

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

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#### THE CANVASSER

Who is it goes from door to door, Repeats his story o'er and o'er, And takes the orders by the score? The Canvasser,

Who is it tramps through storm and shine, No knowing when or where he'll dine, Of troubled thoughts he gives no sign? The Canvasser.

Who is it meets the stern and rude
With pleasant smile and cheerful word,
By no ill treatment he's disturbed?
The Canvasser.

With book and tract he trudges on,
The message gives to every one,
While unseen angels guide from harm,
The Canvasser.

O, may thy faith and courage be Unfailing as the boundless sea; We pray God's blessing upon thee, Dear Canvasser.—Sel.

### THE MIDSUMMER OFFERING

Sabbath, July 4, has been appointed by the General Conference Committee as the day for our midsummer offering this year. A program will be provided, one important topic of which will be religious liberty. How fitting, on this national holiday, the birthday of our national life and liberty, to take a survey of the present status of the important question of religious liberty.

From the prophetic view-point, the present is fraught with great interest, and momentous events are just before us. At this writing the Senate of the United States has already passed a bill, applicable in the District of Columbia, enforcing the observance of the first day of the week upon those who do not keep some other day. No fewer than ten bills have been introduced into the present Congress, all pertaining to the enforcement or

recognition of Sunday as the Christian sabbath. There has been a very strong agitation to get Congress to commit itself in favor of Sunday laws. A federation of churches is being rapidly effected, and the combined religious denominations of the country are making their influence felt on all legislative bodies. What once was asked from Congress by petition of separate religious organizations, is now demanded as a right, by a federation claiming to represent a great majority of the people.

Nor do these professed Christian people forget that a judge of the Supreme Court of the United States has already declared this to be "a Christian nation." Their demands for Sunday laws are based upon this principle. That "this is a Christian nation" is reiterated continually by those making these demands, and they are now demanding additional statute laws, based upon the assumption that this is "a Christian nation," and being such, Congress must make laws enforcing what these federated churches believe will help the people to be still more religious.

The image to the beast is certainly forming. Its growth is rapid. The future thrills with intense interest to the student of prophecy. But before the end the message of warning must go to all the world. Men must move on to the front. New recruits must be called. The army of workers must be greatly augmented. Every man put into a mission field calls for additional funds; and as the work develops, the demands for more means increase proportionately. The question is, Shall the work be held back because the treasury is depleted, and there are no funds with which to support the work? Surely if God is leading in the fulfillment of prophecy, he must expect his people to keep step and push forward the message in harmony with his leadership.

The midsummer offering comes at a time when the General Conference treasury is nearly empty. In the past, we have realized much help from this offering. It has been a great relief to those who are compelled to forward the money to foreign fields. It would seem that on this special occasion, when there is such a tremendous demand for money in foreign fields, it would not be too much if we should raise twenty thousand dollars in this offering.

It will require planning on the part of each one of us to arrange for very much at this season of the year. Nevertheless, I believe that our people will heartily respond to this midsummer offering, and will do what they can. Let us not forget the date, Sabbath, July 4. Why not begin at once to gather funds for a liberal offering on this important occasion?

I. H. EVANS.

#### OUR BOOK WORK

We truly feel encouraged over the outlook in South Dakota for the sale of our good books this summer. The crops are in fine condition and prospects are very good. This gives the people courage to buy. Only five or six workers started in at the beginning of the season, but Union College added eight to our list, and seven will go from Elk Point. These, with the two who entered the work a short time ago, will give us a nice list of workers.

We are putting six or seven of our lady canvassers in country territory with horses and buggies. We believe this will be a successful plan, and we trust that earnest prayers will rise evening and morning for the success of our literature workers, and that some precious soul may see the truth for this time and be saved in the day of God.

You will notice by the weekly reports that our canvassers are having splendid success. The sales each week are ranging from \$18 to \$125. The outlook is certainly encouraging. I trust there are those who will come to the different camp meetings expecting to go right into the field. The Lord is bidding us enter now into the great harvest. Why delay?

W. L. Manfull.

#### "PAPA, IS GOD DEAD?"

Well do I remember reading of a certain man who had once been active in church work, but who had ceased to work and pray. His little girl climbed upon his lap one day and said, "Papa, is God dead?" "Why no, my child," he replied; "why do you ask?" "O you never talk to him any more," she said, "and I thought perhaps he was dead."

This childish question contains a lesson for us. When we first accepted this precious truth how it thrilled our souls with joy, and how anxious we were to tell it to others. How eager we were to use every opportunity to make it known. Like pent up fire within our breasts we could find no rest until we had presented what we had received to others. We loved to "tell it o'er and o'er again." How we watched for opportunities to scatter tracts and distribute literature wherever we could. And how we rejoiced when we found ears that were ready to listen, and hearts that would respond to the truth.

But how is it now? The truth is just as clear, and the message just as plain as it ever was; but are we as anxious to make it known as we were when we first accepted it? Do we take as great delight in scattering tracts and papers as we did in other days? If not, "Is God dead?" Or has

the truth lost its power upon our hearts? O let us return to our first earnestness in scattering the printed page, and in telling the truth to others. Then will new life spring up within us, and our love for the truth will increase.

N. P. NEILSEN.

# From the Field &

## South Dakota

# "TIME WAITS FOR NO ONE"

The conference year has come to a close, although it hardly seems that twelve months have passed since our last conference and camp meeting. The Lord has greatly blessed us in our work, and the cheering reports that have appeared in the REAPER from week to week from our workers have shown the wonderful progress this message has made in our local fields. The same power that is manifested in foreign fields in this message is known in the home land. How it rejoices our hearts to see souls come out of darkness into the light of this blessed truth, and then to see them rejoice in it. How this must bring joy to the hearts of all the advent believers! Have you read these cheering reports all the year? If so, I know you are acquainted with each line of our work, and you are in a position to say, surely the work is onward, and this "gospel of the kingdom" will soon go to all the world, and then the end will come.

In this conference the work has grown. New fields have been entered, churches organized and buildings erected which add strength to the work, and show to the people of the world the light as a "city on a hill whose light cannot be hid." Our school

at Elk Point has been filled with a good class of young people, and a good work has been done for them. Just one prayer I heard a young man utter, whom I had never known to pray before he entered the school, was worth to me all and more than I have given to the school. How the hearts of fathers and mothers must rejoice to see the boy preparing for the ministry, or the girl preparing for the church school or medical missionary work, or for other service in the harvest field. Here is also a well equipped sanitarium, located in a most beautiful place on the banks of the Missouri river, looking across an American island covered with a fine growth of natural timber. It is a beautiful place. But best of all it is well manned with a strong company of Christian physicians and nurses; and this branch of the work, which the Lord has spoken so much about to his people, has made a wonderful growth during the past year. Souls have accepted the message here and others are very much interested. The light has been given to a very good class of people, on whom a very favorable impression has been made for the truth.

May the Lord help us to lay more plans, and to work in such a way that the new year may bring many more precious souls to Jesus.

C. M. CLARK.

# COMMENCEMENT AT ELK POINT ACADEMY

The second annual commencement of Elk Point Academy was held in the chapel Monday evening, June 2, at 8 o'clock. The chapel was neatly decorated with smilax, ferns and carnations. Over the platform was an arch bearing the motto "Excelsior." Two beautiful boquets of

cream roses, the class flower, added to the charm of the decorations.

Many friends and neighbors from the vicinity, with relatives of members of the class, helped fill the chapel to overflowing. The exercises were all that could be desired, each part being rendered clearly and effectively. The good spirit which has prevailed throughout the year was recognized in word and in deed, and students and teachers part with feelings of mingled satisfaction and regret.

The following program was rendered and much enjoyed:

Voluntary
Invocation
Address
Vocal Solo (Contralto)
Ethel M. Barber

Irma E. Lewis
Elder J. W. Christian
Elder R. E. Harter
Widener
Ethel M. Barber

Oration. "All Around Education"

Kenneth W. Betts Essay, "The Other Side" Birdie L. Riter Recitation, "My Soul and I" Whittier Minnie A. Ehrke

Instrumental Solo, "Happy Birdlings"
Mabel L. Hendrickson

Class Prophesy Christian H. Peterson Essay, "The Shadows We Cast" Ethel M. Barber

Piano Duet, "La Chase Aux Gazella"
Birdie L. Riter, Mary A. Jensen
Declamation, "Address to a Mummy"
Gale C. Riter

Class Poem, "Excelsior"

Mabel L. Hendrickson Valedictory Mary A. Jensen Presentation of Diplomas

Principal E. G. Hayes

Class Song
Benediction Daniel N. Wall

The names of the graduates were: Kenneth W. Betts, Mary A. Jensen, Gale C. Riter, Birdie L. Riter, Minnie A. Ehrke, Ethel M. Barber, Mabel L. Hendrickson, Christian H. Peterson.

MAUDE WELLER.

#### A FINAL WORD

This is the last issue of the REAPER before our camp meeting begins. By the time these words reach you the conference will be in session. Every Seventh-day

Adventist will be interested in the matter coming before this body. It will mean much to the work in our own conference as well as to the work abroad. I am sure we rejoice in what has been done by this conference, and with the results seen, and we are glad we may still further study our relation to the great field and enlarge our efforts to aid in giving this message to the world speedily.

Now do not let anything stand in the way of your coming to this meeting that heaven will not consider a valid reason. Eternity with all its interests invites us to make an extra effort to gather with God's people for mutual encouragement in our The aged, the pilgrimage. youth and the children need the help these meetings will be to them. We are in the sifting time, and many who are saying, "Lord! Lord!" will not pass the examination entitling them to enter heaven, because they are making the things of this life of first importance. Come, bringing your children, neighbors and friends with you, and let us seek the Lord together.

J. W. CHRISTIAN.

#### BOWDLE

Since the Northern Union Conference meeting my field of labor has been at Sutley, Glenham and Bowdle. When I came to Sutley, immediately after our conference meeting had closed, I was greatly encouraged to see the young people who had yielded their hearts to God during the week of prayer taking an active part in the prayer and social meetings. The parents are rejoicing to see their children consecrating themselves to the Lord. Elder Conrad Reiswig was asked to come to Sutley to baptize these young people. The baptism was held May 17. Fifteen were baptized. The weather was favorable and many people were present.

Our people at Sutley say that the church school has done much good for their youth. After seeing what the school has accomplished, they are anxious to have one next winter. Last winter was the first time they had had a church school. Our brethren here are getting ready for camp meeting. May the Lord bless them in their efforts.

DANIEL N. WALL.

# NOTICE

I will be at both the South Dakota and North Dakota camp meetings, and will give examinations free to all who wish to see me at those places; not only our own people, but to any desiring medical advice.

C. P. FARNSWORTH, M. D.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder N. P. Neilsen and Brother Manfull met with the Swan Lake church last Sabbath and Sunday. They held several public meetings and worked in the interest of the canvassing work. The results were very substantial, in that they secured three rigs for lady canvassers who desire to work in the country. This is the kind of work that counts.

Sisters Anderson, Mortensen and Johnson were seen at the depot at Beresford last Tuesday. As they did not take the train we conclude that they were holding a "council of war" preparatory to entering the city as canvassers. We would have enjoyed a few moments' talk with them, but the train only stopped a moment.

Word has just been received that Elder Mortensen will not be able to be with us this year. However arrangements have been made that we may have he services of Elder August Anderson, Swedish Bible teacher at Union College. I am sure our Swedish people will be glad to meet him.

The graduating exercises at the academy Monday evening, June 1, were filled with the true ring of determined purposes to "Excelsior." It was an occasion of great interest, not only to the students, but to parents and teachers. Each part was well rendered.

A statement was made in the last issue of the REAPER that the marriage of Adolph Christensen to Agnes Levison took place at the home of Sister Lars Neilsen. It should have read Sister Lars Levison.

Be sure you take a certificate on buying your ticket to the camp meeting at Woonsocket.

# North Dakota

#### CAMP MEETING

As this will be the last issue of the Reaper before our meeting, and so the last chance to give invitation to the Velva camp meeting, we again call attention to this annual feast of good things. We desire this meeting to be well attended, and in fact we think it ought to be the largest meeting of the year, because we only have this one east of the Missouri river.

As we read the story of ancient Israel, and see what a means of education their annual feasts were, we realize that our camp meetings are becoming of more and more importance as the years go by. We read that anciently "with offerings of gratitude they came, from the men of white hairs to the little child, to meet with God in his

holy habitation. As they journeyed, the experiences of the past, the stories that both old and young loved so well, were recounted to the Hebrew children; the songs that had cheered the wilderness wandering were sung. The commandments were chanted, and, bound up with the blessed influences of nature and of kindly human association, they were forever fixed in the memory of many a child and youth."—Education, page 42.

These are the privileges and the experiences of many of God's people to-day, and this is one of the many reasons why we hold these annual gatherings. We must all deepen our hold upon God: we must all find our place in the work of God; our sons and daughters must see that we are in earnest about the work the Lord has committed to us. This will act as an inspiration on their lives; they will seek to find their place in the work the Lord has appointed for them; the loud cry of the message will be given, and the Lord will take his waiting people home. We do not know what the importance of this meeting will be. It may be the turning point in the lives of many. We hope we may see many of our brethren there.

Elders Underwood, Evans and Benson are expected to help us with the meeting. We have no desire to make flesh our arm, but the Lord will use flesh to his honor. Doctor Farnsworth has promised to be there. He will be ready to give instruction both in public and private.

Meetings will be held in the English, German, Swedish and Russian languages, and speakers for these different nationalties have been secured.

As usual, a dining tent will be operated for the accommodation of those desiring to take their meals. Some health foods can be procured on the ground. In short no effort will be spared to make this meeting a success.

Now, brethren and sisters, pray and plan to be at this meeting. Bring the children, and if it is desired to have some work done in your locality, and if there is a desire to hear, come and make it known, or write us about it. The spirit and the bride say "Come."

C. J. KUNKEL.

#### ROSEHILL

It was my privilege to visit the new company in the northern part of the state, where Brother Wentland held some meetings, and where Elder Leer went afterward to further the interest already started. It was indeed a pleasure to meet these people. They were like children, eager to learn the way of life more fully. One year ago there were only six souls holding up the light of truth at this place. Now there is a company of twenty-nine, with good leaders, and there is good reason to believe that more will follow their example soon.

Sabbath, May 23, was a good day, for the Lord came very near by his spirit. On Sunday six souls were buried with their Lord in baptism by Elder Leer. This service was witnessed by many persons who had come from far and near. Over forty teams could be seen at the water's edge, and good attention was paid to the word spoken. After the baptismal service we celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house, when three more decided to walk with us to meet the Lord. If those dear people walk humbly before their God, and carefully before the world, there will be many more turn to the Lord and his truth.

We expect to organize this company into a church in the near future. Several of the members have decided to come to our Velva meeting. There is a large German field in the northern part of the state. We ought to have a minister locate there to work for those people. Calls for meetings are coming from different places; but where are the workers? and where is the tithe to support those workers? As this great work is developing, our responsibilities are increasing. All are of good cheer and happy in the Lord.

C. J. KUNKEL.

# THE CAMP MEETING AT DICKINSON

The conference committee has decided to hold this meeting from July 6-12. No doubt Seventh-day Adventists west of the Missouri river will welcome this news, and we are equally as glad to be able to announce this meeting to you. It is necessary that we have certain times for these gatherings. The children of Israel, with all their opportunities, had them, and young and old flocked to Jerusalem to be separated from the cares that would demand their attention.

This time of turmoil necessitates such gatherings, as we become so covered up with the cares of this life, surrounded as we are, that these five days are far too short for that feast for which they were set apart.

Our people are very much scattered in western North Dakota. The great majority of them do not know each other, so it is our aim that this meeting shall be a sort of a family reunion, making and renewing our acquaintance, and at the same time more fully organizing for work, so that we may unitedly

give this message to our neighbors.

Elder Underwood has promised to be with us from the union conference, and Elder Walker and Brother Meeker, recently from Iowa, and the writer of our local workers. We hope this early notice will give all time to lay their plans to be present. Let nothing of common interest keep anyone from attending this meeting. C. J. Kunkel.

#### A CALL FROM GOD

Brethren of North Dakota, you who cannot leave your homes to engage in a personal active effort to carry the message of truth to the citizens of our state, we appeal to you for much needed help at this time. You have the opportunity to help those who are ready and willing to go with the message, but who must walk, because of a lack of other means to travel. That is a very slow method in this sparsely settled country. If you "can't canvass," as I have heard so many say, perhaps you have a good honest horse who can.

We will provide the driver and see that he takes good care of the horse. If you do not feel disposed to loan a horse, do not feel at all timid about donating a horse and buggy to the canvassers' fund. This can and should be done by the members of a church, so that all may have part and feel an interest in God's work. May God impress each one in regard to duty in this matter.

W. B. PAYNE.

#### HARVEY

This is Monday morning. I should be on the road, but it is raining here and rain is most always a welcome visitor in North Dakota. I am thankful for shelter in time of storm. My

work last week was driving principally; although I visited quite a number of homes, in some of which I had some good experiences. Rejoice with me, brethren, for North Dakota is soon to have several canvassers enter the field, as we are now nearing the close of the school year. Pray for us that we may be guided in the right way, and that our new beginners may be encouraged of the Lord in his work.

W. B. PAYNE.

## LOCAL CAMP MEETING IN NORTH DAKOTA

A local camp meeting will be held at Dickinson, N. D., July 7-12. This meeting follows closely after the meeting at Velva, but it is hoped that we will have a good attendance, especially of those living west of the Missouri river. Besides the local workers we expect to have some outside help for this meeting. Take note of the place and date—Dickinson, July 6-12.

J. G. WALKER.

# NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

After considerable trouble and a great deal of hard work the pipes from the new well have been connected. There appears to be plenty of water for all purposes. This is a source of great joy, which only those who have had the climbing of the hill to do can appreciate. Now we need a new windmill to operate the pump. Will not some one see that we get the mill?

The botany class has been much interested in their study this spring. The members have pressed and analyzed about thirty plants, and with the interest and enthusiasm shown we are sure they will get fifty plants, their required number.

The students, with Mr.

THE BOOK WORK
MINNESOTA-WEEK ENDING MAY 30

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Elmer W. Pruett	G. C.	40	5	14	75	3 15	17 90	
Richard Burdick	G. C.	37	1	2 '	75	50	3 25	2 75
Bessie Christenson	G. C.	25	17	56	75	9 75	66 50	1 50
I. Hilde	G. C.	1	2	7	50		7 50	
Andrew Wasby	G. C.	17	7	19 :	25		19 25	
Esther Blair	B. R.	26	6	20 1	50		20 50	
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J. H. Eastman	D. R.	10	4	7 2	25	3 20	10 45	
Fred Bolton	D. R.	37	6	16 8	50		16 50	
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Keemey as their leader, have taken a real interest in making and arranging flower beds and planting seeds, thus adding much to the appearance of our lawn.

5 agents

17 agents

Totals,

U. C. Totals,

The work on the school farm is progressing nicely, the seeding is done and the grain looks well. Some land is being seeded to grass in order to procure better feed for our cows.

The students are all looking forward with much pleasure to the soon coming camp meeting, at which all the students and most of the teachers will be in attendance.

Brother Gretzinger has become fully established as the farm manager, and the farm work is progressing nicely under his management.

A blacksmith shop is now one of our equipments at the academy. This will mean a material saving in repairing our own tools.

Elder Leer is visiting in the northern part of the state, answering calls that have been coming for some time. David Olson and Martin Neilsen have just left school and will do carpenter work during vacation.

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Remember the camp meeting at Velva, June 22-29, and plan to attend it.

July 6-12 is the date for the local camp meeting west of the Missouri river.

Miss Mabel Wing has recently left us, being called home to assist her mother.

Elder Kunkel was with the Bowden church over Sabbath.

#### Minnesota

#### ST. PAUL-DULUTH

On Sabbath, May 23, it was the privilege of the writer to meet with the company at St. Paul, and to speak to them in their new church, which they have recently purchased. It is certainly a comfort to our dear brethren there to have a house of worship which is their own, after having been shifted about

from "pillar to post" for twentyfive or more years; and yet the comfort of the brethren is the least that has been gained. In securing the building a great victory has been gained, in that a church which has previously stood for a pernicious error has been transformed into a monument for God's truth.

Through the providence of God, the earnest efforts of our people in St. Paul, and the liberality of our people in the state, this building is nearly paid for. The St. Paul brethren are working hard to clean the matter up before camp meeting. I am sure that this is a commendable desire, and worthy of our co-operation. Inasmuch as there is still some money back in the state fund, shall we not make a determined effort to get the pledges all in, and everyone come up to camp meeting with the consciousness that he has discharged his whole duty in this matter. Truly the Lord has blessed us in our efforts thus far, and I am sure he will continue his blessing.

The work at Duluth is moving steadily forward, and we hope soon to have our building ready for occupancy without one dollar of indebtedness.

Pray, brethren, that God will bless you in your efforts to help, that he will provide ways whereby every dollar needed may be secured at once, and that our churches may be dedicated free from debt. C. M. BABCOCK.

#### MANKATO

I wish to say a few words about the good meetings we had last Sabbath. Brother Ruble was here, and the Lord used him. Praise his holy name. When the call was made for all those who desired baptism to come forward fifteen precious souls responded,

while others manifested a desire to follow their Lord by rising to their feet. What especially called forth our heartfelt thanks to God was that twelve of the fifteen were young people. God's spirit is truly working in this place, and we, as humble servants of his, mean to put forth every effort to keep the interest up, as there are others here whom the Lord wants in his service.

We have started prayer and personal workers' bands, and the first meeting has brought results. We have revived our weekly prayer meeting, which had been allowed to die out. Dear brethren and sisters, the time has come to work. May God help us all to feel a personal desire for souls to be saved for the soon coming kingdom of God. Pray for the work in Mankato.

L. E. CAMP.

#### MINNESOTA NOTES

Brother James Cochran, manager of the Kansas City branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, attended the camp meeting in the interest of the display and sale of our literature.

The reports of those in charge of departments, as presented at the camp meeting show that our work is making progress in all of its branches.

# Iowa

# THE NEW SANITARIUM

The sanitarium board having voted definitely not to locate the sanitarium in Des Moines, the board started out to examine various sites that had been brought to our attention, and after spending considerable time looking about, finally settled upon a beautiful tract of land near Nevada, consisting of fifty-

five acres. This site occupies a beautiful eminence overlooking the surrounding country and the city. Just at the foot of the elevation on which the building will stand, flows a pretty stream of water, which will be dammed so as to form an artificial lake on the premises. The citizens of Nevada have donated the fifty-five acres of land and \$8,000 in cash.

The board voted to accept this proposition, and steps are being taken to close the transaction and secure the property for the new sanitarium. Subscription lists will soon be prepared and our loyal people will then be invited to respond with their free-will offerings, that Iowa may be provided with a creditable institution and the cause in this state suitably represented in its medical missionary department.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

# Saskatchewan.

#### CAMP MEETING

The annual camp meeting of the Seventh-day Adventists of Saskatchewan, Canada, will be held in the village of Lumsden, Sask., July 1-5, 1908. place is situated about twenty miles north from Regina, on the Canadian Northern railroad, and is a central point for our people in this field. Good ministerial help is promised for us in both the English and German languages, and we have reason to expect the best meeting of the kind ever held in Saskatchewan. Let all of our dear people begin now to plan to come. None can afford to miss the blessings of this meeting. H. S. SHAW.

LET me save you some money on "finest" grade Vegetable Cooking Oil, shipped direct. Five gallon can, \$3.45; three gallons, \$2.40; two gallons, \$1.75; and fifty gallon barret, 65 cents per gallon; case thirty two pound cans, \$6.00, prepaid. Nut food recipe free with each order for Non-Alcoholic Food Flavors, 25 cents. Ethan Brown, Food Specialist, Ingalls, Mich.

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Sun sets Friday, June 12, at 7:36

# NORTHERN UNION CAMP MEETINGS

Iowa—Nevada, August 27-September 6. Minnesota—Minneapolis, June 4-14. North Dakota—Velva, June 22-29. North Dakota—Dickinson, July 6-12. South Dakota—Woonsocket, June 11-21.

AT this writing the members of the Minnesota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are enjoying their camp meeting in this city. The camp is well located, and every provision is being made for the comfort of the visitors. The weather conditions have been very favorable, so that everything was in readiness for the campers when they came to the city. Every tent belonging to the conference is occupied, and others have been hired from local tent makers to supply the demand. The people seem to be full of zeal and

earnestness, and evince a desire to connect more fully with the work of the conference. Elder R. A. Underwood, Elder G. B. Thompson and Professor Frederick Griggs are among the arrivals to assist with the work of the meeting for the Englishspeaking people, and Elders Haffner, L. H. Christian, John Hoffman and others are at the camp in the interest of the Germans, Swedes and Danish-Norwegians. The attendance on Sunday was quite large, the people of the city filling almost every portion of the camp. The pavilion was packed to its fullest capacity. A more full report of the camp meeting will be given in the next issue of the REAPER.

Congress adjourned just before midnight May 30, without further action on the pending Sunday bills. The Johnston bill, passed by the Senate, is thus left in the hands of the House Committee on the District of Columbia for consideration when Congress convenes again in December, as are the other Sunday bills introduced in the House. This gives about six months before these bills can be taken up again, and during this time a most earnest campaign in behalf of the principles of religious liberty ought to be carried on in every state.

The issue of the Watchman of this week is a special temperance number, printed in colors, and dealing with various phases of the liquor traffic and temperance work. This number contains special articles by noted religious and temperance workers, and besides there is much valuable matter bearing on the evils of the liquor traffic and the growth of the temperance movement in this country. Address Southern

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Word comes to this office from Des Moines, Iowa, that the Seventh-day Adventist church at that place was badly damaged by fire on Wednesday morning. The Iowa sanitarium being in such close proximity to the church, it was thought necessary to remove the patients to a place of safety. Firemen and policemen carried out thirty of these. The loss on the church was not stated, it is hoped it was not heavy.

BROTHER W. E. PERRIN, editor of the Workers' Bulletin, the Iowa state paper, has been requested to go to India to take charge of the publishing house at Karmatar, the headquarters of the work in that field. The call has been accepted by Brother Perrin, and as soon as arrangements can be made he expects to start for his far-away field of labor.

As a result of a legal complication it was impossible for Elder I. H. Evans to leave Washington to attend the camp meetings in the Northern Union. However Elder G. B. Thompson came in his place, and the message he gave was as of old, and was appreciated more and more for the true ring in it.

Ir is expected that there will be a large attendance at the Union College summer school. This will include the teachers from the conferences of the Northern Union. A number of students have also signified their intention of remaining for the school.

PROF. P. T. MAGAN, of Madison, Tenn., delivered the address at the commencement exercises at Stuart Academy, Monday, May 25.