



## Our People Are Loyal

By W. B. OCHS

THE returns of the tithes and mission offerings for 1937 for the Canadian Union Conference have been reported, and we are pleased to tell our people throughout the union that there was an increase in tithe of \$9,922.43, and \$2,499.88 in mission offerings. We believe this is a splendid report and it only shows the loyalty and faithfulness of our believers throughout the union. We are told that when we are true to the Lord in tithes and offerings, He will "open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Our Sabbath schools had an increase of \$912.94. How much more money we could bring in through this wonderful organization if all of our church members would attend Sabbath school.

1938 is before us and we believe the Lord will continue to bless His people. We trust that we shall not forget Him, but that we might be

faithful in bringing to the treasury of the Lord our tithes and offerings.

We trust that when this year closes, we shall again be able to report an increase along these lines. Our task is to give the gospel message to all the world, and Christ will not come until this is accomplished.

### Our Children

IN the Methodist Episcopal church statistics show that the average age of entering church membership is eleven years and nine months. Forty years ago it was sixteen years and four months, so that nearly five years of life has been added. In the Congregational church the average age of accepting Christ is fifteen years and nine months; in the Presbyterian church fourteen years and eight months; in the Baptist church fourteen years and one month; in the S. D. A. church fourteen years. These figures tell their own story.

Every parent must be aware of the fact that if the boy or girl does not accept Christ by the time the fourteenth year is reached, you are at a disadvantage. Chances are you will lose that child. Do you wonder then why we talk so much about church schools? Is your child in church school, and if not, why not?

A church school teacher who allows the children to drift past this safe landing is asleep on guard. She doesn't see the real danger. If you cannot convince them when they are still tender, how do you expect to do it when they become more set?

Every worker in the cause wants success, and true success means souls saved. We look for fruitful fields, for a ripe harvest, and many times walk through a ripe field looking for green fields. There is no more fruitful field than to labor for the lambs of the flock. I hear some pastor say he cannot look after all the details of a large church. According to the organization, you are not asked to do all the work but as a wise general, you are to organize the forces for service. Organize a church school and place in charge a consecrated teacher. That is God's plan. From these church schools streams will flow to our academies and colleges and thus God's name is honored, the work is properly cared for, and our children saved and trained for His kingdom. D. N. REINER

### A Guide to God's People

THE gift that heaven gave to this people in the writings of the Spirit of prophecy, is a gift that I am fearful some may not appreciate as fully

as they should. While it is true that the Word contains every instruction that we as Christians need, yet the Spirit of prophecy was sent by God to the remnant church to act, as it were, as a light to make more plain and clear the beautiful teachings of the Scriptures. All through the history of God's people, whenever a crisis has developed, the Lord has raised up a prophet to lead them, and to counsel them in the way that He would have them go.

You will recall that when ancient Israel was living in slavery and bondage down in Egypt, that God chose Moses, and prepared him to lead His people out of their bondage. Then you will recall that through Moses, and Aaron, God sent the most specific and definite instruction to His people as to how they should conduct every detail of their lives as they marched toward the promised land. As you read through the chapters recording this wonderful instruction, you cannot help being impressed by the way the Lord gave instruction even to the minutest detail, specifying what food they should eat, how it should be prepared and cooked, the type of houses they should live in, the material they should be constructed of, and where they should be located; also how they should relate themselves to each other, and the heathen tribes about them. In fact, there is not a single detail of their every day lives that was overlooked in this instruction. If ancient Israel as they travelled through the wilderness toward the promised land had followed these instructions carefully, they would not have weakened and fallen by the way as many did, but the road would have been made safe and plain before their feet, and they would have arrived at their hoped-for destination. During the millenniums that followed, whenever a crisis confronted the children of God, He would raise up a prophet to instruct and lead them, but not once did He raise up a prophet again that gave such detailed instruction as did Moses until the very closing days of this earth's history, when modern Israel in its journeyings toward the heavenly Canaan needed just the same kind of instruction and leadership as did ancient Israel. In the writings of the Spirit of prophecy given through the humble instrument chosen by God to act as His mouth-piece, there has come the same detailed instruction that was given

through Moses to ancient Israel, only made applicable to the conditions existing in these closing days.

My dear brethren, it is a wonderful gift that God has given to us in the writings of the Spirit of prophecy, and the admonitions contained there are so clear, so true, and so dependable. You will recall the Scriptures tell us that many of ancient Israel murmured against the word of Lord, and as the result of their murmurings they were lost by the wayside. The same is true of modern Israel, and my dear brethren and sisters, we need to study as never before this instruction which with the Bible is the foundation of our Christian living and experience. Every Seventh-day Adventist should make every endeavor to have available these wonderful writings, and then to give earnest and diligent study to the lessons that they contain. I am convinced that there are two great decisions that every Seventh-day Adventist must make. The first

is at the time we accept the teachings of the third angel's message, and to separate from the world and worldly churches, and join with God's people in their march toward the kingdom. The second is the decision that must be made by every one who is enrolled in the ranks of the remnant church, to accept wholly, literally, and without any reservations, the teachings of the Spirit of prophecy. When we do this our journey will be a safe journey, and our entrance into the eternal kingdom is assured. From my own personal experience I know how much I need the guiding influence of this heaven-sent gift, and I urge all my brethren and sisters, whose faces are set toward the promised land, to study, to pray, and to bring their lives into full harmony with God's holy will. May the illumination of the Holy Spirit shine upon every heart as we endeavor by His grace to enter into this deeper experience.

GLENN CALKINS

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### *Maritime Conference*

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### Visiting Our People

ON January 10 it was the writer's privilege to visit with the church at Memramcook, N. B. Since the Maritime Academy was destroyed by fire, the members have been moving from the district and at present we have belonging to this church and resident at Memramcook only nine members. The families there seemed to greatly appreciate the views of our work in the South Sea Islands and the Far East, and in addition to showing these pictures, there was a Bible study held with the believers.

On January 11 and 12 I visited the church school and some of the members of the Moncton church, and also had two meetings with the believers at this point. On Friday January 14, in company with Elder Mackintosh, I visited Brown's Flats and had a service. On Sabbath, after a trying trip over icy roads, we met with the brethren and sisters at Barnesville, where Elder Mackintosh has been holding an evangelistic effort. Those who were able to be

present expressed appreciation of the work that has been carried on there, and we are glad to report that a class of seven is being prepared for the ordinance of baptism.

On Sabbath afternoon it was our happy lot to meet with the congregation in St. John. It rejoiced us to see the many new faces that have united with the church during the past year, and it certainly was pleasant to see the fruitage of the expenditure and work on the St. John, N. B., church building.

S. G. WHITE

### Dedication at Charlottetown Prince Edward Island

IN the year 1920 Evangelist M. Mackintosh held an evangelistic effort in a small tent in the city of Charlottetown. Regardless of the opposition encountered, the sowing of the gospel seed bore fruit, and six individuals accepted the truth and were baptized. Sister F. L. Renouf, who is now a member of that newly organized church, was from that group.

Several years lapsed and in the summer of 1935 Elder F. W. Johnston was requested to conduct an effort in Charlottetown, with the assistance of Brother and Sister H.

R. Brennan. The largest available hall in the city, the "Forum," was secured, and an energetic advertising campaign carried on. The meetings under the blessing of God were well attended, and a good interest developed, which was later transferred to a smaller hall. During July, 1936, after over a year's intensive work, a baptism was held, and forty-five members were organized into a church.

Before leaving Charlottetown to carry on an evangelistic campaign in Ottawa, Ontario, Elder Johnston invited the members to pledge toward the erecting of a new church building, and in August, 1936, the conference requested Brother and Sister Brennan to locate in Charlottetown so as to foster the newly-born church, and also to continue an evangelistic campaign. Under the blessing of God, this effort proved fruitful and at the end of six months another seventeen souls were added to church fellowship.

In the mid-summer of 1937 a building committee was selected and a suitable lot in a good location secured for building purposes. In the month of October the foundation was laid, and at the close of the year a neat, comfortable, commodious church was erected on a foundation forty-one by thirty-one feet, and the first meeting was held in it on December 18, 1937.

Toward this enterprise the General Conference made an appropriation; voluntary labor was given by the church membership and others. On Friday, January 7, Elder W. B. Ochs, Elder D. Mackintosh, Miss D. Ostoich, and the writer went to Charlottetown and on the following day the dedicatory service was conducted by the president of the Canadian Union Conference. While weather and road conditions made it impossible for many of the Charlottetown members who reside in the country to attend, still those present were greatly blessed at the dedicatory service, and all feel to thank the God of heaven that this monument to His cause has been erected and dedicated so that at Charlottetown, on Prince Edward Island, there is this appropriate memorial which gives stability to the work in that field, the last province in Canada to be entered in a permanent way.

Charlottetown church membership is sixty-five. S. G. WHITE

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## Ontario-Quebec Conference

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### Ontario-Quebec Workers' Institute

ON Friday evening, January 17, the conference workers assembled in the auditorium of the West Toronto S. D. A. church for an intensive workers' institute. The first meeting, being the regular Missionary Volunteer hour for the young people of the church, was given to the study of "Saving our youth and guiding them in service." After a brief introductory talk by Elder Reiner, the meeting took the form of a round table discussion forum. It was the conviction of all that a true estimate has not been placed upon the talents and powers found among our youth waiting to be challenged by this movement.

On Sabbath morning Elder Ochs took for his theme, "The church - it belongs to Christ, it always has, and it always will belong to Him."

The main topic for Sabbath afternoon was, "How to successfully organize the churches for service." Plans were laid and each worker determined to organize the churches in his charge for an intensive soul saving program.

Due attention was given to our responsibility toward the finishing of the work in foreign lands. It was felt that by organizing and encouraging our people to give systematically through the Sabbath school department each week, the goal of forty cents a week to missions could be realized in our conference this year. The workers gladly showed their willingness to help make this so by giving a dollar a week. We believe our people will unite their efforts with the sacrifices our workers are willing to make that this goal may be realized.

The institute closed Sunday evening. The Spirit of God was manifested throughout the entire session. As we bade one another goodbye, there rested upon each one a burning passion for souls. Brethren and sisters, let us hold up the hands of our

workers in prayer during the coming months. Listen to this instruction from the pen of Sister White: "Earnest prayers sent up to God for His blessing upon the laborers in the field will follow the laborers as sharp sickles into the harvest field."

W. A. CLEMENSON

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### Youth's Congress

SPEAKING of the developments in the last days of the world, the servant of the Lord stated that the final movements would be rapid ones. Surely hustle, bustle, and speed are characteristic of our day. We are living in a rapidly changing world; powerful forces working with break-neck speed are bringing changes into our whole human fabric, far-reaching changes in our spiritual, social, and industrial life. In this time of whirlwind it is very essential that the meetings of Seventh-day Adventists be secure.

Our youth are face to face with problems of a variety that have never been faced by the youth of any previous generation. At the same time there never was a day of greater opportunity. It is the duty of the leadership to help our young people think through their problems and to guide them in the developments of attitudes, and to prepare them for the high destiny to which they are called. It has been demonstrated that the Youth's Congress lends itself admirably to the accomplishment of this task.

Make your plans now to be at this Youth's Congress at Oshawa on July 1 to 4.

J. W. WAGNER

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### Sowing Seed

"IN the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that or whether they both shall be alike." Eccl. 11:6.

How true it is that the good seeds we sow each day shall spring up and bring forth fruit unto life eternal.

A colporteur, after having his way opened to a home, loaned the family an old "Bible Readings" prospectus. Through the study of the few pages it contained, and by the help of some Bible studies, the mother and one

of the daughters of the home are planning definitely to be baptized.

However, this seed sowing is not to be left to the colporteur, for we read in "Christ's Object Lessons," page 327, "No more surely is the place prepared for us in the heavenly mansions than is a special place designed on earth where we are to work for God." This work we are told through inspiration is that of soul saving.

There are nine consecrated colporteurs leaving the institute to face the obstacles of the winter months in order that they may win some one to Christ. Let us pray for these faithful workers that they may bring forth fruit unto eternal life.

G. F. WIMER

### Ontario-Quebec News Notes

BROTHER Mills has written to the office that he is located at the home of Brother Johnson at Beamsville, and is enjoying his work in the canvassing field.

WE were glad to have Mrs. Ochs and Mrs. Shepard visit our workers' meeting with their husbands recently. Miss Erdman came in with the Union workers at the same time.

THE young people of the Toronto church are enjoying the toboggan slides at High Park. Recent snow in Toronto has made the slides especially good.

THE Ministerial, Church Officers', Sabbath School, Workers', and Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses are available. The books are all very good.

AT our committee meeting held this week it was voted to have a Youth's Congress in connection with our camp meeting this summer. Plan for this now.

WE were pleased to have Elder Ochs and Brother Shepard from the Union join with us in the study of our conference problems at the time of our committee meeting.

SISTER Goldstein of Montreal, and Brother Morgan of New Liskeard, have written in to the office recently about entering the canvassing work. We welcome these workers.

BROTHER L. J. Walsh, the Toronto representative of the Canadian Watchman Press, calls in to see us regularly. He is always the same cheerful, jovial worker.

THE Branch Sabbath School Band of the Toronto church is doing very encouraging work. Brother and Sister Bane are conducting a Sabbath school on Sabbath afternoon at the home of Brother and Sister Smith at Lakeview. They had sixteen present last Sabbath. Sisters Wagner, Walsh, and Neithercut started another school at the home of Brother and Sister Budgen in north Toronto, last Sabbath.

ELDER Clemenson pointed out to the committee members the fact that the Ontario-Quebec Conference has one worker in Ontario for every 382,500 people, and one worker in Quebec for every 1,000,000 people living in that province. What does this say to our individual members?

WE are pleased to welcome Brother and Sister Miller to our colporteur staff in Toronto. Brother Miller is canvassing for our large book, "Home Physician." Sister Miller is having good success selling *Watchman* and *Good Health*.

SISTER Kimbell, the energetic leader of our Toronto Dorcas Society, has arranged to help the Infants' Home with their sewing. She says the Dorcas Society will be very busy with the work for a good while to come.

BROTHER Geauvreau has started his effort in Windsor. He reported one of the best crowds he has ever had. We would like to ask our people to remember Brother Geauvreau in their devotions.

WE are glad to know that Mrs. McPherson of Oshawa, our good magazine worker in this conference, is regaining her health after a heavy operation performed before Christmas.

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### Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference

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A. BERNHARD, Secretary-Treasurer

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### Why I Am A Colporteur

I MIGHT say that the one and great reason why I am in the colporteur work, both from the Spirit of prophecy and personal experience, is that I know of a surety that God has ordained it as an effective means

of bringing the truth of the third angel's message to those who perhaps would never know or hear of it in any other way. Also I know that God through His Spirit prompts me continually to keep on in the work. Many times I have felt I could not carry on any longer, when through His grace and mercy He turns the tide; and I wish to say that I enjoy the work immensely. The outlook and the uplook for the future, under God, looks bright to me, but oh, as I travel about and see so much to be done in a comparatively short time, both in farming districts and mining areas, cities and towns, I cannot help thinking many times of the statement of the servant of the Lord that where there is one in the field there should be one hundred. Surely anyone who at all hears the call of God or the prompting of the Holy Spirit, should enter the field without delay, for there are truly honest hearts to be sought out in this way, and much room for many more to work.

J. F. SIMPSON

### Faithful Workers

WE are pleased to write a few lines to our brethren and sisters through the pages of the MESSENGER. Our book work has prospered another year. Maybe you, as others,



Roland Carhill

have thought that our territory by this time was full of books. I recall a man here in Saskatchewan, telling me nearly twenty years ago that he felt sure everyone in the province had one or more of our books. We have sold thousands of books since that time. I recall a man telling me in the Maritime that one could

not sell our large subscription books there any more, but we have sold thousands in that field since that time, and we see them still going strong.

We have delivered more books in this field the past year than the previous year. Our yearly report shows that we have a loss of a little over \$200 in deliveries, but we have found some deliveries that were left out, since that report was made up, which shows that we have delivered more than in 1936. This we think is wonderful, and we appreciate the loyal men and women and young people who made this possible.

Many of our people ask if the colporteurs receive help from the conference in any way. Our regular colporteurs receive a bonus from the publishing house based on their sales and hours worked. The students receive help with their scholarship and fares, based on hours worked and deliveries made. Often, in the case of a student, they receive more from the conference than their profits indicate.

The following regular colporteurs received bonuses this year: F. Connors for a full year; F. Simpson for a full year; L. W. McEvers for a half year; H. N. Anderson for a half year; W. J. Compton for a half year; J. A. Thiessen for a half year; and Howard Anderson for a quarter year. We may have two or three others who might qualify if their work is looked into properly.

The following qualified for parts of scholarship this year: Robert Shearer, three quarter; Tillie Homenchuk, half; James Hornoi, half; and D. F. Neufeld, half. More bonuses and scholarships have been given out in this conference this year than for many years. We appreciate the work of these loyal men and young people. We hope that we shall have to give out more another year, and by all appearances we will have to.

We are holding an institute in Winnipeg, February 2 to 10. We expect help from the General Conference and also from the Union, and then hope to get away to a good start for another year's work.

It was my privilege to go out with Brother Simpson last week. He is our veteran colporteur, starting in the work over twenty years ago. This last year Brother Simpson bought himself a team of nice young horses, a cutter and a cart, all paid

for from his sales of our books. If you could hear Brother Simpson talk, it would do you good. During the three days we worked together we took nearly \$65 worth of orders, with enough deposits to take care of all our expenses. One or two remarks Brother Simpson dropped were that he thought many of our young men could find lots of territory just as good as his and do as well as or better than he is doing. Another was that people told him not to go to the homesteaders, as they had no money anyway. However, he said they were mistaken, as he sold to those people right along, and they were glad to get our literature.

"We have the best doctor book in the world to offer to the people. One man Brother Simpson and I canvassed told us so himself, as he had seen one a neighbor had, and wanted to get one himself. We had dinner with this man and sold him and his hired man a set each of the "Home Physician", fed our horses, and got deposits on both sets of books. This man's wife thought they could not afford the books, but he found a way to get them. This is true in hundreds of cases. Where you and I might think it impossible, God helps people to find a way. We have sold books in homes that many who read these lines would not live in. Brother Simpson sold \$18 worth of "Home Physician" in a home that you would think could not afford one.

R. CARLILL

### Youth's Congress

"WHEREAS the Youth's Congress held in Saskatoon two years ago proved to be of inestimable value and a source of real blessing to the young people of our conference, and inasmuch as many youth have reached a more mature age since then, and would now receive more definite benefit from the counsel and instruction given at such a gathering, we recommend that a Youth's Congress be held in Saskatoon in 1938 preceding our camp meeting."

Thus reads the recommendation passed at our biennial conference session last summer at Saskatoon. At our recent conference committee meeting the date for this congress was set for July 7 to 11. So here we are, young people of Manitoba,

Saskatchewan, and Western Ontario. Our hopes and longings are being realized. A herculean effort will be made to make this congress an even greater success than the one of 1935. The best of help from the General Conference has been promised, and of course, union, local, and other visiting ministers will be present as well. Watch for further announcements in the MESSENGER, but begin now to plan, pray, and prepare to be in attendance at this great meeting.

H. D. HENRIKSEN

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### Alberta Conference

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### Missionary Volunteers

IN the last issue of the MESSENGER, we gave a brief report of the Alberta Conference Home Missionary department. Today we wish to render a similar report of the Missionary Volunteers who toil on so faithfully from year to year. In looking over the yearly report, we find that we have a membership of over a thousand. An increase of over five hundred since 1932. Little by little our enrolment has climbed until today we have the largest number of young people ever enrolled in our societies.

During the year that is now past history, we have issued 72 Bible Year certificates, 157 have finished the various Reading Courses and received their respective certificates. We have 330 young people who are faithfully observing the Morning Watch, meeting their appointments with the Lord morning by morning.

Our youth in Alberta have done nobly in missionary work in 1937. They made 1485 missionary visits, helped 1365 needy people, distributed 29,401 pieces of literature. They have been active in supporting foreign missions as well as the work at home. Sixty-nine Friends, nineteen Companions, and three Comrades were invested and received their insignias.

We praise the Lord for this noble band of young people in our conference. We welcome the leaders in our 21 societies, and may the new year be freighted with rich blessings in service for Christ; and may every society measure up to the great stand-

ard He has set before us as young people in the Advent movement. On page 192 of the book "Education", we may read with profit the following statement: "Let the youth of today, the youth who are growing up

with the Bible in their hands, become recipients and channels of its life-giving energy, and what streams of blessing would flow forth to the world."

E. J. WESTMAN

### ALBERTA CONFERENCE OF S. D. A.

## Comparative Report of Tithe and Forty-cent-a-Week Funds

For twelve months ended December 31, 1936 and 1937

Church	1936 Tithe	1937 Tithe	1936 Missions	1937 Missions
Conference	7,785.80	8,501.43	4,212.59	4,308.93
Alberta Beach	226.88	168.46	135.73	160.33
Belloy	441.58	849.82	184.01	326.16
Bentley	256.65	249.80	483.59	440.79
Bridgeland	215.87	162.20	252.51	248.24
Calgary	2,393.99	3,365.60	1,921.56	1,955.18
Cassils	685.58	782.57	677.62	629.99
Cluny	57.50	51.10	207.77	105.63
Didsbury	98.63	113.21	199.03	153.19
Edmonton	1,756.37	2,171.70	1,579.25	1,663.08
Galahad	207.82	253.47	203.72	245.60
Hanna	231.20	91.87	225.49	142.55
Hilda	77.80	17.25	290.60	139.61
Innisfree	109.02	232.23	167.40	198.43
Lacombe	5,606.75	5,301.74	2,310.13	1,927.53
Leaman	191.26	735.42	96.47	132.51
Leduc-German	1,071.64	1,398.16	819.29	870.40
Leduc-English	222.14	184.20	202.74	210.16
Lethbridge	715.60	701.81	565.76	556.03
Lindberg	91.15	98.55	122.20	130.58
Medicine Hat	805.01	237.68	437.76	320.81
Millet	154.12	118.03	198.83	172.61
Myrnam	543.56	641.10	518.07	516.89
Olds	603.26	702.07	488.40	655.58
Pobida	590.37	1,028.49	442.23	662.86
Red Deer	471.06	442.10	301.27	285.05
Rosebud	2,048.43	1,099.36	1,540.24	1,530.47
Stettler	746.55	717.04	472.57	482.91
Thorsby	120.93	63.50	88.46	92.97
Vermilion Lakes	643.56	775.15	398.59	335.13
Wanham	2,156.94	1,929.27	714.13	1,084.67
Whitelaw	615.05	205.92	284.90	282.07
Total	31,942.07	33,390.30	20,742.91	20,967.94

As we present a comparative statement of the tithes and mission offerings for the years 1937 and 1936, we do so with a feeling of sincere gratitude for the faithfulness of our believers.

The net gain in tithe amounted to over \$1,400, and the net gain in mission offerings amounted to \$208.35. Conditions were such that apparently it was impossible to reach the Harvest Ingathering goals set in certain districts which resulted in a loss of \$881.78. This, however, was offset by the splendid gain in the Annual Offering of \$654.04, which this year went to the rehabilitation of our work in China, and the excellent increase in Sabbath school offering for this year amounting to \$724.08. The Sabbath School Investment offering for this year was approximately the same as last year, amounting to almost \$1,400.

As you read this report we hope you will do so with the determination

that the year 1938 will be even better than the year which has just closed. That we are living near the close of probation is evident to each one of us, and this thought should impell us to be more faithful than ever before in the matter of supporting our work both at home and abroad.

G. L. SATHER, *Treasurer*

### Comparative Investment Report for 1936 and 1937

Sabbath School	1936	1937
Alberta Beach	18.85	2.75
Bay Tree	1.00	2.00
Belloy	2.20	5.10
Bridgeland	5.00	7.00
Black Diamond		9.00
Bentley	31.55	19.25
Calgary	47.86	58.30
Cassils	80.00	77.00
Cluny	10.05	
College Heights	77.69	66.56
Czar	20.00	20.00
Dalroy	27.02	68.00
Didsbury	3.00	6.50
Edmonton	14.39	15.05

Foremost		22.20
Galahad	7.50	11.60
Hanna	22.00	
Hilda	21.25	
Hillside	15.04	10.01
Innisfree		
Lavoy		.46
Lethbridge	9.65	14.68
Leaman	11.00	3.40
Leduc-German	130.10	104.77
Leduc-English	67.61	40.40
Lindbergh	8.40	5.00
Loyalist		
Lougheed	7.87	2.85
Medicine Hat		2.81
Myrnam	37.01	62.15
Mountain View	3.76	5.45
Mount Pleasant		5.00
Millet	13.78	
Olds	68.14	91.90
Pobida	34.51	88.99
Red Deer	100.31	35.00
Red Deer City	7.00	
Red Haven		1.67
Rosebud	35.55	100.00
Rosebud-English	30.61	34.66
Stavely	4.04	
Sarrail		
Stettler	41.70	65.80
Thorsby		
Vermilion Lakes	45.64	
Wanham	87.50	202.00
Whitelaw	44.82	14.30
Conference	201.97	111.77
Totals	1,395.37	1,393.38

ANNA NICKEL

Alberta Conference  
Colporteurs' Institute  
Will be held in Calgary,  
February 15 to 24

### British Columbia Conference

Fraser at Kingsway, Vancouver, B. C.

E. A. BEAVON, *President*

E. S. HUMANN, *Secretary-Treasurer*

### Nineteen Thirty-Eight

YES, it is now 1938. But what does 1938 mean? It means 1938 years since the birth of Jesus. It also means almost nearly that many years since the commission was given to go to all the world and preach the gospel. As we look about us we find only one people who are preaching the entire gospel, so it therefore remains a big task for this people. Comparatively speaking, they are like Gideon's army, small in number, but large in faith and courage. We know it is impossible to send the living preacher to all the people. There are thousands of people living remote from the cities, where the preacher can not reach them, who

know nothing of this message. How are they going to get it? Who is going to take it to them? We are thankful that God has ordained a way for this work to be done. He has ordained that God-fearing colporteurs should take books with truth to those who know not this gospel.

Let us forget 1937. It is in the past, and any opportunities that have been missed are lost. Time lost can never be found. Let us overlook the shortcomings and mistakes of the past and count them as lessons learned, and strive to make 1938 a banner year in soul-winning. As we see world conditions, let us realize that the time is short and there is a big work yet to be finished. Let us push on as never before. Here in this country we have people living in the mountains and valleys, the forests and the plains, who are looking for something different from the modern teachings. It is up to us to hunt them out. Colporteurs, let us wake up as never before. Soon conditions will be so it will be almost impossible to sell our large books, or at least it will be much harder than at present. What we do not do under favorable conditions will have to be done under adverse conditions.

It is certainly a pleasure to go back to homes where I sold books thirteen years ago and find an open door, with the people well satisfied with their books. One lady whom I called on a few weeks ago said she brought up her two boys up on the instruction received from "Bible Readings" I sold her ten years ago. What fine young men they were, and how proud she was of them.

May the Lord help us all to be more faithful and have more sheaves for the Master when He comes.

Remember the B. C. institute is February 27 to March 8. If you have a burden for this all-important work, plan to attend.

HENRY OKE

### Prince George Effort

THE opening providences of God have been so evident in Prince George, and have brought such joy to the few members here that we recount them for the encouragement of all our brethren and sisters throughout our Canadian field.

In looking for a suitable hall to hold the meetings in, we almost de-

spaired until a man who was a total stranger to me and I to him, turned over to us absolutely free of charge a most excellent building. Furthermore, he gave us over twenty dollars worth of lumber to use in making forms, pulpit, and platform, with the instruction to simply draw out the nails and return it when through with it. No doubt God worked upon the man's heart. We hope he will attend the meetings and accept God's saving message.

On the opening night, January 16, many people gathered to hear the topic, Daniel 2. It was a fine group of interested ones, as evidenced by a total of twenty names turned in for visits with literature.

Possibly the most important contribution to making the meetings a success was the ardent, careful labor put forth by our consecrated laymembers in a house-to-house literature campaign, put on for over two months before the meetings began. This has resulted in a crowd of people coming, not out of curiosity, but genuine, stirred interest.

During the late fall last year, Desmond Tinkler, colporteur-evangelist, came to Prince George and left his mark of earnestness and consecration in his labors. At least one soul has responded to literature and invitation who was first contacted by Brother Tinkler. A young lady purchased "Bible Readings" which she treasures highly, and is now attending our lectures and appears deeply interested.

Our people here are not blessed with much of this world's goods, but in order to help all they could to make the meetings possible, some have gone out in the country and brought cordwood to heat the hall. May the Lord bless the devotion of our dear people by granting us a rich harvest of souls.

AINSLEY BLAIR

### B. C. News

MOST of our working force are giving time this winter to church conventions, which we trust will not only help the churches to win new converts but also to hold the members they have.

If the prayer meeting is the "barometer of the church," the Vancouver church is enjoying a revival. For three weeks the downstairs prayer room has been filled

to capacity. Around twenty laymen are preparing for lay-evangelism, and Elder Hurdon is hoping to launch at least two lay efforts shortly; one in Vancouver, and one in New Westminster. The rank and file of the Vancouver church membership will be taking part in an aggressive literature campaign.

SEVERAL churches in the Fraser Valley were called together by Elder Wilson on Sabbath, January 2, at Pinegrove. Doubtless a forward movement in the valley will be the outcome. Elder Wilson, notwithstanding a triple bereavement this winter, is continuing to labor in full harness, and is planning on evangelistic meetings at Maple Ridge, near Haney. At least two lay efforts besides those mentioned above are contemplated. Word reaches us that Brother Geo. E. Johnson of Chilliwack and Brother Whalley of Silvercreek are entering the firing line again this year as lay-preachers. Brother Ainsley Blair has launched his effort at Prince George with a big attendance the first night. Brother Cameron, who expects shortly to move to the interior, is dividing his time between New Westminster and the interested people in Vancouver, with whom he has been holding Bible studies.

BROTHER Carl Weis joined the B. C. force of conference workers on January 1. He has been visiting the German believers in Vancouver and the Fraser Valley, prior to connecting up with Elder Foulston in an effort;—and "were they glad" to have a visit from a worker speaking their own language! There are 4,000 Germans in Vancouver. Perhaps after his effort, and a short stay with the German believers at Lumbi, Brother Weis will be conducting an effort for his own nationality in Vancouver. Many are interested.

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## Small Books

EACH year in the fall we have been stressing the importance of many workers going out into the highways and byways to sell our small books. In some fields remarkable success has been achieved. Brother Locke reports in November, 1937, over \$1600 sales. This is the best November month British Columbia has ever had as far as records show. Many believe that our small books can be sold only at Christmas time. This is not so, for in some conferences there are canvassers running up records with small books that are about as good as those selling some of our large subscription books.

This is a work that our sisters can conveniently take up in their spare time. Let not the spare hours slip by unused. Get in touch with your local field secretary and have him help you get started.

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## O. M. C. News

ON Sunday afternoon, January 16, the Algebra class went on a snow hike. They took a hot supper along and proclaimed the Devil's Den an ideal dining room.

THE *College Echo* is to be revived. The following staff was elected by the students recently: editor, Gordon Hewlett; associate editors, Elizabeth Saunders, Theresa Kennedy; reporters, Frank Buchanan, Peggy Blythe, Kenneth McKenzie; business manager, Elwin White; circulation manager, Ivan Crawford; staff stenographers, Marjorie Ochs, Ruth Barrett; proof-reader, Pearl Browning; and adviser, Professor H. W. Taylor.

THERE has been a great deal of curiosity on the part of the college men lately at what the young women of the Nil Sine Numine had in store for them. The reception held in their honor Sunday night proved to be an all Canadian program with a scene representing an outstanding characteristic of each province accompanied by appropriate music. The girls dressed in red, white and blue, and flags were used in the decorations.

THE resident students now have their own club. In addition to Nil Sine Numine and Vox Viri, we also have Socia Parlia. The Socia Parlia makes up in enthusiasm what it lacks in numbers. They have now completely organized and are ready for action. The officers are: President, Virgil Chilson; Vice-president, Dorothy McIntyre; Secretary, Ruth Barrett; Treasurer, Lillian McIntyre; Parliamentarian, Robert Paddock; Sergeant at Arms, James Piggott; Faculty Advisor, Professor H. W. Taylor. You will be hearing more of this club!

ON Saturday night, January 15, the College Music Department, under the direction of Miss Geraldine Perrin, presented a varied program consisting of piano quartets, two piano numbers, and violin selections. The outstanding numbers of the evening were a trio and a vocal duet. The trio consisted of Miss Perrin at the organ, Mrs. Grace

Isaac at the piano and Mrs. Malvina Taylor with her violin. Miss Anna Johnston and Mr. Gordon Hewlett sang "Watchman, What of the Night?" Miss Johnston was attired as a Roman lady and carried on the conversation of the song with Mr. Hewlett as he stood with glittering armour in his watch-tower. The concert was well received.

MARGARET STONE

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## C. J. C. News

WE are glad to have Professor Cobb with us again after a prolonged business trip to the United States.

MR. MARBLE, the local manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, last week presented to us a clear and interesting paper on Canadian banking system. This subject was of special interest to us in view of the present controversy over this subject in this province.

THIS is a rather momentous week in our school year. The college board of trustees is meeting here to decide various important issues regarding our school. On Tuesday evening they were all invited to a supper served by the Home Economics class in their newly redecorated suite of rooms. As a unique feature the place cards were made of thin ply wood, with names of the board members neatly lettered on these miniature boards.

ELDER W. B. OCHS gave us another one of his well-organized, interesting talks in chapel on Wednesday morning. It dealt with the "Five Great Wants of Life." These he gave as the want to own, to seem, to know, to do, and to be. His discussion on their relation to our individual lives was indeed profitable.

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