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Homecoming Largest Ever

By Norma Young Carlson

"This is the most tremendous thing we've ever been to" ... "I wouldn't have missed it for the world" ... "fabulous—just fabulous" ... "Have you ever seen such an array of talent in all your life?"

Sounds like the talk after a hit Broadway musical? Not really—just typical reactions of the 900-plus alumni who descended on the SMC campus for the largest, the most colorful, and the most nostalgic Alumni Homecoming Weekend in SMC's history. (Oct. 16 and 17).

One woman said, "What I liked about it so much was that I saw so many people I hadn't seen in 15 years." Olive Braley exclaimed, "I don't know when I’ve had so much fun!" Someone else said, "We ought to do this every year." About the most common expression was, "Isn't this a most fabulous weekend!" Alumnus Samuel Longley, a Florida dentist, said, "The Homecoming Weekend was for me the most joyous renewal of old friendships and fellowship together that many of us will experience as mortal men."

The Collegedale Chapter of the SMC Alumni Association, host for the occasion, was expecting a bigger crowd than in past years, but the realization was greater than the expectation as between 750-1,000 alumni showed up. A crowd of approximately 5,000 attended the two Sabbath church services—the largest number ever at SMC on one day!

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Library Opens, Named McKee

At special convocation ceremonies, Sept. 19, SMC officially named and opened its new library. Congressman William E. Brock, III, was the guest speaker for the occasion.

At a separate plaque ceremony following, the new $700,000 building was named McKee Library in honor of the family that operates McKee Baking Company in Collegedale. The family was a major contributor to the building.

Following a response by O. D. McKee, the SMC Senior Class of 1970 presented $1300 worth of books in memory of three members of SMC's family who died this year—Dr. Everett Watrous, former professor of history; and Linda Lee Reile and Terri Jean McAlexander, SMC nursing students killed last March in an automobile accident near Collegedale.

To complete the ceremonies, Mrs. Gertrude Battle, a retired Bible instructor presented a large family Bible to the new library. She had personally indexed it according to Bible topics.

A Tribute To Miss Wood

By Charles Fleming, Jr.

Earlier this evening special recognition was given to the graduates of 1960 and 1945. Tonight we have one more class to which we wish to pay special tribute. Fifty years ago in a newly-constructed barn, not many feet west of where we are now sitting, was held the first college graduation at Collegedale. There were two graduates that day to be honored. One, Elder Clarence Field, passed away in Mesa, Arizona, three weeks ago today. The other 50 percent of that class is here.

It is my privilege tonight to pay honor to the one who has done the most to make this weekend possible—the SMC Alumni Secretary, Miss Mabel Wood. Her selfless service has been an inspiration to me. Remuneration is of little concern to her. She is sup-

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Melvin G. Hickman recently visited here from Los Angeles where he teaches a full load in the high school nearest White Memorial Hospital, and a half load in composition at East Los Angeles College. He is acquainted with students who set $100,000,000 in fires in East Los Angeles schools this year. Melvin and Elaine have three children all of whom attend Orangewood Academy. They are Jeanette, 18, Freddy, 10 and Stanley age 8.

1949
Manuel M. Carballal, head of the Accounting Department of the General Conference Insurance Service, has recently been named treasurer of the same. His new responsibilities will include personnel management in his new capacity as Director of Administrative Services. He is also involved in civic activities in Montgomery County, in the area of fair housing.

1950
Phaize J. Salhany is back in the States after nine years in Africa. He is pastor of the Forest Lake Academy church and also teaches Youth Guidance in the Academy. His wife is the former Dorothy Jean Graves, '49. Their oldest son is a freshman at SMC this year.

Paul M. and Ruth Riser Watson, '49, have been missionaries in Thailand for nearly ten years and also spent a short while in Vietnam. Paul conducts a daily clinic of 125 to 200 patients in Phuket. They operate a hospital, which though only five years old, has so many patients that they are now finishing a new wing to it. They have a completely government recognized church school that has been in operation for two years. Their lovely new church was completed in July. The Watsons have three children, Linda 12, Jim 11, and Cindy 4. Ruth has helped publish a children's song book in Thai, as well as children's Sabbath School helps, and a Sabbath School paper. Besides this she teaches two older children with the help of Home Study Institute. Phuket, where they live, is an island about 600 miles south of Bangkok and about 600 miles north of Singapore.

1953
C. L. Beason is the new conference evangelist for the Pennsylvania Conference. He has served for 18 years as pastor-evangelist in Arkansas-Louisiana, Alabama-Mississippi, Florida, Iowa, and Chesapeake Conferences. The Beasons have one daughter, Debbie, who is a senior at Highland View Academy.

Lilah Lawson Lilley, assistant professor of education at SMC, was honored in a surprise ceremony for her 39 years as a dedicated teacher. The tribute came at the College's annual Teacher Education Recruitment session in which the educational men from the Southern Union met at SMC with the future teachers. The ceremony was a type of "This Is Your Life" program.

1955
Lynda Mudford Brown, after graduating from SMC, returned to England and taught in the campus church school at Newbold College. Two years later she went with her parents and brother to New Zealand where she has lived ever since. She and her husband, Malcolm, have two daughters, Ann Magee 8, and Cherie 4 years old. Lynda teaches part time in the church school in Whangarei, while Malcolm studies accounting and works in an accountant's office.

1958
Bob L. Collins has recently joined the Technical Service Office staff of the General Conference Insurance Service. Bob will conduct property appraisals, write articles on loss prevention, review blueprints, and other responsibilities of Technical Representative. Bob has a Master's Degree in Industrial Education from the University of Ohio in 1965. He previously was assistant principal and also teacher in the Industrial Education Department at Mt. Vernon Academy.

David H. Hess is vice president of the Iree Corporation in Baton Rouge, La. The Hess' have three sons: Terry 12, Timmy 10, and Todd 6.

1960
Donald E. Crane has just returned to mission service as secretary of the Stewardship and Church Development Departments in Guatemala, C.A. They spent their furlough at Andrews University.

1961
Will J. Henson after six years as pastor of the Cascade Road church in Atlanta, Ga., is now teaching Bible in the Cascade Road Junior Academy. Gertrude, '58, is part time office nurse for an Adventist doctor. The Hensons have two boys: Jon 10, and David 8; and a foster daughter, Gayle Cranshaw who is a freshman nursing student at SMC.

1962
Steve and Alice Fowler Willsey, '62, are back in the States for a nine months furlough. Presently they are in Leesburg, Ga., but will be returning to Guyana in February when Steve will be president of the Guyana Mission.

1963
Margaret Burkhalter Riley lives in National City, Calif., where she and her husband, Andrew, are both employed at Paradise Valley Hospital. The Rileys have a son, Mark Andrew, who is now 13 months old.

1964
Robert Duane McEndree is assistant publishing secretary in Southern Indiana and lives in Bloomington.

1966
Shirley Brenson Crowson received an M.A. degree from East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Aug. 21.

Marlene Weigle Davis is living in Colorado Springs, Colo., where her husband is stationed at Ft. Carson to do his stint with the army. Victor, her husband, graduated in June from Baltimore College of Dental Surgery.

1967
Paul E. Anderson received his D.O. from Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery and is interning in Tucker, Ga., a suburb of Atlanta. The Andersons are living in Wildwood, Ga.

B. Russell Holt is currently pastor of the Frankfort, Indiana, District. He received a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Andrews University in 1969. Russell's wife, the former Judi Stafford, '68, is nursing in the county hospital.

1968
William Wayne Tucker and his father, Elder L. E. Tucker, have joined together in a father-son team for a new television series called, "Search," on Channel 12, Chattanooga. Appearing with Pastor Tucker and son, Bill, will be their wives, Alma and Jackie. Bill's
wife is the former Jackie Hiser, '69, a
graduate nurse. Bill is assistant pastor
of the Chattanooga church.

1969

Glenn L. Cavanaugh is associate
pastor and youth pastor of the Miami
Springs church. Rose is secretary in
the chaplain's office at Hialeah Hos-
pital.

Richard I. Cavanaugh is associate
pastor of the Tampa First church in
Tampa, Fla. The Cavanaughs have one
child, Richard John, 14 months old.

Claudia Mountain Payne, '69, was
recently selected from among 1000
competing nurses in Southern Cali-
forinia to reign as Miss Red Rose Nurse
of 1970. She is the daughter-in-law of
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Payne, staff
members at SMC. Claudia begins her
reign with an all-expense paid vacation
for two in Hawaii. Among other
honors, she will be the queen on a
nursing float at the 1971 Pasadena
Tournament of Roses. She is currently
a post-coronary care nurse at White
Memorial Medical Center in Los An-
geles. Her husband, Larry, is also em-
ployed at White Memorial as a coro-
nary care unit manager.

Miscellaneous Years

The following alumni received ad-
vanced degrees from Andrews Univer-
sity in August: Robert Leroy Kriigel,
'60, M.A. in Education, now teaching
in the Pontiac, Mich., Public School
System; Luane Sue Logan, '65, M.A.
in Music, music teacher at San Pasqual
Academy, Escondido, Calif.; John
William Peeke, '68, Master of Divinity,
associate pastor of the Orlando San-
tarium church, Orlando, Fla.; and
Floyd H. Powell, '68, Master of Divin-
ity, also a pastor in the Florida Confer-
ence.

BIRTHS

Lisa Lynette, born July 20, to David
Arthur, '68, and Linda Bicknell Steen,
'68, in Denver, Colo. David has been
stationed at Fitchsimmons General Hos-
pital in Denver since finishing lab
school and a special blood banking
course last April.

Tanya Renee, born Aug. 15, to Larry
Gene, '70, and Sonja Royalty Johnson,
'70, in Chattanooga.

Bertha, born Sept. 6, to Victor and
Margarita Rose Medina, '66, in Mad-
rid, Spain. Margarita is working part
time in the conference office in Madrid
and her husband is a salesman for 3M
Co.

Leslie Lee, born Sept. 10, to Norman
L. and Patricia McCollum Elliott, '66,
in Chattanooga. This makes two
dughters for the Elliots as Leslie joins
Lou Ann who was two years old in
April. Norman, an optometrist, has
his own office in Chattanooga.

Emily Sue, born Sept. 15, to G.
Thomas, '67, and Pat Fowler Evans,
'67, in Port Republic, Va. Tom is
treasurer and business teacher at Shen-
andoah Valley Academy.

Andre, born Sept. 30, to Smuts, '64,
and Arlene Moore van Rooyen, '65,
Collegedale, Tenn.

Susan Marie (Susi) born to Ken-
nett, '59, and Ann Cunningham Burke,
'60, in Tallahassee, Fla. Ann is kept
busy with her three children and is not
working on a doctorate as we reported.
The mistake was due to what is known
as a "reader gap."

Troy Allen, born March 26, to
Thomas Ray, '67, and Ina Dunn Mc-
Farland, '66. Tommy is out of the
army and enjoying his work as guid-
ance counselor at Mt. Pisgah Academy,
Candler, N.C.

WEDDINGS

Sharon Ann DeRosia, '68, and Bern-
ard Noel Quinn, Aug. 23, in River-
side, Calif. Sharon is completing her
master's degree in nutrition at Loma
Linda University.

Jo Anna Mohr, '70, and Mark Rus-
sell Codington, '70, Nov. 8, in Ander-
son, Ind. Mark is going into the army
Nov. 17.

DEATHS

Clarence Stewart Field was born
Nov. 21, 1899, in Mt. Vernon, Ohio,
and passed away Sept. 26, 1970, in
Mesa, Ariz. The last 14 years before
his retirement he taught history and
social science at Andrews University.
Before joining the faculty at Andrews
he taught in secondary schools in Mich-
igan, Wisconsin and New York.

Clarence and his wife, Veva, moved
to Arizona in 1964 and at the time of
his death he was an elder in the East
MESS church.

He was one of the two members of
the class of 1920, which was the first
junior college class to be graduated af-
after SMC was moved from Graysville
to Collegedale. His father was Elder
F. W. Field who taught Bible at SMC
in the early days. Survivors include
his wife, Veva A. Field.

HOMECOMING

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The highlight of the weekend was
the Saturday night program entitled
"SMC Through The Years," with emcee
Charles Fleming, Jr. Halfway through
the evening it was very surprised and
reluctant alumna—Miss Mabel
Wood was called . . . and called to the
platform. As she told me later, "I
thought I had escaped it. I thought
the fact that I was a 50-year alumna
had been completely overlooked—
and I wanted to keep it that way. After
nothing was said at the buffet dinner
earlier that evening, I said to myself,
'Oh, goody! They've forgotten it.
Now I can settle back and relax the
rest of the evening. My shoes were
off and I was quite comfortable."

But Emcee Fleming was determined.
And so with a little urging, Miss Wood
carried on her appearance. She was met
with a dozen long-stemmed roses and
a set of "poppin trail" ceramic china—
gifts of appreciation from the Alumni
Association.

As her colleagues on the weekend's
planning committee can testify, a dou-
ble share and a half of the innumerable
work and details were borne by Miss
Wood (The complete text of Fleming's
tribute is in the boxed insert). She
was a member of the first graduating
class at Southern Junior College in
1920. She taught at SMC from 1949
until 1967, when she "retired." How-
ever, this "retired" professor still puts
in 40 hours a week—plus—as Alumni
Secretary. And she doesn't get over-
time pay either.

In a letter of appreciation for the
homecoming, Alumnus Longley said,
"Your herculean task in the production
of the weekend will long be a cherished
memory of many, many wonderful
years as a son of the little Collegedale
Valley."

"SMC Through the Years" began at
8:30 p.m. and lasted until 11:30—not
that it was planned to last that long,
but the audience kept clapping for en-
cores, until finally Emcee Fleming had
to plead with them to restrain them-
selves, or "We'll never get through!"

The program was a nostalgic chrono-
logical memory trip of some of the
most musically-talented folk at SMC in
past years. "Way Back" had those from
the late 40's and early 50's; "Way Back"
had the 60's; "Here and
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Now" featured three samples of the current talent; and "What's Coming" gave a glimpse of future college talent.


The main speakers for the event were Elder Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference, and Elder E. C. Banks, professor of religion at Andrews University.

At the Vespers program Friday night, Elder J. F. Ashlock, '25, read the names of the 38 alumni who went into mission service in 1969-70.

The Voice of Prophecy Quartet was on hand with members Bob Edwards, Jack Veazey, Jim McClintock and Jerry Patton. And, of course, Brad and Olive Brealey came.

The original SMC Adelphian Quartet returned to sing after a 20-year absence. Members are John and Wayne Thurber, Don Crook, and Jack Veazey. Rejoining them in a couple of numbers was Mrs. Marilyn Dillow Cotton, long remembered at SMC for her beauty and her lovely soprano voice. She and the other two members of her ladies' trio—Mary Ellen Carden Byrd and Frances Bumby Smith—re-lived old memories with several specials.

The Southern Crusaders Quartet with James McHan, Jack Just, '48, Eugene Wilson and Morris Wilson sang at the afternoon "Program of Sacred Music," as well as on Saturday night.

Others who participated with special music were Charles Pierce, Mrs. Judy Fowler LeBaron, Lynda Whitman Cockrell, J. D. Bledsoe, Larry Black.

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well, Jimmy Rhodes, Carol Herrell, and Charles Lindsay. Dr. Clifford Ludington, Dr. Brooke Summerour, Orlo Gilbert and Don West composed a string musical ensemble.

At the alumni buffet supper and business meeting, the officers elected for the following year were announced. The SMC Alumni Association officers are Don West, '49, president; Warren Hammond, '51, president-elect; Bobra Morgan Crosby, '50, secretary; Marva Shugars Young, '68, assistant secretary; Glenn A. Fuller, '62, treasurer; Charlotte McKee Taylor, '67, publicity secretary.

Collegedale Chapter officers are Glenn A. Fuller, '62, president; James Hannum, '65, president-elect; Gladys Lawless, '66, secretary-treasurer; Doris Crandall, '65, publicity secretary.

SMC's well-known string quartet performed several times. The members are Orlo Gilbert (substituting for Louis Ludington, M.D., '40) Don West, '49, Clifford Ludington, M.D., '41, and Brooke Summerour, M.D.

Evan Chesney, son of Richard Chesney, '53, sang on the Saturday night program, giving a little glimpse of what to expect in the future.


Brad and Olive Braley from the Voice of Prophecy had a "big" part in the weekend activities.

During the mission appeal at Sabbath School, J. C. Hannum, '65, (left) interviewed J. A. Soule, '48, Mrs. Soule and son, John (SMC freshman).

Jack Just, '48, and Judy Fowler LeBaron, '63, singing, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say," at the Sabbath afternoon program of sacred music.

Two of the quartets that sang during the programs for the Alumni Homecoming: Bob Edwards, Jack Just, '48, James McHan, M.D., Jerry Patton, Eugene Wilson, Jack Veahey, Morris Wilson and Jim McClintock, '56.

The class of 1945, the silver anniversary class (twenty-five years ago): Alan Floyd Bush, D.D.S., Margaret Wrenn Rinehart, M.D., and Verne C. Dortch, D.D.S.

Jimmy Rhodes, '59, demonstrated his versatility at the piano, organ, trombone, tuba, etc., at the Saturday night program, "Through the Years."

Members of the Class of 1960, the Honor Class of 10 years ago, who were present for Homecoming are: (from l. to r.) Roger Simon King, D.D.S., Ramona McCurdy McGoun, Grant Doyle Gunter, Carolyn Virginia Luce, James C. McElroy, Jr., Esther Virginia Tyler, Phyllis Finney Bame, Pearlie M. Lamb, Winford N. Tate, Norma Grubb Watkins, Elwood M. Foote, Phyllis Moore Dickerhoff, William G. Straight, Joan McIntyre Young.
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posedly retired on sustentation, but she is busily engaged each day in her chosen work as Alumni Secretary.

When I think of Mabel, I think of one who paints a beautiful picture and when finished, purposefully neglects to place her name in the lower right hand corner.

But most of all, I think of a statement written by Elder H. E. Douglas in a recent Review and Herald editorial. He stated, "The task of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to present a quality of life before the world that Jesus can one day call a reasonable reproduction of His own. For this, all heaven waits."

Mabel Wood, we want you to come up now and be honored, for you have shown us that quality of life. You are an inspiration to those of us who work with you, and tonight it is our greatest joy to honor you.

ALUMNI HOME COMING TAPES NOW AVAILABLE

Interest ran so high in the Alumni Homecoming weekend programs that scores of Alumni requested tapes of the weekend activities. The Production Services of WSMC-FM anticipated the demand and prepared tapes of all the meetings, according to Curtis Carlson, director.

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SMC Board Plans Progress

At SMC’s Board of Trustees semi-annual session recently, Dr. Knittel, SMC’s academic dean, announced plans for consolidating the two-year and four-year nursing programs by 1971.

Under the united system, students would all begin in the same program, but some could terminate their study at the two-year or associate degree level, while others could continue on for the four-year or baccalaureate degree.

Dr. Futer, dean of admissions and records gave the final enrollment at the Board session. As of Sept. 21, three weeks after school started, the total was 1534. This is 25 above last year.

General manager Charles Fleming, Jr., reported a successful operating year. The College is in a very sound position financially. It has paid all bills promptly (and discounted those eligible for discounts) for the past 15 years. Although the educational program—with subsidies—fails to break even, the subsidiary corporations show sufficient profit annually to result in a net surplus.

The Board voted priorities for its continuing expansion plan. First on the list is a warehouse. Construction is to begin immediately on the new home economics building which is to occupy the site of the old Collegedale Academy building.

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(Signed) J. Mabel Wood, Editor

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