

A. G. Daniels



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

DON'T

- Don't wait till your cup runneth o'er with delight,
Before you admit of possessing;
- Don't wait till your blessing has taken its flight,
Before you acknowledge the blessing.
- Don't spend all your time in striving for gain,
That is only lost with the getting;
- Don't let the bright sun all unnoticed remain,
Till it comes to the final setting.
- Don't feed your soul on the dry husks of hate,
When His love is around and o'er you;
- Don't wait till the waiting has sealed your fate,
And the gate is closed before you.—Sel.

NORTHERN UNION CAMP MEETINGS

Three of these meetings are now in the past. The first was held in Minneapolis. This was a meeting of spiritual blessings. Fifty-five dear souls were baptized. About \$4,000 was donated in cash and pledges to the General Conference to hasten its work in foreign fields. Over \$1,000 was raised in cash and pledges for the home work. There was a good attendance from the city, and nearly 1,000 persons camped on the grounds. It was a meeting of great encouragement to the brethren in Minnesota.

The second meeting was held at Woonsocket, South Dakota. Over 700 of our people camped on the grounds and the attendance was good from the town. About the same number were baptized as at the Minnesota meeting. A little less than \$5,000 was donated at this meeting to help the General Conference in its work in the regions beyond. The most important action of the conference was one touching the removal of their academy from Elk Point to a more central location in the conference. After considerable discussion the conference unanimously voted to change the location of the school from Elk Point to a more cen-

trally-located place. This means much for the educational work in that conference. A large committee was chosen by the conference to secure a site and locate the school. The brethren all returned to their homes full of courage and hope for the success of the work, not only in their own conference, but in the wider fields beyond their borders.

The third camp meeting was at Velva, North Dakota. This was the most remarkable meeting of the three. Meetings were held daily in four different languages. About 125 Russians were present at this meeting, and Elder A. Boettcher labored for these. About seventy-five Scandinavians were present, and Elders S. Mortenson and August Anderson, with the local helpers, labored for the people of that tongue. About 150 of the American brethren were present, and Elder Thompson, the writer and others labored in the English language, besides speaking occasionally to those of other tongues through an interpreter. Elders Haffner, Kunkle and others labored especially for the Germans, who represented the larger part of the camp, about four hundred being present. On the last day of the meeting ninety-six persons requested baptism; a number of these desired to be baptized at their home churches.

THE LATTER RAIN

The spirit of God wrought in the conversion of souls in a marvelous manner. The special revival movement began in the young people's meeting on Friday. Sabbath evening, after the congregation had been dismissed in the German tent, a few earnest workers began to labor for the unconverted. In a short time a number joined the company of workers. Parents and others, who had retired to their tents, arose and returned to the large pavilion to labor for the unconverted. The revival work went forward without excitement, but

with great power, until three o'clock in the morning. About thirty persons found forgiveness of sin and acceptance with God before the meeting closed for the night. Some of these had long resisted the spirit of God, but now had surrendered. Sabbath morning the work continued in all the four congregations with great power. During the forenoon and afternoon companies could be seen in various parts of the camp, and at times in the large pavilion, praying and pleading with many tears for their unconverted friends. A marked feature of the work was that those who had been set free from sin earnestly began to labor for the unconverted. Wives were laboring for their unconverted husbands; husbands were earnestly laboring for their unconverted wives; stout hearts were moved by the Holy Ghost; captives were set free, while the light of joy rested upon many. No confusion or excitement prevailed.

The Lord with mighty power was in the camp. Songs of praise were mingled with tears of joy as captives were set free. It was the most remarkable manifestation of the spirit of God I ever witnessed at a camp meeting.

Sunday forenoon was devoted to the consideration of the needs of the work in foreign lands. The same power and spirit, which had been manifested so visibly on the Sabbath, was present to convict many of their duty to part with some of their earthly substance, and to make sacrifices to God to send the last message of mercy to the needy fields beyond our own borders. Men and women arose in the congregation with weeping and gave of land and of money until twenty-five thousand dollars had

been given to help the cause in foreign fields. A considerable portion of this was in land which will have to be sold. The spirit of God in a most solemn manner impressed nearly everyone present to give of their means.

Surely we experienced showers of the latter rain. About \$1,000 had previously been donated to help the work in the local conference. Sabbath morning, in the various tents, \$121.67 was received as the Sabbath school donation.

One of the evidences of the working of the spirit of God upon hearts to give of their substance to the work in the foreign fields was especially noticed among the Russian brethren and sisters. They had assembled with the German brethren in their meeting. It was very difficult for anyone to translate from the German, or from the English language into the Russian tongue, so the Russian brethren decided they would go to the meeting and simply look on, without knowing what the speaker said in his address, it not being translated. Hence all that these brethren could understand of what was being done was what the voice of the spirit of God interpreted to them, and what they saw of individuals rising and weeping when they made their offerings. Many of these Russian brethren arose and beckoned to the one who was receiving the pledges or offerings to come to them. Unable to speak in a language that could be understood by the one taking the pledges, they would simply write the amount they wished to give in figures. Hundreds of dollars were given by the Russian brethren in this manner.

At 4 o'clock P. M. the congregation assembled on the bank of the Mouse river, which ran be-

side the beautiful city park in which the camp was located, to witness the burying of many precious souls in baptism.

Among the laborers at the meeting, aside from the local workers in the conference, were Elders G. B. Thompson, G. F. Haffner, S. Mortenson, August Anderson, A. Boettcher, C. L. Benson, W. L. Manfull, T. D. Gibson, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth and the writer. Dr. Farnsworth labored continually to help the physical condition of the campers, and besides gave two or three talks in public. His labors were much appreciated.

From the above it will be seen that about two hundred were converted during these three camp meetings, and that about \$34,000 was raised in cash and pledges to send the gospel to the regions beyond. Our brethren have been greatly encouraged, and have gone from these meetings full of faith and with a purpose to do all they possibly can do to finish the gospel work in this generation.

Personally I feel to praise God for the victories gained, and would give all the glory to God for the measure of success that has attended the efforts of his servants. R. A. UNDERWOOD.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE

The twenty-ninth annual session of the South Dakota conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held in connection with the camp meeting at Woonsocket, S. D., June 11-21, 1908.

The first meeting was called Thursday, June 11, at 11 A. M., with Elder J. W. Christian in the chair. After singing and an earnest season of prayer, Elder

Christian read some appropriate extracts from the Testimonies relative to the importance of the conference and camp meeting work, and the interest which the angels take in the work of saving souls. The delegates were seated, and a committee of fifteen was elected to nominate the usual committees. The following committees were appointed:

Committee on Plans—E. G. Hayes, J. W. Christian, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth, Florence Miller, G. W. Miller, R. E. Harter, J. I. Beardsley, Conrad Reiswig.

Nominations—Alfred Jensen, S. C. Conrey, Valentine Leer, N. J. Ronlund, M. K. Thrall, Allen Cates, Wm. Reiner.

Licenses and Credentials—N. P. Neilsen, J. L. Weller, G. B. Thompson, C. M. Clark, R. A. Underwood.

Two new churches organized during the year—Chamberlain and Montrose—with twenty-seven and twenty-two members, respectively, were admitted into the conference.

Interesting letters from Elders F. L. Perry and C. A. Burman were read, and our hearts were cheered by the good reports of the progress of the work.

The report of the Sabbath school secretary showed that 7 schools had been organized during the year, besides 3 family schools. There are 43 Sabbath schools and 3 family schools, with a total membership of 1,076. The average attendance was 796; the donations \$1,292.84; donation to missions, \$1,198.12.

We have had six English and three German church schools, with an enrolment of 150, during the year.

Brother G. W. Miller, field secretary, reported that twenty-seven persons engaged in the

canvassing work the past year. The number of reports returned, 248; hours work reported, 6,120; exhibitions, 8,161; orders taken, 2,113; value books delivered, \$4,103.95; value helps sold, \$1,068.85.

The conference president reported that the prospering hand of God has been upon the work in our conference the past year, in that the lives of all of our laborers have been spared, and that souls are now rejoicing in the truth who did not know it a year ago.

Elder Hayes presented the report of our academy. He stated that sixty-eight students were enrolled during the year. This is the largest enrolment of students since the establishment of the academy. Twenty-two of these students took their stand for the truth during the year. Eight persons graduated from the school at the close of the school year. The bills and accounts payable were \$719.03; accounts and bills receivable, \$1,408; cash on hand, \$43.38.

The following persons were elected to fill their respective offices: President, J. W. Christian; vice president, Valentine Leer; secretary, N. P. Neilsen; treasurer and transportation agent, G. W. Stilson, business agent, C. M. Clark; corresponding and Sabbath school secretary, Miss Florence Miller; tract society secretary, G. W. Stilson; assistant, Mrs. G. W. Stilson; field secretary, G. W. Miller; educational and young people's secretary, J. I. Beardsley; medical missionary secretary, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth; religious liberty secretary, R. E. Harter; German secretary, G. W. Stilson; executive committee: J. W. Christian, Valentine Leer, N. P. Neilsen, C. M. Clark, the principal of Elk Point Academy,

Dr. C. P. Farnsworth, Alfred Jensen.

School board—J. W. Christian, Principal of academy (to be filled); Dr. C. P. Farnsworth, Wm. Reiner, Albert Tucker, M. K. Thrall, Wm. H. Twining.

Large committee for locating the academy—Conference committee, school board, A. P. Petersen, N. C. Kier, P. H. Christensen, Jacob Oswald, W. O. Nesmith.

Medical missionary board—Dr. C. P. Farnsworth, R. E. Harter, Edith Cilley.

Camp meeting committee—O. Roderick, Adolph Christensen, Martin Anderson.

The committee on licenses and credentials reported the following, which was accepted:

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

Ordination and credentials—N. J. Ronlund.

Ministerial licenses—Prof. J. B. Clymer, Daniel Wall, Lawrence Anderson, J. I. Beardsley, Adolph Christensen, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth.

Missionary credentials—F. R. Isaac, G. W. Stilson, Milla M. Johnson, Florence Miller, J. H. Schmidt, G. W. Miller, Martin Anderson, Adam Schmidt, Mrs. G. W. Stilson.

Teacher's certificates—M. J. Low, Mrs. Martha Low, Maud Weller, Henry Willers, Mrs. Laura Willers, Ethel Currier.

Medical missionary credentials—Dr. W. T. Lindsay, Dr. Anna B. Farnsworth, F. B. Jewell, Edith Cilley.

The resolutions adopted by the conference will be given in the next issue of the REAPER.

From the Field

North Dakota

CAMP MEETING

The North Dakota camp meeting was held at Velva, June 21-28. Velva is a small town on the "Soo" railroad, where Elder Jorgensen has been working for some time. The camp was located in a grove of large elm trees, on a point of land which is almost surrounded by the Mouse river. Almost seven hundred persons were encamped on the ground, the larger number of whom were Germans.

About one hundred Russians were among those in the camp, and a special work was done for this nationality by Elder Boettcher, of New York. The Russians devote a great deal of time to singing, having a peculiar form of expression which is very harmonious. These people are enjoying as fully as possible the religious liberty which they could not obtain in their own country, many of these persons having been compelled to flee from their own home land to save their lives.

Meetings were held in four languages, and the people seemed to enter heartily into the good spirit of the camp meeting. There was no business connected with this meeting, the whole time being devoted to evangelistic services. Elder C. J. Kunkel, the president, with a corps of able assistants, did everything possible for the entertainment and comfort of the people.

Elders Underwood, Thompson, Haffner, Mortensen, Boettcher and Anderson were the principal evangelical workers, and Elder Benson had charge of the work

for the English-speaking young people. Brother Simon, of the North Dakota conference, had charge of the work for the young people in the German language. Brother W. L. Manfull represented the canvassing work and T. D. Gibson the home missionary work.

Each of the different branches of the conference work received all the consideration that could be given in the limited time of the meeting.

Usually there are more women than men at our conference meetings, but as a pleasing variety there were more men than women among the German-speaking membership at this meeting.

The meetings for the Scandinavian people were conducted by Elders Mortensen and Anderson.

There was a large number of young people on the camp ground, and many of these had not yet known God's pardoning grace, nor by personal experience have they known his keeping power. Those who were working for the young people were much encouraged at seeing many of these give their hearts to the Lord expressing a desire for the better life.

A number of students from the academy attended the school meeting, and they took pleasure in giving expression to their appreciation of the good work done for them at the school.

Almost \$1,000 was raised in cash and pledges for conference expense. Approximately \$25,000 was given for the support of foreign missions. There were ninety-six candidates for baptism, a portion of whom will be baptized at their home churches.

NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder G. B. Thompson went from Velva to Lacombe, Sask., to attend the camp meeting at

that place. Brother Thompson will return to North Dakota in time to attend the meeting at Dickinson, July 6-12.

Brother Max Trummer, who has charge of the German canvassers west of the Mississippi river, will work for the next two weeks with the canvassers in North Dakota.

Donations were taken in all of the meetings at the camp meeting to buy new tents and to place the camp meeting equipage in good condition.

Measures were advocated at the camp meeting to place the academy and its accessories on a better footing.

The Sabbath school donations at the camp meeting amounted to \$121.67.

South Dakota

RETROSPECTIVE

Our camp meeting with all its duties, responsibilities and privileges is now in the past. As we look back over these days and recount the blessings of God, our hearts are filled with gratitude for his guidance. Many battles have been fought and many decided victories have been gained. Some have lost rich blessings by giving up too soon. What the results of this meeting will be eternity alone will reveal.

Another year of toil and reward is before us. I am reminded of the words found in Vol. 6, pp. 305-6-7, of the Testimonies:

"While the great final reward is given at Christ's coming, true-hearted service for God brings a reward even in this life. Obstacles, opposition and bitter, heart-breaking discouragements the worker will have to meet. He may not see the fruit of his toil. But in the face of all this he finds in his labor a blessed recompense. All who surrender themselves to God in unselfish service for humanity are in co-operation with

the Lord of glory. This thought sweetens all toil, it braces the will, it nerves the spirit for whatever may befall . . . As the world's redeemer, Christ was constantly confronted with apparent failure. He seemed to do so little of the work which he longed to do in uplifting and saving. Satanic agencies were constantly working to obstruct his way. But he would not be discouraged. Ever before him he saw the result of his mission. . . Those who labor for the good of others are working in union with the heavenly angels. They have their constant companionship, their unceasing ministry. Angels of light and power are ever near, to protect, to heal, to instruct, to inspire."

Let us seek God for grace to lay hold of these "exceeding great and precious promises," and with renewed courage, to take hold of the work of giving this last message to a dying world.

J. W. CHRISTIAN.

PLANS FOR WORK

At the close of the camp meeting the laborers met in counsel and the following decisions were reached affecting our workers and their field of operation:

Langford—Elder R. E. Harter, Brethren Martin Anderson and F. R. Isaac, Sister Grace Isaac.

Parkston—Elder Valentine Leer, Brethren Daniel Wall and F. A. Schmidt.

Wallace—Elders—N. P. Neilsen, P. E. Berthelsen, N. J. Ronlund, Sister Lena Jensen.

Gregory—Brethren L. Anderson, A. C. Christensen, Sisters Agnes Christensen, Florence Miller.

Chamberlain—Elder C. M. Clark.

Roscoe—Elder Conrad Reiswig.

As these workers open up work in new fields let us constantly remember them at the throne of grace, and in every way aid in the work. Some of our people live near the places noted above. It would be a great encouragement if they would plan to attend these meetings. Their influence will mean much in winning souls for the truth.

J. W. CHRISTIAN.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

The following notice has been received for publication:

This is to certify that I have examined the books and papers of the South Dakota Conference and Tract Society from June 4, 1907, to July 1, 1908, and find everything in good shape. Have counted the cash, and find the amount to be as represented by the book account.

(Signed) C. W. LARSON.
Northern Union Conference Auditor.

Minnesota

A CONFESSION AND A REMINDER

The writer was present yesterday when the president of the Northern Union Conference was paying his tithe to the church clerk. After the receipt had been made out he said, "I guess there is something else," and paid over a sum equal to a tithe of his tithe to be sent to the state treasury for the support of the church school system of the state. This very forcibly reminded me that a few hours before I had paid my tithe, but had completely forgotten, at least for the time being, the resolution passed at our late camp meeting, recommending that a sum equal to ten per cent of our tithe be paid over to the church treasurer, to be forwarded to the state treasury, there to be kept in trust for the church schools when needed. Thinking there might be others who, like myself, had either forgotten or had not heard of this, I take this occasion to write the above.

This is a step in the right direction. In localities where these schools are situated, the brethren struggle and plan nobly for their support. By the above-

named arrangement, which will cause but a small sacrifice on the part of many throughout the state, a fund will be created which will greatly facilitate our church school system. From it we will be enabled to pay our teachers a little better salary, perhaps to give them a few more opportunities, and also to lighten the burdens of some who have been lifting so nobly. The next time I do not think that I shall forget this recommendation when paying my tithe.

S. E. JACKSON.

SEBEKA

Sebeka is a little town on the Great Northern railroad, fifteen miles north of Wadena. About ten miles east of here, in the timber, a company of seven Sabbath-keepers are living. Some of these spend a few weeks in the fall of each year in the Dakota harvest fields. It was there, a couple of years ago, that a young man accepted the truth under Brother Martin Olson's labor. Parents and friends, to the above number, have since then under God's blessing, and Brother O. J. Nerlund's labors, embraced the message, and were ready for baptism when Brother Nerlund and the writer arrived there on Thursday night following camp meeting.

The necessary preparations for baptism, such as finding a suitable place in the river, which was no small work, was all made on Friday. The Sabbath day was well improved. Sabbath school and meeting were held in the forenoon. In the afternoon a preaching service and baptism were held at the river, half a mile distance, where six glad and willing souls were baptized. After the baptismal service the ordinances of the Lord's house

were celebrated. All were happy and bore testimony to the goodness of God.

Two meetings were held on Sunday, at the close of which we advised the brethren, being so few, to join the conference church, of which the president of the conference is the elder, according to the resolution passed at the last conference, which they also voted to do. On Monday morning we left the brethren, happy and of good courage, to go to other fields.

FRED JOHNSON.

WESTBROOK

On my arrival home from camp meeting Monday, June 21, I found everything in good condition, and I was very glad to see my family again. We did not think of what might occur in a short time. It was four o'clock when I got home, and between five and six o'clock a big storm came up from the southeast. It looked very dangerous, and we thought it would strike our place. We prayed, asking the Lord to protect us, and then went into the cellar of our house. The storm went around us, missing our place by about half a mile; but it destroyed fourteen houses and barns, besides numerous small buildings. Horses and cattle were killed, and one baby lost its life. A number of persons were hurt. Brother Reischwig's family was at our home, and after the storm we went out to see what damage had been done. I never saw anything like it before, and it tells us that we are going home soon.

Brethren Reischwig, Neufeld and myself are now at Westbrook. We have pitched our tent, and have had some meetings. The people are very friendly and ac-

THE BOOK WORK

MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING JUNE 27

Name		Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Emelia A. Johnson	H. M.	36	13	\$17 50		\$17 50	
Huldah Anderson	"	32	19	32 25		32 25	\$ 50
Matilda Thori	"	35	10	18 50	\$6 40	24 90	1 00
Olive Evenson	"	25	4	7 00	2 00	9 00	25
Martha Anderson	"	18	7	12 25	1 25	13 50	
David Gulbrandsen	"	30	9	15 75	1 00	16 75	
Bennie Grundset	"	27	16	28 00	1 00	29 00	
Carl J. Olson	"	23			1 00		
Ina L. Delamater	H. H.	14	4	12 00		12 00	
Alma Larson	H. H.	34	26	82 00	2 25	84 25	1 50
Esther Francis	H. H.	30	15	45 00	1 60	46 60	1 60
I. T. Andrus	H. H.		1	3 00		3 00	
*I. Hilde	G. C.	80	53	173 75		173 75	
*Andrew Wasby	G. C.	52	14	38 50		38 50	7 25
Richard Burdick	G. C.	12					
Elmer W. Pruett	G. C.	22	3	8 75	2 00	10 75	50
Oscar M. Akre	G. C.	58	18	49 50	1 50	51 00	
Eddie Grimstad	G. C.	31	9	32 75	3 25	36 00	
Floyd Stratton	G. C.	43	13	34 75	2 50	37 25	2 50
Stanley Swisher	G. C.	37	12	35 00	1 00	36 00	
Wm. J. Merickel	G. C.	32	12	33 00	50	33 50	
Martinus Ruskjer	"	45	7	19 25	5 25	24 50	1 50
Soren A. Ruskjer	"	56	14	40 50	2 75	43 25	
Frances Dittis	"	25	5	13 75	4 25	18 00	
Florence Dittis	"	25	6	16 50	4 25	20 75	
Bessie Christenson	"	21	10	31 00	2 25	33 25	
*Esther Blair	B. R.	34	9	27 75	1 30	29 05	
Gertie Grant	B. R.	21	6	16 50	9 00	25 50	
Totals; 23 agents		898	215	\$843 50	\$56 30	\$899 80	\$16 60

SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING JUNE 27

J. P. Glembin	G. C.	12	4	\$15 00	\$2 50	\$17 50	\$7 50
Jas. M. Johnston	G. C.	68	12	33 00	3 10	36 10	
Alfreda Mortensen	G. C.	36	12	36 00	75	36 75	
Agatha Johnson	G. C.	41	7	19 25	50	19 75	
Geneva Anderson	G. C.	18	5	13 75	75	14 50	
Clara Kier	G. C.	37	17	50 75		50 75	
Olive Crum	G. C.	40	11	32 25	1 00	33 25	
Carl Thompson	G. C.	25	10	39 50	6 00	45 50	
Chris Peterson	D. R.	15	1	2 75	1 50	4 25	
L. Peterson	D. R.	20	4	12 00	1 25	13 25	
J. H. Eastman	D. R.	18	6	12 75	7 00	19 75	4 25
Fred Bolton	D. R.	46	26	88 50	2 00	90 50	
Geo. W. Tucker	D. R.	36	11	33 25	1 00	34 25	
*Mabel Hendrickson	D. R.	45	11	33 25	5 00	38 25	
C. W. Rubendall	H. M.	23					64 75
Bess Porter	H. M.	15	17	29 75	70	30 45	24 50
Totals, 16 agents		495	154	\$451 75	\$33 05	\$484 80	\$104 75

IOWA—WEEK ENDING JUNE 27

J. C. Madison	G. C.	51	13	\$37 75	\$2 75	\$40 50	
Nels H. Olsen	G. C.	57	14	40 50	75	41 25	
May Martin	G. C.	47	7	19 25	3 00	22 25	3 00
Hans Hansen	G. C.	18	3	10 25		10 25	
Ellen Svenson	G. C.	71	26	71 50	2 75	74 25	3 75
Esther Anderson	G. C.	54	22	62 50	3 50	66 00	3 00
James Christensen	G. C.	9	4	11 00		11 00	
C. C. Morlan	"	69	27	76 25		76 25	
Lydia Eidemiller	H. M.	40	3	5 25	16 00	21 25	
P. Langhoff	H. M.	79	40	79 00	7 75	86 75	1 75

Walter Brower	H. M.	41	3	5 25	5 25		
Ross J. Syp	H. M.	46	5	9 50	5 50	15 00	2 00
Glen Shelton	H. M.	32	9	15 75	8 75	24 50	5 25
May Madison	"	31	12	21 00	3 00	24 00	
Lisbon Myers	Mis.	33	13	15 75	12 50	28 25	26 20
Totals, 15 agents		678	201	\$475 25	\$71 50	\$550 75	\$44 95
U. C. Totals, 59 agents		2,071	570	\$1,770 50	\$157 85	\$1,935 35	\$166 30
*Two weeks							

commodating to us thus far. We have a very nice location for our tent, and have the use of the ground without charge. We are all of good courage, and willing to do what we can for the advancement of our cause. Pray for the company at Westbrook, that the work for the German people may be onward, and some souls may be saved.

A. D. EWERT.

ST. CLOUD

Since returning to my field of labor, after our good camp meeting, I have found the interest still good, and some have expressed themselves as being very much interested in the truth. My work here is principally with the printed page. I am now getting acquainted with the people, so that I may have more of an opportunity to visit with them and hold Bible studies.

There seems to be some very hopeful cases among my present class of readers, but I would not dare to say what the outcome will be; for sometimes when we think we have a good thing, it turns out to be nothing, so I will be content to work away and trust that the Lord will in his own good time and way give the increase.

We expect to have baptism here soon. One who has lately taken hold of the truth, with several others who have been in the truth for some time, has requested baptism. We hope to see others follow soon.

I hope to be remembered in the prayers of God's people.

GEO. L. BUDD.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Miss Ethel Nash and Miss Vesta Brickey are having splendid success selling *Life and Health* in Minneapolis and St. Paul. June 22 one thousand copies were ordered, and on June 29 it was found necessary to duplicate the order.

The reports from our canvassers show that they are taking advantage of their opportunities, and if sales continue at the present rate many scholarships will be earned before the summer is over.

The treasurer of the Northern Union Conference received a very encouraging letter from Treasurer I. H. Evans, of the General Conference, acknowledging the receipt of \$1,500.

Miss Florence Peterson, lately of College View, Neb., has accepted a position as stenographer in the office of the Northern Union Conference in this city.

The Minnesota Tract Society has a supply of Sabbath school quarterlies in stock. Every student should have one of these.

Elder S. E. Jackson left this morning for a two weeks' visit among the churches in the northern part of the conference.

Word received from the tent company at Mankato states that while the attendance is not large there is a real interest.

Elder A. W. Kuehl will be at Austin next Sabbath to officiate at a baptismal service.

C. M. Everest and wife spent Sabbath and Sunday at Long Lake.

A LARGE number of subscriptions were taken for the REAPER at the camp meetings in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. Any of these new subscribers not receiving their paper on time will confer a favor by notifying this office.

HIGHLY APPRECIATED

Have you read the booklet written by R. A. Underwood on the "Law and Covenants?" The following are among some of the statements expressing an appreciation of its value by ministers who have read it: One says, "It should be read by every minister and worker in all our conferences." Another expresses himself as follows, "It is the best exposition on the subject of the Law and Covenants I have ever seen." Another says, "While it presents no new doctrine, it demolishes vagaries and fanciful interpretations of the scripture in a simple, logical and forceful manner. The positions taken are consistent and sound. It is an important addition to our denominational literature. It should have a large circulation." Another writes, "It has cleared up some things that have perplexed me for years. It is a gem of truth." Another says, "Your little booklet is splendid. I should like to see your pamphlet circulated broadcast. I shall ever recommend it. I cannot express my appreciation of your arguments on this subject." Referring to the arguments demolishing some antinomian's position, one minister says, "It comes like a cool breeze in a stifling time." The pamphlet will be sent postage prepaid to any address for 25 cents.

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NORTHERN UNION CAMP MEETINGS

Iowa—Nevada, August 27—September 6.
North Dakota—Dickinson, July 6-12.

ELDER M. N. CAMPBELL, presi-
dent of the Iowa conference,
writes as follows concerning our
foreign mission offering:

"We must look this foreign
mission problem squarely in the
face. To continue dilly-dallying
with it, giving only what we
conveniently can, is an absolute
denial of our faith in the mes-
sage which we profess to believe
is to be given to all the world in
this generation. We must hurry
workers to the needy foreign
fields by the hundreds. Many
of our people in this state would
be greatly blessed by putting
one hundred dollars into this
offering where they have been

accustomed to give fifty cents.
The greatest sin in the church
is covetousness. To keep down
the natural tendency to covet-
ousness, let us give freely and
frequently. This is the surest
cure for this sin. Let us give a
thank offering in proportion to
our appreciation of God's mercies
to us."

THE good spirit which seemed
to permeate the camp meetings
thus far held in the Northern
Union has greatly encouraged
the officers of the conferences,
who are now looking for an in-
creased interest in every line of
work. The conviction of all of
the people is that the missionary
spirit in our churches is at a low
ebb, but that the time has ar-
rived for the turning of the tide.
It is hoped that our church mis-
sionary societies will soon mani-
fest the old-time spirit of service,
and that we shall see our litera-
ture scattered as the leaves of
autumn by well-directed, system-
atic efforts on the part of our
church members. The spirit for
this service should actuate every
soul who is looking forward to
the Lord's coming, in order
that they may be of those who
will come bringing their sheaves
with them.

It is hoped every home and
every church will supply itself
with a sufficient stock of litera-
ture so that every opportunity to
give information may be taken
advantage of. A report from
Brother John Manuel, director of
District No. 3, of the Iowa con-
ference, is full of encouragement,
and is a testimony that earnest
work is being done, by the mem-
bers of the churches he has
visited, for the salvation of
precious souls. Brother Manuel
states:

"I have visited thirteen churches and
companies, and have preached nine

missionary sermons and made fifty-
three missionary visits. I have en-
deavored to show the importance of
working more earnestly for the salva-
tion of souls than ever before, espe-
cially for our friends and neighbors.
The churches have responded to the
amount of fifty-eight dollars for papers,
tracts and books for missionary work."

PROF. J. G. LAMSON has been
chosen as educational secretary
of the Iowa conference. Prof.
Lamson was recently connected
with Emmanuel Missionary Col-
lege, was dean of the faculty,
and has had years of experience
in educational work. He is
thoroughly qualified for this
work, and the Iowa conference is
to be congratulated on having
secured such a worker.

A LOCAL camp meeting will be
held at Dickinson, N. D., July
6-12, for the benefit of the Ad-
ventist people living west of the
Missouri river. This meeting
will be attended by Elders Under-
wood and Thompson, besides
the local workers, and it is hoped
there will be a good attendance
of those of our faith.

SINCE the beginning of the
present year, over fifty persons,
including missionaries and their
families, have been sent on to the
waiting fields. Approximately
this will mean \$25,000 additional
outlay in getting these people to
the fields and supporting them
the first year.

THE requirements of the ten-
cent-a-week plan are not met by
simply placing a ten-cent piece
in the basket when it is passed.
The ten-cent piece should be reg-
ularly placed in the envelope and
something placed in the basket
besides.

THE reports in this issue show
the prosperous condition of the
canvassing work.