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"The HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW"

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## NOTES BY THE WAY

Before we leave Holland I wish to speak of an old monastery building, erected in the eleventh century, still standing at The Hague. This building was used during the days of the Inquisition as a court and place of imprisonment. We saw many rooms in which large numbers have been imprisoned and suffered unto death. Here are seen the actual instruments of torture and death, which were in use for several hundreds of years—such as the execution block, the thumb screws, the branding iron, the iron pan which was heated red hot, and then the prisoner made to walk around upon it with bared feet. If the victim was burned that was considered a sure sign of guilt. If not burned he must die for he was considered as being possessed of a devil.

Another instrument of torture was the rack, upon which the person was stretched; his legs and arms each were broken twice. After hours of suffering the victim's head was crushed with a large sledge hammer. The death chamber, where thousands were starved, was a room located just above the place where the

food was cooked for the prisoners. The location of this room was so arranged that the starving man would smell the food as it was cooked, in the hope that his craving desire to eat would lead him to recant.

All this was done in the name of Christ and for the sake of men's souls! Catholic priests and persons of the nobility occasionally renounced the Catholic to accept the Protestant faith. Such persons, in addition to all the tortures of death, usually were dragged into the streets and burned as an example to others. Thank God that this has all been changed. The sweet boon of liberty of conscience may be exercised to-day, with few exceptions, in all lands.

Our first stop in Germany was at Hamburg. Here we found a church of about 200 members, a good meeting house, and a thriving publishing house, sending forth large quantities of literature in some fifteen different languages. Hamburg is a beautiful city of 350,000 population, and of a nice class of citizens.

Our next meeting was the conference of the Scandinavian Union and the local conference of Denmark, held at Aalborg

April 24-29. There were present about 400 Sabbath-keepers. The meeting was one of unusual interest. Sabbath afternoon thirty-four persons were baptized in the North Sea. Plans were laid to establish a good central training school in the Scandinavian field, also to enlarge the work in other lines. There is a fine, intelligent class of believers in Norway, Denmark, and Sweden.

We visited the sanitarium at Skodsborg. The institution has a good patronage, and it also has a nice class of helpers, nurses and physicians. This institution is located on the Sound between the North and Baltic Seas. It is said that there are only two other places in the world where a greater number of ships pass a given point than pass through this Sound.

Enroute for Berlin, the capital of Germany, we had a pleasant trip, crossing the Baltic Sea, and reaching this great center of German population April 30.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

CALIFORNIA, Idaho, and the territory of Arizona are the only governments within the jurisdiction of the United States which still have no Sunday laws.

## From the Field

### Alberta

#### ALBERTA NOTICE

The next session of the Alberta Conference and Camp meeting will be held at Lacombe, July 1-7. Grounds have been secured on Main street in the best part of town. It is planned to make this gathering a blessing to the city as well as to all of our people who may attend. Services will be conducted in the English, German, and Scandinavian languages.

Special attention will be given the youth's and children's meetings. If possible the conference business will be finished during the first three days of the meeting, in order that the remaining days may be devoted to the study of the Word and prayer. Many have already arranged to attend this gathering. Come early and take part in the conference proceedings. Good help is expected from the General Conference.

C. A. BURMAN.

### South Dakota

#### COMMITTEES FOR CAMP-MEETING

Auditing Board—Elders E. G. Hayes, N. P. Neilsen, C. M. Clark, Valentine Leer, J. W. Christian, and Brethren Alfred Jensen, W. H. Twining, M. K. Thrall, Ole Shager, Wm. Reiner, and P. Lauritsen.

Alternates—Albert Tucker, Dr. C. M. Excell.

Chorister—Adam Schmidt of Union College.

Organist—Pavillion tent, Irma E. Lewis; assistant, Ethel Clark;

youth's tent, Verna Weller; children's tent, Ethel Currier; Scandinavian tent, Mary Jensen; German tent, Mary Wall.

Book tent—Geo. W. Miller, F. R. Isaac, J. P. Glembin, Chris. Reiswig, Daniel N. Wall.

Grocery Stand—James Thompson; assistant, Roger Warner.

Dining tent—Mrs. May Rasmussen in charge and assistants as may be arranged for.

Camp meeting committee—J. L. Weller, O. I. Roderick, H. Peterson, W. A. Baker.

Business agent—C. M. Clark.

On order—Adolph Christensen.

Transportation agent and receiving railway certificates—F. R. Isaac.

Locating—J. W. Christian and Peter Lauritsen.

Lighting—Fred Bolton.

Pastoral—Conference committee.

Reporting—N. P. Neilsen, J. W. Christian, N. M. Jorgensen.

Reception tent—Milla Johnson, Elizabeth Magnuson.

Decorating—Nathan Aalborg, Erma Clark, Rosa Neilsen, Dolphy Hayes.

Ministers tents—Bertha E. Jorgensen, J. H. Schmidt, Agnes Levison.

Care of teams—Geo. Glembin, Christian Peterson.

Young people's meetings—J. W. Christian, O. J. Graf, R. B. Thurber.

Children's meetings—Florence Miller in charge, with the following assistants, Lulu Jones Belle Twining, Ethel Currier, Mabel Hendrickson, Millie Betts, Elizabeth Magnuson, Grace Isaacs, Mary Wall, Nellie Weller, Verna Weller, Maggie Buckstead, Louise Ehrke, Irma Lewis, Nathan Aalborg, and Roger Warner.

E. G. HAYES.

#### REDUCED RAILROAD RATES

A rate of one and one-third has been announced for the camp-meeting at Sioux Falls, S. D. This rate has been allowed on the certificate plan, which is that one hundred or more certificates for full fare tickets, none of which are for less than fifty cents, are presented. Passengers must return over the route on which they go. There were over four hundred certificates used at the Woonsocket meeting last year.

Please note the following points and avoid delay and disappointments.

First—Full fare must be paid for going trip.

Second—Going tickets must be purchased on June 10-21, and return not later than June 26.

Third—Take a certificate from the agent from whom you buy the ticket. Note that it is properly dated and stamped, and signed by both the agent and the purchaser.

Fourth—A certificate must be taken for each individual ticket bought. One certificate will not answer for more than one return ticket. Require the agent to give you a certificate for each full fare ticket bought. (Certificates are not issued on half fare tickets.)

Fifth—If a through ticket can not be purchased a certificate must be taken each time a ticket is bought.

Sixth—Note that a simple receipt is not sufficient, you must have a standard form certificate. If you are not acquainted with the form of these certificates ask the undersigned for a copy.

Seventh—Some ticket agents may not have the certificates on

hand. Call on your agent at once and see that he has them ready for you.

Eighth—Hand your certificate to the undersigned as soon as possible after you reach the camp ground. FRANK R. ISAAC,

*Transportation Agent.*

*Sioux Falls, S. D.*

### TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

It is with pleasure that we have noticed the interest taken in the work of God by the young people of this conference. The Lord has a special care for the youth, and desires to enlist them in the work of saving souls. For many years the Lord has been appealing to our churches to take a deeper interest in the youth among us, and now the appeals are coming directly to the youth themselves to organize into working bands to help, not only the youth of Sabbath-keeping parents—their own classmates in the Sabbath school—but to reach out into the immediate neighborhood first, and then to fill the calls to foreign fields as the Lord shall demand.

There are various ways and means that may be employed by our young people to do the work assigned us by God at this time. We need to come together to study the lines of work, and to plan more definitely for aggressive work the year to come. If we could be privileged to meet in a young people's convention, where we could talk these matters over, it would be a blessing to us, and would mean so much to the work, not only in our own state, but to the world. Such a meeting we cannot convene at this time, but we shall do the next best thing. Will you help?

Our annual camp meeting is before us, and during that period

we shall have the privilege of meeting together each day for a week, to seek God and to study how to work more successfully for God. This season, so full of significance to us, must not pass by without accomplishing much for us as young people. Its value to us, however, will depend largely on the interest we shall take in the work. Let us plan to come to the very first of the meeting and stay till its close.

Our Young People's society at Sioux Falls, as well as the Junior and Young People's band at Elk Point, have done a remarkable work with literature the past year. The Sioux Falls society alone used 250 copies of the temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor*. This is grand. Our young people at Aberdeen, Madison, Milltown and other places have also done something in this line of work, but for a lack of report I am not able to speak of it definitely.

Again let me appeal to you, dear young people, to come to the camp meeting, and bring some of your friends—those for whom you have been working and praying—with you. We shall have excellent help this year from outside our conference, and our home workers are all deeply interested in this work. Let us pray for definite results in our work.

J. W. CHRISTIAN.

### CAMP MEETING LABORERS

We are glad to announce that we will have excellent help from outside the conference in attendance at our camp meeting this year. Arrangements have already been made for the following general laborers to be with us through all or the greater

part of the meeting. Elder Geo. F. Enoch, Prof. P. T. Magan, Elders L. F. Starr, L. H. Christian, S. Mortensen, and Carl Kunkel, Brother L. N. Muck, Prof. C. C. Lewis, Mrs. C. C. Lewis, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth.

We regret that Elder Underwood cannot be with us on account of his being unable to return from the European council in time for the camp meeting, but doubtless he will be able to spend some time in the conference and visit some of the churches after his return.

Regular services will be held in the different languages throughout the entire meeting. Let every member endeavor to be present that we may all enjoy the feast of God's blessings together.

E. G. HAYES.

### SOUTH DAKOTA—NOTICE!

The 28th Annual Conference of Seventh-day Adventists of South Dakota, with the meetings of all other organizations auxiliary to the conference, will be held in connection with the annual camp meeting in the city of Sioux Falls, S. D., commencing June 13 and closing June 23, 1907. The first meeting of the conference will be called Thursday, June 13, at 2:30 P. M. Officers for the coming year will be elected and all other business for the conference will be transacted at that time. All the delegates should be present at the first meeting, as the work of the conference session will be organized at this first meeting. Regular reduced rates, on the certificate plan, have been arranged for; purchasing dates from June 10-21, and will be good to return to and including June 26.

E. G. HAYES.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the South Dakota Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will convene in the city of Sioux Falls, Minnehaha County, South Dakota, at 11 A. M., Tuesday, June 18, 1907. All delegates to the Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are delegates to this meeting.

G. W. MILLER, *Sec'y.*

C. M. CLARK, *C'h'm'n.*

## ABERDEEN

Since my last report the work at Aberdeen has been marching on to glorious victory. After a three weeks' effort, fifteen decided for the truth, and many others are interested. This is indeed a fruitful field, revealing the results of earnest work of faithful laborers in the past. We are told not to be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not. The Word of God is living and active. Heb. 4:12, (Revised Version.) And it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, Isa. 55:11; and again in 1 Thess. 2:13 Paul, the speaker, For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the Word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. May we all be faithful in scattering the precious seed. I shall continue my labors with this people until they are established in the Message.

R. E. HARTER.

## GEDDES

Since reporting through the REAPER it has been our privilege to work among our scattered

brethren in the Charles Mix and Gregory Counties. It has been a real feast to meet these dear brethren, who have stood so valiantly for the truth. One of these brethren, Brother Edwin Tucker, has lived in this part of the state for thirty years, and has stood as a monument for the truth. His family are all in sympathy with the work of this message. He told us none of our workers had visited him since Elder Christian was there seven years ago.

A Sabbath school of twelve members was organized at Geddes. This little torch of truth if permitted to shine brightly, will be a center of a work for that district in the near future. Our Christian friends of the Congregational church kindly invited us to speak from their pulpit, which invitation was gladly accepted. We had a good audience and the best of attention. This is a fine country, and many settlers are moving into it, as the land is selling cheaper than in the eastern part of the state.

From Geddes we took the stage for about fifty miles, to Gregory, where we were met by Dr. G. E. Johnson, one of our brethren. After a short visit with him, in his office, he took us out in the country to the home of Brother S. A. Hill. It was a pleasure to meet this dear family with whom, in the days gone by, we had labored. While they have no church privileges, they do have an organized Sabbath school, with a membership of ten. Brother L. Oleson and his family belong to this school. Sunday night we held a meeting at Dellas, in the hall. God

came near and many expressed themselves as anxious to hear more.

At all of these places our brethren took hold nobly for the \$150,000 fund, and manifested their interest in the work in general. We have in this western country a large territory rapidly filling up with settlers, among whom are some of the very best citizens of South Dakota. They must have the gospel preached to them also. Pray for us that we may work as God would have us work.

A. A. CHRISTENSEN,

J. W. CHRISTIAN.

## North Dakota

## NORTH DAKOTA—NOTICE!

A general camp meeting will be held this year at Velva, June 24 to July 1. A workers' meeting will precede this, commencing on the 19th, and we expect all of our laborers to attend. The city park has been secured as a campground, and we are sure all of our brethren and sisters will enjoy camping in such a place, which the residents of Velva say is very beautiful at that season of the year, and which will afford good shelter for the tents. We hope to see a very large gathering at this place, the largest we have yet had in North Dakota. Especially do we expect to see those living in the central, the west and the northwest parts of the state attend this meeting. Meetings will be held in the English, Scandinavian, German, and possibly the Russian languages. There will be no business to attend to and all can give themselves unreservedly to feasting upon spiritual things.

For the benefit of those living in the southeast part of the state, a local camp meeting will

be held at Hankinson, June 11-17. We have engaged a beautiful park, two miles outside the city, in which to hold the meetings, and teams will meet the trains to convey passengers to the grounds. As the meeting comes after that in Minnesota, and before the meeting proper in South Dakota, we are able to secure good help. We hope all our brethren and sisters in the southeast part of the conference will avail themselves of this opportunity to hear the stirring truths for this time. E. M. Strong will make all arrangements for the camp and those who come should write to him, so that a tent may be in readiness and some one appointed to meet the train.

J. G. WALKER,

*President of Conference.*

#### TO CHURCH ELDERS AND WORKERS

A number of bundles of camp meeting posters have been sent to our isolated brethren, to church elders and workers. Will those receiving them kindly see that they are posted in conspicuous places? Those not of our faith may see them and thus have their attention called to the camp meeting, and perhaps come.

JOHN G. WALKER.

#### LABORERS NOTICE

The meeting at Velva is general and all workers are expected to be present on the 19th. This is to help prepare the camp, and give all an opportunity to seek the Lord together before the meeting proper begins on the 24th. Come prepared to help, and with the purpose of being a blessing to others.

J. G. WALKER.

Elder H. W. Reed recently from Wisconsin, has been labor-

ing around Dickinson, Black Butte and Little Cedar, and reports that he has found some new Sabbath-keepers in that new country.

Brother Richard Graham has been very ill but is recovering, and we hope soon to see him at his post of duty again.

Elders John G. Walker and N. W. Lawrence spent a pleasant Sabbath with the Bowden church May 18.

No reduced rates to the Velva camp meeting. The Soo line refuses to grant them.

Elder E. H. Huntley reports a lively interest to hear the truth at Minto.

#### MINTO

About six weeks ago Mrs. Huntley and myself came to this place to visit Sister Olbekson and family. She has been keeping the Sabbath here for a number of years, and was anxious that her neighbors should hear the truth. Accompanied by her husband, I visited the deacon of the Methodist church to engage the use of their house of worship for a couple of services. After consulting with the presiding elder at Grand Forks he reported that he could not comply with our request. We then arranged for a service in the opera house, and presented "Capital and Labor." The night was cold and stormy, the attendance was small, not much interested was manifested, I had no freedom in speaking, and the outlook was bleak and dark. We presented the cause before our heavenly Father, and asked that he would overrule all for good. The next morning the members of the Presbyterian church invited us to hold our services in their meeting house.

This we gladly accepted and thanked God. An hour later the M. E. deacon phoned over and invited me to speak in the Methodist church that evening. When I explained that we could not comply with his wishes, having arranged for services in the Presbyterian church, he appeared disappointed and apologized for refusing the church the day before, stating that he had been misinformed regarding our work and message. There seemed to be some contention between the churches as to where services should be held, so we divided our time between the two, the same congregation attending both places.

After the first week, Mrs. Huntley returned home to Cando to continue the Bible work there, but owing to the urgent request for continued services I remained and have been here since. Quite an interest has been manifested all along, especially by the business men of the town and leaders in the churches. When we reached the Sabbath question (about the twenty-fifth lecture,) the attendance was good at the first meeting. The Lord gave freedom in presenting the subject, and it was quite manifest that many saw the truth. Some of the church members became indignant, and it was very apparent that they did not approve of such doctrines being preached in the church. We took the hint, and transferred our meetings to the opera house, but this was decidedly unsatisfactory to many of the church men. After some consideration we were again invited into the church, and consider this quite a victory for the truth. We had been to some expense for the opera house and for advertising, and to show

their repentance, the Presbyterian elder was authorized to issue an order on the church treasury for \$20, which was presented to me; this covered all extra expense. The elder said it was the sentiment of the congregation, and that they would not feel right unless I accepted it. The fuel, oil, janitor work and other expenses connected with the church services had been met by their own people, so that we were released from all care and expense in every way. The interest still continues. We are not at present holding public meetings, other than Sunday services. Some are keeping the Sabbath, and we have our Sabbath meetings. Many are now studying. Some who became angry and offended at the truth on Immortality, are now very friendly, and have expressed themselves as in harmony with this truth.

Since coming to Minto it has been my privilege to serve as pastor of both churches, the regular pastors being absent. My soul has been stirred as I have read the reports of the situation in the far East. We have no time to lose in getting the truth before the people. Brethren, shall we not *stick to our text*, and *go forward*?

E. H. HUNTLEY.

#### LINCOLN

Our church school closed April 10, after a two and one-half months' term. Our enrollment for the first month was eighteen, but for the remainder of the term only seventeen. We held our school in a room 12 x 14 feet, and although the room was small, everyone who attended must testify that the blessings of God were not so small. On

different occasions my heart was made glad to see the spirit of the Lord working on the hearts of the scholars. On the last day of the school, our school and the one at the Lincoln store united in our closing exercises. The Lincoln church was chosen as the place of meeting, as there was more room there than at either of the school rooms. The program consisted of a review of the Bible classes, reading, spelling, and arithmetic, after which a number of interesting selections were rendered by the scholars, these alternating with choruses, duets, solos, and other vocal music. Just before the close a collection was taken for the orphans' home, which amounted to \$4.91. The program then closed with singing "Shall We Meet."

This was my first experience in school teaching, and I can assure you that it was filled with many rich experiences. The Lord blessed me in my efforts, and to my personal knowledge our school was a real success. I am thankful to God for the results we obtained.

J. F. RICHERT.

#### Minnesota

#### MAHTOWA

The effort at Blackberry was closed April 21. As a result one family began the observance of the Sabbath. As they meet for Sabbath school with another family, who were Sabbath-keepers before, I trust they will be encouraged and strengthened in the way to life.

From Blackberry I went to Duluth and held quarterly meetings with the Scandinavian brethren, which was much appreciated by them. A large per-

cent of the population of Duluth is Scandinavian, and they are rapidly increasing in numbers, because of the activity and growth of the place. Hence it is becoming an important place in the light of our missionary operations among that nationality, of which there are as yet only a few representatives. One or two Scandinavian workers stationed there among thousands of Scandinavians would certainly not be much.

The next place visited was Mahtowa, where Brother Nerlund and I labored last summer. Here a week was spent in visiting and counseling with the brethren at their own firesides. These were all of good courage, and thankful that the precious light has shown upon their pathway. The Sabbath school and meeting on the Sabbath is a period that all look forward to and take pleasure in. The children are interested in their lessons and commit to memory their Bible verses.

On Sabbath the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated, and on Sunday the brethren, eleven in number, united in church fellowship, and an elder and other necessary officers were elected. Harmony and love prevailed among these brethren. May God's blessing be on this company till the end. I am now with the company at Moose Lake.

FRED JOHNSON.

#### MAPLE LAKE

The readers of the REAPER will no doubt be interested in our work at Maple Lake and in the surrounding country. When we started the roads were bad, the weather very cold, and the wind fierce. At the end of the first week I thought that I had

had a pretty rough experience.

We started in early the next week with better success. At the close of the first canvass Tuesday morning the lady to whom I was talking said, "That's just what I've been wanting for nearly a year, and Frank has been nearly crazy over the prophecies this winter." Before I had finished she called her husband and I gave him an interesting canvass, hitting hard on the prophecies, for I knew that was what he was interested in. He said, "I tell you that's just it, Sarah, and you can put my name down for a copy of that." His wife said, "You see we are strict Catholics, but we are interested in these things." She then went to the phone and called her brother and the next neighbor and told them about the book. She told them that they had taken one and her sister promised to take one, too.

We are having good success and good experiences. We see how the Lord is giving his truth to those who are in utter darkness. Truly the canvassing work should not be looked on as second to any work in spreading the Third Angel's Message.

HAROLD WOOD.

THE temperance number of the *Instructor* is full of the temperance message. Cannot all our people—Sabbath schools, young people's societies, and missionary societies take advantage of this opportunity? The world needs this message, and we need to let them know where we stand on this great temperance question. This number of the *Instructor* is a credit to us and to our work. Let us push it. Prices: two and one-half cents

The Book Work

Alberta, week ending May 18, 1907

Name	Place	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
V. D. Hawley,		H of M	35	22	41.80		41.80	
C. Armeneau		H of M	46	21	39.90		39.90	
W. B. Easton,		G C	40	18	58.50	2.75	61.25	
Totals,	3 Agents,		121	61	140.20	2.75	142.95	

South Dakota, week ending May 18, 1907

John Glembin		G C	41	20	68.00	12.50	80.50	
C. D. Terwillegar,		G C	31	4	14.00	5.52	19.25	
Louise E. Donnat		D R	16	4	10.25	2.00	12.25	2.50
Maggie Buckstead		H of M	26	4	7.00		7.00	
C. H. Markham		S of P	22	10	12.50	2.25	14.75	
Mrs. E. B. Markham		S of P	22	9	11.25	5.50	16.75	
Totals	6 Agents		158	51	123.00	27.50	150.50	2.50

North Dakota, week ending May 18, 1907

G. T. Ellingson,		G C	36	16	42.00	1.00	43.00	
J. Olderbok, Williams		H of M	41	15	25.75	1.00	26.75	
Totals	2 Agents		79	31	67.75	2.00	69.75	
U. C. Totals May 18,	11 Agents		356	143	\$330.95	\$32.25	\$363.20	\$ 2.50

per copy for twenty-five copies, and two cents for more.

PLANS have been completed for the publication of the senior Sabbath school lessons in pamphlet form in the German language. We are sure this effort will be appreciated by our German brethren, and it is hoped that a sufficient number of copies will be used to warrant the publishers in supplying these each quarter. The first pamphlet will contain the lessons for the third quarter of 1907. Price 5 cents. Send all orders to the International Publishing Association.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD

Louise Donnat—I do not expect to be much longer at Aberdeen, and am going to canvass the business places next week. I hope for better success, as my territory last week was very poor, and the people were afflicted with small pox and measles. I know that the work is the Lord's, and I put my trust in him, for he

careth for me. We canvassers need the prayers of God's people.

John P. Glembin—We had a blizzard on Monday, so that I could not go out, but the good Lord helped me to make it up, as you see by the report. I am well and of good courage.

C. D. Terwillegar—The Lord has continued his blessings toward me, but I have not done so well on account of the snowy weather.

Margaret Buckstead—Though my report is not very large, I have had some good visits. One lady, a Methodist, with whom I visited and had supper, has since been to our church, and has become a warm friend. I hope she will soon take her stand for the truth.

WANTED—By a strong boy of 15, work during the summer vacation in a Seventh-day Adventist family; would not object to a farm if not too far from Minneapolis. Address C. A. Skoog, Excelsior, Minn.

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### THE GENERAL CONFER- ENCE COUNCIL.

At this date May 16 we are in the midst of the council assembled at Gland, Switzerland. Reports from all parts of the world come with a Macedonian cry for help. "Send us help," "Send us teachers," "Send us laborers," is the cry from many dark parts of the earth. The committees are almost overwhelmed with the needs and demands calling for immediate help. The council spends one hour each day in earnest prayer for the power to meet the call in men and means. Most encouraging reports come from all quarters of the earth of advancement in gaining believers. But as believers multiply the increase of calls to enter new fields, and to strengthen posts already entered, are greatly multiplied.

Bible studies and reports from the field are presented at a separate hour each day in the Council. These studies and reports are translated into not less than four

languages in each meeting. It is remarkable to see four or five speakers in one congregation, each speaking a different language and speaking at the same time, and yet there is no confusion in all this. The Council has already made important recommendations. Among these I mention the organization of western Canada into a Union Conference, composed of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. Some important territorial changes have been recommended effecting two or three Unions in the States. These will appear in due time in the *Review*. The following recommendations were passed on yesterday and will be of interest to all.

The Committee on Plans brought in a partial report, which was adopted as follows:—

*Whereas*, It has been suggested by some of our conference presidents and other leading brethren that the midsummer offering for 1907 be applied on the \$150,000 fund; and,

*Whereas*, Our conference officers and laborers have been making earnest efforts to raise this fund at an early date; therefore,

WE RECOMMEND, 1. That the mid-summer offering for this year be taken in behalf of missionary enterprises to be helped by the \$150,000 fund, and applied on this fund.

2. That the date for taking this offering be Sabbath, June 29, 1907.

3. That we invite our people everywhere in the United States and Canada to make a general rally on this occasion and raise as large a donation as possible.

*Whereas*, There are in our ranks many thousands of young

people for whom the most earnest and vigorous efforts should be put forth, to fully instruct them in the gospel of our Lord, and lead them to give themselves to the work of the Third Angel's Message; and,

*Whereas*, The special blessing of God has attended the efforts among our young people put forth under the fostering care of the Sabbath school department, until it has grown to such an extent that it is difficult for this department to give this work the attention and help which it needs; therefore,

RESOLVED, That in order that this work may be properly developed, and thus an army of workers properly trained for service, a special department with the necessary officers, be created, the same to be known as the Young People's Department of the General Conference.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

THE workers' meeting to precede the camp meeting of the Minnesota Conference began on Thursday last, and no doubt much precious instruction was received by those in attendance. There was a full attendance of the field workers.

PAUL CURTIS and F. F. Fry, field missionary agents of Saskatchewan and Minnesota respectively, were in attendance at the Bookmen's Convention at College View May 10-21. They report a splendid meeting and much information gained.

IN ACCORD with the usual custom the issue of the REAPER during the period of the Minnesota camp meeting will be omitted.