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Training for the Ministry

Paul, in writing to his beloved disciple Timothy, said, "I charge you . . . preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine."

As a background for this, Paul himself had studied deeply and widely. He knew his times; he understood the people to whom he ministered; he had insight into human nature; above and beyond all, he loved and lived the word of God.

Men like Paul and Timothy are preaching the three angels' message today, but more of this kind are needed. For men of vision, of consecration, of good minds and sound bodies, who have attractive personalities and a love for humanity, there is a place in God's ministry, and will be till the end of time.

But for the preaching of the gospel in these difficult closing days, adequate training is needed to perhaps a greater extent than was ever before the case. Audiences of educated people await the ministry of the word. Keen-minded men who know science and history and the ways of human thinking, are competing with the preachers of the three-fold message for the attention of the masses. Hence, although careful preliminary study and training can never in the minister's experience take the place of the Holy Spirit and of consecration, it will greatly increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the consecrated man of God as the Holy Spirit uses him.

The courses in the department of religion at Union College are designed to give candidates for the Adventist ministry the kind of preliminary and theoretical training they should have. The equivalent of a full year, out of a total of four in the college course, is spent in the study of the Bible and of religious teaching and history. In addition, every prospective minister and Bible worker is required to take courses in the theory and practice of preaching, New Testament Greek, speech, psychology,

music conducting, history, science, and English. A minor field of specialization, consonant with the major in religion, is also required. Through the courtesy of conference officials, opportunity is given to students during the last two years of the training course to preach in neighboring churches and to conduct series of evangelistic meetings for the public. Students are urged to spend their summer in the colporteur work or to participate in evangelistic work in the field. A year of internship in actual ministry and evangelism follows the four years of preparation in college.

We believe that this program of study and instruction at Union College is sound and is as complete as is possible to give in four short years. We invite to come to us for this preparation for the work of God, young men and women who are experiencing the call of God; who long to be used to bring to lost souls the message of salvation; who are willing to study and to work hard and faithfully; who have personalities that will arouse and win people. For such there are places in Union College now, and in the ministry of God's word until the Lord comes.

Frank H. Yost.

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Twelve More

Brother R. J. Jones, who is selling books in Minneapolis, sends in this wonderful experience:

"A gentleman told me to call back when his wife was home. He bought 'Steps to Christ' for her. When I called back the husband introduced me to his wife and a friend of the family. I canvassed the folks for 'Return of Jesus'. The family purchased it. I also presented 'Great Controversy'. The gentleman of the house said to his friends, 'We are taking "Return of Jesus," now you ought to take that big book. It is

just what you ought to have.' The friend bought it.

"When I called to deliver the 'Controversy' to the friend's home, I learned that he lived upstairs and rented the first floor. The lady on the first floor was present and she said she wanted to know who the book was prepared for. I said, 'This book is prepared for the world.' She bought 'Steps to Christ'. The man who ordered the 'Controversy' not only accepted it, but ordered 'Bible Readings for the Home Circle' to give as a birthday present for the lady's husband.

"The next time I called at this home the wife asked, 'Isn't this work prepared by Seventh-day Adventists?' I said, 'Yes, it is one of our best books.' She said, 'That is all right. We found out this is truth; but if you had said, when you called here the first time, Mr. Jones, that you were a Seventh-day Adventist, I would have closed the door in your face and you never would have entered my home.'

"I asked them if they would like free Bible studies. They were delighted. I turned them over to Sister Cummings, the Bible worker. I sold a small book to this lady's sister who was Catholic. She and another sister joined the Bible study group. Others joined also. The minister certainly fought against us. He told them how stupid they were to be deceived by such a doctrine. There were twenty-three grown people who attended the studies. There were four Catholics in the group. They had much to change. Much opposition arose in the homes of these dear folks.

"Last Wednesday night another group of them were baptized. Out of the twenty-three who came for studies, eleven have been baptized and one has been accepted on profession of faith. All the others are favorable to the message. Many of them have declared their intention to be baptized soon."

Although we shall never know the actual results of any one day's can-

vassing, we do know that God will see to it that there will be a mighty harvest of the seed sown. There is power in the books, conviction through the Spirit of God, and joy in the colporteur's service.

C. G. Cross.

An Early Start

A number of inquiries have come in concerning the time when Harvest Ingathering supplies will be available. We have word that they are already shipped, and churches that wish to make an early start may now do so. Some of the ministers have written me that they will start as soon as the magazines arrive, so we expect an unusually early start this year. Singing bands are already filling the evening hours with sweet music and we are sure that their efforts will bring success.

To all church officers we would say, organize your church at once so that those who wish to start early may know their territorial assignment. On the opening date of the campaign (August 13) let us have \$5,000 to report for Minnesota.

Don't put it off—put it over.

J. C. Christenson.

News Items

Word has just been received from Elder Clarence E. Smith telling us that they have gotten nicely located in Mankato. He said that last Sabbath he preached at Good Thunder, Mankato, and Albert Lea. They are planning to begin the Harvest Ingathering work at once in his district.

Elder V. E. Peugh conducted the communion service in the St. Paul English church, and also in the St. Paul Scandinavian church, on Sabbath, July 16.

Elder D. R. Schierman, pastor of the Stevens Avenue church in Minneapolis, has accepted a call to act as pastor of the Denver, Colorado church.

Harvest Ingathering time is here. Supplies have reached all of our churches this week, and real Ingathering activity will begin at once.

It is desired that all those who have made pledges for Union College, pay these pledges at the earliest possible date, as the funds are greatly needed.

Are you just counting the days till Junior Camp? There aren't very many left now. August 8 will soon be here. We wish that every one of our boys and girls of junior age might be at our Junior Camp.

A Testimony

I am walking, daily walking
By my loving Saviour's side;
And I'm learning, daily learning
In His kindness to abide.

I am praying, yes, I'm praying
For the friends I love so well,
That they yield their all to Jesus,
Whose great power no tongue can tell.

And I'm longing, yes, I'm longing
For that promised home on high,
Where all the cares and crosses
Of this old world are laid by.

And I'm trusting, yes, I'm trusting
That we all together meet
In that home beyond the shadow
And sit down at Jesus' feet

With the loved ones long departed,
Those who left us years ago;
We will meet them, we will greet them
In that land beyond the blue.

For I'm going, oh, I'm going
To that promised home on high,
Where all the cares and crosses
Of this world will be laid by.

Mrs. Florence Schryver.

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Colporteur Revival

Our hearts are made glad by the revival of the colporteur work in North Dakota. It is a real joy to see the sales mount up higher and higher from week to week. Just look at the figures:

Week ending June 18—hours, 178;
sales \$142.00; deliveries, 75 cents.

Week ending June 25—hours, 417;
sales \$370.10; deliveries, \$8.95.

Week ending July 2—hours, 595;
sales \$645.95; deliveries, \$46.85.

We are told that "we can not too highly estimate this work, for were it not for the efforts of the canvassers, many would never hear this warning." Our colporteurs are having experiences that they would not exchange for any amount of money. They are profoundly convinced that God has led them into this important work.

One of the girl colporteurs writes in a recent letter to Elder Gerrard: "If I hadn't talked to you on that Tuesday night, I know for a certainty that I would not be in the field to-

day." In speaking of her first day's experience, beginning at noon, she says, "I knocked at the door of a house, My knees were shaking, and, oh what a feeling deep inside of me. I soon got over that when I talked with the lady of the house. The canvass I gave her was the most incoherent jumble of facts, but would you believe it, she gave me an order and besides she gave me a delicious lunch. As you might imagine, I left that place more determined than ever. I worked that afternoon, and when evening came, I returned to headquarters with two orders and fifty cents down-payment."

She had worked only a half day and had enjoyed an experience that she will never forget as long as she lives.

That was Tuesday afternoon. The following Wednesday was a wonderful day. Continuing she writes: "Thursday was my best day. By six o'clock I had taken four orders and one of them was in the best binding with a dollar down payment. The man who ordered the book, somehow or other was so convinced that the book was exceptionally good that he wanted it as quickly as possible." In closing her letter she says, "The Lord has certainly blessed my efforts in a very special way, for when I think back and realize how poorly I presented the facts, especially the first day, I can realize how the angels of God prepared the hearts for me."

It would rejoice your hearts to read the letters that are received at the office from the colporteurs. The experiences of these colporteurs could not be obtained for money. But there are other young people in North Dakota who might be enjoying similar experiences if they would enlist in this work. There are a large number of young people in North Dakota who would meet with the same success

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if they would avail themselves of the same instruction that these young people have obtained from the men in the union and local conference to give this instruction. God's blessing is with these colporteurs every hour. The colporteur work is a school of experiences bringing great benefit to the colporteurs who are carrying God's message to many homes.

In the book, "Colporteur Evangelist," page 9, we read: "The humble, efficient workers who obediently respond to the call of God, may be sure of receiving divine assistance. To feel so great and holy a responsibility is of itself elevating to the character. It calls into action the highest mental qualities, and their continued exercise strengthens and purifies mind and heart. The influence upon one's own life, as well as upon the lives of others, is incalculable."

D. N. Wall

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News Items

From June 29 to July 4, we held the Russian camp meeting in Butte, North Dakota. About four hundred people attended. It was very evident that our Russian believers greatly appreciated this camp meeting. The meetings were held in a large meeting tent, and in a church building which we rented and which was located not far from the tent. The Lord richly blessed in the preaching services, and the soul-winning hour, as well as the counsel hour, were very inspirational and helpful. The Sabbath day was a day of victory in the camp, a number taking their stand for Christ while a large number renewed their consecration to God. The fact that our people greatly appreciated the meetings was made evident by their request to hold another camp meeting in the Russian district next year.

Elders Demchuck and Michalenko had tried before the camp meeting to find a location to pitch a tent for an evangelistic effort, but could not find a place where they could safely pitch a tent, because of a lack of shelter. They had, however, found a suitable hall which they had rented at a nominal figure. We believe the Lord will bless these brethren and give them souls for their hire among the Ukrainians.

Brethren Craun and Torkelson have begun an evangelistic effort in both Nome and Luca. In Nome they met with some difficulties, which resulted in not being able to conduct the

first meeting as announced, on Sunday evening, July 3. The difficulties, however, were finally solved, and the brethren held their first meeting on Saturday night, July 9. Brother Grau writes: "The Lord blessed us with a fine interest in Nome last night when 75 persons attended. All went well, except that we almost had no lights. However, a licensed man from Alice consented to do this work and finished just in time to start the meeting. Our Luca meeting Friday night also increased in attendance. We are forging ahead under the guidance of the Lord. Thank you for all your help to us. Continue to pray for us."

South Dakota Conference

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Sioux Falls Effort

It was the writer's privilege to yoke up with an enthusiastic, cooperative young worker E. T. Gackenhimer in a winter campaign in Sioux Falls.

The object was to give direction and forward stimulation to the soul-saving work which rested on the hearts of the local church members.

The meetings were well attended. Both the opening and closing meetings drew a packed hall. The temperance lectures were particularly well received. The Sabbath topics—including a jury trial on the Sabbath change—drew the largest crowds and the most comment.

After the public meetings were ended, we studied with interested ones. We have recently baptized the first-fruits of the work the Lord has done on the hearts of men and women. Twenty-six have been received into church fellowship by baptism and profession. A much larger number are on the way toward the remnant church. Quite a number of these have asked for baptism. We feel that these should have some more instruction and be baptized later.

Aside from the public meetings, the church has made progress. The interior of the church building has been redecorated. Sister Hagele, as teacher, completed a very successful year in our church school. Local church funds were raised to take care of all local church expenses up to September of this year. Through the cooperation of the educational secretary of

the conference, and the local church, over one hundred dollars worth of new teaching equipment has been added to the church school. In addition, a sum of money has been set aside for a new teacher's desk and other church school equipment.

A number of the young people are doing excellent work as officers of the church. Their contribution in leadership has been a benefit to the church.

Because of the God-inspired vision of one of our members, the REVIEW has been made available to all of the new church members.

Several lay members distinguished themselves in Harvest Ingathering work last year. One sister has a contribution list amounting to between four and five hundred dollars. Several also have done excellent work in giving Bible studies.

The local and union conference departmental secretaries have from time to time brought inspiration to the church and district. We thank them for this.

Much remains to be done in southeastern South Dakota. We appreciate the loyalty and cooperation of so many consecrated church members in the Sioux Falls church, the counsel and support of the local conference, the energetic assistance of Brother and Sister Gackenhimer, and particularly the sustaining Grace of God. Pastor and Mrs. M. N. Skadsheim, 2914 W. North Ave., Chicago, Illinois

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A Worker Passing

The news of the death of Sister W. H. Hanhardt filled the hearts of the workers and people with deep sorrow. It was so unexpected, and as a conference working force, we will miss her cooperative spirit; as a church, we will miss her leadership along missionary activities; and most of all, Elder Hanhardt and Mrs. Hanhardt's daughter will miss her.

The day before she passed, she wrote me a letter which is full of hope and courage in the hope of Israel, and the heavier burden of her heart in the letter was the oncoming Harvest Ingathering campaign.

Shall we not all emulate her worthy example of service and finish His work preparatory to meeting all those who have been taken from us.

J. H. Roth

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Thanks to Colporteurs!

About a year ago, two of our colporteurs canvassed the city of Yank-

ton. Among others, they contacted a family who had had an acquaintanceship with Seventh-day Adventists. This family was convicted anew of the present truth, and their names were passed to the Sioux Falls church.

Several of the seminar group called on the family and met with them on the Sabbath. They also sent literature to them during the winter. Another of our Sioux Falls lay brethren called on the family several times. After studying points of truth with the family on a number of occasions, it was the writer's pleasure on a recent Sabbath afternoon to bury five members of the family in the watery grave of baptism. It was an impressive occasion. The mother, after the baptism in speaking of her joy in the Lord's service said, "Tell the colporteur that I send her my eternal gratitude for coming to my house."

May the Lord bless both the new and old believers in Yankton.

M. N. Skadsheim

Iowa Conference

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Modale

Sabbath, July 2, was a high day for our little church in Modale. A very fine group of young people, at home for the vacation period, joined with their parents in celebrating the ordinances of the Lord's house. It had been some time since the Modale church enjoyed this privilege. Just before the ordinances, Lillian Wiltse was received into the church, having been baptized by Elder Osgood a few weeks before in Onawa.

To climax this solemn service, Brother David Wiltse was ordained as an elder to serve the church. We are confident that the Modale church members will stand by their newly-ordained elder, and like Aaron and Hur, hold up his hands as he endeavors to carry on the services of the church. Brother and Sister Calvin Gordon accompanied us on this visit.

W. R. Archbold

Sunset Calendar

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God."
July 22, 1938
Des Moines, Iowa 7:43
St. Paul, Minnesota 7:50
Bismark, North Dakota 8:28
Pierre, South Dakota 8:15

ADVERTISEMENTS

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Wanted: to hear from elderly man who can handle horses and machinery. Ray Vinnard, Clark, South Dakota.

Wanted: Single young man to work around feed store. Steady work with advancement, to strong, faithful, accurate, energetic worker. Board and room furnished. Minneapolis church privileges. State wages and full particulars. R. M. Starkey, Wayzata, Minnesota. 5-6

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The Colporteur Work

P. D. Gerrard

Union Field Secretary

WEEK ENDING JULY 9, 1938

	Bks.	Hrs.	Sales	Del.
North Dakota—Roger Baker, Sec.				
Theophil Fischer	HG	42	63.60	
Ruben Krein	BR	42	49.55	
**Daniel Gill	DND	102	15.00	
Alvina Beck	DND	38	10.50	
Emma Beck	DND	38	8.50	
Erwin Remboldt	DND	37	55.00	
Eileen Engeberg	DND	31	40.25	
Nobel Carlson	DND	30	15.50	
Gideon Haas	DND	28	28.75	
Edith Olson	HP	26	32.23	
Carrol Roosevelt	DND	25	9.00	
Melvin Wahl	BR	24	47.00	
Terry Dietrich	DND	24	46.25	
Ruth Axt	DND	23	28.00	
Albert Carlin	DND	21	12.00	
Adeline Knopp	DND	19	11.00	
Ruth Haas	DND	1	3.50	
			551	475.65

	Bks.	Hrs.	Sales	Del.
Iowa—G. H. Boehrig, Sec.				
Elsie A. Bahr	Mag.	17	7.20	7.20
Roy Chamberlain	BR	43	30.00	16.00
Rheva Groat	RJ	33	12.75	.50
Mrs. S. J. Hoyt	BR	10		6.25
Ray Kingland	H	24	7.50	7.50
Ray T. Kroll	H	9	6.50	2.50
Dick McHenry	BR	40	18.10	
Firm McHenry	BR	40	24.15	6.75
Hazel Messenger	H	36	7.00	7.25
Adella Myers	Misc.		4.01	4.01
H. W. Niswonger	H	90	240.80	240.80
Mrs. H. M. Nye	Misc.	3		1.90
Gordon Osgood	BL	45	9.00	5.05
G. W. Smith	Mag.		3.55	3.55
*H. Strickland	BR	71	15.50	11.72
*R. Westerbeck	H	25	14.00	19.35
Elva G. Wilcox	Mag.	2	1.00	1.00
			488	401.06
				341.33

	Bks.	Hrs.	Sales	Del.
Minnesota—C. G. Cross, Sec.				
Virginia Rust	Mag.	40	11.30	11.30
R. J. Jones	BR	38	25.50	15.93
Kenneth Nichols	BR H	37	25.50	6.00
Alf Aas	BR	33	46.00	.75
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag.	32	11.35	11.35
Gordon Franklin	BR H	31	10.50	.25
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	29	13.05	13.05
Karl A. Evenson	DR H	26	39.70	58.20
Mrs. A. Paul	HR M	25	9.00	
Harold Santini	GC H	20	16.05	8.30
Frank Dutcher	BR H	19	5.25	
Nina Magnuson	BR H	17	19.70	4.95
Erna Olson	Mag.	15	14.50	
Geo. Nielsen	BR	15	34.50	.25
R. Eckerman	BR	13	.45	
Clifford Johnson	BR	13	.45	
Doris L. Patton	Mag.	12	8.50	5.50
Melvin Ward	BR	10	11.85	3.60
Judith Dufstrom	Mag.	7	6.75	3.75
Julius C. Thompson	GC H	5	2.30	1.70
S. Christopherson	Mag.	4	2.85	2.85
Betty Buckley	Mag.	4	3.30	3.30
Mrs. P. Lequier	Mag.	2	1.50	6.75
			447	319.85
				157.78

	Bks.	Hrs.	Sales	Del.
South Dakota—R. H. Brown, Sec.				
L. Rittenbach	BR H	32	16.00	8.25
*Marie Klein	H	65	7.45	5.95
Charles Roote	BR H	37	37.50	8.75
*Edna May	H	30	18.25	13.75

*Marie Rittenbach	H	34	8.85	6.10
*Lillian Rivinius	H	32	6.75	3.75
Genevieve Bovee	H	24	7.75	3.00

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*Two Weeks

**Three Weeks

"As your soul yearns after God, you will find more and still more of the unsearchable riches of His grace."
—Acts of the Apostles, p. 567.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER RALLY—DISTRICT NO. 5

July 23—Centerville, Iowa
Oskaloosa, Albia, Ottumwa, Burlington, Fort Madison, Keokuk, Knoxville, Birmingham, Fairfield, Middletown, Mount Pleasant, Sigourney, and all the isolated believers in this district are invited to the Rally.

W. A. Howe.

Obituaries

Cramer.—John Cramer was born in Grundy County, Iowa, March 18, 1904, and died June 14, 1938, after a short illness, following an emergency operation for a ruptured appendix. Mr. Cramer came to Hutchinson, Minnesota, with his parents, in 1919. On May 28, 1930, he was married to Christine Dollinger of Bowdle, South Dakota. To this union were born two children. Mr. Cramer was a man of high principles, a loving husband and father, and a hard-working citizen. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder J. W. Christian. The writer assisted in the services.

J. C. Harder.

Maddock.—Francis Maddock was born in Manchester, England, September 27, 1843. At the age of nine years he came with his parents to the United States, and settled on a farm near Minneapolis, Minnesota. He served in the Sixth Minnesota Infantry during the Civil War. On November 25, 1870, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Sarah Chesbrough. To this union six children were born, of whom three are still living: Mrs. Wm. Miller of Mapleton, Oregon; George of Brainerd, Minnesota; and Alonzo of McKinley, Oregon. His wife and three children preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn their loss: one sister, Mrs. Mary Wright of Los Angeles, California; three children, fourteen grandchildren, besides a host of friends. During the winter of 1872-73 a Seventh-day Adventist neighbor sent him the Review and Herald for one year, and in the early part of the summer of 1873 he and his wife accepted the message it brought them and united with the church at Hutchinson, Minnesota. He has been a constant reader of the Review throughout the years. He attended his first camp meeting at Eagle Lake, Minnesota, and has missed only one Minnesota camp meeting in the last fifty years. He fell asleep in Jesus, May 24 at Mapleton, Oregon, and is awaiting the call of the Life-giver. Funeral services were conducted by the pastor of the Evangelical church assisted by the American Legion. T. M. Cole.

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