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### "CHRIST IN YOU"

Has some one seen Christ in you to-day?  
 Christian, look to your heart, I pray;  
 The little things you have done or said—  
 Did they accord with the way you prayed?  
 Have your thoughts been pure and words been kind?  
 Have you sought to have the Saviour's mind?  
 The world with a criticizing view  
 Has watched; but did it see Christ in you?

Has some one seen Christ in you to-day?  
 Christian, look to your life, I pray;  
 There are aching hearts and blighted souls  
 Being lost on sin's destructive shoals,  
 And perhaps of Christ their only view  
 May be what of him they see in you.  
 Will they see enough to bring hope and cheer?  
 Look to your light! does it shine out clear?  
 —The Christian Guardian.

### NORTHERN UNION CAMP MEETINGS

The dates for these meetings have been arranged as follows:—Minnesota, June 4-14; South Dakota, June 11-21; North Dakota, June 22-28; Iowa, September 3-13.

These meetings will be among the most important meetings ever held in the local conferences. In view of the important issues which are before us as a people, each conference should make a strong effort to have a large attendance. I think preparations are being made by the several conferences to make the camp meetings this season more effective in their work than ever before. Special attention will be given to the young people's work at these meetings. A strong effort will be made to help the outside people, as well as to bring courage and strength to all our people who attend. Shall we not have from every family one or more representatives at these several camp meetings in the union conference. In some families all can attend. Others may not be able to leave, owing to chores and other things that may detain them at

home. But I appeal to all the brethren and sisters in our conferences to let no trifling matter at home keep them away from these important gatherings.

We expect excellent help from the General Conference at these meetings. Elder Evans, and, possibly other members of the General Conference Committee in this department, is expected to be with us. Brother Lewis Christian will be at the Minnesota meeting, and suitable help will be provided in the German and Swedish languages. Elder Benson, the educational secretary of the union, who has charge of the young people's work, will attend all these meetings to co-operate with the local help of the conference in doing everything possible for the benefit of the young.

Important suggestions will be sent out to the various conferences from the council now being held in Washington concerning these meetings.

The dates of these meetings are now so near at hand that no time should be lost in making special preparations to attend them. Possibly the definite location of all the meetings is not decided as yet. The various conferences will give notice through the REAPER and the *Review* concerning the location of their meetings as soon as possible. I understand that the Minnesota meeting will be held in Minneapolis, on a nice piece of ground, within walking distance for a large number of people, and also accessible by the street cars.

Let everyone plan to attend one of these meetings. Shall we not have the largest meetings that we have seen for a number of years? To this end I urge upon the leaders of the churches and conferences to lay plans at once to have a large representation at the camp meetings. More will be said about these meetings in the near future. May God bless every effort to bring our families, neighbors, and interested ones to these annual gatherings to hear the last closing message for this time.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

## North Dakota

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO NORTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

North Dakota, with its sixteen nationalities, is still a pioneer state. Its population in the last two years records an increase of fifty-six per cent, or twenty-three per cent each year. The population now is 672,671.

We have not been able to keep pace with the increase in population; and viewing our field from this standpoint, the many new settlements formed offer promising opportunities to present the message for this time. Many calls are now coming from places where our isolated people have held up the light of truth. As four ordained ministers have left our conference the past year our condition can be appreciated to some extent when we tell you that only one English-speaking, ordained minister is left us.

There are 1,066 Sabbath-keepers in North Dakota. Of this number about 300 are isolated. In 1906 an increase of 134 Sabbath-keepers is recorded, and in 1907, 179, making a total of 313 in the last two years. Of this number 117 were baptized, 50 in 1906, and 67 in 1907. Two churches were organized and admitted in 1906, and two in 1907.

Total tithe received in 1906 was \$13,187.30, and in 1907 \$10,649.69, a decrease of \$2,537.61. Total tithe paid \$23,827.99. Tithe per capita in 1906 was \$14.89, and in 1907, \$9.99. The reason for the shortage of last year may be ascribed to crop conditions, as well as to the financial condition of last fall. Of the tithe fund we paid outside of our own conference during the year 1906, \$2,987.06, and in 1907, \$3,888.10, or a total of \$6,875.16.

Offerings received for work outside of our own conference for the year 1906, \$5,074.70; and in 1907, \$6,065.86, or a total of \$11,140.56. Offerings for enterprises at home in 1906, \$1,866.98; in 1907, 1,455.46, a total of \$3,322.44. The total of money received for the year 1906 is \$20,133.98; and for 1907, \$18,170.93; this makes a grand total of \$38,304.91. Per capita the cash income for 1906 would be \$22.93, and for 1907, \$17.05.

Our Sabbath school work has not had the care it should have had during the last year. Our Sabbath school secretary was so overburdened with other duties that she could not attend to her work as she otherwise would have done, consequently these responsibilities were placed on Sister Kurtz. In 1906 we had 45 schools, of which 27 were church Sabbath schools and 18 family Sabbath schools, with a membership of 898. In 1907 we had 46 Sabbath schools; 24 are church Sabbath schools and 22 family schools, with a membership of 903. The donations for 1906 were \$870.40, and for 1907, \$867.42; total \$1,637.82.

One encouraging feature of our Sabbath school is, that not much of the donation is held back by the schools for home use. We hope that this practice may grow until all the donations will go to foreign missions, and the home expenses are made up by special donations.

Our young people have been neglected because of the lack of proper help. We expect to take firm and rapid forward steps in that direction however, having secured Brother John F. Simon, through the kindness of the Iowa conference, to take charge of this work. One reason of our inability to secure help for our young people is that the person

must use both the English and German languages. We are glad to state to this conference in this connection that we have at the present time young men and women in training at our academy who promise to be useful tools in the hand of the Lord in the near future. The young people's work in North Dakota shows a wide and promising field, and it shall have our most earnest and careful attention. I am safe in saying that we as workers are a unit on this question.

The canvassing work shows a steady growth. In 1906 we had eight canvassers in the field, with sales of \$2,828.25. In 1907 we had seven canvassers out, with sales of \$3,095.23. It is only just to state that the financial depression of last fall has done a positive injury to our canvassing work, as some of our faithful canvassers have lost heavily. As we desire to keep up a healthy growth in this branch of the work, we offer to our young men all possible encouragement, and look for this branch of the work of the message to succeed.

We have had only two church schools, one in English and one in German. Our English brethren live so scattered that it makes this problem difficult to solve, and for our German churches we have not been able to secure teachers. We have a few young men and women in training, who, we hope, will soon be ready to take up that work.

Three years ago the spot upon which our academy stands was a bare prairie. Now we have the main building, ladies' dormitory, a small cottage and a workshop, (the latter being under construction) and other buildings properly belonging to the farm. Four hundred acres of land belong to the institution. An inventory of land, stock, buildings

and machinery places the value at \$26,044, with a liability of \$8,272. This leaves the present worth at \$17,772. In 1906 improvements to the value of \$1,542 were made, and in 1907, \$1,492. The total amount realized from the farm in 1906 is \$2,680; and in 1907, \$2,917.68. After deducting all running expenses, each year left us a few hundred dollars gain.

Speaking as a whole, the work in North Dakota has made progress, and we trust to the glory of God. As the guiding hand of God has prospered the work in the past, we confidently look to him for continued blessings until the work is done and his faithful, waiting people are gathered home.

C. J. KUNKEL.

#### CANDO

We were certainly a little flock with no leader when Elder Huntley left us, and, of course, all looked to me, as I was the only Adventist here; so I had the Sabbath-school in my home all winter. The interested ones attended regularly, and they are studying harder than ever before; they never knew just what was written for them to do before. There are four families and one lady besides my son and myself.

It is wonderful what the truth will do for a person. I have seen a great deal of evidence of this the past winter. The members of this little company grow stronger and more spiritual the more they study and pray. Each one looks forward to the Sabbath now, and feels it a great disappointment if anything prevents them coming to meeting. The Lord has been so merciful and good to us the past winter. We had two families who drove nine miles to the meetings.

One elderly lady has recently

accepted of the Sabbath, and is studying the truth at all times; also sending literature to her children. We feel quite proud of her, for she is the first fruit of our little Sabbath-school.

MRS. JESSIE BRADLEY.

#### KULM

I have been laboring with a dear family ten miles south of Kulm. They were baptized in the Christian church, but have now accepted the truth and wish to join our people.

I was at their home to-day, and they paid me a tithe of wheat money they had on hand, and promised to pay an honest tithe to the Lord, which I fully believe they will do.

When Brother Humann and I came to Kulm in February there were four families of Sabbath-keepers; now we have twelve families in the truth.

J. H. SEIBEL.

#### A GOOD EXPERIENCE

A short time ago I received a letter containing several suggestions of things that might be done for the Lord's work. The one thing that seemed the most practical for me to do was to try to sell five or more copies of "Marvel of Nations" for the benefit of the Harvey academy.

So, armed with a copy of the book, I went down town to make my first attempt to sell a book. The result was I was given twelve orders in about four hours' time. Since then I have received four more orders, making a total of sixteen. CHARLES MOORE.

#### NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

Pcof. C. L. Benson and Brother J. V. Simon, the educational secretaries of the Northern Union and North Dakota conferences respectively, spent a number of

very enjoyable days with the teachers and students at the academy last week, going to Fargo to remain over the Sabbath.

Miss Gertrude Thompson, a teacher at the Sheyenne River Academy, has been compelled to leave her work because of failing health. The faculty and students are very sorry to lose her. Miss Thompson will visit her brother, a doctor, in California.

Twenty-five students will remain at the academy until the school closes. This is very encouraging, as it is the largest number the school has ever held till the close.

#### Iowa

#### MUSCATINE

We have been trying for three weeks to find time to tell you of the progress of the work in this city, but this is our first opportunity, and even now we must start to fill an appointment for a reading in fifteen minutes. We will close our meetings in South Muscatine next Sunday night. Since coming here, forty-five have united with the church, and the interest is now at its best. We cannot begin to fill the calls for readings, and we expect to see many more take their stand with this people.

Our quarterly meeting was an occasion long to be remembered on account of the many new members taking part. So many husbands and wives, fathers, mothers and children united in the truth who had before not worshiped together, made it like a grand family reunion, a foretaste of the reunion of God's people at Christ's coming. The evening after the Sabbath we called a business meeting and raised the debt on the church—

\$150—on which interest had been paid for seven years. At this meeting we just followed a suggestion made by Elder I. H. Evans at our late union conference, that we "heave ho," and go at it as if there could be no such thing as failure; and what so many had thought could not be done was done with a right good will and in a very short time, for the people offered willingly and gave more than the amount. Then they wanted to go on and provide for the re-shingling of the building, until we had to call a halt, as in the days of Israel of old. We are outgrowing our present quarters, and if God continues his prospering hand we shall have to erect a new building. We are especially crowded in the Sabbath-school, where all the classes must be entirely too neighborly.

We have never seen so many bright, happy, intelligent young people and young married couples in any church we have ever visited among our people, and they all want to be workers. A few Sundays ago we organized them into bands for missionary work, and they visited all the homes in South Muscatine with our papers and gave a hearty invitation to the meetings, the result of which was a new audience to hear the message and one family to unite with the church.

G. R. HAWKINS,  
EMMA HAWKINS.

### South Dakota

#### WALLACE

At the request of Elder Jackson, president of the Minnesota conference, I visited our Danish brethren at Tyler, Minn., April 9-12, and I esteemed it a privilege to become acquainted with these dear people, who love this

truth. Meetings were held each day, and on the Sabbath we celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house. The Lord came near as we sought him and studied his word regarding the truths for our times and the responsibilities resting upon us. I believe these meetings were a source of encouragement to them.

Though this church has not very many members it has a church school, and is seeking to give the children a Christian education. Sister Jennie Nelson, of Poy Sippi, Wis., is the teacher. The Lord has blessed her efforts this winter. May the Lord continue to bless this little company is my prayer.

I am now at Wallace. We held a meeting in Brother Jensen's home last evening. From thirty to thirty-five persons were present—mostly Lutherans—and good attention was paid to the words spoken. N. P. NEILSEN.

### TO THE WORK

The first reports coming in after our institute at Sioux Falls showed three workers in the field and the total value of orders taken as \$228.50. The total number of days reported was thirteen, making the average value of orders taken per day over seventeen and one-half dollars. These good reports cheer our hearts. Since that time others have joined our ranks, and we now have six workers in the field; still others will join us later.

The present season promises to be a good one for the book work, and it is another golden opportunity for us to place this last warning message in printed form in the hands and homes of the people. Let us improve it. "Pray ye. . . that he send forth laborers into his harvest."

GEO. W. MILLER.

### SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder N. P. Neilsen held quarterly meeting with the Dexter church Sabbath, April 18.

Brother J. H. Schmidt visited the Lake Preston company Sabbath, April 18.

Only sinners saved by grace are able to preach the gospel of grace.

### Minnesota

### MINNESOTA CAMP MEETING COLUMN

"Where will the camp meeting be held?" is the question most often heard now. This, like many other questions, is more easily asked than answered, at least so the conference committee think. Much instruction is given in the spirit of prophecy relative to the holding of camp meetings. We are told not to hold them in the same locality year after year, nor to locate them in any out-of-the-way place, not easy of access to the general public, but to locate them where those who do know the truth, as held by us, may be induced to attend.

With this instruction in mind, your committee have for some weeks been on the outlook for a suitable location. With others we have felt that more should be done for the large cities, and accordingly we have sought a location where the truth might be brought to these thousands of unwarned souls. If we can make suitable arrangements, it is believed a location has been found which will meet the specifications referred to above. We feel very grateful for this, and trust that our brethren, sisters and youth are planning to attend.

We shall have help from the General Conference, our own force of workers will be present, and the presentation of the prog-

ress of the work, its needs, and the exposition of prophetic fulfillment will make this an intensely interesting meeting.

The time is June 4-14. The location will be announced soon. Order your tent from Elder J. F. Anderson, box 989, Minneapolis, stating size and location desired. Let us pray daily that this may be the best camp meeting ever held in Minnesota.

S. E. JACKSON.

### MOUNTAIN LAKE

At the close of the Northern Union Conference meeting Elder Haffner and myself went to Mountain Lake to conduct meetings in the German language for the people at that place. We held meetings every night in the week except Wednesday night. We were privileged to have the Methodist church building, and it was crowded with an interesting company of people each night. The better class of the people seemed to be attracted to the meetings, and these manifested a deep interest until the testing truths were presented. After the Sabbath was presented, quite a number of these people stayed away from the meetings. They thought that Seventh-day Adventists were too extreme in the position they took regarding the commandments. While some of these stayed away, others came in their places, and the church was crowded. As an outcome of the meetings three are now keeping the Sabbath, seven are in the valley of decision, and many others are interested.

The town paper, which at first was very favorable toward us, and gave space for reports of our meetings, has now turned against us and is publishing almost everything presented which would tend to bring our work

into disrepute. The town of Mountain Lake has never been so stirred over religious matters. The pastors and church workers are continually visiting the homes of those who show an interest in our meetings, and are presenting these persons with that literature which has been prepared to offset if possible the force of the truths presented. One leaflet that has had quite an extended circulation is entitled "Hard Nuts for Seventh-Dayists." These hard nuts were cracked without difficulty by Elder Haffner. We expect a good return for our labor at Mountain Lake.

Elder Haffner was called to attend the General Conference council meeting at Washington, D. C., and it was thought best to ask Elder A. A. Meyer, of the Iowa conference, to help us through this effort. We are thankful for the blessing that God has thus far given us, and are looking forward to an additional blessing in seeing souls saved for the kingdom.

A. D. EWERT.

### INSTITUTES IN MINNESOTA

A recent visit to the Dodge Center church has made clear the necessity for a short canvassers' institute at that place. The interest in the canvassing work was so intense that the pupils of the church school were caught canvassing each other with their school books. These books might serve to practice with on each other, but it was thought best to furnish the students with prospectuses and give them opportunity to do the real thing with the right books.

A number of the young people of the Dodge Center church have also manifested an interest in this work, and so it has been arranged for an institute to be con-

ducted there for the instruction of those who wish to canvass, commencing April 27 and closing May 3.

The date for the institute at Maplewood Academy having been set for May 28 to June 4, will make it possible for the students to give their full time to the study of the books and canvass, and concentrate their attention on the other instruction to be given. Opportunity is given, and an earnest invitation is extended, to anyone from the outside who may desire to come in and join us in taking the training at this time. Those in the field are greatly encouraged, and are rejoicing in the degree of success that has already attended their efforts.

May others step in now and take advantage of the opportunity that is still open. Do not wait till the eleventh hour. The beautiful spring days now passing should awaken in us new life, new desires and fresh courage to go forth and do something for the Master. Those who may desire to join us in the institute at the academy will please notify the undersigned in due time, so that the proper arrangements may be made.

FRANK F. FRY,  
519 E. Lake street, Minneapolis.

### TYLER

Thinking the REAPER family may be interested to know something about our little school here at Tyler, I will write a few words.

There are but two Seventh-day Adventist families here, and we have neither a church nor a school building; but we have had our school in a large sunny room at Brother Wogensen's. Our school is made up of eight pupils, ranging in ages from seven to seventeen years. Although few

in numbers, we have enjoyed many of God's blessings together.

How I wish that all our brethren could realize that the greatest missionary work they can do is to provide every means possible for the saving of their children. The best means I know of, next to a very careful home training, is the church school.

I was thinking, as I read Brother Johnson's article on the "Moving Fever," how much better it would be if some isolated family would move to a place like this than to move to an already strong church. They would be a blessing to the brethren here, besides doing a good work for their children, for then they could build a modest school building, where they could meet on the Sabbath and have school during the week.

JENNIE C. NELSON.

#### TO OUR SCATTERED SABBATH-KEEPERS

The undersigned recently sent out a circular letter to the churches, stating that the conference is in need of two new field tents. These are to be used in camp meeting and in the summer's tent efforts. The approximate cost is \$250. There are many among our scattered brethren and sisters who make liberal donations from time to time as the calls for means come. The contributions to this fund are coming in nicely; but there may be those who have not yet heard the call, who can spare a few dollars for this purpose, so that the full amount may soon be received.

S. E. JACKSON.

#### MINNESOTA NOTES

In consequence of the severe illness of his wife, Elder F. A. Detamore has temporarily severed his connection with the

#### THE BOOK WORK

MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING APRIL 18

Name	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Mrs. Jennie I. Delamater	H. H. 17	5	17 50	1 50	19 00	
Richard Burdick	G. C. 50	2	\$5 50	\$3 90	\$9 40	\$2 40
Elmer W. Pruett	G. C. 25	1	2 75		2 75	3 15
R. E. Campbell	G. C. 35	18	49 75	70	50 45	70
Totals, 4 agents	127	26	\$75 50	\$6 10	\$81 60	\$6 25

SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING APRIL 18

C. W. Rubendall	H. M. 5	4	\$7 00		\$7 00	
Jas. M. Johnston	G. C. 41	16	44 00	\$5 00	49 00	
Totals, 2 agents	46	20	\$51 00	\$5 00	\$56 00	
U. C. Totals, 6 agents	173	46	\$126 50	\$11 10	\$137 60	\$6 25

Minnesota conference and has gone to the Pacific coast. Sister Detamore has been affected with a pulmonary trouble, and it was thought best to seek the benefit to be derived from a milder climate.

The members of the St. Paul church met on Sabbath for the first time in their new church building. Elder Detamore preached a sermon on "Consecration" to a very appreciative audience.

Elder Jackson is holding some meetings with the Litchfield church, none of the workers having visited this place for a time.

Elder A. W. Kuehl was called to Eagle Lake on Monday to conduct funeral services. J. P. Pressnal died Friday evening.

Brother J. M. Comer spent Sabbath with the Stillwater church.

#### UNION COLLEGE SUMMER SCHOOL

Union College, with the cooperation of the Central and Northern Union Conferences, has decided to establish a permanent summer school, the object of which will be to train church school teachers, to help students to prepare for college, and to give opportunity to review studies or to make up work. The man-

aging board consists of C. C. Lewis, president of Union College; B. E. Huffman, educational secretary Central Union Conference; C. L. Benson, educational secretary Northern Union Conference, and Miss Sarah E. Peck, director of normal department of Union College. The first session of the school will be held at Union College June 23-August 4, 1908. The expenses will be two dollars per week for board, room, heat, light, bath and laundry, with a tuition of six dollars for the term. By arrangement of the Central Union Conference this tuition will be remitted to all accredited teachers. The announcement, containing full description of courses of study, is now ready, and will be sent to all desiring it. Students should enroll before June 15. All correspondence should be addressed to Union College Summer School, College View, Neb.

#### OUR LITERATURE

The place our literature occupies in the giving of the message should be carefully studied and understood by all. Its importance is a prerequisite factor to the success of everyone who engages in this work. If we can but sense, at least in a limited way, the great influence our literature is having in molding the minds

of men throughout the world, I am sure more of us would engage in its circulation. The printed page stands in the same relation to the message that a scout does to an army—it is the forerunner, the advance guard; by it a knowledge of the truth may be quickly carried to every part of the land.

By this means the minds of men will be arrested, and their attention will be called to the meaning of the things that are taking place, interest will be aroused, and from different places calls will come for the living preacher. The truth will reach many souls who would otherwise never hear the truth, and thus the message will accomplish its work throughout the earth. W. L. MANFULL.

#### OBITUARY

**MANHART**—In the early morning of April 14 Sister Mary Manhart, of Northfield, Minnesota, fell asleep in Jesus. The transition from the sleep of life to the sleep of death came without her waking. To the writer the circumstance is a beautiful illustration of the Christian life and the life which is to come. About one week before her death Sister Manhart requested that prayer be offered in her behalf. Elder Kuehl, the mother and the writer complied with the request. She was resigned to whatever God had in store for her. The pain left her, and recovery seemed certain; but on the evening of April 13 the deceased retired as usual, and at two in the morning passed away. When she awakes on the resurrection morning it will be as though to greet the nurse on the morning of April 14. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord. To the bereaved husband it must be a comforting thought that in life he had sought to make her happy. Sister Manhart leaves a father and mother. (Brother and Sister Fishback) husband, four brothers and four sisters. The funeral service was conducted in the beautiful home. The seed thought selected was the words of the "preacher," "Let thy garments be always white." S. E. JACKSON.

**LEVISON**—Died at Swan Lake, S. D., April 2, 1908, Lars Levison. Brother

Levison was born in Denmark, where he lived until twenty-four years old, when he came to America, settling first in Benton county, Iowa, but later came to Turner county, S. D., where he has resided since 1875. In 1875 he was married to Miss Anna Lena Peterson. To this union ten children were born, eight of whom are living, and all are in the truth. In the spring of 1877, he with his wife, were baptized and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church at Swan Lake. Brother Levison was regarded as an honest, energetic Christian, and was loved both in the church and neighborhood. The funeral services were held April 4. A very large concourse of people met at the Seventh-day Adventist church, where words of comfort were spoken by the writer. Brother Levison's hope was firm and we shall, if faithful, meet him again soon. J. W. CHRISTIAN.

**BURGESON**—Died at the home of his daughter, at La Delle, S. D., March 31, 1908, our beloved father, N. F. Burgeson, aged 89 years, 10 months, 11 days. Father was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, in May, 1818. He came to America in 1866, and settled in Wisconsin, but soon after moved with his family to Brown county, Minnesota, where he lived until one year ago, when he moved to South Dakota, where he has lived with his daughter until the time of his death. Father gave his heart to Jesus early in life, being a member of the Baptist church until about forty years ago, when he cast his lot with those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. He has lived a quiet, consistent Christian life, and was a member of the La Delle church at the time of his death. He leaves a wife and six children, together with other friends, to mourn their loss. However we mourn not as those without hope, firmly believing that he will come forth at the first resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the Methodist minister from Phil. 3: 8; John 14: 6.

H. G. BURGESON.

**GREENE**—Died at Wadena, Minnesota, March 14, 1908, of cancer of the stomach, Mrs. Lucinda Greene. Sister Greene was born in Rock county, Wisconsin, May 8, 1846, and was married to Deforis Greene, January 24, 1867. To them were born eight children, of whom five are living. Sister Greene went to sleep in Jesus with a bright hope of eternal life. While sorrow fills

our hearts, yet it is a sorrow with a bright hope of a glad reunion in the near future, when death is swallowed up in victory. In all her suffering she manifested patience and resignation. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer to the friends who are left to mourn. ANDREW MEAD.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES

A NEW edition of "Christ in Song" has been prepared and will be ready for distribution some time in June. The old edition has been revised, all of the favorite old songs being retained in the new one, and over one hundred soul-stirring new ones have been added. The new edition will contain 128 pages more than the old one. The popular binding will be the full cloth, which will cost 60 cents.

INASMUCH as the Fourth of July this year falls on the Sabbath, it was the expressed desire of the General Conference council that a special program, combining the ideas of religious liberty and missions, be prepared for Sabbath, the fourth of July, and that the regular midsummer offering be taken on that day.

The recent issue of the *Watchman* entitled "The Morning Cometh," is still being sold by many energetic workers; they find it to be one of the most attractive and instructive papers they have handled. The publishers have been obliged to print two new editions this spring.

In 1898 Europe had 6,002 Sabbath-keepers, who paid a tithe of \$38,500, and offerings of \$5,500. In 1907 there were 15,400 Sabbath-keepers, a tithe of \$142,000, with offerings of \$25,000.

It is the hope of all conference officials that our Sabbath schools will give all of the donations to missions hereafter.

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A HEARING on the Sunday observance bills was given Wednesday, April 15, before a sub-committee of the committee on the District of Columbia. The hearing occupied an hour and a half, and was equally divided between those who favored either or both of the bills and those who opposed them. The leading argument in opposition to the bills was made by Elder W. W. Prescott, the editor of the *Review*, who had been requested to present the views of Seventh-day Adventists upon the question of enforced Sunday observance. It was demonstrated by Elder Prescott that the bills were religious in their character, and were aimed to secure the observance of a day held as sacred by a part of the community rather than to protect all citizens in their equal rights. W. A. Colcord made a brief argument in which he

traced the history of the Sunday bills now before Congress, and showed that they originated in an interdenominational committee representing the churches of the District, thus making it clear that the real purpose of this legislation is of a religious character. Several persons spoke in favor of the passage of the bills, the arguments being based upon the personal benefits to be attained. One speaker argued that these bills were for the benefit of a certain limited class, and thought that those not directly affected by the bills ought not to oppose them.

At the union meeting in Washington, D. C., Sabbath, April 18, before the taking of the morning offering, Elder W. A. Spicer occupied a few minutes in relating items of special interest in connection with the progress of our work in the regions beyond. He said: "Every week there is need of offerings, because every week there is an extension of the work. Six missionaries for Africa are to-day tossing upon the waters of the mid-Atlantic, two of whom are to join Elder W. H. Anderson at the mission station in Barotse-land. Our work is just being opened in Guatemala by Brethren Nowlen and Cardey. In China the brethren are just separating from a general meeting to go to their fields, with hearts filled with courage. In Korea they have just held their first general workers' institute, with forty Seventh-day Adventist workers and leaders in attendance. An illustrated pamphlet, entitled "The Everlasting Gospel," is now sounding this message in the Hindi tongue, which can reach eighty millions of people. This work needs our prayers, our gifts, and our consecrated service."

AMONG the many encouraging features that mark the revival of the canvassing work, is the number of old canvassers who, after years spent in other ways, are now returning to this work. The spirit of prophecy has stated that God is calling the canvassers back to their work; and every old canvasser who responds to this call can have the double assurance that he is doing the Lord's will, and may expect special help and strength in once more entering the field with his prospectus.

OVER two thousand of the cases against theater people, actors, managers and others employed in Kansas City play houses, which were brought as a result of the Sunday observance crusade started by Judge William H. Wallace, of the criminal court last September, were wiped off the docket of the court April 20, when I. B. Kimbrell, prosecuting attorney of Jackson county, made a motion to dismiss them.

MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS, the Iowa Sabbath school secretary, writes: "Nearly all the Sabbath school reports thus far this quarter read, 'All to missions.' We are sorry a few have not been keeping the collection for supplies separate from the regular contributions, and hope from this time on that this plan will be followed in every school."

WORD from the General Conference council meeting at Washington states that most interesting and important meetings are being held. The *Review* will contain a report of the meetings.

THE young people of the Nebraska conference have given a printing plant to the Huntsville Industrial School.