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"THE HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE REAPER IS FEW"

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Home Miss. Dept.

S. A. Ruskjer, Secretary

OUR HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN.

It is not at all too early to lay plans and prepare for the greatest harvest ingathering campaign we have ever had in the Northern Union Conference. The general brethren have decided to ask the home missionary department to carry forward the work of this campaign. That means that every Seventh-day Adventist in North America has a job on his hands. What belongs to the Home Missionary Department belongs to the people that this department represents.

Now that the job is ours what shall we do with it? It would not do at all to wait till the last minute before we order our papers much less to forget to order them at all. Such reluctance and inactivity might be excused in and among a people who have no message for the world but it would be a disgrace for Seventh-day Adventists to fail to act when the times demand action.

Let us remember first of all, that the whole month of October has been decided upon as the time when the full blast of the campaign shall be on; and next, let us order a good supply of the papers from the Tract Society and be ready for action when the call to arms shall sound on October 1st. You know that if we order the papers and then let them lie on the shelf at home or at church, we will lose what little courage and determination we started out with. The longer the papers lie unused the less becomes our desire to do our share of the work.

OUR GOAL

for this year again is \$100,000.00 That means we ought to raise at least \$10,000 in the Northern Union Conference.

Now we CAN do it, brethren! Let us raise more than one hundred thousand dollars this year so we can have a new, a larger goal for next year.

We ought to get and sign the pledge card for the amount we think God wants us to raise, and then go to work and stay by the campaign till we have secured the amount we started out for.

The harvest ingathering campaign gives us not only the opportunity to raise money for missions and thus help on the twenty-cents-a-week work, but to become acquainted with those who are interested in the truth, and thus open the way for further home missionary work. The papers, too, that we use, prove to our friends that God is blessing the work of our denomination in all parts of the world.

Plan immediately for a wide-awake harvest ingathering campaign this year.

S. A. RUSKJER.

From the Field

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LAKE TITICACA, PERU.

AT WORK AMONG THE INDIANS.

Real work among the Indians is more interesting than the contemplation of it. Never a day passes that does not bring its interesting experiences. That does not mean to say that there are none of the other kind, for the enemy of souls is just as hard at work here as in any other place. Sometimes it seems that he is putting forth his best efforts here because of the large numbers that are leaving his standard to follow that of Jesus.

The Indian, from the whiteman's view point, has no home at all. He lives in a

little hut that would be scarcely serviceable for a chicken house in the States. Among the poorer classes this one hut serves as kitchen, dining room, living room and bed room for all the family. Using it for all these purposes would not be so bad if there were any way for the smoke to go out without filling the whole whouse, but as there are no chimneys the door must serve as chimney also. Sometimes when we go to visit the sick we find the house so full of smoke that it is impossible to stay inside and we are obliged to wait till the smoke clears out. The Indians think it is very strange that we cannot stand it as they, after centuries of such living, never think anything of it. Their property is not much. Those who are the richest of the entire community own not more than five or six acres of land, a few sheep, two or three cows and a horse; and to see the kind of food they eat makes one wish that he himself had never tasted such things as are the common articles on our tables. They eat chunus, (dried potatoes), toasted barley, mutton, and sometimes milk and eggs. There are many who have never tasted fruit or bread. To them a piece of bread is a greater treat than a box of the best candy could be. There are two little children, living near our home, who make their daily visit, asking for a little bread.

Each member of the family has his duties. From the age of three years they are expected to care for the sheep. It looks cute and yet pitiful to see the little ones driving the sheep to pasture, there to stay all day whether the weather is cold or warm. They carry a mid-day lunch with them which consists of a few cold potatoes. Nor do they think their lot hard, for they grow up realizing that to live means to work. The one who will not work must necessarily find a home elsewhere.

They are different, so different, from

those with whom we have been associated. At first they seemed strange, and we pitied them; but as pity is conducive to love, we soon loved them, and it is really a pleasure to have them stop us in the road and call us Brother. Although they cannot read the Bible, for it is not yet in their native tongue, they have the most implicit faith that it is indeed the word of God. And when they are taught how important the teachings of the Bible are, and what is necessary in order to live in the kingdom of God, they are faithful in doing it. Some come to church from a distance of fifty miles. It is indeed a pleasure to work for those who want to know the right way, and knowing it will do it. "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few."

JOHN M. HOWELL.
(Missionary from Iowa.)

IOWA NOTES.

Sister D. A. Roderick of Mason City, recently visited Miss Kintner at the Sanitarium.

Fred Rasmussen stopped here last week on his way to the Sanitarium at Hastings, Nebr., where he will be employed for about two months.

Brother Isaac Counsell has been keeping the Sanitarium books in Miss Morris' absence. He will join the tent company at Ft. Dodge this week.

Prof. W. I. Morey who is conducting the music in connection with the tent effort at Marshalltown, spent the Sabbath at Des Moines, where he organized a chorus class of thirty-five to assist in the tent effort at Des Moines which is to begin in August.

The funeral of Brother J. B. Nicola of Sigourney, was held last Sabbath, Elder V. B. Watts going down from Marshalltown to conduct the service. Brother Nicola had been a sufferer from tuberculosis for many months and his death was not unexpected. We extend deepest sympathy to the family bereaved of this loved son and brother.

SANITARIUM NOTES.

Miss Lita McMartin is at her home in Ellendale, N. Dakota.

Miss Ora Morris is visiting at her home in Burlington, Kansas.

Misses Lora and Elizabeth Nelson returned to their home in Ruthven last week.

Miss Hulda Dietel has accepted a position at the Sanitarium and is already on duty there.

Mrs. John H. Putoff of Cambridge, who underwent a heavy operation, made

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excellent recovery and recently returned to her home.

J. C. Barcus of Onawa, brought a patient here last week.

Prof. J. M. Peterson of Hutchinson Seminary, is at the Sanitarium.

Miss Abbie Bardine of Greenville, South Carolina, visited Miss Hannah Larson recently.

Miss Bessie Huntley sold four "Christ's Object Lessons" last week while working in the Bath Room.

Mrs. J. A. Larson of Mohall, North Dakota, sister-in-law of Carl W. Larson, is here for treatment.

Sister Gwen Baxter of the Nevada church, has recovered from a recent heavy operation at the Sanitarium.

Miss Esther Hartman of Sigourney, is here with her mother who recently underwent a severe operation but is now able to be up.

There will be room for a few more nurses in the class to be organized October 1. If you are interested write for an application blank.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Waller of Charles City, have returned to their home. Mr. Waller underwent an operation for a severe case of inward goiter.

Doctor Barbour is enjoying a short vacation but expects to return within a few days. Doctor Pippey has been efficient care-taker at the Sanitarium in his absence.

Mrs. James Marlin of Huron, South Dakota, has been at this institution several months, and is now recovering from a heavy operation. Recently her husband came here seriously ill, and he is so at the present time, but is receiving every attention, Sister Marlin's brother, J. L. Weller also of Huron, came last week to be with them. Brother Weller and his sister have been patients at the Sanitarium in previous years.

Mrs. Laura De Lany Garst of Indianapolis, an old friend of the Sanitarium, has been visiting the institution. She is a Presbyterian missionary returned from Japan, and now conducts Mission classes in different schools.

J. H. Atkinson of Maxwell, came to the Sanitarium with a bad case of blood poisoning from barbed wire. The whole arm was badly swollen and it was necessary to lance it at the hand, elbow and the under arm glands. Contrary to all expectation he is making rapid recovery.

Among others at the Sanitarium during this month we find: Mrs. W. S. Bates, Armstrong; Mrs. Lizzie Shaver, Maxwell; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Johnson, Spencer; Mrs. Fred Fairchild, On-

awa; Mrs. E. F. Otto, Ames; E. C. Easton, Davis City; and R. Cooper of Onawa.

Dr. Stella Norman, who was with the Moline Sanitarium for eight years, has been visiting her mother at her home in Davis City. She brought a patient to the Sanitarium from that place last week. While here she enjoyed a visit with the Foreman family with whom she had been associated at Moline.

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THE COLPORTEUR WORK.

The colporteur work is progressing nicely. Our sales have doubled over those of last year. With a corps of faithful colporteurs we may be able to even treble over the year 1915. I am sure that our brethern in the South Dakota Conference will be glad to hear of the good work that is going on. We will appreciate anything that you can do for the colporteurs.

While I was traveling on the road I met a family at a hotel who are interested in the truth. When they learned that I was a Seventh-day Adventist, they were very happy to greet me. They had not met an Adventist for years, but had read some of our books and magazines. They asked me if I had the pamphlets on "The Sabbath," or "The Coming of Christ," and as it happened I had several with me. I also lent them my Sabbath school quarterly, which they were very glad to get to study the Bible and especially on the Sabbath.

Experiences like these make us feel that it is worth while to be in God's vineyard. Our colporteurs have experiences like this every day, and I am sure that there are others that would like to have similar experiences. If so, remember we have room for you.

J. J. STRAHLE.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES.

Prof. I. G. Ortner went to Redfield, Wednesday on business.

The meetings at Eureka are progressing nicely, with a good attendance each evening.

Mrs. Ben Mekkelson of Clear Lake called at the office last week, while she was visiting in Watertown.

Services began Friday evening at

Parker with an attendance of fifty and Sabbath evening of seventy-five.

Elder Russell left the office Wednesday and expects to visit several of the tent companies before he returns.

The tent effort in Watertown began Thursday evening, with a fair attendance, but the interest is growing.

Two of the best days' canvassing this year were done by George Long who received \$50, and G. G. Dollinger, \$49.

Elders Jeys and Anderson have moved from Sioux Falls to Montrose where they began their meetings Friday night, July 21.

The meetings in New Effington are being well attended. Many evenings every seat is taken, so that some have to stand outside.

J. J. Strahle spent Sabbath at Madison and the week following with some of the colporteurs in the northern part of the state.

Mr. John Oss, who has been canvassing in Deuel County, passed through Watertown Tuesday en route to his home in Herrick, S. D.

Miss Olga Albersworth spent Sabbath at Clear Lake, and during the following week at Flandreau and Coleman in the interests of the Sabbath school work.

Brother Leo Oswald writes that he found a home containing sixteen books filled with the Third Angel's Message and he sold the seventeenth.

We are sorry that one of our colporteurs, Miss Katie Bagley was taken sick. Her coworker, Miss Evelyn Calkins, is with her at the Bradley Hospital in Spencer, Nebraska. We ought to remember Sister Bagley in our prayers that she may soon be restored to health and be able to enter the field again.

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THE LAST CALL!

For What?
 The Mid-Summer Offering!
 When?
 Sabbath, July 29!

From every viewpoint the argument is altogether in favor of a very liberal Mid-summer Offering. Some of our dear, faithful, God-fearing missionaries have been passing through bitter trials and severe persecutions, but no word of com-

plaint is offered. Still they labor on, faithfully doing the work of the Master. May God help every worker, church officer, isolated and church member to respond at this time and thus lift the offering to a higher notch than ever before!

We have every reason to believe that we are living in the days of the finishing of the work of God in this world. The perils of the last days are surely thickening around us and our God is calling upon all to do their duty at this time.

The needs are very great; our conference is short in making up her full quota; but that which should receive our careful consideration and awaken in all our hearts a ready response is the fact that,—

"The restless millions wait

That light, whose dawning maketh all things new;

Christ also waits, but men are slow and late.

Have we done what we could? Have I? Have you?

A cloud of witnesses above encompass us;

We love to think of all they see and know;

But what of this great multitude in peril, What sadly wait below?

Oh! let this thrilling vision daily move us

To earnest prayers and deeds before unknown;

That souls redeemed from many lands may join us,

When Christ brings home his own."

G. W. WELLS.

CLARISSA.

Since the good campmeeting at Anoka, I have returned to Clarissa to continue my work which was left undeveloped are a number of good souls here that are in the valley of decision, and still others looking for something. I hope to be able by the help of the Lord to point them to the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world."

I was at Eagle Bend over Sabbath and Sunday and was called upon to perform the wedding ceremony for Brother Hendricks and the one of his choice. A large congregation assembled at the church to witness the happy union.

I feel to still solicit the prayers of God's people for the work at this place.

GEO. L. BUDD.

CHILDREN'S MISSION BAND.

As is the custom in Minnesota, our Mission Band fund for 1916 was begun at campmeeting. I am sure that the children who could not be present will

be interested to know of our success in reaching the \$50.00 goal set.

The children all over the state had been reminded that we would take the usual annual offering on the Thursday afternoon of the campmeeting week, and at 4 p. m. that day all assembled in the large tent. We were favored in having the tent filled with interested listeners, while the juniors and children gave a missionary program in which each one had some part.

Sister Susie Anderson had drawn a large ship, which was just resting upon upon the water of the ocean. Our object was to load this ship until it sank only far enough to sail safely across the ocean. This required \$50.00, which is to go to help to carry the news of salvation through Jesus to the boys and girls who are not so fortunate as those in Minnesota.

The following is a list of donors to date, with amounts given:

May Holm, \$.25; Jeanette Peterson, \$.25; Vivian Jordy, \$.10. Inez Brackin, \$.10; Eva Pogue, \$.10; Irwin Annunson, \$.1.00; Allen O'Brien, \$.05; Nana Rosenthal, \$.10; Kenneth Rosenthal, \$.10; Stanley Denzel, \$.1.00; Russell Perry, \$.10; Emmet Anderson, \$.25; Willie Anderson, \$.25; Merle Rosenthal, \$.10; Madge Rosenthal, \$.10; Annetta Blomgren, \$.25; Mabelle Blomgren, \$.25; Erma Foster, \$.25; Anna Rosenthal, \$.10; Elva Babcock, \$.35; Mary Turner, \$.20; Ruby Axelson, \$.25; Margaret Andrews, \$.16. Fern Halverson, \$.1.00; Fern Miller, \$.05; Ruth Eggar, \$.10; Frank Brown, \$.25; Cecelia Peck, \$.10; Mabel Broderson, \$.25; Marion Obert, \$.10; Lila Warner, \$.25; Wendell Chaffee, \$.05; Hazel Ross, \$.50; Lillian Lindgren, \$.25; Gladys Larsen, \$.05; Russel Denzel, \$.1.00; Ivan Johnson, \$.25; Richard Pogue, \$.05; Reginald White, \$.75; Bernhard Holway, \$.1.00; Bernice Warner, \$.25; Harold Rosenthal, \$.10; Raymond Haak, \$.05; Mary Skadsheim, \$.05; Velda Baldwin, \$.05; Ardice Melvin, \$.1.00; Myrtle Wilson, \$.50; Helen Cumby, \$.30; Clara Anderson, \$.25; Myrtle Reitter, \$.30; Dora Siebert, \$.05; Fern Ritters, \$.05; Clyde Niederer, \$.50; Bernice Brown, \$.1.00; Rachael Mattson, \$.05; Richard Johnson, \$.05; Julia Ross, \$.50; Myrtle Peterson, \$.10; Dorothy Foster, \$.25; Vera Stewart, \$.15; Donald Foster, \$.20; Mrs. Fannie Johnson, \$.50; Grace Even, \$.05; Helen Swenson, \$.05; Bernice Whener, \$.50; Paul Swenson, \$.05; Ruby Harry, \$.25; Gladys, Lowell and Willard Riechel, \$.2.60; Kindergarten Children, \$.3.21; Miscellaneous, \$.15.82; Pledges, \$.8.75.

Total, \$49.19.

This is our first report, but a good one. Our goal is, "\$300.00 from the Minnesota Mission Band to Missions in 1916." Will you help us reach it?

MARY D. HOPKINS.

AN IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION.

To our Minnesota brethren: As the time has come for us to decide concerning our schools and teachers for the next year, I am writing you this general letter. Some startling things are developing in this country, which make it imperative that we not only organize our church schools but establish them in the mind of the world as being a permanent system, and that we take our boys and girls from secular schools and train them in those where the Bible is the foundation of all study.

In general assembly in New York, July 7, the North American Educational Association of America, uniting with representatives present, voted to recommend that military training be included in all public schools of the United States. The *Minneapolis Journal* of July 7, in commenting upon this considered it a surprise because "Last year," said the *Journal*, "this same body voted flatfootedly against this very measure." With all the prominent teachers in the United States in convention assembled voting military training as part of the public school education, and this united with the statement of our President, that anyone who would not bear arms for his country is unworthy of citizenship, how long will it be until our boys will be forced into the army service with the same despotism that is experienced today in Europe? Our only safeguard is to follow the instruction the Lord has been giving us for this very crisis.

"SEPARATION FROM THE WORLD."

On the night of deliverance from Egyptian bondage "Any one of the children of the Hebrews who was found in an Egyptian habitation was destroyed. This experience of the Israelites was written for the instruction of those who should live in the last days. Before the overflowing scourge shall come upon dwellers of the earth, the Lord calls upon all who are Israelities indeed to prepare for that event. To parents he sends the warning cry, Gather your children into your own houses; gather them away from those who are disregarding the commandments of God, who are teaching and practicing evil. Get out of the large cities as fast as possible. Establish church schools. Give your children the Word of God as the foundation of

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all their education. This is full of beautiful lessons, and if pupils make it their study in the primary grade below, they will be prepared for the higher grade above." Test. Vol. 6, pages 194, 195.

It may cost us a little money to do this, but the Lord who has given us the money will hold us responsible for its use, and "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul," or the souls of his children.

Our teachers are now in summer school and at present I supply your school with a competent instructor for the coming year but we must act quickly as other conferences will take every available teacher. Teachers do not wish to be held in suspense and uncertainty, awaiting the decision of a school board while other conferences are urging them to come to their field of labor.

I am pleading with our brethren to act immediately in this matter. If once our children are enrolled in the military ranks one can rarely secure their release.

Some years ago one of our brethren was imprisoned two years in Switzerland for refusing to send his son to the schools of that Republic. The Sabbath day being a holiday will naturally become the easiest and most convenient day for drilling and practice, and military rule knows no excuses except physical disability.

Our only safeguard is in establishing our own schools. Will we do what the Lord has for years been instructing us to do, and thus secure our children from the worldly influences. Please let me hear from you very early, and pray that the Lord may guide you in this matter.

H. M. HIATT,
Educational Supt.

EN ROUTE—CONTINUED.

In our last article we were just bidding farewell to Minnesota, and entering North Dakota, gliding along with railroad speed through its broad prairies, here and there dotted with pleasant groves, sheltering the homes from the burning sun in summer and the driving snow and winds in winter.

Arriving at Williston we found we had gained time on the sun, consequently had to turn our timepieces back one hour to be in harmony with that great regulator. As we traveled the length of this great state, we wondered how much larger the world is! We passed on through the Rockies whose peaks tower heavenward, looking to the beholder as though they were taking a

view of the great beyond, and as we looked at these white snow capped mountains, our eyes strained to catch every passing peak, and towering, lofty, magnificent height with adoration, we could but exclaim, "Great and marvelous are thy works Lord God Almighty!" We bowed our heads with reverence and awe to the great Creator of the universe.

Our next place of interest was Glacier Park station, where the railroad favored us with a stop-off for sight seeing. Taking advantage of this, the time was improved in viewing still more of the works of God in forming mountains of ice and snow, hitched to the clouds, and resting at the feet of man. Here in the midst of the National Glacier Park of fifty fine acres, is a grand hotel furnished throughout with native timber in rustic style. The walls are of artistic designs, with beautiful paintings and flowers beyond description. Truly the inventions of man are wonderful, but as loath as we were to leave these beautiful places of the works of both God and man, we had to heed the call "All Aboard."

In the grand old Cascade Mountains, if entranced before we were doubly so then, and again we felt like falling at the feet of him "Who spake and it was done: who commanded and it stood fast." I can but wish I could portray or describe to you who have never seen them, these beautiful mountains, but my language is inadequate. As we neared the land of our destination, the orchards began to tell us about the fruits that look "pleasant to our eyes and are good to eat."

The flowers and roses remind us of the description given by holy writ, "Eye hath not seen," etc. But our visions were disturbed by the stilling of our chariot wheels and a sonorous voice calling Seattle.

We reached our journey's end, and with outstretched arms and loving hearts we were greeted by our loved ones, and now are resting our tired bodies. While using that little member (which no man can tame) to good advantage in finding out the happenings of the past three years since last we met, we are in a new world as everything seems to be different here in the West. Mr. Mead is in his usual health, but we both sigh for the days that will never come back. But are trying to keep up good courage, and make the best of the changes in this life. And now, my dear brothers and sisters, who requested me to write how I stood this

long journey, will tell you at the very start that I dropped the word "stood" out of my vocabulary, and inserted "enjoyed" and you don't know what a difference it made! We both really enjoyed this trip, and with the exception of a few small ruffles it was a very pleasant one, and we feel grateful to our dear Heavenly Father for his protecting care over us all the way.

MRS. MARIA MEAD,

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REPORT OF LITERATURE WORK
DONE IN THE MINNESOTA
CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR
1915.

Let us thank God, for to Him belongs the credit and praise for the following report of the canvassing work done in Minnesota for the year 1915.

The last century of this world's history has seen marvelous changes and great developments, especially in the direction of scientific inventions. If men who died in the early part of the last century were resurrected now, it would be impossible to convince them that this is the same world that they once lived in. There are men living who have seen the development of the railroad, steamship, telegraph, wire and wireless telephone, and all the other modern inventions. The world surely has made great changes in the past 100 years, yes, we can say the last fifty years.

While all these great facilities were invented within the past century yet there is one invention that dates back to the 15th century, and it is to this that I wish to call your attention—the printing press. God in his order gave to man the printing press just in time to make possible the reformation of the 16th century. I quote the following paragraph from the "Written and Printed Page in the Reformation," Pages 32 and 33:

"None valued more than Luther did the invention of printing. 'Printing,' said he, 'is the latest and greatest gift by which God enables us to advance the things of the Gospel.' Printing was, indeed, one of the prime agents of the reformation. The ideas had long been born, but printing gave them wings. Had the writings of Luther and his fellow laborers been confined only to such copies as could have been made by hand, they would have remained few in number, been extremely limited in their effects, and could easily have been suppressed and destroyed by authority. But the printing press enabled them to cir-

culate by thousands all over Germany." "A large body of ex-monks lived by traveling about selling them all over Germany. They also flew abroad, into Switzerland, Bohemia, France and England."

As the Lord used the press back there, likewise today the printing press and its products are the strongest aid we have in giving and finishing the Third Angel's Message in this generation. In Vol. 9, pg. 87, of the Testimonies we read the following. "We are held accountable by the Lord for making the most of our opportunities to enlighten those in need of present truth. And one of the principal agencies He has ordained for our use is the printed page."

The distribution of gospel literature is both a pioneer work and a permanent evangelizing agency. Reports coming in from the foreign fields prove that our literature is becoming more and more a mighty factor in winning souls to the Truth.

In 1902 a testimony came from the servant of the Lord saying; "I have been instructed that the canvassing work is to be revived, and that it is to be carried forward with increasing success. It is the Lord's work, and a blessing will attend those who engage in it with earnestness and diligence." At that time the sale of books and tracts for the denomination amounted to \$430,000.00 a year. Since that time it has increased year by year until in 1914 our sales reached over \$2,100,000.00. 1914 probably reached more than that. Our sales here in Minnesota have increased as the chart will show. Subscription books only.

1907	\$4,401
1908	9,498
1909	6,878
1910	6,845
1911	7,841
1912	9,599
1913	13,010
1914	16,335
1915	21,805

Total 9 years\$96,212

Last year two married men, Brother Theo. Mueller and O. R. Osman, entered the canvassing work, and are still at it, each selling near to a thousand dollars' worth of our truth-filled books for eight months of 1915. These brethren have had some good experiences and expect to continue in this noble work of giving the Third Angel's Message.

Many people were found throughout the rural districts of this state who are

interested in the Truth from reading books bought of our canvassers. These have not been forgotten, the "Signs of the Times" are being sent to many of them. As it may be of interest at this time, I will relate a few experiences where our books have brought people into the truth.

A certain man in Meeker County bought a book from one of our canvassers a few years ago. In 1914 Brother Balkins, a student from Maplewood Academy, while canvassing in Meeker County met this man, found him very much interested, secured his order for the "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" gave him a Bible study and went on his way. In May of 1915 Miss Wiik, one of our young ladies canvassing in this same territory, called on this man and found him keeping the Sabbath. Needless to say he bought another one of our books. Miss Wiik then invited him to attend campmeeting that was to be held soon. He accepted her invitation and attended our meeting last year. Last reports show that he is faithful in spite of opposition.

One of our girls working with the small books in Minneapolis last winter sold a copy of "Steps to Christ" to a lady, talked with her about the Truth, she became interested; and she held Bible studies with her later. Regardless of opposition from her husband, she decided to cast her lot with the remnant people that keep the commandments of God.

One man in the northern part of the state accepted the truth by reading "Daniel & Revelation." He had had this book packed away in his trunk for twelve years and when the present war broke out, he got it out to see what it had to say in regard to the war from a Bible standpoint. He studied it, became convinced in regard to the Sabbath, and the near coming of the Lord, etc., sold out his business and is now a Sabbath keeper with us.

On Decoration Day of last year Brother Mueller sold a copy of "Daniel & Revelation" to a Mr. Peterson, manager of a creamery eight miles south of Wells, Minn. A few months later our brother received a letter from this man saying he was convinced about the Sabbath and that he was making arrangements to step out. Four weeks ago Brother Mueller received another letter from this man in which he informs our brother that the Lord has opened the way, and he and his wife are now keeping the Sabbath, and doing all they can to give the truth to their neighbors and

The Book Work

Colporteurs' Report for Week Ending July 15, 1916

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Agent	Hours	Orders	Book	Helps	Value
F. E. Barkley	39	22	B. R.	\$1.50	\$76.50
*Orpha Smith	79½	17	B. R.	60.00
Geo. Ulvick	49½	19	B. R.	....	61.00
*M. T. Fredericksen	87	32	B. R.	....	103.00
Lillian Lindgren	28¾	4	8/14	....	15.00
Signe Wiik	29	4	B. R.	....	15.00
			B. R.	.75	13.75
Theo. Mueller	30	8	D. R.	3.00	29.00
O. Teigland (4 weeks).....		42	G. C.	....	128.00
J. Skadsheim		4	G. C.	1.00	15.00
B. O. Engen	36	21	G. C.	12.25	85.25
W. Anderson	40	11	G. C.	2.30	40.30
J. Borresen	11	..	Min.	1.50	7.60
Gwen M. Burnham	19½	9	Min.	....	13.50
Archie Nelson	60½	9	G. C.	.75	27.75
L. Dagoberg	10¾	4	H. M.	....	9.00
R. A. Karlson	49	23	H. M.	....	48.00
J. Marie Vixie	20	22	H. M.	3.75	57.75
Levi Vixie	29	15	H. M.	4.50	35.50
L. L. Otis	37	12	H. M.	....	25.00
Daniel M. Peterson	44	22	H. M.	1.50	50.50
H. M. Frederickson	33	9	P. P.	1.50	33.50
C. Ruth Youngberg	31	14	P. P.	9.00	54.00
Leon Olson	38	15	P. P.	....	50.00
Florence Riechel	45	3	P. P.	7.50	16.50
Jeanette Franklin	45½	5	P. P.	3.75	18.75
A. W. Wennerberg	54	23	P. P.	....	81.00
Amanda Desing	19	1	P. P.	....	18.00
Amanda Desing		6	H. M.	....	18.00
Chas. Rosenquist	45	5	P. P.	....	18.00
Donovan Johnson	50	10	P. P.	3.50	35.50
O. R. Osman.....	40	12	P. G.	....	45.00
Totals, 30 Agents.....	1,100	403	....	\$58.05	\$1,271.65

SOUTH DAKOTA

F. E. Bresee	42	24	B. R.	....	\$88.00
Katie Bagley	12	2	G. C.	....	8.00
B. F. Blank	40	9	B. R.	....	30.75
B. F. Bresee	45	22	B. R.	....	78.00
Evelyn Calkins	19	6	P. P.	....	10.00
			M. H.	10.00	47.00
G. G. Dollinger	50	27	B. R.	1.50	108.50
F. W. Dauenhauer	34	6	B. R.	....	22.00
R. M. Dillworth	12	2	B. R.	....	6.00
Edward H. Eden	44	22	P. G.	....	82.50
			B. R.	....	12.00
Helen Goertz	37½	4	B. R.	....	101.00
George Long	35	25	B. R.	....	45.00
Lee R. Marsh	15	12	B. R.	....	72.00
H. O. McCumber	39	20	B. R.	....	17.25
R. L. Nelson	43½	3	G. C.	7.25	27.25
Leo Oswald	46	6	G. C.	3.25	56.00
Sam Ortner	47	16	P. P.	....	88.00
John Oss	45	24	B. R.	....	35.00
*D. H. Pennel	54	9	P. G.	....	40.00
			G. C.	....	77.00
*Tesla Peterson	63	11	B. R.	....
Birdie Riter	53	23	B. R.	....

relatives. In closing his letter he said, "I thank you from the bottom of my heart that you brought this truth to us."

May the Lord increase our faith, and teach us how to work for others.

G. A. CAMPBELL.

MINNESOTA NOTES.

Elder Wells was at Verndale over last Sabbath and conducted baptismal services.

Bro. Shepherd, canvassing agent of Northern Wisconsin called at the office last Friday.

John Mair called at the office Friday on his return from his work as assistant to Bro. Campbell.

Elder Hilliard was with the St. Cloud church Sabbath, the 15th, and left Thursday of last week for Pine Island, where he will spend some time.

Lawrence Dagoberg stopped at the office Friday. He has had good success in the canvassing field, and after a short time at home will continue work in Murray County.

Miss Julia Ackerman, of St. Paul, who was at one time connected with the Northern Union office, has fortunately been secured to fill the position of stenographer in our office.

Bro. Campbell was in the office Thursday. He left with Bro. Oberg for Hutchinson Friday, and the first of this week they went to the northern part of the state to look after the canvassing work.

Miss Wyman, who has been connected with the office for some time as stenographer, left Tuesday night for Washington, D. C., where she will continue in the same line of work with the General Conference.

Elder Carl Swenson is holding an effort in a Swedish Mission Church five miles east of Grandy. The meetings are well attended although the farmers are very busy, and some are deeply interested in the truth. Sister Hulda Anderson is assisting with the music and Bible work. We are expecting that a number of persons will take their stand for the truth.

The Albert Lea tent was ruined in a tornado that visited that city on Sabbath afternoon, the 22nd inst. Elder Benton said that trees were broken down, church steeples, telegraph and telephone poles thrown down, a warehouse lifted off its foundation and set down on the railroad track, and much other damage done to property and crops, but no lives were lost, so far as he had learned, when he left soon after the storm had passed. Elder Beton was

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PERSONS expecting to locate near Mountain View, California, will find it to their advantage to correspond with one who has lived in California for 30 years. We have several nice properties for sale, and maintain a renting list. Correspondence solicited. Address H. B. Blackburn, Mountain View, Calif. 3m

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STUDY AT HOME.—The Fireside Correspondence School will show you how. Agents wanted. Send for our "Nutshell" Calendar. Address, C. C. Lewis, Principal, Takoma Park, D. C. 1t

WANTED—At once, a man to work on farm for the season. Will pay \$40 per month. Must be S. D. A., and used to handle horses. Address, Otto Swanson, R. 1, Box 66, Ryder, North Dakota. 3t

WANTED—Girl, or middle aged lady, for general housework in family of four. Church privileges. State wages wanted. Address Mrs. Wm. Dyke, Livermore, Iowa. 4t

WANTED.—At once, reliable man to work on farm till fall. State wages wanted in first letter. Address Nels P. Christensen, Werner, North Dakota. 3t

NOTICE.
 Buttermaker available. Among other names of available workers we have that of an experienced buttermaker, who has recently given up a paying position in order to keep the Sabbath. He wants employment among Seventh-day Adventists. Write us for information. Medical Dept., No. Am. Div. Conf., Takoma Park, D. C. 1t

on his way to Anoka after another tent in which to continue the meetings, which have created a good interest.

"It is the height of folly to throw up attempting because you have failed. Failures are wonderful elements in developing the character."

Agent	Hours	Ord.	Book	Helps	Value
Franklin Sammelson	41	4	G. C.	....	13.00
M. L. Soli	41	9	G. C.	....	32.00
M. V. Tucker	40	18	G. C.	....	71.00
Totals, 23 Agents.....	898	304	....	\$22.00	\$1,157.75

NORTH DAKOTA.

H. J. Winter.....	50	49	P. G.	....	\$202.50
Mary E. McGuffin	28	13	B. R.	\$7.65	52.65
H. G. Reinmuth	44	22	P. G.	....	103.00
Adam Gaub	30	16	P. G.	....	63.00
Fred Nehring	59	35	B. R.	....	137.00
Ed Shenko	27	15	H. M.	....	38.00
*Martin Hiebert	92	33	B. R.	....	109.00
Guy Frederickson	31	7	P. G.	.75	27.25
Arden Fate	52	19	P. G.	....	82.50
W. H. Nash	48	24	P. G.	8.00	100.00
Alfred Johnson	48	19	P. G.	....	77.50
Edw. Fischer	52	23	P. G.	....	89.50
J. E. Meyer	18	8	P. G.	....	31.00
Felix Lorenz	60	50	D. & R.	1.00	250.00
Olaf Mathison	52	19	H. M.	....	54.00
H. K. Schilling	37	31	P. G.	....	94.50
John Hass	56	17	B. R.	....	63.00
Noah Baharian	38	9	B. R.	....	31.00
H. Kneller	45	20	D. & R.	....	73.00
C. A. Nies	43	12	D. & R.	....	39.00
Pasha Burley	33	9	B. R.	....	31.00
J. W. Wagner	53	29	B. R.	....	114.00
David Rott	42	23	B. R.	....	80.00
K. A. Haffner	41	24	P. G.	2.00	97.00
David Dirksen	38	16	H. M.	....	37.00
Ben Riley	66	48	D. & R.	....	183.00
George Ward	30	11	P. G.	....	44.50
*Henry E. Weigand	67	49	B. R.	....	182.00
*C. D. Hein	60	38	P. G.	157.00
†Arthur Holm	112	37	D. & R.	199.00
Totals, 30 Agents.....	1,443	717	\$19.40	\$2,841.90

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H. J. Darnell	27	4	B. R.	\$12.00
W. E. Sheirbon	42	13	B. R.	4.50	44.50
S. B. Slater	43	15	B. R.	49.00
Flora Vogan	30	9	B. R.	27.00
Ernest Schroeder	25	6	B. R.	2.25	23.25
May Brownell	43	7	B. R.	1.50	27.50
Katherine Smith	21	5	B. R.	3.75	19.75
Essie Burgess	12	7	B. R.	.75	22.75
Hazel Murray	58	13	B. R.	....	39.00
Roy Kent	20	13	B. R.	2.65	45.65
L. F. Morrison	36	6	B. R.	2.55	21.55
M. E. Mills	54	9	B. R.	7.50	35.50
Wm. Howell	45	8	G. C.	2.25	29.25
H. A. Rentfro	27	32	B. R.	....	107.50
Chris Jensen	42	19	H. M.	....	38.00
Arthur Larson	46	15	B. R.	....	49.00
Arthur Larson	40	9	B. R.	....	33.00
Elmer Ely	33	8	G. C.	....	26.00
O. Ellmaker	20	11	B. R.	1.50	37.50
Mrs. E. Gilchrist	27	108	Crisis	....	27.25
Mrs. L. Fitton	35	8	B. R.	2.25	29.25
E. A. Markley	21	14	B. R.	.75	43.75
Martin Schroeder	26	3	B. R.	3.00	12.00
James Nelson	47	31	B. R.	3.00	111.00
M. Sorensen	50	17	G. C.	1.60	58.60
James Hanson	46	28	H. M.	56.00
Louis Newton	48	17	B. R.	2.25	60.25
Arthur Nelson	48	23	G. C.	1.75	81.75

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"If God is taking you through severe trials, you should rejoice in the consciousness that he knows you have the stuff in you that can endure them and be benefitted thereby."

SECRETARY SPEAKS TO LOCAL ADVENTISTS.

W. H. Edwards of Minneapolis, secretary and treasurer of the Northern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, occupied the pulpit at the local church, corner Fourth avenue and Eleventh street, Saturday. He spoke on the subject, "Hope Beyond," using as his text, I Cor. 15:19, "If in this life only we have hope we are of all men most miserable."

He also spoke of the splendid progress the Seventh-day Adventist denomination has made. Last year the increase in membership was 5,000. Grand total of contributions, \$2,542,682.99, a gain over 1914 of \$213,931.11, which makes a per capita of \$32.71. In the last ten years the denomination has given \$17,000,000 for the promotion of their propaganda.

For the ministerial work of the church aside from offerings for lands abroad there was paid in \$1,337,810.07, a gain over 1914 of \$68,848.11.—*Fargo* (N. D.) *Forum*.

Albert Hanson	6	2	B. R.	....	6.00
Totals, 28 Agents.....	1,018	352	....	\$43.80	\$1,173.55
GRAND TOTAL FOR UNION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 15, 1916.					
Agents	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total Value	
111	4,459	1,776	\$143.25	\$6,444.85	
*Two Weeks.		†Three Weeks.			

WITH THE MEN BEHIND THE BOOKS IN NORTH DAKOTA.

Our Slogan—"We'll Stick."

Our Aim—\$20,000.00 Sales 1916.

Orders to date, \$9,407.60.

"Every worker a consecrated worker."

The sons of the north have at last gotten into the field and they are certainly plowing deep furrows. Just notice their reports for the last three weeks: July 1, \$931.50, July 8, \$2,053.55, and July 15, \$2,841.90, a steady climb. Next week is our "big week." By this we mean a big week in hours put in, and we hope too that it will outdistance our former reports in sales as well. We will now let some of this noble band of Gospel Colporteurs speak for themselves:

Herman Kneller—"I am still enjoying this good work, and shall stay at it. My courage is good."

J. W. Wagner—"I had some good experiences this week. Some were going to give me a threshing, but others were just as good in the opposite. I am of good courage and want to keep on to the finish."

Geo. Ward—"I am glad to have a report to send in this week. I enjoy my work very much."

Henry Weigand—"I am getting along finely. I must say that the Lord is blessing me wonderfully."

Martin Hiebert—"This last week my orders are not many, but still I worked quite hard and the Lord gave me many good experiences. Never have so many people asked me what my religion is, but it did not hinder me from taking orders."

Harold K. Shilling—"If I do not take many orders during the 'big week,' I will at least put in 45 or 50 hours with the Lord's help. Pray for me!"

Fred Nehring—"I took quite a few orders from Catholics. One night I stopped at a place where we had all things in common. Bread and milk were put in one bowl, and each one took his own spoon and helped himself out of the same bowl."

Guy Frederickson—"Well, I will have to stick or I will not do anything. So, by the help of the Lord, I will stay by it."

Arden Fate—"We are of good courage and aim to make next week 'Big Week.'"

Edw. Fischer—"I am still in the Lord's work, and by his help I will endeavor to keep it up."

Walter Nash—"You can see by our report that the Lord blesses us. If he did not bless us, we could not sell P. G. in this country where two other doctor books are in every home."

Felix Lorenz—"What do you think of this report? On Tuesday I struck a German Lutheran settlement. I sold to the minister and his whole parish, May God bless the seed!"

Mary E. McGuffin—"I am very much in love with the work, and the Lord willing I will continue at it."

Adam Gaub—"My aim for the coming week is 60 hours, if God permits. My courage is good, and may the Lord prosper us all this week!"

Four more weeks of such work as was reported last week and we will have passed our goal of \$20,000.00. Just think what this will mean in homes visited and souls warned of the wrath to come! One of our workers wrote, "I like the work, and already I have seen some results of it." Many may not see the results of their labors here, but what a joy awaits the faithful one who in the earth made new will recognize among the saved those whom he visited with the printed page here below. Could we be engaged in a more soul-satisfying work? There is no promotion awaiting the one who is a coworker with God, for there is no greater work. May the good Master richly bless our faithful colporteurs, keep them in good courage, and give them wisdom for every emergency!

ANDREW ROEDEL.