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"We Are Well Able"

THE ten unbelieving spies saw only the obstacles that had to be surmounted in the conquest of the land of promise. Caleb and Joshua also saw the difficulties, but towering above every obstacle was the all prevailing promise of God. "We are well able" was their answer to those who pointed to the giants and the walled cities as unsurmountable hindrances.

The Israel of today is still on the way to the spiritual conquest of the whole dark world, and the Lord has promised: "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." In 127 countries believers declare the truth of God in 485 languages. As many people are baptized in a single year as were gained after the first fifty years of our denominational history.

"One of the new plans for reaching unbelievers is the Harvest Ingathering campaign for missions."—*Christian Service*, p. 167. Thus the Spirit of prophecy spoke of the Ingathering campaign over twenty years ago. Under the blessing of God our workers and members have raised approximately \$15,000,000 for our foreign missionary work, and this has resulted in the winning of at least 50,000 souls. In recent years from five to seven thousand souls have been won to the truth in all purely heathen lands as the result of the use of funds raised in the Ingathering campaign. In North America alone at least twenty million people are contacted in each Ingathering campaign, many of whom have been won to the truth.

The 1934 campaign is a call to loyal service on the part of every member of every church. The ten dollar goal raised by every worker will enable the mission board to maintain our work in every land

and advance into many wonderful openings.

"We are well able." Already several churches are over the goal, and God gave

Has Satan More Management of Your Property than God?

SO MANY put off fixing up their earthly affairs and arranging their property so that when they are through with this life their possessions are lost to the cause of God.

"I was shown the awful fact that Satan and his angels have had more to do with the management of the property of God's professed people, than the Lord has. Stewards of the last days are unwise. They suffer Satan to control their business matters, and get into his ranks what belongs to, and should be in, the cause of God. God takes notice of you, unfaithful stewards; he will call you to account. I saw that the stewards of God can by faithful, judicious management keep their business in this world square, exact, and straight."—*Vol. 1, p. 199.*

J. F. PIPER.

victory in a very short time. Do not delay. Enlist in the army of Ingathering workers and do your part to guarantee the fullest success of your church in the march to the Ingathering goal.

J. A. STEVENS, *Secretary,*
General Conference
Home Missionary Department.

mining to make the most of it. And like Lincoln, they realize that opportunity does not tarry, and if they would respond to its call they must be prepared. This fall will find them in a Christian school, and the future in places of trust.

But perhaps you are saying, "O, I can't go." Yet, the facts of the case are that there will no doubt be many in school this fall whose outlook was much darker than yours; yet they will be there, and will go through, and may some day wear the crown of victory that might have been yours. These are the young people that stand out from the crowd as leaders of men. They are men and women of decision. They have said, "I will arise and go." And it may be said of them as it was of Abraham and his company, "And they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came."

This fall there will be boys and girls who will arise and go forth from their father's house to go unto the land of Canaan. And though their path may lead along the hot, dusty highways, in the colporteur field, through the halls of learning, across the pathless sea, over the bleak mountain tops, and down into the swamps of the dark jungles; yet into the land of Canaan will they come.

Would you join this faithful band? Then you, too, must arise and go. Others have achieved the seemingly impossible; so can you, if you will. God helps those who help themselves. Determine now that your name shall be registered in one of our schools this fall.

M. H. JENSEN.

No. Dakota Conference

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People Are Interested

THE Harvest Ingathering in North Dakota is well on its way. Already reports are coming in that certain individuals have reached their goal of \$10, and over. This is good news!

Monday, August 13, Elder Gaede and the writer started the work here in Bismarck. The crops around Bismarck are a

Youths of Destiny

JESUS once told the story of a rather shiftless young man. This boy had a wonderful opportunity of making good in life, but like many young men today, he did not prize this opportunity. He launched on a career that was leading him to wreck and ruin. But there came a

turning point in that boy's life, a moment when he made a decision, and said, "I will arise and go."

We have reached the time of year when many boys and girls of destiny are making some decisions. God gave to each of them a life and they are deter-

total failure. The cattle have been moving out by the thousands, and those remaining will be fed with hay coming from other states. In spite of these unusual conditions we find that the business people are glad to see us come. We find that they are willing to give. In just a few hours we gathered a little better than \$30. We feel confident that the results will be just as good this year as last.

Sunday night was the first time the singing band went out, and after singing for one hour we realized \$6.34. Those good old hymns have an appeal to the hearts of the people. It is a real pleasure to go out with the singing band. Quite a number of people came with requests to sing certain songs. One man said: "Won't you sing 'Rock of Ages' for my grandfather?" Afterwards he expressed his appreciation for the good work we were doing. One request came that we sing a German song, so we sang "Gott ist die Liebe." Those that could not sing German sang along anyhow. Quite frequently we heard: "My, it's wonderful! I could sit here all night and listen." "You certainly have good singers," "You are doing a great work." The Bismarck Missionary Volunteers are all enthusiastic and will keep up the good work. I am sure we will be hearing from Fargo and Jamestown and others soon. Missionary Volunteers, let us do our part. Our part is nothing small.

Brethren, this movement must go on and is going on! Let us venture out on the promises of God: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, and lo, I am with you always." The Lord is with us in this work! He will be with you if you go!

The people expect us to come and tell them about the meaning of these eventful years. I was very much impressed yesterday as we spoke to one of the main business men here. After we called his attention to the condition of the whole world he said: "Don't you men believe that we are living right in the days when Jesus will come? I believe we are." Brethren, it was a real joy to sit in the office of that man and tell him that the Lord is soon coming. He appreciated our visit very much, and gave us a good donation. There are many others who are concerned about their own soul. They are waiting for someone to come to them. They are praying: "Send us light." Will you be the one who will answer their prayer?

R. R. BIETZ.

North Dakota News Notes

Word has been received from Brother Knudson, elder of the Valley City church, that they have started the In-

gathering and are meeting with splendid success. The singing band, which is something new in Valley City, is getting along splendidly. They already have \$50. We hope that other churches will swing right into action from the start of the campaign and work till their territory is finished.

The first day Sister G. P. Gaede and Sister Hugo Illchen went out from house to house for the Ingathering, they received, together, \$10. Sister Illchen says it is better this year than last. Sister Gaede had a goal of \$100 last year and reached it. We feel sure that with the determination that she displays she will get the same amount this year.

The Bismarck young people's singing band sang three hours in the streets of Bismarck and received \$17. One German hymn brought one half dollar into the mission can. The hymn was "Gott ist die Liebe." We know that the band will keep right on with the good work.

Brother Bietz stopped in the office for a day last week, and left again for Fargo to help in the Ingathering there. He expects to stay for about ten days. Last week he assisted Elder Gaede in Bismarck, and they have a good start there of about \$150. Brother Bietz will be kept real busy for about two months in this work.

If any Missionary Volunteer leaders wish to know how to conduct the singing bands, write to the office, and you will receive a little pamphlet telling you all about this splendid way of gathering funds for missions.

Brother Ortner and family and Brother and Sister Edwards spent ten days around Lake Metigoshe. While there they had several union meetings with scattered believers living in that territory.

Word has been received from Elder J. H. Rhoads that a few have decided to keep the Sabbath. He states that the attendance has been rather small, but the Spirit of God has brought convictions to those that have attended the meetings, and others have been influenced to the extent that meetings will have to be continued because of the interested ones.

Brother A. R. Smouse arrived at Shenyne River Academy Monday morning, August 20, to audit the books. He informs us that conditions in various parts of the union are not very promising because of the prevailing drought.

Word has been received from J. A. Litwinenco, of South Dakota, that he has visited the Killdeer and Williston churches. His visit was greatly appreciated by the Russian brethren. We ap-

preciate the efforts of Brother Litwinenco, who has been for years laboring for the Russian people in the North Dakota Conference.

So. Dakota Conference

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Working Small Towns

THE tendency on the part of some is to pass up small towns with only a store or two, an elevator, a garage, *et cetera*, as they drive from one of the larger towns to the other. The pretext naturally is that it does not pay, that they have no money in these smaller towns, especially in the drought-stricken territories. Well, there might be some logic in this kind of reasoning, if money were the only objective in our Harvest Ingathering work.

It may be that in that very town which you are about to pass up there is a person who is anxiously waiting for the annual Ingathering paper. He may have a few dollars, or only a few pennies saved up, awaiting God's messenger. How disappointed that person would be if you should not come this year.

Just now I am writing from the firing line. I, with a group of other workers, was tempted to pass up one poor, little town. Most of the population are Indians. But we did not pass them up, and they did not pass up the cause either. Seventeen dollars were gathered up in only a few hours. Now suppose we had passed up this little town. Would we have done the right thing? We shall let you judge.

Have you ever had a struggle with your own self as to whether or not you should work the little town through

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which you had to drive on your way?
"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for
thou shalt find it after many days."

J. H. ROTH.

Cooperating with Him

A LARGE number of requests for meetings have come to us from brethren and sisters who have been distributing literature among their neighbors and talking to them about the meaning of these things.

Really, brethren, the time has come for us to do more of this work. The Lord tells us: "God will do the work if we will furnish Him the instruments."—Vol. 9, p. 107. God is using the most humble of his children in these days to take the truth to those who sit in darkness.

Write to us and tell us of your experiences along the line of doing missionary work, and if you desire a minister to help you, just make your requests known. We will do our best to send you help and counsel.

One sister writes: "Please come to _____ and hold a series of meetings. Come soon." Another interested person pleads for meetings in the Spanish language for the Black Hills district. Let us remember these sowers of seeds of truth, around our family altar.

J. H. ROTH.

Ever Changing

THE working forces in this great cause are ever changing. Our workers cannot stay at one place very long. They give their best service in one place, and then they are moved on to another place.

While I write these words, Elder Gordon Oss and his family are sailing the high seas toward Trinidad.

I am sure scores and hundreds of friends and relatives join me in wishing them Godspeed. It will not be long until "they shall move no more." The last move on earth will soon be made toward our heavenly mansions. May we all be faithful to the end, that we may have part in that great moving day.

Surely the Lord has visibly blessed Elder Oss's labors in South Dakota, and we bespeak for him God's choicest blessings in his new field of labor.

J. H. ROTH.

South Dakota Sunbeams

AFTER a few days Harvest Ingathering work Elder Youngberg wrote, "The Lord is blessing us in spite of the depression and the drought. We have almost dollar for dollar the amount that we received from the same donors a year ago.

In a few cases someone goes off our list but invariably another comes on. Today two one-dollar donors did not respond, but I met two others who were not on our list a year ago, and each of them gave \$2.00. The Lord is going before us and giving us favor with the people."

Brother Wyman expects to be out in the field in another week or so to help his colporteurs in their deliveries. Let us pray for these faithful workers.

Brother A. R. Smouse, Central Union auditor, was in the office auditing the conference books the first of the week.

Professor E. E. Bietz, of the academy, dropped in the office Tuesday evening, and gave a good report on the prospect for the coming school year. The goal is for 100 students.

Sunday, August 26, the Thunder Butte log church, which was built last year, eleven miles south of Glad Valley, was dedicated. Elder Roth, president of the South Dakota Conference, and Elder J. F. Piper, president of the Central Union Conference, were present.

Wyoming Mission

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Baptisms in Big Horn Territory

ON THURSDAY afternoon, August 9, at Thermopolis four candidates went forward in baptism in spite of a severe dirt storm and threatening rain that struck as the service was beginning. Two of these were from Thermopolis and two were from Worland. All came as a result of work done in these two towns during the past winter.

The following day, Friday, a similar service was held near Lovell during rain which washed gullies in the trail across the Badlands. This caused our party considerable difficulty in returning home. But there, too, we went on with the service for three young people, and rejoice in their determination to join with God's people in carrying the Gospel to the world.

We in the Big Horn basin territory especially are glad for these marks of progress in the work, and appreciate the opportunity of having Elder Purdom with us for these sacred occasions.

L. W. WELCH.

Wyoming Notes

THE meetings being held in a stockade six feet in height by Brother F. C. Clark,

in South Cheyenne, are well attended. The warm evenings have no effect on such an arrangement, and the people sit in the utmost comfort during the services. As many as three hundred and fifty have been in the enclosure and parked conveniently near in their automobiles. Victor Clark is assisting his father, and has charge of the music; the students on vacation from Campion Academy are lending valuable assistance, and this with other volunteer help gives good support in carrying the meetings on in a successful way.

Elder W. E. Nelson, secretary of the Educational Department of the General Conference, spoke in the Sheridan church just before the baptismal service, and many renewed their consecration.

Elder Piper, Brother S. J. Lashier, Elder Shadel, and Elder Marsh accompanied Elder C. A. Purdom from the regional meeting in Rapid City, S. Dak., to Sheridan, Wyo., for a special business meeting. From there they visited Brother and Sister Lowell Welch, in Greybull, then spent one day in the Yellowstone National Park, before returning to Casper.

Dr. Lawrence Joers, of Los Angeles, was a visitor at our office recently. Elder Purdom motored with the doctor and Brother Fred McNeil to Boulder Sanitarium, where Brother McNeil was listed as a patient. The seriousness of his case necessitated a call for Sister McNeil to come to his bedside.

Brother Carl Mock is spending a week caring for Brother Beans' interest in Sundance, while Brother and Sister Beans visit relatives in Colorado.

Elder and Sister C. A. Purdom are spending ten days in Sheridan and vicinity in the interest of Harvest Ingathering and church school work.

The Casper church has secured over twenty dollars in their first week Harvest Ingathering. Singing band work accounts for the major portion of this amount.

Colorado Conference

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Pueblo Church School Building

FOR some time the Pueblo church has felt a great need for a school building. School has always been held in the basement of the church, which has proved very unsatisfactory.

Plans were made to build, but there came to our attention a large gray stucco building for sale, that would be ideal for

our needs. The building is just a few years old, and has never been used. It was originally intended for a photographic studio, but the owner died before it was entirely completed. It has a hardwood floor, three finished rooms inside, and a large basement.

The original cost of the building for the material alone was \$4,200, however we secured the building, including five lots, for the small sum of \$600. It was offered to the state hospital a year ago for \$1,800, and the superintendent of building there told me they would have bought it if they could have secured it for \$1,600.

It will not only be used for a church school, but is suitable for a recreation hall for the young people.

It has seemed to us that the Lord surely directed in the securing of this building, and our desire is that it will always be used in His service.

ALGER H. JOHNS.

Camp Crestone

TWENTY-ONE boys and girls from the churches of the San Luis Valley and five adult counselors spent six profitable days the later part of July encamped in the Kiwanis Recreational building at Crestone, Colo. This commodious building, with ample room for all the campers, and kitchen and dining room facilities, was given for our use free of charge by the Kiwanis Club of Alamosa.

The churches represented with juniors at the camp were: Jaroso, Alamosa, and Monte Vista. Counselors were Dorothy Blackwell, cook; Loa Love, assistant cook; Marie Haefeli, girl counselor; Fred Gibson, boy counselor, and the writer, director.

G. M. MATHEWS.

News Notes

ELDER PINGENOT sends this word from Ft. Collins: "In a field day at Ft. Collins today, two of us worked in the business section and in four hours got \$25. The business men are very nice, and prospects are good for more offerings." They plan to spend two more days there.

Elder Lickey, from Colorado Springs, writes: "We are working hard at Harvest Ingathering. Another week will pretty clearly indicate about what our prospects are. The singing bands are working faithfully, getting from three to five dollars a night, but rain has hindered a good deal."

Last week, according to a report from Elder Meiklejohn, of the West Denver church, the singing bands raised about

\$55, the young people raising over \$23 of this amount. He feels that the work is going very nicely this year.

Iowa Conference

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The Jury's Verdict

A PACKED house last Sunday night showed an intense interest as the message was presented to a jury of twelve Sunday-keepers selected from the audience. It was a thrilling sight to see the people anxiously waiting for the decision of the jury. The audience voted almost unanimously regarding who changed the Sabbath, and when the jury was asked to vote on the evidence presented, the twelve men and women voted unanimously that the Catholic church had changed the Sabbath without Bible warrant. When the call was made for those who would keep the commandments of God, especially the Sabbath, our hearts were glad as over one hundred rose to their feet; five of the jury stood. The spirit of God was present in a marked manner, and while we realize that not all of these people will be bound off as Sabbath-keepers, yet it is an indication of the interest that has been aroused on the Sabbath question. Pray that the Lord will help us bind off the honest in heart. R. S. FRIES.

Progress in Des Moines

ON MY desk before me is a list of ninety-nine names. This list was prepared by the clerk of the Des Moines church. It gives the names and dates of admission into the church of all having been received into church fellowship from October 1931 to July 1934, the time I spent in Des Moines. This list reveals that sixty-three were received by baptism; three on profession of faith, having been baptized before; and thirty-three by letter. In addition to this there was another who was rebaptized who took a new stand for God and His message. I also left a list of over twenty names of others who requested baptism. Some of these were youth of parents who were members of the church, and others were people coming into the truth. Proper instruction had not been fully given so these could all be baptized before I left.

As we take up the work in Burlington we trust you will pray that we may have the privilege of seeing people coming into the truth for our hire.

C. H. MILLER.

Welcome to Oak Park Academy

Just a few more days and Oak Park Academy will open wide its doors for another school year. September 10 is registration day, and classes will meet on September 11. A hearty invitation is extended to you of academy age to be with us this coming school year.

As you enter your school you will be greeted by many new improvements. First of all you will find a remodeled and redecorated entrance and hall. Both the offices and the two parlors have been replastered and refinished in beautiful colors of oriental interior finish plaster. All the student rooms and dormitory halls have been refinished. We feel sure that you will enjoy the many improvements that will greet you.

Manual training, domestic science, and printing will be offered in this year's course of study. We also have a good strong commerce department.

Do not forget that music plays an important part in a youth's life. We hope to develop this in a strong way in our school. Many other items might be mentioned.

Our interests for Oak Park are very good. We will undoubtedly reach our goal of a hundred students and probably will go over that quite a bit. We still have room for additional students. Remember that all earnest students are invited to come and take advantage of the many opportunities offered here at Oak Park Academy.

Do not forget—Registration day is September 10.

H. C. HARTMAN, Principal.

Iowa Newsettes

ELDER K. L. GANT has visited the Waukon and Fort Dodge churches in the interest of church school work. It is definitely planned to have a church school in each place for the coming year.

We still have a few of the July *Watchman* magazines on our shelves and these we are offering at two cents a copy as long as the stock lasts.

Brother L. P. Knecht, our field missionary secretary, has been assisting Brother Archbold in his open air meetings in Marshalltown for the past week. He informs us that the interest is very good and the meetings are well attended.

Our district meeting at Davenport was well attended. The mission offerings totaled \$318.43, and the book sales amounted to a little over \$100. Elder R. B. Thurber, editor of the *Watchman* magazine, was one of the main speakers. Also Elder S. T. Shadel, home missionary

secretary of the Central Union, and C. W. Marsh, educational secretary, were present.

The new booklet, "God's Greatest Gift," is now in stock. It will be the lesson help for the next quarter. The price is 25 cents, post paid. Order now.

The new tract entitled "Hope of the World" is enjoying a splendid sale. Some who have used the tract inform us that it is the best tract that they have ever used and it is very much appreciated by those who receive it. They are put up in three different size packages. The price is \$3.50 per thousand, 200 in a package for \$1.00, and 20, one of each number, in a package for 25 cents.

We have about seventy-five July *Watchman* magazines left over, and we are offering these at 2 cents a copy as long as they last. If you want some of these magazines, order immediately.

Merton Searle, of St. Paul, and Gilbert Kaiser, of Faribault, Minn., brought six patients down to the Iowa Sanitarium, Monday, August 13, for medical attention.

The patronage at the Iowa Sanitarium has been very good during the past few weeks, and everyone connected with the institution is busy from morning until night. We appreciate the interest our people in the field have taken in the sanitarium, and we are glad for the patients that they send us from time to time. We are sure if our people throughout the state will recommend the sanitarium to their neighbors and friends, that we will have the sanitarium full all the time.

J. R. Nelson, who has been holding a tent effort in Sioux City, writes that he has some new Sabbath-keepers as a result of his meetings, and that there is a real interest there.

Brother J. H. Nies attended the Davenport general meeting, August 16 to 19.

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Elder Allison Leaves

IT WAS with surprise and great regret that we were asked by the Missouri Conference to release Elder Allison to take the pastorate of the Berean colored church at St. Louis. Elder Allison's work among the colored churches in Kansas has been faithfully performed and greatly appreciated. He still continues his union responsibilities, so we hope to have an occasional visit from him. Brother Dixon, who has been helping Elder Allison in his Topeka effort, will temporarily

look after the interests of the colored churches in Kansas. As Elder Allison leaves us, surely the members join in sharing the loss and in asking for God's continued blessings upon him in his greater responsibilities.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

Howard Sabbath School

IT WAS my privilege to meet the newly organized Howard Sabbath school on July 28. The membership of this school is now twenty-nine. More than forty attended the day of my visit. A good spirit prevails, and we pray that God will prosper the school and help it to grow in strength and in number. Any desiring to attend will wish to know that this school meets in a school house one and one-half mile north and about four miles east of Howard.

E. H. MEYERS.

Jubilee Service

THIS year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the birth of the Seventh-day Adventist church at Hillsboro, Kans. The church plans to hold a special jubilee service September 7 to 9. Elder A. H. Rulkoetter, president of our conference, and Elder W. B. Ochs, secretary of the German department of the General Conference, have promised to be present and bring messages of encouragement and admonition to the congregation. Other ministers have also been invited. The first meeting will be held on Friday evening, September 7, at 7:30.

A cordial invitation is herewith extended to our brethren to come to these services. There will be meetings all day Sabbath and Sunday. The brethren of the church at Hillsboro will do all they can to provide lodging for out-of-town visitors. We are praying God to make this meeting a success and one that will bring honor to His cause. Remember the place, Hillsboro, Kans.; the date, September 7-9.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

Kansas' Newest Church

SABBATH, August 4, we had another baptism in Salina. Twenty-nine have been baptized here since the beginning of the theater effort, and several have been taken into church fellowship upon profession of faith. There was not even a Sabbath school organization here when we came, and now we have a church with a membership of 36. Several more are planning for baptism in the very near future. Our Sabbath school attendance is about 45. Remember these new believers in your prayers.

A. C. GRIFFIN.

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An Appeal to Fathers and Mothers

NOT long ago I was talking with an aged sister in Israel. She told of her son, a former Congressman. "An Adventist?" I asked. "Oh, no," was the reply. "Educated in our schools?" "No, in the university," was her answer.

A short time later another lady was telling me of her son who has made an enviable name for himself as an attorney. "A Christian?" I asked. "No." "Trained in our schools?" I asked again. "No, he entered the university at 17; used to be in Sabbath school when a boy."

"The laws of life are as certain as the laws of mathematics," I said to that mother. "Any boy, plus the training of the high school and university, equals a man of the world. Any boy, plus a godly home, plus a church school, plus a Christian academy, plus a Christian college, equals a man of God. There are exceptions to both rules, but the exceptions are few and far between."

It is too late to talk to the gray-haired fathers and mothers. Their children have grown to maturity. Some are heralds of the cross; others are in the world, lost for eternity. But it is not too late to talk to the parents of young children.

The destiny of your children is in your hands. No sacrifice is too great to make, no price too high to pay, if your children can be with you through the ceaseless ages of eternity. God, in His infinite love, has provided cities of refuge for your children. Those cities of refuge are our church schools! And, wherever there is consecration and a will to do, the church school, the academy, the college is a possibility.

Oh, that our parents could realize the fearful cost they are paying for their indifference! I find churches where no thought has ever been given to a church school. And a thirty or forty years' record tells the story: Scores of young people gone into the world; the church almost a childless church; discouragement written on every face; spirituality at a low ebb.

Thank God, I find churches where the church school spirit has lived on through the years. Young people have gone out as missionaries, ministers, Bible workers. Those at home have grown up in the

faith and are taking the lead in the activities of the church. The spiritual thermometer of their church registers high.

A few weeks ago I talked with a young man, a senior in high school, about Maplewood. "I would like to go," he said. Later I had an earnest talk with the mother. "We need him at home," she said. The boy is not a Christian, does not attend Sabbath school. "You may have him with you this year at home," I said to that mother, "but wouldn't you rather have him standing with you on the sea of glass singing the song of Moses and the Lamb?" "Perhaps you are right," she thoughtfully answered, and I hope to see that boy in Maplewood.

Do not ever say, "We can't have a church school in our church," or "We can't afford to send our boy to the academy." Such a statement is an evidence of unbelief. It can be done. The very power of God will be with you to help you bring it about. When you are converted on the subject of Christian education, when your elder, your pastor, catches the vision, when you pray earnestly to the God of heaven, and then take the first step into the Red Sea of Difficulty, that sea will become for you a Sea of Opportunity.

Will you in September of 1934 take this forward step and have your younger children in a church school, your young people in Maplewood and Union College?

Eternity will reveal the result of your answer to this question.

V. J. JOHNS.

Harvest Ingathering

WITH the fields blasted by heat and drought I felt very reluctant about doing Harvest Ingathering work this year. I have not yet been in the districts most effected by the drought, but where I have worked God has blessed us. In six hours work at Litchfield, two of us going together in the business district, we received \$34.50; at St. Paul, in nine hours, we received \$24.50; and at Detroit Lakes, Minn., working eight hours, we received \$51.25 from 22 persons. Most of all, this work gives us a fine opportunity to talk with people about their soul's salvation. Business people, whom otherwise it would be hard to reach, thank us for our efforts to lead them to Christ.

C. EDWARDSON.

International Falls and Little Fork

WE ARE in the midst of Harvest Ingathering. The Lord is blessing us, and our courage is good. I know if each

member will do his part we will reach our goal. Our Sabbath school membership is thirty-eight and steadily increasing. Our people are very faithful in attending prayer meeting. Nine souls have been added to the company within the past year.

At Little Fork a Sabbath school of seven members has been organized. Brother Evenson has been helping in the Sabbath services there. Last winter and spring it was my privilege to give Bible studies there two evenings each week. One lady came in for the last few studies, attended camp meeting at Hutchinson, and was baptized. I hear her mother and sister are interested and would like studies. Three others are ready to take part in our next baptism. We are looking forward to an increase in souls in both of these places. Please remember the work here in your prayers. LILLIE DETERS.

Missouri Conference

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Gathering in the Ingathering

THE time for Ingathering is here. From the camp meeting is ringing out an earnest call for all to have a part in this great endeavor. One-third of the funds expended on our missions projects comes through this channel. God has blessed this conference in years past. We are looking for greater things this year.

We are convinced that it is very urgent that every member have a part this year. Our neighbors and friends and business men should be visited. Even strangers will be impressed with the spirit to give. They will enjoy learning of the great work we are doing, and will ask questions about the truths we hold so dear. We are to share these blessings with others.

The Ingathering has proved a gathering in of souls in many localities. It is possibly one of the greatest single missionary endeavors of the denomination.

This year the treasury of this denomination is greatly in need of funds, due to the depreciation of the American dollar in foreign exchange. Also the needs are greater because of calls for more laborers to quickly enter sections that are making their first response to the message. Thousands are being baptized, and wonderful are the results accomplished.

Supplies have been sent to our churches. The singing band leaflets are to be

used instead of the larger magazines in singing band work. All who solicit are to be provided with an official solicitor's card signed by an officer of the church. This is sent with supplies ordered by our isolated believers. Order supplies today. State how many of the Harvest Ingathering papers are needed, and who will solicit. There is no charge for these supplies. They will be sent without delay. Order the same, and begin at once. You will have success.

Sixty years ago our first missionary was sent abroad. This year we celebrate our Diamond Missionary Jubilee. To all who reach the individual goal that has been set, which is ten dollars, a pin memento is to be given. How many who read these lines will be able to wear one of these to show he did his part in gathering in the ingathering funds? MELVIN OSS.

St. Louis South, Over the Top

ON SABBATH, August 18, it was my privilege to celebrate with the first church in the conference to reach their Harvest Ingathering goal. In this great endeavor the leaders took the lead, and the members said, "It can be done."

In the course of the rejoicing, I asked several to give reasons for the success. Some of these I list for your encouragement:

"The people were ready and willing to work."

"They were both encouraged and urged to do their part faithfully."

"There was a determination to make the goal."

"It was a cooperative mass movement."

Their best week in results was the one they thought might be the hardest. Twenty dollars and sixty-two cents was raised on one Sunday morning by the singing band. Due to a lack of singers they used twice as many solicitors as singers. Some of the most successful results were obtained when only brother Pfundt and two others were singing, and that in broad daylight. To get more money more soliciting is needed.

The church has raised nearly \$250. Of this, \$171.77 has been raised by the singing band. One thousand eight hundred eight copies of *Present Truth* have been distributed. The average offering received by the singing band is about a dime.

Many held up their hands to indicate they had made their ten-dollar goal. These will be presented with the Diamond Jubilee pins, which are awarded for their success and faithfulness.

Still more Harvest Ingathering offer-

ings are coming in, but we take this opportunity to extend our congratulations to the South Side church.

MELVIN OSS.

Missouri Items

ELDER O. T. GARNER received ten souls into the Excelsior Springs church, and five into the Memorial church, Kansas City, Mo., Sabbath, August 18.

Elder A. A. Leiske baptized six souls last Sabbath. These, with some Sabbath keepers of former days, and enough new Sabbath keepers not yet baptized to number forty, met for Sabbath school last Sabbath, as a result of a tent effort recently held in Queen City. Needless to say, Elder and Mrs. Leiske will return to that interest following camp meeting.

As our manuscript leaves the office, we are pleased to say our camp is well nigh ready for the meeting which opens Friday night. Under the experienced leadership of Elder C. J. Metzger, superintendent of camp, the tented city has sprung into existence with great dispatch, but not without the sound of ax, hammer, or tools of iron. All the conference workers are on hand, and working hard and harmoniously. We would suggest at this late hour, to those who have not started but may be in the valley of decision, Come and spend the remainder of the meeting with us.

The St. Louis Central church has turned in the largest amount of Ingathering funds received this year—over \$1,250 so far. This is considerable more than was received last year. They have an excellent start and are going strong. Soon they expect to have their goal. One band raised over \$50 last week.

The open secret for Harvest Ingathering success is to work as though all depends on you, and pray as if all depends on God.

COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 18, 1934

	Book	Hours	Sales
MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Sec.			
R. A. Bishop	BR	49	210.00
Mrs. Blackburn	BR	11	6.50
G. L. Carter	HR	36	10.00
James Donnelly	BR	46	42.00
Wm. L. Golden	BR	49	179.50
Mrs. L. Gulley	BR	28	22.75
Mrs. J. Johnson	HR	36	31.25
Floyd Mathews	HR	52	35.90
Mrs. A. Snyder	HR	38	33.00
*Clyde Williams	BR	49	179.10
W. L. Vickers	BR	9	
Mrs. Freda Asher	Mag	9	7.00
Mrs. J. G. Gunn	Mag	21	2.00
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag	16	8.40
*Mrs. Wm. Ramey	Mag	21	12.90
Mrs. C. Stanley	Mag	15	1.70
Total		485	782.00

MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, Sec.			
Eric Anderson	HW	35	27.95
G. H. Boehrig	HW	26	19.50
Dorothy Boyko	RJ	36	18.25
E. Dufstrom	Mag	17	5.45
J. Dufstrom	Mag	21	5.30
B. O. Engen	GC	48	25.15
Karl Evenson	BR	53	86.75
Fern Eveland	Mag	30	4.30
Genevieve Forbes	RJ	27	
†Iver Hilde	GC	85	139.50
Esther Kaldahl	RJ	36	13.25
Mrs. Ray Kroll	BR	20	27.50
Patricia Liers	Mag	6	4.70
Mrs. M. Ludvigson	RJ	15	3.50
Nina Magnuson	BR		10.00
Bessie Nordstrom	BR	1	4.50
Clare G. Rust	Mag	55	20.15
Edna B. Schaefer	Mag	37	17.65
Ada Schornstein	BR	35	23.00
Leah M. Strand	Mag	8	3.00
Julius Thompson	HW	35	24.50
A Colporteur	Mag	10	5.05
Total		636	488.95

NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.			
Glen Brown	RJ	35	19.00
R. R. Biloff	RJ	35	9.75
Uriah Fandrich	RJ	18	41.00
Osar Guttu	BR	30	18.00
*S. A. Jacobsen	RJ	71	34.15
*Beatrice Komoll	GC	56	43.85
Otto Koenigsfeld	DR	26	27.00
*Robert Koorennny	RJ	54	18.20
Bertha Mehlhoff	RJ	8	
Flora Peterson	HP	18	25
Louis Savage	RJ	16	
Artine Schlenker	RJ	14	
Arthur Wheeler	RJ	35	21.95
Total		416	234.15

NEBRASKA: P. E. Shakespeare, Sec.			
Mrs. C. Adams	Mag		12.50
Charles Copsey	BR	28	11.50
F. L. Cushing	Mag		9.00
Herman Higby	BR	18	17.00
Mrs. Wm. Glantz	Mag		24.00
C. A. Linquist	RJ	39	25.50
C. A. Pence	WC	14	1.75
Della Rice	Mag	32	21.70
Mrs. Chas. Russel	Mag		2.40
P. E. Shakespeare	DR	20	51.25
Otis Smith	BR		10.00
Ralph Sorensen	BR	27	12.00
J. D. Springer	DR	26½	12.00
Total		204½	210.60

COLORADO: W. G. Herndon, Secretary.			
*E. Harper	GC	99	46.75
Mrs. P. Jenkins	BR	59	26.25
Mrs. A. Flynn	DR	15	11.25
Anna Hartz	BR	25	34.25
Greta Nelson	Mag	36	6.10
Ruth Sornberger	Mag	54	6.80
Karl Simon			26.30
Total		288	157.70

IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Secretary.			
Roy Chamberlain	BR	37	27.00
Ivan Mills	OD	51	25.00
Raymond Hircok	GC	20	19.50
Edwin Coy	BR	33	18.50
H. G. Biggers	Misc	33	17.25
Euthayne Hopkins	BR	40	10.50
Vernon Miller	OD	31	5.50
Total		245	123.25

SOUTH DAKOTA: M. A. Wyman, Sec.			
Maybelle Kaitfors	BTS	26	24.75
Lucille Redmon	RJ	7	4.75
Olive Redmon	Mag	6	3.08
L. E. Redmon	BR	21	17.80

Dena Hoeger	RJ	10	7.00
Rose Reuer	RJ	6	2.10
Bessie McCumsey	DND	½	1.50
Roy Bowes	BR	22	32.50
Total		98½	93.48

Grand Total

2,373 2090.13

* Two Weeks

† Three Weeks

Obituaries

RYAN.—W. M. Ryan was born in Nashville, Tenn.; and died Aug. 1, 1934. There are left to mourn, his wife, twelve children, twenty grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Interment was in Loveland Burial Park. E. R. Lauda and F. A. Page.

RUSTAN.—Donald James Rustan was born Jan. 6, 1929, at Ruthven, Ia., and died Aug. 13, 1934. He leaves to mourn two brothers, his parents, and many other relatives and friends. Services were conducted by the writer in the Ruthven Adventist church, and interment was made in the Ruthven cemetery. W. A. Howe, Jr.

DAY.—Lottie Adelia Day was born in Vinton, Ia., May 26, 1861, and died Aug. 1, 1934, at her home in Colorado Springs. At the age of eleven she moved to Kansas. She accepted the truth and was baptized in 1881. She was married to John W. Day in 1887. Six children were born to this union, two of which remain with the husband to mourn their loss. She was laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery in her home city. C. F. Lickey.

STEVENS.—Sarah Heiderstadt Stevens was born at Sheboygan Falls, Wis., on Aug. 19, 1858, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sadie Irion, near White, Nebr., at the age of 75 years, 9 months, and 20 days. She came to Nebraska in 1893. In the summer of 1908 she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church. She leaves to mourn, five children, besides a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were held at the Maywood Methodist church by the writer. R. J. Roy.

SCHMIDT.—Mr. John Schmidt was born in Russia, Aug. 28, 1856, and peacefully fell asleep in his home near Otis, Kans., July 31, 1934. He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, three daughters, one son, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren. In the year 1886 he, together with his companion, was baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. He has ever been true to the truth he loved, and has been a faithful member of the church.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer in the high school auditorium in Otis, Kans. He was laid to rest in the Adventist cemetery near Bison, Kans. A. A. Dirksen.

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WANTED.—By middle-aged woman, house-keeping position for small family; good home a greater item than wages. Communicate with Mrs. John P. Nygaard, Box 216, Williston, N. Dak.

WANTED.—Experienced S. D. A. man at once to work on farm. Clarence Kendall, Osage, Ia. 35-6

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Sunset Calendar

For Friday, August 31, 1934

Des Moines, Iowa	6:50
Topeka, Kansas	6:56
St. Paul, Minnesota	6:53
Jefferson City, Missouri	6:42
Denver, Colorado	6:34
Lincoln, Nebraska	7:02
Pierre, South Dakota	7:19
Bismarck, North Dakota	7:25
Casper, Wyoming	6:48

Union College

M. L. Andreasen, President
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The Summer School

THE twenty-first session of the summer school has been one of the best in a number of years. Despite the hot, dry weather which has had a depressing effect, a very laudable spirit of scholarship and desire for learning has prevailed. As usual, the group who came in for the summer displayed the very best type of scholarship. This year marked the largest attendance since 1931. A total of 104 were enrolled as compared to 60 last year.

The increased attendance is largely accounted for in the new plan which has been put into operation. The plan is revolutionary in that it contemplates keeping a large portion of the students who attend in winter on the campus during the summer, and allows them to work and go to school the year around. The advantage of this program is that the student has a combination of mental and physical work all through the year, instead of being surfeited on manual labor for a period and then having a period of mental work with little manual labor to balance it.

With this plan most of the students on the campus during the summer work from 7:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M. At the close of their day's work, which is a full day's work according to the N. R. A., the students study and attend classes the rest of

the day. The school program begins at 3:00 P. M., and runs through to 9:45. Ordinarily those on the regular work program take only one class. This allows ample time for study and recitation. The chapel hour comes just following supper. The library is open during the afternoon and evening.

Inasmuch as the summer session is divided into two six week terms, the largest number are accommodated. Some desire twelve hours of credit and attend the full session. Others desire a vacation for

THE opening date of Union College is September 17. Students should not plan to come before Sunday, September 16, unless they have made definite arrangements with the school.

half the summer and attend only one term, earning six hours of credit. Of the students registered this summer, sixty-four are entered on the year-around work program, and forty have come in for the summer session, doing little or no work for the college. In addition, a number of young people have come in since the last term of summer school, and the faculty has excused a few from registering in school because of the rush work in some of the industries. In addition to the 104 registered, there are on the campus twenty-five workers not attending school. This brings our school family up to a total of 130 at present.

EVERETT N. DICK.

Union College News Notes

THE secondary teachers' institute is being held at the college August 27-29. About sixty academy teachers are in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Gernet, of Philadelphia, Pa., stopped at the college August 21 and 22 en route to Colorado. Mr. Gernet is the brother of Professor Sterling Gernet, music teacher during the years 1931-33. Professor Gernet has accepted a position as principal of an academy in the East Pennsylvania Conference.

Miss Lotta Bell is spending her vacation in Union City, Mich.

Miss Lulu Blanche Hiatt was a guest of Dean Pearl Rees over the week-end.

Professor M. H. Schuster has been attending the Oklahoma and Kansas camp meetings in the interest of Union College. Professor Stanley Ledington was also at the Kansas camp meeting.

Dr. E. N. Dick is the Union College representative at the Missouri camp meeting.

Miss Elinore Hahn has accepted the position of preceptress at the Enterprise Academy, Enterprise, Kans.

North Hall girls presented Dean Pearl Rees with an electric clock on the occasion of her birthday last week.

Mr. E. J. Smith, of Glendale, Calif., class of 1915, visited his sister-in-law, Mrs. D. Glenn Hiltz, at the college last week.

Elder L. K. Dickson, president of the Florida Conference, stopped at Union College Thursday. He called particularly on the Bureau of Recommendations for the purpose of securing teachers for the Forest Lake Academy in Orlando, Fla.

Professor W. E. Nelson, educational secretary of the General Conference, is a guest at the college while attending the secondary teachers' convention this week.

Applications and room reservations from students are arriving daily. Judging from all indications, Union is going to have a greatly increased enrolment this year. Any students who have not yet sent in their applications should do so as soon as possible.

Nebraska Conference

T. B. Westbrook, President
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From the Office View Point

A DISTRICT meeting has been planned for the churches in and around Scottsbluff. The first meeting will be Friday night, September 7, continuing over Sabbath and Sunday, and we hope that all the churches in the northwest section will plan to be in attendance.

The official date for opening the Harvest Ingathering campaign has now come, and we trust that every church will spring into action, putting the campaign over in the six weeks' time allotted. Remember the individual goal is \$10 a member, while the church goal is \$7.50. Do not wait for a conference worker, for our conference workers are getting fewer all the time. It will be hard for us to get around to all the churches at one time, but we will try to give help as fast as we can plan to cover the field.

Elder and Mrs. R. J. Roy have accepted a call to return to South America, but their sailing date has not yet been given. We hope they can remain with us a few weeks, at least, to assist in the Harvest Ingathering campaign in the southwest district of the conference.