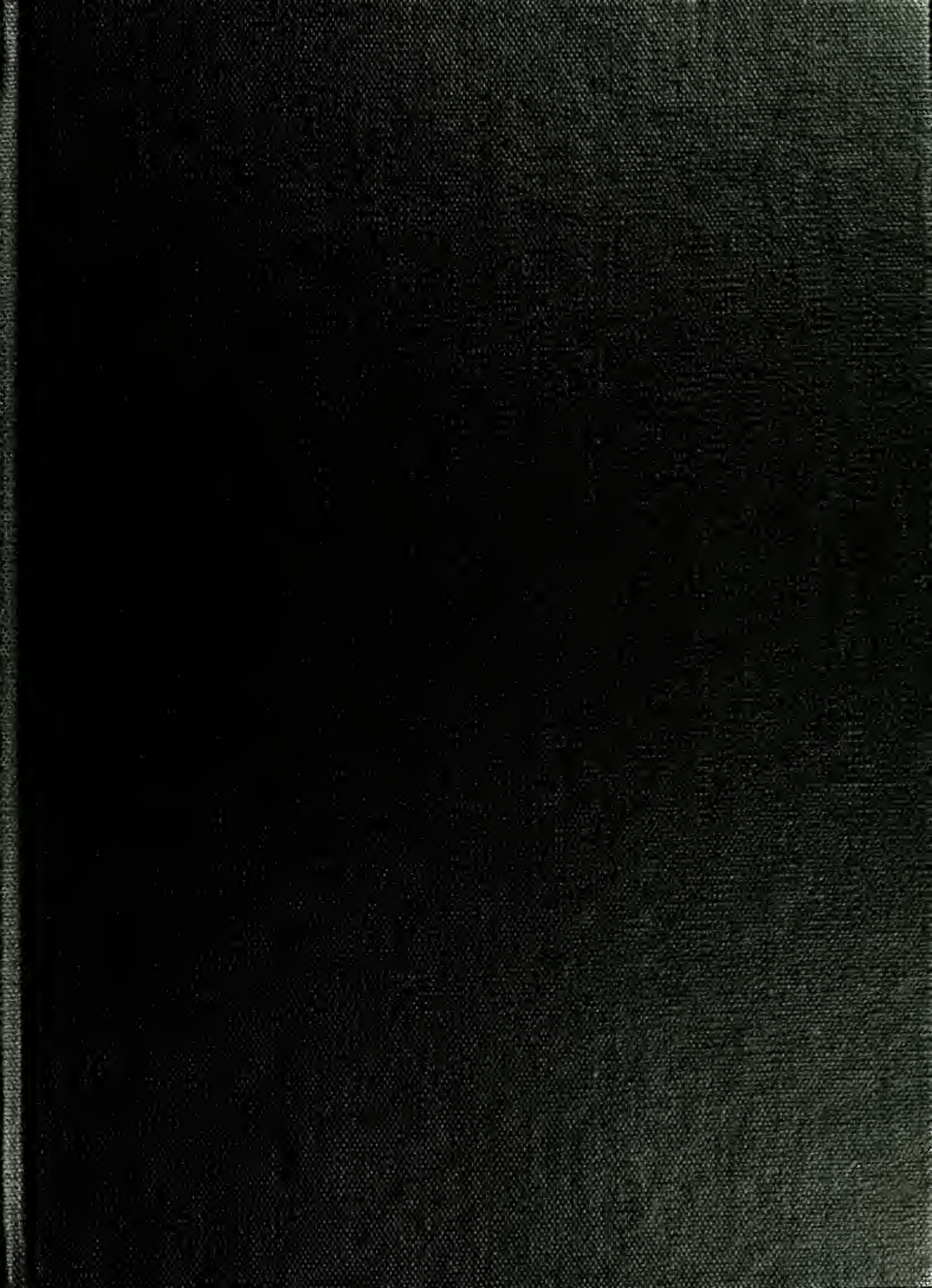
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We are very anxious to get news from SMC, and especially from the class of 1955.

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
Carrera 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."

NELLIE 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 on April 9, 1956, for furlough. Thomas, his wife Be and daughter Lynda (now 3½ yrs.) and little 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 work school here from Collegedale (in Mexico), although we do get a few former students and alumni in the form of tourists from time to time."

LORABEL PEAVEY MIDKIFF — '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 Middle 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 this campus. His background of forty years in educational work and his wide experience in world 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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ALUMNI DUES

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Doctor Walters Speaks

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. May 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 Collegedale Chapter of the Alumni Association were:

Front row reading left to right: Mabel Wood, Mrs. Betty Ludington, Mrs. Richard Northrop, Mrs. Maurice Urick, Mrs. M. E. Beans, Genovevo Gonzalez, M. L. Ritchie, John Thurber, Harry Hulsey, Carol McClure, Gene Ballenger, Ted Graves, John F. Spever, Mrs. Betty Holland Anderson, Ruby Lea, Virginia Leach Thatcher, George Gager, Kenneth Vance, Eld. Alford McClure, Edith Bird McClure.

Second row: Mrs. D. L. West, Dr. Clifford Ludington, Richard Northrop, T. J. Mostert, Mrs. Ann Holland, Mrs. Helen Bratt Sauls, Mrs. Thyra Bowen Sloan, Mrs. Helen Burkett Holland, Mrs. Elmyra Longler, Lynnwood Stockton, Mrs. Keigwin Maxfield, John Howard.

Third row: R. C. Mizelle, D. L. West, Grady Smoot, Wallace Blair, A. D. McKee, D. E. Holland, Lynn Sauls, Ivan Namihias, Mrs. Ruth Jones Sorrell, J. R. Conger, K. B. Maxfield, Paul Ward, Bill Ingram.

Present but not in the picture were: Frances Andrews, Bruce Ringer, Wayne Taylor, Theresa Brickman, 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 reseat 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, Collegedale.

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. Even 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 our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, in a soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!" *Education*, p. 271.

We should be willing to boost SMC's material needs, its student needs, and its prayer needs; by giving for needed expansion; by sending students for training; by praying for spiritual blessing 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 at every location where alumni numbers warrant it is a must. Our College is willing to send a representative to assist you in organizing a chapter in your locality. Do not wait, but get 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 should 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 our 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

OFFICERS OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

President	Ted Graves '54
Vice-President	John Goodbrad '38
Secretary	J. Mabel Wood
Treasurer	Bruce Ringer '53
Publicity Secretary	Frances Andrews '49
Executive Secretary	H. B. Lundquist

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SCHOLASTIC IMPROVEMENT: It will be of interest to the alumni of this institution to know that at this writing, there are twelve teachers of the staff holding doctor's degrees or the equivalent, and two others who by the year's end will have had doctor's degrees conferred on them, thus making a total of fourteen doctors on our teaching staff.

SPECIAL MENTION: In this connection we should mention that John Christensen received his doctor's degree and E. C. Banks his bachelor of divinity degree conferred the past summer. Clyde Bushnell and Everett Watrous expect to have their doctor's degree conferred sometime before the first of January, 1957.

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 for 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; publicity secretary, Mable Mitchell Joiner.

Nearly one hundred former students and teachers were present for a July 4 picnic at Sligo Park in Washington. After games and "Collegedale" talk, the group gathered around a family-style picnic table. Following the meal, Dr. Richard Hammill led out the evening worship. A program planned by Ferdi Wuttke included music by the King's Carolers Girls' Quartet. Dick Wuttke, still at SMC, led in the group singing. Others prominent in executing the program were Ruby Teachey Campbell, Cal Campbell, El Twombly, Roy Battle, David Bauer, James and Mable Joiner, and Faye Mixon.

Other chapters who have "get-togethers" are encouraged to write to the alumni officers, and tell us to be 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 '53, 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 Roraima, 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 degreed courses, and eight from the pre-professional and terminal courses. In August, there were another ten graduated from the degreed 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 refurnished 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 thirty 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 Doctors Holm are Ralph Davidson and Wayne Vandever. 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 3 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. One hundred 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 ninth 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 head
Starkey, Mrs. L., Spanish in the Academy
Thurber, John, Voice
Underhill, R. A., Academic Dean
Upchurch, J. A., Dean of Men's Home

the ALUMNI BULLETIN, at a recent meeting of our executive committee. In this way, everyone who has graduated at anytime from either the fourteenth or the sixteenth grade course is and continues to be an alumnus. No more dues or dues! Surely, that is good news. Also, it was voted to treat the graduates with news from the College three times a year, in November, March, and in August.

Now, of course, this will only be possible if you dip that pen deep into the ink, and tell us about yourself and the work you are doing. Also don't be afraid to tell us of any new degrees you may have acquired, or promotions or even change of responsibility. That will help us make this BULLETIN readable.

The College as mentioned elsewhere has undergone some face lifting lately which those visiting the institution have noted with pleasure. Two entire floors of the Men's Home, or College Hall, have been refurnished with up-to-date furniture, including beds and mattresses, desks, and writing desks.

But the greatest change of all is just in the process of being realized. The entire rear end of the 'Ad' building chapel has been pushed back about thirty feet. A new platform and airway has been built, and the walls have been covered with a plastic wall board, and the ceiling with celotex. New lighting has been installed, and the windows have been refinished, and fitted with the newest style vertical venetian blinds.

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.

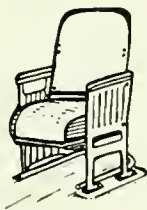
Now this is where we come in: The faculty has already pledged one thousand dollars. The seats are to cost between \$18.00 and \$20.00 each. In order to show our appreciation for the progress being realized at our Alma Mater, it is suggested that each alumnus and each alumna subscribe something toward 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

....., 1956

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

\$18.00 ONE SEAT



- \$100.00
- \$ 50.00
- \$ 36.00
- \$ 25.00
- \$ 10.00
- \$ 5.00
- \$

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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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 Collegedale 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 Park 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 the 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

Violet Starr '55 to Peter Durichek

Jane Liles '56 to Milton King

Ann Liles to Deryl Hoyt.



Come on Down to Collegedale

By PRESIDENT T. W. WALTERS

MEMORIES are inestimable treasures. "God gave us our memories so that we might see roses in December." We wish to have you recall all the rosy memories which you possess of life on the Southern Missionary College campus back in "the good old days." Today amidst the same familiar surroundings which you know so many future memories are now being made 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 3 and 4 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 others the pleasure of viewing the Collegedale Alley 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 Collegedale 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 Collegedale."



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