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North and South Dakota Camp Meetings

WITH several camp meetings on at the same time, or lapping in time in the Central Union, it has been difficult for the writer to stay very long at any one meeting.

In all the camp meetings I have visited this year I am glad to say that in every conference there has been nothing left undone on the part of the conference officers and workers that would contribute to the success of the meetings or the comfort of the campers. An earnest desire to draw nearer to God has been shown on the part of the people, and the messages from the ministers have shown a desire to feed the church of God, over which the Holy Ghost has made them overseers.

Revivals, with marked effect, have been the order. Many have given their hearts to God, and evidences of consecration have been witnessed.

At first the attendance at the South Dakota meeting, held at Huron, was small; but as the meeting progressed, others came and soon they had the usual attendance present. A goodly number of the citizens of Huron and vicinity came out to the evening meetings. Having to leave camp meeting before its close, I did not learn how many were baptized, nor the amount of their missions offering.

The attendance at the North Dakota meeting was large from the first. There were 183 family tents pitched on the beautiful city park fair grounds, and every tent was filled by campers who had come to enjoy the meetings.

The new large pavilion was pitched in the shady grove, with the smaller tents around it, and it made a delightful camp ground. Here, too, the citizens of Jamestown, as at Huron, attended many of the evening meetings, and many expressions of appreciation were heard from both the business men and the citizens, that the camp meeting was held again in their city.

On Wednesday night a temperance lecture was given. The large new tent was crowded to its utmost capacity, and several hundred were on the outside; but all listened attentively until the service closed. A reporter from the city paper

was present and gave a fine write-up of the meeting. The pastor of the large Methodist church was present and offered the public prayer, in which he besought "the God of all grace to bless this people, bless their endeavors for the upbuild-

ing of the kingdom of God, and their efforts to show the evils of intemperance."

In the revival services, goodly numbers were giving their hearts to God.

From here, too, the writer had to leave before the camp meeting closed; but God was blessing in all the meetings and a shout of triumph was in the camp.

J. F. PIPER.

Our Sanitariums

IT HAS been appointed unto man once to die. And since the curse has fallen we can see the love and wisdom of God even in that decree. Man must die, that cannot be denied. However, much of the pain and suffering of this brief life is the direct result of a violation of certain fundamental laws that God laid down at the very beginning. He told man how to care for his body, that he might better enjoy health and happiness while here on this earth. He has even given some very fundamental instruction as to how we might restore the body to health, in case it is invaded by disease.

Now this instruction by his Maker, given to man at the dawn of creation and amplified in our day, has been the sure foundation upon which our sanitariums are built. We may hold other institutions and their methods in high esteem, but certainly we cannot expect the methods of man to exceed those laid down by the Maker of man. We might wish to argue that the methods used in other institutions are as good as those established by the Lord, but certainly we could not

argue that they were better. And I am not ready to concede that man's methods are even on equality with the Maker's. And if it happens to be my life that is in danger, or a loved one, somehow I prefer the best care that can be had, and I have never been backward in recommending the best of anything to my friends.

It has been my privilege to work in our own institutions, and in others. And I simply have this much to say: If the time ever comes when the saving of this life of mine is at stake, I would certainly rather take my chance in an institution founded upon the principles of heaven, and guided by the counsel of God, than any other place that I know of, regardless of the size of the buildings, or the imposing name. I would rather the physician bow in prayer than light a cigarette before he takes my life in hand. Of course, that is a personal reference, but I would prefer the former physician, even though it took a few extra dollars for railroad fare. God has given me only one life here, and I prize it very highly. Good might be all right, but better is best. And, after all, these are the great health centers the Lord has given us, a vital unit in the great three angels' messages, a means for carrying the gospel to man, and they are as much deserving of our support as any other branch of the organized work. If there ever was a time when this movement needed the mighty right arm to help steer the ship through the straits, it is now. Yet, the arm is certainly dependent upon the body. And the body is greatly hampered and deficient without the arm.

So let us cooperate with this organ of the body, and we can be a blessing to it and it in turn will be a great blessing to us.

God's Spirit Comes upon Conditions

HAVE you ever pleaded for a thing you wanted very much? When you finally got it, how happy you were!

"My brethren and sisters, plead for the Holy Spirit. God stands back of every promise He has made. With your Bibles in your hands, say: 'I have done as Thou hast said.'"—*Vol. 8, p. 23.*

J. F. PIPER.

Again: many times we long to have our friends become acquainted with the message we love so much, but we are unable to get a minister to hold meetings, and if we did, they will not attend. But perhaps they get sick—then is our opportunity. We should be the first to see them, and if the case needs medical at-

tention we can say, "The place for you is at the sanitarium at _____." These brief words have sent many men and women across the continent to our institutions and to the feet of Jesus. Let us remember our sanitariums in this time of need.

M. H. JENSEN, R. N.

Our Responsibility to the Colporteurs

IN EACH union conference we have an army of self-supporting evangelistic colporteurs, traveling over the roads heralding the message with the books and papers and making many friendly contacts with the people. We marvel at their success—even in these times when many must make real sacrifices to purchase the literature.

In the providence of God we have a well established publishing department, with leaders who are qualified to teach and train men and women successfully to sell the literature. Institutes are conducted and special training is provided. Unusual efforts are being put forth at the present time by all of our leaders to encourage the colporteurs to remain in the field.

Does all of this responsibility rest entirely with the men directly connected with our publishing work? May it not be possible that our attitude as church leaders and laymen is also largely responsible for the success or failure of

every colporteur? Perhaps some church is sending out one or two colporteurs, and these workers are starting out with real enthusiasm for their work. Would it not be an ideal plan for the church to be called together by the elder or leader and a special season of prayer offered in their behalf? How it would greatly cheer the hearts of these colporteurs if they had the assurance that the prayers of God's people were ascending in their behalf and that their families would be cared for while they were off on long journeys in the Master's service.

We candidly believe that colporteurs with this assurance would not turn back at the difficulties or become discouraged at some of the obstacles encountered in the field. Some of the local churches are doing this—many others may wish to adopt it. We can heartily recommend the plan and believe it will bring mutual results.

E. E. FRANKLIN, *Associate Sec.,
Publishing Department, Gen. Conf.*

Getting Rich

IF YOU want to be rich, you will have to do some planning, and you will have to do some work. Wealth grows out of wise investments. You may not have very much to begin with, but if you will wisely invest even the little you have, and then will watch out for it and protect it and increase it as you may, you will finally come to be very wealthy. I have some sound investments to suggest to you.

With silver and gold I have nothing to do. I leave the discussion of their use and increase to men who are financial advisers. Some of them may give you good advice, though I doubt it. I deal in coin of a different realm. The values in which I am interested are not monetary, but spiritual; not gold, but character. I want to be rich and I want you to be rich in the lives of our children and young people. They are the wealth of the church and of the home. The satisfaction and joy brought to the hearts

of parents and teachers by the well-formed, true, loyal, earnest young people who have been developed by a Christian home and a Christian school, are the deepest satisfaction and greatest joy that can come to human lives.

Our children will not come up all by themselves to Christian manhood and womanhood, to service for God and humanity. You have to invest in them your thought, your study, your prayers, your efforts. And you have to begin early and be sure you begin intelligently and wisely. Fine Christian young men and women are made first by homes that know how to teach and that do teach reverence, devotion, purity, industry, thrift, simplicity, knowledge, and self-control. They are not produced by newspaper comics, ribald literature, chattering radios, dance-hall music, sensational and immoral moving pictures, and low and licentious social conduct.

Parents cannot drift along the tide of

time with the evil influences of modern society surrounding and pressing upon their children, and expect to arrive with those children safe in the harbor of God. The times demand of Christian parents the utmost diligence and energy in learning how to train their children for God, and then putting forth every effort to that end. "Work as if you were working for your life to save the children from being drowned in the polluting, corrupting influences of the world."—"Testimonies," Vol. 6, p. 199.

If you want a prospectus of this greatest of all investments, get the Christian Home Series of books, or at least one of them, or write to the Home Commission, General Conference, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

ARTHUR W. SPALDING.

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Twenty-five Graduate at Maplewood

ANOTHER school year has come to a close and more than twenty-five young people have left the academy after four years of study within its sacred walls. It was my privilege to be at Maplewood for the last Sabbath of the school year. The spirit of consecration with the class of '34 was an inspiration to me. Did ever a class from a school of the world choose for its watchword, "Christ in us," or for its aim, "The Golden City," or for its motto, "Service"? Would that every father and mother in Minnesota could have the vision and the consecration to say, "God helping me, my children will have a Christian education." Time is short; eternity is long. Only eternity can measure the results of four years spent in

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Maplewood. Our prayers go with the graduates of 1934 as they go out to a life of service, and with Elder Gulbrandson and his fellow teachers as they continue to train our children for the kingdom.

We rejoice that the 1934 camp meeting was held so near our academy, and we trust that many a boy and girl caught the inspiration from old Maplewood to enter its halls next September to train for a life of service.

V. J. JOHNS.

Pipestone

IT WAS with a great deal of pleasure that I visited the beautiful little church in Pipestone, Minn. This is the only church we have in the southwestern corner of the state, and in our Sabbath gathering there were several families present from surrounding cities. This church was raised up about thirty-seven years ago by Elder Parker, who for so many years has been working in the South Sea Islands. A splendid company of people was established in the message at that time and an attractive little church building was erected. The last of those pioneers have gone, and we only have a few members left in Pipestone, but they are loyally upholding the banner of truth, and we trust that plans may be made to build up their membership.

To the south of Pipestone, at Luverne, Minn., several people have become interested through the radio broadcasts of Brother Skadsheim at Sioux Falls. The folks there are anxious to have some work done in this city, with the anticipation of a Sabbath school or church being established. We want to help the southwestern part of our state to build up the work in a number of its centers of influence.

V. J. JOHNS.

Minneapolis

I AM glad to report that the Lord is blessing His work in the Minneapolis English churches thus far this year. The First church seems to be just as well filled with worshippers each Sabbath as it was before the two other churches were organized last winter. The members of the North side church are happy in their organization and opportunities for service, and best of all, they are gradually growing in numbers. Since its organization, Elder Haysmer has been leading out in the spiritual interests and activities, although I have kept in touch with it through occasional Sabbath visits when I could slip away from my responsibilities in the First church.

Sabbath, May 26, was another high day for us all, when it was my privilege

to baptize nineteen souls into the faith. We especially rejoiced because of the fact that among the nineteen were two Jewish young people, a young man and his twin sister, who are the first fruits of the gospel in this city from among the Hebrew people. The young man's attention was first attracted to this message by one who was a former member of the church who, though not living it now himself, sowed a few seeds of truth in the young man's heart. He later began attending our Sabbath services early last winter and also our Sunday evening meetings. His sister soon began attending the Sunday evening and Sabbath services which culminated in the public confession of their acceptance of Jesus Christ as the Messiah and Saviour of man through the rite of baptism.

With this group it has been my privilege to baptize 45 and receive three into church fellowship during the ten months that we have been in Minneapolis. We pray that God's blessing may continue thus upon His work in this large city.

L. E. NIERMEYER.

Wahkon

ABOUT two months ago by request of Elder Johns, I began meetings in a hall at Wahkon. The attendance ranged from forty to seventy-five until after the testing truths were presented; then there was a falling off, partly due to the busy time of planting.

It was then thought best to discontinue the meetings in the hall because of the expense. I am now holding cottage meeting in the homes of the people who are interested. So far, five have taken their stand for the truth, and several others are deeply interested, for whom we have hopes.

The little company of believers here have been very faithful in helping out in the meetings.

I am now holding meetings in a hall six miles north of McGrath every Sunday with a good attendance and interest. I desire the prayers of God's people for the work in these places.

GEO. L. BUDD.

Duluth

ON SUNDAY, February 25, Elder Varner J. Johns began a series of meetings in the Moose Temple in the downtown section of Duluth. He was assisted in the services by the Melendys and the writer. Twenty lectures were given. The attendance averaged about 200. There were evenings when more than 400 were present. The services closed on May 6, and

the writer has followed up the interest by visiting and giving Bible studies in the homes of the interested ones.

On Sabbath, May 26, a baptismal service was held. The two churches met in a union meeting at the First church. After the sermon, eleven precious souls followed their Lord into the watery grave of baptism to rise to the newness of life. One of the eleven was a sister from Moose Lake who had decided to accept the truth there.

Previous to this baptism the writer baptized two sisters who were leaving Duluth before our regular baptism, and a Jewish young man who accepted Jesus as the Messiah through the labors of one of our lay-brethren at Mineral Center. This Jewish brother is now selling chairs made at Maplewood to earn a scholarship for Union College.

There are still a number of interested people who we hope may be won from the effort of this spring.

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Think Twice

TO THINK twice before we act is not an unwise thing. How often the regrettable might have been prevented had we given second thought to our plans. Indeed the easiest time to check the consequences is before the thing is done.

During the summer months plans will be made for next year's schooling. The evil results of a few years, or even one year, out of our denominational schools may never be neutralized. If your son or daughter is of high school age, think twice as to where you expect to send him or her. If you think twice, think Enterprise each time.

Write to Professor Kirk as early as possible to work out the details of arrangements. A. H. RULKOETTER.

"Going Christians Are Growing Christians"

THE call to Abraham was: "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will show thee." Gen. 12:1.

The call came to Moses: "Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." Ex. 3:10.

Our Saviour's reply at twelve was: "Wist ye not that I must be about my

father's business?" Luke 2:49.

The call came to Simon Peter, James, and John: "Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him." Luke 5:10-11.

From creation God has called a people to work for the salvation of humanity. He calls you! "Not more surely is the place prepared for us in the heavenly mansions than is the special place designed on earth where we are to work for God."—C. O. L., p. 327.

"The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for laborers. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul saving. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it?"—C. E., p. 33.

If you are interested in the literature work address C. M. Norman, Field Secretary, Box 267, Topeka, Kans.

C. M. NORMAN.

Wakeeney

OUR first meeting was held on Sunday night, June 3. The attendance has been quite good and is growing. There seems to be a deep interest on the part of some, so we have faith to believe that the Holy Spirit will guide them into the faith of the remnant people of God. We solicit the prayers of the brethren, for we need help and guidance from above.

The Lord willing, we plan to hold our first Sabbath meeting in the First Baptist church, Wakeeney, Sabbath, June 30. Believers living near-by are invited to come. The Sabbath school will be held at 2:00 P. M. Preaching service will follow.

Brother and Sister Henry Jeffries, Mrs. Dirksen, Vera, and Orval, are assisting the writer in this effort.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

Does It Pay to Sell Our Books?

SOME years ago a man by the name of A. J. Dowers bought a copy of "Bible Readings" from a colporteur. He studied the book and compared it with the Bible. He also taught the truths in it to his family. When we began our meetings in Florence this family attended. In our first baptism Mr. Dowers, Mrs. Dowers, and five children were united with the Lord's commandment-keeping people by being buried with their Lord in baptism.

A. C. GRIFFIN.

Salina

OUR meetings are continuing with interest in Salina. Sabbath, July 7, we

are planning an all-day meeting and baptism. We hope that all of our people in this part of the state who possibly can will come for this special occasion. It will be a blessing to you, and you will encourage the new members who are accepting gladly the truth here in Salina.

The Sabbath school will begin at 9:45 A. M. The afternoon meetings will be in the Jayhawk theater. The theater is a nice, large, comfortable, cooled building. The baptism will follow the afternoon meeting. We expect a large class to follow their Lord in baptism at that time. Bring your lunch and spend the day with us.

A. C. GRIFFIN.

The Keighley Effort

THROUGH the activities of isolated members an interest in the truth was aroused at Keighley. This is a small town of only a few houses, but because of this interest I chose this as a place to conduct a short evangelistic effort. Seventeen meetings were held in the auditorium of a fine brick high school building which was built during an oil boom some time ago.

A large part of the audience came from the rural districts. Although it was not possible to bind off the work fully, due to other regular duties that must not be neglected, we are quite sure that as a result of these meetings and personal work seventeen souls will be added to the church. Nine have already been baptized. We are sorry to have to leave this effort somewhat incomplete, but pray for the work at Keighley.

E. H. MEYERS.

Florence M. V. Society

ON SABBATH, June 9, a Missionary Volunteer society was organized in the new Florence church. Eighteen enthusiastic young people made application for membership. Others will become members soon. Mrs. Jensen was elected sponsor of the society, and Kathrine Howard, leader.

Sunday following the organization, a picnic was held in a grove near the Cottonwood River.

A. M. RAGSDALE.

Remember the Boys

IF YOU have not given anything to help place "Steps to Christ" in the hands of our boys in the C. C. C. camps, we urge that you do so if you possibly can. Many have already done their part, but to carry out the plan successfully some more help is needed. Will you help make this worthy endeavor a success? It is an opportunity which we certainly can-

not let go unheeded. Get your donation in by the last Sabbath in June or at least by the first Sabbath in July. Do not disappoint the boys.

E. H. MEYERS.

A New M. V. Society

WE HAVE a fine group of young people at Florence who were anxious to be organized for service in the Master's vineyard, so a request was made that Brother Ragsdale, our young people's secretary, come and assist us in effecting this organization. Arrangements were made for an all-day meeting. Twenty young people applied for membership in the society.

The entire organization is composed of young people who have just recently taken their stand with God's commandment-keeping people, or plan to do so in the near future. Since the officers have had no experience in M. V. work, Mrs. Jensen was elected society sponsor.

Two of our young men are starting out in the canvassing work this week with Enterprise Academy as their goal. Others are looking forward to joining these two later. We solicit the prayers of our sister societies.

M. H. JENSEN.

News Notes

WE HAVE received several letters from distant lands expressing great appreciation for the picture rolls which some of our Sabbath schools in Kansas have been sending to the mission fields. We would like to know of other schools which have picture rolls to donate for this purpose at the end of each quarter. Please write us.

Word comes that Mrs. Nic Pierson, of Brewster, has been holding cottage meetings with an average of six people present. Others are doing a similar work. Such work brings results. Let us see more and more of it.

Elder E. H. Meyers and family are back in Topeka, having returned from Keighley. Brother Meyers plans soon to visit various churches in the interest of his departmental work.

Tracts are bringing results every day. Send for some of the "Hope of the World" series. They are new and up to date, and cost only fifty cents per hundred. Or if you like, you can get a package of one of each kind (twenty kinds) for only 25 cents. Every Seventh-day Adventist home should have a sample package at least.

Have you noticed we have a new periodical, the *Message*? It is published especially for the colored people, and is to

be sold at ten cents per copy. We understand that this periodical is to be published during the summer months only, and it is not on a subscription basis. No doubt you will want to improve the opportunity of getting our truth before the colored population in your neighborhoods through this medium. Quantities of ten or more copies can be secured for four cents a copy. This leaves you a nice profit for your effort in promoting the magazine.

Brother C. M. Norman visited the Wellington church June 13. A good prayer meeting was held Wednesday evening, although the attendance was not large.

Encouraging reports come from those who are holding efforts in the different parts of the state. Brother A. M. Ragsdale, who began a short series of meetings at Hutchinson, June 10, reports a good attendance and interest. Elder F. S. Chollar writes from Wichita that there is a baptismal class there of about fifteen members.

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Fullerton

FULLERTON, Nebr., is a little town of 1,700, situated about 114 miles northwest of Lincoln, surrounded by a nice farming country.

We have one family representing this truth living in town, and one living about nine miles out of town. The former one came out in a tent effort some years ago, which was held here by Elder Miller.

As nothing has been done here since Elder Miller's effort, we were asked to hold a series of meetings here, which we began the evening of May 6, in Harmony Hall. We started early, thinking that we would avoid the summer heat, but on the opening night the thermometer registered over 100 degrees, and throughout the month we had regular July weather.

Our meetings were not largely attended, for we had many things to contend with. The average attendance, I should say, was about thirty, but the same people kept coming every night. We had excellent music, having associated with us in the effort Brother and Sister John Hickman, who put their best into the effort.

We close our meetings now at the end of six weeks, and last Sabbath we had

our first Sabbath school, with thirty present, including children. If the work is fully rounded off here, I believe we will have about fifteen new Sabbath-keepers as a result of the effort.

M. B. BUTTERFIELD.

Starting Early

THE Harvest Ingathering work is beginning early this year in the Nebraska Conference. In some districts the campaign is already under way. The reason for launching it this early is to avoid the many other campaigns for money by other societies in the fall of the year; and, too, so our evangelists can hold their evangelistic efforts in the fall when the weather is favorable.

Elder Cardey, the pastor of the College View and Lincoln churches, has already launched out in a strong way the Harvest Ingathering campaign. He plans to finish the Ingathering by August 10. Elder Hutches is also in his district visiting the churches in the interest of the Ingathering. Elders Butterfield and Hayes will begin June 28 in the Ingathering. The other districts will begin a little later.

Knowing that it is impossible for a conference worker to go out with every member of the church in the Ingathering work, we suggest that as soon as the campaign is launched in your district, you, with the help of God, begin to raise your individual goal of ten dollars. Many must raise more than ten dollars, so as to make up for those who cannot go out, because of sickness, old age, or otherwise incapacitated to take part in the campaign.

Pray that God may give each of us a burden for souls. Money received in the Harvest Ingathering means souls saved in the kingdom of God. What will your record be and your response?

L. G. JORGENSEN,

Conference H. M. Secretary.

1935 Nebraska J. M. V. Camp

IT HAS been thought best not to have a state J. M. V. camp this year, but it will be held in 1935. Begin now, boys and girls, to earn money so you can be with us. Next year we will try to have with us good help from both the union and General Conference M. V. departments.

L. G. JORGENSEN,

Nebr. Conf. M. V. Sec.

Shelton Academy News Notes

SHELTON ACADEMY will broadcast a radio program over Station KGBZ at York, Nebr., July 12, at 8:00 p. m. This

station operates on a frequency of 930 kilocycles.

We are planning another Fourth of July celebration on the academy campus. Bring your dinner and come.

More than a score of applications have already been received for admission to school next fall. Be one of Shelton Academy's 100 the coming year. School opens September 3.

We are expecting to have eight or ten carloads of potatoes for sale between the middle of July and the first of August.

A band concert is planned for the Fourth of July celebration on the academy campus.

Brother A. R. Smouse was here last week and audited the books.

G. E. HUTCHES.

From the Office Viewpoint

ELDER AND MRS. WESTBROOK returned from Oregon last week, where they attended the commencement exercises of the University of Oregon when their son, Paul A. Westbrook, was graduated from the University of Oregon Medical College. Doctor Westbrook is interning with the Emmanuel Hospital at Portland, Ore.

Miss Iva Rowland, one of our office stenographers, had the misfortune to fall on the stairway, fracturing her left arm.

Brother P. E. Shakespeare spent Sabbath, June 16, with the Seward church.

Many of you have no doubt been following the special Bible studies by Elder J. L. Shuler, which have been published in the *Signs of the Times* from week to week. With these studies he has been giving a special system of marking the Bible which will enable anyone who wishes to give Bible studies to find the texts readily. We are glad to announce that these special studies, together with the marking system, are now available in pamphlet form. We are sure that many of our people will want to avail themselves of this pamphlet. The special marking system is well worth the price of 20 cents. Order from the Book and Bible House.

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Two Special Meetings at Burke

IN CONNECTION with the Oss-Osnes family reunions in Burke early in July, the following meetings have been arranged for at the Burke church: On Friday evening, July 6, at eight o'clock,

Elder Melvin Oss, of the Missouri Conference, will speak; and on Sabbath afternoon, July 7, Sabbath school will be held at two o'clock, after which Elder John Oss and wife, of Shanghai, China, only recently returned on furlough, will have charge of the service. We cordially invite all within driving range to attend these services.

GORDEN OSS.

Important Notice

A WONDERFUL interest is being manifested in our junior camp. Many reservation blanks are coming in. We are very happy to know that so many are planning on going, because we are sure that they will have a very profitable time while in the Black Hills. I want to say that the time is slipping by and we must make definite plans in the very near future for those who plan to go, so I appeal to you to write to me at once, or fill out the reservation blank and send it in. Buses are being arranged to take all who wish to go. This is for those in the churches as well as for those in isolated territories. If you are an isolated member we want your name so that we can tell you where to meet the bus. Please write me at the very earliest date, because if you do not you might not make the right connections and not be able to go. If you need a reservation blank I shall be glad to send you one, or as many as you need.

LESLIE L. MCKINLEY.

Baptism at Wagner

SABBATH, June 2, was a great day for the cause of God on the river bottom seventeen miles southeast of Wagner. The writer had conducted a series of meetings in a school house in the Missouri Valley from November 25 to February 4. The people came in increasing numbers night by night. The wrath of the dragon was stirred, but God's glorious truth triumphed over all opposition. When the series closed, five dear souls, including the school teacher, Miss Margaret Ostberg, had expressed a desire to join God's remnant people. I continued to visit them once a month. On my last visit I had the privilege of baptizing the new believers in the Missouri River.

Our members living on the Nebraska side of the river came across for the occasion. Following the Sabbath school at the school house a short baptismal service was held at the river. In the afternoon we met again at the school house and received the new members into fellowship. The whole neighborhood turned out for the occasion. We now have a nice company at that place. Two fami-

lies have moved up from Texas, bringing the membership of the company up to nine. There is still a good interest in the neighborhood. We thank God for His blessing upon the effort. Brethren, kindly pray for our new believers at Wagner.

A. G. YOUNGBERG.

South Dakota Sunbeams

THE young people's society at Leola is fostering a singing band and is visiting the homes. A very good interest has been created.

The church missionary secretaries have been very prompt in reporting this month, and most of them have sent in a very encouraging report. This shows that their members are active.

All those planning to attend the junior camp in the Black Hills are requested to make application at once.

The C. C. C. "Steps to Christ" are in stock now. They are attractively bound and sell for only a dime. Order a supply. They make fine gifts for the neighbor's boy or girl.

Miss Alice Jorgensen and Mr. Russell Babcock were married June 16, 1934, at the close of the last meeting on the camp ground, Elder C. M. Babcock officiating.

On June 2, 1934, Miss Thelma Scriven and Mr. R. Chester Barger were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Scriven, in Coleman, S. Dak., Elder C. M. Babcock officiating. The bride and groom are both members of the Plainview Academy faculty.

Missouri Conference

Charles Thompson, President
L. H. Harrison, Secretary
616 So. Second St. - - Clinton
Make wills and legacies payable to
the Missouri Conference Association
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Missouri News Notes

MR. F. C. VASICEK, of Kansas City, gave our office a friendly call Tuesday, June 19. Mr. Vasicek is a prominent business man of Kansas City, and an officer of our Memorial church.

Two important things we wish our constituency to remember: first, that June 30 is thirteenth Sabbath; second, July 21 is Mid-Summer. Both of these dates are important, and provide an opportunity for all our people to give a definite lift on mission offerings.

On June 16 Elder Melvin Oss met with the Ava church. On June 17 he conducted the funeral services of Evelyn Williams at Mountain Grove.

We are delighted to have Miss Meta Cox return to her desk after a brief and well-earned vacation. During her absence she had the pleasure of attending the youth's conference held at Union College, and the Colorado camp meeting at Boulder.

Brother Clyde Bushnell, who taught at Oak Grove last year, paid the office a pleasant visit recently. He is spending his vacation with his parents in Iowa, and expects to return to Missouri in the fall.

We are still looking for more contributions to the special library fund for sending the *Watchman* magazine to the public libraries in our conference. Some have been received. We thank those who have helped.

There have been twenty-seven graduates from the eighth grade during the past school term. These have been awarded diplomas.

Practically all of our church school boards have hired their teachers for the next term. We are glad for evidences of a strong movement to educate our children.

Any isolated young people desiring to write on the Standard of Attainment or Study and Service League examinations should communicate with the conference Missionary Volunteer secretary at once.

Iowa Conference

R. S. Fries, President
J. H. Nies, Secretary
734 Main St. - - - Nevada

Oak Park News Notes

PROFESSOR AND MRS. ARTHUR AXELSON and Wanda May spent the week-end of June 15-17 visiting relatives and friends at Exira.

The workers of the sanitarium, school, and conference enjoyed a joint picnic Monday evening, June 18.

Our ice cream business is nicely started for the summer. Two wagons are retailing in Nevada and Brother Hlad, of Ames, is selling it at his grocery store.

The summer work is in full swing. Brother Axelson has charge of the farm and ice cream departments, Mrs. Anderson has charge of the kitchen, and Nida Armstrong helps in the kitchen and ice cream room. Merril Nelson and Donald Wiltse are farm helpers, LeRoy Blood runs the ice cream wagon, Walter Dahl and Eddie Taylor work in the print shop.

Professor and Mrs. Hartman and Marceline attended the district meeting at Waterloo June 15-17. A goodly number from this district are planning on being at Oak Park this fall.

The academy roof is under full repair. A new heavy tin flashing and a coat of asphalt covering will be put on. Brethren Aarsmith and Darnell are doing the work.

The local school board met Tuesday, June 19, and decided on a number of progressive plans for the betterment of Oak Park Academy.

Nearly every day inquiries for school are received. A splendid interest is manifested. Plan now to be one of Oak Park's hundred for the coming school year.

Colorado Conference

Jay J. Nethery, President
W. I. Montanye, Secretary
1081 Marion Street - - Denver

Lost and Found

DURING camp meeting, a number of lost and found articles were turned in to the book stand. If you have lost any of these articles and will write to us, we will be glad to send them to you. The list is as follows:

- A child's small brown purse.
- A Champion Academy orchestra letter.
- A dark blue sweater.
- A tan kid glove.
- Several handkerchiefs.
- A wool shawl.
- A pair shell rimmed glasses.
- A key (Independent Lock Company, Fitchburg, Mass.).
- A brown belt to woman's coat.
- A child's white belt.

COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 16

	Book	Hrs.	Sales
MISSOURI: <i>R. G. Campbell, Sec.</i>			
E. C. Aaby	HP	34	91.75
Maynard Aaby	RJ	42	16.75
Mrs. Blackburn	BR	36	30.00
W. A. Burton	BR	37	75.25
Sophia Carter	BR	35	
G. L. Carter	BR	24	7.50
G. L. Cooper	RJ	42	44.75
James Donnelly	BR	55	32.50
Sam Dunn	BR	51	44.25
Wm. Golden	DD	47	
Dunbar Henri	HR	39	15.00
Mrs. S. Holmes	HR	33	17.80
B. B. Inge	BR	31	12.00
Mrs. J. Johnson	HR	33	24.50
Alex Kohltfarber	GC	29	49.00
Rosa B. Miller	BR-HP	15	19.50
Clyde Rowen	BR	55	17.75
Mrs. A. Snyder	HR	34	6.50
Morgan Tann	HR	41	12.50
Clyde Williams	BR	29	66.90
Freda Asher	W	13	9.00
Mrs. J. Bruening	W	9	2.90
Mrs. Donnelly	H	5	1.65

*Mrs. J. G. Gunn	W	34	4.50
Louise Leeper	W	31	7.50
Helen Millard	W	32	3.70
Mrs. A. F. Myers	W	26	10.90
Mrs. Kate Snead	W	14	3.70
Mrs. C. Stanley	W	19	4.50
LaVone Williams	W	32	4.00
Total		957	636.55

NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.

S. Jacoshenk	RJ	20	20.25
Beatrice Komoll	HW	19	9.75
Arthur Wheeler	RJ	46	3.75
Flora Peterson	HP	2	
Misc. Magazines		28	28.10
Rueben Biloff	RJ	30	20.50
Uriah Fandrich	RJ	17	34.85
Oscar Guttu		33	37.25
A. Koenigsfeld	PP	39	26.00
Lola Miller	RJ	24	18.00
Bertha Mehlhoff	RJ	40	42.50
Anna Peterson	Maq		6.50
John Rittenbach	PP	1	
Artine Schlenker	RJ	42	39.50
Albert Schimke	BR	22	22.75
Mrs. A. Schneider	HP	26	8.75
Eugene Winters	Misc	1	3.00
Total		390	331.45

NEBRASKA: P. E. Shakespeare, Sec.

Wm. Carver	BP	33	7.75
Ella Esau	RJ	31	2.00
Herman Higby	BR	38	34.80
Betty Houpt	RI	30	7.75
Rolla Jacobson	RI	33	19.75
John Ooren	DR	23 1/2	4.50
Harold Sample	BR	28	5.95
Otis Smith	BR	31 1/2	7.00
Ralph Sorenson	BR	47	17.95
Mrs. I. B. Aitken	BTS	10	8.75
Mrs. Z. Barnhardt		30	15.00
Mrs. M. A. Collins			4.00
F. L. Cushing		15	19.50
Misses Hickman & Parrish			9.00
Lola Malone		18	6.50
Misses Marley & Braatz		20	5.40
Mrs. Mead			5.55
Della Rice		37	27.80
Mrs. J. Tolles		18	4.05
Misc. Sales			110.00
Total		443	323.09

IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Secretary

B. D. Fickess	HP	33	92.50
H. G. Biggers	Misc	40	23.25
Mrs. M. H. Meeker	OD	38	20.00
Roy Chamberlain	BR	36	18.00
M. H. Meeker	OD	38	18.00
Anna Kromer			15.00
Eva Ramesbothom	Maq	40	14.80
Jessie VanDivier	OD	19	10.00
Chester Cross	GC	18	9.00
L. P. Knecht	Misc	1	8.00
Anna Hanson	BR	18	7.00
E. Hopkins	OD	38	5.50
Florence Maurath	RJ	18	5.50
Carlos Coffin	RJ	22	3.75
J. W. Simmons	BR	17	
Total		376	250.30

SOUTH DAKOTA: M. A. Wyman, Sec.

Orville Poore	RJ	17	27.75
Irvin Landmark	BR	27	7.75
Ora Lightcap			
Dena Hoeger		17	4.75
Total		61	40.25
Grand total		2227	1581.64

* Two weeks

Obituaries

VERCIO.—Alfred Vercio was born in Sicily, Italy, May 13, 1905, and died at the Methodist Hospital in Omaha, June 11, 1934. At the age of three, he came to this country with his parents, who settled in Omaha. He was married to Miss Edith Welch, March 1, 1923, and one year later, he and his wife united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Omaha. Four children were born to Brother and Sister Vercio, two boys, and two girls.

Brother Vercio was graduated from Shelton Academy in May of 1929, and entered immediately upon ministerial work in the Nebraska Conference. He continued in this work at Loup City, Nebr., for three years. For the past two years he had been attending Union College, preparing himself for work among the Italians in this country.

His wife and children, his father, mother, two brothers, and two sisters survive him. Funeral services were conducted at the home of his parents in Omaha by the writer, assisted by Elder Cardey, of College View. Interment was in the West Lawn Cemetery at Omaha.

G. E. Hutches.

ZEIGLER.—John Zeigler was born in Germany, March 6, 1851, and died at his home in Good Thunder, Minn., May 27, 1934. He came to America in 1872, and in 1875 was united in marriage to Anna Gherke. To this union were born ten children, five boys and five girls, three of whom preceded their father in death. Brother Zeigler was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church for fifty years, and remained faithful unto the end. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

C. S. Wiest.

WILLIAMS.—Evelyn Ione Williams was born at Des Moines, Iowa, December 4, 1925, and passed away at Springfield, Mo., June 15, 1934. With her parents, she moved to Mountain Grove nearly two years ago.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Williams, three sisters, and two brothers. The funeral services were attended by a large crowd of friends. Interment was made near Mountain Grove.

Melvin Oss.

SEARCY.—John E. Searcy was born Aug. 9, 1869, at Olathe, Kans., and passed away May 7, 1934, at his home near Craig, Colo. His wife and five children survive him.

Jay J. Nethery.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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NOTICE TO FAIR VISITORS.—Many of our people from a distance will attend the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago with its many added attractions, including our General Conference exhibit. The Hinsdale Sanitarium is offering quiet rooming accommodations with good meals, groceries, gas, oil, etc., all at reasonable prices. Fast local train service; or drive your car in to one of the inexpensive parking spaces near the Fair ground entrances. For further information, including Fair literature, etc., address L. M. Bowen, care Sanitarium, Hinsdale, Ill. 24,6,8

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Sunset Calendar

For Friday, June 29, 1934

Denver, Colorado	7:33
Des Moines, Iowa	7:53
Topeka, Kansas	7:53
St. Paul, Minnesota	8:04
Jefferson City, Missouri	7:39
Lincoln, Nebraska	8:03
Bismarck, North Dakota	8:42
Pierre, South Dakota	8:28
Casper, Wyoming	7:59

Camp Meeting Dates

Kansas: Manhattan, August 16-25.
Iowa (Local): Davenport, August 16-19; Des Moines, August 23-26.
Minnesota: Hutchinson, June 21-30.
Missouri: Clinton, August 24-September 2.
Nebraska: Lincoln, August 10-18.

What I Think of the Sabbath School

ELDER W. A. SPICER: "The Sabbath school! God bless it! It caught our hearts and turned them toward the light as we entered childhood. In youth and in maturity of years it has been a training school in the way of life. It has been the strongest single educational factor we have had—the great Seventh-day Adventist University of Bible Study. Look back over a ten-year period of lesson outlines. Such a period represents a systematic course of instruction covering the whole range of Bible truth and divine Providence in human history. We never finish the Sabbath school course; for the waters of life flow ever fresh in the blessed Word, and the fellowship of study together in class is a continuous power for good from childhood to old age. Let everybody come!"

ELDER I. H. EVANS: "The Sabbath school is a part of our denominational, church, and educational activities. It provides for a weekly study, both at home and in the Sabbath school, of a definite portion of the Word of God. There is nothing in our organized work which can be a substitute for the Sabbath school. The preaching service is never a sub-

stitute for it, although the sermon be ever so eloquent. It may be very practical and helpful, yet it cannot be to the individual what a faithful study of the Sabbath school lesson can be.

"In the Sabbath school lesson the individual takes an active part. He not only recites his lesson to the one conducting his class, but he prepares the lesson by previous study, searching the Scriptures day by day through the week, that he may understand fully the import of the lesson. Then the Sabbath school brings out splendid thoughts in the review of the lesson, so that there is scarcely a division of our work which imparts such a wide range of knowledge, and is so helpful to the individual, as the Sabbath school. It is the means of saving a large number of our young people, and it gives to many of them a strong desire to become workers in the cause of God.

"The Sabbath school is of such vital importance to the church membership that no one can afford to miss the benefits to be derived from it."

The month of July has been designated by the General Conference Committee as Sabbath School Recruiting Month, when a special denomination-wide effort is being made to bring permanently into the Sabbath school all Adventists, young and old. There is need of such effort, for on the average twenty per cent of our church members are not members of the Sabbath school. They surely need the Sabbath school, and the Sabbath school needs them. The two beautiful tributes, given above, indicate what the attitude of our denominational leaders is toward "the church at study."

J. C. THOMPSON,

Associate Secretary of the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

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Do you not want one while you can get it? Almost every Sabbath school teacher's library is a very small one. We do well to read more broadly than is our custom when we have the right opportunity. "The Christ, the Church, and the Child," is a valuable book for any teacher. It has been used in the Sabbath School Worker's Training Course this year, and many letters of appreciation have been received. The book gives a new presentation of an old subject.

Carey Bonner is an English author. Mr. Bonner was for thirty years the general secretary of the National Sunday School Union of England, and for several years was also joint secretary of the World's Sunday School Association. He has written extensively along Sunday school lines. His experience in working for the youth and children, and his conception of the relationship of the older members to this work, make him a practical writer. His experience is well worth our study.

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MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER.

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There will be opportunity for making up requirements in Bible, history, English, education, music, science, and Spanish. Such courses as Bible Doctrines, Principles of Secondary Education, Grammar Grade Methods, Rhetoric, English Seminar, American History, Social Science Seminar, Chemistry, and Music Appreciation will be offered. Many of these require no previous work other than the completion of the high school program. Teachers who have spent the first part of the summer on vacation may profitably accept this opportunity newly offered at Union College.