

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

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CAMP MEETING REPORT

The twenty-eighth annual session of the South Dakota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held in connection with the camp meeting at Sioux Falls, S. D., June 13-23, 1907.

The first meeting was called Thursday, June 13, at 2:30 P. M., Elder E. G. Hayes in the chair. Hymn No. 1329, "At the sound-- ing of the Trumpet," was sung. Scripture reading by Elder Christian, after which Elder N. P. Neilsen led us in a solemn prayer that God would lead this whole conference-its president, Elder Hayes, and all the delegates, that the plans laid might be for his glory, and salvation of souls. After an appropriate talk on the conference work by Elder Hayes, the delegates were seated. A standing committee of fifteen were elected to nominate the different sub-committees.

Second meeting, Elder Hayes in the chair. After the reading of the minutes the special committee reported as follows:—

Committee on nominations-Elder Valentine Leer, Elder J. W. Christian, Albert Tucker, F. Knecht, S. C. Conrey, M. K. Thrall, and Hans Peterson.

Committee on plans of work—Elder E. G. Hayes, W. L. Manfull, Elder C. Reiswig, Elder R. E. Harter, Prof. M. J. Low, G. W. Miller, Prof. O. J. Graf, and Dr. C. P. Farnsworth.

Committee on licenses—Elder C. M. Clark, Elder N. P. Neilsen, Elder N. M. Jorgensen, Wm. Reiner, and Elder S. Mortensen. The report was accepted as read and conference adjourned.

Third meeting, Elder Hayes in the chair. Two new churches —Glenham and Sutley—with seven and twenty-two members respectively, were admitted into the conference. Geo. W. Miller, missionary secretary, presented his report of funds received for tithe and missions, as given in Reaper of June 18. The auditor's report was read stating that "everything was in good shape."

Fourth meeting, Elder Neilsen in the chair. President E. G. Hayes presented his annual address. Among other good things contained in it was the following: "We believe in sharing the blessings God has given us with

the foreign mission fields, which are in needy circumstances." The following cash items will bear witness to this statement. Means were appropriated to fields outside of our home conference as follows:-To Alberta, \$598; to Peru, \$700.25. to Korea, \$567.75; to Pittsburg, \$670; to Elder Allee, \$245.80; tithe to Northern Union Conference, \$1,709.35; second tithe to General Conference, \$1,537.45; to foreign missions, \$3,787.30; home missions, \$2,406.12; grand total, \$12,231.02.

At Pittsburg, Pa., quite a number have accepted the truth, and a church has been organized with over twenty members. At Peru a church of seventeen members has been organized the past year. In Korea the work has been blessed most wonderfully. Four companies have been raised up and churches built. The speaker recommended the conference to support the laborers in these three places for another year. Sympathy was expressed for Elder Allee, who has not been able to walk for about a year and a half.

To carry on the work of col-

lecting for the \$150,000 fund, the state was divided into three districts with Elders N. P. Neilson, J. W. Christian, and C. M. Clark in charge, and they have thus far collected \$3,267.14. At this time Elder Hayes read a testimony from Sister White full of encouragement and warning.

The work in our home field has been blessed the past year. There were four tents in the field, two English, one Danish and one Swedish. Some precious souls have been gathered out from the world.

The Elk Point Academy last year had the largest enrollment since its establishment. Sixty students were enrolled, and there was an average attendance of thirty-seven.

Elder Hayes read a very encouraging letter from Elder W. R. Smith, our missionary in Korea, and Elder Neilsen read one from Elder Smith's assistant, Sister Scharfenburg. All hearts were indeed cheered by these good reports from the field.

Canvassing Agent W. L. Manfull submitted his report. There had been an average of eight agents in the field, working in all 5,322 hours and taking 1,997 orders, valued at \$4,249.75; helps sold, \$989.77; total value of \$5,239.45. This is an average of \$1 per hour and eight hours per day for the season. Three persons are keeping the Sabbath as a direct result of this work the past year.

The committee on nominations reported as follows:-

For president, J. W. Christian; vice president, E. G. Hayes; secretary, N. M. Jorgensen; treasurer and transportation agent, F. R. Isaac; business agent,

C. M. Clark; tract society secretary, F. R. Isaac; assistant secretary, Grace Isaac; field secretary, Geo. W. Miller; educational secretary, Daniel Wall; medical secretary, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth; religious liberty secretary, R. E. Harter; Sabbath school and corresponding secretary, Florence Miller. For Conference Committee, J. W. Christian, E. G. Hayes, Valentine Leer, C. M. Clark, N. P. Neilsen, C. P. Farnsworth, and Wm. Reiner.

For School Board:—Manager, (To be chosen later); J. W. Christian, F. Knecht, M. K. Thall, Albert Tucker, Alfred Jensen, and C. M. Clark.

Camp meeting committee:— C. M. Clark, J. L. Weller, Ollie Roderick, Christian Reiswig, and Geo. Glembin.

This report was accepted.

The total debt of the Academy is \$1,775.59, with resources, including a small cash account, of \$1,569.76, leaving an actual debt of \$205.83.

The report of the Sabbath school secretary shows that there are 41 regular schools, and 8 family schools, with a membership of 902; donations, \$1,018.26; donations to missions, \$910.10. During the year five schools have been dropped, but six were organized, with a membership of 46, and a donation of \$13.49.

The religious liberty secretary read a bill which had been before and passed by the legislature the past winter against the desecration of Sunday as the Christian Sabbath. Every effort is being made to carry the day for this movement, and we were strongly urged to counteract this influence.

The report of the young people's work was especially interesting. The secretary read several testimonies bearing directly on the responsibility God has placed on this people to train our children and youth for gospel workers. There have been 160 children in our schools the past year. This work is advancing in our conference.

The committee on credentials and licenses reported:—

For credentials, J. W. Christian, E. G. Hayes, Valentine Leer, C. M. Clark, N. P. Neilsen, N. M. Jorgensen, R. E. Harter, Conrad Reiswig.

For ministerial license, N. J. Ronlund, W. L. Manfull, C. P. Farnsworth, R. B. Thurber.

For missionary credentials, Adolph Christensen, Bertha E. Jorgensen, Milla M. Johnson, Geo. W. Miller, F. R. Isaac, Florence Miller, Daniel Wall, Christian Reiswig, J. H. Schmidt, H. L. Stenberg, Conrad Reimche.

For teachers' credentials:— M. J. Low, Lizzie Magnuson, Irma Lewis, Nellie Weller.

This report was accepted.

The following resolutions were passed:—

1. Whereas the Lord has permitted his blessing to rest upon the work of our conference the past year by bringing into the truth many precious souls, by increasing the spirit of consecration among our own people, with an increase of tithes and offerings; and, in view of the need of means in foreign fields,

We recommend that we express our appreciation of these blessings,

(1) By the following amendment to the constitution:—

In addition to first tithe paid to the Northern Union Conference, a second tithe shall be paid to the General Conference for the promulgation of the message in foreign fields.

- (2) By continuing the support of Elder Perry in Peru for another year.
- (3) By continuing for another year the support of Elder Scholl in the German work in Pittsburg, Pa.
- (4) By continuing the support of Elder Smith and wife in Korea for the ensuing year; and further,

That we give \$500 to the support of the work in the Manitoba conference, and that we give \$12.50 per week toward the support of a laborer in the Alberta conference.

- 2. Resolved, That in view of the need of trained canvassers, one or more canvassers' institutes be held the coming year at such times and places as may be decided on by the conference committee.
- 3. Resolved, That our local church elders be requested to seek out such persons in their respective companies as are especially adapted for this branch (sing) of the Lord's work, and in council with the state agent plan with them to enter into active service; and, further,

That we encourage the brethren in our churches to assist such workers in every way possible.

4. Resolved, That we recommend our church librarians to procure a copy of the "Missionary Idea," and that they, with the church, study it carefully, with the intent of arousing a special interest in practical missionary work.

In view of the great need of more thoroughly qualified and trained librarians, and to assist the churches in leading out in missionary work, in the spread

of tracts, in the use of the Family Bible Teacher, taking subscriptions for our papers, and the sale of our forty per cent books,

We recommend that a suitable person be selected and supported by the conference for this work, and by oral and other instruction, train suitable persons for that work.

- 6. Resolved, (a) That we earnestly recommend all our people to be examples of Bible temperance in all things, using their influence in every proper way to educate the people upon true temperance principles.
- (b) That we accept with gratitude the gift of Ministry of Healing, by Mrs. White, and recommend all our people to purchase and carefully study the contents of this excellent book; and, further,
- (c) We urge all to do their utmost to giving this book a large sale among the people according to the plan recommended by the General and Northern Union Conferences.
- 7. The superintendent of schools shall have general supervision of the church school work in the conference and be empowered to perform the duties that devolve upon him as a member of the Northern Union Conference examining board.
- 8. Resolved, That the person in charge of the church school and young people's work be permitted to give his whole time, or as much of it as is necessary, to the development of these two lines of work.
- 9. Resolved, That our church school and academy teachers be recognized as missionary workers in the conference; that they be granted teachers' licenses, and their names be thus reported for

insertion in the General Conference Year Book with the South Dakota laborers.

- 10. Resolved, That steps be taken at once to raise the necessary means to provide a steam, vapor, or hot water heating plant, which will be sufficient to heat all the living rooms and also the study room of the dormitory at the Elk Point Academy. That said heating plant shall be installed and ready for use by Dec. 1, 1907, if possible.
- 11. Whereas, many of our people have moved to other states, but whose names are still retained on the church records in South Dakota, and in some cases the location and condition of the persons is unknown; therefore,
- (a) Resolved, That we make every effort to clear up our church records that the exact records may be known.
- (b) Resolved, further, That we organize a state conference church for our isolated members, with the president acting as elder, and the corresponding secretary as clerk and treasurer.
- 12. Resolved, That we encourage our ministers to bring our work up to a higher plane; that we encourage them to give their entire time to this work; and that they receive wages enough to enable them to maintain the dignity of the work they are engaged in.

Resolved, (a) That we more fully organize the medical missionary department of the conference. (b) That we give it the same fostering care as the other departments of the conference. (c) That we invite the doctors and graduate nurses of good standing, who are engaged in this line of work, to unite with this department for mutual en-

couragement and furtherance of health reform, medical missionary work and the propagation of the gospel. (d) That we heartily welcome the sanitarium at Chamberlain, S. D., to our conference.

14. Moved that we recommend that the selection of Field, Tract, and Missionary Director be left with the conference committee, with the request that this committee be asked to make this selection as soon as possible.

15. Whereas, Dr. Farnsworth has offered a bed in the Chamberlain Sanitarium, with board, treatments, and surgical operations, to the worthy poor, for the sum of \$6,000; therefore,

Resolved. That this conference raise this amount of money to be thus invested.

16. Resolved, That we hereby express our hearty thanks to the citizens of Sioux Falls for their hospitality and hearty co-operation, both morally and financially, in making our sojourn in their city a pleasant one; and to the railroads for favors granted; and to the press of the city for the use of their columns in advertising the meeting, reporting the proceedings, sermons, etc.

This was unanimously carried. The visiting laborers were: Elders C. A. Burman, G. F. Enoch, L. F. Starr, L. H. Christian, S. Mortensen, Professors Magan, Lewis, Graf, Smith, Owen, Valentiner, and Dr. C. P. Farnsworth. Conference adjourned sine die.

E. G. HAYES, Pres. N. M. JORGENSEN, Secy.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Rome is the most interesting place I visited in Europe. At the time of the first advent of Christ Rome was the center of art and learning, and the capital of the nation ruling the world. It has been for many centuries the seat of the papage.

the seat of the papacy. Winckelmann says, "Rome is the high school which is open to all the world," and even to-day I would not criticize this statement as far as it relates to the past history of pagan and papal Rome and the prophecies that center here. However, Rome and all Italy to-day are from one to two centuries behind the world in thought and in most things that effect material progress. I will mention one or two items which will illustrate this. As we approached Rome it was through the richest and most fertile part of Europe, as far as the natural soil and fertility of the country is concerned. The heavy growth of grass was being gathered, and I saw not less than one thousand men mowing grass with the old-fashioned scythe. In all Italy I saw but one mowing machine, and this was drawn by two milch cows. I also saw many cows and oxen hitched to wooden plows, such as were in use one hundred and fifty years ago. One is filled with solemn emotions as he treads upon the very ground where apostles and martyrs have labored and died for the gospel of Jesus Christ, and where every principle of righteousness has been sacrificed for power, wealth, arrogance, pride, and the basest of passions, which knew no bounds with those in power. We can get only a glimpse of what Rome was in her glory as mistress of the world. To-day even the papacy sits in mourning under the

shadow of her temples, shrines,

and palaces. Of Rome Byron has written,

"The noble of nations, there she stands, Childless and crownless in her voiceless woe,

An empty urn within her withered hands,

Whose sacred dust was scattered long ago."

I can speak but briefly of a few points which I trust will be of much interest to the readers of the REAPER. Already the Third Angel's Message is obtaining a foothold in this, one of the hardest places of all lands to labor in. Two priests, who were teachers in Catholic universities, have accepted the truth and are devoting their time and energies to extending this message, besides there is a goodly company of lay brethren. We held four meetings with the believers while in the city. I spoke to a well-filled room of believers on Sabbath, May 29, but a short distance from where Paul had been confined in prison under Nero's guard. We sought to learn as best we could of the needs of the work in this needy field. Our brethren, especially Elder Everson, was of great assistance in directing us to the places of most interest. By means of this aid we were enabled to obtain much more in the same length of time than ordinary visitors who relied on local guides.

It is said that there are over 1,000 places of worship in Rome. There are eighty cathedrals. Each church has special points of interest connected with its history. The population of Rome is about 500,000. It is said that the city has over 15,000 priests, besides a large number of monks and nuns. The first and oldest church we visited is called the

church of St. Pudentian. It is claimed that this church is erected on the cite of an old house where Paul lodged in A. D. 41-50. That it was built as it originally existed about 52 A. D. That Paul, Peter, and St. Matthew all preached here, and that many of the early Christians suffered martyrdom here. use of a torch light you are shown the dust and even the bones of saints which had been thrown into a deep well beneath the church floor. Securely enclosed in a glass vase is seen something resembling a sponge, said to have been used by St. Pudentian to wipe up the blood of martyred saints put to death in this church about 100 A. D. A decree of papal authority grants to all, who will reverently visit this church daily, three thousand years of indulgences, besides the granting the remission of one-third of all their past sins. R. A. UNDERWOOD.

[To be continued]

North Dakota

HANKINSON CAMP MEETING

The camp meeting appointed for the south-east part of the state, June 11–17, was held in the grove of Senator Hankinson, two miles from the town of that name. The camp was located on the bank of a beautiful lake bordering the grove, and presented a very pleasant sight indeed.

Not many were present, but all seemed to enjoy the meeting. A number who live across the line, in South Dakota, came to the meeting, and we were glad to welcome them. This message,

when received in love, recognizes no artifical lines, no nationality, no tongue, but all are one in Christ.

We were glad to have with us Professor Magan, whose earnest talks stirred our hearts and interested many not of our faith. On Sunday afternoon, at the close of the meeting, quite a number of persons from the surrounding country were present and listened to the presentation of the Eastern question. Some of them afterwards expressed themselves as deeply interested, and we hope some seeds of truth were sown in honest hearts which will bear fruit unto eternal life.

We were glad to have the help of Brother A. J. Burden, of the Loma Linda Sanitarium, Cal. His burden was to show the opening providences of God in the development of the medical missionary work, especially in Southern California, where a number of sanitariums have recently been established. After one of these meetings, where this subject was presented, a gentleman, prominent in the politics of North Dakota, expressed himself about as follows, "It did me good, and gives me more faith in God." We were all helped and led to believe more firmly than ever that God is leading out in this message, and to him we should look rather than to rest upon the puny arm of man.

Besides the laborers mentioned we had Elder H. W. Reed, who gave some good talks on religious liberty, and Professor Lawrence, from the Sheyenne River Academy. The latter gave his time to the work for the young people, with seeming good results.

About fifty persons were present. At the close of the

meeting seven persons were buried by baptism in the likeness of the Lord. The natural beauty of the grove, and the peaceful serenity of the lake on its border, served to make the baptismal scene very impressive and one to be remembered.

The Spirit of God was manifest throughout the meeting and we were refreshed.

JOHN G. WALKER.

THE OPPORTUNE TIME

When the city of Rio Janero, Brazil, was founded several hundred years ago, little care was given to the laying out of its squares and streets. Crooked and narrow streets, with their extreme inconvenience and unhealthfulness, were the result.

Now the city authorities have found it necessary to borrow \$60,000,000 with which to cut four broad avenues through the city. These were cut through the most thickly populated districts, and many an old house and stately mansion had to give way before the seemingly destructive hands of the engineers.

This expensive method has only partially accomplished what might have been, had the founders, when the city was in its infancy, laid out the streets as they should have done. Hundreds then would have accomplished what now requires millions.

How like the unseeing founders of that city are we. Worldly influences are permitted to wield a powerful influence on the lives of those of tender and receptive years, and, later, when worldliness has gotten a firm foothold, we stand ready to make great sacrifices to redeem the wayward, misinstructed youth.

Our colleges and academies may not in later years be able to correct what evil association and false instruction did for the child while under the influence of the worldly schools. Brother, sister, have you children in your church? Where will they spend six hours a day five days in the week during the coming school year? Now is the opportune time to implant the truth in their little hearts. You cannot afford to give them to the world to be trained; a soul is too precious, and God's work too needy. Let us heed the instruction the Lord has given us through his Spirit.

If your church supported a school last year by all means plan to let the good work go on. If you have not had a school before, arouse yourselt and the brethren and go forward in the strength of God. Read the first chapter of Joshua.

O. J. GRAF.

THE CANVASSING WORK

The canvassing work at the South Dakota camp meeting came in for its full share of consideration. The eight o'clock hour in the morning was the time found to be most favorable for an earnest band of young people to meet together to seek the Lord, and to tell of the good things that the Lord has in store for his faithful workers. It was indeed a pleasure to listen to the stirring testimonies of those who are out on the firing line. With but a few exceptions all are doing well.

Some splendid resolutions were passed by the conference, and the interest shown by the delegates leads us to believe the canvassing work occupies a warm place in the hearts of the brethren in

THE BOOK WORK

Name -	Book	Hrs	Ords	V	alue	H	elps	To	tal	De	el'd
Celia Tichenor	Н. Н.	27	35	- 97	50			97	50		
Alma Larson	Н. Н.	31	39	108	50			108	50		
M. Ruskjer	G. C.	52	15	40	50	2	30	42	80		
H. O. Olson	G. C.	53	18	47	00	10	75	57	75	1	50
Carrie Tufte	C. K.	2	3	3	00			3	00		
Lulu Pressnall	H. M.	15	13	22	75	6	25	29	00	1	00
N. J. Syphers	H. M.	116	7	12	25	1	00	13	25		
Harold Wood	H. M.	20	7	12	25	3	00	15	25.		
Myrtle Johnson	H. M.	17	7	12	25	2	50	14	75	3	75
A. Christenson	H. M.	47	15	28	50	1	00	29	50	1	00
F. Stratton	H. M.	48	15	26	25	1	25	27	50	1	25
A. B. Francis	H. M.	24	7	12	25		50	12	75		
C. J. Martinson	H. M.	27	5	8	75	1	00	9	75		50
E. Grimstad	H. M.	25	8	14	00		50	14	50	3	90
R. C. Livingston	H. M.	28	3	5	25	'1	50	6	75		
Phil. Cogswell	H. M.	43	14	24	50	1	00	- 25	50	2	25
Totals, 16 age	ents	574	211	\$475	50	\$32	55	\$508	05	\$15	15

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F. Cramer		G.	C.	43	9	22	00	2	50	24	50	
H. Giles		D.	R.	49	13	36	00	2	25	38	25	
R. Neuman		H.	M.	50	13	24	70	2	00	26	70	
J. Putman		H.	H.	8	3	11	25		60	11	85	
Totals	4 agents	3		150	38	\$93	95	\$7	35	\$100	30	
	S	OUTH	DAI	KOTA-	-WEEK	ENDIN	IG JI	JNE 2	9			
C. D. Terwil	legar	G.	C.	3				5	00	5	00	
J. P. Glembi	n	G.	C.	46	15	42	50	-8	50	51	.00	
		100	-	100.00	2.0	100		160	600	400	500	

U. C. Totals	30 agents	871	309	\$687	70	\$75	80	\$762	50	31	41
Totals, 10 age	nts	147	60	\$118	25	\$35	90	\$154	15	\$16	000
M. O. Lahym	G. P.	9	12	3	00			3	00		
J. H. Eastman	H. M.					6	40	9	40		
Clara Kier	Н. М.	30	11	19	25	1	50	20	75		
Ole Tronson	H. M.						50		50		
M. Hendrickson	Н. М.	26	6	10	50	5	50	16	00		-
E. B. Markham	S. P.									10	2
C. H. Markham	C. K.					6	00	6	00	6	0
Geo. P. Glembin	G. C.	30	16	43	00	2	50	45	50		
J. P. Glembin	G. C.	46	15	42	50	8	50	51	-00		
C. Tr. Tor Water							7.0		9.0		

South Dakota. Horses and buggies were promised to canvassers working in sparsely settled territory.

One resolution that seems to us of special importance was that placing a man in the field to work among the churches in the interest of home missionary work, selling our papers, use of the Family Bible Teacher, tracts, and forty per cent books. He is to instruct librarians and train workers in the churches to carry on this work. Missionary work is the life of the church, and we can readily see how important it is that this work should be done.

In a mission talk on the work in the West Indies Brother Enoch told of the prominent part played by our literature in the spread of the truth in those islands. It was inspiring to learn how God has cared for his work, and we all felt a greater determination to be more earnest and faithful missionaries in his work. We

humbly thank our Heavenly Father for so many ways in which we may all have our part in the work. W. L. MANFULL.

THAT LITTLE BOOK

Word has just come that the little book, "The Advent Message in the Sunny Caribbean," is ready for market. Those who were at the camp meeting this year will remember the many interesting incidents told concerning the rise and progress of our work in the West Indian Union Conference.

The story of the gathering out of the 3,500 Sabbath-keepers in that field, the establishment of the little publishing house in Trinidad, which is turning out 7,000 copies of each number of our missionary periodical, the Caribbean Watchman, as also thousands of pages of books and pamphlets; the struggles of our educational work, finally resulting in the establishment of the West Indian training school in Jamaica, and the brief story of the earthquake, all combine to make a little volume of absorbing interest.

When you add to this the fifty allustrations, large and small, giving glimpses of native types and scenery, as well as of views of our church buildings and schools, you have a combination that should place the book in every Seventh-day Adventist home in the country. It will also be a good one to place in the hands of those who are interested in our work.

The book is published by the executive committee of the West Indian Union, and every cent of the proceeds will be used in aiding the publishing work in that union. An edition of 10,000 copies

has been issued, and we look for a hearty response on the part of all of our people.

The price of the book is only 25 cents. Let our good people everywhere secure this chapter in the history of our missionary advance. Order of your tract society. Geo. F. Enoch.

HOW TO FIND IT

Did you ever let slip from you a quotation that you wish now you could recover? How will you go at it to secure it again?

Two of our leading workers have recently written the editor of the Watchman, asking him to recover for them certain quotations that they failed to preserve, when they had an opportunity to do so. It would have been an easy matter for them to preserve these quotations if they had had a Watchman scrap-book. But, as it is, with the aid of the Watchman scrap-book column, it is not a very difficult matter to recover the quotations, for on June 25 four scrap-books, well filled, were sent to the Watchman office by one of our workers for use in making up the Scrap-book column. The sender urges that extra care be used to avoid the loss of these books, and states that he would not part with one of them for \$100. In that very one, which is prized so highly, we find both of the quotations which our brethren called for as noted above.

The Watchman column is at your service. While we must recognize continually the mission of the Watchman as a missionary paper, and not permit the Scrap-book column to in any way injure its efficiency in this line, it can still be used to ex-

cellent advantage by our workers.

Whether you are supplied or not, you should keep abreast of the times by continual reference to the scrap-book column of the Watchman. The scrap-books are only 65 cents postpaid, or two new yearly subscriptions to the Watchman and 15 cents for postage. Address the Watchman, 24th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.

BENUMBED

We are on enchanted ground. Heavy slumber is upon many of the Lord's people. Even as just before the dawn men sleep heavily, so now the enemy is making a desperate effort to so benumb our sensibilities that we shall not realize the day in which we live. The calls of God for means are answered very slowly. Shall we not realize the importance of the following solemn words given to us, as we believe, by the Spirit of God?

"As a people, we have been benumbed. Matters of but little importance have been brought in to absorb much means and precious talent. There are some whose hearts are responsive to the calls of God. But some are investing capital in enterprises that give no results in the salvation of souls. Such enterprises are the snares of the enemy.

"The great enemy of souls would be pleased if we were kept busy with things of but little importance, and lose our present opportunities for labor. We need now to awake out of sleep, and to labor earnestly to warn those in the highways and byways. Soon the work will be finished, and now is our time to labor with intense energy and untiring industry." J. S. WASHBURN.

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This week we present reports from different camp meetings with resolutions adopted. show that the Spirit of God was present in power and that the purpose of each resolution was that the cause should be advanced. In North Dakota there was no business connected with the meeting, and the full time was devoted to the spiritual interests. Each of the large conferences of the union, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota, showed their interest in the work outside their own territory by making substantial donations to the different mission fields. Besides this the second tithe was considered and pledged to the support of the work in the mission fields. The spirit of sacrifice and consecration is manifest in this action, and demonstrates that the hearts of the people are set to the task of finishing the work in this generation.

THE German campmeeting of the Manitoba conference will be held at Winnipeg, July 16-21.

It is hoped that this meeting will, with the work that is now being done by workers in this place to prepare the way, create an interest to be followed up by a series of tent meetings.

This camp meeting will not be a business meeting but, we trust, a spiritual revival. To this end shall we not all pray and work, as well as attend the campmeeting? Be on hand at the first meeting and stay all through if possible. Bring some one with you. This campmeeting can be reached by the Canadian Pacific and Canadian Northern Railroads.

This week we present the first of the series of articles on "Rome," by Elder Underwood. In these articles Elder Underwood gives some of his experiences in the "Eternal" city, telling what he saw, and what the import is to us. There is an especial significance in the events noted in the articles, and these will be instructive to those who read with understanding. Church librarians should encourage their members to subscribe for the REAPER in order to get the benefit to be had from reading these articles.

Union Canvassing Agent W. L. Manfull is just now entering upon a six' weeks canvassing campaign, to give instruction to state agents and others in different parts of the Northern Union territory. Commencing in South Dakota he will visit both Minnesota and North Dakota, attending the camp meeting at Devil's Lake. He reports the work as

very prosperous in all parts of the territory.

ELDER R. A. UNDERWOOD is slated to reach Minneapolis next Monday or Tuesday, returning from the session of the General Conference Council at Gland, Switzerland. This week will be spent at the Young People's Convention at Mount Vernon, O. He has been absent from home for over four months.

A copy of the calendar of the Elk Point Industrial Academy for 1907-1908 has been received at this office. It is very tastily gotten up and well printed. Copies of this will be sent to those interested on application.

TENT meeting services wiil be commenced in both Minneapolis and St. Paul this week. Elder Granger with two assistants will conduct the meetings in Minneapolis, and Elders Detamore and Kuehl will have charge of the meetings in St. Paul.

A TEACHERS' institute will te held at Maplewood Academy, Maple Plain, Minn., beginning August 8 and closing September 4, 1907. All teachers planning to come should write at once to W. W. Ruble, Box 989, Minneapolis, Minn.

MISS ELLA MERICKEL, Elder W. W. Ruble, and O. J. Graf composed the delegation which left Minneapolis on Monday for the Young People's Convention at Mount Vernon, O.

CORRECTION — The last sentence of the third column on page four of the issue of June 25 should have read, "The influence of willingly sacrificing experienced laborers," etc.