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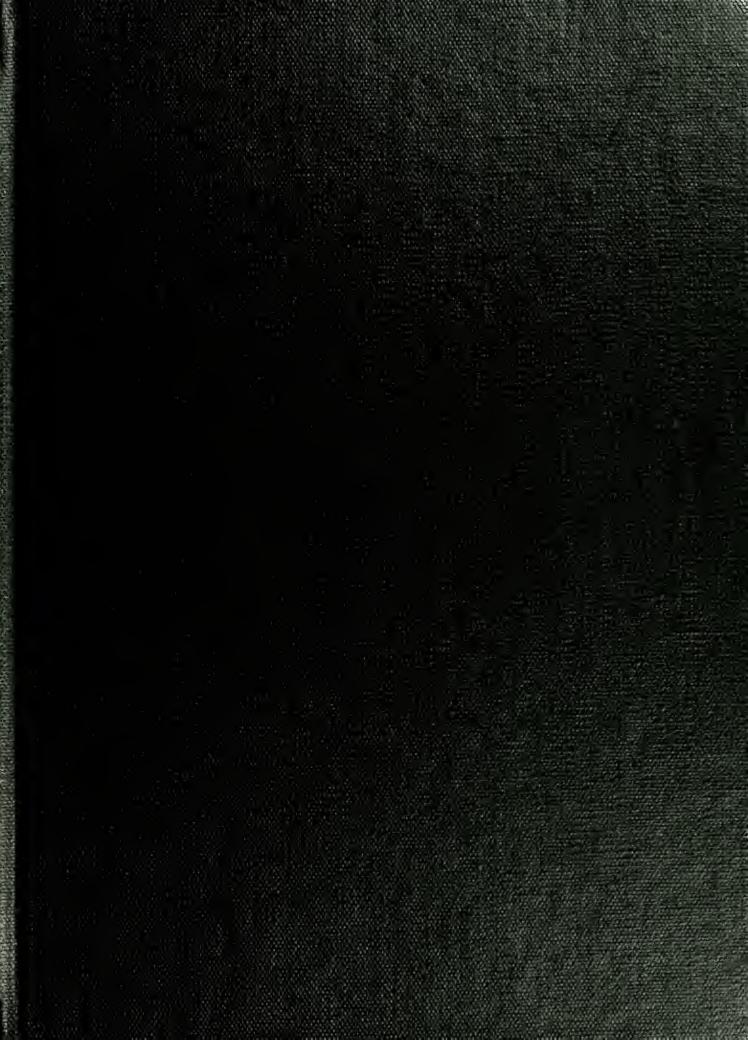
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### Since Last November

At long last SMC's Radio station WSMC-FM received the green light to commence operating from the Federal Communications Commission on December 10, 1959. This station is under the direction of the Student Association and the management of Berry Cobb, a senior, of Atlanta, Georgia.

\* John Bottsford, '57. graduate student now enrolled in pre-medicine, will be the Southern Union and Southern Missionary College delegate to the White House Conference on Children and Youth from March 27-April 2. This is an affair which is held every ten years, and this year will mark its golden anniversary. Invitations to the White House are issued by the President.

\* As will be seen from the picture included in this issue, the new women's residence hall is reaching heavenward. The steel strike and other inconveniences have delayed its completion at the time hoped for, but when completed, it will be second to none in the denomination.

\* One of the most delightful numbers of this year's lyceum program was a narrated motion picture on Pitcairn Island. Parkin Christian, elder of our SDA church on the Island, was the hero of this stirring story in picture. Captain Irving Johnson, noted South Pacific traveler, a frequent visitor and friend of the historic islanders, per-manently endeared himself to the Collegedale community with this presentation. Come again, Captain.

\* Those who return to Collegedate will henceforth miss the genial smile and booming voice of its long-time and beloved pastor, Horace Beckner, who after almost thirteen years of service is being transferred to conference headquarters, where he will be the director of Institutional Development, with the immediate task of fostering the establishment of the new conference academy near Calhoun, Georgia.

Our heartiest welcome to Roy B. Thur-mon, formerly pastor of the Houston, Texas, central church, as the pastor of the 1,400 membership that comprises our Collegedale church. Our best wishes.

\* On Friday evening, January 25, the fol-lowing sophomores in the nursing curricu-

lum were capped in a most beautiful ceremony directed hy the popular head of the Nursing Division, Mazie Herin, '37; Edward Bergholt, Troy Daniel, Dorothy Berg-holt, Florer ze Fox, Rosemary Hayes, June Hart, Shirley Kurtz, Richard Pendleton, Barbara Schmidt, Margie Temples, Betty Thomas, Myrna Woolsey, Further, Barbara Foster, will join the class later on the Orlando campus.

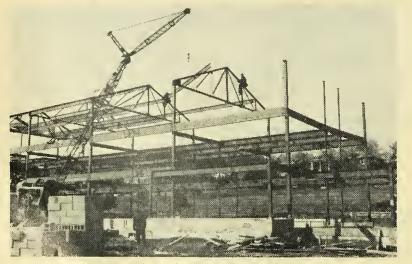
Another outstanding number on the current lyceum program was the concert given by the nationally famous Concordia choir of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota, arriving in a snowstorm, taken in stride, on the evening of February 13. under the capable direction of Paul Christiansen.

\* The following senior students were elected to the honor of Who's Who in American Colleges, for the present year: Richard Larsen, David Hamilton, and Berry Cobb. Our best wishes to each of you, future alumni.

\* William Straight, now dean of the boys' annex, and also a recent proud father, is president of this year's senior class; and Cliff Davis, another married student, president of this year's junior class.

\* Dr. Wilbert M. Schneider has accepted a call to become academic dean of SMC, relieving Dr. G. E. Shankel who, after four years on our campus, two as head of the Division of Social Sciences, and two as academic dean, is retiring. Dr. Schneider comes to us after long experience in business and education. Among other positions lately held, he was head of the business administration department as well as academic dean at Emmanuel Missionary College. Dr. Schneider will assume his responsibilities about July 1.

\* Nine students have been admitted to CME, three—Dick Larsen, Joya Lynn-Schoen, and Percy Dunagin, to the medical curriculum; and six-Charles Arnett, Carleton Higgins, Roger King, Thomas Morton. David Roberts, and Donald Silver, to the dental curriculum. Our best wishes go with them



New women's residence hall under construction.

\* Mary Dietel night was a highlight on campus recently. The faculty put on this program as a benefit in honor of our pro-fessor emeritus, Mary Dietel. The money was for the purpose of buying an electrically-operated wheel chair for Mrs. Dietel who, we hope, only temporarily, will be obliged to use it to meet her appointments. It was held on Saturday night, February 6, in the tabernacle-auditorium.

\* George Gott, who has been putting in a term of service in the Near Eastern Division, at our Beirut College, will be entering the Division of Business Administration as instructor in September, 1960. Welcome home, George.

\* Wayne VandeVere, assistant professor o<sup>c</sup> business administration, has been given leave for a year. Mr. VandeVere will be working on his doctorate in business durthe coming year.

\* Gordon Hyde is expected back on campus next September to assume his duties as associate professor of speech. Mr. Hyde is working on his doctoral dissertation and finishing his requirements on his degree at the same time.

#### **DON'T READ THIS!**

That is, unless you really want to keep in touch with Alma Mater, and have your friends do likewise. We strive to please, although sometimes you may be tempted seriously to doubt how well we succeed. We can scribble news notes, and even get them printed and mailed out, but unless they are received and read, they, frankly, fall into a vacuum.

What are we trying to say? We want down-to-the-minute addresses of all alumni. We want news items like the interesting ones published in this issue. We want everyone to tell us when he is transferred, moved, or his work changed. We want anything that is news. We can't conjure it up here in the editorial sanctum. News is made out where you are. So don't be afraid to trust us with it. The ALUMNI BUL-LETIN will print anything that tells what SMC's sons and daughters are doing.

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SMC Alumni Bulletin

VOLUME X

Collegedale, Tennessee, August, 1960

## "To Whom Much Is Given"

Dean W. M. Schneider

There is an old saying, "From him to whom much is given, much is expected." Through the years that have passed since the establishment of Southern Missionary College, much has been given to scores of Christian young people who now constitute its alumni. To you have been entrusted the keys of this institution in the sense that what you have received here you must pass on to others. If you fail in this assignment as a body, this institution will soon be compelled to close its doors,

It was on this campus that you secured the necessary tools to make a living. Of greater importance, however, were the value-judgments received through your association with Christian teachers and as a part of your liberal educational program. These constitute the tools by which a life is lived beyond a career.

These tools have made it possible for you to find maturity and moral values enabling you to work harmoniously in a group without sacrificing independent judgment or compromising standards of integrity. They have provided the strongest defense of our Christian and cultural heritage against the onslaughts of mass mediocrity.

It was on the campus of Southern Missionary College that you were encouraged to seek a vigorous life of spirit, intellect and body amon $\sigma$  the passive pleasures and comforts of our age. It is here that you have become masters of the material powers rather than slaves to materialism.

Because that on this campus disciplines are unified by Christian teachers within the perspective of the Creator's universe, a greater depth of meaning was given to the Biblical revelation of God, of man, and of the world. With the apostle Paul we could individually declare, "I am a debtor" for the benefits that have come to those who have attended Southern Missionary College,

Yours is a tremendous heritage and a great exciting challenge. An institution of higher education may expect nominal financial support from its alumni, but it is of much more



Dean W. M. Schneider

concern to the institution whether its alumni are passing on to others the values received while in college. The profession or career is to be used as an avenue through which may flow to others the value-judgment benefits received here, and not merely as an end in itself.

Southern Missionary College is depending on its alumni to live out the expectation of the saying, "From him to whom much is given, much is expected." In so doing you will reward your college with the richest and most profitable gift of all. As a result, the alumni will experience a growing attachment to their alma mater and a closer fraternal feeling toward each other.

Your college will again play host to its alumni at the time of the annual homecoming this fall. You are cordially invited to attend this important event. Come and join friends now making up the large alumni group of this college. You, too, will experience a fraternal spirit unexcelled by members of any other group. Welcome!

*Editorial Note*: Our new academic dean comes to us in replacement of Dr. George Shankel who has responded to a call to teach history at Andrews University. Dr. Schneider served previously in this capacity at Emmanucl Missionary College. He comes to us from Arlington, California, where he has served Loma Linda Food Company as treasurer for the past few years.

#### Homecoming, Oct. 14, 15

The executive committee is preparing the best program that it is possible to arrange for this important occasion. The first meeting of this week end will be devoted to those who have gone out to serve God in the lands overseas since last we met, and the one selected to do them honor is none other than Doctor Lynn H. Wood, former president. This seems to be SMC foreign mission year. If you know of anyone who has gone out, advise us, so that our roster may be complete.

Also, provided it may be made possible. Pastor Robert Pierson, president of the Southern African Division, will give us a message on Sabbath morning.

In the afternoon, a concert of sacred music has been arranged.

The college administration is entertaining the visiting and resident alumni at a dessert supper at sundown. After a short business session, a program featuring the history of alma mater will be given in the auditorium.

Special honor will this year be accorded those graduating in the classes of 1935 and 1950. If you belonged to one of these classes, do not fail to come; for this is something that only happens to you once in a while!

INFORMATION NEEDED! Change of address and change of work or field of labor of all alumni. Notify H. B. Lundquist, Box 1124.

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Harry Hulsey '53 has responded to a call to act as principal of the Lakeland Junior Academy, Lakeland, Florida. During the past six years Mr. Hulsey was connected with the industrial arts division of the college, the last four as chairman of the division. He and his family will be greatly missed.

Paul '58 and Anna Jean Allen and daughter visited the campus the first week of July, Mr. Allen is at CME taking medicine and will be residing in Los Angeles from September on.

Harold and Martha Messinger 57 and two sons also visited the campus in July Mr. Messinger is a medical student at CME.

Bob and Jule Ausherman Romans '59 and baby son were also among visitors to the campus in July. Mr. Romans has charge of band and choral work in the SDA elementary and secondary schools of the Los Angeles area.

Among teachers, graduates, and former students of SMC are to be found the following taking work at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville this summer: J. M. Ackerman, Mrs. Otto Christensen, Stanley Chace, Don Crook '53, Stewart Crook, Glenn Goodner, Mrs. Paul Hear, Glen McColpin '57, Jack McKee, Eugene Smith, and H. H. Kuhlman.

Wayne Thurber '48 has just finished a master's degree in education.

John Thurber '56 was a recent visitor on campus with his family. They are moving to California, where John will be connected with Glendale Union Academy.

Roy Battle '53 who until the present has been connected with the Shenandoah Valley Academy, New Market, Virginia, has accepted a call to connect with Southwestern Junior College as dean of men.

Miss Ruth Johanson is responsible for the following information about her father: "He is at present serving as president of the Northwest Indian Union. He has served about sixteen years in the mission fields of Burma and India. Father and mother accepted their first call to Burma in 1938, and during the war went to India. Then we returned to the United States in 1946 for furlough. After graduating from Southern Missionary College in 1949, they returned to Poona, India, for six years. He then put in five years as dean of men at Walla Walla College. Last September he returned to India, where he now is. Her father's name is Alf J. Johanson '49. His address: 27 Barakhamba Rd., New Delhi, India.

Ava Sunderland '57, who has been teaching at Valley Grande Academy for the past three years, writes: "I am returning to Tennessee to marry Norman Peek in August. We will be living in Knoxville." Norman has been working toward his M.S. during the past year on a teaching fellowship at University of Tennessee.

John Garner '50, Dorothy and three hildren, after several years' connection with Orlando church school as principal. moving to Garden Grove, California. bere John will be Bible and history b r at the Orangewood Academy.

Robert T. Hoover, M.D., '47, recently set up practice in gynecology and obstetrics in Orlando, Florida.

Burton Wright '51 is now the Bible teacher and assistant dean of boys at Forest Lake Academy. The Wrights have three children, Judy, Jimmie, and Jeanne.

Manuel Carballal '49, recently serving as treasurer of the Puerto Rico Conference, is now general manager of our Antillian College, Santa Clara, Cuba.

Recent visitors on campus were Margaret Jo Urick-Bledsoe '50 and J. D. '53 of our San Pasqual Academy, Escondido, California. They delighted all with their music during our church services.

Donald Crook '53, president of the Alumni Association, reports the following students and graduates of SMC present at the recent Youth's Congress at Atlantic City, New Jersey:

Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. '53 Beason, C. L. '53 Beardsley, Dorothy Sheddan-Bauer, David H. '56 Bohannon, Jack '57 Brice, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown, Mr. and Mrs. "Bill" '53 Brackett, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. '49, '51 Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Collins, E. M. '51 Crook, Don '53 Damron, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. '53, '57 Gardner, Mrs. Joe Garner, Jr., Mr and Mrs. Louie F. Gulley, Norman '55 Holdridge, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry '59 Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Huenergardt, Howard, M.D., '53 Hughes, Dr. and Mrs. Ross E. Ingram, Bill 56 Jacobs, Mr and Mrs. Carl L. Jacobs, Plastor and Mrs. Jaroile '51 Keith, Mrs. Grace Keith, Nellah Smith-Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Larsen, Richard '60 Liles, Aubrey and Barbara '52 Malcolm, DeVona Lippard-Mensing, Kenneth 50 Moore, Phyllis 60 Morgan, Elder and Mrs. John N. '49 Morton, C. R. '50 Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Harris '50 Pettengill, Bill, D.D.S., '53 Picer, Mr and Mrs. John F. '55 Read, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mack '54 Read, Peter '55 Reese, Jr., H. L. '37 Reynolds, Betty Riffel, Andres '52 Russell, Elsie Reeder-Russell, Mrs. James S. Sager, Jack '50 Sanburn, Fred '51 Sheddan, Jack '41 Stewart, Ervin B. '48 Timmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred, Jr. Welch, Wally and Jo Anne '52 Woodall, Don 50

Woolever, Jewell Johnson- '45 Wright, Jr., Kenneth A. Wright, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A.

#### Vital Statistics

Among the happy events which have served to relieve the tedium of "dog days" have been the following marriages:

Amy Katherine Bushnell '60 to Edward M. McCants, Mr. and Mrs. McCants will live at Walla Walla, Washington, where the groom will pursue his studies in architecture.

Betty Thomas to Percy E. Dunagin, Jr., 60. Mr. and Mrs. Dunagin will make their residence at Gainesville, Florida, where he will work on his M.S. in biochemistry, and Mrs. Dunagin will continue her nurses training.

Ramona May McCurdy '60 to Edward O. McCoun '59. Mr. and Mrs. McCoun have joined the staff at Fletcher Academy in North Carolina.

Mary Petersen to D. James Scott '55. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will make their residence at Collegedale, where Mr. Scott is employed at the laundry.

Annie Hope '50 to James Huggins. Mrs. Huggins will continue working on her bachelor's degree at SMC, and Mr. Huggins will be working nearby.

Also the glad news of the birth of the following first son has come in: Harold Lyndon Merriman, bora June 27, at Lancaster, Massachusetts, to Houston and Margarita Dietel-Merriman '46.

Lillian R. McDonell to Donald E. Wilkinson, both '59, married May 3, in Miami Temple Church, now living at 40 Cottage Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida.

#### What Corporations Want to Know

In a recent issue of PR Tabulator, our G. C. Public Relations newsletter, comes the following:

"Recently Milton Murray, director of development at CME, met with the contributions committee of the DuPont Corporation. During the interview Murray was asked some rather thought-provoking questions. Some of them are as follows:

1. How does your college balance its budget from year to year? What is the income? What do the expenses total?

2. Are you on a long-term plan for raising funds? Or are you on a short capital gifts program?

3. How much time do your graduates spend overseas preaching your gospel?

4. What percentage of your student body is non-Seventh-day Adventist?

5. Do you receive or accept federal grants? (When Murray indicated that the present policy as laid down by the trustees forbids accepting money from the Federal Government for capital purposes, one of the men exclaimed vigorously, "Good!")

6. Is your institution receiving outside fund-raising counsel? (A negative reply was well received.)

7. Who are the trustees, and what are their fields of interest?

8. What other sources are you contacting to raise money?

9. W bat are your alumni doing for the college? (Murray was amazed to discover that these men considered the number of alumni participating far more important than the amount of money they gave.)

10. To what extent do southern California corporations give support? 11. What kind of research is being

undertaken?

### What the Chapters Are Doing

The enthusiastic Central Florida chapter met February 14 at the Kress Memorial youth room for a valentine party. The following officers for the ensuing term were elected:

President: Burton Wright '51 Treasurer: Relious Walden '55 Secretary: Helen Hoover-Burtnett '52 A program followed the business session. A vocal duet by Bill Ingram '56 and Mrs. Bob Ingram reminded those present of college days. Six couples related some amusing experiences during courting days, and Ruby Shreve 47 favored us with a reading. Those present included: Frank '57 and Helen Hoover-Burtnett '52 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Donesky '52 Mr. and Mrs. John Garner '50 Dr. and Mrs. Rohert T. Hoover '47

Bill Ingram '56 Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ingram '58 Mr. and Mrs. Irad Levering '37 Marie Cramer-Litchfield '49 Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Prather '50 Thomas Stone '52 Ruby Shreve '47 Mrs. Beverly and Relious Walden '53 Mr. and Mrs. Burton Wright '51 Juanita and Tem Suarez Glenn and Joan Wade-Kernel Mary Ann Thomas George and June Cates-Webh Mrs. Grace Keith

\* The vivacious southern California chapter of the association held an alumni dinner at 6:30 p.m. on the evening of April 3 at the White Memorial Hospital cafeteria at Los Angeles. The occasion was enjoyed by all present.

The focal point of the dinner was tribute to Professor D. C. Ludington volved by Dr. James Ray McKinney '55. He spoke of the untiring services of the Ludingtons at SMC over a period of more than twenty years. A corsage of orchids was presented to Mrs. Ludington - a fitting tribute to one who for so many years supplied the young men with flowers at reception time for their feminine companions. This part of the program was fittingly climaxed by a violin solo by Dr. Louis Ludington '40.

Dr. Wilbert M. Schneider, academic deanelect of SMC, discoursed briefly on the privilege of working with young people. and the importance of the church-related college as a means of developing correct concepts and values.

Among the musical numbers of this

A vocal solo by James W. McClintock 56, "My Girl's an Irish Girl."

A trumpet solo by Bob Romans '59-now married to Jule Ausherman. A vocal solo by Barbara Rhodes, accom-

panied by her husband, James Rhodes '59, entitled "Ma Curly-headed Baby."

Among other features were the following: A reading entitled "Rest Cure" by Mrs. Olive Braley, wife of Brad Braley, of the

Voice of Prophecy music staff. An account hy Walter Clark 27, dean of students at CME, illustrated by Kodachrome slides, of a journey through the Southland, with emphasis on SMC and its new improvements.

This happy occasion was closed by a spontaneous chorus joined in by all— "Collegedale Forever." Members Present. Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Bob '57 Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Koy '53 Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Walter '27 Culp, Mr. and Mrs. John '57 Culver, Clara Bell Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Davis, Mr. and Mr. Lee Dunder, David Dunder, Shirley Farley, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Fuller, Norma Fuller, LaVerne '50 Heacock, Loretta <sup>2</sup>24 Heacock, Mrs. Bernice Herbert, Glen F. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. '43 Hust, Mr. and Mrs. William A. '53 Henriksen, Dr. David '51 Ludington, Prof. and Mrs. D. C. Law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Lynn, Duane McClintock, Mr. and Arlene '40 McClintock, Mr. and Mrs. James '56 McKinney, James Ray '55 McMillan, Paul J. '51 McMillan, Paul J. '51 Mitchell, Joyce and Gerry Mouchon, Mr. and Mrs. Paul T Nelson, Charlotte and George '53 Orr, Mr. and Mrs. Jack N. Rhodes, Barbara and James '59 Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Dean M. Romans, Mr. and Mrs. Robert '59 Slate, Myrtle Slate, Frances Sloan, Richard and Thyra '53 & '42 Smith, Louise W'ynn- '44 Steen, Dr. and Mrs. T W Ward, Walter '56 Wilcox, Georgia Wood, Dr. and Mrs. Lynn Wynn, Mr. and Mrs. Wilton L Weir, Carolyn Haines- and Olavi '55 \* The Western Carolina chapter held its spring meeting in the library of Mount

Pisgah Academy on the evening of May 10. New officers were elected:

Dr. Carl Mundy: President

Elder L. A. Wynn '53: Vice-President Mrs. J. E. Rogers: Secretary-Treasurer Inez Beck-Nestell '39: Public Relations Secretary

President C. N. Rees of SMC gave some information concerning the building expansion program, and especially the new wo-men's home. He also told of the new recreational area which will accommodate the entire student body at once.

Elder H. B. Lundquist brought us down to date concerning the student loan fund.

After the business session and banquet, the members retired to the auditorium, where Don Crook, president of the Alumni Association, accompanied by Lowell Smith of the SMC music staff, gave several much appreciated vocal numbers.

Memhers present were: Richard Arthur 58, Arthui Byrd, Don Crook '53, Stewart Crook, Lottie Dickerson '30, Azalee Hedrick, Mr and Mrs. James Lynn '57, Ruby Lynn Phalen '53, Mr, and Mrs. James Rogers '59 Dr. Louis C. Waller '39, Minnie Sue Bruce Waller '38.

\* A meeting of the Highland chapter was held at Highland Academy on the evening of May 14. The following officers were clected for the ensuing year:

President: John T. Durichek '58

Vice-President: Jerry Medanich 54 Secretary & Public Relations: Rose .5.1 Schroeder Chesnut '58 Treasurer: Helen Case Durichek '58

President Rees of SMC was the guest speaker of the occasion, and showed us the architectural plan of the new women's home being constructed at Collegedale, as well as the over-all plan for the greater Southern Missionary College campus.

Members present were: Helen Case Durichek '58, John Durichek '58, Ruben A. Lopez '52, A. D. McKee '30, A. B. Wade, Dorothy Wilson Lundquist. 58, Ruben

\* The active Central Florida chapter of the association, always opportunity-improvfing in spirit, made a general call at the Florida camp meeting, and, in addition to members of the local chapter gathered in alumni from Tallahassee, Jacksonville, St. Petersburg, Bradenton, and even Texas It was held in the academy building, and there were thirty-three adults, besides children, present.

The meeting began by the group singing "Collegedale Forever," followed by praver by Kenneth Mensing '50, pastor of the Tallahassee district.

The meeting was presided over by the president of the chapter. Burton L Wright '51.

There were brief discourses by SMC representative, Elder Kenneth Davis, and former president Kenneth A. Wright.

Music for the happy occasion was supplied by Lane Schmidt 60, a clarinet solo, accompanied by his mother at the piano, Mrs. Dorothy Kirstein Schmidt.

\* A group which very well may soon be organized as the Northern California chapter of the association assembled at the home of ex-Bible teacher of SMC, Dr. Paul bound of ex-Bible teacher of SMC, Dr. Paul E. Quimby, at Angwin, California, on July 11, to honor the homecoming of alumna and foreign missionary Nellie Ferree '28, just returned from the Far Fastern Division Miss Ferrer has spent Eastern Division. Miss Ferree has spent many years as head of teacher training at the Philippine Union College at Manila.

The group gathered for a typical SDA pot-luck dinner, after which Miss Ferree reported on the work in the Philippines. following which, Pastor E. F. Buck, hus-band of Elsie Landon-Buck '41. brought us down to date on our activities in India. where they spent a tour of service. Music was provided by Elder Buck and Professor McMurphy. The meeting was brought to a close by Eric Lundquist '36, a former cashier of Soothern Missionary College.

Those present were:

Boyd, Mrs. C. B. Buck, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edwin F. [41 Boyd, Maurine Shaw- [27]

Duge, Dr. John F. '31

Ferree, Nellie '28

Jessen, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald '55

Landon, Mr. and Mrs. Archie B.

Lundquist. Eric

Lundquist, Margaret Lorene Lundquist, Edwin

Martin, Cecile

McMurphy, Mr. and Mrs. E. J.

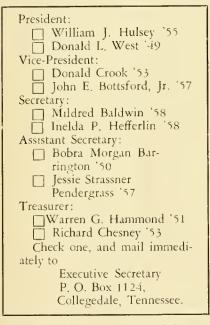
Martin, Eva Wilson '30

Odom, John L

Quimby, Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Sandin, Mr. and Mrs. Don Scyor, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Walker, Louis J. Watts, Myrtle J. Wildes, Ethel Sheldt '29

#### Slate of Officers For 1960-61

According to the constitutional requirements, the following nominating committee was appointed and are submitting a slate of officers for the ensuing year, commencing at the time of the annual homecoming: Chalmer Chastain '44, Mildred Baldwin '58, Richard Chesney 53, Warren G. Hammond '51, and Ann Davidson Pettey '59.



#### **News About Alma Mater**

New personnel:

Del Case, music Drouault, Mrs. Eileen, academy librarian Francis, Robert, religion

Patterson, Nellie Jo, art & physical

education Schneider, Wilbert M., academic dean Smith, Harriet, division of nursing Swinyar, Dr. T. C., physician Tapper, Mrs. Ruth, academy English Tapper, Wm. E. P., engineer Turlington, Drew, industrial arts

Thurmon, Roy B., pastor Watt, A. L., mathematics

Westphal, Olive, Spanish Williams, Larry, academy dean of boys

#### **Recent Missionary** Appointees

During the past twelve months, fourteen that dates of SMC have gone out to do that bit in lands overseas. A complete bort will be in hand, we trust, by Homeling in October. Be sure to come to get

the full report and witness the ceremony honoring these faithful alumni.

Among those leaving, we have the following departure notes which are of interest to all:

Chester and Mary Jean Damron, after Chester's graduation in 1957, spent a year obtaining a master's degree in theology at Washington, and since then has been doing district work at Lenoir City, Tennessee. He writes as follows:

I was ordained to the gospel ministry at camp meeting in June, 1960. My work in Bangkok, Thailand, will be first to pastor the Thai-English church there. I shall also be training young Thais to do evangelistic work. After we obtain a knowledge of the language, we will conduct evangelistic campaigns throughout Thailand. Mary Jean will be doing part-time medical secretarial work for the doctors in the hospital.

"SMC holds a warm place in our hearts. The 'missionary' spirit fills our hearts as we leave the homeland. The spirit of a school is built into the very boards of the floor and the students' desks, as well as in their hearts. This same spirit sends us forth to do God's work in Thailand.

"Pray for us as we sail and, with John, we say: 'Come quickly, Lord Jesus.'" From Dr. Louis G. Ludington '40, and

his wife, also a physician, who spent four years at home achieving a better preparation to serve the people of his adopted country, Thailand. He writes as follows:

We are happy to be back in Bangkok and associate again with the host of friends we have among the workers, students, and patients. Our responsibilities are considerably larger than during our first tour of duty, however. This institution has grown to around two hundred beds, with a nursing school of over two hundred and with a staff of workers numbering three hundred and forty. God is really blessing us, and we are happy in the work.

Since being graduated in 1940, Doctor Ludington has acquired the following titles: M.D., D.N.B., Certified American Board of Surgery. Both he and his wife have occupied residencies in California in attaining these added degrees. His present position is that of medical director of the Thai medical institutions. He was gracious enough to attribute to his college training developing within him the desire for high ideals and standards and a love for truth.

Paul M. Watson '50 and Ruth Risseter Watson '49 under the date of June 19, wrote:

I am completing my internship June 30, and in August plan to go to our sanitarium and hospital in Bangkok, Thailand, where I shall work as a physician in general practice for a term of five years. We have two children, Linda and Jimmy." John F. Harris '55 and Patricia Thames-

Harris '53, in July wrote from Los Angeles, California, as follows:

'We spent the past year at the seminary at Washington — a year we count as a high point in our lives. Pat took a class in prophetic guidance, and accompanied me on the tour of historical significance to the Advent movement in 1959, directed by D. A. Delafield. I majored in Bible and systematic theology with Dr. Edward Heppenstall. My minor was applied theology. I was graduated June 2 with an M.A

"While at the seminary we received a call to Thailand to serve as pastor-evangelist on the island of Bhuket, off the coast, 500 miles to the southwest of Bangkok. There are few members there, no church building, but a small clinic headed by an



American doctor. We hope and pray that we shall have a nice church there before long. The people are largely Buddhists, and we count it a great privilege and challenge to take the message we love so much to those who know nothing of

Christ. "I believe my decision to go to the mission field was a gradual one, to which various institutions contributed. Many have referred to our answering this call as a sacrifice. Perhaps, to some extent, it is, and yet, in some ways, I feel that we don't know what sacrifice is. If our going can hasten our Lord's coming, any hardship we may have to face will soon be forgotten. Pray for us as we go, and we shall do the same for you as you 'stay by the stuff.'"

#### Ordinations to the Ministry

The following graduates of SMC were ordained to the gospel ministry on the occasion of the camp meetings in the various conferences:

J. R. Stanley, Jr., '42, Homestead, Florida R. A. McCumber '54, Key West, Florida Joel O. Tompkins '55, Biloxi, Mississippi Chester H. Damron '57, Lenoir City, Tennessee

Elden R. Wilson '54, Waycross, Georgia Ray C Russell '52, Brunswick, Georgia

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# An Outstanding Occasion

From the opening meeting of the 1960 Alumni Homecoming on Friday evening, October 14, until the final scene of the pageant, "Through the Years with SMC," everyone present seemed to enjoy himself thoroughly. Over one hundred from points outside the Collegedale area were present, from as far east as South Lancaster, Massachusetts; as far north as Bangor, Michigan; as far west as Vincennes, Indiana; and as far south as Maitland, Flordia.

The very first meeting was powerpacked with a vibrant appeal to rise to the call of the hour. The speaker, Kenneth E. Mensing, class of 1950, presented the alumni present in the tabernacle a challenge. This meeting was made more memorable with the presentation by the treasurer, Donald L. West, '49, of twenty sons and daughters of alma mater who had either already gone overseas since last October or will go before year's end. They include alumni from as far back as the class of 1921, Rose Meister, who is responding to a call to serve as a teacher of the children of the missionaries of our center at Bangkok, Thailand, to Leslie Pendleton, class of 1959, who, with Shirley, his wife, will leave immediately for Nairobi, Kenya, Mission, South Africa. The names of the twelve already serving overseas of this group were inscribed in the Book of Missions before a large audience. Among others taking part in this program were J. Don Crook, '53, Drew Turlington, 51, Anne Davidson Pettey, '59, and Rachel Atkins, '57.

The Sabbath dawned bright and clear. Soon the alumni again gathered at the Tabernacle for the study of the touching Sabbath school lesson on Christ, the Redeemer. Present to make us happier was that prince of vocalists, Wayne Thurber, '48. The mission story by George Gott, recently returned from a six-year period of service in Lebanon, Middle Eastern Division, will not soon be forgotten. Ted Graves, '54, led the singing; Clifford Bee, '29, presented us to God in prayer. The Sabbath school was conducted by alumnus William J. Hulsey, '55.

The eleven o'clock hour was the high point of the week end. The platform manager for this occasion was the executive secretary, H. B. Lundquist, who after this homecoming is responding to a call to serve as pastor of the Ashland, Kentucky, church. The order of the service was carried out by the beloved pastor of our Collegedale church, Roy B. Thurmon. The speaker for the occasion, none other than our ex-student, Pastor Robert H. Pierson, president of the Southern African Division, was introduced by the president of the college, Doctor C. N. Rees. The invocation was given by John Bottsford, Jr., the offertory prayer by Dr. Chalmer Chastain, '44, and the benediction by Lewis A. Wynn, '53. J. Mabel Wood, the faithful secretary of the Association, presided at the organ.

Pastor Pierson spoke from the text found in Romans 9:28. In forceful language, he pointed out that for these last moments of probationary time, our task is to hasten the return of the Lord Jesus. He told of having bade good-bye to a group of our believers on the Arajuna River in British Guiana while all sang "There will be joy when the work is done," in three different languages, and then of visiting with some of our great pioneers in Takoma Park. The same hope buoyed them in their declining days-the finishing of God's work in this generation. He said the greatest need of all is to have the work finished in one's own heart.

He told us of the tremendous strides the work was making in South Africa, where we now have 170,000 baptized members, and some 300,000 Sabbath school members. He also told of the unvarying fidelity of our believers in the Congo even when our white workers had to flee before the fury of exploding nationalism.

In the afternoon, a program of sacred music under the auspices of the Music Department was given, featuring among others alumni Leland Tetz, '60, Anne Davidson Pettey, '59, Don L. West, '49, and J. Don Crook, '53. As a fitting finale of this very beautiful program, Elder Pierson continued to thrill all present with his stories of the mission advance in the Critical Continent, Africa. Our day of opportunity is not over but, if we are to reap the maximum fruit, we must hasten, Elder Pierson told us.

Just after sundown, the alumni gathered in the spacious cafeteria where they were served a light supper by the college. A new project was enthusiastically voted by the Association, the campaign for 1960-61 to be entitled, "The One Hundred Club." Among the various objects suggested, one will be chosen soon, and announced by the executive committee. One thousand sixty-seven (\$1,067) dollars was pledged by twenty-three alumni present, an average of fortysix (\$46) each. A report of the operation of the Student Loan Fund will be found in another column.

The election of officers for the ensuing fiscal year was held, and resulted in the election of the following for 1960-61: President—William J. Hulsey, 55; Vice-President—J. Don Crook, '53; Secretary—Inelda Phillips Hefferlin, '58; Assistant Secretary—Bobra Morgan Barrington, '50; Treasurer— Warren G. Hammond, '51.

The closing feature of the program, as mentioned at the beginning, was a gripping pageant on the early history of the alma mater, featuring such pioneers as G. W. Colcord, the first principal; S. E. Wight, president of the Southern Union; and W. H. Branson, president of the Southeastern Union; Maude Jones, George Fuller, John Cole, Jake Conger, Ruby Lea, and C. E. Ledford. Surely all great enterprises have small and very humble beginnings. After this pageant, it is certain that no one present will ever have any doubt that only God could have guided our alma mater to her present state considering the way this institution began its career.

J. Don Crook, the likable retiring president, sent everybody away with the heartiest wishes for health and happiness until we shall meet again next October. May God grant it!

