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IF I CAN LIVE

If I can live
To make some pale face brighter, and to give
 A second lustre to some tear-dimmed eye,
Or e'en impart
One throb of comfort to an aching heart,
 Or cheer some way-worn soul in passing by,

If I can lend
A strong hand to the fallen, or defend,
 The right against a single envious strain
My life, though bare
Perhaps of much that seemeth dear and fair
 To us on earth, will not have been in vain.

The purest joy,
Most near to heaven, far from earth's alloy
 Is bidding clouds give way to sun and shine.
And 'twill be well
If on that day of days the angels tell
 Of me: "She did her best for one of Thine."

—Helen Hunt Jackson

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Editorial

THE RULE OF ACHIEVEMENT

"What shall I do?" My boy do not stand asking,

Take hold of something, whatever you can;
Don't turn aside for the toiling or tasking;
Idle, soft hands never yet made a man.

Grasp with a will whatever needs doing,
Still standing ready, when one work is done,
Another to seize, and onward pursuing
In duty, your course, find the victory won.

Do your best for to-day, trusting God for to-morrow;

Don't be afraid of a jest or a sneer;
Be cheerful and hopeful, and no trouble borrow;
Keep your heart pure—your head cool and clear.

If you can climb to the top without falling,
Do it; if not, climb as high as you can.

Man is not honored by station and calling,
Station and calling are honored by man.

—Unknown

All will be glad to read the following extracts from a letter by Mrs. M. D. Mattson: "Feeling certain that you are all glad to hear of my husband's improvement in health, I will send a few lines to you telling how rejoiced we feel to see him able to walk around the town with no seeming injury. He constantly affirms his rapid recovery. The old familiar scenes of his childhood

and early manhood give him much real pleasure as he often expresses his appreciation by saying, 'This is just the place for me. The very air and surroundings make me feel younger and stronger.'"

COMMENCEMENT NUMBER

The next issue of THE EDUCATIONAL MESSENGER will be a double number containing a full report of the exercises of Commencement week at Union College. Lengthy abstracts will be made from the Baccalaureate sermon by E. R. Palmer, from the Commencement Address by Prof. B. G. Wilkinson, and from the addresses of the graduates. The occasion will be of unusual interest. The class is one of the largest and ablest the College has graduated. Knowing that a large number of Union College students and other friends of Christian education will want copies of this special number, we shall print a large edition, and will mail them at ten cents per copy to any address. In quantities of ten or more, five cents each. Address EDUCATIONAL MESSENGER, College View, Nebraska.

"Some men are moulders,
Some men are holders,
Other men are folders,
While others are scolders!"

General Articles

MEN WANTED

Gentlemen, the crying need of the hour is manhood; not legislation, not organization, not agitation, but *men*, men who can stand in the presence of Christ and truthfully say, "The place that I occupy does not need reforming." Men, who are ready and willing to begin the reformation of the world in their own hearts. Men, who can say to the struggling brother, "Follow me."

I would like to write over the door to every workshop and business house in this land, "Men wanted." I would place on the wall of every school room, college, court of justice, and legislative hall, "Men wanted." I would wreath in ivy and gold over every fireplace, altar and pulpit in the land, "Men wanted." I would engrave it on the mountain side, have it reflected in every shimmering wave and waft it on the breezes of heaven, "Men wanted." I would teach the merry brooklets to sing it, the lakes to chant it; I would seize the finger of lightning and write in letters of fire across our darkened sky, "Men wanted." I would gather the thunder's roll, the cataract's roar, and the cannon's boom, and echo from ocean to ocean, "Men wanted." I would unite all the voices of men, and the pleadings of women with the forces of nature to send one sublime appeal to heaven, "*Great and infinite God, at the dawn of the twentieth century, give us men, clean men, pure men, courageous men, men who dare to do right because it is right!*"

—Newton N. Riddell in "The New Man."

"Sins greatest art is that of persuading us of its attractiveness THIS time."

"Remember the worst enemy of the best is the good."—Jas. I. Vance.

AN INTERESTING LEGACY

A. T. ROBINSON

Brother Kimble G. Smith, who died at Madrid, Nebraska, May 30, 1906, after making liberal provision for his three brothers who survive him, left the balance of his property to the Nebraska Conference Association, by a will dated March 7, 1906, just fifty-three days before his death occurred.

The estate has been fully settled up and everything turned over to us. Our brethren and sisters everywhere will be pleased to know that when the securities in our hands are all realized upon, we shall have turned over the following amounts to be used in carrying forward the great world-wide missionary operations of the Third Angel's Message:

Foreign Missions,.....	\$20, 000
Atlanta (Ga.) Sanitarium,.....	1, 000
Jewish Work in New York City,...	1, 000
Northwest Canadian Field,.....	1, 000
International Publishing Ass'n,...	3, 000
Elevator for Nebraska Sanitarium,	3, 000
To be Appropriated Later,.....	5, 713
Total,	\$34, 713

The Board of Trustees of the Nebraska Association feel deeply grateful to God for the privilege of helping to carry out the dying wish of our departed brother—Brother Smith had been keeping the Sabbath about a year and a half before his death, during which time he made liberal donations to the cause. So far as we know, he was the only Sabbath-keeper within a radius of one hundred miles of where he lived. The court officials, the executors of the will, and all with whom we have had business relations in connections with this matter, have treated us with the utmost courtesy. The estate was settled several months earlier than the law requires,

and no unreasonable charges were made for services rendered.

Who will doubt that when our deceased brother awakes in the morning of the first resurrection, he will greet those who will have been saved in the message, as the result of his liberal gifts? May He whose spirit prompted this watch over its distribution and use.

May 1, 1907.

THE FRATERNITY SYSTEM

No intelligent person who studies our educational system at the present time can doubt that the fraternity movement is another of the perils of modern education. Boys like to be men. They like to become men as quickly as possible; and, unfortunately, it seems more natural for them to imitate the defects and vices than the sterling qualities of those whom they admire. Among the illustrations of this general truth is the rage for secret organization which has recently taken possession of our country from ocean to ocean. Boards of education in cities have been compelled to take action. Superintendents of schools and principals of high schools, as well as high school teachers, almost without exception declare that these fraternities are seriously injuring the young people of the schools where they are found. Everywhere that the case has been fairly developed, so far as we can learn, the boards of education are prohibiting these organizations. The fraternities are appealing to the courts, and the courts are sustaining the boards of education; and we may hope that the movement already checked may be destroyed. But that the fraternity movement is a peril, no one can doubt.

It is unfortunate that the presidents and professors of colleges have seemed to be far less intelligent, or less careful in respect to this matter, than the high school men of our country. In multitudes of our colleges secret societies are

permitted to do, without let or hindrance, what the boards of education and the faculties of high schools are seeking to prevent. The same snobbery, the same petty persecutions, the same tendencies toward smoking, drinking, gambling and licentiousness, which have caused the high schools to reject the fraternity, are clearly evidenced in the fraternity life of the colleges. Yet the governing boards of the latter seem to be ignorant, unable, or unwilling, to do the thing which the situation requires.

Of course, some fraternities are worse than others, and the same fraternity in one college may be more objectionable than it is in another. But, as Dr. Crosby, Chancellor of New York University, said, "Out of darkness dark deeds grow." Wendell Phillips said, "Secret societies are needful for no good purpose, and may be used for any bad purpose whatever." Washington, in his farewell address, cautioned the American nation against "self-constituted societies, which interfere with the general administration," and are therefore hindrances both to those who participate in them, and to others.

The number of deaths which have been caused by these fraternities no one but God knows. Three men, at least, have been killed in initiation at Cornell University; one was brought to the very gates of death at Harvard; one at least has been killed at Yale within the last few years. Broken legs and arms, bruises and injuries to the brain, are not catalogued. Parents send a boy away to college, healthy, happy, ambitious, strong. They receive him back sometimes a mental wreck, sometimes a physical wreck, sometimes a corpse. It is strange that such an institution should be tolerated for an hour.—*Charles A. Blanchard, President of Wheaton College, in Home Herald.*

Intellectual brilliancy weighs as light as punk against the gold of gentleness and character.—*Newell D. Hillis.*

LETTER FROM JOHN ANDERSON

We are permitted to copy for the MESSENGER extracts from a letter written by Brother John P. Anderson to the members of his graduating class. We had heard of John's attack of the smallpox, but did not know he came so near to death's door. All the readers of the MESSENGER will join us in thanking our Father in Heaven for mercifully sparing his life and restoring him once more to health and active service. We quote as follows:—

"We had a fine voyage across the ocean. I had some experience with seasickness, but it was not bad. I enjoyed our stop at Yokohama, and Kobe very much, and was much pleased to meet our people in those places. But nevertheless I had a far deeper interest to see China, and when it was announced that the coast of China could be seen I was on the alert to get a first glimpse of that land I had read so much about during the past six months. Our stay in Shanghai was very short; but nevertheless I went ashore, because I expected that to be my place of labor in the future. This made it all the more interesting to me.

"China is indeed a very interesting land to live in. From Shanghai to Hong Kong, my destination, we had very nice weather. I shall never forget the first sight of Hong Kong. I landed there about three P. M. on the fifteenth of September. It was a very hot afternoon, and as I was not prepared for hot weather I thought I would melt. That very evening I went up to Canton, ninety miles up the West River. Three days after I got to Canton they had one of the awfulest storms recorded in the history of Hong Kong. Eleven thousand souls are said to have perished in that awful typhoon. Thousands of people were left homeless. Such was my introduction to the land I had chosen for my labor. The ship I came over on was wrecked so badly that it took five months to repair her for another voyage. I am

very thankful to God that He withheld the storm until I was safely landed.

"I spent the rest of September in Canton habituating myself to Chinese life and ways the best I could, and planning for my future work. It was decided that I should spend some time in Hong Kong selling our books to the English speaking people of that place, and at the same time studying the Hakha dialect of the Chinese language. I could not sell many books, however, but hope that the seed that was sown will bear fruit unto eternal life some day.

"On Christmas day I moved back to Canton again. I moved into the back part of a building where we were planning to start a boys' school the middle of February. We were also going to have a Bible school in the evening in the same building. On the eighth of January I came down with a very severe case of small pox. The doctor who attended me had great fears that I would not live through it. He said he had never in all his practice seen a case so hard. But the Lord saw fit to spare my life, for which I am very thankful. Thus January and February passed without my being able to do anything. But now I am well and strong again, and am into the harness once more to work harder than I ever did in my life. I teach English two hours per day, and study Chinese six hours per day. I must say I am getting hold of the Chinese much faster than I ever dared dream I would while back in the States. I have read Mark's Gospel through three times and can read quite a bit in other portions of the Bible. I have also learned a good many practical sentences. I go out and buy my own food and any other thing I want, and can make myself understood in most cases. Another six months and I will be able to converse quite freely with them.

"O, the sin, sickness, misery, and wretchedness, that stares one in the face at every corner he turns. People pawn

the clothes they have on their backs to get a little money to gamble with. It is not an uncommon thing to go past a house and see the women inside all gambling away the few pennies they own. The use of tobacco among both sexes is very common here in Canton.

"The Lord has given me many tokens of his kind, loving care for His children since I left College View. Here in the midst of this heathen multitude God is preparing a people who will bring honor to His name. It is an inspiration to hear these Chinese converts sing the songs of Zion and praise the Lord for the wonderful change He has wrought for them. I am persuaded that there are many honest souls among the millions of China. Soon I will be ready to go inland about two hundred miles where the Hakha people live, and will have to do so all alone unless some body comes over soon to help me. God has helped me before and I know He will now. Pray for me."

MISSIONARY STATISTICS AND HOW TO PRESENT THEM

M. E. ELLIS

A good old brother came to one of our workers who had been holding a missionary institute in a certain place, and after a rousing missionary meeting in which our denominational work in various places had been enlarged upon, said to her with great enthusiasm, "What a wonderful work our people are doing in foreign lands—in fact, we are about the only denomination that is carrying on so much foreign work, are we not?" The good old brother was right to a certain extent. We are certainly carrying on a wonderful work in foreign lands, and nowhere is the opening and leading providences of God so manifest, but really our work is very small when compared to the great amount of unselfish, heroic work that has been carried on by other denominations for over a century.

In view of this fact it is well sometimes to look at the missionary field as a whole, and regard the work that is being done for it as a whole and thereby get a better conception of the "world-wide" need. It is said that seventy-five per cent of the impressions that are retained in the human mind come to the mind through the eye. The other twenty-five per cent of the impressions retained come through all the other senses. So in presenting facts that we wish to have the minds of our hearers retain, it is well to appeal to the eye as well as the ear. This is the object of the simple charts whose making we will describe below. But very few figures are used, for a great mass of figures does nothing but confuse the mind, and we cannot realize what such immense sums imply, even if we could remember the figures themselves. Comparative statistics are what are best retained in the mind. Comparing the unknown with the known we get quite a fair idea of the relative size and importance of the two, and this is the method chiefly employed in these charts.

All that is needed to make these diagrams is a yardstick, a piece of string, a few large sheets of paper, and some chalk. If any artistic ability was needed, the writer would have had to leave the preparation of both article and charts to some one else.

This series of charts can be made the basis of a very interesting missionary meeting, and wherever the statistics given are not otherwise designated they refer to the missionary operations of all Christian denominations combined. Enough additional matter can be found or will be suggested by these diagrams to make a very interesting talk of thirty, or forty-five minutes, or possibly longer.

Chart 1.—The great need of consecrated men and women to carry forward this work can be emphasized by printing in large letters on one sheet of paper the following quotation from "Education:"

The greatest want of the world to-day is the want of men—men who will not be bought or sold; men who in their inmost souls are true and honest; men who do not fear to call sin by its right name; men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall.—"Education," p. 57.

Chart II.—This chart is to represent the worth of a soul, estimated on the basis of the amounts we spend in this country and in all foreign countries for the evangelization of the human race. The amount of money raised by all denominations in the United States for evangelizing purposes in this country, ministers' salaries, etc. shows us that we expend on the average each year, \$1.60 for each person in the United States. All the money raised by all denominations for foreign missions in a year, shows us that we expend three-fourths of a cent a year on the average for each heathen soul in the world. This can be graphically represented by two proportionate squares or areas marked out with a black line; one of these might be about 13x24 inches, and then the other one to be in proportion should be about one and one-half inches square.

Chart III.—Draw two areas as large as you can conveniently get on to your sheet of paper, and let one represent the area of China in square miles, and the other the population of China. Then explain that China is a country as large as France, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Spain and Scandinavia, and has a population as great as the United States and the whole continent of Europe.

Chart IV.—Represent the area and population of India in the same manner, explaining that India is as large as Great

Britain, Scandinavia, Germany, France, Austria, Spain, Turkey, and Greece, and has a population equal to that of Great Britain, France, Germany, the United States, and Russia. These will illustrate the great magnitude of the need in foreign fields.

(To be continued)

WHAT I FOUND IN THE SOUTHERN FIELD

(Concluded)

R. W. PARMELE

Our church and mission school work in the Southern field has kept pace with the rest of our work, and compares quite favorably with our northern conferences. The report of the Educational Secretary at the Graysville meeting showed a total of 29 church schools for white pupils, distributed as follows: Alabama, one; Cumberland (Eastern Ky. and Eastern Tenn.), six; Florida, two; Georgia, one; Louisiana, four; Mississippi, three; North Carolina, four; South Carolina, three; Tennessee River, (West Ky. and West Tenn.) five. These schools have a total enrolment of 472, with sessions averaging six and one third months.

There are seventeen mission schools for colored pupils, as follows: Alabama, one; Cumberland, one; Florida, one; Mississippi, eleven; Tennessee River, three; with a total attendance of 464. These schools are supported principally by the Southern Missionary Society.

This makes a grand total, counting the Graysville and Huntsville academies, of 48 schools, with 1103 pupils. The highest salary paid per month in our church and mission schools is \$50.00. The lowest is \$5.00 not including board, or an average for the whole field of nearly \$21.50 per month, without board. We need many more self-sacrificing, consecrated teachers to take up this important branch of the Lord's work in this Southland. We wonder if some of

those who read these articles will not feel moved to consecrate their lives to service in the Southern field.

The total population of the Southern Union Conference is 16,187,569. Of this vast population, only 3,254 are Sabbath keepers,—an average of one Sabbath keeper to every 4,975 people. It is said that comparisons are odious, but permit me to indulge in one or two.

The Central Union Conference comprises a population of 8,933,779 with a membership of 13,058, an average of one member to every 684 people, the proportion being more than seven times better than the Southern Union.

Fifty nine ministers hold credentials from the Southern Union Conference, with other workers to correspond. These have a field of 16,184,315 people, yet unwarned, or one minister to 274,310 people.

The Central Union has 64 ministers, with other workers to correspond, and 8,920,791 people, or one minister to 139,073 unwarned people. So, the Central Union has in proportion, twice as many laborers as the Southern Union has. Yet everything indicates that the work in this field will close up first.

Our membership is distributed as follows: South Carolina, 112; Georgia, 130; Alabama, 331; North Carolina, 300; Florida, 450; Cumberland, 500; Tennessee River, 534; Mississippi, 280; Louisiana, 322. From this small constituency, it can readily be seen that but few recruits can be hoped for, yet a much larger per cent of our members are actively engaged in the work.

At the Graysville meeting, most urgent pleas for help were presented by repre-

sentatives of almost every conference and mission field in the Southern Union. The great state of the Georgia Conference reported but one white and one colored minister, and one canvasser. The other conferences are very much in proportion.

I recently had the pleasure of assisting for three weeks in a tent meeting in Tampa, Fla. This effort indicated to my mind that this field is ripe for the Message. The climate of the entire Southern Union Conference is mild, and the people are warm hearted. But it is certain that our work will close up in this field first, and we are years behind what we should be. How much longer shall calls for recruits go unheeded? We need canvassers, teachers, ministers, medical missionaries, Christian business men, more consecrated families, and money.

While I have desired in these articles to present some things that would be of general interest, "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong," and the work of God in this field needs your vigor. I have written unto you, young ladies, because the Southland offers you a wide field of usefulness, and a most needy field. While especially appealing to our young people, let all understand that a most cordial and urgent invitation is extended to them to join us in this closing work in this long-neglected part of the Lord's moral vineyard. May we not have the pleasure of knowing that these articles have begotten in someone's heart a willingness to connect with some branch of the work here?

24th Ave. North,
Nashville, Tenn.

Church School Work

CHURCH SCHOOL INSTITUTE FOR NEBRASKA

The institute for the Nebraska teachers will be held at College View, June 25 to July 9, 1907. It was thought best under existing circumstances to hold an institute rather than a regular summer school this year. This necessitates a change in the course of study. The

specially strong features of the work will be twofold—methods, and careful study of those points in various subjects which are difficult both to understand and to explain. "The Rational Method in Reading" which is used in our "True Education Reader Series" will be elucidated.

Although most of the work may be

discussion and taking down notes, yet Bible and Nature, Arithmetic, Grammar, and Reading will require thoughtful study. Bring your text books. Those who are planning to teach in our church schools next year cannot afford to miss the help they can receive by attending. Any one who desires has an invitation to attend. No tuition will be charged. The regular annual teachers' examinations will be given at the close of the institute.

We already have the promise of competent and experienced help. We have every reason to believe that the work done and the instruction given will be of great benefit. From the number of letters which inquire about the details of the work for teachers this summer, we judge that the institute will be well attended.

This line of the Master's work needs more Christian workers who are strong to do right, and faithful to every known duty. May the Lord move upon many such to dedicate their talents to saving the lambs of the flock for the message and its needs.

Those who would like to know more about the details of the institute—expense, credits, plans of work, etc.—address until June, Alma J. Graf, Elida, New Mexico.

HOW PARENTS MAY HELP THE TEACHERS

A closer relation between parents and teachers is to be desired in the interest of the pupils. If teachers knew parents better, they could understand many of the peculiarities of children and know how to deal with them. No one except a teacher appreciates how helpful is a word or two of encouragement from parents. Interest taken by parents in school work is sure to bear fruit a hundredfold. With a view to making the relations of teachers and parents closer, the school board of Mt. Vernon, Ind.,

offered the following suggestions, which should be read by all fathers and mothers who value the welfare of their children:

1. Get acquainted with the teacher of your child.

2. Be free to talk with the teacher about the traits, characteristics, etc., of your child. The better the teacher understands your child the better she will be able to teach him.

3. Visit the schoolroom in which your child is at work just as often as you conveniently can.

4. Do not berate the teacher and say all manner of things about her if she corrects your child at school. Remember there is also the teacher's side of the case, which your child may not understand.

5. Never say anything unkind about the teacher in the presence of your child. Every time you do so you harm your child more than the teacher.

6. Observe good training and discipline in your own home. A child that is well disciplined and well trained at home rarely needs correction at school. It is too often the case that the schools have to do the things which should have been done at home. *Our schools are not reformatories.* They have to do with the formation of the pupil, not with his reformation.

7. Do not think that your authority and responsibility cease when the children are sent to school. "The confession of many parents who bring their children to our schools and ask the teachers to take charge of them, because they themselves can do nothing with them, is a sad comment on the parental authority in those homes from which the children come. If children are beyond the control of parents, what may be expected from the teachers, whose authority over the children is certainly less than that of the parents?"

8. Be sure that your child always gets to school on time. There is no bet-

ter lesson the schoolchild can learn than the lesson of punctuality.

9. See that your child is regular in attendance. Irregularity in attendance, or absence for frivolous reasons, interferes most seriously with the advancement of the pupil.

10. Require your child to do satisfactory work and to make good progress (This does not mean that he is to be advanced too rapidly.) Encourage him to take an interest in his work.

11. Know what your boy is doing and where he spends his time when he is not at home.—*The Circle*.

EDUCATIONAL WORK IN CENTRAL AMERICA

We are glad to note that the cause of Christian Education is advancing in Central America. The work has grown until it has been thought best to give it a definite organization. Brother J. Garfield Smalley has been chosen Educational Secretary. His address is French Harbor, Ruatan, Bay Islands, Honduras, Central America. We are glad to receive from him the following report in regard to the educational work in that field:—

"The interest of our people in the North Central American Mission is increasing in the educational work. This work has grown until at the present time it has been thought best to organize the work in this field and make it a unit. At present we have four schools in operation. Two more are about to be founded. One of these for Spanish children in LaCeiba, Spanish Honduras, will be of great interest, because it will be one of the first schools among this people. Miss Alma Osgood will teach this school. Brother and Sister Harding, of British Honduras, have given their lives to the Carib people, and will soon start a school near Truxillo, Honduras. I am glad of this, for I have longed to see something

done for these people. I know the Lord will bless these dear people as they enter upon their new field of work. The angels in heaven will strike their harps as they see souls coming to Jesus.

"I believe these schools are going to do great things for the work in this needy field. Two republics in this mission have not yet been entered. There are three million people yet waiting for this message. In the city of Gualala alone there are seventy-five thousand who have had not one messenger of the truth in their midst. God is able to do great things through these schools. We must raise up native workers who can speak in their own language to this people. The Lord has provided the New Testament in the Carib language for the workers to use. This will prove a great help to them. The war has hindered our schools upon the coast.

"I trust that God's blessing will be upon all our efforts to lift up humanity and raise the standard of civilization. When the Spirit of Christ is planted in the heart, we shall see these divine attributes as the fruit of our labors, and in the kingdom of God souls will be gathered to praise Him forever."

GRAND ISLAND CHURCH SCHOOL

The third year of church school at Grand Island, Nebraska, opened Sept., 4, 1906, and closed March 29, 1907, thus continuing seven months. During this time eighteen pupils were enrolled, four of whom were not Adventist children. Mrs. J. G. Kroeker was the teacher. Grades one to five, and eight, were represented in the school. In most cases the attendance was very regular. Three of the pupils,—Margaret Collins, Elizie Kroeker, and Leeta Roberts,—were present every day during their membership in the school. Too often parents do not realize what their children

lose by irregular attendance at school. Other things being equal, the child who never misses a day is generally the one who stands at the head of his class and makes the most rapid advancement. More attention should be given to this matter in our schools.

CHURCH SCHOOL AT COTTON, MO.

FLORENCE BURGESS

Our school at Cotton, Mo., closed March first. The attendance was good to the last. A deep interest in their studies was manifested by nearly all. Some who had a long, tiresome walk to and from school, and heavy responsibilities at home, would take their books home that they might improve their evenings. This is very encouraging to teachers; for they know that such faithful persevering efforts in youth if continued and consecrated to God mean a power for good in the future. As in every good work, the enemy of our souls

was present to hinder and destroy, but we thank God for the victories gained. While we did not have any open conversions during the school, we could see a steady development of character, which, if continued, is sure to result in entire consecration.

May the blessing of God rest upon our school work.

OSWEGO, KANSAS

The teacher's term report just received from Mrs. J. W. Lair shows that the primary department of the Oswego Industrial School closed a very successful seven month's term, April 10. There were thirteen pupils enrolled in this department of the school, five of whom came from homes where the Sabbath is not kept. We have not yet received a report from the advanced room, but we have reason to believe that the work in this room has been as successful as in the primary room.

B. E. H.

Young People's Work

"THE GREAT SECOND ADVENT MOVEMENT"

LESSON V

Chapters XXIV-XXVIII

1. What prophecies predicted in chapter 24 have been fulfilled?
2. Why have S. D. A. schools? Should every S. D. A. boy and girl be encouraged to attend one of our schools, and why?
3. Trace the progress made in our educational work.
4. Upon how many of us do the foreign fields have claims? Who was the first foreign missionary?
5. Note the advancement of the

Third Angel's Message in foreign fields. Trace on your map.

6. Through what agency was the tract and missionary work first established in our ranks?
7. When did religious agitation first begin in the United States?
8. Tell the difference between open and night visions.
9. Draw practical lessons from chapter 28.
10. How has the reading of this book affected your belief in the Spirit of Prophecy and in organization?

He who can take advice is sometimes superior to him who gives it.—*Van Knebel.*

HAGERMAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY.

At Hagerman, New Mexico, in the Pecos valley, is located a progressive little S. D. A. church. The most striking feature of this company is its large number of young people. This church shows that it appreciates its young people and in turn the young people love the church. Here a large young people's society of twenty members holds its meetings every other week. The elder of the church has been leader for nearly a year and his interest together with that of the rest of the church has bound the young people close to the church.

At a recent series of meetings twelve of the young people joined the church, and two more are candidates for baptism. The hearts of the fathers have been turned toward the children and the hearts of the children have been turned toward the parents. Now all the young people in their Sabbath school are church members.

Old and young attend the society meetings, which are instructive and beneficial. Lessons on Daniel and Revelation are being studied, supplemented by studies from the missionary biographical work, "Retrospective" by Hudson Taylor.

Aggressive work is continually being planned and executed. A campaign has just been successfully waged, resulting in the erection of a thousand dollar church building free from debt. C. L. B.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK IN MICHIGAN.

The following is a letter received by the Central Union Young People's Department, from Miss Ida Dunlap, descriptive of the plans and methods employed by the Michigan conference in behalf of their young people.

"In regard to the work for our young people we are working differently this

year than last, and we are in hopes to do better work and reach more than before.

"Last year we organized local societies, then formed a number of these into districts appointing a leader and secretary for each district, the leader to have general oversight of the local societies in his district, holding a meeting once a quarter upon the Sabbath where all the societies would meet, exchange ideas and suggest and discuss plans and methods of doing more efficient work. Once a year each district is to hold a convention.

The work is moving forward. They have helped on the \$150,000 fund also on the academy fund besides raising money to support foreign missionaries.

"All the societies are studying. Some the prophecies, some 'Rise and Progress,' others 'Ministry of Healing.' All are striving to get a better knowledge of the truth so as to become laborers. We find the young in our conference waking up to the needs of an education.

"We have held six local conventions the last year and one in Jackson in April, and are planning for one in Detroit in June, which will be the last until fall. Our conventions have been very spiritual and the means of waking up our young people. By the earnestness of the young people the older ones see where they have neglected their duty. We have been able to reach the older ones through the children."

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK IN INDIANA

We take the liberty to print the following letter from Mrs. R. W. Mc. Mahan, Young People's Secretary of Indiana, because it contains interesting and practical information from that state.

"We have about two hundred young people in our conference whom I long to see engaged in giving the message of truth. About seventy of these are receiving a training at our academy, and

a few are in the church schools. Only about one half have been organized into societies. You ask how we organize these.

"Only the converted young people are supposed to constitute the real society, and we have had these divided into small companies of two or three (when the society was large enough to separate in this way) to meet for special prayer and counsel, and to work for others. This plan is bringing in a new life and power among those who are engaging in it. The organization is very simple. While the leader is expected to direct the work of the local society, the members take turns in leading the meetings. We have had no special plan as to programs. Some follow the outline given in the *Instructor*; others have been taking up the various points of our faith, denominational history, etc., while some have used the Family Bible Teacher. For my own part, I should be glad if we might have a plan of study for our young people as definite as we have for the Sabbath-schools. I believe we need more uniformity here, as in our church schools.

"Our young people need to have a greater degree of missionary enthusiasm, and a spirit of systematic giving developed in them. Some are doing house to house work, distributing literature, selling our periodicals, and a few are canvassing for our good books. Individually, though not as societies, our young people are meeting their share of the \$150,000 Fund. I am satisfied that more work has been done than has been reported. I find it very difficult to get reports regularly. Six of our nine societies reported last quarter. We have not done anything with birthday offerings, but expect to.

"On the whole the outlook for our work is more favorable than ever before. We are planning for two conventions in May; one to be held at Beechwood Academy, and one in the northern part

of the state. I hope also to hold some local conventions.

"I want to tell you that I very much appreciate THE EDUCATIONAL MESSENGER. It has been very helpful to me in my work with the young people as well as the church schools."

We will be glad to receive reports of Young People's Work from all the states to which the MESSENGER pays its visits.

C. L. B.

AS IT SHOULD BE

In a recent letter from a secretary of the Young People's work in one of our conferences, the following statement is made: "I never knew a time when so many young people were planning either to go to school or into the work at once. I believe our work, with the blessing of God is bearing fruit. Inquiries are coming in all the time, and I am working my best for Union College. One place I recently visited, out of six active young people in the church, one plans to go to our sanitarium for the nurses' course next fall, and the other five to Union College." This is certainly as it should be, and it is an encouraging omen in our young people's work. If all of our young people could be led to consecrate their God-given powers to Him, our intermediate schools, sanitariums, and training schools would be too small to contain those who would be seeking a training for service. They would be overflowing, and a constant and ever enlarging stream of workers going forth to fields of labor. Cooperation of all our workers and consecrated efforts for the young people will bring and is bringing this result.

M. E. K.

"No man can seek far for knowledge without finding Christ."—*Professor Wilcox, of Princeton.*

"Better lengthen your preparation than shorten your career."—*Jas. I. Vance.*

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News and Notes

NEBRASKA SANITARIUM SIFTINGS

Anna Johnson has returned to her home in Mapleplain, Minn.

Mary Anderson has gone to Omaha, Neb., to engage in private nursing.

Charlie Neumann has returned home from New Mexico. He will spend the summer in College View.

Raleigh Andrews left Tuesday, May 14, for Kalispel, Montana, where he expects to spend the summer canvassing.

The new electric elevator has been installed in the Sanitarium, and is proving to be a great improvement over the old elevator.

J. E. Johnson expects to leave at the close of school for his home in Lodi, California, stopping on his way at the sanitariums in Boulder and Portland.

Mabelle McMoran was called to her home in Mt. Vernon, Washington, by the death of her sister. She hopes to return next year to continue her work in College.

Alice Mosser is visiting for two weeks at her home in Shelton, Nebraska.

Carrie George was called to her home in St. Louis, Mo., last week, by the sickness of her mother.

Mrs. Mary Anderson, of Glenwood, Iowa, formerly a nurse in the Nebraska Sanitarium, recently visited the Sanitarium, bringing with her a patient.

Lena Peters, one of our graduates, recently came from Rosthern, Saskatchewan, Canada. She was accompanied by her brother, who will take treatment at the Sanitarium.

COLLEGE VIEW HAPPENINGS

A. C. Brown, of Minatare, Neb. is in College View on business.

Zella Means, of the class of 1901, visited her brother in College View last week.

Dr. David Paulson, of Hinsdale, Ill., spent Sabbath and Sunday, May 11 and 12, in College View.

The College View Tract Society and Public Library have moved into the rooms one door north of the post office.

Arbor day was fittingly observed by the pupils of the College View church school by setting out trees and shrubbery on the church school grounds.

Drs. S. A. and Myrtle Lockwood, of Kobe, Japan are spending a few days in College View visiting friends and relatives. Dr. Lockwood addressed the students in chapel Friday morning, May 10.

Russell Potter arrived in College View, Friday, May 10, to attend the Canvassers' Institute and Bookmen's Convention. Miss Mary Comer, matron of the Northwestern Training School accompanied him.

The managers of our publishing houses held a council in College View May 6 to 9. Those who attended the meeting were, E. R. Palmer, C. H. Jones, and H. H. Hall of Mountain View, Calif.; S. N. Curtiss, of Washington, D. C.; I. A. Ford, of Nashville, Tenn.; W. W. Eastman, Keene, Texas; R. L. Pierce, Fort Worth, Texas; and F. F. Byington, of College View.

Miss Maude Bailey, of Grand Island, Neb., is visiting friends in College View.

Sina Gjerde is canvassing Lincoln and College View for "Marvel of Nations."

Elmer Lindholm has lately spent a few days in College View visiting his sister.

Elder J. Kraft, recently from Iowa, is building a house north of College View, near the car line.

The College View Orchestra gave a program in the public school building, the evening of May 4.

Elder J. H. Wheeler, superintendent of the Wyoming Mission Field spent May 13 and 14 in College View.

Cornelius Unruh, of Milltown, S. D., is visiting in College View. He expects to remain for school next year.

Nettie Cornell, of Ottawa, Kansas, spent commencement week with her sister, Mettie Cornell, who is the Central Union Conference stenographer.

Elder E. G. Hayes, President of the South Dakota Conference, recently visited College View on business for the Conference. While here he held a meeting with the South Dakota students.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shepherd, *nee* Florence Bolter, visited friends in College View, Thursday May 9. Mr. Shepherd and his mother mother expect to teach in the Harvey, N. Dak., Industrial School.

Paul Curtis, canvassing agent of Saskatchewan, is attending the canvassers' institute and Bookmen's Convention in College View. Mrs. Curtis, formerly Cora Dunn, is visiting her parents at Sydney, Iowa.

Elder C. McReynolds, for many years the president of the Kansas Conference, is in College View for a few days. Elder McReynolds is now president of the Wisconsin Conference. He is on his way to visit his sons in Osceola, Oklahoma.

Dr. D. H. Kress and family, of the Wahroonga Sanitarium, New South Wales, Australia, spent a few days in College View on their way from Australia to Washington, D. C., where Dr. Kress will take charge of the Sanitarium work. While here several interesting talks were given concerning the work in Australia.

MESSENGER CORRESPONDENCE

"Please send the Messenger to me at this place."—T. A. Weishaar, Creston, S. Dak.

"Please send my Messenger to Boonville, Mo. instead of Wooldridge."—Ethyl Beadles.

"I have moved from Cascade Springs, to Deadwood, S. Dak. Please send my paper to the following address."—Mrs. Ora L. Hadley, Deadwood, S. Dak.

"I am reminded that my subscription to the Messenger will expire next month, and as I do not want to miss a number I will enclose fifty cents for my renewal."—Gertude Thompson, Harvey, N. Dak.

E. L. Strite sends fifty cents to pay for a year's subscription to the Messenger. He is assisting his brother in a gasoline engine factory in Minneapolis, Minn.

"We are very much pleased with the Messenger. If Volumes I and II are as good as the present one we would like to buy them if they are to be had, especially Volume II."—Mrs. M. Harrie, Malvern, Ark.

Is there a blue mark in close proximity to this paragraph on your paper? Then it behooves you to respond with fifty cents and your address if you wish to receive those two special numbers which will follow this issue. Do not neglect it. Stamps taken.

Since our last issue we have had several calls for files of the Messenger. If any of our readers have files of which they would dispose, we would be pleased to give them the address of one of these parties. Some of our denominational institutions wish to preserve files of it, and others are desired by individuals who wish them for the matter which they contain. Several responded to our request of May 1. We have a sufficient supply of this number, but not having the names of the senders, we ask them to here accept our thanks for their kindness. We would like to receive a few copies of Volume III, Number 6. If you have one to spare, please send it.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mae and Maynard Surber are at their home in Thayer, Kans.

Carl Engle and wife, formerly Mary Kraus, are living on a farm near Milltown, S. Dak.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Reising, *nee* Mary Peterson, are living on a farm near Milltown, S. Dak.

Elmer Hough, after visiting his parents at Lockwood, Mo., has returned to his home in Minatare, Neb.

Florence Burgess, since closing her school at Cotton, Mo., has gone with her parents to Alabama.

J. V. Leer and wife, *nee* Lydia Kraus, and their son Arthur, are taking care of a vineyard at Lodi, Calif.

Samuel Owen, a former employee of the College, is in charge of treatment rooms at Bartlettville, Okla.

John Bland has closed his school at Mineral, Kans. and is now attending the teachers' institute in Kansas City, Kans.

Miss Maude Blodgett has returned to her home in Ft. Calhoun, Neb. after a successful term of church school at Tekamah.

J. W. Boynton is vice-president of the Alberta Conference, and makes his home at Ponoka. Archie and Frank are in California.

Miss Pearl West has been teaching the primary department in Claremont Union College, South Africa, this year, with an enrolment of 35 students.

A letter has been received from Elder E. T. Russell announcing the arrival in England of the delegates to the European General Conference Committee Council. They had a safe and pleasant voyage. There were seventeen in their company.

Brother W. F. Surber and Elder J. W. Norwood recently conducted a canvassers' institute in St. Louis, Mo., which was attended by some of our old Union College students. Frank Firminger will canvass for "Great Controversy," A. H. Owen for "Home and Health," Zillah Daniels will canvass St. Louis for "Home and Health," Hattie Hough for "Heralds of the Morning," Maude Yankey for "Great Controversy." The last three are working for a scholarship to Union College.

UNION COLLEGE NOTES

Lovica Goode is to be cook in South Hall this coming vacation.

Charlie Wineland has returned from Colorado, and expects to spend the summer canvassing in Missouri.

Arnold Hanson's brother has arrived from Harlan, Ia., and will work on the College farm this summer.

Saturday evening, May 11, Senator E. J. Burdett spoke in the Union College chapel. A large audience was present.

Herbert A. Owen, a member of the class of 1894, the first class graduated in Union College, is in College View to attend the closing exercises of the College.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Fish are living in Mannville, Alberta, Canada. Mrs. Fish was formerly Miss Edith Carpenter. Both are former students of Union College.

Miss Verna Snell, an old Union College student, is attending school at Peru, Neb. Her sister Mary, who is a graduate nurse, is doing private nursing in Lincoln.

The third graduating recital from the Conservatory Course was given in the College chapel Tuesday, May 14, at 5:30 p. m., by Miss Vera Wallace. The rendition of the program showed skill. The three graduating recitals this year have been a credit to the Music Department of Union College.

The first pianoforte graduating recital was given in the College chapel, May 5, by Miss Ada J. Madison, of the Conservatory Course. The room was well-filled, the audience showing its interest by close attention. A particularly interesting feature was the nocturnes, several appearing on the program. The recital was a complete success.

Miss Irma Lewis, of the Normal Music Course, gave her graduating recital before a large, appreciative audience, Thursday afternoon, May 9, in the College chapel. The program consisted of piano, organ, and vocal numbers, all of which were well rendered, the organ numbers deserving especial mention. The last number, a Mozart Fantasia, the second piano part written by Grieg, was exceptionally interesting.

Miss Annina Jensen is visiting her sister, Miss Ellvena Jensen, who is in school this year.

Prof. E. C. Kellogg is preparing the photographs for the cuts for the new "Year Book."

Norman T. Loughhead, a former student and a graduate of Union College, now has charge of the History Department of Mt. Vernon College.

Arwid Scott, an old Union College student, who has been assisting Brother Bryant in field work in Iowa, is in College View to attend the canvassers' institute.

Mr. Albert Graves, of Salina, Kans., has purchased property north of College View, and is building upon it. He expects to enter Union College next autumn.

Lizzie Jamieson, who is taking a medical course in St. Louis, will spend the summer canvassing for "Home and Health" at St. Charles, Mo. Her sister Mamie is doing private nursing in St. Louis.

Thursday evening, May 9, a clever surprise was given Miss Roberta Andrews, by her pupils. They formed in a body and marched to her home, where games were played and a short program rendered. As a token of their appreciation her classes united in presenting her with an oil painting.

Sunday afternoon, May 12, President and Mrs. Lewis received the faculty in the parlor of South Hall. The hours from four to six were spent in visiting, and in listening to speeches and selections of music. All agreed that this mode of holding faculty meeting was much more pleasant than the common way.

After the canvassers' institute had progressed one week, the Field Missionary Agents of the Central and Northern Union Conferences met in College View for a short convention. This has been a privilege which has been greatly enjoyed. It has afforded opportunity, also, for each Field Agent to make arrangements for students to work in their respective fields. We have watched with the greatest interest this forming of companies of missionaries for the front. We confidently expect them to fight the battles of the Lord successfully, and return to College View next fall with their scholarships earned and their numbers increased by recruits for the school.

Earl Austin has purchased a home in Boulder, Colorado, where he is working with his father.

Mr. R. J. Bryant, state canvassing agent for Iowa, is again in College View. He is attending the canvassers' institute.

The flower beds around South Hall are being guarded with a railing of gas pipe, put in by our engineer, B. M. Curtis, and his corps of helpers.

Frank Clusney and wife, former students of Union College, who have been laboring in the Avondale school, have gone to New Zealand to open up the school work there.

The porch at South Hall is being replaced from the columns down. The timber had become so decayed as to be no longer safe; but this improvement is going to add much to the appearance of our College Home. Isaac Orter and Adolph Johnson, both students, are doing the work.

Sunday, May 12, the Scandinavian students enjoyed a special dinner in the annex of the South Hall dining room. Four tables were placed end to end, making one long table that reached across the room. After dinner, they retired to the parlor to play games and visit until about four o'clock, when the company dispersed. The number present was about thirty.

One of the most prosperous years in the history of Union College is closing with an interesting climax. The program for the past two weeks has been full to the brim. In addition to the usual busy items that crowd into the last two weeks of school, the presentation of the needs of the field, and special training for field work have occupied a prominent place in the program. Beginning May 3, a two weeks' institute for canvassers has been held. Brethren E. R. Palmer, and H. H. Hall, representing the General Conference Publishing Department, and C. G. Bellah, General Agent of the Central Union Conference, and W. L. Mantul, General Agent of the Northern Union Conference, were present and took charge of the institute work. About one hundred students have taken this special training and are ready for the field. May the Lord greatly bless this fine army of workers, and give them great success.

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