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Missions Extension Offering

THE plan for Missions Extension this year will be the same as was followed last year. Instead of making it a Big Week in the selling of small books, our people are asked to contribute two dollars per church member. While we did not reach our full goal last year, the response was gratifying. So the Fall Council again requested our people to make a donation Sabbath, April 21, for the Missions Extension work.

Primarily this fund is to be used in opening new work, either in the publishing, educational, or medical lines, where interests have developed; but for the last two years, since mission funds have been reduced, the Missions Extension funds have been used to maintain our present mission work.

There are twenty-five items in the three different departments to be benefited this year. It is hoped that our people will be liberal in their gifts, that our mission work may be kept operating in a strong way.

Those who wish to do so, and can spend time in selling small books or magazines to earn their Missions Extension offering, can order them through the missionary secretary; but it will be well to do so at an early date, so that they may reach you in good time.

Some of our people will be glad to join the conference and institutional workers in giving a day's wage for their offering. Will you not do so, and make your gift a thank offering for your Heavenly Father's goodness and protection to you?

As I am writing this on the train, traveling from one appointment to another, I have just passed a bad railroad wreck; six or eight great Pullman cars were pitched forty or fifty feet from the rails. To look at these cars, we wonder how anyone could live through such an experience.

In talking with an aged brother who recently had been knocked down and severely injured by an automobile, I remarked how thankful we were to God that he had come out of the experience as well as he had. With a twinkle in his eye he said, "Yes, but just think of the

many who cross the streets and do not get struck."

Be thankful and show it by your gift.

Why Some Cannot Do More for the Cause of God

THE more one does for his own comforts or selfish interests, the more one feels his need. The Samaritan could have reasoned that he needed his oil and wine for his journey, and his beast for himself to ride upon, and perhaps his excuses would have been as legitimate as were the reasonings of either the priest or the Levite.

"There are many who urge that they cannot do more for God's cause than they now do; but they do not give according to their ability. The Lord sometimes opens the eyes blinded by selfishness by simply reducing their income to the amount they are willing to give. Horses are found dead in the field or stable, houses or barns are destroyed by fire, or crops fail. In many cases God tests man with blessings, and if unfaithfulness is manifested in rendering to Him tithes and offerings, His blessing is withdrawn. 'He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly.' By the mercies of Christ and the riches of His goodness, and for the honor of truth and religion, we beseech you who are followers of Christ to dedicate yourselves and your property anew to God. In view of the love and compassion of Christ, which brought Him from the royal courts to suffer self-denial, humiliation, and death, let each ask himself the question, 'How much do I owe my Lord?' and then let your grateful offerings be in accordance with your appreciation of the great gift of Heaven in God's dear Son."—*"Testimonies,"* Vol. 4, p. 484.

J. F. PIPER.

"Count your blessings, name them one by one; . . . see what God hath done."

J. F. PIPER.

A Million Dimes for the Missions Extension Work

PERHAPS you have noticed statements appearing in the *Review and Herald* and also in your union paper, suggesting—"Save Your Dimes for the Mission Fields," or "A Million Dimes for Missions Extension," and have wondered what it was all about.

In giving study to best methods for obtaining a liberal offering for the Missions Extension work to be taken in all our churches on Sabbath, April 21, the General Conference decided to make use of a special device, known as the "Dime Saver." This is a cardboard folder, providing space for twenty dimes, or \$2.00, which is the individual goal for the Missions Extension offering. A sufficient quantity of these "Dime Savers" has been sent to the churches to provide one for every church member who is willing to cooperate with us in the good work.

Please bear in mind that this plan does not involve a public solicitation campaign. The Harvest Ingathering is our one solicitation effort, and any other solicitation would tend to affect the success of this campaign. But should there be any church members who desire to obtain the amount of their individual offering through the sale of literature, that is a very proper thing to do.

We sincerely trust that all our members will faithfully cooperate with us in making this special offering the largest in the history of the Missions Extension work, by filling the "Dime Saver" and handing it in to the church treasurer on April 21. Let us start a million dimes marching toward the mission fields!

E. F. HACKMAN.

ONE week has passed since you received the "Dime Saver" for Missions Extension. Five dimes this week will help six more projects.

Just a Few More Days

It is interesting to note the number of ministers of other denominations who are using the material from the *Signs* in their sermons. I think at least ten have been reported to me in our union this year. Recently one was taken to task by the officers in his conference for "preaching from the *Signs*." Who do you suppose is guilty of sending this man the paper which would cause him to commit this crime? The writer has now presented the *Signs* in 30 churches, and secured promise of around 1,400 subscriptions. Our people do appreciate the *Signs* as a missionary paper, and we appreciate this splendid response; but, brother, have you gotten your subscription into the church club so as to get the reduced rate? The season for the reduced rates ends April 14, so do not wait too long or you may be sorry.

S. T. SHADEL

Nebraska Conference

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Rural School Offering

SABBATH, April 14, is the day on which an offering is to be taken in all our churches for the rural school work. These rural schools are privately owned and operated, but furnish places for educational purposes to our young people who are not financially able to pay their way through our regular conference schools. These schools are doing a noble work, and since the last Fall Council closer fellowship between them and the General Conference has been brought about and a definite plan laid to take an offering once a year to assist them in their worthy efforts to give the young people in their communities a Christian education.

There are two reasons why we should give a liberal offering on the 14th of this month. First, because of the splendid work these schools are doing and the opportunities they offer of training our young people for various lines of activity in the Master's cause. The second reason is that this offering applies on our forty-cent-a-week quota to missions, and we need a liberal offering to bring up our percentage, as we are a long way from reaching the average of forty cents a member a week.

Let all cooperate and make this a real offering for our rural school work.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

Shelton Academy Notes

PROFESSOR C. P. CRAGER and Professor C. W. Marsh visited at the academy Wednesday, March 21.

Professor M. L. Andreasen spoke at the Sabbath services at the academy, March 24.

The spring Week of Prayer was conducted by Elder T. B. Westbrook and the writer, March 17 to 24. There was a remarkable spiritual revival among the young people. Every student in the school took part in the consecration services.

The academy has rented 75 acres of land, in addition to the 186 acres of the school farm. Sixty-five acres of this will be planted to corn, and ten to alfalfa, all under irrigation.

The senior class is composed of twenty-four members, the largest senior class in the history of the school.

Mr. Daniel Jensen, of Ft. Morgan, Colo., gave a vocal concert in the academy chapel Saturday night, March 24.

A musical recital will be given in the chapel by the Shelton Academy music department, Saturday night, April 7.

Regular radio broadcasts are given by the academy from KGFV every Sunday morning from 10:30 to 11:00 o'clock.

G. E. HUTCHES.

No. Dakota Conference

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Investment Program

WE ARE greatly interested in the progress of God's work in the earth. As we think of the many countries that have been entered and the many languages in which the third angel's message is being proclaimed, we can readily see that we are nearing the fulfillment of the words spoken by Jesus, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." God's people have been faithful in presenting of their means to the finishing of His work. Various plans have been inaugurated to support the progress of God's cause in the earth.

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The Sabbath School Investment program has been to this denomination a wonderful help. In the North Dakota Conference we have decided to have our Investment program Sabbath, April 14. Material has been sent to the superintendents and also to the isolated members. We appeal to you, brethren, to make this a real inspirational program. Endeavor to have everyone invest something. Those on the farm may invest some grain or stock, while those in the towns and cities have other things that they may invest, but let all participate and shoulder the burden together. The blessing comes to those who are willing to do God's will, and as we participate in the progress and the finishing of God's cause in the various fields of the earth, the blessing brought to the field by our support will rest upon the donor.

E. H. OSWALD.

Camp Meeting

AT OUR annual committee meeting plans were considered regarding the annual camp meeting. Our large pavilion was torn in the storm that blew over the camp last year. We have been waiting for the construction of the auditorium which was promised by the members of the Chamber of Commerce of Jamestown. These men have endeavored and have planned to accommodate us with a building, but have failed; consequently it was necessary for us to order a large pavilion. We have placed the order, and the tent will cost us in the neighborhood of \$1,300.

It was voted that the camp meeting be held at Jamestown, June 15 to 23. We have studied the matter with the authorities of the grounds, and they have assured us that we may have the use of the grounds and the buildings which we used last year. Plans are now being laid

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for the camp meeting to convene on the fair grounds and City Park at Jamestown.

This may be somewhat early to plan definitely to attend camp meeting, but unless we do plan early some may not be able to come. The camp meetings have proved a great blessing to our people, and we trust that a large number will avail themselves of the opportunity and be present. Remember the date, June 15 to 23.

E. H. OSWALD.

North Dakota Notes

REALIZING the need of a workers' meeting, careful plans were considered at the time of our annual committee meeting, and it was decided that, if possible, we conduct a workers' meeting the latter part of March. In harmony with the action, the workers were called to meet at Sheyenne River Academy March 27 to 29. As workers, we realize the need of such a meeting, and we are confident that the Lord will abundantly bless in the plans that were laid.

Elder E. H. Oswald spent a few days with his parents at Selby, S. Dak., and returned to Jamestown Sunday morning.

Brother R. R. Bietz and Elder G. P. Gaede have been holding a series of meetings for the young people of the Streeter church, and report a splendid interest there. Some twenty young people took a definite stand for the truth and are hoping to be baptized in the near future.

Elder G. F. Theiss reports good success from his meetings in Pettibone. Fifteen candidates are waiting baptism. He spent a few days in Jamestown with his family after the close of his effort, and visited the Sheyenne church over the week-end, March 24.

Brother C. A. Edwards, our field secretary, attended the colporteurs' institute at Union College last week. When this news item reaches the field, the colporteurs' institute at Harvey will be in session. We hope that a goodly number of students will find their places in the colporteur field this coming summer.

Have you ordered your subscription for the new magazine entitled *Health*, for the price of only \$1.00? This magazine is simply filled with helpful suggestions as to how to prepare meals in the most wholesome way, and how to give simple treatments for ordinary ailments. The editor-in-chief of this magazine is Dr. P. T. Magan, who is president of the Loma Linda Medical College. Single copies of this magazine may be bought for six cents a copy provided they are

bought in lots of 10 or more, and single copies for 15 cents.

Elder D. K. Olson sends us these encouraging words: "The Melting Pot program for missions has found hearty response in our Grand Forks church, especially from the new members that were added last fall. They gave six gold and diamond rings, and other small articles in silver and gold. One brother gave a gold watch. 'Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power.'"

So. Dakota Conference

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B. L. Schlotthauer, Secretary
Drawer 36 - Watertown

Plainview's Week of Prayer and Colporteur's Institute

PLAINVIEW ACADEMY was doubly blessed during the week of March 10 to 17 by holding jointly the Spring Week of Prayer and a colporteur's institute under the able leadership of Elder D. E. Collins and Brother M. A. Wyman.

A lively interest was shown in the colporteur work from the very first, and the intense activity of the leaders and of the faculty and students in promoting the Week of Prayer only increased and stimulated that interest. The regular attendance at the colporteur classes was about thirty, including the members of the Sioux Falls band and Mrs. Pearl Kellogg, of Madison, and Edward Jensen, of Watertown, who were all invited to be in attendance at all meetings of the week.

Altogether, twenty-four persons have signified their definite plans to engage or

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continue in colporteur work during the summer. The Sioux Falls band is being transferred to Madison to begin work there immediately. Professor R. C. Barger is planning, with the aid of his family from Lincoln, Nebr., to organize a very definite colporteur and evangelistic effort in the Black Hills district during the summer.

All of the colporteurs have expressed hearty appreciation of the blessings which they received during the week. The Sioux Falls band wishes to express sincere gratitude for the hospitality of the school and for the privilege of attending the services of the Week of Prayer.

The members of the faculty and most of the students put forth every effort to cooperate with Brothers Collins and Wyman in making the conversion and consecration of hearts the first business of the week. As a result, nearly every member of the school family and community has given his heart to God and has definitely expressed his determination to give himself to the Master's service.

The school has been greatly strengthened as a result of the blessings of the week.

La Plant Effort

WE HAVE moved from Dupree to La Plant, and are nicely settled now, and have had several meetings. Brother McKinley is here helping us for a few days. Some have already said they would keep the Sabbath. The interest is very good, and so is the attendance. We are looking for others to take their stand.

We are still working on our church over at Dupree, and are looking forward to the time when it will be completed. We hope to have it ready for dedication sometime before camp meeting.

We desire the prayers of all God's people for the work in this part of the country.

J. A. ESTEY.

South Dakota Sunbeams

THE date for the junior camp in the Black Hills is July 19 to 26, inclusive. The Presbyterian camp has been arranged for, and is located 25 miles west of Rapid City. All the juniors are cordially invited to make preparations to be at the camp.

Do not forget the senior Youth's Conference at Union College, Lincoln, Nebr., May 29 to June 2. All the senior youth are invited to attend.

Miss Hopkins enjoyed meeting with the Leola Sabbath school in convention last week, and plans to assist in a similar convention in Mobridge over the 7th.

Please remember the date, April 14, chosen for the Investment program, and do all you can to make this a 100% Investment day. The mission fields need your help, and you need the inspiration that comes through having a definite plan to work in partnership with the Lord.

Orders are still coming in for the *Signs*. Remember, the special price will be discontinued April 14. Any individual or church desiring to take advantage of this special price should be sure to send the order in before that date. After that, the regular club prices go into effect again.

Wyoming Mission

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Wyoming Notes

THE Sabbath school and young people's convention held in Worland March 10 was a success from every point of view. When Sabbath school opened at 10:00 o'clock already the church seats were full and some persons were standing. The favor of the weather made it possible for every Sabbath school in the Big Horn Basin to be represented except the one at Clark. We hope that another year may bring opportunity for us all to join again in such an inspiring meeting and that in the meantime we may all be together again with believers from the whole state for the camp meeting at Casper, June 13 to 17.

Sunday morning, March 11, a group of believers and freinds gathered about the banks of the plunge near Thermopolis to witness the baptism of four souls who have professed their acceptance of Jesus. Elder Purdom officiated in this service, which was the climax of the series of meetings recently held in Thermopolis. Besides those who were baptized as a result of the effort held, there are six others now keeping the Sabbath, who plan to join the church when more complete study has been made.

L. W. WELCH.

Colorado Conference

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Attention, Colorado Young People!

You must have heard about it, because it is being talked all over the state, —I refer to the great Central Union Youth's Conference, Lincoln, Nebr., May 29 to June 2, 1934.

What is it? What will it be like? There will be four never-to-be-forgotten days of fellowship with hundreds of other youth from every part of our great Central Union with seasoned, sympathetic leaders, who, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, will make every minute of the conference, both in meeting and out, immeasurably valuable. There will be inspirational singing and orchestral music, worship services that will deepen the convictions and the con-

secration, addresses and conference discussions that will clarify our visions, some preaching, but lots of informal round table discussions of the problems facing our youth today, interesting question hours, and time for private conferences with the foremost youth leaders of our denomination.

Names of delegates are beginning to pour in to this office and the indications are that we are going to have a large, enthusiastic delegation. Time is short. Decide today to go! Send me your name and address, and I will send you a reservation card, as reservations must be

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made in advance to secure the exceptionally low prices for board and room in Union College. Address your letter with your application for reservations or request for further information to G. M. Mathews, 1081 Marion Street, Denver, Colorado.

And please remember that every senior young person in Colorado is not only invited, but urged to come.

G. M. MATHEWS.

Evangelism at Ft. Lupton

EARLY in 1933 a group of Ft. Lupton church leaders began a series of Sunday night meetings in the country near Ft. Lupton. These soon developed Bible studies and literature work in the homes, which continued until December, when the local elder, feeling that the time was ripe for an evangelistic effort, sent an "S. O. S." to Elder Nethery, and Elder G. M. Mathews was asked to lead out. The forces were set to work, and on February 25 a series of Bible lectures was begun.

The meetings were well advertised, and continued with good attendance and increasing interest for two weeks. A good representation of substantial business men and their families was an appreciable factor in the success of these meetings. The series closed March 11. Three persons definitely took their stand on the Sabbath and several others are earnestly seeking more light. A baptismal class is being organized by the local elder. The work is being reorganized for a larger, more intensified campaign to culminate in a binding off series next fall.

G. W. NORTHROP.

A Good Report

A REPORT for the first quarter by the missionary secretary of the Pueblo church indicates progress in every phase of missionary endeavor. Bible readings have increased from 17 a month to 60; missionary visits have increased from 20 to 107. Most of the items on the report have doubled each month for the quarter, and others have increased as much as five times. As a result of this personal work, a much larger attendance is noted in both the Sabbath school and church services.

One of the largest working bands of the church is the visiting band. Each week this band meets and checks over all the absent members and also those interested in the church, and divides the list among the members to visit during the following week.

The real test of church membership is the willingness to assist in Christian help work, and when a complete church enters in this work, the spirit of the Lord is surely with them.

ALGER H. JOHNS.

The "Ministry"

WE DESIRE to call the attention of our church officers and "lay preachers" in general, to the benefits of the *Ministry*, the magazine which is published for the special benefit of those who are called upon to preach the Word. It is a monthly magazine, prepared under the guidance of the General Conference, and contains much valuable material to help in the preparation of sermons and studies. It brings you the counsels of experienced leaders, gives pointers on evangelistic methods, deals with better ways of discharging ministerial responsibilities, cautions against dangers and pitfalls, and helps in the study of God's Word. Its various departments each month supply the need that exists among all our various church officers, and gives helpful instruction relating to your particular problems.

The value of the *Ministry* is so well recognized that the General Conference at the last Autumn Council took a formal action recommending that a special effort be made by all conferences and institutions to see that the *Ministry* is placed in the hands of every worker, and to encourage all ministerial students, lay evangelists, and church officers to subscribe for the *Ministry*.

The price of the *Ministry* is only \$1.00 a year. Surely the help that can be secured from it will be worth many times that small amount. Hand your subscrip-

tion and your dollar to the church missionary secretary, or send it direct to:
THE COLORADO BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE,
1081 Marion St., Denver, Colo.

Iowa Conference

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Local Camp Meeting

AFTER taking a census of a number of the churches in the conference, our committee voted to hold four local camp meetings instead of the usual one at Nevada. The first one will be held, if possible, at Mason City, June 14 to 17. The next one will be at Sioux City, June 21 to 24. In August there will be one held in Des Moines, and also one at Davenport. The plan is to have these four sectional camp meetings in order that more of our people can attend without traveling so far. We trust that our people in the vicinity of each section will plan to attend during the entire period. Further particulars will be given regarding room and board before the date of the meeting.

Investment

THE first Sabbath school to send in Investment slips for 1934 to the office was the Grinnell Sabbath school. They made a very pretty chart and have sent us a sample of it. We are pleased to get this and to note how the Sabbath school is taking hold of this big plan. The Investment slips show many items invested. Let us hear from the rest of the schools as soon as the slips are in.

B. A. SCHERR.

Increased Efficiency

BROADCASTING station KSOO has completed its removal to its new transmitting home. The efficiency, we are told, is increased by nearly 300 per cent. Week by week the fundamental doctrines are presented in a progressive series in the theme, "Christ." Questions are answered. The subject of "The Half Hour with the Bible" Sunday, March 25, was "The Worshipping Christ." This was a presentation of the true Bible Sabbath.

The churches in the northwestern Iowa district are freely distributing literature calling attention to the broadcasts. As many as eighteen newspapers carry the announcements as news items and as features in the church notes. We are attempting to use various agencies that

give maximum publicity to the message at a minimum cost.

The response so far has been as encouraging as we can reasonably expect. People, not Seventh-day Adventists, have written in and manifested a deep interest in the truth. To these we are sending literature. As soon as finances permit, we expect to mail literature to a hundred families or more. Our own people have reported neighbors and relatives following these weekly services with deep interest.

The financial response has been such that it will be possible to pay the direct expense for another six months. Means

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for the direct expense, we have faith to believe, will be forthcoming.

It is hoped that a corps of consecrated colporteurs can visit the homes of Iowa's northwest this spring. Thus the interested ones will come in contact with a living messenger.

We shall appreciate hearing from the REAPER readers after they have heard the broadcast from the more efficient transmitter.

Station: KSOO, Sioux Falls (1110 KC'S—270 meters).

Time: Sunday at 5:00 P. M.

M. N. SKADSHEIM.

Farewell

AS WE are now settled in our North Dakota home at Lisbon, we wish to call back a word of farewell to our many friends in Iowa. Having almost filled our tenure of service in that state, we felt that it would be in order for us to accept the call to labor in the North Dakota Conference. We are enjoying the beginnings of our service among these earnest people in this newly organized church; and we anticipate eagerly plans for evangelistic work in the next few months in adjacent towns.

We shall miss many faces and the hospitality of many homes in old Iowa. May the God of Israel keep us all in the love of His truth until it triumphs.

J. H. RHOADS,

Lisbon, N. D.

Items of Interest

SUNDAY, April 22, at 3:00 P. M., Elder Fries will give his illustrated lecture, "Wonders of the Heavens," in the Hoyt-

Sherman Auditorium, Des Moines, for the benefit of the Penny-a-Dish Cafeteria. We invite all our members in the immediate vicinity to attend if possible. The influence of the welfare work in Des Moines is being talked about in other cities of Iowa. A well-known man in the northern part of the state dropped in to see the Penny-a-Dish at the invitation of one of our sisters. He was deeply impressed with the work being done. He wrote to her some days later that he attended a banquet at which a former governor of Iowa was present, along with other notables. When called upon for an impromptu speech, he told of the work Seventh-day Adventists are doing in their cafeteria in Des Moines. He wrote that questions were asked for about ten minutes from the crowd, expressing an interest in the welfare work we are doing. We believe that the influence of this work will have its effect on the coming Harvest Ingathering campaign.

Elder Fries spent two week-ends at the Winterset and Exira churches, and he and Elder Scherr visited the church at Fort Dodge, March 31. Our office field force is planning to visit every church in the conference as soon as possible.

Elder Gant spent the Week of Prayer with the Oak Park Academy. The blessing of God attended his services.

Have you sent in your subscription to the *Signs of the Times* magazine? The *Signs* wins souls. Subscribe for it and then hand it to your neighbor.

We rejoice to hear of the good work our colporteurs have done this year. Their orders and deliveries have shown a marked increase over the same period last year.

Remember the rural school offering in all our churches on Sabbath, April 14. This offering counts on our 40-cent-a-week fund.

The patronage at the Iowa Sanitarium has been holding up very well. At this writing practically every room is filled. Both doctors and nurses are kept busy from morning till night.

Kansas Conference

A. H. Rulkoetter, President
T. C. Nethery, Secretary
Box 267 - - - - - Topeka
Make wills and legacies to the Kansas S. D. A. Conference Ass'n.

More Baptisms

THE last two Sabbaths have been busy ones as well as happy ones, for baptismal services were conducted in several of our churches. Topeka, Kansas City, Lawrence, and some of the churches

in Rush County were privileged to witness these blessed occasions. Let us work and pray for a larger harvest.

A. H. RULKÖETTER.

Our Three General Meetings

SO THAT all near-by churches and isolated members may understand, we are repeating below the schedule of the three week-end meetings to be held in April. In each place the opening meeting will be on Friday evening and the closing meeting Sunday night. Both forenoon and afternoon sessions will be held on Sabbath and Sunday. All are cordially invited to attend all meetings. Come prepared to stay. We urge especially that all church officers be present on Sunday as well as at other meetings.

The schedule is as follows: Independence, 19th & Laura Streets, April 6 to 8; LaCrosse, City Auditorium, April 13 to 15; Smith Center, S. D. A. church, Park Street, April 20 to 22.

E. H. MEYERS.

Kansas Items

ELDER A. A. DIRKSEN writes that nine requested baptism on the last Friday night of the Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer at Bison. He states that the Lord richly blessed in the meetings, and toward the last the church building would hardly accommodate all who came.

Brother M. H. Jensen reports that he has already recently visited the following churches: Palco, Sunflower, Smith Center, Lebanon, Portis, McPherson, Hillsboro, and the company of believers at Wakeney. He says, "I found a splendid spirit prevailing."

The weeks and months are swiftly going by. Are you using tracts? Let us scatter tracts everywhere. Use every opportunity to give a tract. "Get the tract habit."

Elder E. H. Meyers spent the week-end of March 24 at Enterprise. He conducted the Friday-evening and Sabbath-morning services and spoke at the Brown Memorial Home on Sabbath afternoon.

Minnesota Conference

V. J. Johns, President
B. C. Marshall, Secretary
1854 Roblyn Ave. - St. Paul

Layman Evangelism

FROM one of our church elders comes this encouraging word on layman's evangelism:

"I have not forgotten the response we made at the Minneapolis meeting; in fact,

I am sure the impression received will be lasting. I mean to work as hard as I can to impress the church with the importance of an evangelistic effort. I made a strong appeal to the young people and all gave themselves to the Lord and wish to be baptized. It looks as if we can bring some at least to be baptized at camp meeting. I hope to see God work mightily this spring. In a week or ten days I think you will hear from me definitely about an effort for non-Adventists."

We are expecting great things from our Minnesota men in carrying the truth publicly to their friends and neighbors. God will richly bless such efforts.

V. J. JOHNS.

Duluth

TEN meetings have been held during the three weeks of the effort in the Moose Hall. The attendance has been good, averaging 350 on Sunday nights and 200 on the week nights. We trust that many precious souls may be won.

Of interest was the call made to find what kind of advertising brought the people to the meetings. It was found that for every person who came as a result of the radio and newspaper advertising, there were seven who came from the handbills. Seven to one shows quite an advantage for the circulars handed out by our faithful church members.

However, we have had some encouraging replies to the two short periods of broadcasting. Such cards as these have been received: "Enjoyed your program. Hope you will be on the air again." "Enjoyed the Melendy-Johns program so much last Sunday. Hope we can hear more such programs." "I want you to know that I enjoy listening in to the Melendy Melody Makers. I have heard many favorable comments on their program. However, most of us would be glad to have their program lengthened, though it is short and sweet."

V. J. JOHNS.

Reminders of Spring

SPRING is here officially at last. In this happy, busy time of the year we are reminded that God sends the sunshine and the rain and causes the seed to grow. Would it not be well to plan a plot or an acre, as the case may justify, for the

ONE week has passed since you received the "Dime Saver" for Missions Extension. Five dimes this week will help six more projects.

Lord of harvest? You who are isolated do not have the opportunity every week of contributing to God's work through the Sabbath school, and in the regular Sabbath service, nor to the expense of maintaining a church or school. Thus it would be natural to expect that the Conference church would enter heartily into such plans as are adapted to them, and that the Investment Fund from the Conference church would head the list next fall. You who are members of our churches have a sufficient number of productive ways of securing returns for Investment, however. And anyone may obtain "Can Your Money" labels from the Bible House on request.

Every church that reaches the \$100 mark in Investment will be given special mention next fall in the CENTRAL UNION REAPER, and the church that reaches the highest per capita returns will receive a beautiful banner.

Now I quote three sentences from a fine letter just received from Sister Flora Plummer: "Let's plow and plant, and dig and sow, and make and mend and sell, and get a whole lot of Investment money this year. It is the local leadership that makes this plan a success,—the leadership in the local schools. When the elder and the deacon and the Sabbath school superintendent lead out strongly, pa and ma and all the children follow joyfully."

J. C. CHRISTENSON.

Missouri Conference

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516 So. Second St. - Clinton
Make wills and legacies payable to the Missouri Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

Investment Day

APRIL 14 is set apart as Investment Sabbath in the Missouri Conference. Our believers are requested to set aside a portion of ground or produce or other Investment for the Lord. The proceeds, known as Sabbath School Investment Funds, should be reported through the Sabbath school department as Investment offering for missions. The Investment program leaflets have been sent to the schools. Don't forget the date—April 14.

One of our isolated members has written in saying, "For the Investment Fund we are giving all the apples on one tree. I am going to give the tree extra care so the apples will be extra nice ones. Let us pray that there will be no late frost to kill the apples."

Our investment offerings for the last several years are as follows: 1929, \$650.-

79; 1930, \$407.35; 1931, \$332.63; 1932, \$410.28; 1933, \$558.95; 1934 depends on you.

This year let us try to raise an amount equal to that raised in 1929.

Missions Extension Offering

A MILLION dimes for the missions throughout the world! Over 1,600 dime containers sent out to our believers in Missouri will hold two dollars each. They can easily contain three thousand dollars in dimes. Last year we gave the lowest Extension offering in ten years. Let us do better this year. Keep the heads of the dimes up and see how pretty they look in their containers. Let's give some more in '34. Put another dime in the container right now.

Right now is the time

To stick on a dime

To scatter the message abroad.

As long as you live

Be sure that you give

To help in the great work of God.

MELVIN OSS.

Missouri News Notes

THE Union College string ensemble gave concerts at Kansas City, Clinton, and Oak Grove. Professor Habenicht, the dean of men, was along and developed interests among prospective students. We now have eleven students from our conference attending Union. Those who attended the concert given at Clinton greatly appreciated the music given by Professor Engel and the Misses Engel, Maas, and Anderson. Professor Engel had lived in Clinton three years, and he had a host of friends to welcome him. The concert was given in the Presbyterian church to a good crowd as our church was too small.

"The Epistles of Paul to Timothy" is the topic of study in our Sabbath School

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COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 24, 1934

	Book	Hrs.	Sales
IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Sec.			
J. W. Simmons	GC	43	69.25
Raymond Hircock	GC	45	59.75
H. G. Biggers	Misc.	40	41.95
Roy Chamberlain	RJ	42	36.20
Carlos Coffin	RJ	43	35.50
Edwin Coy	BR	45	30.75
Ida Edgerton	BR	23	28.50
Florence Maurath	RJ	35	26.50
F. D. Gilman	BR	10	26.25
Elva Wilcox	GC	8	18.20
Mrs. M. H. Meeker	OD	34	17.75
Eva Koch	RJ	25	17.00
Rita Coffin	RJ	24	11.25
M. H. Meeker	OD	25	9.00
Anna Kroemer	Helps	2	
Alice G. Kinney	Mag.	8	5.00
Total		594	432.85

MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, Sec.

Karl A. Evenson	BR	43	77.75
B. O. Engen	GC	42	30.65
G. H. Boehrig	HW	40	30.75
Dorothy Boyko	RJ	35	22.35
Grace Shumway	RJ	35	17.50
Ada Schornstein	BR	34	10.15
Clarice Rust	HW	27	26.95
Nina Magnuson	BR	19	25.50
Gertrude Harden	MH	3	
A. Colporteur	HW		86.75
Edna B. Schaefer	Mag	37	17.80
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag	35	8.75
* E. Dufstrom	Mag.	38	10.15
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	12	3.10
Mrs. V. Boehrig	Mag.	3	2.65
Aletha Commodore	Mag		.70
Patricia C. Liers	Mag.	27	13.95
Total		433	385.65

MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Sec.

Elsie Blackburn	OD	16	7.00
W. A. Burton	BR	41	42.75
* Sophia Carter	BR	29	60.00
Giles L. Cooper	RJ	36	14.50
Bert Griffin	RJ	21	.50
B. B. Inge	GC	41	40.50
Henry C. Harlow	COL	10	2.00
Dunbar Henri	HR	20	19.00
Rosa B. Miller	BR	35	9.55
W. H. Moore	DR	41	34.00
Mrs. A. Snyder	RJ	33	26.50
Morgan Tann	DR	40	33.50
W. L. Vickers	BR	20	1.00
Mrs. J. G. Gunn	Mag.		2.10
Louise Leeper	Mag.	33	9.50
Mrs. A. F. Meyers	Mag.	27	17.00
*Mrs. Wm. Ramey	Mag	25	14.20
Mrs. C. E. Stanley	Mag.	35	9.90
Total		503	343.50

NEBRASKA: P. E. Shakespeare, Sec.

Mrs. Rose Chaffin	Crisis.		25.00
Ramon Cronk			2.00
F. L. Cushing	HP	23	25.00
Herman Higby	BR	30	20.15
John Oqren	OD	22	6.75
Harry B. Pope	HP	27	24.00
H. E. Preston	DR	40	40.50
Ralph Sorenson	BR	33	17.50
Total		175	160.90

SOUTH DAKOTA: M. A. Wuman, Sec.

*Orville Lee Poore	RI	26 1/4	9.50
*Joseph Ockenga	BR-RJ	40	19.50
*Lucille Redmon		34	9.65
*Olive L. Redmon		36	16.25
Edward Jensen	BR	21 3/4	17.50
M. A. Wyman	BR-RJ	3	15.00
Total		161	87.40

NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.

F. M. Baulev	BR	19	11.00
Mrs. G. P. Gaede	Mag.	2	2.73
Otto Koniasfeld	Mag.	4	3.40
Flora Peterson	RI	24	13.65
Ted Reynolds	OD	5	5.00
Carl Swenson	Mag.	3	9.60
Miscellaneous Mag.		24	36.00
Mrs. Frank Ferrell	RJ	13	4.50
Total		94	85.88

KANSAS: C. M. Norman, Sec.

*Mrs. Gardner	Mag.	29	18.30
Mrs. E. Millard	Ma.	17	3.60
*I. T. North	GC	23	2.00
Mrs. A. F. Purcell	Mag.	3 1/2	3.00
R. L. Steele	BR	66	9.50
Total		138 1/2	36.40
Grand Total		2,098	1532.58
* Two weeks.			

Obituaries

DORCAS.—Mrs. Mary Jane Dorcas was born in Pendleton, Ind., Mar. 7, 1848, and died at the home of her son, near Littleton, Colo., Mar. 14. She was united in marriage to Brother Josiah Dorcas, Feb. 17, 1869. She is survived by her husband, three sons, and a daughter, nine grandchildren, and fourteen great grandchildren, one brother, two sisters, and many friends.
A. J. Micklejohn.

CARLSON.—Daniel A. Carlson was born in Norway the 28th of July, 1844, and passed away Mar. 17, 1934, in St. Paul, Minn. Brother Carlson came to St. Paul in 1881. He has been a member of the St. Paul Scandinavian church since 1896. He leaves his companion and one daughter to mourn him besides many other relatives and friends. Funeral service was conducted from the church, and interment was made in the Union cemetery.
N. R. Nelson.

WIESEL.—Mrs. Augusta Wiesel died at her home in Muscatine, Ia., Mar. 20, 1934. She was born in Germany, and came to the United States in 1893, and since lived in Iowa.

She is survived by her husband, two daughters, and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the Muscatine Seventh-day Adventist church, Mar. 22, and she was laid to rest in Greenwood cemetery.
Stemple White.

HITMAN.—Inga Mary Fossen Hitman was born July 1, 1896, in Gilchirst township, Minnesota. On Dec. 10, 1916, she was united in marriage to Olia Hitman. Besides her mourning husband she leaves a three-year-old adopted boy, an aged mother, four sisters, and five brothers. Services were conducted from the home and at the church. She rests in the blessed hope of a soon coming Saviour.
N. R. Nelson.

RYKHUS.—Sivert O. Rykhus passed away Feb. 17, 1934, at his home in Fort Dodge, Ia. He was 63 years, 9 months, and 25 days old. Twenty-two years ago he accepted the third angel's message. He leaves his wife and three children, ten grandchildren, one sister, and one brother to mourn their loss. He was buried at Carroll, Iowa.
B. A. Scherr.

GOTT.—Anna Stapleton Gott was born in Lincoln, Ill., May 27, 1869, and died in Shelton, Nebr., March 14, 1934. She leaves to mourn her death two daughters and one son, besides several grandchildren and great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church at Shelton by the writer.
G. E. Hutches.

WEESNER.—William C. Weesner died at his home in Parsons, Kans., Mar. 19, 1934. He was born Aug. 11, 1874, near Emporia. He is survived by his wife, four children, three brothers, and one sister. Interment was made in Memorial Lawn Cemetery, in Parsons.
N. J. Aalborg.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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FOR SALE.—In California, 75 acres, one mile from Pacific Union College and four miles from the St. Helena Sanitarium, thirty acres in fruit trees; good buildings, good water, good climate. An excellent opportunity for anyone who has children to educate. M. J. Fritz, Star Route, St. Helena, Calif. 13.5.

WANTED.—Middle aged S. D. A. man to work on farm for share of crop, corn, winter wheat, and potatoes. State age and experience. Grace Davis, Otis, Colo., Route 2.

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Sunset Calendar

For Friday, April 6, 1934

Denver, Colorado	6:29
Des Moines, Iowa	6:45
Topeka, Kansas	6:51
St. Paul, Minnesota	6:47
Jefferson City, Missouri	6:37
Lincoln, Nebraska	6:57
Bismarck, North Dakota	7:19
Pierre, South Dakota	7:14
Casper, Wyoming	6:42

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An Appeal for a Near-By Mission Field

ONCE more the time has come to give consideration to the work of the rural schools in the Southland. These schools pioneered the way by establishing an elementary school for the children of a local community. As the work of these elementary schools grew in influence and people accepted the truth, the schools took on, more and more, the nature of regular church schools.

At the present time, the older, well-established rural schools are carrying the burden of a church school for Adventist and non-Adventist community pupils, and in addition are offering several grades of academic work. The good quality of work which has been done is appreciated by the union and local conference officials. At a meeting of the Southern Union Educational Board last summer, four of these schools were recognized as ten- or twelve-grade academies. The four schools are: Fountain Head (Kentucky-Tennessee Conference), Gilberton (Alabama-Mississippi Conference), and Fletcher and Pisgah (Carolina Conference). It should be borne in mind that as there are no conference boarding schools in the three conferences where these schools are located, many young

people would be without the opportunity of a Christian education if these institutions did not offer it to them.

Herewith, we give some facts concerning the work of these four schools during the present year. They enrol a total of 147 academic students, all except ten of whom board at the school. Of this number, 121 are working all or a large part of their way through school. In the church schools conducted in these centers, 34 non-Adventist children and 44 Adventist children from the community are in attendance. Twenty-seven young people who attended these schools during the last year were baptized.

In the Kentucky-Tennessee, Georgia-Cumberland, and Carolina Conferences, whose territory includes the mountain area, there are a number of rural school centers which conduct day schools for the children of their communities. For example, in the Carolina Conference there are three schools of this type, with 48 pupils in attendance.

We earnestly hope that our people throughout North America will contribute as liberally as possible when the offering is taken April 14. All the money given in the rural school offering is counted in the general mission fund.

E. C. WILLER.

Colored Youth's Conference

WE ARE holding this year at Oakwood Junior College, from May 25 to 28, a nationwide youth's congress for our colored young people of North America, and we are laying plans to accommodate a large number of our young people who will be in attendance at this the first and largest gathering of young people of its kind among Seventh-day Adventists in North America.

We hope that every colored church in the union will begin laying plans now to send a large number of their young people to the congress. The only expenses aside from the transportation will be \$3.50 for room and board. One dollar of this amount must be sent to the school when applying for reservation, and the balance paid upon arrival.

Many of our young people are selling the *Watchman, Life and Health*, and "The Hope of the Race" to provide them-

Remember

THE TIME: May 29-June 2.
THE PLACE: Lincoln, Nebraska.
THE OCCASION: Central Union
Young People's Conference.

selves with the necessary funds with which to make the trip.

Plan now definitely to attend. The time, May 25 to 28; the place, Oakwood Junior College.

The General Conference will provide good help.

F. L. PETERSON, *Secretary,*
North American Negro Department.

Union College

M. L. Andreasen, *President*
College View Station, Lincoln, Nebr.

School Notes

AN ILLUSTRATED lecture on the Swiss Alps and the Swiss people was given in the college chapel March 24, by Professor Walter Kiener, of the University of Nebraska.

Professor and Mrs. M. H. Schuster, of Broadview College, La Grange, Ill., with their three daughters, were at Union College from Thursday night to Sunday morning getting acquainted with the college and making plans for next year. Professor Schuster will be head of the German Theological department here.

Dr. E. N. Dick, head of the history department, wrote six of the biographies appearing in the "American Dictionary of Biography," a set of books giving information concerning the lives of famous non-living Americans. This reference set is put out by the American Council of Learned Societies. Since Dr. Dick has done much research work in the history of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, the society asked him to write concerning the lives of Joshua V. Himes, William Miller, James White, Ellen G. White, Uriah Smith, and Henry Dana Ward.

The summer session will be divided into two terms of six weeks each this year, according to Dr. E. N. Dick, director. Thus opportunity will be offered to the student to earn twelve semester hours credit. The first term is June 4 to July 13; the second term, July 16 to August 24. Get ready—your opportunity is here.

Missouri Department

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Quarterly for the second quarter, beginning April 1. The *Missions Quarterly* features South and West China, to which fields the overflow of the thirteenth Sabbath goes. We urge all our Sabbath school family to be as far as possible "perfect record" members.