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A Missionary's Letter

It has been some time since we have sent word to the REAPER family. When the REAPER reaches us, it is read like a letter from home. I would like to pass on to you some of our experiences. The following incident is very inspiring, and it was a very touching scene:

One of our Missionary Volunteers had secured free literature from the office. This time it was *Little Friends* and *Signs*. On the way home she stopped at the Sacred Heart Girls' School and distributed her papers to the children. On this particular morning, Esther went to the office for free literature. She was absent longer than I thought was necessary to walk to the office and back. (This young girl helps me in our home.) When she returned, she related her experience. On the way home she had stopped at the Catholic school again, and was passing the papers through the fence, when one of the under-teachers appeared and refused to let her continue. The teacher gathered all the papers and returned them, then she went back into the school. Of course the children were disappointed, so Esther told them to come down the alley after school and she would give them papers.

During the time for the daily rest in the heat of the day, I heard a noise at the front gate. The school girls were gathering for their *Little Friends*. Esther was standing there slipping the much coveted paper into their eager hands. It was very touching to see those little hands stretched eagerly through the gate bars, and to hear their pleading voice, "Give me one, lady." Esther gave till her supply was exhausted, then she brought out old copies of Harvest Ingathering papers. Then our own girls came to the rescue with more, till they had given away over a hundred papers.

The older ones are just as eager to receive literature. It has been the experience of all giving away literature that

people gather around asking for papers, and some come running to ask. Why not give them our truth-filled literature? We must depend on our fellow-believers in the homeland for much that we use. The literature that we have received to use has been so much appreciated. I wish you could see the pleasure of these dear people when they are given our papers. And how carefully and zealously it is all used! Our believers in the West Indies are zealous workers in the literature work. Will you not send us more used literature? Every periodical is usable—and tracts, too, if you could send us a supply. I would not forget to mention the memory verse cards. "A little child shall lead them." Used Picture Rolls would be highly prized by many Sabbath schools here, if you have any that are not placed.

The work is onward in the West Indies, and the South Caribbean Conference. We are enjoying the work here, and the Lord is blessing. We solicit your prayers.

MRS. GORDON OSS,
Port of Spain, Box 66, Trinidad, B.W.I.



South Dakota Sunbeams

ELDER SMITH writes that the attendance at his meetings south of Redfield is gradually increasing. The evening he gave the

Jesus, the Same Yesterday, Today, and Forever

MOTHERS, are your burdens heavy to bear? Fathers, are you worried over business affairs, or your job? Parents, are you perplexed about your children?

"Christ is today the same compassionate Saviour as when He walked among men. He is as verily the helper of mothers now as when He gathered the little ones to His arms in Judea. The children of our hearths are as much the purchase of His blood as were the children of long ago."—"Ministry of Healing," p. 41.

J. F. PIPER,

sermon on the Sabbath question he had the biggest crowd he has ever had. The members of the Redfield church have developed this interest by systematic distribution of the *Signs of the Times*.

We are still receiving inquiries with reference to the 98 cent Bible we advertised in the columns of the REAPER some time ago. We still have more of these in stock and can take care of orders immediately.

When our books for November were closed, our tithe was \$183.13 short of the tithe for the same period a year ago. We show an increase in our total missions, in the Ingathering, and in the Sabbath school offerings for the same period. December is more or less a squaring-up month for the year. We hope that our tithe for December will equal that for December of last year and make up our shortage, too.

The cent-a-meal boxes should be turned in at the close of this month. From all appearances we will have all we expected and possibly more than we expected to have by the close of the year in this offering.

Brother William Goransson, who is on furlough from Peru, spent a short time in our office one day last week.

Wyoming Mission

E. H. Meyers, Superintendent
Mrs. J. W. Franklin, Secretary
1203 So. Oak St. - - Casper

A Good Opportunity

CAN you think of a better way to multiply your talents in favor of the gospel than to place a gospel-filled and attractive magazine in a public place where hundreds of people will see it, and scores, perhaps, read all or part of it? Just such an opportunity is yours. You may help place the *Watchman Magazine* in the public libraries of Wyoming. Will not our churches and our church members take note of this and respond at once?

Send a contribution through your church or direct to the office, if isolated, and help put the *Watchman* in these strategic places. I wish some one or several would send in as much as \$10

or \$5.00. We would like also to have some means to send the *Liberty* to our congressmen and others. Do not put it off. Send your part now.

E. H. MEYERS.

An Explanation

THERE are places in Wyoming that I have for some time desired to visit but where as yet I have failed to appear. There are groups of believers and isolated members wondering why I have not yet been to see them. I do not wish to excuse any undue failure in this respect, but since settling in Wyoming last July there have naturally been many things to be crowded into the weeks as they have fled by. My desire is to visit every church and group and, if possible, every isolated member, before much time elapses.

At present I am conducting a series of meetings at Recluse. To do this presents difficulties, as there are other things that must have attention at the same time. I feel, however, that in view of our thin line of workers in Wyoming, I should somehow find time now and then for at least a short evangelistic effort.

Perhaps these few words of explanation are in order. We beg our faithful people in Wyoming to be patient if it appears there is undue delay in certain matters.

E. H. MEYERS.

Wyoming News Notes

OUR people will be interested in knowing that our camp meeting place (the Casper church building) is being repaired. The critical condition of the roof and ceiling is being corrected, and other necessary repairs coincident with the mending of the ceiling are being made. We are glad some of those who pledged to help on this repair have been faithful in sending in their part. We need still more. Thank you!

Brother J. W. Franklin, in addition to following up some interests at Estherbrook and Sussex, has been conducting public meetings at Keycee.

Our Reliance Sabbath school is worthy of mention for having raised thus far \$41.62 Ingathering donations.

Brother Carl Mock is beginning a public effort at Story, near Sheridan.

Will our Sabbath schools and isolated members please take care to order *Quarterlies* at once? We have them ready at the office. Mails will be very congested near the holidays, so order *Quarterlies* and all other needed literature and supplies as early as possible.

Do not let the days come and go without improving the precious opportunities to give literature to those you contact. Time is short.

Brother L. G. Bean is holding a short public effort in a rural district near New Castle.

Get some of our books for Christmas gifts.

Brother H. H. Oedekoven, of Recluse, in addition to other offerings, sent in recently a Sabbath school donation of \$52, a dollar for each Sabbath of the year. Even though some of our isolated members may not send in this much, yet we trust that from Sabbath to Sabbath all will do what they can in these offerings.

Colorado Conference

Jay J. Nethery, President
F. W. Schnepfer, Secretary
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The Boulder Church

As we come to December we are inclined to take a retrospective view of the year that is so rapidly slipping into the eternity of the past. The Lord has richly blessed His people here at Boulder, and many are gaining decided victories in their conquest with the powers of darkness.

It has greatly cheered my heart to note the fulfillment of the prophecy of the Psalmist when he said, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." The church has been very cooperative in every undertaking that has been planned for the advancement of the work. Thousands of pages of truth-filled literature have been placed in the hands of the people of Boulder, and many Bible-readings and cottage meetings have been held. As a result of these efforts, with the blessing of God, a number are rejoicing in the knowledge of the present truth.

One of the outstanding features of the year's work has been the Bible Training Class under the direction of Sister Lyda Gourley. This class was organized last spring, and has been faithfully pursuing its course of study during the past seven months. It was most gratifying to know that about half of those who enrolled for this work in the spring were faithful to their studies until last Sabbath, when after passing the examination given by the General Conference Home Missionary Department, seventeen received their certificates. The closing exercises were held in the church at three o'clock in the afternoon, and a number of representatives

were present to take part from the conference office. Elder Piper was also present and spoke a few words of commendation to the class.

Sister Gourley has done faithful work with this group, and it is now our plan to encourage every one who has received this training to engage in active service in the field in giving Bible readings in the homes of the people.

Our tithe receipts for the year have averaged more than \$1,000 a month, and there has been a good gain in the offerings for missions. Our Harvest Ingathering goal of \$1,328 has been reached, and some extensive repairs have been made on the church building. Pray that God may continue to richly bless His work in this place.

W. M. ANDRESS.

Colorado Springs

OUR series of evangelistic meetings will open Sunday evening, December 29. The Bible Palace is located at 109 So. Nevada St., near E. Colorado, one block south of the post office. Meetings will be held every night except Monday. If you have any friends or relatives in this city let us know their address that we may invite them to our services.

We are praying for the Lord to greatly bless this work. The church is enthusiastically doing their part, and we look forward to many blessings. Will you not remember our series at the Throne of Grace?

We give a half hour program every Sunday afternoon from 5:00 to 5:30 over KVOR, 1270 K.C., Mountain time. Tell your friends to tune in. The Melendys will sing at each broadcast the beautiful songs of Zion, besides giving a half hour musical program before the evening sermon.

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We have spoken in some of the churches here and have invitations to talk in others. May the good Lord help us to reach all those who can be saved is our prayer.

R. S. FRIES AND THE MELENDYS.



Youth's Meeting at Jaroso

ON November 30 a gathering of the San Luis Valley young people took place at Jaroso. Young people from the various churches were present. Meetings were held all day Sabbath, and in the evening the young people enjoyed a very profitable, well organized social gathering at the Anderson home.

The Volunteers of the San Luis Valley organized themselves into one society with a full and strong staff of officers, unit associate leaders and secretaries. Elder Geo. Chambers, district leader, is the generalissimo of the organization. We know that the Valley volunteers will forge right ahead.

The greatest, most fruitful, and most important work for the remnant church is that of saving its youth to this cause, and to train them for service. Let us bind the youth in our churches to this message with cords that never can be broken.

R. R. BIETZ,
M. V. Secretary.



Ingathering Ribbons

THE following persons are entitled to Ingathering recognition:

\$25 ribbon: Mrs. Helen Collins, Mrs. Gould, Aspen; Mrs. Frank Barrow, Alamosa; Mrs. Lloyd Patton, Cedaredge; Mrs. B. W. Lang, Mr. C. W. Cope, Rulison.

\$50 list: Ludwig Wenzel, Brighton; Carl Ziegler, Denver German; R. E. Finney, Sterling.

\$100 list: G. M. Mathews, Campion; C. A. Skinner, Boulder; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Barton, Akron; Mrs. R. Spoden, Denver. When these names are sent in, silk ribbon bookmarks will be sent.



Campion News

THE church Week of Prayer opened at Campion Sabbath, December 7. Each evening the readings were presented to the student body, who met for a joint worship in the chapel.

When the *Frontiersman* subscription campaign closed in chapel Wednesday, December 4, it was found that the girls had only five less subscriptions to their credit than the boys. Together they brought in 159. The girls deserve much credit, as they are outnumbered by the boys. The total number of subscriptions

received during the campaign is 335.

Every Tuesday evening for the last five weeks a group of the academy young people have gone to Loveland, three miles distant, as a singing band to help reach the Harvest Ingathering goal of \$334. To date the band has raised \$12.90 toward this goal.

The academy music department hopes to make a good-will tour during the Christmas vacation. They plan to play at the Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium, Saturday night, December 21. The next evening they expect to be in Colorado Springs. Their program Monday night will probably be given at the Porter Sanitarium.

The needlework, baskets, and rugs made by the members of the local Dorcas Society brought \$16.61. The sale was held in the chapel Saturday night, December 7.

Elder Jay J. Nethery and Brother F. W. Schnepfer were at Campion the past week-end, looking over the books and other business. Elder Nethery spoke to the young people in chapel while he was here.



News Notes

CHRISTMAS week, December 22-28, is Christmas carol singing week, to help finish up the Harvest Ingathering goal for 1935. Send for Christmas Carol Song Sheets at the conference office.

The *Watchman* Library Fund offerings are coming in nicely. Your offering will help put the *Watchman* in every library in the state of Colorado during 1936.

Colorado has more than \$11,000 in the Ingathering to date. We need \$2,000 more to reach the goal. Have you done your part this year?

Brother Gavin organized a Sabbath school of twenty members at Byers on Sabbath, December 7.

Iowa Conference

DeWitt S. Osgood, President
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734 Main Street - - Nevada

Systematic and Proportionate Giving—Part II

EVERY candidate for baptism is plainly told of the binding obligation of the tithe. This responsibility and duty is very plainly laid down in the Scriptures. The tithe is holy. The first tenth is God's. It is nothing less than robbery to withhold it. It is embezzlement to use it in some

other way that that for which it is intended, even for personal wants when they seem to be magnified as real needs.

It is a betrayal of stewardship to misuse the tenth that is holy. How can God say of such a one truthfully, "Well done, good and faithful servant"? Indeed, one does not need to wait until the coming of Christ to receive judgment for a misuse of the tithe. In Mal. 3:8 we are told of a curse that is applied in this world. This curse is not a mere superstition. Many a family is financially poor, suffering with physical infirmities, and is weak spiritually because of unfaithfulness in stewardship.

Every true Seventh-day Adventist is convinced of the sacredness of the first tithe. This is amply sustained by the Scriptures and Testimonies. Abraham, Jacob, Moses practiced it. Christ emphasized it in Matt. 23:23. And Paul, in speaking of the Melchisedec priesthood of Christ, in the book of Hebrews, teaches tithing.

There are to be gifts beside the tithe. Shall these gifts be haphazard, hit or miss, as we may or may not have the money, whatever is in our pockets or pocketbooks at the time of an appeal? In other words, does the Bible provide no plan, no system, so that sometimes much may go to the cause of God, but oftener little, since giving that is not planned is frequently just putting into the cause what we can spare after we have taken care of our personal interests?

In our growth in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus and the Scriptures, we feel there is a growth possible in the manner and method of our giving. It seems evident that the basis of all giving should be love for the cause, and that after the gift has been made it should leave the giver with a feeling of satisfaction and right. In the references quoted last week from Volume III, pages 394, 405, and 388, we found that God has provided a definite plan of systematic and proportionate giving; that is, giving based upon our income. We noticed an expression that seemed to indicate that the tithing system was the basis of giving. It might be properly asked, "Does the expression 'one tenth of the increase,' from page 394 of Volume III, involve the giving of a second tithe?" While we believe that God requires as mandatory of all true Christians the paying of the first tithe, yet it appears the study of the Scriptures and the Testimonies that the giving of a second tithe is left as a plan that might very appropriately be followed in proportionate and systematic benevolence. This is left to the conscience of each individual, but since

the Scriptures and Testimonies have something to say about it, we present this plan with the hope that God will reveal to each individual the light that he should walk in. Should God speak to him by the still, small voice of the Holy Spirit, we pray that grace and strength may be supplied from above to help each individual in putting it into practice. Study the force of the following references from the Scripture and the Testimonies:

"Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year. And thou shalt eat before the Lord thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil . . . At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shall lay it up within thy gates: and the Levites . . . and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and eat, and be satisfied." Deut. 14:22, 23, 28, 29.

"To promote the assembling of the people for religious service, as well as to provide for the poor, a second tithe of all the increase was required. Concerning the first tithe, the Lord had declared: 'I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel.' But in regard to the second, He commanded: 'Thou shalt eat before the Lord thy God, in the place which He shall choose to place His name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil.' . . . This tithe, or its equivalent in money, they were for two years to bring to the place where the Sanctuary was established. Every third year, however, this second tithe was to be used at home, in entertaining the Levite and the poor."—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, ch. 51, p. 498.

The double tithe was not all that was given. Many gave much more, but a large number evidently practiced the double tithe. Notice the force of the following excerpts:

"The contributions required of the Hebrews for religious and charitable purposes amounted to fully one fourth of their income."—*Ibid.*, p. 495.

"The tithing system was no burden to those who did not depart from the plan. The system enjoined upon the Hebrews has not been repealed, or relaxed by the One who originated it. Instead of being of no force now, it was to be more fully carried out, and more extended, as salvation through Christ alone should be more fully brought to light in the Christian age. . . . Now, God requires, not less, but greater gifts than at any other period of the world. The principle laid down by

Christ, is that the gifts and offerings should be in proportion to the light and blessings enjoyed. . . . Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessings of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee. No less than one third of their income was devoted to sacred and religious purposes. . . . Systematic benevolence should not be made systematic compulsion. It is free-will offerings that are acceptable to God. True Christian benevolence springs from the principle of grateful love."—*Book 2, Vol. III, p. 392-396.*

What division of the second tithe is suggested? How should it be given and through what channels? It may require some planning, and in the concluding article next week, we shall advance some suggestions, but suffice it to say that the individual will be the one indicated to divide and place it into the various phases of the work.

DEWITT S. OSGOOD.

(To be concluded next week)



Iowa Colporteurs' Institute

If some one should pray for more light—and there are many such in Iowa—would you like to have the Lord send you to answer that prayer? Try the colporteur work.

"One lady told me she had just been praying for wisdom when I knocked on the door. She was very much interested in my book and ordered it. She asked me who sent me to her place. I told her I believe the Lord sent me there in answer to her prayer, and she said she thought so too."—*Mrs. M. H. Meeker, Sioux City, Ia.*

For information regarding the colporteurs' institute, which will be held at Nevada, Iowa, January 10-19, write the undersigned.

C. A. EDWARDS,

734 Main St., Nevada, Ia.



A Welcome Friend

THERE is one paper that is a welcome friend in our home. It is welcomed by the writer, his wife, and his little boy of six. That is the *Little Friend*. We have kept these papers from week to week and bound them up with a shoe string, and it is surprising to us what a splendid book this makes at the end of the year, and how many times the stories can be re-read, the pictures shown, and the lessons studied. If any one who has children does not have the *Little Friend*, he is certainly missing one of the best things that he can get hold of for his children.

Christmas is coming. Why not give your boy and girl a Christmas present with a subscription to this splendid little paper? It costs only one dollar a year.

B. A. SCHERR.

Kansas Conference

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

Kansas Ribbon Winners

WE have seventeen ribbon members in our conference. Ribbons are given in Harvest Ingathering for soliciting \$25, \$50, and \$100.

The \$100 list is the smallest with the following members: Dr. and Mrs. Loe A. Sutter, Mrs. Mary Christensen, Mrs. Ina White, Elder A. C. Griffin.

The \$50 list includes: C. M. Norman, Mrs. A. K. Hayden, Mrs. Orma Hoeckendorf, Mrs. Cora Follett, O. D. Davis, H. Wentland, and C. E. Smith. The white ribbon winners for \$25 are: A. R. Carrick, Mrs. A. R. Carrick, C. A. Jones, Mrs. L. M. Straight, O. A. Olson, and Elder A. C. Long.

Undoubtedly there are many others who are entitled to either a \$25, \$50, or \$100 ribbon. If you are, be sure and send in your name or have your home missionary secretary do so. We have a ribbon for you.

H. WENTLAND.



Enterprise Academy Notes

ELDER O. T. GARNER, president of the Kansas Conference, spent two days at the academy recently, assisting Professor Newman in soliciting funds from the business men of Abilene and Enterprise. Elder Garner gave a very interesting talk to the students in chapel on Thursday morning.

The books have been moved to the new library room, and the old library room is being remodeled into a commercial room.

The decorating work in the girls' dormitory has been completed. A new glass door has taken the place of the old door at the main entrance.

Mrs. Jacob Erdman has arrived at the school, and has now taken over the work as matron. Mrs. Frank Swearingen has

Radio Program

WLBK Kansas City, Kansas
1420 kilocycles
Every Sunday, 9:30 A. M.
By Evangelist C. E. Smith
Please write the station

been matron until Mrs. Erdman could come and take over the work.

The work in the pecan shop is in full swing now. Twelve students are employed in the shop. Already over 500 pounds of pecans have been shelled.

Mrs. Martha Shrader, of Enterprise, gave a very interesting talk on her trip to Holland at the chapel hour recently. She showed a number of curios and pictures depicting life and customs in Holland.

Professor A. D. Holmes, who has been a member of the faculty here at Enterprise for eight years and is now connected with Union College Academy, spent Thanksgiving visiting with friends here at the school.



Kansas Items

OUR Harvest Ingathering stands at \$7,400.57 at this writing. This figure was compiled before the November remittance came in from the churches. Elder Wentland estimates that our Harvest Ingathering will exceed the \$8,000 mark.

Ottawa, Kincaid, Bison, Neodesha, and Ozawie are among the recent churches which have joined the over-the-top club. There are twenty-six churches over the top in Kansas.

Minnesota Conference

V. J. Johns, President
B. C. Marshall, Secretary

1854 Roblyn Ave. - St. Paul

Effort Near Braham

IMMEDIATELY at the close of the camp meeting, we began our second effort in the tabernacle about seven miles north-east of Braham. On account of the heavy crop throughout this part of the state, the farmers were extremely busy, working early and late haying, harvesting, threshing, filling silos, digging potatoes, etc., and consequently found it difficult to find time to attend meetings.

Notwithstanding these handicaps, we are glad to report that the Lord has given us some success. Eight have been added to the churches in our district by baptism, and one by profession of faith, during the summer. For this we thank God and take courage.

As the company of believers in this community have never had a house of worship, but have met in private homes for their services, it has been felt that if we could have a small church, it would add greatly to the permanency of our work. Because of the prolonged de-

pression, however, it had been considered impossible to buy or build until some time ago the Minnesota Swedish Baptist Conference desired to sell a small church with a seating capacity of about one hundred, located in the very center of our work. The temptation to buy this property was too strong to resist, and the money to purchase the same was provided. The deal is now closed and the church which cost \$400 is paid for in full and was dedicated November 16. Elder V. J. Johns, our conference president, and Elder H. O. Olson, of the Bureau of Home Missions, were the principal speakers.

The Rock Creek church has now a membership of about twenty. A few others are keeping the Sabbath, but have not joined the church. We hope, however, that they will soon take this step.

AUGUST ANDERSON.



Elder Wiest to St. Paul

It is with a degree of regret that we leave Mankato and the southern part of the state to assume the pastorate at St. Paul. Both Mrs. Wiest and I have greatly enjoyed our stay among our good people in the southern part of the conference. We shall not forget these friends even though we shall not be among them so constantly as heretofore.

We were happy to finish our work by a baptismal service. On Sabbath, November 30, there were eight persons baptized, six of whom united at Mankato, one at Good Thunder, and the other with Albert Lea.

Our friends will find us at 420 Marshall Ave., St. Paul, Minn. We are living in the upper duplex.

I am sure we shall enjoy our work among the members at our new location, and we solicit the prayers of our believers that the light of the message may shine throughout this large city.

C. S. WIEST.



Your Christmas Budget

THE publishers tell us that the *Watchman* library subscriptions have run out. This year the *Watchman Magazine* has been coming to every library in Minnesota, and the librarians are writing in asking that it be continued for the sake of a large number of regular readers. We ought to renew these subscriptions as soon as possible, as the price of the *Watchman* will jump from 60 cents to \$1.00 the first of the year. All new subscriptions and renewals that come in in December will be filled at the old price. We have 154 libraries in the state and \$92.40 will take care of the whole list

now, but after January 1, it will cost \$154. As you are making up your Christmas list, please send us a dollar to help raise the \$92.40. Please act quickly or our opportunity will slip by. The year is almost gone. We urge that in addition to these personal gifts that each church take up a collection for the *Watchman* Library Fund at the earliest opportunity and notify the office immediately as to the amount of the donation. Please help in this good work.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.



"Our Little Friend"

CROWDS of people are rushing from store to store these days buying presents for their relatives and friends. A great deal is being spent on useless toys and fragile gifts which a few weeks later will be broken and discarded. What are you buying for the children this year that will be really beneficial to them?

Many youngsters are being taught fairy tales from the dime store Christmas books that ought to have something better with which to fill their minds. When you are considering gifts for the children on your list, why not send them a year's subscription to the *Little Friend*? Send in your order now and have the subscription begin with the first of the year. Drop the youngster a Christmas card, stating that the *Little Friend* will make a weekly visit to the home all during 1936. What could make a better gift?

J. C. CHRISTENSON.



Academy Notes

THE Christmas vacation at the academy will open with the closing of the session Thursday, December 19, and continue until Monday morning, December 30.

The Week of Sacrifice proved a great blessing to the school. All the teachers and most of the students took part. The students voted to do without butter in the dining room as a means of saving money for missions. The boys held an auction sale in which articles were sold that other students needed. The bindery workers raised a goodly amount. A number of students gave cash, others worked for money, and some sold books and magazines in Hutchinson. The total amount in cash raised was \$130.72, besides some pledges.

The offering of the Sabbath School Investment in the Hutchinson church amounted to approximately \$80.

Elder Gulbrandson is spending a week in the conference in the interest of the Week of Prayer. His classes are being taught

by other faculty members.

A number of inquiries have been received from prospective students who are planning to enter school the second semester. If there are other young people who are anxious to receive a Christian education, the school will be glad to hear from them.

On the Saturday night following the examinations an enthusiastic social was held for the young people in the dining room. Mr. Lauritzen and Mr. Dokken had charge.

The following young people have the distinguishment of making the honor roll for the second six weeks: Chester Wahlen, Eleanor Nelson, Clyde Hurlburt, Minnie Crammer, Melvin Ward, Bertha Hostetter, Olga Unterseher, John Sansom, Norma Thulin, Virginia Frederickson.

Feature Programs

A SERIES of Sunday morning broadcasts has been started by Elder Johns over Station WTCN in Minneapolis. A "Why I Believe" contest is featured with the broadcast period, and we sincerely hope that many may have their confidence in the fundamentals of the faith established as they listen to the message over the air.

Another broadcast is coming to Minnesota over Station KROC at Rochester. This period is also from 9:30 to 9:45 on Sunday mornings. Brother A. L. Bietz is in charge of the program. The KROC station is a 1300 kilocycle station, while the WTCN is 1250 kilocycles.

Tell your neighbors about these feature programs. Help to "broadcast" the Minnesota broadcasts of the message.

"Back to the Bible" Broadcast
Station WTCN, Minneapolis
1250 Kilocycles
Every Sunday Morning
9:30 - 9:45
Varner J. Johns

Station KROC, Rochester
1300 Kilocycles
Every Sunday Morning
9:30 - 9:45
A. L. Bietz

Nebraska Conference

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G. T. Burgess, Secretary
1405 S. Seventh St. - Lincoln

Bright Prospects Ahead

ONE who works with God can always

rightfully say the outlook is good and the prospects for better things are bright. Our colporteurs are God's workmen, and throughout the year they have gone forward courageously, meeting and overcoming all the opposing forces. This experience has helped to develop and increase their talents. We hope they have so labored that God can say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

During the first eleven months of 1935 there has been considerably more than \$3,000 gain over 1934, and no doubt there will be \$3,500 gain by the end of the year, making practically \$13,000 total sales for 1935. Our colporteurs believe that there is no crisis with God. One writes the week-end of November 30: "I had a most wonderful week; the Lord richly blessed me. I got an order Monday with \$3.00 deposit and Wednesday I sold \$17.75; one 'Bible Readings' in keratol for \$6.00 cash." Another writes, "This is glorious work." This same young man has secured 900 subscriptions for *Health* and expects to have 1,000 by December 31, besides selling many single copies of magazines and books. Another says, "I am enjoying this *Health* work more every day."

O, come help us carry the good tidings to the waiting thousands in Nebraska! is their united cry.

Dear fellow believers throughout the Nebraska Conference, may the courage and faith of these fearless colporteurs find their way into your hearts. I hope and pray this will become contagious among our people, and as a result many will join us. With God's help, a consecrated and courageous band of colporteurs, and the help of many now standing in the market place, 1936 can be and must be a record year in book sales and souls saved. Do not bury your talents. Jesus bids you, "Bring them hither to me."

P. E. SHAKESPEARE.

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Radio

SUCH a splendid response has come from the field as a result of the weekly broadcast from Jefferson City at 11:30 Sabbath mornings that we plan to start other broadcasts in the near future. We hope to begin in Columbia and St. Louis. This work will take money. We invite our people to send liberal contributions to

the conference office to enable our ministers to preach the message over the radio.

If you are a church member and can afford to buy the Morning Watch Calendar being offered over station WOS, kindly do not ask for it to be sent free of charge. Scores of non-church members are writing for them, and we want to supply as many as we can to them.

E. L. BRANSON.

Conference Notes

SPECIAL Week of Prayer services in Kansas City were very well attended. The Spirit of the Lord was present in a marked way, and on the last Sabbath three followed their Lord in baptism.

We trust all were able to make a liberal offering last Sabbath at the time of the regular Annual Offering for missions. The Week of Prayer readings should have inspired us to do our best.

Elder A. E. Lickey sends word that he will be in Kansas City by January 15.

We have been happy to hear of the splendid response to the Week of Sacrifice appeal. Some funds will come in during December, and it looks as if we may go beyond the \$1,000 mark. Surely God is pleased to see the splendid increase in this offering in this time of need.

Now we have one more large offering before the close of the year, the thirteenth Sabbath offering. We trust that many more Sabbath schools will merit their mission pennants this quarter. Let us not give expensive gifts to one another at this season of the year, but rather place our funds in the cause of God.

If you have not already ordered the *Review and Herald* for 1936, do so before January 1. The price will increase from \$2.50 to \$3.00 at that time. The General Conference session is to be fully reported in the *Review* next spring.

Radio Broadcast

THE Missouri Conference conducts a radio program every Sabbath morning from 11:30 to 12:00 noon over station WOS, Jefferson City, Mo. The station has a frequency of 630 kilocycles.

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COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 7, 1935

	Bk. Hrs. Sales Del.
MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, Sec.	
*Julia Berg	RJ 14 13.00 22.00
B. O. Engen	40 14.15 9.70

*Alda James	BR	32	23.40	1.00
R. J. Jones	RJ	13	1.50	1.50
Mrs. R. J. Jones	RJ	9	1.50	1.50
Nina Magnuson	BR		34.90	16.25
Mike Moen	GC	23	20.75	
Julia Moen	M	10	4.35	4.35
Miss C. E. Powers	M	35	11.00	11.00
Clare G. Rust	M	45	26.80	26.80
Harold Santini	M	20	16.50	13.50
Edna Schaefer	M	5	3.00	13.50
Ada Schornstein	M	8	3.90	3.90
J. G. Thompson	HW	21	15.70	2.25
A Colporteur	BR		40.80	41.00
I. Hilde	GC		23.75	
Anette Hiderbrand	M	3	.70	.70
Geo. G. Johnson (year)			141.50	
Albert Vasenius	M	9	5.40	5.40
Total		287	402.60	174.35

NEBRASKA: P. E. Shakespeare, Sec.				
Herman Higby	GC, BR	42	30.25	1.00
Everett Johnson	DR	32	14.75	17.50
Reuben Johnson	H	10	13.90	13.90
C. B. Loomer	RJ	47	26.00	3.80
Joseph McClaskey	H	40	13.50	13.50
H. W. Niswonger	H	36	29.30	29.30
R. H. Sorensen	BR	36	19.75	5.25
J. D. Springer	DR	41	43.00	4.50
Emma Turner	BR	35	22.00	5.50
Mrs. J. B. Aitken		15	22.80	22.80
Chester Barger	DR	10	31.70	31.70
Mrs. M. Davenport			9.00	9.00
Mrs. Grace Gerecke		5	12.00	6.00
Elsie P. Hansen		6	2.80	2.80
Mrs. I. Johnson		8	5.35	9.35
Misc. Mag. Sales		20	37.50	37.50
Misc. Sales		20	30.60	30.60
Daisy V. Reid		12	12.90	7.35
Louise Reid		6	2.00	2.10
Total		421	379.10	253.45

KANSAS: C. M. Norman, Sec.				
Ramey Good	H	39	19.50	19.50
A. O. Kramer	BR	37	41.75	6.00
A. E. Mayes	H	36	18.00	18.00
K. G. Hawkins	H	30	4.50	4.50
A. A. Dennis	HR	19	4.50	
*Mrs. J. Gardner	M	24	28.20	28.20
Mrs. A. Hayden	BPS		79.20	79.20
Mrs. Lillian Schultz	Misc.		3.30	3.30
Total		185	198.95	158.70

SOUTH DAKOTA: Ed. Coy, Sec.				
R. E. Chamberlain	RJ	40	37.50	
E. Gackenheimer	BR	33	29.50	.75
Belle Brown	M	11	15.45	2.40
Dena Hoeger	M	32	15.15	13.65
Charles Root	RJ	43	14.75	3.25
Betty Claridge	M	21	13.80	10.40
Leone Rittenbach	M	15	12.60	12.60
Lela Thompson	M	25	7.85	3.35
Helen Hardin	M		6.40	2.00
Orville Poore	BR	35	2.50	
Total		255	155.50	48.40

MISSOURI: R. J. Thomas, Sec.				
R. A. Bishop	BR	32	4.75	
W. A. Burton	BR	36	63.75	1.00
Joseph Meyer	RJ	39	15.00	
Mrs. A. F. Myers	M	26	15.30	15.30
Karl A. Simon	M		6.50	6.50
Lola Simons	Mess.		4.00	4.00
Elmer Wilbur	H	44	28.50	16.00
Total		177	137.80	42.80

IOWA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.				
Geo. Badger	RJ	19	3.25	2.75
Roy Chamberlain	BR	32	8.75	18.00
Arthur Estey	BR	20	11.50	
Raymond Hircok	GC	36	29.00	18.00
Beatrice Komoll	H	31	26.10	7.95
John Ogren	RJ	29	10.00	1.00
Ora Dewey	M		1.50	1.50
Mrs. K. F. Fisher	M	4	6.60	6.60

Wm. Howell	GC		30.00	30.00
Florence Maurath	M	6	5.00	6.50
Mrs. Elsie Peckham	M		2.35	2.35
Vera Smith	M		1.00	1.00
Total		177	135.05	95.65

NORTH DAKOTA: Fred Burkhardt, Sec.				
Melinda Sperling	RJ	33	33.50	
Velma Sperling	RJ	34	33.25	
Loren Vixie	RJ	28	20.00	5.50
Reuben Wedel	RJ	17	6.00	
John Dovich	M	2	6.75	6.75
Total		114	99.00	12.25

COLORADO: M. A. Wyman, Sec.				
A. M. Dorman	BR	24	6.00	6.00
E. Harper	H	21	12.20	
Mrs. Hartz	Misc.	14	10.05	8.25
Viola Johnson	H	33	4.95	4.95
Myrtle Sowell	Misc.	10	8.75	1.50
Fred T. Smith	RJ	7	7.00	10.25
Mrs. Willett	RJ	15	10.25	4.00
Total		187	59.20	34.95

Grand Total		1803	1567.20	820.55
*Two weeks				

Obituaries

LUDE.—Christian David Lude was born Dec. 12, 1868, in Zainingen, Germany. He came to America when a youth of seventeen and made his home with an uncle in Plateau Valley, Colo., and remained with him four years. During this time he was converted and baptized, uniting with the Seventh-day Adventist church, of which he remained a faithful member until his death. He attended Union College for five years. Upon finish the ministerial course, he was called to the mission field in South America. Two years later he was united in marriage to Caroline Segebarth, whom he had met while in college. To this union were born three children, all born in Argentina.

After laboring in the mission field for eight years after their marriage, Mrs. Lude's health failed and the family returned to the United States and settled at Collbran, Colo., where they have since made their home. Here he passed away Friday morning, Dec. 6, 1935.

Besides his wife and three daughters, he leaves a brother and two nephews in Germany, and many friends and devoted neighbors. A large number attended the funeral held at the Congregational church in Collbran.

B. M. Grandy.

HUNT.—Mrs. Lenora B. Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Meekins, was born near Snyder Point, Iowa, March 23, 1869, and passed away at her home in Nevada, Iowa, Dec. 4, 1935. On March 25, 1890, she was united in marriage to William U. Hunt. To this union eight children were born. At the age of 21 Sister Hunt accepted the third angel's message and ever remained of that faith. She is survived by her husband, two sons, four daughters, and thirteen grandchildren. She was laid to rest in the Nevada Cemetery.

A. L. Miller.

PAULSON.—J. B. Paulson was born in Jylland, Denmark, Dec. 11, 1844, and died at his home in Boelus, Nebr., Nov. 27, 1935. He has been an invalid for seven years. He came to this country 56 years ago, being a homesteader on the same farm on which he died. He was married to Marie Jacobsen June 15, 1881, who preceded him in death. Five daughters and four sons survive.

J. C. Pedersen.

BADGER.—Mrs. Sarah Badger was born in Clinton, Ia., March 17, 1870, and died in Davenport, Ia., Nov. 18, 1935. She is survived by her husband and one son. She and her son united with the Davenport Seventh-day Adventist church July 30, 1933, by baptism, to which she remained faithful until her death. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

W. R. Archbold.

COLVIN.—Mrs. Amy L. Besse was born Sept. 14, 1849, in Whiteside County, Illinois, and departed this life at Sharpsburg, Iowa, Nov. 30, 1935. On June 6, 1869, she was united in marriage to John M. Brewer. To this union one son and four daughters were born. Two of the girls died in infancy. The husband died in 1881. In 1887 Mrs. Brewer was united in marriage to W. I. Colvin. Two daughters were born to this union. The husband preceded her in death. She was a devoted mother and faithful Christian.

Services were held in the Presbyterian church, the pastor assisting.

A. L. Miller.

GRAHAM.—Eliza Eva Graham, nee Goodnow, was born in Waukesha, Wis., Oct. 6, 1855. She was united in marriage to James Graham in 1876. To this union were born four sons: Lyman W., of Washington, D. C.; Dr. G. Warren, of Collins; Orson Clinton, of Des Moines; and Clyde E., now deceased. There are also eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, and one sister in California. In 1887 she began keeping the Sabbath and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1888. Throughout the years she has been a very active worker until prevented by failing health.

DeWitt S. Osgood.

BAIER.—Viola Scott-Baier was born at Walhalla, N. Dak., Oct. 25, 1914; and passed away at Cavalier, N. Dak., Nov. 28, 1935. On Sept. 7, 1932, she was united in marriage to Ferdinand Baier, at Humboldt, Minn. She leaves her husband, her little daughter, her parents, two brothers, and two sisters.

Services were in charge of the writer, assisted by the local Methodist minister, at the Methodist church. Burial was made at Walhalla.

J. H. Rhoads.

RICHARDSON.—Emma Richardson, nee Cheever, was born in Jennings Co., Indiana, June 30, 1868. At the age of 19 she was united in marriage with S. J. Richardson. She died November 28, 1935, still true to the faith she had accepted so many years ago. She is survived by five children, seventeen grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, two brothers, and two sisters.

DeWitt S. Osgood.

BOUSMAN.—Sarah Jane Bousman was born Oct. 29, 1852, in Ohio, and departed this life Dec. 4, 1935, at Kansas City, Kans. For over fifty years she was a Seventh-day Adventist, a consistent Christian, and a faithful worker in the church. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

Clarence E. Smith.

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An opportunity is now offered young women to take the Practical Nurses' Course at the Osceola Sanitarium. Address J. D. Shively, M. D., Osceola, Iowa.

WANTED.—Back numbers of Our Little Friend to be used in missionary work in the children's Bible class upon my street. Mollie Long Miller, 248 Highview Ave., Jackson, Tenn.

RANCH FOR SALE.—Stream, timber, 60 acres alfalfa. Timber and improvements worth price of place. Other places. Adventist company. Mild winters, cool summers. Field, Rye, Colo.

Adventist wants work. Farm experience, little feed store. Worked one place 57 months. Single. Age 26. Norman Rode-wald, c/o Starkey Feed Store, Wayzata, Minn.

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Sunset Calendar

For Friday, December 20, 1935

Denver, Colorado	4:37
Des Moines, Iowa	4:45
Topeka, Kansas	5:03
St. Paul, Minnesota	4:34
Jefferson City, Missouri	4:49
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:01
Bismarck, North Dakota	4:56
Pierre, South Dakota	5:05
Casper, Wyoming	4:27

Notice

ANY one with experience as a mechanic who desires to work the second semester and following summer to build up a credit for school work at Union College, please correspond at once with Union College Power Plant, College View Station, Lincoln, Nebraska.

H. C. HARTMAN.



Holiday Special

WE are offering to our people fresh, wholesome Health Foods at an attractive price for the holidays: \$5.00 worth of foods for \$4.50, and two New Sanitarium Cook Books free. \$2.60 worth for \$2.35 and one New Sanitarium Cook Book free.

Suggestive orders:

5 lbs. Trigrano	\$.65
5 lbs. Cereal Blend	.55
3 pkgs. 11 oz. Flaked Wh. Biscuits	.50
3 lbs. Whole Wheat Fruit Crackers	.65
3 lbs. Salt Sprays	.55
3 cans 21 oz. Nut Cero	1.05
3 cans 21 oz. Nutaposa	1.05
	\$5.00
2 pkgs. 11 oz. Trigrano	\$.30
2 pkgs. 12 oz. Crystal Wheat	.30
2 pkgs. 14 oz. Cereal Blend	.30
2 pkgs. 14 oz. W. W. Fruit Crack.	.50
2 cans 15 oz. Nut Cero	.60
2 cans 15 oz. Nutaposa	.60

\$2.60

These prices are F.O.B. Boulder, Colo. Send this clipping in at once and take advantage of this offer.

COLORADO SANITARIUM FOOD CO.,
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Missouri Department

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This broadcast is presented in order to provide a Sabbath service for every Seventh-day Adventist in Missouri. In the churches where there are no pastors, a radio can be set up in the meeting place and tuned in at the appointed time. The regular Sabbath services can be conducted, the announcements made, and the offering taken prior to the Bible hour program. It is especially urged that all isolated members try and listen to these broadcasts, either in their own home or that of a neighbor.

In those churches where there are pastors or church elders who have been conducting regular Sabbath services, the members should not stay at home for this broadcast. By all means, attend church if you can. But if that is not possible, or if there is no one to preach the Sabbath sermon, try and tune in at your home or church.

Listen in next Sabbath, then write in to the Bible Hour, Radio Station WOS, Jefferson City, Mo. Explain how much you appreciate the program, and your wishes for their continuation.

ROBERT M. WHITSETT.

No. Dakota Conference

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Box 1491 - - - Jamestown

Investment Day at Bismarck

ELDER OSWALD and the writer had the privilege of visiting the Bismarck church and Sabbath school on November 16. This was my first visit to this prosperous Sabbath school, and I greatly enjoyed the time spent with these dear faithful people. As I watched each feature of the school, I could clearly see where centered all its success.

An hour before Sabbath school opened, the faithful teachers of both the senior and children's division, and the superintendent and secretary, and other officers, met for teachers' meeting. Nearly every one offered an earnest prayer in behalf of the school, and especially did the teachers plead for God's guidance in presenting the lesson. They manifested a real burden for souls. After this season of prayer, they had a very profitable study; each one contributed valuable thoughts on the lesson. First, they brought out plainly the background of the lesson by which they expected to capture the interest and attention of every one in the class. Then they studied the high points of the lesson, and how to

bring it home to each heart so it will not pass merely as sacred history, but that it might be applied as a stepping stone in each life. This was the clinching point. Surely, no teacher can go from such a meeting without feeling strengthened for his post of duty. Why did they go at it in this way? It was because they are taking the Teachers' Training Course. How I wish that every Sabbath school in the state would have a teachers' training class and teachers' meeting! It would mean more souls and more of our youth saved to this message. Let us pray about it, and plan to that end for 1936.

Since this was the day for their Investment program, Sister Gaede, the superintendent, shortened the Sabbath school somewhat in order to give plenty of time for the following program. The pretty flowers and golden pumpkins and the large offering basket near the rostrum could not help but make a good impression upon every one present. Miss Lydia Schander, the Sabbath school secretary, took charge of this Investment program, which consisted of songs, readings, and exercises. A most interesting dialogue was rendered by Sister Trygg and her three girls. Then came the time for the members to bring their offerings. The children's division was most interesting. Each teacher came forward with her class, and as they placed their offering in the basket, they told how they toiled and sacrificed to obtain it. After all the members thus had their turn, the offering basket was passed to the congregation for any offering that the many visitors might want to add. Each one seemed happy that he could help God's work in that way. It was truly an inspiration to see their united efforts. Can you hear the superintendent announce with joy the amount of their Investment offering? Listen, here it is—\$163! With this splendid offering and what Bismarck already sent in the previous quarters, and with that which is still to come in before the close of the year, I believe Bismarck will nearly reach the \$200 mark. We rejoice with you in your splendid success, Bismarck Sabbath school.

Elder and Sister Gaede have led out in this church in a strong way ever since they moved to the Capital City. We regret to see them leave us; they will be missed by many throughout the state, and especially by the Bismarck church.

MRS. E. H. OSWALD,
Sabbath School Secretary.



Thirteenth Sabbath, December 28.