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

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WORK

Let me but do my work from day to day,
In field or forest, at the desk or loom,
In roaring market-place or tranquil room;
Let me but find it in my heart to say,
When vagrant wishes beckon me astray,
"This is my work; my blessing, not my doom;
Of all who live, I am the one by whom
This work can best be done in the right way."

Then shall I see it not too great, nor small,
To suit my spirit and prove my powers;
Then shall I cheerful greet the laboring hours
And cheerful turn, when the long shadows fall
At eventide, to play and love and rest,
Because I know for me my work is best.—Sel.

"SPEAK UNTO THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL THAT THEY GO FORWARD"

The experience of ancient Israel in leaving Egypt to enter the land of Canaan is presented to us as a type of the people of God in the last days. We are soon to receive the fruition of the promised land in its fullness. Scattered in every land, among every tribe and nation, are the true Israel of God to-day. The call to "Go Forward" must be borne to all these by the living messenger before the Lord will come.

This means that the living messenger must go to all parts of the earth with the gospel of Christ. This calls first, for the consecration of individuals to God; second, for a consecration of means. It means that many must leave the native land and kinship, to go into a foreign clime among strangers, and there give their lives for the salvation of precious souls.

But are those who go to be the only ones to make sacrifices? The answer is, evidently, "No, no." It is plain that those at home must share in this sacrifice by liberal donations to sustain the work.

The movement undertaken in this country to raise an amount equal to ten cents a week for every Sabbath-keeper is reasonable, and must be accomplished. This means that a sum equal to \$5.20 per member is to be raised per annum for foreign mission work alone. To accomplish this some must give much larger sums than this. All must unitedly lift and work and pray. The aggregate sum for the Northern Union Conference to raise would be about \$36,000. How can this be accomplished? Permit me to suggest first, that we increase the Sabbath school donations to not less than five cents a member for each week. An earnest effort on the part of the Sabbath school and church officers can accomplish this, I am sure. From this source alone we will have one-half the sum, or eighteen thousand dollars, raised in the Northern Union Conference. If all enter into this good work, it will be done so easily that we shall hardly know how it was raised. The rest must be raised by Sabbath offerings, and the regular special collections for foreign work, such as the Fourth of July offering and the regular offering given at the annual Week of Prayer.

I am sure that each church, with a proper effort, can do this, and find it no real burden to anyone. Each church elder and Sabbath school superintendent should at once see that his school and church is advancing with this call to Israel to "go forward."

At the recent council held in Washington, D. C., calls came to the Mission Board exceeding by far anything received in the past. It will require not less than three hundred thousand dollars to meet the present appropriations, and to meet the growing demands, and these are constantly increasing as the work reaches into the needy and dark corners of earth.

Our work has been extended unto almost all nations of the world. Living representatives of the Third Angel's Message are now to be found in some part of every country on the globe. And, according to the natural working of the law of supply and demand, as these believers increase the demand for more laborers and the extension of the work also grows. We should all feel very sad if this was not so. It would greatly discourage us if this condition of things did not exist. It is the surest evidence and strongest proof that Christ is soon coming that is to be seen. I well remember the second camp meeting I ever attended; it was thirty-seven years ago. Elder James White was asked at that meeting what he considered the most striking evidence that Christ's coming was near at hand. The elder replied, "We have signs in the sun, moon and stars; in the elements of the earth; in the church; in the social sphere and the political arena; these all point to the approach of this one great event; but the sign above all others that most forcibly convinces me is the fact that this warning message is going to every kindred, nation, tongue and people."

If this sign of the end was reassuring to Elder White thirtyseven years ago, when only half a dozen nationalities had accepted the message, what must it be to us to-day? Now the message is printed in languages in which about ninety-five per cent of the population of the earth can read it. Living ministers and agents are actively carrying the message of salvation to all parts of the earth. A blessed opportunity of sharing in this closing work is given to every individual. The aged, those in

middle life, and the children can all take some part.

Again, let me urge that we keep this goal before the minds of our children in the Sabbath school, and before our brethren, as they toil on the farm, in the shop or office, wherever their present duty calls them, and let none of us slight this precious privilege, but unite in praying and giving, that we may see the accomplishment of this work speedily. R. A. Underwood.

NORTH DAKOTA MISSION-ARY VOLUNTEERS

April 14 I left Minneapolis to join Brother J. F. Simon, the educational and Missionary Volunteer secretary in North Dakota. We first visited Harvey academy, where we held some very enjoyable meetings with the teachers and students. The faculty is rejoicing that twentyfive students will remain until the close of the school year. This is the largest number the school has held through the spring term. Our brethren in that state have such a large acreage that they feel compelled to withdraw their children from school in order to manage their farms.

From Harvey we went to Fargo, where we found a live little company of believers. The Lord came very near in our Sabbath meeting, and eight children and youth gave their hearts to God. We feel that there are great possibilities before the church in Fargo. Three young ladies are attending high school, and two of them graduate this spring. The graduation exercises come on Friday night, so it will give them an opportunity to show their colors and be Esthers, making plain that they have "come to the kingdom for such a

time as this." To be sure it crucifies the natural desires, after spending four years of hard work in high school, not to be able to be graduated with the class. But Paul said, "What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ."

In planning the work with Elder Kunkel and Brother Simon, it was decided to organize a State Missionary Volunteer Society. All of our youth who believe the principles of the Third Angel's Message, and are constrained by the love of Christ to work for souls, can become Missionary Volunteers.

Brother Simon will keep in touch with the members, submitting to them plans for work and assisting all he can. The Missionary Volunteers will report directly to him. As quickly as revival efforts can be held in the different churches, and a foundation laid for an aggressive campaign in Christian work, the young people's work will be organized in the local churches. The purpose of the young people's organization is to deepen the Christian experience of all the young people in our ranks, and train them to take an active part in carrying to the world the message of a crucified, risen and soon-coming Saviour.

The prospects for the educational work in North Dakota are most encouraging. There are openings for six or eight educated, consecrated German church school teachers, at from \$40 to \$60 a month. Any reader of the Reaper will confer a great favor by notifying me of competent German young men and women who might be secured for church school teachers.

C. L. BENSON, 2718 Third avenue S., Minneapolis, Minn.

From the Field &

Iowa

COUNCIL BLUFFS

The regular quarterly meeting services were held Sabbath and Sunday, April 11-12. Sabbath was a most beautiful day, and the church was well represented. Baptismal services were held, and three precious souls went down into a watery grave to walk in newness of life, with a new experience in Christ Jesus. One of the number was one of my readers, a lady who has bitter opposition from her husband, and as she took her stand for the truth it touched the hearts of all present. Her three children expect to follow their mother's example soon. Following the baptism the ordinances were celebrated, and as all took part the Spirit of the Lord came near.

The church has decided to furnish a library for the young people's society, and a substantial collection was taken with which we expect to make a good beginning. The church feels greatly encouraged because the debt of several hundred dollars, which has stood for many years against it, has been entirely paid, and a song of jubilee is being sung.

The Lord is prospering the work here, and we hope that ere long many more may be added to the church.

MARGARET E. YOUNG.

South Dakota

CHAMBERLAIN

The work in this field is still onward, and the truth is gaining strength every day. We are now in the very midst of church building. We are putting in a building 28 x 52 feet with a 9 foot basement under it, 28 x 46 feet, for church school purposes, and we plan on a school, beginning next September, to last nine months. Our people here are all of good courage, and are taking hold of the work with a determination to see it move forward. The city gave us \$2,000, and we have raised about \$800 among our own people locally, so we have now \$2,800 on band. We will need about \$3,300, and will keep at work until it is all raised.

The nurses' class at the sanitarium is well filled, and we have confidence that many from this place will enter the field work. May the Lord teach us how to labor for him in all lines.

Last week I went down to Woonsocket and made final arrangements for the camp meeting which will be held in that place. About \$250 was given by the business men of Woonsocket toward defraying our expense. The prospects for a large meeting are good, and we are making arrangements to provide for all who come. May the Lord help us to realize the need of attending this gathering June 11-22.

C. M. CLARK.

AN IMPORTANT GATHER-ING

The camp meeting to be held at Woonsocket, S. D., June 11-21, will be a very important gathering. These annual convocations are becoming more and more important as we draw near the end. We can not afford to miss the blessings which the Lord will pour out upon his people at this time. The divine exhortation is: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together. . . . and

so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

Dear brethren, lay your plans to attend this feast, and let nothing trivial keep you away. Why may we not expect that this will be the best camp meeting ever held in South Dakota? Pray that the Lord may richly bless this meeting, and bring the angels with you when you come—then the ground will be a hallowed place because of God's presence. N. P. NEILSEN.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES

The constitution of the South Dakota conference provides that "each organized church shall be entitled to one delegate, and one additional delegate for every fifteen members." As the time appointed for our annual conference will soon be here, I would urge all our churches to elect the full number of delegates, and one or two alternates, as soon as possible, and send the names to my address given below, that a complete list may be in hand at the opening of the conference. Word has been sent to all our church elders or leaders, and we trust this matter will receive prompt attention. "Not slothful in business" is a Bible motto-let us act upon it. May the Lord richly bless our conference session!

N. P. NEILSEN, Conf. Sec.

Volga, S. D.

NOTICE

The next session of the South Dakota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the camp meeting at Woonsocket, S. D., June 11-21, 1908. At this time officers will be elected for the ensuing year, and all other business which should come before the conference will receive attention. The first business meet-

ing will be held Thursday, June 11, at 11 A. M. Let all the churches elect their delegates and send a list of their names to Elder N. P. Neilsen, Volga, S. D., at once.

J. W. Christian.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder J. W. Christian came to Chamberlain Friday, April 24, and stayed until Monday, holding seven meetings. These were well attended and much help was received. We all enjoyed this short visit.

Sister Ella Rubendall, of Artesian, who had been at the sanitarium for an operation, returned home practically well April 24.

Minnesota

DULUTH

While we have nothing unusual to report at this time, I feel that in justice to our brethren and sisters in Minnesota, who have so nobly contributed of their means to the support of the work in this place, that I should tell you what progress we are making.

Immediately upon my return from the Northern Union Conference meeting our building committee decided to put a stone foundation underneath the church before plastering it. Accordingly plans were laid, the contract let and the foundation is now in process of building. We hope to get the plastering done this coming week, and will then be ready for the finishing. If all goes well we hope to have our building ready for use by the last of May.

We are more and more convinced of the value of the church building as an aid to the work. Already many are declaring their intention to attend our services as soon as the building is completed. Interested persons are to be found here and there who are hungry for the Lord's truth. Another individual has recently acknowledged the binding claims of God's law, and we believe he will soon be one with us.

The church is selling 1,000 copies of Life and Health this month, and we expect that many of the members will follow this work month by month. This work has brought many good experiences to our members. Two young ladies went down town and sold fifty copies of the magazine in about one hour, and this is only a sample of other similar experiences. Four hundred copies are already out, and we are pushing the work. We believe that this is as it should be-"like the leaves of autumn." Not only has this effort brought a blessing to the workers and scattered the seeds of truth, but thirty-five dollars of the profits from the sale of these papers will go into the church fund.

We are glad to learn that the church in St. Paul has secured so desirable a property at so reasonable a price, and thus escaped the care and effort connected with the erection of a building. But both of these buildings must be paid for, and we must have the help of the brethren in the state to accomplish this.

We are truly grateful to God and to the brethren for the spirit of liberality that has been manifested so far toward these enterprises, and we trust that those who have unpaid pledges will see to it that these are paid at the earliest possible moment, so that all obligations may be met and this matter closed up at once. There is now less than one

month until camp meeting. Let us rally at once, brethren, and close this matter up. Let us come up to camp meeting with a clean record.

It may be of interest to know that \$350 has been raised in Duluth, in addition to the \$1,200 that had been raised up to camp meeting time last year. This mades a total of \$1,550 raised by a little company of less than thirty-five members. I speak of this that you may see that our people here are doing what they can, and with the hope that it may encourage our brethren in the state to rally to our help. Our little chapel is small, but neat and commendable in appearance.

As we view the work at the present time we feel encouraged, and, putting on "the whole armor of God," let us now go forth to battle in the name of the Lord. We greatly desire the prayers of God's children.

C. M. BABCOCK.

A VISIT

From April 8-22 Duluth, Feeley and Blackberry were visited and meetings held. At Blackberry are one English and one Swedish families, who meet on the Sabbath. I am thankful to find the latter family, who a year ago started to obey under opposition and fear, growing firm in the truth. The testimonies of the spirit of God are precious to them. They also asked to be baptized later on.

Seven miles below is the little town called Feeley. Here is a growing company of Sabbath-keepers, composed of Americans, Swedes and Germans, who meet for Sabbath school in a private house. As this is very much crowded, they are in need of a place for worship, and this they

are considering. A Swedish Baptist family at this place have recently embraced the truth and are rejoicing in it. The first impression they received, and that which led to an investigation, was from an article in our Swedish paper, given them by Sister F. Pogue many years ago, in which Father Enright offered \$1,000 to anyone who would produce one text from the Bible in support of Sunday-keeping. Thinking there must be such texts in the Bible, the article was shown to a brother, asking his opinion. The brother told them that no such texts were to be found. (This man is now much opposed to the truth.) This led to an earnest Bible study, in which aid was given by our books and tracts. Later on there appeared in the Baptist paper, under the Sunday school lesson, which was on the topic of the "Ten Commandments," an explanation by the editor to the effect that the Sabbath had been changed to Sunday by the apostles. This man immediately wrote to the editor, stating his inability to find a record of this in the Bible, and asked for the verse and chapter where it was given. In answer to this inquiry an insulting letter was received, charging him with being poisoned with heresy; but there was no Bible proof given.

All of these things, together with my two visits last year, tended to bring the man to a decision, and last winter he began to obey, though in fear. But he was soon to be freed from all bonds. That freedom came one Sabbath day when the Baptist minister came and began scolding and threatening him for his Sabbath-keeping. As he then defended the truth, all fears disappeared, all bands were severed, and great freedom and

blessing came in their place. Shortly after this he was disfellowshiped by his brethren on the ground that he had accepted the Adventist Sabbath. He was not allowed to say a word in defense of the truth. I held several meetings in his house, and some of his friends are much interested.

I also held two English meetings at Swan River, where the lamp of truth is held up by Sister Harrington. I much enjoyed my stay at her house. Brother and Sister Reed and family were kept from the meetings by scarlet fever in the home. Their youngest son died from the disease while I was there, and three other children were sick. They have our sympathy.

On the way to Minneapolis, where I am again working, I stopped one day in Duluth, holding quarterly meeting with the Scandinavian church, and baptized one brother.

FRED JOHNSON.

MINNESOTA CAMP MEET-ING COLUMN

The camp meeting will soon be upon us. Tents, stoves and springs should be ordered soon. The rates will be as follows: Tents 10 x 10, \$2; 12 x 14, \$2.50; bed springs, 50 cents each; stoves and fuel, \$1. Tables, benches, chairs and straw for bed ticks will be furnished on the ground at as reasonable a rate as possible. All orders should be sent to Elder J. F. Anderson, box 989, Minneapolis, Minn.

At the conference session a full delegation from the churches is very much desired. As the committees are made up the first day of the meeting, it is impossible to put the representative brethren on them unless they are present as delegates. Will those

whose duty it is see to it that the delegates are duly appointed, and that their names are sent to the state secretary. The first meeting is appointed for Friday morning, June 5, at 9:30 o'clock.

If you are feeling indifferent in regard to coming to the gathering, kindly note the following from Testimony No. 6, "It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our members are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth. Anciently the Lord instructed his people to assemble three times a year for his worship. Thus they were to be preserved from the corrupting power of worldliness and idolatry. Faith and love and gratitude were to be kept alive in their hearts, and through their association together in this sacred service, they were to be drawn closer to God and to one another."

You need the meeting, brethren, and the meeting needs you. Come. S. E. JACKSON.

ALEXANDRIA

I remember seeing, a few years ago, a farmer busily engaged in a straw stack, shaking the straw and sifting the chaff, that he might obtain the grain which the threshers had failed to save. The work was hard and trying, and at times he felt tempted to leave it for something that seemed more promising. But when, after the task was done, he saw a goodly number of sacks full of fine grain ready for his bin, he knew that he had not toiled in vain. He was well paid for his effort.

This farmer's experience has

often come to my mind this winter. Our experience has been similar to it in many ways. You will all remember that a successful tent effort was conducted here last summer by Elders Emmerson and Chapman. At the close of this effort Brother Emmerson was compelled to leave on account of failing health, and I was asked to take his place.

With the exception of a few weeks, we have been here ever since, trying to faithfully shake the straw and sift the chaff. It has been a hard and difficult task, and at times we may have felt tempted to leave for a newer and more promising field, but by the help of God we have labored on. Public meetings have been held; regular weekly Bible readings have been conducted in many homes; scores of visits have been made, and thousands of pages of tracts, papers and books have been placed in the hands of the people. Now when we see a number of precious souls rejoicing in this glorious truthready for the heavenly garneras the result of our efforts, we, like the farmer, feel that our toil has not been in vain. To us these souls are "pearls of great price." Words can not describe the joy that fills our hearts when we see sinners turning to God, and "likewise there is joy in heaven."

As there are a number of Scandinavians in this place who do not understand the English language, some work has been done for them in their own tongue, with the result that three are keeping the Sabbath.

Sunday evening, May 3, Evangelist Lyon will begin a great revival effort here. A mammoth tabernacle has been erected for the occasion. So far the mere preparations have caused an unusual excitement. THE BOOK WORK

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What will it be when he comes? We are hoping and praying that all this stir and excitement will not have an evil influence upon those who have not yet fully decided for the truth. To this end we also desire the earnest prayers of all the REAPER family.

A. V. OLSON.

ST. CLOUD

Since last reporting I have been at home for a few days, moving my family from Brainerd to Alexandria. The object of this was to locate where there will be a church school, and I hope a permanent one, as it has been quite an expense and worry to move from place to place in order to keep the boys in a church school. I traveled across the country from Brainerd to Alexandria by team, while the family went around by rail. I improved the opportunity of talking the truth wherever I had the privilege, and I stopped over the Sabbath with a family who became very much interested in the message. I sold them a copy of

"Bible Readings." I had a very profitable and enjoyable time with them. I also had several good visits with other persons along the road.

As I traveled over plain and through the wood, the thought came to me, "How will these scattered people be warned of the impending destruction?" Then the words of the prophet came to my mind, "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord." If there ever was a time when we, as individuals, needed the power of the Holy Spirit that time is now upon us. The world seems to be in a whirlpool of destruction, and Satan is neither asleep nor idle. "He has come down with great wrath because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." We need to take on the whole armor now, if we will be able to stand.

There is still some interest here in St. Cloud. I had the opportunity of meeting a revivalist from St. Paul, and I rubbed up against him quite hard on some of the important points of the message, insomuch that he was obliged to leave the plain word of God, and resort to the spurious teachings of men. I am more thankful than ever for the plain word which will stop every mouth. May we all study its sacred pages more, and live out its teachings better, is my prayer.

GEO. L. BUDD.

North Dakota

A LITTLE EXPERIENCE

Last week I enjoyed my work very much, as I always do when I am trying to place the pages of present truth in the homes of the people. Where I was there were many Catholics. One young man told me he was the only one in the family who was a Catholic, and that he did most of the reading. He said he wanted one of the books (Great Controversy). Another man told me that education is what makes infidels, and that he knew all he wished to know. At another place a lady told me that they were not allowed to read any books about Jesus except Catholic books. I suggested that they did not enjoy the liberty a Christian should enjoy. She answered that they enjoyed all of the liberty they desired to enjoy. From this we can realize the terrible darkness so many of the people are in. One man told me that the book was too expensive, and tried to get me to cut the price. He did not seem to care much about taking the book until he found that I was a Seventh-day Adventist. by allowing him some credit for my lodging he subscribed readily.

There is nothing in heaven nor earth which will bring so much joy and peace to God's children as will this one thing: to know we are where Jesus wants us to be, and doing what he wants us to do. I do not always enjoy this blessing, but it is because I do not always comply with the condition. Oh, my brethren, canvassers of the Northern Union, let us arouse as never before, and press into battle; for Satan our adversary sleeps not, but is constantly in the field. May God show each one of us our duty is my prayer.

W. B. PAYNE.

DOES THIS MEAN YOU?

Looking over the different pledge lists I find a large amount to the credit of the different funds, and some of these pledges were made as early as 1904. I know all our dear people desire to meet their obligations, and no doubt many would have paid their pledges before this if they had known the amount due. We are much in need of money at the academy, and we would like to send the promised belp to those in need in South America and India, so we will soon send a statement to those who have pledged so that they may know where they stand.

Now, dear brethren and sisters, I hope you will do all you can to redeem your pledges, for we have been and are now depending on the amount promised, and are greatly in need. Send your remittance to Mrs. Alice H. Robinson, box 285, Fargo, N. D.

C. J. KUNKEL.

HARVEY

One more week with its experiences and opportunities is in the past. Neither tongue nor pen can express my gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his care and loving favor to me.

Many souls are waiting for the blessed truth, while some are opposing it. One man told me we might believe and practice what we pleased, but that we do very wrong to teach others. He bought "Steps to Christ." Another man told me that the Minnesota state law prohibited the sale of Seventh-day Adventist books, but he being in North Dakota felt free to subscribe for "Great Controversy." Thank the Lord there is no such prohibition, as is plainly shown by the increase in the list of Minnesota canvassers in the REAPER. Let the good work go on.

A CANVASSER.

NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

Work on the school farm is progressing nicely. Some of the wheat is up and looking fine. Blacksmithing is well under way, and is showing a material saving.

Has your subscription to the Review expired? You should renew before it ceases its visits; if you are not a subscriber, you certainly ought to be.

As you are remembering the work in general while you are talking with God, remember the work at the academy.

Mrs. A. M. Kunkel and family have arrived at Harvey, where they expect to make their future home.

Elder Walker has been home for a few days, but is now back to his field, west of the Missouri.

Elder Kunkel has started to build a home near the academy.

THE Naval Edition of the Signs of the Times is a very attractive number, and should be a good seller. Some will buy it for the illustrations, others for the statistics and other information it offers, and still others will desire it for the religious instruction contained in it. Whoever receives it will get full value for their investment.

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NORTHERN UNION CAMP MEETINGS

WE commend Elder Underwood's article, on the first page of this issue, for a second reading by everyone who receives this number of the REAPER. treats of a matter which should be of special importance to every believer who recognizes, as we profess to do, that the gospel of the kingdom must go to all the world before we can hope for the fulfillment of the Saviour's promise to come again. A few of the workers in the mission fields are self-supporting, but the majority of them must have a regular remittance each month in order to carry along the work they are commissioned to do.

The means to support these workers must come from those who remain in the home field, and if the people are willing there will be no difficulty at all in meeting the demands for the present and providing for the future. No one familiar with the progress of our work in the world will deny that the message is going with a power hitherto unknown, and the Scripture says, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Let each one ask himself, am I willing? In the olden time it was found necessary to restrain the people from giving, as their freewill offerings could not all be used in the work for which they were called. Is it asking too much then of believers to give sufficient for the maintenance of the great work the Lord is now doing in the earth?

THE second number of Liberty for 1908 is full of the best things that have been written upon the proper relation of the church and state; religion and liberty; evil results of religious legislation; Garrison's plea for religious liberty; Judge Cooley on religious liberty; America as a Christian nation; a strong protest against religious legislation; religious liberty in other lands; the Baptist memorial against Sunday legislation; notable waymarks in parliamentary history; Macauley on the Puritan Parliament; Judge Holbrook's vigorous protest against Sabbath legislation in the District of Columbia; religious toleration and rights; a strong temperance address by a W. C. T. U. evangelist; drink and crime; prohibition; results of drink in France, and much other good matter.

ACTIVE preparations are being made by the Minnesota, North

Dakota and South Dakota conferences for the soon-coming camp meetings. Besides the local help, Elders I. H. Evans, Frederick Griggs and R. A. Underwood will attend all of these meetings. Elder C. L. Benson will have charge of the young people's meetings, in connection with the local help. Special instruction will be given to local missionary secretaries in an effort to revive the missionary spirit in the churches. The canvassing work will be given proper attention by the canvassing agents of the different conferences and W. L. Manfull. Provision is being made to make all comfortable who come to the meetings.

Ar the recent council meeting at Takoma Park it was recommended that Elder R. C. Porter take the presidency of the South African Union Conference; that Elder W. J. Fitzgerald, of the Columbia Union, take the presidency of the British Union; that Elder Andross, of the British Union, take the presidency of the Columbia Union; that Elder N. C. Bergerson, of Iowa, take the presidency of the Norway conference.

THE tithe received during the month of April, 1907, by the treasurer of the Iowa conference amounted to \$8,176.82, which was \$1,000 more than had ever before been received in a single month; but last month the treasurer received \$9,185.41, an increase of \$1,008.59 over last year.

The first edition of Life and Health for May was 35,000 copies, and it will be necessary to print a second editon at once. The first edition of the present number of Liberty was 50,000 copies.