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## "Health"

HEALTH is something that everyone is concerned about. Sometimes we give it but little attention until it is lost, and then we become very anxious about it and put forth every effort to regain it. How much better it would be to take care of it while we have it. The apostle John wished "above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." 3 John 2.

The new health journal that will soon come from the Pacific Press Publishing Association at Mountain View, Calif., will be just such a journal that every Seventh-day Adventist home will want and will appreciate. Dr. P. T. Magan, of the medical school at Los Angeles, will be the editor-in-chief, and Elder A. L. Baker, of the *Signs of the Times*, the managing editor, and this will give us an idea of the value and style of this new journal of health.

The new health magazine was authorized by the recent Fall Council of the General Conference, held at Battle Creek, Mich., and it promises to be just such a medical journal as you will want to visit your home each month. It promises to be just such a magazine as you will want to put in the hands of your friends and neighbors to interest them in the wonderful principles of healthful living. The name of this new publication will be *Health*. It will be a thirty-six page magazine of standard size, published monthly, having a fine colored cover. The subscription price will be \$1.50 per year. However, those who will send in their subscription between now and March 31 will get a year's subscription for \$1.00. Send your order through your church missionary secretary or your Book and Bible House.

The first issue of this new journal will probably be ready for circulation in February, 1934, but will bear the April date.

"The light God has given on health reform is for our salvation and the salvation of the world. . . Our health journals are instrumentalities in the field to do a special work in disseminating the light that the inhabitants of the world must have in this day of God's preparation."—*Vol. 7, p. 136.*

I am sure we will all be proud of this new publication, *Health*, and will use it to interest others in the principles of health and happiness. J. F. PIPER.

## Nebraska Conference

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## Conference Workers' Meeting at College View

A VERY important meeting of the conference workers was held at College View last week. Earnest study was given to different lines of our denominational endeavor, and plans were laid for the advancement of the work along all lines for the year 1934.

Careful study was given to the recommendations passed at the recent Fall Council, and the following vote was taken by the workers relative to the tithe covenant card:

"Moved and supported that we concur in the recommendation of the General Conference in adopting the plan and promotion of the tithe covenant card among our constituency, and as conference workers, we pledge ourselves to visit our people faithfully in the interests and promotion of this program."

We invite all our people to cooperate with us in the plans of the General Conference as have recently been reported in the *Review*, where the actions of the Fall Council were given.

We hope that God will lay the burden of evangelism heavily upon the hearts of all our people, and that in every church individuals may be called into the service of the Master in promoting earnestly the literature ministry, both in colporteur evangelism and free distribution, in giving Bible readings in the homes of the people, conducting cottage meetings, or holding other public services as may be arranged.

We invite all our people to make a careful study of the tithe income, and give more earnest attention to the appeals for offerings to missions, so that the work of God may be hastened to its completion throughout the world.

We as workers wish to express our appreciation to the membership of our churches for the hearty cooperation and loyal support they have given during the year just closed. We invite all the members to unite with us in renewal of the consecration of our lives and property to the service of God for the year 1934.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

## Make the Most of 1934

JESUS is calling for men and women who will consecrate themselves to God's service. The Lord has left a work for each one of us to do. None among us should sit indifferently at home or stand idly by waiting for better conditions.

"Let every soul who has received divine illumination seek to impart it. Let the workers go from house to house opening the Bible, circulating publications, telling others of the light that has blessed their own souls."

Jesus said, "Why stand ye here all the day idle? . . . Go ye also into the vineyard." We are to be soul winners right now. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul winning. "The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls."—*Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 33. We have no time to lose. The end is near. While the angels hold the four winds we are to work with all our might.

We are now in the dawn of the new year. The possibilities were never greater, and the outlook never brighter for a harvest of souls through literature ministry. It is possible to make 1934 a year of truest success in literature distribution. Let us each pray that God will give wisdom to plan and faith to go forward courageously in the work.

"For Christ's sake, my brethren and sisters, make the most of the hours of the new year to place the precious light of present truth before the people."—*Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 41.

Come and join us in the ten-day institute. The practical instruction and intense study will benefit us spiritually and mentally. All who are planning to attend should write me at once so the proper arrangements can be made.

Do not forget. We will be looking for you in the South Hall parlor, Union

College, Lincoln, Nebr., for the opening meeting, Thursday, 7:30 P. M., January 25.

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### So. Dakota Conference

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#### Some Responses to the Tithe Bulletins and Recent Letters Sent from Our Office

THIS letter has just reached our desk: "We received your letter containing bulletin and a little report of the tithe sent in. We appreciate your letter, and have ever tried to be faithful in tithepaying, as also we have intended to be in harmony with the whole message. The standard is high and yet none too high. I have wished many times that I could measure up to it, but I find I must still keep climbing. Prov. 4:18 is true and I rejoice in it."

Here is another:

"As for myself, I want to say first that according to my best knowledge and understanding I have never short-changed my Lord. . . . During the last few years that I was an earner, one fifth of my income was used for tithe and regular church offerings. . . . Last week I received a Christmas present of \$10, and one of the first things I did was to put one dollar into the envelope to be sent to the church treasurer. . . . If the Lord sees fit to put into my hands more money this coming year than last, He knows that it will be tithed."

And still another:

"As I sit here at my desk this evening after the blessed lessons we have had today and after returning from worship and finding the statement of the amount of tithe I have paid into the treasury for the first eleven months of the year of 1933, I cannot help but think what a failure I have made of my time that God in His goodness has permitted me to use, and I am very much convinced that I have not been as faithful as I might have been. That . . . is so small an amount of tithe to turn over in the space of eleven months, when it might have been ten times that much had I been faithful in the years gone by in my tithing."

We appreciate these letters, and shall be glad to hear from others. We believe in our people, and that God will help us to be faithful, as we are fully instructed through His Word and the Spirit of prophecy.

GORDEN OSS.

### South Dakota Sunbeams

ELDER OSS reports a profitable time with the Chamberlain church, where, with Elder Shadel, he spent the Week of Prayer. The Spirit of God spoke to many hearts and a goodly number of the young people will receive further instruction, looking forward to baptism in the spring. Elder Oss spent the first part of the Week of Prayer at Belvidere. Evening meetings were held at the Prospect Valley school while there.

Some encouraging correspondence has been received at the office relative to the special effort being put forth to encourage every one to be faithful in his stewardship to God. The goal is 100% of the members being faithful in this respect.

Mrs. Gorden Oss was the first to report for finishing the Sabbath school Training Course. We trust all other reports will be sent in as soon as possible.

The following is what a sister wrote to our office: "I had no way of sending an offering, but I had four books entitled 'Our Changing World,' so I went out one afternoon and sold them. I am enclosing \$2.00 for offering." Possibly others could do the same thing and raise their offerings or even their church expense in that way. We have a special missionary package containing twenty crisis books which sells for \$1.20. These books can be sold for the regular price of 25 cents each, which leaves a nice margin for offerings or other expense.

### Thanksgiving Day at Plainview

THE stars were beginning to fade from the sky. It was the dawn of another day, and all hands on board the old ship Plainview were roused to busy activity. This was Thanksgiving Day, and there was much to do yet to have everything in readiness for the proper celebration of the day. Already many guests were on board. Every hour of the morning would and did bring others to share in the festal occasion.

Twenty-minute classes were held, because it is fitting always to remember that the primary activity of school is carried on in its classes. Then—ah, you should have seen how the officers and crew went to work! Floors, rails, stairs, halls—everything was swept or dusted and polished. In the ship's mess hall and kitchen especially the bustle and activity was at its height.

By noon there had poured into Plainview from all sides approximately 175 visitors. They had come from Watertown, the Black Hills, Sioux Falls, Bowdle, and Java; from east and west

and north and south. A group of musicians had come from Union College at Lincoln, Nebr.

And when the doors to the mess hall were thrown open and all the ship's company and guests assembled to partake of the bounties of the day, approximately 260 heads were bowed to thank our Heavenly Father for the blessings of the day and the year.

While they ate, there followed a varied program of thanksgiving, of toasts and readings, dialogues and songs, under the direction of the ship's chaplain, Elder C. M. Babcock. Special tribute was paid to him as one of the builders of the ship Plainview twenty-three years ago. Praise was given to the ship's captain (the school board), the pilot (Professor Hartman), and to the other officers and members of the crew. The ship's matron was considered worthy of special honor. Tribute was shown also to the fathers and mothers and other patrons who make possible the yearly voyages of this worthy old ship. Throughout the program much praise was given to the Heavenly Captain of the ship Plainview.

The ship's company expressed heartiest appreciation for the special musical features given by the male quartet from Union College. They wish also to congratulate and thank Mrs. Hartman and the Misses Egger, Huffman, and Simon for the success of the day's festivities.

### Kansas Conference

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### Ready to Help

As you enter upon your duties for the new year, surely it is your desire to serve your Master with your best; faithfully, efficiently, and conscientiously

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to fill your place in His cause; as a unit in His organization to work smoothly, noiselessly, and without friction among other related parts; to forget self with its sensitiveness and its selfish desires and strive for the Saviour's glory. If the conference can help you, or the secretaries assist you in this noble aim and desire, we trust that you will be free to write to us. The workers and officers of the conference are at your service, to help you make this one of the best years in the history of God's cause.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

### Announcement

ENTERPRISE ACADEMY will broadcast a program from Station KFBI, Abilene, Kans., Jan. 7, 1934, from 3:30 to 4:00 P. M., Central Standard Time. The station operates on a frequency of 1050 kilocycles. A note to the station stating you heard the program will be appreciated.

EVERETTE D. KIRK.

### Notice, Galena and Vicinity

WE will hold a union meeting and convention at Galena, Kans., beginning at 7:45 Friday night, January 12, and closing with a Sunday night meeting, January 14. The Sabbath meetings will be held at the Odd Fellows' hall. Meeting will be held Sunday as well, but all meetings other than on Sabbath will be held at the S. D. A. church. Members of all nearby churches are invited to attend all of these meetings. Bring your lunch and stay all day.

E. H. MEYERS.

### Kansas News Notes

ON Sabbath, December 23, Elder E. H. Meyers visited the churches at Manhattan and Junction City. On December 30 he was with the Topeka church.

Elder N. J. Aalborg reports the baptism of five persons at Chanute, Sabbath, December 23. A group of ten persons from the various churches in his district were ready for baptism, but weather conditions prevented some from being present at the service. These will be baptized at a later date.

Bison, Bazine, Great Bend, Shaffer, and Nekoma were recently visited by Elder A. H. Rulkoetter. He assisted with the church elections at a part of these places. Elder Rulkoetter reports that Elder Dirksen is getting hold of the work nicely and many of the members speak very appreciatively of his help.

Sister Ella Hill writes, "A short time ago Elder Meyers called on me, and in the course of the conversation told me it was up to me to do the Harvest In-

gathering in this small village of Barnard, so I bravely started out. This is my first attempt, but there is one thing I can do and that is to distribute literature. I have just about loaded up small towns with copies of *Present Truth*, No. 41.

Brother A. K. Phillips reports that a colporteur band has just been organized in Hutchinson with brother G. C. Swarzen as the leader.

We have just received another card from Mrs. C. J. Krieger stating that the Herington members have reached the \$10-per-member goal in Harvest Ingathering. Herington is the only church in Kansas to reach this goal thus far this year, and we understand they did it without any outside help. This is an example of loyalty to the work.

After Brother A. M. Ragsdale completed his Week of Prayer work he went to Rogersville, Mo., to assist Brother Marvin Oss with the church school teachers institute. He visited the church schools at Fort Scott and Chanute as he returned to Topeka.

Elder A. H. Rulkoetter recently visited our people in the vicinity of Hill City, Palco, and Wakeeney. He reports the organization of a new Sabbath school at Wakeeney.

Many of our people are beginning to realize that for only 25 cents they can have all the *Present Truth* numbers sent for a whole year to someone whom they may win to this message. Anyhow a good number of single subscriptions are coming into the office. All you have to do is to send the address and 25 cents; the Publishers send the paper direct for a year.

Brother M. H. Jensen reports the baptism of seven persons at Wakeeney as a result of the work of Brother J. H. Carpenter among his neighbors and the meetings Brother Jensen and Brother F. K. Parker, local elder of the Hill City church, have held there.

During the Week of Prayer Elder E. H. Meyers held meetings at the following places: Minneapolis, Glen Elder, Portis, Smith Center, Lebanon, Phillipsburg, and Logan. He also spent one day at Palco.

Brother A. K. Phillips is visiting colporteurs at Salina, Hutchinson, and Wichita.

Brother A. K. Phillips reports the organization of a colporteur band in Topeka with Sister A. H. Rulkoetter as leader. The members of the band meet once a week to exchange experiences. The conference workers' wives are all members of this band, and all have been out working. A number of the other sis-

ters in the Topeka churches are working as well. The entire city has been mapped out, and each colporteur has been given the responsibility of visiting every family in that district. Brother Phillips also writes that there is a good interest in the colporteur work at Enterprise among the students and others. Not all are waiting for vacation time to begin their work, but some plan to begin part-time work at once.

### Hausfreund

A REDUCTION in the club prices of the *Hausfreund* is to become effective January 1, 1934, as follows:

Five or more to one address, each, per year, \$1.00.

Five or more to separate addresses, each, per year, \$1.25.

Five or more to one address, six months, 60 cents each.

Five or more to separate addresses, six months, 75 cents each.

This is a splendid opportunity for our churches to use this paper as a missionary medium to reach neighbors, friends, or relatives with the third angel's message. Send your club subscriptions for this paper to the local Book and Bible House.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

### No. Dakota Conference

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### It Pays to Pay Tithe

A LETTER that came to the office one day last week from one of our isolated members, it seems to us, is worth while passing on. We quote in part his letter:

"The greatest thing that concerns me, and should every individual who professes this truth, is our own personal standing with the Lord. I am going to relate one of my own experiences of this year and also last. Both years I worked on the — building houses. Last year so many difficulties came up and I did not feel that I had made as much as I should have, so I felt that I could not afford to pay tithe, which I did not do either; but I lost a blessing by not doing that, and I have always felt the conviction in my own conscience that I robbed God. So at the beginning of 1933, I pleaded with my God for forgiveness for this terrible sin. I also made a vow that if the Lord would bless me this year, I would give Him one-fifth instead of one-tenth of my net earnings. It is wonderful how He has blessed me by doing

this. It is not the earthly gain I rejoice over so much, but it is that blessed peace I have in my own heart of being honest with God."

It may be possible that many of our people may have had an experience similar to the one referred to above, and if so, you will know how to regain that peace and joy that can come only to those who are honest with God.

S. E. ORTNER.

### North Dakota Notes

ELDER E. H. OSWALD failed to meet all his Week of Prayer appointments because of a bad cold which he contracted when the Week of Prayer was only about half over. He was confined to his home for several days.

Dr. Arthur Reiswig was a pleasant caller at the office one day last week, and he brought us the encouraging information that he plans to settle and set up practice in North Dakota. He hopes to go to the extreme southeastern part of the state for the present, at Fairmount, but hopes to become more centrally located a little later on. We welcome Doc- tor Reiswig to North Dakota.

We are very sorry to report that Brother C. C. Heinrich, the missionary secretary of the Gackle church, spent all of last week in the Jamestown hospital getting his hands treated, which were badly frostbitten. Brother Heinrich's car stalled on his way to town, and in trying to get it to go, his hands became so cold that he could not go to town, but had to return home, and by the time he arrived home, his hands had suffered severe injury. We are hoping that he can be home again by the time this information reaches the field.

Brother John Carlson, one of the members of the Jamestown English church, is in the Jamestown hospital, and will probably have to undergo a severe operation before long. He is doing nicely so far, and it is hoped that he may be greatly benefited by an operation.

Missionary Volunteer points for the month of November: Bowdon, 2,548; Harvey, 2,426; McClusky, 2,324; New Home, 2,235; Jamestown, 1,530; Fargo, 1,041; Grand Forks, 811; Dickinson, 725; Manfred, 669; Butte Country, 412; Cooperstown, 539; Bismarck, 316; Burt, 295; Gackle, 186; Kulm, 169; Napoleon, 118; Medina Village, 82; Streeter, 62.

The 1934 Reading Course books are all out, and they are in stock at the Book and Bible House. The senior set sells for \$3.75; the junior set for \$2.75, and the primary set for \$1.25. For added information, write to the Book and Bible House.

Splendid reports are coming in from the colporteurs who have done exceptionally well during the month of December. The Book and Bible House just recently received a shipment of books weighing over 500 pounds, which speaks well for the success of the colporteur work in North Dakota this fall. We can use several more folks who know how to sell books, or are willing to learn. If interested, write to C. A. Edwards at the office.

### Missouri Conference

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### Missouri News Notes

ELDER THOMPSON left the office Monday for St. Louis for counsel upon important matter pertaining to church activities.

Elder Metzger reports that St. Joseph has reached the church Harvest Ingathering goal. They are still working. He writes, "Hard work, but we like it."

The sad news has reached the office of the death of brother M. S. Cantrell. Elder Melvin Oss went to Dadeville in company with brother and sister E. M. Starks for the funeral services. Our tenderest sympathy is extended to sister Cantrell and family in this great bereavement.

Our Sabbath schools should remember their Investment proceeds for 1933 which should be sent with the fourth quarter's remittance. Then early in the first quarter of 1934, definite plans should be laid for our investments the coming year.

Did you read the article under the heading "In Retrospect and in Prospect?" If you did not, you missed something worth while, for it is a mixture of information and inspiration set in spiritual appeal. If you missed it, the reason may be you did not have the *Sabbath School Worker*. This article appears in the February, 1934, *Worker*. We suggest if you do not have the *Worker* that you subscribe at once, and have it begin with the February number.

### Iowa Conference

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### "For He Will Finish the Work"

"FOR he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness, because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth." Rom. 9:28. It is God, not man,

that has charge of the finishing of the work in the earth. He is to cut it short in righteousness, and truly God has set His hand for the finishing of His work.

Some weeks ago I wrote to many church elders telling them Iowa was having the largest colporteur sales in six years. I found this to be an error. In going over my records very carefully this is what I found: The year 1933 is the largest year we have had since 1924. We, with the Psalmist, can say, "Praise the Lord for his wonderful works to the children of men." We thank God for the loyal and consecrated colporteurs who have made this report possible, and as you read these lines, there are about twenty-five ministers of the printed page assembled at Nevada, at Oak Park Academy, to receive instruction, and are studying hard to learn ways and means of better cooperating with God in the finishing of His work. This report should prove to every reader that God's work is soon to be finished. God will finish the work with us if we will let him, and without us, if we fail to do His bidding.

How sad when we think of the ten virgins, all professed Christians, looking for His coming, but only five had the oil of righteousness in their lamps. The others cried, "Lord, Lord, open unto us," but the door was shut. Their words were in vain. O, church of the living God, awake, 'tis the last hour! yes, the last moments of earth's history. Let your lamp be filled with the oil of righteousness, trimmed and burning.

If you cannot go out in this line of God's service, pray. Pray for those that are carrying the blood-stained banner of Prince Emmanuel from place to place and from door to door. L. P. KNECHT.

### Teacher's Training Course

WE trust that all Sabbath school teachers in the Iowa Conference will take the Sabbath School Teacher's Training Course for 1934. The lessons will be on how to handle the children's department, and they will be very interesting. I would just like to quote from two letters received from Davenport as to the 1933 Training Course. Mrs. Stemple White writes as follows:

"I feel that I could not afford to carry the responsibility of an officer or teacher in our Sabbath schools without keeping up with the Training Course work."

Miss Edgerton writes: "I am glad to be able to say that I have completed the Sabbath School Teacher's Training Course for 1933. I cannot say enough for the Training Course and wish that more of our Sabbath school teachers and officers would take advantage of it. I plan

to take the course again in 1934 and I will use my influence to get others to take it."

The book for the 1934 course is now ready. It is, "The Christ, the Church, and the Child," and comes at 85 cents. Order your book now.

B. A. SCHERR.

W. A. McKibben spent the last three days of the week of prayer with the churches at Denison and Carroll. At Denison only three members are left, the others having moved away or are out of the city for the winter. As it was not convenient to hold a meeting there, the time was spent in visiting. At Carroll meetings were held on Friday afternoon and Sabbath, with a full attendance of the members, and church officers were elected for the coming year. A spirit of harmony prevailed and the members were of good courage in the Lord.

### Minnesota Conference

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### The New Year

ANOTHER page in the year book of Minnesota history has been closed for eternity. The year 1933 with its opportunities has passed by. The year 1934 is before us. As we look forward into the future our hearts are filled with a desire to see more souls saved and a greater work accomplished. Surely the sun of opportunity is setting and the hour of darkness is approaching. What we do towards gathering in our children, our friends, our neighbors, must be done quickly.

The year 1934 is bright with the promises of God. Whatever our perplexities may be, our victories will be greater. We are in the time of the latter rain, and the outpouring of the Spirit will bring into our churches the saving power of God. The promises belong to us. Faith claims the victory.

As we think of 1934, we think of our needy churches and our unworked cities of Minnesota. Prayer must be our stronghold; evangelism must be our watchword.

Our immediate program for 1934 is as follows: on January 18 will convene our colporteur evangelists. Minnesota, under the leadership of Brother Jackson, has made a splendid record during 1933. We are planning for greater things in 1934. The colporteurs are the advance guard in the army of the Lord. You, too, may have heard the call to service. If so,

answer, "Here am I, send me" and join the ranks of our faithful bookmen.

Then in the early part of February we plan for a workers' and elders' meeting. The keynote of this gathering will be evangelism. Plans will be made for our spring-time efforts. If there is a definite interest in your vicinity that gives promise of a successful meeting, we shall be glad to hear from you in regard to it.

Several of our ministers are already in the midst of a series of meetings. During the month of February we hope to have every laborer in a successful meeting. We trust also that many of our laymen may enter into an evangelistic effort.

Then we trust that every church will launch into a literature effort such as you have never had in the past. The *Present Truth* is a mighty preacher of the third angel's message. In its new and attractive form and its exceptionally low price, it is a wonderful paper. To prepare the way for an evangelistic effort,

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### Wyoming Mission

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### Casting Away Our Confidence

TO CAST away our confidence in a time when the fruition of our hopes will soon be realized seems suicidal and a certain loss of the "great recompense of reward, for yet a little while and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry." Heb. 10:35, 37.

The dangers of this tarrying time are identified with sufficient clearness that we need not be of those who waver in their confidence. We are told, "Satan is now using every device in this sealing time to keep the minds of God's people from the present truth, and to cause them to waver. I saw a covering that God was drawing over His people to protect them in the time of trouble; and every soul that was decided on the truth, and was pure in heart, was to be covered with the covering of the Almighty.

"Satan knew this, and he was at work in mighty power to keep the minds of as many people as he possibly could wavering and unsettled on the truth. . . .

"I saw that Satan was at work in these ways to distract, deceive and draw away God's people, just now in the sealing time. I saw some who were not standing stiffly for present truth. Their knees were trembling, and their feet sliding,

because they were not firmly planted on the truth, and the covering of Almighty God could not be drawn over them while they were thus trembling.

"Satan was trying his every art to hold them where they were, until the sealing was past, until the covering was drawn over God's people, and they left without a shelter from the burning wrath of God, in the seven last plagues. . . .

"I saw that the mysterious signs and wonders and false reformations would increase and spread. The reformations that were shown me, were not reformations from error to truth. My accompanying angel bade me look for the travail of soul for sinners as used to be. I looked, but could not see it; for the time of their salvation is past."—E. W., pp. 43-44.

Instead of travail of soul, the many reformations (?) crying for consideration are majoring in criticism, caviling and censure; thus their source is easily discerned by the true child of God.

What promises are ours if we only trust Him! "As the Elder Brother of our race, He knows the necessities of those who, compassed with infirmity and living in a world of sin and temptation, still desire to serve Him. He knows that the messengers whom He sees fit to send are weak, erring men; but to all who give themselves wholly to His service He promises divine aid. His own example is an assurance that earnest, persevering supplication to God in faith—faith that leads to entire dependence upon God, and unreserved consecration to His work—will avail to bring to men the Holy Spirit's aid in the battle against sin.

"Every worker who follows the example of Christ will be prepared to receive and use the power that God has promised to His church for the ripening of earth's harvest."—G. W., p. 511.

The servant of the Lord, while riding on the train en route from Lynn, Mass., December, 1890, just forty-three years ago, drew the following graphic pen picture of the present time: "In the proclamation of the messages, every specification of prophecy has been fulfilled.

"Those who were privileged to act a part in proclaiming these messages have gained an experience which is of the highest value to them; and now when we are amid the perils of these last days, when voices will be heard on every side saying, 'Here is Christ,' 'Here is Truth'; while the burden of many is to unsettle the foundation of our faith which has led us from the churches and from the world to stand as a peculiar people in the world, like John our testimony will be borne: 'That which was from the be-

ginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled of the words of life, . . . that which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us. . . . "We have seen and do testify that the power of the Holy Ghost has accompanied the presentation of the truth, warning with pen and voice, and giving the messages in their order. To deny this work would be to deny the Holy Ghost, and would place us in the company who have departed from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits.

"The enemy will set everything in operation to uproot the confidence of the believers in the pillars of our faith in the messages of the past, which have placed us upon the elevated platform of eternal truth, and which has established and given character to the work. The Lord God of Israel has led out His people, unfolding to them truth of heavenly origin. His voice has been heard, and is still heard, saying, 'Go forward from strength to strength, from grace to grace, from glory to glory.' The work is strengthening and broadening, for the Lord God of Israel is the defense of His people.

"Those who have a hold of the truth theoretically, with their finger tips as it were, who have not brought its principles into the inner sanctuary of the soul, but have kept the vital truth in the outer court, will see nothing sacred in the past history of this people which has made them what they are, and has established them as earnest, determined missionary workers in the world.

"The truth for this time is precious, but those whose hearts have not been broken by falling on the Rock Christ Jesus, will not see and understand what is truth. They will accept that which pleases their ideas, and will begin to manufacture another foundation than that which is laid. They will flatter their own vanity and esteem, thinking that they are capable of removing the pillars of our faith, and replacing them with pillars they have devised.

"This will continue to be as long as time shall last. Anyone who has been a close student of the Bible will see and understand the solemn position of those who are living in the closing scenes of this earth's history. They will see their own inefficiency and weakness, and will make it their first business to have not merely a form of godliness, but a vital connection with God. They will not dare

to rest till Christ is formed within, the Hope of glory. Self will die; pride will be expelled from the soul, and they will have the meekness and gentleness of Christ."—*MS. 106, 1898.*

Let us not, then, cast away our confidence in the messages that inspire confidence that He will have a care for their progress till the end.

How apparent it is that the remedy for our condition, however faulty it may be, is not tampering with the pillars of our faith, but rather that we may heed the counsel of the true witness, and receive the gold of character and the garments of His righteousness by great searchings of heart and a complete surrender of self.

C. A. PURDOM.

## Obituaries

**THOMPSON.**—Rachel S. Thompson, nee Harding, was born in Allen, Mich., July 8, 1850, and died Nov. 8, 1933, at Takoma Park, Md.

The day of her death marked the fifty-seventh anniversary of her marriage to Cassius M. Thompson, who preceded her in death thirty years. To this union were born four children. The eldest, Dr. Maude Thompson Miller, laid down her life in interior China in 1905 while pioneering the cause of medical missions in the early days of our work in that country. Her grave marks the site of our largest native church in China, which was a treasured memory in the heart of the mother who never wavered in the sacrifice she had made for foreign missions. The second daughter, Vera, now Mrs. H. A. Morrison, in whose home Mrs. Thompson resided during the past eleven years, tenderly cared for her during her declining days. A son, Carl, now resides in St. Louis, Mo., while the fourth child, a babe, died in infancy.

Mrs. Thompson was converted in early youth, and in 1890 accepted the faith of Seventh-day Adventists as a result of reading to inform herself in order to combat the argument of her husband's relatives who were Adventists. She resided in College View, Nebr., from 1903 to 1922, during which time she was actively engaged in the work of the church as a teacher in Sabbath school and leader in mothers' meetings. In 1922 she came to Takoma Park with her son-in-law and daughter. Her keenness as a Bible student again brought her into active church and Sabbath school work. She always looked forward with joy in anticipation of the fulfillment of the promises made to the true followers of the Lord. Her stable character, her enduring faith and loyalty always made its deep impressions upon those privileged to know her.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, assisted by Elder W. P. Elliott and Elder H. L. Shoup. The daughter accompanied the remains to Quincy, Mich., where Elder Fred Jensen conducted another service, and where interment was made by the side of her husband.

B. G. WILKINSON.

**THOMPSON.**—Ruby Selma Thompson, nee Davis, was born near Kincaid, Kans., Feb. 11, 1891, and died in the White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 1, 1933. Early in life she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in Kincaid. She attended the Strode Academy in Oswego, later completing the business course in Kansas City. She worked as stenographer in the Kansas Conference for some time; later she went to Washington, D. C., where she worked in that capacity in the General Conference office, at the same time attending our denominational college there.

In 1914 she was united in marriage to Ralph J. Thompson, who was then taking preparatory work to enter upon the study of medicine. In 1918 the couple came to Loma Linda, where her husband entered upon his medical course, while Ruby worked as secretary for Dr. Percy Magan to assist in their expenses. In this position she remained until 1923, when she, with her husband, went to San Pedro, where he had taken up the practice of his chosen work. While there a little son came to bless their home, Ralph Jr., who will be six years old January 27, 1934.

In 1928 Dr. Thompson became superintendent of the White Memorial Hospital. A lingering illness beset Mrs. Thompson's way; the last few months it became acute. The malady was beyond the aid of human skill, and divine power was sought for her healing. While the Lord saw fit in His wisdom to withhold the physical healing, He poured out a great healing to her soul and in peace and trust she lay down the pain and cares of this life to await the call of the Life-giver.

Sadly we lay her to rest in the bosom of the friendly earth in Forest Lawn Park, Los Angeles, Calif., a spot of her choosing.

She leaves to mourn, her husband, one son, an aged father, one brother, and four sisters. **MRS. WM. HAUGHEY.**

**ALLEY.**—Sarah Jane Alley, nee Nicholson, was born in Nebraska City, Nebr., Aug. 27, 1867, and died in Spokane, Wash., Dec. 7, 1933. In 1894 she was united in marriage to Albert P. Alley in Lincoln, Nebr. To this union was born one child, Dr. Myrtle Alley Rice.

For many years Mrs. Alley has made her home with her daughter. In 1930 she came to Spokane, where Elder Rice had been called to act as president of the Upper Columbia Conference.

When Sister Alley was sixteen years of age she accepted the Adventist faith and ever remained a faithful, consistent member.

Sister Alley was a woman of deep Christian experience. She was greatly beloved by all who knew her. She was quiet and retiring, preferring only a humble place in the church.

She leaves to mourn, her daughter, Dr. Myrtle Rice, her son-in-law, Elder M. L. Rice, two sisters, and one brother.

R. A. SMITHWICK.

**CRAIG.**—Mrs. Nettie M. Craig, nee Cossentine, was born in Wisconsin, April 5, 1869, and died at her home in Green Valley Township near Park Rapids, Minn., November 22, 1933. When a child, she with her father's family moved

to Minnesota and located at Beaver Falls. She was married to L. V. Craig, October 2, 1887 at Eagle Bend, Minn. In 1895 she heard and accepted present truth. In 1911 they moved to their present home.

To this union were born four children; three sons and one daughter. She is survived by her husband, one daughter, two sons, and eleven grandchildren.

A. J. HAYSMER.

BOYCE.—Fred Boyce suddenly passed away December 6, 1933, at his home in Dodge Center, Minn., at the age of 73 years. Two wives preceded him in death, and two children. Surviving are his third wife, three children by his former marriages, one brother, and one sister.

The funeral was held by the writer, at Dodge Center, in the Seventh-day Baptist church, December 8. The interment was at Tumbro Falls, Minn. He joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in the year 1895, to which he continued to adhere till death.

O. W. WOLFE.

EAGLE.—Mrs. Ida Mae Crowder Eagle, born in the state of Tennessee, Dec. 6, 1901, died Nov. 19, 1933, in Denver, Colo. She had just a few months before her death been baptized and joined the North Denver church. Everyone who knew her regarded her as a model Christian. She is survived by her husband, Robert Eagle, two brothers, and three sisters.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.

EDEN.—John Tiarts Eden was born in Germany, Nov. 6, 1844. In 1873 he came to the United States, and in 1899 he accepted the third angel's message, and did colporteur work in Oteo Co., and elsewhere. He died at Kimball, Nebr., funeral services being held December 10 with the writer officiating.

A. E. JOHNSON.

RAY.—G. E. Ray was born May 12, 1868, in Charles City, Wis., and died Dec. 19 at his home in Omaha. To mourn their loss he leaves his wife, two sons, one daughter, and two sisters. After the services by the writer, the remains were laid to rest in the Forest Lawn cemetery.

T. M. LANGBERG.

RINGERING.—Darold Duane Ringering, born Aug. 17, 1933, fell asleep in Jesus Dec. 21, 1933. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Ringering, of Brainerd, Minn.

The funeral services were conducted from the Seventh-day Adventist church on Decembr 23, 1933, by the writer.

F. J. HARBACK.

KINGREY.—Wesley France Kingrey was born in 1864 in Albia, Iowa. In 1904 he married Jenny Olsen, and to this union one child was born, a son, Samuel Wesley, now living in Pueblo, Colo.

He is survived by his wife, son, three brothers, and three sisters.

ALGER H. JOHNS.

WILSON.—Mathew Smith Wilson was born at Green Lake, Wisconsin, June 18, 1860, and died near Pomroy, Minnesota, November 8, 1933. Brother Wilson accepted the present truth about one year ago. He was married to Mrs. Ena Hanson November 9, 1932. He leaves to mourn, his wife, one son, one daughter, one adopted daughter, eight grandchildren and two step-children.

Services were conducted in the funeral home at Mora and we laid him to rest in the cemetery at Brook Park, Minn.

A. J. HAYSMER.

KLOSS.—Minnie Kloss was born Aug. 28, 1858, in Germany, and died in Pomona, Calif., Dec. 3, 1933. She accepted present truth early in life and was faithful to death. The major portion of her life was spent in Mankato, Minn. She leaves two daughters and one son.

R. W. PARMELE.

OJALA.—Earle Emery Ojala was born Oct. 11, 1933, in Pueblo, Colo., and died Dec. 19, 1933. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Ojala, of Pueblo, Colo.

ALGER H. JOHNS.

HALLOCK.—Jasper J. Hallock, born in the State of Iowa, Oct. 12, 1861, died at his home in Denver, Colo., Dec. 7, 1933. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, two sons, and a host of relatives and friends.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR  
WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 23, 1933

	Book	Hrs.	Sales
<b>*MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, Secretary</b>			
B. O. Engen	HW	101	51.95
H. A. Hanson	HW	77	64.50
Phillip Mishler	HW	53	17.80
Karl Evenson	BR	88	69.50
Dorothy Boyko	RJ	69	44.30
Grace Shumway	RJ	70	34.10
Francis Crofoot	HW	52	26.50
Ada Schornstein	RJ	16	14.00
Nina Magnuson	BR	25	39.25
G. H. Boehrig	HW	50	17.75
Edna Schaefer	BR	6	12.50
Mrs. M. Ludvigsoh	RJ	6	2.50
Nevada Brickey	PS		12.00
Mrs. F. Pomeroy	RJ		
Florence Ritter	RJ	32	7.75
Mrs. L. M. Peterson	Mic		39.75
Mrs. V. Boehrig	Mag	74	28.00
Clare G. Rust	Mag	78	39.60
E. Dufstrom	Mag	59	15.60
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag	72	16.40
Patricia Liers	Mag	22	27.70
Mrs. Ida Johnson	Mag	16	3.70
Grace Rude	Mag	4	2.60
<b>Total</b>		<b>426</b>	<b>577.75</b>

<b>IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Secretary</b>			
J. W. Simmons	RJ	37	31.90
Raymond Hircocock	RJ	35	29.25
Robert Garber	GC	31	23.00
H. G. Biggers	Misc	40	22.25
Florence Maurath	RJ	32	19.75
Elva G. Wilcox	FS	32	17.35
Mrs. M. H. Meeker	FS	35	17.25
Nathan Coffin	RJ	15	9.00
Rita Coffin	FS	11	8.65
Mrs. J. W. Simmons	FS	4	6.75
Oliver Priddy	RJ	30	7.00
L. P. Knecht	OT		22.50
Anna Kromer	Misc	15	6.45

Ida Edgerton	FS	1	
W. R. Archbold	FS	20	
<b>Total</b>		<b>338</b>	<b>221.10</b>

<b>*KANSAS: A. K. Phillips, Secretary</b>			
Mrs. J. W. Gardner	Mag	29	17.60
A. O. Kramer	OD	46	39.95
J. D. Springer	DR	93	11.75
R. L. Steele	BR	127	37.25
J. T. North	GC	28	
G. C. Warden	OT	6	2.50
Mrs. A. H. Rulkoetter	HW	5	14.50
Mrs. T. C. Nethery	HW	3	1.15
Mrs. E. H. Meyers	HW	2	2.00
Mrs. A. M. Ragsdale	HW	1	2.00
Mrs. P. A. Suffcool	HW	3	2.50
Mrs. A. F. Purcell	HW	5	5.00
Mrs. Gladys Vigo	HW	7	3.15
Helen Boyd	HW	35	6.30
Mrs. Faye Eagle	HW	5	7.50
Mrs. Pearl Butler	HW	11	2.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>406</b>	<b>199.90</b>

<b>WYOMING MISSION:</b>			
R. E. Williams	HW	125	68.30
Sam Guy	Misc	103	30.55
Miscellaneous	Misc	35	24.25
Magazine Worker	Mag	62	11.10
<b>Total</b>		<b>325</b>	<b>134.20</b>

<b>MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Sec.</b>			
E. C. Aaby	OD	24	9.25
W. A. Burton	BR	41	16.00
Henry C. Harlow	MH	4	4.00
Sallie Holmes	RJ	30	11.00
Alex. Kohltfarber	OD	40	17.00
Floyd Mathews	BR	45	40.50
Mrs. A. Snyder	RJ	33	22.00
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag	30	14.30
<b>Total</b>		<b>247</b>	<b>134.05</b>

<b>NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.</b>			
Claude Deming	DR	47	9.00
Flora Peterson	RJ	24	3.75
Arthur Wheeler	RJ	64	23.50
Alverda Ferrell	RJ	12	9.00
Beatrice Komoll	HP	42	53.50
F. M. Bagley	BR	22	18.00
S. A. Jacoshenk	RJ	2	
Robert Piper	OD	2	
A Colporteur	Misc	1	
Otto Kenigsfeld	Mag	6	2.50
Uriah Fandrich	RJ	20	2.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>242</b>	<b>121.25</b>

<b>SOUTH DAKOTA: M. A. Wyman, Sec.</b>			
Lucille Redmon		9	4.00
Olive L. Redmon		30	16.30
M. A. Wyman		18	19.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>57</b>	<b>39.80</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>2041</b>	<b>1428.05</b>

\*More than one week

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### Sunset Calendar

For Friday, January 5, 1934

Denver, Colorado	4:49
Des Moines, Iowa	4:58
Topeka, Kansas	5:15
St. Paul, Minnesota	4:46
Jefferson City, Missouri	5:01
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:13
Bismarck, North Dakota	5:08
Pierre, South Dakota	5:19
Casper, Wyoming	4:41

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ONE of the most effective preachers in our literature ministry is the *Present Truth*. A veritable host of people have been won through its systematic presentation of the message of God for the world to-day. It enters the mansion and and cottage; it appeals to the cultured and the uncultured, and it turns hearts to Christ for the only peace there is in this strife-torn world. It even enters the prison doors to proclaim a message of liberty to those bound in soul as well as body. The General Conference Home Missionary Department heartily endorses *Present Truth* as a most fruitful soul-winning literature minister.

### Union College News Notes

The German Club was organized December 19 with Louis Pettis, president; Aaron Oswald, vice-president; Florence Longwell, secretary; Mrs. Frank Yost, assistant secretary; Arthur Bietz, chorister; and Thelma Tiede, reporter. Members spent the time singing some old Deutsche Lieder. As special numbers Pearl Fairchild sang "Still wie die Nacht," and Arthur Bietz sang "Die Grenadiere."

Another auction sale of articles donated during Sacrifice Week was held Saturday night in the gymnasium. Over \$7.00 was received at this second sale.

The Sunshine bands under the leadership of Louise Olsen and Mildred Shannon visited an isolated family and the State Orphanage Sabbath afternoon.

The *Clock Tower* is beginning a series of state issues in which are found notes

of the 1933-34 students from the particular state of the Central Union which is featured. The relationship of the state to Union College is also shown with respect to present workers and teachers who are former students of this institution.

The industries at the College have been enjoying an excellent volume of business during the first semester. The printshop has just been able to keep up with its orders even after taking on additional help; the broomshop, our newest industry, has kept consistently busy and has been forced to take on additional employees; the dairy had to buy more cows and expand in general; the laundry employs some twenty students. Because these industries help students to pay their expenses they are proving a profitable asset in the success of the school year.

President Andreasen has recently returned from Chicago, where he attended a meeting about school matters in consultation with General Conference officials and Lake Union board members. He reports a definite and official confirmation of the decision to reestablish the Department of German at Union College. This change will take place at the close of the current academic year.

The second semester at Union College will begin January 22, with registration for new students on January 22 and 23, and with the opportunity for entering courses in every department of the school.

Among the classes with possibilities of entrance are: Minor Prophets, Teachings of Jesus, Revelation, Zoology, Bacteriology, Biological Chemistry, Trigonometry, Methods in Mathematics, Salesmanship and Advertising, Business Finance, School Management and Teaching Process, General Psychology, Grammar Grade Methods, Grammar Grade Practice Teaching, and several upper division courses, American History Survey, American History—Roosevelt Era, 1900-1932, Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Europe, Current History, World Politics and Missions, Victorian Poetry, American Literature, Biblical Literature, Modern German Literature, German 4 and 4a, French 4, Spanish 4, Counterpoint, Harmony, Church Music and Choir Training, and private lessons in piano, voice, violin, and other musical instruments. Public School Drawing, Manual Arts. Various other classes in the different departments, including the speech department, will be available. More detailed information concerning credits and specific courses may be ob-

tained by writing to the registrar at Union College.

During the Christmas vacation at the college the arrangement of the social affairs has been in the hands of a committee of students and the deans in the respective homes. There have been programs of readings, songs, games, marches, and stunts, a progressive party given by the girls, a radio party given by the boys, and an evening of singing Christmas carols. Plans are being made for a banquet, a skating party, and further games in the gymnasium.

The social committee is composed of representatives from the village and from the two dormitories. The personnel is: Carlton Blackburn, Beatrice Ross, Genevieve McWilliams, Helen Meyer, Warren Swayze, Clyde Parker, Dean Pearl Rees, and Dean Guy Habenicht.

### Minnesota Department

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to win souls, to build up your church spiritually, plan immediately for a *Present Truth* campaign.

The Minnesotan, limited, is on its way for 1934. Let us all jump on board and go forward to the winning of souls.

V. J. JOHNS.

### Minnesota News Notes

ON Saturday evening, December 16, at 7:00 o'clock, Mr. Orrin T. Rogers and Miss Lillian E. Merten were married at the home of Elder Niermeyer, who performed the ceremony. Miss Merten has been one of our part-time colporteurs. We wish for them much happiness and joy.

On Sabbath, December 16, Elder Niermeyer baptized fourteen new members in the Minneapolis English church and took in one on profession of faith. On the same Sabbath he also organized a church of thirty-seven members on the north side of the city as a result of the meetings in the airdome last summer. There are others to be baptized later on who will also unite with this north side church.

Elders Nelson and Edwardson report good attendance at their hall meetings being held in Minneapolis, 1300 W. Franklin.

At the board meeting recently held at Maplewood Academy, we were glad to have with us Professor C. P. Crager, of the General Conference, and Professor C. W. Marsh, of the union. Much study was given to the financial problems in connection with the operating of the school.

The office force is quite busy these days keeping up their regular work and taking care of the holiday orders.