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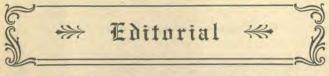
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Responsibility of Students toward the Missionary Volunteer Movement

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RESPONSIBILITY OF 'STUDENTS

Such is the common responsibility of Seventh-day Adventist young people to the Missionary Volunteer movement. Is the responsibility of students greater? If, so why? Responsibility increases with knowledge, with opportunity, with ability; and in all these respects students of our denominational schools have great advantage over our less favored young people. Their business is to gain knowledge, not knowledge in general, but special knowledge of the truth for these times. In their classes in Bible, and in history,-general, missionary, and denominational,they gain knowledge of the great truths connected with the coming of Christ and the evangelization of the world. Their opportunities are greater. Our schools are centers of culture and influence, where the pupils are constantly associated with men and women of superior talents and character. To these centers come conference workers, General Conference men, and returned missionaries, from whom the students gain information and inspiration concerning the progress of the work. Students, also, because of their greater knowledge and their better opportunities for culture and experience, should have greater ability to do good, to lead men to Christ and build them up in everything pure and noble. If this were not true, the whole theory of education is a mistake. Reviewing all these considerations, and remembering that the Missionary Volunteer movement has been largely a student movement, we conclude that students, above all others, have the greatest responsibility to stand

by this cause, to identify themselves with its interests, and to engage with all their hearts in its work.

THE JOY OF RESPONSIBILITY

The sense of responsibility should bring something more than earnestness and solemnity to the student's heart. Do we count those most happy who shun responsibility and live a care-free life, without thought of obligation to others? Not so. Responsibility, honestly recognized and bravely discharged, brings to the soul the deepest satisfaction and joy. Duty is the supreme motive, and the faithful discharge of duty justly brings the greatest happiness. Could any emotion be more triumphant and satisfactory than that which caused Paul to write from a Roman prison to his Philippian brethren:—

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ, even as it is meat for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. ... Therefore, my brethren, dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved."

THE BLESSING OF A NOBLE CAUSE

Such is the joy of a faithful man although in bondage for his faithfulness. The greatest blessing that can come to a young man or woman is to become attached early in life to a noble cause. Such a cause brings out all there is good in a man. It quickens his energies. It inspires his soul. It gives him something to live for, and work for, and if necessary, to die for. Many heroes in the past have cheerfully given their lives for a great principle. "Blessed be God," cried Sir Henry Vane, as he bared his neck to the headman's axe; "I have kept my conscience free from offense toward God and man until this day, and I have not forsaken the righteous cause for which I suffer."

Such a cause God has given to the young people of this denomination, especially to the students of our schools. We study not with the common motives of other students,—to become proficient in business, in politics, in literature,—but to become able workmen in the grandest cause the world has ever known.

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The third angel's message gathers in the train of its triumphal march all the reforms that are worth advocating. The first advent of Christ is the greatest event in the world's past history. But the second coming of Christ is the culmination of all history. The first advent brought to view the sufferings of Christ; the second will reveal "the glory that should follow." At the first advent Christ bore the sins of the world, but unto them that look for him will he appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Truly, as the poet has sung,

> "We are living, we are dwelling, In a grand and awful time, In an age on ages telling To be living is sublime."

Mighty forces are contending. Appalling disasters have become common events. Pride and money getting and pleasure seeking prevail. Faith is failing, so that we can appreciate the Saviour's question, "When the Son of Man cometh, will he find faith on the earth?" It will indeed be rare, but it will be found. Let there be one company of faithful youth of whom it can be said that they loved not their own lives unto the death? In times of great peril, when calls are made for volunteers to face death, brave men are not wanting. And shall our Captain call in vain for missionary volunteers to carry the banner of the cross into the dark portions of the earth? Nay! Nav! It must not be. From our homes and schools there shall go forth an ever increasing army of young men and women whose hearts God has touched, who shall do valiant service in the closing conflict, and whose zeal and devotion and courage and piety shall be commensurate with the responsibility that rests upon them.

The Annual Board Meeting

THE annual meeting of the board of trustees of Union College was held at the college, January 19th to 27th. There were present during the entire session Eld. E. T. Russell, president of Central Union Conference, and the following presidents of state conferences: Eld. A. T. Robinson, Nebraska; Eld. J. H. Wheeler, Wyoming; Eld. J. W. Lair, Eastern Colorado; Eld. W. F. Kennedy, Western Colorado; Eld. Charles Thompson, Kansas; Eld. A. R. Ogden, Northern Missouri; Eld. D. U. Hale, Southern Missouri; Eld. M. N. Campell, Iowa; Eld. S. E. Jackson, Minnesota; Eld. J. W. Christian, South Dakota; Eld. C. J. Kunkel, North Dakota.

The meeting was harmonious and satisfactory. Nearly all of the members of the old faculty were reelected. Some of the more important actions were as follows:—

1. To provide an assistant for the Sewing department.

2. To employ an assistant engineer.

3. To have a Union College day at the camp-meetings of the Central Union. 4. To purchase for the Bible department, a set of the new prophetic charts now being published by the International Publishing Association.

5. To appropriate \$100 each for the German and Scandinavian libraries.

6. To purchase maps for the History department.

7. To employ a teacher of singing for the Scandinavian department.

8. To move the chemical laboratory to the basement.

9. To rent a cottage for the Music department.

10. To conduct a summer school under the direction of the College Faculty.

11. To build lockers in the hat and cloak rooms to rent to students for the safe-keeping of books and clothing.

12. To authorize the formation of an association to erect and conduct a swimming pool, a skating pond, and an out-door gymnasium, without cost to the College.

13. To provide one Industrial course, practical enough in industries to prepare students for life, and strong enough in literary studies to prepare them for college.

14. To raise a fund of \$6,000 to better equip the laboratories, the library, and the industries.

Questions and Answers about Union College

SINCE the edition of our last annual catalogue is exhausted, we print the following answers to questions coming to us every day, to satisfy our patrons until the publication of our next catalogue in May:—

1. What are the expenses at Union College?

Answer: Furnished room for two students, with steam heat and electric light, plain laundry and bath privileges, costs \$10.00 per month of four weeks, for each student. This sum also includes tuition for full work in regular studies, but does not pay for music or private lessons in elocution or voice culture. Board is on the European, or special order plan, and ranges from \$4.00 to \$8.00 per month. Tuition alone for students living outside the college homes is \$4.50 per month. Music tuition is from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per term of twelve weeks, according to grade of work. Rent of piano is \$3.00 per term, and of organ \$1.50 per term.

2. What courses of study are offered?

Academic, College, Commercial, Stenographic, Ministerial, Normal, Medical preparatory, Music, German, Swedish, and Danish-Norwegian.

3. Must a student take all the studies just as they come in the courses?

It is best to do so, and one must do so if he desires to complete a course and get credit for so doing. But if he desires he may choose any studies which in the judgment of the faculty he is prepared to pursue profitably.

4. How many studies is one allowed to take? Four regular studies, one drill, and one industrial study constitute full work. If a student enters a term one month late, he is allowed to take but three full studies; if six weeks late, only two full studies.

5. May students live outside the college homes?

Mature and steady students who are not able to meet the expenses of the home may be allowed to work for board and room, work partly for board paying no more than \$4.00 per month, board themselves, or sometimes live with relatives.

6. Can I find work to pay my expenses?

Proably not. During the fall and spring terms good, reliable, faithful, competent workers can usually find work enough to materially reduce their expenses.

7. How are the rooms furnished? And what do I need to bring?

Rooms are furnished with bed, springs, mattress, dresser, commode, chairs, table, bowl, and pitcher.

Students should bring sheets, pillow-slips, blankets or comfortables, towels, table spread, and such articles as their mothers will suggest to make the rooms cozy and homelike.

The New Year Book

THE Seventh-day Adventist Year Book for 1909 is just from the press. It is interesting to note the progress made in our work during 1908, as indicated in various way in the pages of this year book. The preface contains a summary that is of interest in showing some of the ways in which the cause has grown during the past year. For instance, there were organized nine local conferences, making a total of 102. One hundred and thirty-four workers were sent to foreign fields. The total number of communicants has increased to over one hundred thousand. The gain in membership during the year is 5197. Fourteen schools of higher grades have been established, making a total of eighty-one. Four new publishing houses have been established, making a total of twenty-six. We are issuing four new papers, making 113 in all, in twenty-five languages, and are printing publications in nine new languages, making sixty-one in all. We have established eleven sanitariums, and have a total of seventynine. Three-quarters of a million dollars has been added to the assets of our 186 institutions, making their total valuation approximately five million dollars, or an increase of about sixteen per cent in valuation during the year. The number of workers connected with these institutions was increased during 1908 by 364, or over fifteen per cent.

It certainly is a cause of rejoicing to see the wonderful progress this work is making, and it should stir our hearts to greater earnestness in its behalf.

These are only a few of the interesting features of this valuable year book, which may be obtained for twenty-five cents by addressing the Review & Herald, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

Contempt leaves a deeper scar than anger.

President's Annual Report

I HAVE the honor herewith to present the annual report of Union College for the last part of the school year 1907-1908 and the first half of school year 1908-1909.

LAST YEAR'S GRADUATES.

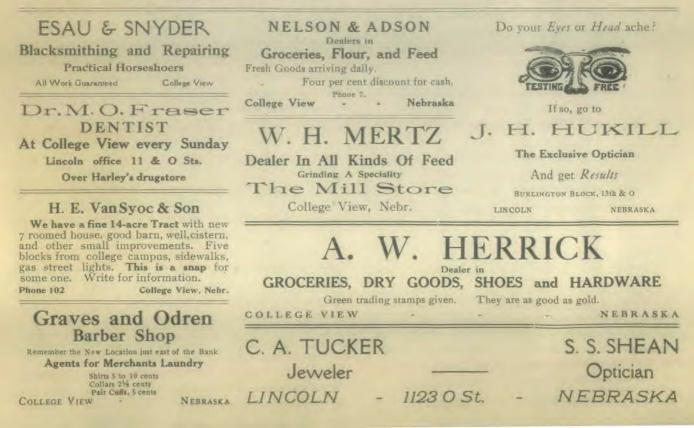
After the annual meeting of last year the school continued evenly and prosperous until the close of the year. The graduating class consisted of twenty-nine members: J. I. Beardsley, Literary course, now educational and young people's secretary of South Dakota; Otto M. John, Literary course, now teacher in Mount Vernon College; E. Lora Clement, Literary course, stenographer Missionary Volunteer department, Washington, D. C.; Emily A. Johnson, Literary course, church-school teacher, South Dakota; Edith R. Shively, Literary course, teaching school in Iowa; Zelma M. Small, Literary course, church-school teacher in South Dakota; Emma E. Christensen, Literary course, church-school teacher, South Dakota; Florence M. Aul, Literary course, church-school teacher, Lincoln, Neb.; Inez L, Hoiland, Literary course, teaching in Union College; Lillie M. George, Literary course, educational secretary South Missouri Conference; Harry M. Bonniwell, Literary course, physician, near Lincoln; Leonard A. Rucker, studying in College View; Albert E. Smith, Literary course, student in Union College; Edith A. Rigby, Scientific course, teaching in Campion Academy, Colorado; Eugene C. Rowell, Ministerial course, attending State University; Cush Sparks, Ministerial course, tract society secretary of Nebraska; Martin E. Anderson, Ministerial course, principal Northwestern Training School, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba; Winnifred M. Collins, Conservatory Music, attending Union College; Lora Grace Smith, Normal Music, attending Union College; Marion W. Crawford, Voice, teaching in Union College; Ernest C. Eden, Voice, attending Union College; Herman F. Neuman, German course, attending Union College and studying nursing at Sanitarium; Isaac Schmidt, German course, attending Union College; Hanna Vera Reinhardt, German course, teaching in South Dakota; Augusta Schneider, German course, church-school teacher, Kansas; Anna Shield, Swedish course, compositor, International Publishing Association; Arvid Bjurstrom, Swedish course, compositor at the International Publishing Association and attending Union College; Esther Bergquist, Swedish course, Swedish Bible work, Kansas City, Kansas; James Johnson, Danish-Norwegian, ministerial work in Omaha.

INCREASED ATTENDANCE AND CONSEQUENT CONGESTION.

The total enrolment for last year was 560. The enrolment for the present year has reached 563. Of this number 109 are enrolled in the College department, 48 below the Academy, and the rest, 402, in the Academy and the foreign departments. These enrolments are the next to the largest in the history of the school, that of the second year reaching 608. On account of this increase in attendance, which has been eighty-three per cent in the past four years, every department is in a crowded condition. The overflow of Home students has been partially provided for by the new East Hall and by finishing off six or eight new rooms in the attic. At present there are thirty-eight students rooming in the College building, thirty-eight in east hall, twenty gentlemen in South Hall, and ten in the German cottage. There are 116 ladies enrolled as rooming in South Hall, and thirty-eight gentlemen rooming in the village, making in all 265 Home students. Besides these and the students whose homes are in the village, there are seventy-two nonresident students boarding themselves, forty-eight of whom are gentlemen and twenty-four are ladies. There are twenty-three lady students working for their board, and thirteen gentlemen students, or thirty-six in all, making 108 non-resident students caring for themselves in the village.

Although the office of the *Christian Record*, the office of the Central Union, and the Tailoring and Dressmaking departments, have been removed from the main college building, yet every room is occupied with class recitations, and there is scarcely a vacant place to be found even for a single recitation in the entire building. The Normal department is especially crowded. The director has no room devoted exclusively to her own work. The Germans are crowded, having only two recitation rooms, while there are three teachers. The third teacher has to hear his classes in different rooms wherever he can find a vacant place. The Science departments are also crowded, in spite of the fact that two new rooms have been fitted up for their use. In laboratory work they are able to accommodate only about thirty students, whereas fifty-six students are enrolled. It is a grave question, which concerns the present Board to decide what it is best to do under these conditions. None of us wish to erect new buildings. We have made reasonable efforts to keep elementary students from coming to Union College during the past year. Two new academies have been opened in the Central Union Conference, besides two or three schools known as intermediate schools. We had expected, because of this fact and the financial depression, that the enrolment would be less than that of last year, but it is greater now, although we have only passed the middle of the year, The spring term always brings us quite a number of new students and it seems certain that the enrolment will reach 575. What it is best to do under these conditions-whether to increase our accommodations or take measures to decrease our attendance-is a question for this Board to decide. The German department, with good reason, is anxious to be restored to its original quarters in the north end of the second floor, opposite the German chapel. These rooms have been fitted up, as you know, for the Music department. In spite of the noise produced by the various instruments and the singing, the new department of Elocution, together with the classes in Bible, have been obliged to recite in the German chapel throughout the year under very unfavorable conditions.

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Regular Appointments

ENGLISH

Sabbath 10:00 A. M. Sabbath-School. 11:15 A. M. Preaching Service 3:30 P. M. Junior Meetings. 3:30 P. M. Senior Social Meeting. 4:30 P. M. Young People's Service. Monday 7:45 P. M. Testimony Study. Tuesday 7:45 P. M. Missionary Meeting. Wednesday 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting in all the Districts. SCANDINAVIAN (In Scandinavian Chapel.) Thursday to:00 A. M. Mission Band. Friday 7:30 P. M. Prayer and Social Meeting Sabbath 10:00 A. M. Sabbath-School. 3:00 P. M. Preaching. GERMAN (In German Chapel.) Sabbath 10:00 A. M. Sabbath School. 11:00 A. M. Preaching. 3:00 P. M. Young People's Meeting. 3:00 P. M. Senior Social Meeting, Room 24 College. Tuesday 7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting.

MRS. E. M. PEEBLES is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Eugene Rowell.

LEROV and John Christenson, of Exira, Iowa, have been visiting their sister, Miss Lela Christenson.

J. W. ANDREWS, of Abilene, Kans., is visiting his children, Raleigh, Mitchel, and Myrtle, of College View.

MR. AND MRS. T. A. WEISHAAR visited friends in College View on their way to Minatare, Nebraska.

JAS. RIGBY, of Yuma, Colo., recently visited his son Fred Rigby, who is attending the college this year.

ALFRED C. BROWN, of Minatare, Nebr., is visiting Mrs. Brown, who is taking treatment at the Nebraska Sanitarium.

FRED JUHL, of Exira, Iowa, spent a few days in College View last week, making arrangements to take up work in the Union College power house.

DURING the recent Young People's Missionary Volunteer council held in College View, the members of the classes of 1907 and 1908 of Union College, held a reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Nethery.

MRS. R. I. ROGERS, of Lead City, S. Dak., is visiting her son, R. S. Irvine, in College View

SABBATH Afternoon, February 6, thirteen candidates, all of them students but two, were baptized by President Lewis at the close of the young people's meeting in the baptistry of the College View Church.

Ar the chapel exercise, Wednesday morning, February 10th, Miss Katherine Kroeker gave an interesting discription of the work with deaf mutes. There are estimated to be seventy-five thousand in the United States, and of these 360 are in Nebrasaka. She described the way they are taught to use audible language and gave some exercises in the sign language, interpreting two songs which were sung by a quartette.

THE following program was given in the college chapel, Saturday evening, February 6th, by the Philodian Concert Band, which is now under the leadership of J. L. Crouse:-March, "Salutation," Band: Piano Duet, "March Militaire," Professor Yeoman, Mr. Thorp; Spanish Serenade, "La Paloma," Band; Trombone Solo, "The Holy City," Mr. Wallace: Overture, "Psyche," Band; Duet, "Warbler's Serenade," Messrs. Chapman and Thorp; Valse, "Among The Roses," Band; Sextet, "Alpine Echoes," four trombones, two cornets: Selection, "Faust," Band; Trombone Solo, "Longing For Home," Mr. Herzer; Overture, "The Sky Pilot," Band; March, "Gloria," Band.

An impressive general meeting of all the departments of the school was held in the chapel Friday evening, February 12th. President Lewis spoke from Judges 5:23, "Curse ye Meroz," etc. He said there are times when to neglect to bring all our influence to bear upon the Lord's side is to turn the tide of battle toward the enemy of righteousness. While all Israel was rallying to the call of Jehovah to throw off the voke of their heathen oppressors, the people of Meroz skulked sulkily behind the walls of their city. In our own time God is doing a mighty work in the world. He calls upon every one to come to his help against the mighty. The speaker read from Vol. IV. showing the work of reform that should go forward in our schools, and called upon all to prove true to the trust committed to Union College. Elder Burg led the social meeting, which proved to be one of the most interesting of the year. The testimonies were thoughtful and earnest, and showed that many sense the responsibility of the times. Twenty to forty were on their feet continuously during the meeting, which lasted until nearly ten o'clock.

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News and Notes

N. B. EMERSON recently made a short business trip to Scandia, Kausas.

MISS MARION CRAWFORD spent Sabbath and Sunday with friends in Omaha,

PLEASE change my address from Nevada, Iowa, to Utica, Mo. We enjoy the MESSENGER very much.—Grace Hill.

DR. ESTELLA HOUSER and neice Rhea have gone to Washington, D. C., where they will visit for about a month.

MRS. MARY ANDERSON and son James, of Glenwood, Iowa, are visiting Miss Jensina Anderson, of the Nebraska Sanitarium.

MISS NELLIE STREETER, of Petersburg, Nebr., visited friends in College View last week. Miss Streeter is a former student of the college, and is also a graduate nurse of the Nebraska Samtarium.

Don'r think because you are criticised that you are not appreciated. If you are doing the best you can, you are sure ultimately to receive all the recognition you deserve, and that is enough. — Nebraska State Journal.

THE one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, the Great Liberator, was appropriately celebrated at Union College, Friday, February 12, by the reading by the President at chapel exercises of a vivid word picture of Lincoln's mental exercises the night of his decision to issue the Emancipation Proclamation, which he had promised God he would do if Lee should be driven back from Pennsylvania. He had been waiting for an auspicious time for making the proclamation, and that time came when during the night before it was issued he received the news of McClellan's victory at Antietam. The central thought of the reading was that the task was too great for the man. It needed God. And Lincoln sought and obtained divine help for the work God placed upon him. The reading was listened to with breathless attention, and evidently made a deep impression.

MISSES CLARA and Lilla Krassin, of Waseca, Minn., have arrived in College View, and will enter the college for the spring term.

MR. AND MRS. OSCAR F. FRANK announces the hirth of a daughter, Viola Faye, December 20th. Mr. and Mrs. Frank are living at Lake Charles, La.

Make It the Banner Year

THE present promises to be the banner vear in attendance at Union College. The enrolment has already reached 580. twenty more than that of last year, and we have the spring term before us. If all the friends of the college would unite in working for students for the spring term, we could reach the highest mark in the history of the school-that of 608 in 1892-3. And this year will be the last chance to do it. The new college to be opened next fall at Chamberlain, So. Dak., will doubtless reduce our attendance, so that never again will it be so large as that of the present year. And this is well. But while we now have the opportunity, and the ambition is a worthy one, let all the friends of "old Union" everywhere join in making this the banner year in attendance, as we believe it is in some other respects.

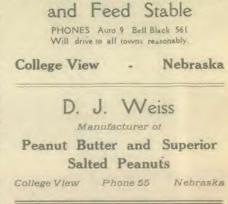
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