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Good Deeds a Prayer.

Work for some good, be it ever so slowly;
Cherish some flower, be it ever so lowly;
Labor! All labor is noble and holy;
Let thy good deeds be a prayer to thy God.

GENERAL ARTICLES.

A Good Work.

I wish to say to the readers of the ECHOES that the work done by our young people in this conference is surely a good and great work. As a result of our young people's work we have a worker in China, one in Japan, one in India, and one in Korea. Aside from these four, the young people of the Boulder Colorado Sanitarium are supporting a worker in India, and the young people of Denver are supporting two in India. Adding to this list Elder Thomas Branch and his daughter Mabel gives us a corps of nine workers in the most needy fields. And now, dear people, young and old, we must work hand in hand to keep these all in the field until the work is finished and we, with them and many who will be saved by their faithful toil, meet in the city of our God. What a privilege to work, and give our means, that others may work for those whom we can not reach in any other way. Some day it

will be said by those who will come up around the throne of our King, from these far away lands, "We are here because the young people of Colorado sent for us."

O, dear ones, let us be true to the work we have undertaken and it will be well with us. Yours until the work is finished.
G. F. Watson.

Another Protest to be Made.

Senate Bill No. 2825 and H. R. Bill No. 12,610 have been introduced into Congress providing financial aid, direct or indirect, amounting to more than \$2,000,000, besides an expenditure for a naval parade by the ships of many nations for the Jamestown (Virginia,) Tercentenary Exposition for 1907.

Section 13 of this bill says:

"That as a condition precedent to the payment of appropriation herein provided for, the Jamestown Exposition Company shall contract to close the exhibits and places of business to visitors on Sundays."

This section should be opposed by every lover of freedom.

There was a national appropriation for the St. Louis Fair, which was made contingent on a contract that the gates should be closed on Sunday, and on Sunday during the Exposition all entrances bore the significant sign, "Admission to the grounds on Sunday is prohibited by act of Congress."

All know that in making such a prohibition Congress is overstepping her sphere, and is in flagrant opposition to the first amendment to the Constitution, which says: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

The promoters of Sunday legislation

are urging the passage of this bill with all their power by writing letters and sending telegrams to members of Congress.

The following are the names of Congressmen who should be written to at Washington without delay, opposing this measure: The Chairman of the Committee of the House of Representatives of Industrial Arts and Expositions, the Hon. A. P. Gardner, of Massachusetts; the Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, the Hon. James A. Tawney, of Minnesota; and, in the Senate, the Hon. William B. Allison, of Iowa, Chairman of Appropriations Committee.

You do not need to confine your letter to the Congressmen indicated above. Any others could be written to with profit.

K. C. Russell.

About the Birthday Offerings.

So many inquiries are coming in concerning the birthday offerings that we shall try to explain it quite fully. The plan originated in one of our Young People's Societies, and is a part of the young people's work, though it has been introduced into the Sabbath school also, and the older members are invited to contribute their birthday offerings to this fund.

Birthday offerings should not be combined with the regular Sabbath School offerings, and sent in as S. S. donations. Please remember and keep it entirely separate from other funds. All birthday offerings are placed in a common fund from which money is sent to support native workers in foreign fields. This money should be reported by the Young People's Societies. Where there is no Society, it may be sent with Sabbath

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school funds, but the amount of birthday offering should be carefully noted.

You will notice from Elder Watson's article in this paper that enough money has been raised by this plan to support a number of workers in foreign lands. In a short time we shall send another report to the Sabbath schools and Young People's Societies from our native workers in India, China and Japan. The brethren who have charge of these far-distant fields express the deepest gratitude and appreciation for the interest and assistance of our people in Colorado. Let our prayers ascend each day for God's rich blessing to be with our native workers in foreign lands. Meade MacGuire.

FIELD REPORTS.

Plateau City.

God has been with us here. We praise his name. In spite of all the bitter opposition, we have seen souls converted to God, and we have hopes of seeing many led out into the full light of his truth. Elder Kennedy is to be here with us this summer. Pray for us.

Will. F. Hills.

La Junta.

I was never quite satisfied with the meetings that were held here last summer—the weather was so threatening all the time that the people were afraid to trust themselves to the mercies of a tent, so the brethren have rented a hall for a month and I am holding a series of meetings.

Our attendance has not been very large, but it is increasing and last night we had a very nice congregation. A good interest is manifested, and we are in hopes of gathering a few souls into our Father's kingdom.

G. M. Alway.

Farmington.

I am still engaged in the work in Farmington and vicinity. I hold meetings in the Junction schoolhouse one evening and in Brother Cock's neighborhood the following evening. My congregation has not been large at either place, but those who have attended have come very regularly, and have manifested much interest in the truths presented. Counting old and young, we have had an average attendance of from twenty to thirty. The Lord has blessed me in presenting the Word. Some have expressed a desire to

live in harmony with the truths we are teaching and have already begun to observe the Lord's Sabbath. Whether they will make a complete surrender of everything to the Lord remains yet to be seen.

Our people here have been passing through a critical time of late. There has been an element that has caused trouble, but the Lord is working upon hearts, and confessions are being made and evil being put away. Whatever measures may be necessary in the future, we desire to let the Lord lead and direct.

Remember us here in your prayers.

C. H. Bates.

Montrose.

Our work is looking up here. We are using twenty-five *Signs* weekly, besides quite a number of tracts. Our prayer meetings are well attended, and are good seasons enjoyed by all.

The hope of the soon coming Savior is being revived, and the blessed old truths we learned years ago are taking new hold of us. The indications are surely multiplying that time will not be delayed much longer. Soon we shall meet our Lord face to face. May the glorious hope take fast hold of us, casting a sacred influence over every act of our lives.

Your brother in the closing work.

E. R. Hartman.

Idaho Springs.

Sabbath, April 21st, was a day that will long be remembered by the Idaho Springs church. The Spirit of God came near to every heart, and souls were saved and gave their hearts to God, some for the first time in their life. After service five precious souls were baptized, and the following Sunday morning two more. Since Christmas fourteen souls have commenced to walk in the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. For this we are grateful to God.

I am now on my way to the Old Country for a few months rest. May the Lord continue to bless the work in Colorado that many new souls may be added during the coming tent season.

S. F. Svenssen.

Chicago, April 30th.

Aspen.

March 18, 1906, the Seventh-day Adventists of Aspen, Colorado, met for the purpose of re-organizing the church. Elder Ziegler occupied the chair. The church was organized with a membership of fifteen. Two more united with us March 24th, one by vote and one by bap-

tism, making a membership of seventeen. The officers were elected, the elder and deacon being ordained to their work by Elders Ziegler and Kennedy.

The work of these brethren was truly appreciated by our little company, and I believe the church is in better condition than it has been for a long time.

April 7th we had an excellent quarterly meeting. A lovely young lady, a teacher in the public schools, who accepted the truth through the work of Elders Ziegler and Kennedy, celebrated the ordinance with us, and with tears testified, "I am so glad that this message has come to me."

Pray for the work in Aspen.

Emma Voris, Clerk.

West Denver.

Sabbath, May 5th, was a most blessed day for the West Denver church. The Lord blessed in all the services of the day. The Sabbath school was a precious season.

At the close of the sermon, Elder Spring baptized three earnest souls. Two of the candidates will unite with the Arvada church, and one with the Denver church.

In the afternoon our Bible class, which numbers one hundred and eighteen members, met in the church to study the subject of "Two Laws." The study of this question proved to be of great interest and profit. At three o'clock the young people had a very interesting meeting, led by Sister Ruth Olsen. At the same hour, the adults held a missionary meeting in the vestry. In connection with this meeting, a season of prayer was engaged in for a sister who is sick. The Lord came very near to us, and all felt his sacred presence.

Our church has taken over five thousand copies of the *Earthquake* number of the *Signs of the Times*. We expect to sell them in the city, and we hope for an ingathering of souls as a result of this effort. We stamp our place of meeting and time of services on the papers before putting them out. We ask the earnest prayers of our people for the work in Denver.

G. W. Anglebarger.

From the Field.

After the institute closed at Pueblo, I went out into the field with one of our canvassers. The first man I canvassed was a Catholic, but the Lord gave me his order for "Daniel and Revelation." The next man was also a Catholic, and after the canvass had been given by this

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brother, the Lord gave us his order. We ate dinner with this man, and then I canvassed another Catholic, but did not get an order for the large book. However, I sold him a "Best Stories" for cash. This is only another evidence of the way in which the Lord will work for us if we will only let Him.

That books can be sold in Colorado is being clearly demonstrated by the canvassers that are in the field.

One of our canvassers, in three days, or twenty-seven hours, took twenty-three orders, value, \$66.25. Another new canvasser secured twelve orders for "Daniel and Revelation" in three days. One of our lady canvassers has been averaging from \$32.00 to \$40.00 worth of orders each week. These books are being sold in what has been considered hard territory.

Now is the time to work. Surely these great disasters that are occurring both on sea and land ought to stir God's people to increased activity. Let us arise and take hold of the work with renewed energy and the Lord will bring us off more than conquerors.

A. G. Bodwell.

Longmont, May 3.

An Encouraging Letter.

Dear Fellow-canvassers:—I came here some time ago and found this place book-hungry. I sold to a minister, "Bible Readings," "Desires of Ages" and "Story of Joseph," and I also sold "Best Stories" to his sister-in-law in the same house.

One lady said she would like a book about the Reformation. I told her we had such a book, and described "Great Controversy" to her. She wished me to order it, and having done so I left it with the family for them to examine, and as a result they kept it and ordered "Desire of Ages," "Best Stories," "Story of Joseph," "Making Home Happy," "House We Live In," and a Bible. I have had a rich experience in this work, and enjoy it because I can always say that these books are good and pure and will do you good.

I love the canvassing work, and praise God that he ever permitted me to labor for him. It is such a privilege to sit down and talk with the people about these blessed truths.

Mrs. Sarah Childers.

Alamogordo, N. M.

Proceedings of the Colorado Conference Committee.

At the recent meeting of the Committee held at Palisades, April 13-16, the following actions were taken:

First—A. That we grant the request of Elder L. A. Spring to labor only half time this summer, in order that he may have opportunity for manual labor with a view to regaining his health.

B. Further, that he locate near Arvada.

C. And we accept his offered resignation of the superintendency of Dist. No. 4.

Second—That we invite Elder Wm. Kennedy to act as Superintendent of Dist. No. 4, thus filling the vacancy made by the resignation of Elder Spring.

Third. That we invite Brother Willard, Hills, of Colorado Springs, to enter the work and labor during his summer vacation in connection with Elders Alway and Wilson in a tent effort at Pueblo.

Fourth. That Brother Cush Sparks be invited to enter the work and connect with the tent company, either at Loveland or Erie this summer.

(We rejoice to see these young men of our own—our own sons—answering the call of God and entering the most sacred and solemn work given to man. We thank the Lord of the harvest that he is, by the spirit of faithfulness in his people in the payment of an honest tithe, making the way clear to send forth laborers into the harvest.)

Fifth. The name of Brother Bruce Shaw was also favorably considered for the Bible work. It was decided, however, to ask him to work a few more weeks in the canvassing field before devoting his time to the Bible work.

Sixth. Sister Alice Finch is invited to enter the work again, and to work in connection with the tent effort at Pueblo.

Seventh. That Elder Wm. Kennedy and Brother W. F. Hills conduct the tent meeting in the Plateau valley.

Eighth. That Elder Watson and Elder Kennedy hold a meeting in Telluride during the latter part of the summer.

Ninth. A tent meeting is planned for Albuquerque, N. M., to be conducted by Elders H. L. Hoover and Milo D. Warfle.

Tenth. That Brother G. Phillips be invited to work in Colorado, and this summer to assist in the tent work, either with Elder Ziegler at Erie, or with Elder Richards at Loveland.

Eleventh. A tent meeting at Englewood, Denver, conducted by Elders Anglebarger and Richards, is already planned.

Twelfth. That the Tract Society, in addition to its regular "Signs" work, take a club of 100 *Signs of the Times*, to be disposed of in connection with the tent efforts.

Thirteenth. That we approve of the

"Scholarship" plan whereby any of our young people who will sell \$250.00 worth of books can secure one year free at Union College. (Write to the Tract Society about it.)

Fourteenth. In considering the work of the Palisades Academy, the committee was gratified at the good report rendered by it of the first and second year's work just completed.

At a combined council of the Academy Board and Conference Committee, it was said by the school Board to be impracticable to branch out into farm work along large agricultural lines, because of the large debt it would incur. Further, it was thought not imperative to do so at Palisades, as that whole country is a great fruit farm where, all summer long, students can get practical experience in the fruit orchards. It was thought that no more debts should be contracted, and that the standard of Christian education must be kept up in the future as in the past. In all this the Conference Committee and the School Board are fully agreed.

Fifteenth. In view of Sister Herrell's failing health, which compels us to grant her a rest from the office work for two or three months, it was decided to ask Brother MacGuire to remain in the office as much as may be necessary during this time.

Sixteenth. That Elder Wilcox be empowered to close up a contract on reasonable terms for the use of the Boulder Chautauqua for our State camp-meeting, August 23-September 3.

Seventeenth. That Brother Horace Williams be invited to have charge of the restaurant at camp-meeting.

Eighteenth. That we regret the existence of two Seventh-day Adventist sanitariums in one city, as in Boulder, and that we hope arrangements satisfactory to all concerned can be made whereby this condition of things may not need to continue.

This meeting of the Conference Committee was especially marked by the presence and blessing of the Lord, for which we praise his great name, and look for his prospering hand to be with the work in the summer's campaign.

Pray daily for us all.

H. M. J. Richards,

Sec. Colorado Conference Committee.

Wanted—A competent man to work on a fruit ranch. Steady work the year around. Must be a Sabbath-keeper. Address, with reference, Dr. Pitt A. Wade, Canon City, Colo.

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Get ready for the next issue of ECHOES. It will be a Religious Liberty edition.

Miss Hattie Harriman went to Calhan last week to spend two or three weeks at home.

Brother C. A. Frederick, of Paonia, came to Denver last week and remained over the Sabbath.

Miss Ruth Reid, who has been visiting at Buena Vista, passed through the city on her way to her home in Nebraska.

Brother Willard Hills came up from Colorado Springs last week and spent several days visiting with his father and friends in the city.

Dr. Wade passed through the city Friday, accompanied by three patients whom he was taking to the Place Sanitarium at Boulder.

Elder Ziegler made the office a pleasant call as he was passing through the city. He ordered thirteen hundred copies of the Earthquake Special *Signs*.

Elder Leland writes encouraging news of the work in Albuquerque. He was about to start South to begin work for the Spanish speaking people.

The big perfecting press at the *Signs* office is running day and night at the rate of five thousand copies per hour. Let us keep the good work going.

Word from the *Signs* office dated May 2 says that during twenty-four hours they received orders by wire for nearly one hundred and fifty thousand copies of the Earthquake Special.

Our people at the *Signs* office are issuing a thirty-two page booklet giving forty or more illustrations of the damage done by the earthquake. This will be one of the best things gotten out. The illustrations are original, and were taken while the fire was burning. It will sell well. Liberal discount to agents. Price, 25 cents.

All the readers of ECHOES will feel very sorry to learn that Sister Herrell, who has spent so many years in faithful service, has been obliged, on account of illness, to take a vacation. We bespeak for her the earnest prayers of her many friends and all our people in the conference, that the Lord may restore her speedily to perfect health, and to active service in the cause.

The Religious Liberty "Echoes."

The regular Religious Liberty edition of ECHOES was withheld one more issue in order that it might not conflict with the *Signs* Earthquake Special.

This number will be of special interest, and should be given as wide a circulation as possible. Send orders to this office as early as possible, that we may know how large an edition to publish.

Price, one cent per copy.

The religious liberty question is a live one and religious liberty literature will find an entrance into many honest hearts.

Dr. W. W. Hills.

Our German Papers.

On the first of April, we changed our German missionary paper, the *Christlicher Hausfreund*, from a 16-page weekly at \$1.25 to a 20-page semi-monthly, including the cover, at \$1.00 per year. Our purpose will be to make it more saleable, so that our workers in our large cities can sell it.

We have also changed our German church paper, *Deutscher Arbeiter*, from a small 8-page monthly at 25 cents, to a larger 8-page semi-monthly at 50 cents per year. These two papers will be issued alternately.

The *Hausfreund* will contain the Senior Sabbath school lessons, as before, while the *Arbeiter* will contain the Intermediate lessons. Thus both papers will be a help in every family, and we believe our German brethren and workers will appreciate the change.

Order of your Tract Society or of the International Pub. Assn., College View, Nebraska.

How to Get Good Teachers.

After years of careful observation, Horace Mann declared that the "school teachers of America were a disgrace to the nation." He was asked for a remedy, and replied: "Make good teachers; train them in normal schools;" and immediately started one himself.

There is universal recognition of the need of trained workers in the Sabbath-school. To meet the demand the editors of the *Sabbath School Worker* have secured a carefully prepared series of "Normal Lessons for Sabbath-school Workers," which furnishes a most excellent outline for the study of right principles and methods in Sabbath-school work. This series will begin in the June number of the *Worker*. All schools that have not yet sent in an order for the journal should do so at once that they may have the benefit of the complete

series. Single subscriptions, 35 cents. In clubs of two or more to one address, 25 cents a year.

Union College Canvassers' Institute.

A canvassers' institute will be held at Union College for two weeks, beginning Sunday, May 13. Its special object is the training of students for their summer's campaign in the sale of books. But other canvassers are cordially welcome to the advantages of the institute. The state agents of the various conferences will be present to look after the interests of their respective fields. Union College, the Central Union Conference, and the Pacific Press are uniting in making the most liberal scholarship offer ever held out to students. All who are interested in the institute or the scholarship plan are invited to write to the undersigned at College View, Neb.

C. C. Lewis.

The Work for the Colored People.

The work among the Colored people is progressing nicely. While many are willing to hear the Word, there are others to whom, like Ezekiel's audience, the truth sounds like "a lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument; for they hear thy words, but they do them not." Ezek. 33:32. It seems sad when we think of the myriads who have heard present truth and have rejected it, and in my work I frequently meet people who desire to obey the truth but fear for their living. In such cases I can only pray, as did the disciples, "Lord, increase our faith."

Chas. Lightner.

Denver, May 6.

Make the Most of Yourselves.

Shake off your listless, shuffling ways boys; gather up your God-implanted energies; and set about making all there is to be made of yourselves. Now is your springtime your budding, growing, improving time; make the most of it, and fill each day to the very brim with sturdy activity and manly action. Throw back your shoulders; straighten up; look with keen, straight glance out upon the great a work-field of the world, and see what it can teach you. It is full of experiences, and object lessons, and hints, and suggestions for the days coming to you. Use your tongues little, but your eyes constantly. If young people would only use well their keen, quick eyes, and be governed by what they see, they would be spared many a slip and tumble into pitfalls that the ones in advance of them are just drawing themselves away from. — *Sel.*