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## MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER AND EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

A. F. Schmidt, Secretary.

### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CON- VENTIONS

During this winter fifteen Missionary Volunteer conventions have been conducted in the Northern Union, five in South Dakota, one in North Dakota, five in Minnesota, and four in Iowa. At this writing we are in the midst of a convention at Oak Park Academy at Nevada, Iowa. Next week will find us at Plainview Academy, Redfield, South Dakota. We are confident that the young people in these places have received spiritual help as well as assistance along the different lines of the Missionary Volunteer work.

The last two conventions held at Exira and Ruthven, Iowa, were in some respects the best of the series. At Exira we found a large and active society. Brother Dan Larson, the leader, has done well in encouraging the young people to read the Bible through and to take the Reading courses. There are thirty-five on the Bible year chart, which is hung up in the church. A star is placed after the name of each person who has completed a month's reading. A very interesting part of the convention program was the presentation of thirty-two Reading Course certificates at the last meeting. Those having finished the courses were seated on the front seats and after a few fitting remarks by Brother Mair, they received their certificates. We were glad to have Elder Clark with us who preached a stirring sermon to a large congregation on Sabbath. The attendance and

interest in the convention was excellent throughout, and we trust that as a result the Exira society will be as active in missionary work as they have been in some of the other lines.

It was also my privilege to visit the church schools while at Exira. I was much pleased to see the interest on the part of the children in their work.

Miss Ida Christensen teaches ninth and tenth grades in one room and Miss Maggie Hanson the elementary grades in the other. Both are doing good work. Miss Jensen in the East Exira school had just arrived to take the place of Miss Knutson's who was obliged to give up her work on account of her health.

On March 26, Brother Mair and I arrived at Ruthven. The first meeting on Friday evening, which had been previously appointed, was well attended. Brother Mair set before us in his sermon, God's call to Missionary Volunteers. In such serious and solemn times as we have reached, the Lord expects nothing short of a full surrender of the hearts of our young people and a thorough consecration to His service. The Spirit of the Lord came very near in the meeting Sabbath morning, when several of the young people who had never surrendered to the Lord, rose to express their desire to give their hearts to Him. Others who had grown careless, also renewed their consecration. A testimony was borne by practically everyone present. We were glad to see young people in attendance from Terril and Spirit Lake, and we hope and pray that the convention at Ruthven is the beginning of a new life for the Missionary Volunteer society.

Elder Prieger occupied the hour on Sabbath evening, speaking on the

need of Bible and prayer. About fifteen decided to read the Bible through this year. On Sunday during the two hour session, the following topics were discussed: "The Purpose of the Missionary Volunteer Society," "Reading Courses," "Amusements," "Associations and Social Plans," and "Standard of Attainment." Another preaching service followed in the evening which closed the convention. Judging from the expressions made we believe the society at Ruthven was greatly helped by this effort. Brother Clare Betts is leader, and we bespeak for him the co-operation of the church and society members, and the blessing of God to lead the Ruthven young people into active missionary service for the Master. A. F. Schmidt.

### AMONG THE CHURCHES

It was my privilege to spend Sabbath, March 13, with the Watertown church. Never had I seen so large a company gathered in the G. A. R. hall for a Sabbath meeting. Our Bible workers, Sister Magnuson and Jaqua, are finding and interesting some excellent people. The conference building recently voted for Watertown, with its provisions for a chapel, will meet a need of long standing. On the lot purchased for the conference building is a dwelling house which can easily be prepared for a church school room. The Watertown church is seeking to lease a lot to which they may move this building. At present Miss Berg, the church school teacher is working faithfully in a little room altogether inadequate for school purposes. She has scarcely room for pupils already in attendance and several more pupils would like to enroll. It is hoped that our present school year may be finish-



ed in an ample school home of our own.

Our Sioux Falls church is situated in the midst of abundant opportunities for all kinds of missionary endeavor. And best of all these opportunities are meeting with a response in the varied activities of all departments of the church work. The brethren at Sioux Falls are considering the need of a larger home for their growing numbers.

The Colman brethren are deeply interested in Christian education, and plan for a church school for next year.

The Madison brethren voted unanimously for a church school for next year. It was an inspiration to attend the M. V. meeting here. Brother B. F. Blank is the leader. The note of interest in raising the funds and districting the city for placing the Spiritualism number of the Signs into every home in Madison was very exemplary. The H. M. meeting with Sister J. P. Neuman as leader encouraged one to believe that God's work in the the earth is to rise in power to its finishing.

At Chamberlain a well organized parent-teacher's association, under the direction of Sister Glaze, is seriously considering church school accommodations in a building of its own outside the basement of the church. I enjoyed greatly the restful quiet of the Chamberlain Sanitarium and trust that this institution may continue under God its worthy mission.

We have a great many reading racks scattered over the state, and it is cheering to note the interest of the public in the papers and tracts they get from these racks. So great is this interest that we frequently find the racks empty. We can name people who have accepted the truth, who got their interest in the things of God from the mission of the reading rack. This form of missinonary work can be greatly increased to the glory of God.

Bert Rhoads.

#### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER CONVENTIONS IN COUNCIL BLUFFS AND UTE

Thinking that the readers of the *Reaper* might be interested in the work done in our recent Missionary Volunteer Conventions, I will write just a brief report of the same.

The meetings in Council Bluffs were held March 5-7 at the Adventist church. Elder Clark, Professor A. F. Schmidt of Minneapolis, and Elder Christy of Lincoln, Nebraska, assisted in the speaking. The help of these brethren was especially appreciated. Elder Christy, the Missionary Volunteer secretary of the Nebraska Conference, arranged for the Omaha young people to attend and a goodly number were present. Meetings were held Friday evening, Sabbath morning and afternoon, Sunday morning and evening. The topic discussed were "The Call of the Missionary Volunteer," "The Purpose of the Missionary Volunteer Societies," "Prayer and Bible Study," "Kings Pocket League," "Standard of Attainment" and the Reading Courses. Other subjects were discussed which had been suggested through the "Question Box." The final meeting was conducted by Elder Clark. His subject was "The Time of Jacob's Trouble." The Holy Spirit was present and we believe lasting impressions were made upon the minds of those present.

During the week Professor Schmidt and the writer visited Sioux City and held an evening service. The attendance was good and professor Schmidt had freedom in speaking. We next visited the Carroll church school. From there we went to Ute for our second convention. We were pleased to have Brother Patterson drop in on us and his services were enlisted for our meeting. Nearly the same subjects were discussed as in our previous convention. Sister Hazel Kroll is the leader of the society in Ute. Brother N. H. Olsen, the elder of the church, was asked to act as the educational secretary and lead out in the study of the Standard of Attainment. All of the young people present agreed to take this study and we feel sure that a blessing will result to each. The meeting closed with an appeal for deeper consecration.

A very good spirit seems to prevail among the young people and it is encouraging to find them willing to take hold and co-operate in the work of the kingdom. These young people by moving steadily forward may through the blessings of Heaven become an irresistible force for good.

J. J. Mair.

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#### SIoux FALLS

It has been the privilege of the writer to make a couple of visits at Sioux Falls recently. I am very much pleased with the way the work is prospering in Sioux Falls, which is the largest city in our conference. Elder E. G. Olson, the pastor, together with the two Bible workers, Sister Hattie Smith, and Minnie Erickson, are working hard to build up the cause of truth in that needy field. The importance of setting the church members to work has not been overlooked and as a result of circulating thousands of pages of truth-filled literature, souls are turning from darkness unto light. Many new faces are seen at the regular Sabbath services, while the Sunday evening meetings are being very well attended. The Sioux Falls congregation has outgrown the capacity of the church building, and steps are now being taken to secure a larger church in the same part of the city in which the old church is so centrally located.

While we greatly appreciate all that God has done for our brethren at Sioux Falls, we are still willing to attempt greater things for God and to expect greater things from Him. Pray for the work and workers at Sioux Falls.

S. A. Ruskjer.

#### AMONG THE ISOLATED

From a letter from Brother George Tucker we take pleasure in quoting the following: "I find our isolated brethren in this western country do love the truth, and it is a great pleasure for me to visit among them. I met with Sister Mary McGuffin, of Line, South Dakota, while in Hettinger, last Monday. She has sold our small books everywhere in four counties including Perkins and Harding counties in South Dakota and Bowman and Adams counties in North Dakota. While I was in Hettinger, I gave her one of our catalogues of publications and encouraged her to order from South Dakota from this time onward. Before I left she and Sister Morey



had planned an order to be sent to the South Dakota Tract Society consisting of Religious Liberty, leaflets, a number of current event series, booklets,—a yearly subscription to each, the Sabbath school quarterly and **Signs** and a copy of "Prophets & Kings."

Sister McGuffin is more than sixty years old but strong and healthy, and made some mention of writing to our state secretary requesting him to reserve a county in his territory for her. On Tuesday morning she visited twelve homes and in eleven of them she made sales. Sister Morey is keeping up a reading rack at Hettlinger. Sister Ralph Parron is doing the same at Rhome and both are enjoying the blessings of the work. We have no members in Bowman, but there is a well filled reading rack just the same. Our brethren down at Camp Crook fifty or more miles away are keeping this up. As soon as the roads become passable with the car, I intend to visit our brethren at Whitney, Breckenridge, Penville, Cox, and Camp Crook."

#### NEW EFFINGTON

Undoubtedly the **Reaper** family is looking for some news from this town, and it is with joy that we are able to say that here also the truth is finding its way into hearts. In spite of the severe weather and the influenza which have broken into our meetings several times, we have succeeded in getting the message before the people.

Throughout the effort the attendance has been good and the interest deep. The Sabbath question was presented to an increasing audience and when after presenting the seal of God and the mark of the Beast, the call was made for those to stand who believed the Seventh day is the Sabbath of God there was almost unanimous response.

Elder Ruskjer rendered us a valuable and appreciated assistance, when he came here and delivered a stirring sermon on the subject: "Why the Twentieth Century Church has been demonstrated a Failure." We advertised it well, and as a result the church was filled, and many had to stand.

Last Sunday night Elder Oswald delivered a strong discourse on "The Fallen Churches," using as his text sa. 4:1. It was presented in a kind

spirit; yet the message was of such a nature that it will bring conviction to the heart.

As we meet the people at the church and visit them in their homes, we find them very friendly. No prejudice seems to be manifested; on the contrary they seem willing to talk and to learn. Some have expressed their desire to obey God, and have begun coming to our Sabbath service. We hope that many in this little town and vicinity will accept the truth.

A number will be ready for baptism after campmeeting, some from previous efforts and some from this effort.

It is a great joy to be laborers together with God, and it gives us good courage to see men and women become interested in the truth and step over on the side of right. We can but sow the seed, but we may rest assured that He who has promised will both water it and give the increase.

Dear readers, you who love the message, remember the work at New Effington. A. W. Wennerberg.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA ITEMS

We were glad to have Brother J. P. Glembin of Wallace, S. D., spend a couple of days at our office last week.

Elder T. L. Oswald reports a very good interest at New Effington where he and Brother Wennerberg are conducting an evangelistic effort.

Sister Piper, our Aberdeen Bible worker, reports that she has thirty-five steady readers who seem to be interested in the message.

We are sorry to report that Elder E. E. Dunham is suffering from an attack of the smallpox and is confined to a hospital at Mitchell.

Brother Raymond Bresee spent a couple of days including last Sabbath with the church at Aberdeen. His visit was greatly appreciated by the members there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole G. Oss arrived from Rochester, Minn., last Thursday morning and are now visiting with their daughter, Mrs. A. G. Youngberg, at Watertown.

Brother Cord Scriven has returned from Yankton and is now following up the interest at Kimball, where his

meetings had to be discontinued on account of scarlet fever epidemic.

We are glad to know that Sister Gladys Watwood is receiving the best of medical attention at Loma Linda, Calif. She reports that she is greatly benefited by these treatments.

Elders Grundset and Youngberg held a very successful Home Missionary Institute at Elk Point, March 27 and 28. The brethren at that place have ordered 425 copies of the **Signs** special on Spiritism.

The business men of Watertown continue to respond very liberally as they are called upon in the interest of our proposed headquarter building. Up to date about \$2800 has been raised among them.

Sister Ransom of Wessington, South Dakota, reports that two of her Belgian neighbors have become interested in the truth as result of seeing a chart on the wall of her home. She hopes to secure Belgian literature in order to follow up the interest.

Eighty-three members of the Sioux Falls Sabbath school set their goal for the 13th Sabbath offering at \$100. One Hundred and Three Dollars and eighty-three cents was received so the goal was more than reached. We consider that a very good offering.

Elder Ruskjer spent last Sabbath with the Huron church. Our brethren will be glad to learn that plans have been perfected whereby our coming campmeeting will be held at Huron. More will be said regarding this important matter in a later issue.

The Sioux Falls church has ordered a thousand copies of the **Signs** special on Spiritualism and has also ordered 28 copies of the Home Missionary calendars. Have you sent your order for the **Signs** special and the calendar to the tract society? If not, why not do so today.

We received \$17.81 from the Artesian Sabbath school this quarter. This is certainly very good coming from a school of only three members though with visitors the average attendance was five. Let other small companies take courage and do the best that they can to be real live little Sabbath schools.

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### THAT SPECIAL SIGNS TREATING ON SPIRITUALISM

No literature ever came out at a more opportune time than this number of the **Signs**. Every Sabbath-keeper should circulate this particular number among his neighbors. We call upon our North Dakota brethren to do all you can to enlighten your neighborhood upon this subject and to secure subscriptions also for the paper. Wherever we go now, we find people talking with their dead. Satan is about to sweep the world into his master deception.

We shall not be clear before God unless we do all we can to enlighten those about us.

People are also reading upon this subject at this time, and many will be very thankful to get the very matter contained in the **Signs**.

E. L. Stewart.

### HOME MISSIONARY DEPT.

Anol Grundset, Secretary.

### AN INTERESTING EXPERIENCE

"Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days." Six years ago, Sister Claire Wallace, of the St. Paul English church, was engaged in putting Family Bible Teacher leaflets into various homes. While walking along the country road near Highland, she picked up an envelope containing the address of a man in Cleveland, Ohio. She sent him, week after week, about twenty numbers of the 28 leaflets in the series.

Recently while placing **Present Truth** in some St. Paul homes near Macalester Park, Sister Wallace providentially ran across this same man. He said, as she explained the literature, that some six years ago while in Cleveland, Ohio, some one had sent him some little papers which he had saved, and he went and got them for Sister Wallace to see. Lo, they were

the very ones she had sent him. She assured him that he would receive the remainder of the twenty-eight, together with other good literature. A man who will preserve twenty leaflets of Family Bible Teacher for six years, must be interested in the truth.

You may know that Sister Wallace has become a peculiar friend in that family of six children, the eldest of whom is attending Macalester College. I expect to see some of these people out to our Sunday night meetings. Let us pray that this whole family may be won to the truth.

In this life, "how many toil unselfishly and unweariedly for those who pass beyond their reach and knowledge! Many a worker sends out into the world messages of strength and hope and courage, words that carry blessing to hearts in every land; but of the results, he, toiling in loneliness and obscurity, knows little. Of every gift that God has bestowed, leading men to unselfish effort, a record is kept in Heaven. To trace this in its wide-spreading lines, to look upon those, who by our efforts have been uplifted and ennobled, to behold in their history the outworking of true principles,—this will be one of the studies and rewards of the heavenly school."

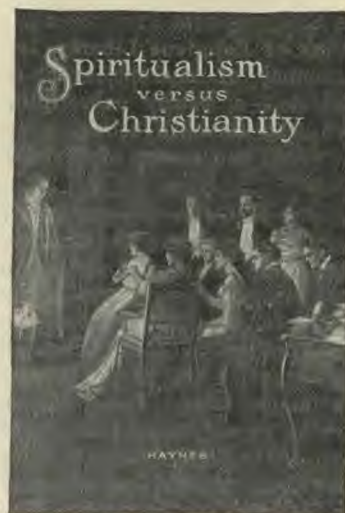
Church members everywhere,—let us sow beside all waters, early and late. There is bound to be results. The Word shall not return void. The promise is sure. If we would reap bountifully, we must sow bountifully. And we conference workers, who have given our lives to the Lord's work, and are not supposed to merely work after the eight hour system,—let us remember that our lives, our time, our talents, our all belongs to the Lord, and may we all, as never before, endeavor to attain to one hundred per cent efficiency, as we constantly look to Jesus as our example, asking how much we can do for the Master, as well as how well we can do it.

I thus pass on this experience of Sr. Wallace to encourage others.

Stemple White.

### THE SPIRITUALISM WAVE

The lectures of Sir Oliver Lodge and other leading spiritualists appear to have set in motion a wave of spiritualism over this country with almost unbelievable rapidity. These lectures have produced a great deal of agitation, and as a result there is now an urgent demand for literature pertain-



ing to this subject. This affords most excellent opportunity of circulating such books as "Spiritualism versus Christianity" and "The Other Side Death." The price of these little books is 25 cents cash, postpaid; lots of ten or more 12½ cents each postage extra.

Order of your tract society.

### AFTER APRIL 10, 1920

Orders for the **Spiritualism** number of the **Signs** weekly reaching the publishers after April 10 will be charged at the following prices:

100 to 5,000, 2½¢ per copy.

10,000 and up, 2¢ per copy.

This advance in price does not equal the advance in paper stock that has been made the past few weeks, since the first 500,000 copies of the paper were printed. In other words the first half million copies were printed on paper costing 7 and a half cents per pound, while the same kind of paper for the second half million cost 17½ cents per pound. This special number of the **Signs** will be good for circulation for an indefinite length of time. Now, when the subject of Spiritism is being discussed every household, is the time to circulate by the hundreds of thousands this most excellent and convincing issue of the **Signs** weekly.

### "MOST EFFECTIVE WAY"

Speaking to a large delegation of workers recently, Elder A. G. Daniels, president of the General Conference, said:

"The circulation of literature is the most effective way of announcing the message of God for today. It is t



most rapid way of doing it. It is the least controversial. I want to see the rank and file of our people turned into it. Hundreds and thousands can work along these lines in real active evangelistic effort." That is true. And just now, when so many thousands are being engulfed in the tidal wave of ouija-board delivery and spiritistic delusions, there is a crying need for volunteers everywhere to scatter truth-filled literature among the homes of the people.

The present tremendous agitation over spiritism throughout the country makes this a most opportune time to circulate the Spiritism number of the **Signs** weekly among all classes of people, for all classes are more or less affected by this terrible delusion now sweeping over us. What is being done in your locality to save people from this greatest deception of the age? Lose no time. Circulate this special number. This is our hour of opportunity. 100 to 1,000 copies of this special issue may be had for 2½ cents a copy. A lower rate given larger orders. Order of your tract society.

#### FINNISH "WORLD HOPE"

**Finnish World's Hope** is the latest addition to the series that now numbers nine books in as many languages. The complete list is as follows:

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Russian, Roumanian, Slovakian.

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The text is the same as in the numbers formerly issued, being a companion book to the English "Our Lord's Return." It will be timely until the Lord comes.

**Finnish World's Hope** will make a splendid book for missionary work—or a help to colporteurs selling Finnish "Our Day" which will shortly be issued from this office. Order of the tract society.

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#### MINNESOTA NOTES

Elder S. D. Hartwell conducted quarterly services in the Minneapolis church, Sabbath, April 3.

Maplewood Academy Sabbath school has again gone over its \$200 goal for the quarter.

A. H. Rentfro is at present attending a colporteur's institute at the Broadview Seminary.

Mrs. P. L. Peterson, of Little Pine, and daughter Myrtle, of Maplewood Academy, were brief callers at the office the 28th.

Elder Anol Grundset, Union Conference Home Missionary secretary, spent some time last week in the Minnesota office in the interest of his work.

It is not too early for you to plan for campmeeting. It is to be held at Little Falls, Minn., from June 3-13. We expect it to be the largest gathering of its kind ever held.

Elder Russell left the office Thursday, the 29th, expecting to visit Elder Weatherly at Moose Lake and the believers at Hill City, at which places considerable interest has been awakened in the third angel's message.

Word has been received that one of our faithful Conference church members, Mrs. L. M. Kelley, of Utica, Minn., has passed away. Deep sympathy is extended to those who are called to mourn the loss of their loved one.

Mr. Harry W. Drake, of Wilton, Wisconsin, and Lorraine La Mont, of Stacy, Minn., were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Tuesday, March 30, at the bride's home, Elder S. D. Hartwell officiating. The couple expect to make their future home in Wisconsin.

Conference Office.

### SEMINARY NEWS NOTES

Misses Della and Florence Thompson visited with their parents and friends at the Seminary over Sabbath.

Prof. M. L. Andreasen has accepted the invitation to deliver the baccalaureate sermon for commencement.

Word has been received by the **Reaper** that one of our old students, M. T. Fredericksen, expects to set sail for Denmark one of these days. He returns in July.

Elder N. P. Neilsen is expected home the 6th, after an absence of nearly two weeks. He has been in Washington attending the Spring Council of the General Conference.

Miss Ruth Swensen, who has been doing stenographic work for Elder Brodersen, enrolled at the office recently. Miss Swensen is a former student, and we welcome her back into our midst.

Miss Hanna Holth visited with friends at the Seminary recently. Miss Holth has recently been engaged to do Bible work in connection with the effort conducted by Elder Edwardson in Minneapolis.

A telegram was read in chapel last Friday which might interest our **Reaper** friends. It stated that the General Conference has moved to give the Seminary \$6,000 toward the building of the new power plant which will be erected this summer.

Somehow our old students never forget the Seminary. There's a reason. We are glad to have them visit us now and then. During the past few days Clara Nissen has been visiting with her sister Ella as well as her other numerous friends at the Seminary.

A week ago last Sabbath there was great suspense at our Sabbath school. Our goal for the quarter had been set at \$315. All were eager to know if it had been reached. Our superintendent stepped forward and announced the sum received up to date. It lacked only \$2 of reaching the goal. A second collection was taken which not only brought it up to the goal but shot it \$5 past the mark. We hope this may be the case next quarter also.

James Hanson.



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## IOWA NOTES

Brother G. E. Leffler was in Nevada Tuesday on conference business.

Mrs. Dorcas went to Ft. Dodge Friday and spent the Sabbath with the Sabbath school and church.

Elder J. W. Beams left Nevada Wednesday. He intends to visit Ogden and Boone and to spend the Sabbath at Pilot Mound.

Miss Kilcher spent a few days in Marshalltown last week in church school work and was in Nevada for the convention Sabbath and Sunday.

Elder Clark and family arrived in Nevada Thursday morning. The eldest daughter, Miss Florence, will remain in Minneapolis until the close of the school year as she is to be graduated this spring.

Sister W. L. Bates, of Sioux City, spent the past week in Nevada by request of the Missionary Volunteer department. Her experience and interest in young people's work is appreciated and her assistance valued.

Brother H. M. Jones was in Nevada last week, attending to the shipping of his household goods to Ruthven, where they have been spending the winter. Inasmuch as out of door life is proving so beneficial to his health, they have decided to spend the entire year on the farm.

Brother I. V. Counsell has received word of more extended delay in the securing of his passport. This will undoubtedly result in his being in Iowa another six months, which will be very satisfactory to the church at Marshalltown and to others for whom he has been working.

Professor Schmidt and Brother Mair have been in Nevada the past week. Special meetings were held morning and evening at the Academy, previous to the Missionary Volunteer Convention conducted at the church Sabbath and Sunday. Elder Simon, General Conference field secretary of the Young People's Department, came Thursday to assist in the work.

## The Book Work

WEEK ENDING, Mar. 27 1920

AGENTS	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total	Delivery
<b>MINNESOTA</b>						
Mrs. V. B. Cummings	B.R.	23	17	18.50	100.50	27.25
W. H. Harbolt	G.C.	25	8	3.00	44.00	5.50
Clifford Burdick	B.R.	30	12	2.00	59.00	
Mrs. F. W. Kipp	O.D.	22	6	8.25	23.25	16.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>AGENTS 4</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>31.75</b>	<b>226.75</b>	<b>49.00</b>
<b>IOWA</b>						
'Elmer Cox	O.D.	93	42	8.25	130.75	
'Anna Hanson	B.R.	79	21	35.30	154.85	
'Wm. Howell	B.R.	43	9	1.50	26.50	
Lydia Smith						27.50
O. A. Redman	O.D.	6	1	2.00	4.50	32.50
'G. A. Shelton	B.R.	54	26		144.50	
'Boyd Weatherly	B.R.	68	22		114.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>AGENTS 7</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>47.05</b>	<b>575.10</b>	<b>60.00</b>

<sup>1</sup>Two weeks report.

<sup>2</sup>Three weeks report.

## THE BOOK DEPARTMENT

E. M. Oberg, Field Miss. Sec.

## MINISTRATION OF ANGELS

In our weekly Sabbath school lessons we are to consider this subject in a careful verse by verse study. To many, a veil of superstition is drawn around the Ministry of Angels, leading thousands away from the plain teachings of the Word of God, and into spiritualism in its varied forms.

"Never should we forget that these evil angels, once in the courts of Heaven, giving honor and praise to Jehovah, are real beings, mighty in power, endowed with wisdom, ripe in experience, and with only one purpose animating their acts—to lead men into rebellion against their Maker. For this reason, the children of God are constantly assaulted by doubts and fears, they are continually tempted and tried and buffeted, and often they are taken in the snares laid for their feet by the wily enemy of all righteousness. But man is not left to engage single-handed in this combat; else were his case indeed hopeless. Just as constant, just as vigilant, just as persevering, and far more powerful than the hosts of evil, are the heavenly angels, sent forth from the throne of Jehovah Himself to guard and protect those who shall be heirs of salvation, and to deliver them from the assaults of these evil ones."

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## OBITUARY

**Campbell**—Died of heart trouble at Nevada, Iowa, March, 1920, Henry Robertson Campbell, aged 74 years, 5 months and 27 days. He was born in Indiana, September 7, 1845, and came to Adams county, Iowa, in 1854. He entered the service of the government in the war to put down slavery and to preserve the union while he was yet in his teens. After returning from the war he taught public school for a number of years around and near Fontanelle. He was married twice. He embraced the Advent message in 1900 and was a firm believer until the time of his death. He had a strong faith, a bright hope and courage in the promise of God. Even to the very last he was endeavoring to do what he could to advance the king-



dom of God. Because of all this the loved ones are encouraged not to mourn and sorrow as others who have no hope. He was taken to Fontanelle for burial, where he had a large circle of friends and acquaintances. Elder Clark was in charge of the services there. The funeral service at the Nevada church was conducted by the writer assisted by Elder Clark.

L. A. Hoopes.

**Walter Brower** was born August 8, 1884, in Weesb, Holland, and died at Hartley, Iowa, March 13, 1920, at the age of 35 years, 7 months, and 5 days. He came to America with his parents at about four years of age. At the age of twenty-one he embraced the Seventh-day Adventist faith and united with the Smithland church. Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brower, there are left to mourn their loss two sisters, Mrs. Charles Hans, and Mrs. Dale Larkin, and four brothers, Peter, Garrett, Edward, and Richard, all of Hartley, also two half-brothers, Cornelius Brower of Sioux City, and John Brower, or Armour, S. D. The funeral service was conducted by the writer, at the home of his parents in Hartley, and the body was taken to Sheldon, Iowa, for burial.

W. A. McKibben.

**Richards**—Vernon Lee Richards was born in Marshalltown, Iowa, on April 19, 1891, and died at the Deaconess Hospital of that city on Tuesday, March 23, of peritonitis that developed after years of suffering with ulcers of the stomach, aged 28 years. Two weeks before he met his death, he underwent an operation, and it was found that in addition to serious ulcerations of the stomach he was then suffering with local peritonitis, gall bladder trouble, and adhesion. His condition had been serious since Sunday, March 21. The deceased lived the greater part of his life in his home city, having received most of his education in the public schools of that place. In March, 1918, he volunteered for war service of his country, and was sent to the Sweeney Auto School in Kansas City. Because of failing health it was soon found that he could no longer carry on his work in this place and he was given his discharge for disability at the end of one month. He leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Richards, two brothers, J. H. Richards, of Whiteburg, Monroe County, and E. M. Richards, of West Allis, Wisconsin; two sisters, Mrs. Edward Tolmes, of Boyesen, Wyoming, and Miss Virginia Richards of this city; and many other relatives and friends. On Friday afternoon, March 26, at 4 o'clock a goodly number of the citizens of Marshalltown gathered at the Adventist church to pay their last respects to the departed. Interment took place at Riverside cemetery on Sunday afternoon, March 28. The services were in charge of I. V. Counsell.

**Luthultz**—Mrs. Nancy Ellen Luthultz was born Jan. 23, 1842, and died March 22, 1920, in Mankato,

Minn., at the home of her son. She was laid to rest beside her husband in the cemetery at Eagle Lake, Minn. She was a devoted Christian, holding membership in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Eagle Lake, Minn., and was faithful to the end of her life. She fell asleep with the hope in her heart, "I shall be satisfied when I awake in Thy likeness." She is survived by two daughters and two sons.

A. W. Kuehl.

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