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EIGHT AND ONE-HALF MILLION

By Charles Thompson

The Harvest Ingathering plan for missions is now twenty-three years old, and has to her credit eight and one-half million dollars gathered for the support and extension of our world-wide work. There have been printed thirty-four and one-half millions of publications for circulation in connection with the solicitations of these funds. These magazines and periodicals have been printed in twenty-four different languages. These figures apply to North America only.

As we approach another opportunity, we find our general mission treasury in great need. Base appropriations to our great divisions were cut six and one-half per cent in 1930. We are facing a more perilous cut this autumn unless relief comes from sources known and unknown. We recognize the God who can turn water into wine still lives. He who multiplied the five loaves into food sufficient for more than five thousand, and twelve baskets full of fragments remaining, is the God of the advent movement. We also remember that the disciples first brought what they had to supply the need of the hungry multitude; therefore, the church should cultivate to the full every avenue for resources before folding the hands for a miracle to be performed.

The Harvest Ingathering plan has passed the experimental stage. It has proved to be an effective source of revenue, while at the same time it extends a great blessing to those who contribute. Many souls today are re- (See page 2, column 1.)

A SMALL BEGINNING

By V. G. Anderson

IN company with Elder W. B. Pontynen, the district leader, we visited Itasca Park, where the Mississippi River has its beginning. On a sign post there appears a picture of the small beginning and also a picture of the river as it empties into the Gulf of Mexico. It is just a few feet across at its beginning, but winds its way for more than 2000 miles, ever increasing in size, until it empties into the great ocean.

I thought, what a fitting example of the Harvest Ingathering work. (We were on a Harvest Ingathering trip at the time.) Twenty-four years ago it had its small beginning of a few dollars, but as the years have come and gone, it now has widened into a great flow, bringing more than a million dollars into the treasury each year. The tributaries of the Mississippi drain many states on its way to the ocean; and so with the Ingathering work at the present time—from the North, East, West, and South, funds are gathered into one great amount and then disbursed across the ocean to heathen lands beyond.

In Waukon, Iowa, I stood beside the stone that marks the resting place of Jasper Wayne, who began the Ingathering work years ago. My heart was lifted to God in prayer that the great work that he started may ever flow on until every nation, kindred, tongue and people have heard the message. This year a small beginning has already been made; let us do our part to ever widen the flow.

joining in salvation through Christ Jesus who received the invitation and light shed through the Ingathering magazines and the personal visitation of the consecrated solicitor. Therefore, we urge, as far as consistent, that our people unite in the campaign of this year to the end that greater results will be seen both in souls blessed and funds gathered.

Our world-wide missionary vision must not dim. It must focus on the fields afar. It was Jesus who said, "The field is the world." It is His command to the church to "Lift up your eyes and look upon the field." "Go ye into all the world" is the marching order coming from Him. Hence, until the work is finished, some must go and some must "stay by the stuff."

In this connection I am impressed with the verses that make up the second page of our "Year Book for 1931." We quote is as a conclusion to this article.

There's a place where the trail of men divides,

Through the mist of earth-born days:

Where the infinite mind of God decides,

And directs who goes, who stays. Somewhere we meet, in this earthly span,

For a purpose that Heaven knows;

And then again in Heaven's plan One stays and another goes.

We meet each other and learn to love

In the way that the Master told. Together we strive to live above

The way that is lone and cold. Sword to sword and shield to shield

We meet with a haughty foe; Till the trumpet calls to another field,

And some of us have to go.

We never may guess when we part below

How soon till the journey ends; But it helps a lot for us each to know

When we part that we part as friends.

And though the path of duty lies Through many a changeable fate, We'll hope to meet 'neath fairer skies

At heaven's beautiful gate!

"THE FIELD IS THE WORLD"

By I. G. Ortner

When Jesus was teaching the multitudes by the sea of Galilee, He gave to his listeners, among other parables, the parable of the tares and the field (Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43), in which He made the statement given as the heading of this article.

How full of meaning this statement is. The gospel is to go to ALL THE WORLD before the end comes. This does not mean only our conference, only the Northern Union Conference, only North America, only China, only Africa, or only the islands of the sea. It does not mean any one field only, but does include all the fields named above and every other country on our globe. "The field is the world."

Indeed the task given to the church of God on earth is one of large proportions, and we should ever keep before our minds, as we plan for the promulgation of the work and its support, that our task is world wide. We have en-

A PERSONAL WORD

By J. A. Stevens

The official Harvest Ingathering Goal for 1931 calls for an average sum of \$10 (ten dollars) per member, but the needs of the mission fields, in this year of financial crisis, place upon each the obligation to do his best, by the help of God, not only to meet the per capita average, but as much more as possible. There is no crisis with the Lord. Man's extremity is God's opportunity. Shall we not completely surrender to His control in this year's Harvest Ingathering endeavor that the enemy of doubt, discouragement, and financial stringency shall be put to flight, and a great victory for the armies of Israel be brought about? "Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded." II Chron. 15:7. God is depending on you!

tered upon very strenuous times, and we find it necessary to cut our living expenses to the minimum in order to provide the most necessary things we need. The same is true of God's work in our home fields; the workers in our conferences find it necessary to take on additional burdens in order to care for the work laid down by workers who have been called to other fields, and whom the conference could not replace by new workers due to the reduced tithe income. The leaders of our work in other lands are working every possible plan to carry forward their work with a smaller outlay of funds in order to cooperate with our people in the homeland who find it difficult in these times to give as much to foreign missions as they have in the recent past years. Thus we are all working to the end—to carry the gospel to every clime and nation and as God's church on earth do our ap-

pointed work. Surely the Lord will bless the united efforts of His church even though conditions may appear to be to the contrary. Present conditions, however, should not cause us to slacken our efforts, but rather stir us with new zeal to greatly increase our efforts, knowing that we are living near the end of time.

In a letter recently received from the foreign mission treasury, the brethren tell us that our mission offerings for the first six months of this year are the lowest since 1923. When we stop to consider how our work has grown since that time we may be able to appreciate to some extent what it means to have our income suddenly shrink to nearly what it was eight years ago.

I know our faithful people throughout the Northern Union Conference territory are making strenuous efforts to help the work along, knowing that the need is very great.

We are now entering upon the 1931 Harvest Ingathering campaign. This will give the opportunity to all to do something to help, even though they may not have means of their own to give. Let every one do his or her part this year, and bring the largest amount of money into the mission treasury ever raised in our history through the Harvest Ingathering.

It may require a little more work than in other years due to the peculiar times we are in, but let us not forget that the need is far greater and much more urgent than ever before in the history of our work.

May the Lord help us all to do our part faithfully and keep our eyes fixed upon the field which is the entire world, and in the day of triumph hear the words, "Well done," spoken to us and have an abundant entrance into the kingdom of God.

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GOD'S CALL TO THE YOUTH

By H. J. Sheldon

The call of God is a two-fold call. All the teachings of Jesus are but an explanation of this call. "Come unto Me, all ye that labor . . . and I will give you rest," was spoken by every contact, in every conversation and in all the work of Jesus, and the Book closes with the universal "Whosoever will let him take the water of life freely."

The second phase of the call is no less clear and positive, in fact to those who answer the first call the second becomes both an opportunity and a mandate. "Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." "Let him that heareth say come," and "Go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

"The Lord calls for volunteers who will take their stand firmly on His side and will pledge themselves to unite with Jesus of Nazareth in doing the very work that needs to be done just now."

"Not a few but thousands of human beings exist only to consume the benefits which God in His mercy bestows on them.

They forget that God desires them to be producers as well as consumers. If they had a realization of the work the Lord desires them to do as His helping hands, they would not feel it a privilege to shun all responsibility and be waited on."

To all our youth with their strength and vigor and enthusiasm comes just now the challenge of the greatest need and the greatest perplexity that has yet faced the world wide mission program of the last generation.

Can it be possible that at such a time as this the loyal youth who are constrained by the love of Christ will fail to put forth the utmost effort demanded by the very seriousness of the emergency? We believe not. Surely the efforts of last year in the Harvest Ingathering must be greatly increased and those who have made no effort in the past will be found this year accepting cheerfully the opportunity to help in a great need, and in the plans of the church will respond to the call, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us," with

the answer of one who had seen the King, the Lord of hosts, "Here am I, send me."

THINKING IN TERMS OF SUCCESS

By Gordon Oss

As we face another Harvest Ingathering campaign may none join the ever growing number of discouraged people, but rather gather courage from the seeming tragic conditions about us. Thinking it can be done is half the battle, and this will lead to a favorable reaction in our own lives. Thinking discouragement leads to



ONE OF OUR WELFARE SOCIETIES IN A LARGE EASTERN CITY THAT CARED FOR MORE THAN 100 FAMILIES LAST WINTER

the very opposite. Prayer changes things, and it is our privilege when the going is hard to lean more heavily upon the Lord.

In the midst of these experiences that are trying the hearts of humanity there should be one ringing and courageous voice—that of the advent people. Surely to join voices with the discouraged ones about us would be to witness to the lack of our faith. When you see these things lift up your heads for your redemption draweth nigh. Without question the Harvest Ingathering campaign will call for the best we have in service this year.

With the staggering needs that challenge our attention and with the ever increasing evidence that earthly affairs draw to their close, let us think in terms of courage and success. South Dakota plans to do its best for the Harvest Ingathering this year. God will help us reach the full quota if we are all willing to be used.

OUR PART

By C. F. McVagh

Judged by its fruit the Harvest Ingathering plan bears abundant evidence of divine origin and approval. Next to the Sabbath school offering the Harvest Ingathering has for a number of years been one of the largest and most reliable sources of income to the mission treasury, and yet not more than half of our people have had an active part in this good work. Those who try once do not have to be urged or coaxed to go out in every annual campaign after that, but how slow many are to try. By their lack of faith, lack of confidence, or indifference these inactive ones are missing precious opportunities and blessings. "God gives opportunities; success depends upon the use made of them." "His grace is given to work in us to will and to do, but never as a substitute for our effort." "Prophets and Kings," pp. 486, 487. Money may be scarcer this year but people are more thoughtful and conscious of their need of God's blessings.

Every year for several years Iowa has gathered a little more in Harvest Ingathering than the preceding year. This year the need in the mission fields is greater, and so especially those, who have less to give themselves, and those, who have not tried before, must rally in a stronger way to the Harvest Ingathering. Surely every Seventh-day Adventist has at least five friends to whom he might give the splendid Harvest Ingathering paper and ask for a donation to mission work.

The paper has thrilling mission experiences and interesting information about our work and truth. A little effort on our part and a few earnest words and then leave the rest to God. He can impress hearts and if He does not, nothing that we can say or do will bring an offering. On the other hand if we are not willing to do our part and carry the paper and give the invitation surely our faith is weak and the work of God may suffer great loss because of our failure. We need not be discouraged if some fail to respond. We



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have done our part and we shall be blessed. The earlier we get at it the better.

A TASK OR A PRIVILEGE

By A. H. Rulkotter

Whether the duties of life are considered a privilege or a task is dependent upon our mental view. Under proper circumstances a task may become a privilege. We condescend to do the task, but a privilege has our enthusiastic support. Harvest Ingathering might be viewed as either. Truly it is a privilege when one considers the possibilities involved and for Whom the work is done. If no one is capable of tracing the ultimate of one good act, then surely no one is able to see, with definiteness, the results of thousands doing hundreds of good acts. The Harvest Ingathering work does good.

To be sure the Ingathering work has its unpleasanties, but should we do only the pleasant? Let us consider the hour in which we live, the work that must yet be done, and then with conviction, constancy and consecration let us enter into our privilege.

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF THE TEKOITE NOBLES

On August 30 of last year our Sabbath school lesson dealt with the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem by Nehemiah and his faithful workers. I have just read the account over again of how the people willingly worked in that time of crisis in the history of God's people of old. Under Nehemiah's effective organization, the work was so distributed that all had a part in it. The account as given in the third chapter of Nehemiah states in detail just how the bands were organized and what work was assigned to them. In the fifth verse, however, after giving the location of the various groups and the work they were doing, in the midst of this recital it states that next to Zadok were the Tekoites, repairing their particular portion of the wall; but it says, "Their nobles put not their

necks to the work of the Lord." It seems sad that in the midst of this account of faithfulness and cooperation on the part of Nehemiah's countrymen in the one task that demanded their attention at that time, that the record should be marred by such a statement as this. However, the Lord has faithfully placed on record the account of the experiences of His people in the days gone by for our admonition and learning upon whom the ends of the world are come.

The Spirit of prophecy has this to say about this ancient order of the Tekoite nobles: "While the faithful builders have honorable mention in the book of God, the memory of these slothful servants is printed with shame, and handed down as a warning to all future generations. In every religious movement there are some who, while they cannot deny that it is the work of God, will keep themselves aloof, refusing to make any effort to advance it. It were well to remember that record kept on high, the book of God, in which all our motives and our works are written, in that book in which there are no omissions, no mistakes, and out of which we are to be judged. There every neglected opportunity to do service for God will be faithfully reported, and every deed of faith and love, if humble, will be held in everlasting remembrance." "The Prophets and Kings," p. 639.

The church of God is faced with a crisis today. Our Harvest Ingathering program challenges every believer at the present time to faithful cooperation and earnest effort to meet this particular need, and to accept the challenge of maintaining our present foreign missionary program in regions beyond. It is true that we are faced with some unpleasant facts and conditions, but on the other hand, it also is true that God still lives and that He is just as able to prepare a table in the wilderness for His people today as in days gone by. Past statistics in almost every conference show that only about 60 per cent of our people ordinarily take part in the Ingathering campaign. The other 40 per cent might be termed "modern members of this ancient order of Tekoite nobles." Even though we face depression and financial hard times at the present time, I do not believe that the coming Harvest Ingathering task will be any harder than in years past if we can receive the earnest and willing cooperation of this other 40 per cent, for if the church has been able in times past, through the labors of the 60 per cent to raise the desired quota, with 40 per

cent more laborers working, it should not be any harder task this year to raise the needed amount. It is to this group that I appeal, and I am sure we can depend upon many of these members to have a part this year.

The watchword of the Ingathering campaign as found in the Spirit of prophecy is, "If every volunteer in the army of the Lord will do his best, God will do the rest." Shall we not enlist 100 per cent strong, accepting by faith this watchword in this crisis hour? The providences of God are onward, doors are opening for the reception of the message, God is working mightily that it might be finished in the earth. Do we want to see it finished speedily? If so, let us make this year's record in the Harvest Ingathering campaign one in which it can be said that the full cooperation of every member was obtained, the challenge met, and the need fulfilled.

L. E. Niermeyer,
H. M. Sec., S. Dak.

A PLACE FOR EVERY CHRISTIAN

Once again the time for our annual Harvest Ingathering effort is here. This effort is one of the thousand or more ways that God has and uses in the finishing of the gospel work, both in our own lives and in the world field. Souls for whom Christ died are perishing by the thousands every day, many of them going into Christless graves for lack of knowledge—the kind of knowledge that God has entrusted to every recipient of the threefold angel's message. This, dear reader, constitutes a mighty challenge to you and to me. The house is afire, the people within are asleep and will surely perish. Shall we stand idly by? We are told, "Already the judgments of God are abroad in the land," and yet the people do not know it. We must tell them, warn them, yes, plead with them to turn to Christ now. The words of the parable, "Go work today in my vineyard," speak to every one of us, for we read that He gave "to every man his work."

Harvest Ingathering is a mighty soul saving effort. Thousands today are rejoicing in the "Blessed Hope" as a result of this agency. The work is so arranged that every member of the church can have a part.

I want to call special attention to one phase of this work—the envelope plan. The conference has prepared a unique envelope, the size of our Harvest Ingathering paper, for use in house to house solicitation. Are you a stranger in the territory where you are to solicit? Use this envelope. Are you

timid about speaking to the people upon this subject? Use this envelope. Place a paper in each envelope, go to your field and call on 25, 50, or 75 homes, depending on how much time you have to devote to the work. As the lady of the house comes to the door, in response to your rap, speak a pleasant "Good morning," and briefly state that you are leaving this package with her in the interests of uplift work, and that you would be pleased to have her read the contents, stating at the same time that you will call for the paper two days later, and that you will be pleased to receive an offering, according as she may feel impressed to give. Just a brief statement, something like the above, will be needed. Be sure to call again upon the day appointed. These envelopes are intended for use in new territory principally, but may be used to good advantage in your own home town, with people whom you may not know so well, or who may not be so well acquainted with you.

May all take hold of this soul saving effort, determined under God to do our part both to point our friends and neighbors to God and the finishing of the gospel work in the earth, and also to provide means with which to send the glad tidings across the waters to the many who still sit in darkness.

A. A. Dirksen,
H. M. Sec., Minn.

IOWA'S APPEAL

More and more the importance of Harvest Ingathering, as a means for raising funds for the support of missions, is being recognized by our people. It is surprising how the public will donate more than a million dollars a year to our work, merely for the asking, and the only explanation is that God is in this movement, and is blessing efforts put forth for the support of those on the firing line in His cause. Needless to say, those stationed in the mission fields are looking anxiously to the result of Harvest Ingathering this fall. We must not disappoint them. The plans for God's work must materialize regardless of the depression and lack of activity in worldly enterprises and business in general. Let us not allow the business depression to affect our religious activity. In spite of DEPRESSION, we PRESS ON.

Because of all the pessimistic talk, and gloomy prophecies that have found ready circulation the world over, it is feared that some of our people will be slow to approach business men in the Harvest Ingathering work this fall. It has been found, however, by those who have already had a part in the Harvest Ingathering this

year that such fears are groundless. It seems that the publicity given to "hard times" has prepared the hearts of the business men for just such an appeal as our Harvest Ingathering presents. They realize that many are in need and are calling for help and must receive assistance, and if our people are on the ground early, before other organizations launch their drives, our work will receive the benefit of this attitude on the part of business men in general.

Those who have already gone out, report that they are meeting with fully as good a response from those solicited as they received last year. It will be necessary for us to overcome our temerity and to enter the campaign with confidence that God will work through us to even surpass the amount raised last year, for the call is more urgent. The business situation varies little from last year, when Iowa made a small gain over the previous year. An even greater gain is possible this year, if every one will feel a personal responsibility toward God and the support of His work by taking an active part in this special effort to gather in an amount commensurate with the amount of work to be accomplished in mission fields already well established.

"If each volunteer in the army of God will do his best, God will do the rest." Mrs. E. G. White. He is counting on you.

J. C. Christenson,
H. M. Sec., Iowa.

ASSIGNMENT FOR HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN FOR NORTH DAKOTA FOR 1931

We herewith submit an outline of the Harvest Ingathering territory for the North Dakota Conference for the 1931 campaign. The papers and solicitors cards have already been sent to the churches for the campaign. If you have not as yet received your papers and cards, write to the office immediately. We are anxious this year that North Dakota should not fall behind in the Harvest Ingathering. The need is greater than ever. We hope that you will not leave any territory uncavassed. Every member should plan to raise at least ten dollars and more if possible. We trust that every Adventist will do his part. The name of church, leader, assistants and the territory to be worked will be given in their respective order.

Ackworth—S. M. Sivertson; anywhere in

Bottineau and Rolette Counties.

Beach—E. D. Heaton, R. R. Bietz; all of Golden Valley County. Bismarck—Elder F. F. Schwindt, Hugo Ilchen; Bismarck, Mandan and suburbs.

Belfield—Emil Brueni; R. R. Bietz; anywhere between Fryburg, Belfield, Zenith and New England.

Bowdon—J. P. Stern, D. S. Beitz; Buffalo, Antelope, Haaland, Speedwell, Svkston, Bilodeaux, Eureka, Silver Lake, Lincoln, Grant, Johnson. Nawksnes townships in Wells County; all Foster County except the city of Carrington.

Burt—Fred Hauck, Rudolph Bierwagon and H. Wentland; anywhere in the eastern half of Hettinger County, and to cooperate with the Mott church in working in the city of Mott and in Grant County as far as New Leipzig.

Butte Country—Elder Hmelevsky, Elder J. C. Michalenko; territory to be decided by Elder Hmelevsky.

Butte Village—Elder Hmelevsky, Elder J. C. Michalenko; Butte and suburbs.

Cathay—F. F. Schwindt, Andrew Dietz; Cathay.

Cleveland—Daniel Harr, Jacob Ruffer and Jacob Gross; Cleveland and suburbs.

Crosby—Elder E. A. Piper, David Olson; Crosby and suburbs.

Deering—Mrs. Paul Hall, Elder E. A. Piper; Deering and community.

Dale—Mrs. G. L. Acheson, Chas. H. Peterson; Pollock to Dale.

Deisem—C. R. Nast, Elder B. A. Reile; LaMoure County, all but two townships in the southwest corner.

Denhoff—Elder G. P. Gaede; southwestern part of Sheridan County, south of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Devils Lake—G. J. Engevik, Mrs. H. L. Sorenson and Elder B. A. Scherr; Devils Lake and suburbs.

Dickinson—R. R. Bietz; Dickinson and suburbs.

Driscoll—Mrs. J. E. Sharp, A. N. Christensen; between towns of Wing and Driscoll.

Dunn Center—W. O. Johnson, H. Wentland; all of Dunn County except Halliday, Killdeer and Dodge.

Fargo—Elder A. A. Leiske, Elder V. G. Anderson, Mrs. Jennie L. Camp, Mr. Axel Momb, Mrs. John-



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son and Mrs. A. L. Whitnack; Fargo and suburbs.

Gackle—Gottlieb Lang, Elder B. A. Reile; northeastern half of Logan County.

Goodrich—Elder G. P. Gaede; P. J. Schmidt and Mrs. Wm. Moser; northeastern half of Sheridan County.

Golden Valley—Adam Seidel, H. Wentland; all of Mercer County with cities of Halliday and Dodge.

Grand Forks—Elder D. K. Olson, Elder B. A. Scherr; Grand Forks to Larimore, Park River and Bowesmont.

Great Stone—Elder George Hmelevsky, Elder J. C. Michalenko; Russo and vicinity.

Harvey—C. C. Reiswig, Fred Bentz, Sr., Jacob Bentz and Elder B. A. Scherr; town of Harvey.

Hazelton—Elder F. F. Schwindt, Simon Opp; north half of Emmons County.

Hebron—Frank Fisher, R. R. Bietz and Mrs. J. B. White; town of Hebron and vicinity.

Hurdsfield—Jacob Wagner, Elder G. P. Gaede; town of Hurdsfield.

Jamestown—Elder B. A. Scherr, W. I. Montanye, Harry Wentland and F. E. Barkley; Jamestown and vicinity.

Kenmare—Elder E. A. Piper; city of Kenar and suburbs and Bowbells and Kenmare.

Kief—Elder Hmelevsky; Elder J. C. Michalenko; Kief and suburbs.

Killdeer—Elder Hmelevsky southern part of McKenzie County and territory as far as and including Killdeer.

Kulm—Jacob Schimke, Elder B. A. Reile, G. G. Henneberg, John Anderst; all of Dickey County and two townships in southwest of LaMoure County.

Lark—W. R. Rupert; anywhere in Grant County east of New Leipzig.

Lehr—Henry Schrenk, Elder B. A. Reile; McIntosh County.

Lincoln Valley—Jacob Miller, Elder F. F. Schwindt and C. C. Baumbach; northeastern half of Sheridan County.

Lucca—Herman Kurtz, Elder A. A. Leiske; around the towns of Fingal, Lucca and Nome.

McClusky—Elder F. F. Schwindt, Julius Schwartz; northwestern half of Sheridan County, north of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Manfred—Mike Fischer, Charles Deitrich; Wells County between the Turtle Lake Branch and Soo Line, not around Cathay.

Medina—G. W. Schelske, E. E. Haas; southwestern part of Stutsman County but not the town of Cleveland and suburbs, as far north as the Pingree branch, also towns along the Northern Pacific Railroad from Medina to Steele.

Minot—Elder E. A. Piper, Elder B. A. Scherr and Charles Jennejohn; Minot and vicinity.

Mohall—J. Willey, Elder E. A. Piper; around Mohall and Lorraine.

Mott—Otto Christenson; assist Burt church in working the city of Mott and vicinity.

Napoleon—Christian Flemmer, Elder B. A. Reile; western half of Logan County.

New Home—William Wentland, Elder G. P. Gaede and Mrs. William Voth; northern half of Stutsman County and the City of Carrington, nothing below the Pingree Wilton Branch.

Oakes—A. A. Leiske, Mrs. A. H. Denning and A. W. Christensen; Oakes and suburbs.

Palermo—Stanley—G. W. Fowler, Elder E. A. Piper; northern part of Mountrail County.

Pettibone—August Hinger, Elder G. P. Gaede, Carl Geier and Gottfried Koenig; northeast corner of Kidder County.

Pleasant Valley—Wm. Biloff, Adolph Huff; cooperate with the New Home church in working their territory.

Robinson—Elder G. P. Gaede; northwestern corner of Kidder County.



TOWEL FACTORY, CHINA

Sheyenne—M. J. Liebelt, R. R. Deitrich and A. G. Patzer; eight townships in northern part of Sheridan County, and four townships in the southeastern part of McHenry County.

S. R. Academy—Professor Neuman, Professor Berthelsen; all McHenry County north of the Soo Line. All Pierce and all Benson County.

Streeter—John H. Miller, Elder B. A. Reile and C. C. Kaiser; all of Kidder County and Stutsman County below the main line of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

Taylor—A. J. Sievers, R. R. Bietz; Starck County around Taylor.

Rock Lake—Mrs. Charles Keeney, G. J. Engevik and Mrs. Anna E. Leas; anywhere in Cavalier County.

Turtle Lake—John H. Walcker, Elder F. F. Schwindt; anywhere in McClain County except around Washburn and south.

Turtle Mountain—Elder E. A. Piper, Mrs. Warneke; Bottineau and Turtle Mountain.

Valley City—Elder A. A. Leiske,

Elder H. Meyer; Valley City and suburbs.

Washburn—Elder F. F. Schwindt; Washburn and vicinity.

Watford City—Elder E. A. Piper, Theo. H. Wick and A. W. Van Allen; northern half of McKenzie County.

Walhalla—Elder D. K. Olson, Mrs. A. G. Andrews and Mrs. Y. Merritt; Walhalla and suburbs.

Wheelock—Elder E. A. Piper, Mrs. G. Irwin; Wheelock and vicinity.

Williston—Elder George Hmelevsky, Elder J. C. Michalenko; Williston, Bainville and surrounding territory.

Woodworth—Elder G. P. Gaede, Andrew Schmidt and Jacob Beck; Woodworth and suburbs.

B. A. Scherr.

H. M. Sec., N. Dak.

HARVEST GATHERING AT PLAINVIEW ACADEMY

The success of this enterprise which has been carried forward by our school always dates back two or three weeks before our regular field day at which time the faculty assemble and present this work to the great God who blesses our feeble efforts and enables us to have success. About the same time, the date of our field day is announced to the student body, and during these two preceding weeks enthusiasm is worked up. A goal is usually set, and when the day arrives almost every one is ready to enter into it with full force.

As a rule the week before our annual field day Elder Babcock and I work the business section of the city of Redfield, whose population is 2650. Great care is taken to work the business places systematically, not missing any of them. The greater share of our business men have responded most heartily. In fact, within the last three or four years we have been able to more than double the contributions received from the city of Redfield. Last fall Redfield celebrated its fiftieth golden jubilee, and crop conditions were not the best; but in spite of these factors we received the following gifts from them:

Donors	Amount	Total
1	\$50.00	\$50.00
1	37.50	37.50
10	25.00	250.00
8	15.00	120.00
13	10.00	130.00
42	5.00	240.00
6	2.00	12.00
10	1.00	10.00
		\$899.50

Our school field day is usually on a Monday. On this day we do not have the regular school session, as nearly all the students and teachers take part. The home missionary secretary, with some other

conference workers, is usually here the week-end before, and all the Sabbath meetings are generally given over to some phase of the Harvest Ingathering work. Then on Sunday a committee of four or five organize the work very carefully. Cars are arranged for, groups with leaders for each car, and their places of labor are listed. On Sunday evening a meeting is held and the whole organized plan of work is presented. Papers are also distributed to the different groups.

The next morning about seven o'clock groups of five, six or seven can be seen meeting in class rooms for a short season of prayer. During the day fifteen or sixteen groups work the smaller towns and country within a radius of about 50 miles from Redfield. Our young people put forth their best efforts. A little friendly competition is on between the different car loads to see who can raise the most. Some cars do not get back to the academy until nine or ten o'clock in the evening.

Chapel time the next day is most interesting. The members of each group report their experiences and amounts raised. The Lord has richly blessed the faithful efforts of our workers, teachers, and students. During our campaign of 1929 we were able to report \$1580 raised. About \$730 of this amount was raised on our regular field day. The balance was contributed by the business men of Redfield. Last fall we were not able to raise quite so much because of poor crops and prevailing low prices; but in spite of this we raised almost \$1300.

The Harvest Ingathering and Big Week field days are splendid helps to our young people. Such experiences increase the missionary spirit of our school. When the energy, pep, zeal, and enthusiasm of our young people are directed in the right way much can be accomplished for the Lord. Best of all, some souls have been started to the kingdom of God as a direct result of Plainview Academy's Harvest Ingathering field day. May God's choicest blessings attend all our schools in this noble work.

H. C. Hartman.

Every duty, however unwelcome, is a seed of light. To evade it or neglect it is to miss a blessing; to do it is to have the rough seed burst into beauty in the heart and life of the doer. We are continually coming up to stern and severe things, and often we are tempted to decline doing them. If we yield to such temptations we shall reap no joy from God's sowing of light for us; but if we take up the hard task, whatever it is, and do it cheerfully, we shall find blessing. Our duties are seeds of light.—J. R. Miller.

FOREIGN HARVEST INGATHERING PAPERS

For the year 1930 there were printed 455,500 foreign Harvest Ingathering papers in 19 languages. For the 1931 supply the International Branch of the Pacific Press at Brookfield has printed 483,000 copies of this special number in 28 languages. This is 18,000 more than has ever been printed before in one year. The foreign Harvest Ingathering paper can be secured in the following languages: Bohemian, Croatian, Danish-Norwegian, Finnish, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Polish, Portuguese, Roumanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovakian, Swedish, Ukrainian, Yiddish, Yiddish-English.

As an aid in approaching people who prefer or are able to read only their mother tongue, the following suggestive canvass is given:



HEALING IN SOUTH AMERICA

"Good morning, sir! Do you read English? If the reply is, 'No,—Polish,' or Italian, Russian, etc., continue as follows: I have something here that I know will interest you. (Show magazine in his own language.) This paper tells of the wonderful work being done all over the world in establishing schools, treating the sick, and teaching people how to live. Once each year we call on our friends asking them to help us in this mercy work, and this magazine is given to all who contribute. Whatever you give will be appreciated. Some give more than others, but usually it is two dollars, or sometimes one dollar. (If the individual hesitates, do not delay to make further suggestion.) I am sure you will be glad to give fifty cents toward this work, or even twenty-five cents will help. Thank you!

"In making your canvass, be sure to open the magazine to pictures of Christ or the cross, as most foreigners are Catholics, and

such pictures make a special appeal to them. If the individual does not understand English, turn to the page in the magazine where the canvass appears in his own language, and ask him to read it."

V. G. Anderson.

GOD'S BLESSING ON OUR INGATHERING EFFORTS

Having assisted in the Harvest Ingathering solicitation two days last week at Anoka and Mora, I feel that a few words will not be out of place here as a testimony to the blessing and guidance of the Lord in this work. We cannot help being sympathetic with people and business men when they candidly tell us of losses sustained in closing banks and through business decline due to the financial depression. Then when, in spite of these conditions, they cheerfully give us as much as before and sometimes more, we know for certain that God is in this work and His Spirit has been favorably impressing the hearts of these men. I do not say that all respond in this way, for the hearts of some are steeled against the Holy Spirit's influence, but it is indeed marvelous the response which comes from those who know of us and our work, particularly through having given in previous Harvest Ingathering campaigns.

This emphasizes the importance of seeing the people regularly each year in connection with the Harvest Ingathering, and also of its being done by those residing in the respective communities where they are well known, for the contributions are much more liberal when given to those with whom the people are favorably acquainted, rather than when solicited by strangers. May I appeal to each and every one of our people to do your very best this year in your Harvest Ingathering efforts among your neighbors, friends and business acquaintances. There is no question about the Lord's blessing and success if we do our part.

A. R. Smouse.

HARVEST INGATHERING

Shortly after returning from the Minnesota camp meeting one of our faithful members called up to see if the Harvest Ingathering papers had arrived; they had not. However it was not long before the postman brought us a good supply. The pile looked very large; some told us the times are so hard it is doubtful if we would get anything worth going after. We did not find any directions in the Guide Book to stay at home when the way looked hard.

On July 22 our first load went out. After earnest prayer, we took

our rolls of papers and went to work in earnest. I am glad we went. It is true many have nothing to give this year but they have given year by year and surely should not be passed by now. One lady told me she had her paper from last year and was glad to get another one.

We have all had a spiritual refreshing, and I believe the people have been blessed also. This section has lost nearly everything in the farming district, and many of the banks have failed. Despite the discouraging outlook we have completed the work in twenty towns, most of which are small ones. So far we have received more than 88 per cent as much as we received in this same territory last year.

We plan on covering every bit of our territory and hope to pass our goal. We thank God for our faithful people who are willing to go day after day and help in this work. I hope every member in South Dakota will make his individual goal. When we all pull together, the work is completed so much easier.

Clara G. Kuehl,
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ITNERATING IN THE SOUTH- WESTERN PART OF NORTH DAKOTA

During the latter part of July I started with Prof. R. R. Neuman on a prolonged trip through the southwestern part of this state. Professor Neuman was looking for students for S. R. A., in which work I gladly participated, but at the same time I had opportunity to look after various interests connected with our work. During this trip the following churches were visited: Bismarck, Hebron, Taylor, Dickinson, Killdeer, Belfield, Beach, Mott, Burt and Lark. Furthermore, a number of isolated believers, especially those in the counties of Bowman and Adams, were looked up, and I was especially interested in meeting them because I had never visited them since coming to this conference.

As this trip was made during the height of the harvest season, the people were quite busy in every place we came to, harvesting what meager crop they had. In many of these places we saw people cutting Russian thistles in order to have feed for their cattle this coming winter. We found some of our people, who usually farm from six

hundred to one thousand acres, having now hardly one acre of grain to cut, and while it was somewhat better in other places, yet nowhere did we find any of them getting what is usually called a good crop. We could not help sympathizing with the people who have worked so hard throughout the year and now, on account of crop failure, find themselves in dire financial distress, and yet we found that the large majority of our people are taking a decided interest in the progress and advancement of the work of God. Some parents, who do not have many of this world's goods, decided to sacrifice in every way possible to send their children to our school this fall where they may prepare for service in the Master's vineyard; others came along with their gifts and laid them down upon God's altar.

One former S. R. A. student whose mother is a widow, we found just across the line in Montana herding a large flock of sheep for a Montana rancher. The boy was reared in the second largest city in North Dakota, and it certainly took some determination to become accustomed to the life of a sheep herder in a sparsely populated region in Montana, but he is holding on to his job in order to settle his account with S. R. A. and to be able to go back to school this fall.

In summing up the circumstances in which we found that entire section of this state, we must admit that these people are passing through many trials and perplexities. They are interested in the work and when they hear of the many interests and urgent calls, from the home field as well as from foreign lands, their hearts are made sad for not being able to contribute more abundantly. In former years we have received the largest contributions in tithes and offerings from churches in that part of the state and now, in spite of all their efforts on account of very little income, they see their tithe and mission offerings decreasing. And what is true there, is true in many other parts of the country.

Looking at the facts we must admit that we are in the midst of a severe crisis. And what is to be done? Shall we let our courage go down and drop our hands in despair? Of course not. Now is the time for the last warning message to be given. There is a special power in the presentation of the truth at this time and to meet the trials and temptations of this present crisis, and to perform our duties at such a time as this, does require persevering faith; and having such faith we may triumph gloriously. The main thing to do is that we all

press closer together and get a stronger hold on God. Indifference and carelessness must be laid aside at such a time as this. "The Lord abhors indifference and disloyalty in a time of crisis in His work. The whole universe is watching with inexpressible interest the closing scenes of the great controversy between good and evil. The people of God are nearing the borders of the eternal world; and what can be of more importance to them than to be loyal to the God of heaven?" We trust that our people throughout the entire conference and in all the world will earnestly seek to know the Lord and do His will, and work wholeheartedly for the advancement of God's cause on earth until the work is done and we hear the great gathering call of the Master when He returns to take His people home. H. J. Meyer.

CATHAY TENT EFFORT

We are now entering upon our fifth week of the series of meetings in Cathay. We know that our people are waiting to hear of the interest of the tent efforts, that they are praying for, so we feel it our duty to report at this time.

Our meetings are progressing. The attendance is not so complete as we should like to have it, but large enough to feel encouraged.

As to the interest not much can be affirmed. It must be remembered that this is a field where there was no interest whatsoever, and thus it will take some time till we can speak of a definite and promising interest in the message.

We also feel it a duty to say a few words in regard to the opposition here, from the Seventh-day Adventist Reformers, so-called. Readers of the Reaper are, no doubt, acquainted with these people that had to leave our church some years ago. Their main burden, they say, is to reform the fallen church, Seventh-day Adventists. We have found that these people don't care so much to reform as they care to hinder the message. They are warning people to stay away from hearing the message. Surely these things ought to show plainly that these people have lost their love for the truth. Instead of aiding in the proclamation of the message, which they also claim to believe, they work strongly against it. These things ought to speak loudly for every Seventh-day Adventist—it ought to make every one sense the danger of connecting with movements that have arisen out of pure jealousy and egotism.

In spite of these things we believe that God will do a work here. We are studying with several families, at the present time, that show interest and we hope it

will develop into actuality—living the message. We solicit your prayers to that end.

Next Saturday evening, August 15, from eight to eight-thirty o'clock Miss Martha Reising, R. N., will give her third demonstrative health lecture in the tent. Many are enjoying these lectures, and manifest an interest in the Adventist way of caring for the sick.

Sunday evening, August 16, from seven-thirty to eight-thirty o'clock the "Melody Quartette" will give its farewell program in the tent. The program will be of a varied nature in time and melody. The quartet is parting in the near future—hence the farewell. We invite nearby churches to attend our services. Both features are followed by lectures.

F. F. Schwindt,
R. R. Bietz.

NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

Paul Meyer is visiting with his parents at Jamestown, having returned from Loma Linda this week.

We still have a few copies of the Catholic catechisms on hand, which we will sell, as long as the supply lasts, at 25 cents.

Elder Scherr is spending some time in Fargo in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. We sincerely hope that the Lord will give the workers much success.

The tent effort at Jamestown will close August 16, and several new people will be baptized and taken into the church at that time. The total additions will be about a dozen members for the summer's work.

Encouraging word has been received from the evangelistic efforts all over the conference. Elder Reile, who is conducting an effort in a hall in Medina, states that his attendance runs around 200 right along, with many people becoming definitely interested. Elder Piper, who is at Stanley, states that his attendance runs from 100 to 200 and that many are accepting the message as it is presented. Elder Olson, who is conducting an effort with his tabernacle at Hatton, states that his meetings are going fine, having as high as 200 at the meetings and many deeply interested. Elder Schwindt and Brother Bietz at Cathay report a good interest with strong opposition from some who wish to oppose the truth. This makes things more interesting. We wish all our workers the blessings of God in their efforts and sincerely trust that many may

be brought out of darkness into the light of truth.

S. R. A. NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. D. F. Prior has charge of the academy kitchen this summer.

North Hall is receiving a coat of varnish at the present time. It will be ready for the girls to move in on October 7.

Prof. R. R. Neuman just returned from a two weeks trip west of the Missouri River. Elder Meyer accompanied him.

S. R. A. opens October 7. You are welcome to attend this Christian institution. S. R. A. needs you, and you need S. R. A.

The following students are working at the academy this summer: Esther Schander, Dale Prior, Edward Timothy, and Otto Konigsfeld.

Elder P. E. Berthelsen, our Bible teacher, traveled over the north-west part of North Dakota, visiting Minot, Stanley, and so on. These men all bring back encouraging reports.

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EAST AND SOUTH IN IOWA

On Sabbath, August 1, I was with the church at Cedar Rapids, enjoying the Sabbath school with them and telling the members of Sabbath school interests and of the cooperation each can give. Mrs. Bertha Titzell, Mrs. J. W. Ray, and a large majority of the Iowa City Sabbath school members were with us for which we were glad. The superintendent of the Cedar Rapids Sabbath school, Mrs. Emma Zavodsky, is faithful in her efforts to carry on the work there and we trust this school will continue to be active in every good work for the year 1931.

Brother Fred Mathis and family, of Cedar Rapids, took me to Urbana for the afternoon service on Sabbath, and it was a real pleasure to meet with this active little company in their Sabbath school, to decorate the wall with new charts and devices and to talk to them in the after service of the great Sabbath school organization, its purposes and plans and of the progress that is being made in all

the world toward the finishing of the work. We are glad that the members at Urbana are loyal and true in every effort for the advancement of God's work in the earth. We were glad also to greet the Misses Edith Frimml and Mary Iona Luke, colporteurs who are working in that part of the state. A large number of the members here were also at the Sunday evening service at the Cedar Rapids church the following evening. Elder Stemple White has the cooperation of all the members in his efforts to pass on to others the message for this time. It is good to see so many coming to our churches to hear of God's plans for the people of this world, to see so many representative citizens listen to the different lines of prophecy and the story of their fulfillment as shown in current events of the day.

I visited different members at Marion and Cedar Rapids on Sunday and on Monday morning went to Tipton, where four families are represented in a nice little Sabbath school each week. I spent the time with the friends here until Wednesday morning when one of the members took me to West Liberty, to the home of Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Rust where we were royally entertained at the dinner hour, after which the Doctor took me to Atalissa to the home of Mrs. Emma and Anna McDonald, friends of the long ago with whom it is a real privilege to meet and talk of the progress of the work we have all loved through the years. I went from there on Thursday morning to spend a little time with Sister Woodhouse at Wilton, who is always hungry to hear more of the work of God than she finds in her New York point literature. Surely we who can read the good "Review" and other papers, that keep us so thoroughly in touch with the work everywhere, should appreciate it and make the most of our privileges.

On Friday I went directly to Keokuk, to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bates, the parents of Mrs. A. R. Smouse, and the following day, two full loads of members and friends, went to Labelle, Mo., more than fifty miles away, to attend the yearly meeting planned for isolated members near the state lines. Members were present from fourteen places. A program had been carefully planned and all enjoyed it and the association with so many of the same faith. I was especially glad to be at this meeting and to meet again Mrs. M. J. Whitsett, Sabbath school secretary of the Missouri conference. The meeting was held at a Presbyterian church. The day was exceedingly warm and we enjoyed our dinner

together in the delightfully cool basement, after which the program was continued with renewed interest. I shall remember with pleasure the faces of these dear friends in this neighboring state. It is planned to hold next year's meeting at Palmyra a few miles south of this year's location. Mrs. W. E. Bates was again made president of the Association, Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

CAMP MEETING BOOK STAND

By the time this reaches you, it will be just about time for camp meeting to begin. Special camp meeting price lists have been sent out, as far as we are able to determine, to each family in the conference. These show substantial discounts on almost every item and I trust that our people will avail themselves of the opportunity of purchasing some of these good books.

The experience at other camp meetings throughout the country is that our people are purchasing more of Mrs. E. G. White's books than ever before. In these times of stress and perplexity, no better investment can be made than to invest your money in these truth-filled and inspiring books. We shall have a good supply of these books on hand, so come prepared to take advantage of the liberal discounts offered.

We also have a splendid assortment of Bibles and the usual camp meeting discounts will be given.

G. A. Nystrom.

MINUTES OF SABBATH SCHOOL HELD JULY 18, 1931, AT HAWARDEN, IOWA

It was a sight to make all heaven rejoice when eighty-four persons gathered at the tent and joined in singing "Safely through another week, God has brought us on our way, Let us now a blessing seek, Waiting in His courts today." Hazel Berg led in the responsive reading of the twenty-fifth psalm. Elder J. R. Nelson offered a very earnest prayer, asking special blessings for those who were keeping their first Sabbath and others planning to do so later.

The superintendent then explained how all the weekly offering is sent to mission fields and read a report from the Inter-American field telling of needs there along medical and educational lines. All joined in singing three stanzas of "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" and Prof. M. N. Skadsheim asked God for a special blessing on the Inter-American field.

The secretary read the report of the school the week before when

only sixteen were present. Six had been the usual membership of the school before the tent company came here. The superintendent then taught the children two stanzas of "I Washed My Hands This Morning", and four groups were formed for lesson study. Mrs. Vera Skadsheim taught the sand table group and Professor Skadsheim the juniors. Elder Nelson reviewed the last week's lesson with the young people and the seniors, then Mrs. Ruth Nelson led the young people and Elder Nelson the seniors in the study of the day's lesson.

In closing, the school sang one stanza of "I've Found a Friend In Jesus" and was then favored by a solo, "His Eye Is On The Sparrow," by Mrs. Collins of St. Paul, Minn. Lesson Quarterlies were given to those not having them. The offering for missions was \$6.15.

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IOWA SANITARIUM NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Leo O'Donnell of Nevada are the parents of a son born at the Sanitarium, August 10.

Miss Maxine Downs of Ames registered as a medical patient on Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Zimmerman of Colman, S. Dak., has returned for further treatment.

C. E. McVay, local photographer, submitted to a major operation at the Sanitarium last Monday.

Mrs. V. D. Lewis of North Platte, Nebr., was brought to the Sanitarium following an automobile accident west of Nevada last Friday. It was necessary for the doctor to perform an operation to repair the fractured knee cap but she is making a good recovery now. The family were en route to Rochester where Mr. Lewis was planning to go through the Mayo clinic.

Dr. Morse was in Exira on Wednesday afternoon where he went to call on Mrs. P. C. Knudson. Miss Alice Christensen returned with him to resume her work in the serving room.

Mrs. S. B. Smith of Boone and Mrs. Lettis Kirchner of Fort Dodge are resting at the Sanitarium and also taking treatments.

HAWARDEN TENT EFFORT

On Friday night, July 31, Elder C. F. McVagh spoke to an audience of about 135 in the canvass pavilion on the Central school grounds in Hawarden. The people who have for the past six weeks listened attentively to the advent message expressed their appreciation for Elder McVagh's message. The following day about 85 adults and children assembled in the tent for the

Sabbath school and the preaching service. It was truly an inspiration to see so many attending the Sabbath services. Many families are beginning to keep the Sabbath and we have on our visiting list more than 100 who are interested. We need more help, as it is impossible for us to visit and give personal help to so many with the enemy of souls working so hard against us. Our two Adventist families in Hawarden are doing all they can and the Lord is blessing their efforts.

On Sunday night, August 2, Elder Charles Thompson spoke on "Religious Liberty" to an audience of about 450. The tent is far too small for our Sunday night attendance and a large number of people are on the outside occupying seats loaned from the city hall and Methodist church. The Sunday night services have an average attendance of over 300 and the week-day nights about 150.

The Sabbath truth has been presented and the attendance instead of falling off has increased a little. The stronger we preach the message the better these people like it, and many are taking steps to affiliate with the remnant church. One prominent Baptist remarked the other evening: "This reminds me of the meetings conducted by Elder Farnsworth many years ago when I was a young man and attended the Adventist meetings in Big Springs, S. Dak." This man is now the oldest member and the chairman of the board of trustees of the Baptist church in Hawarden. He is a regular attendant at our meetings. Another Baptist said: "This is like the old camp meetings we used to have."

Pray that God may continue to bless this effort to the end that many souls may be saved from the curse of sin.

M. N. Skadsheim.
J. R. Nelson.

JUNE QUARTER ITEMS

The June quarterly Sabbath school report has just been mailed to the Washington office. Seventeen schools made the financial goal for the quarter and sixteen made the Dollar Day goal on the thirteenth Sabbath. Those making both goals were: Burlington, Brighton, Cherokee, Coon Rapids, Iowa City, Monroe, St. Ansgar, Sharpsburg, Shelby, Stuart, Battle Creek and Decorah. Those making the thirty cent a week goal only were Audubon, Glenwood, Keokuk, Sigourney and Smithland. Those making Dollar Day goal only were: Atlantic, Carroll, Fontanelle and Perry. We hope that many more schools will be on these lists in the next two quarterly reports, for the work is

needing the allotted funds. Great will be the disappointment of those far-off workers if the offerings fall short and the hoped for work must be again delayed.

Let us plan through each quarter to make our Thirteenth Sabbath Offering reach the average of one dollar for every member. Listen carefully to the stories of progress and need in these different fields, and pray that the Spirit of God will speak to those who can help to give what is needed, that they will heed the voice and come up to the help of the Lord. Let us not neglect these special fields waiting for help. Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

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FAREWELL

It is not easy to say farewell to Minnesota. We have been here a long while, and have friends from one end of the state to the other. We love Minnesota and are loth to leave. We have been treated far kinder and better than we deserve. It is with regret that we depart.

Our associations have always been most pleasant. To the best of our recollection there has never been anything but a unanimous vote at our committee meetings. The departmental men and women have given hearty support always. The office force has been loyal and cooperative, the ministers and Bible workers a unit in support. For all this we thank God and take courage.

Our people throughout the state have always shown a most commendable spirit, and been willing to cooperate in every good work and work. We are glad for the time we have spent here. May God bless dear old Minnesota!

We bespeak for Brother Rulkoetter your most hearty cooperation. As you have stood by the outgoing president, so stand by the incoming one. There are greater and better things in store for Minnesota. Let Minnesota as one man arise and finish the work.

We bid all goodbye. We shall probably see many again at camp meeting time. Until then may God bless every one of you and keep all faithful. Once more, God bless Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Andreasen.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign needs your support.

RALLY DAY IN THE CHURCHES

The Rally Day program, prepared by the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference and sent to all the churches, marks the opening of a new book of Acts—deeds of valor in the service of the Lord. In this new book of Acts there is a page for every church which has been called into existence as a witness for the third angel's message, and a space on every page for the record of each member of each church. The 1931 Harvest Ingathering for missions campaign will be recorded within the space of a few weeks, and this record will stand for eternity. Your name, dear reader, and what you have done or failed to do will appear on the sacred pages of that heavenly ledger as a part of this record. May we all have done our best. "IF EACH VOLUNTEER IN THE ARMY OF THE LORD WILL DO HIS BEST, THE LORD WILL DO THE REST."

A number of the churches have already started work and have done well. The St. Paul English now has more than \$500, I understand. The Minneapolis English and Danish-Norwegian churches, the church at Bemidji, Faribault, Owatonna, Winona all report working with good results, though I do not have the exact figures at hand. To the above list we are glad to add the name of the church at Mankato, with about \$187 for the first week's work. God is blessing His people as they trust Him and work. Kindly send in your reports, so that we can pass them on for the encouragement of others.

May I urge upon all the churches to observe the Rally Day program Sabbath, September 5, or sooner if convenient.

A. A. Dirksen.

THE TENT EFFORT AT GRANITE FALLS

On July 12 Elders N. R. Nelson and David Gulbrandson commenced a series of tent meetings at Granite Falls. Miss Myrtle Sather is in charge of the music and singing and Ingvald Johnson acts as tentmaster.

Although a very good location was secured, the attendance was not very large to begin with, as the public considered the heat too intense to enjoy such meetings. Meetings were held every night and the attendance increased till we now have capacity audiences. Many of those who attend do not miss a single meeting. Some come as far as forty miles to attend these lectures.

Three miles out of town is an Indian reservation and many of the Indians come out to the meet-

ings every night. We have had as many as thirty-three of them in one meeting. Their well trained quartet has favored us with several splendid selections.

Brethren Engen and George Rustad, who are canvassing in this vicinity, have rendered very good assistance in the song services. Elder Edwardson has visited us several times and with his many and beautiful slides done much to draw people to the meetings. From the abundance of his long experience in evangelistic efforts he has been able to render valuable counsel on many points. Sister Smesstad, who resides here, has also done all in her power to interest people. We solicit the prayers of the Reaper family for the success of this effort, as we are now coming up to the proclamation of the testing truths of the message.

N. R. Nelson.

David Gulbrandson.

MINNESOTA ITEMS

Elder Dirksen is now located at Mankato so that in addition to his department work, he can also supervise the work in district No. 12. His address at Mankato is 304 West Front Street.

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Miss Alice Nelson, who is engaged in colporteur work in Anoka County, called at the office for additional supplies on Sunday of last week. She was accompanied by Eva Wicklund of Minneapolis.

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The offering in the church service next Sabbath, August 22, is for the Educational Fund, as is customary on the fourth Sabbath of the month. Please remember this worthy fund with a liberal contribution.

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C. E. Smith of Lincoln, Nebr., has been visiting at the A. R. Smouse home for a few days. He accompanied Brother Smouse and family on their trip to visit the companies at Mora and Hinckley on Sabbath, August 8, and spoke in the church service at both places.

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The experience of those who have already started Harvest Ingathering proves that it pays to begin early. Please begin as soon as you possibly can, and take advantage of every opportunity to make your efforts successful this year. The Lord expects every member to do his or her best. Are you doing yours?

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A very commendable home missionary effort has been conducted by the Anoka church this summer. Taking advantage of the special 50-50 offer of the conference on "Present Truth" for systematic follow-

up distribution, they have placed it in practically every rural home in the county where it was acceptable. As the result many have become interested in the truth and with the follow-up efforts as planned for, we believe this faithful effort will result in a real harvest of souls. Now the sisters, who have been doing the most of the visiting, plan to call on the interested people in behalf of the Harvest Ingathering appeal, and undoubtedly they will meet with an excellent response. How quickly the work could be finished if the believers in every community and county would thus systematically plan and work to bring the knowledge of the truth to the favorable attention of every family.

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We were saddened the fore part of last week by receiving requests at the office regarding arrangements for three funeral services. The first was with reference to the death of Mrs. Serina Pogue of the Anoka church. Elder Rulkoetter conducted the service at Anoka on Sabbath afternoon, August 8. Then on Sunday came the news of the death of a little child in the family of Perry Sundean of the Sunnybrook company near Hinckley. It was arranged for Elder Garner to conduct this service on Monday afternoon. On Monday a telephone call from R. F. Wolcott, the elder of the Faribault church, brought word of another death, that of the mother of Mrs. Holden. Several years ago she was baptized by Elder Halswick, so in compliance with her request made before she passed away, it was arranged for him to also conduct the funeral service, which was held on Wednesday afternoon. We sympathize most sincerely with the members of these families who mourn the loss of loved ones. The news of these three deaths coming as it did on three days in succession, made rather impressive the uncertainty of this life, but what an encouragement it is to know that even the increasing uncertainty of earthly things is indicative of the rapid approach of the Saviour's coming which will bring eternal reunion and happiness for all the faithful.

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In order that it may be made easy for those who find it difficult in the Harvest Ingathering to approach and solicit strangers who do not know about our work, a large supply has been prepared of the envelopes having a printed canvass on the outside. All that you need to do is to leave these at the homes or stores with just a request to read them and a statement that you will call again in a day or so. The reading of the canvass on the envelope and the Harvest Ingathering paper inside is almost sure to

awaken an interest and a desire to give something, if possible, when the solicitor calls again. The leaving of the magazine first, before the solicitation, also inspires confidence on the part of the public, for it indicates that we wish them to know about our work before we request their aid. We hope that hundreds of our sisters and even the children and youth, who have never taken part in the Harvest Ingathering before, will try the envelope plan this year. The envelopes will be mailed free from the conference office to Minnesota solicitors. The papers should also be ordered if you do not have a supply of them. This plan makes Harvest Ingathering solicitation easy, especially for those who find it hard to talk to others about it.

MAPLEWOOD NEWS

We shall be glad to welcome Miss Elsie Pierson of Roseau as another member of the 1931-32 senior class.

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New cement work is being done in the barn under the direction of George J. Olson of Alexandria.

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Harry Petersen and Prescott Nelson of St. Peter called at the school for a few minutes Tuesday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Anderson of Minneapolis were at the school for a short time Monday afternoon, August 10.

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Clarice and Bernita Rust enjoyed a visit from their mother and sister, Mrs. Clara G. Rust and Serene, on Sunday, August 9.

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Miss Lois Carnahan of Glenwood has written to reserve a room in West Hall for next year. We shall welcome her to our number.

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Elder and Mrs. Louis Halswick of Minneapolis stopped at the school for a short time Thursday afternoon when on their way to Granite Falls.

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The inquiry, interest and good spirit that is found in the field cause us to feel that the enrollment for 1931-32 will be good and that we shall have another happy and successful school year.

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Melvin Jacobson, who has been working at the school since camp meeting, left Wednesday to spend a few weeks at his home in Alexandria before the opening of school.

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We were pleased to have Elder J. C. Michalenko of Sheyenne River Academy look over our buildings and grounds when he with Elder A. A. Dirksen visited us for a short time Friday morning.

Leslie Dunstan and Emil Holmes who are both former Maplewood students hope to be with us again this year.

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CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION PAYS

"My whole desire is at—, I admire Miss Smith as the highest production of womanly nobleness I have met. I put strange value on different types of education, I know, but I consider the privilege of living near her one of the high points in my education and my life."

These words were spoken about a teacher in one of our schools by a young woman who, after having spent one year there, was reflecting on what she had gained during the year.

While kneeling in her little room, where she had doubted Jesus yet had begged him to guide her, after resolving to go away to school, she prayed that God would give her the right sort of friend. She had, at home and at public school, tried to find Jesus, but, as she said, had failed miserably. At school she found the answer to her prayer.

This illustrates in a very impressive and concrete way the influence Christian associates have upon those who attend our schools.

Does this girl place too much value upon the proper association in the process of education? Was it of any importance to her that she found a Christian friend who could help her with her many doubts and problems?

We are apt to forget in our hurrying, scurrying moments that we are being influenced by those around us, but that does not discount the fact in the least. We may think that we can mingle with those who care nothing about God, who spend their time in pleasure seeking, and not be affected by it, but our lives are too complexly interwoven with other lives for this to be true. The words, the tone of the voice, the dress and the general deportment have an influence.

In our schools the young people have not only the privilege of associating with the best of Christian people, but they are in an atmosphere where they become a friend of the all-wise and loving Saviour. They become acquainted with the Bible, the word of God, which is the pointing hand to the best that this and the next life afford.

Friends, think it over. Are you laying a foundation for a life of pleasure here or a life of everlasting joy hereafter? Come to Maplewood September 16 and prepare for service for God.

Lessie Culpepper,
Preceptress, Maplewood.

THE A. C. S. COLUMN

(Continued)

"Time and money are two of God's most valuable gifts to man. But in both God holds a designated reservation. There is holy time and there is holy money—the Sabbath and the tithe. Both are to be fully restored in the remnant message, for these twin institutions connote the same authority, and touch the same principle. Both have the same impregnable foundation. Both run parallel through the ages. Both are devoted in a special sense to God. Neither has been repealed nor abrogated. Both hold as surely as man's foundational relationships to God hold, for their obligation is fundamental and eternal. And as inseparable last-day tests of character for God's remnant people, they are consequently of keenest and most special significance to Seventh-day Adventists.

"This discovery of God and our relation to Him as the 'Supreme Person in a world of persons' is the greatest thought that can enter the human mind. From it spring all our recognized truths. It is the basis for righteousness by faith, which is our 'message in verity.' To it we bow with reverential awe, accepting it as the polestar of our lives. In view, then, of the acknowledged fact of God in creation, the vital issue is human stewardship for God, or assumed ownership and independence of God. For if man's vaunted claims of ownership are valid, then the very foundation of God's sovereignty is denied. To the Seventh-day Adventist, Jehovah is not a philosophical conception, but is the personal and living God, whom we are shortly to meet face to face. The modernist's pernicious doctrine of divine immanence is no more than mystic pantheism. It has nothing to do with the true indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. In its logical extreme, it denies the personality of God. Against it the threefold message stands as a mighty protest and a towering bulwark. So to the one vast issue we address ourselves.

"The principle of stewardship throws man back on God, who is in this way established in his consciousness. God is made real. And this reality of the Unseen restores God to His rightful place from which He has been displaced through Babylonish apostasy. It enthrones Him again in the daily life as Lord. Thus the tithe emerges from a mercenary basis to the expressed relation of man to the Supreme Person and His kingdom. This should be a basic element in stressing the spiritual revival and reformation that God is seeking to bring to this people. It surely em-

braces a revival of Christian stewardship and a reformation in the consecration of ourselves and our possessions to Him. Like its related truths, it is destined to have rightful place in the loud cry of the message." "Stewardship in its Larger Aspects," pp. 26, 27.

A LETTER

In a letter recently received from Elder J. A. Stevens of the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference, among other things he states the following, "The support of 299 workers is dependent upon the Big Week Fund, and failure will mean that they must be dropped from employment, as there is no other provision made for their wages." If you still have an unpaid pledge to this fund, or if you still have some books on hand to be sold and the proceeds used for missions extension gifts, will you not now plan to pay the pledge or sell the books so that this money may be forwarded on to the mission extension treasury? May I call upon all to do what you can to swell the 1931 missions extension gifts. To date we are about \$702.97 short as compared to the same date last year. A. A. Dirksen.

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CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

"Here is the wisdom of the world," is what a distinguished Bible student said once as he held up the Greek New Testament between his fingers. He was right, for the message that this book contains is God's all-sufficient and final revelation to humanity.

The Bible holds all the principles that men need to understand in order to be fitted for this world and the world to come. The mind and the soul is built up by that upon which it feeds and it is up to the individual to decide on what it should be fed.

The most valuable teaching of the Bible is not gained by occasional and promiscuous study. The great truths that it contains are not so presented as to be understood by hasty reading. The truths that make up the great whole must be searched out and gathered "here a little, and there a little." "Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life." John 5:39.

Where can our young people re-

ceive this study of the scriptures? In a Christian school. Not only is the spiritual life given development but the physical and mental powers are given equal attention in such a school. No one can estimate the value of our youth to society and the world who have received such a training.

The student under the instruction of earnest and efficient teachers receive a training in all branches of learning. Teachers who have consecrated their lives to the work of training young people are as shepherds to their flock. They with hand and heart and brain are there to show the student how to achieve any worthy calling.

With the spiritual and intellectual training one should gain a practical knowledge of laboring. Labor was appointed at creation as a blessing and even after man's fall it became a part of the program. One must be taught to be practical to meet the many emergencies of life. Some need to learn that honest toil is no disgrace but that it helps to develop the mentality. In the Bible are many examples of noble characters who toiled daily in some line of manual labor. A student may have a bright mind, alert to catch ideas and still not have a practical skill of life's duties. He should be impressed with the thought that education is not to learn how to escape disagreeable tasks and heavy burdens but that it's purpose is to lighten burdens and learn better methods. In a systematic and regulated way labor is provided for each student thus he gains more than can be accomplished through books alone.

Often the student who is self supporting receives a richer experience than the one who depends on others. He learns the value of money and the value of time and is less tempted to be a spendthrift and idler.

Great sacrifices are being made by many parents who realize the value of such training schools. Owing to the conditions of this year greater sacrifices will be made. May many more parents join in this very important work and Heaven will bless all earnest efforts made. There is no greater joy to those in charge of a Christian school than to see souls surrendered to the Saviour's cause and develop their characters into perfection which will stand when Christ comes.

Soon the doors of Plainview Academy will be open for another school year. Those who have shared in the school life of the previous year welcome many new ones to the circle. Not only to class rooms and assigned duties, are you welcome, but to new acquaintances. Friendships that never grow dim and pleasant

associations with those who are striving to gain the most of life await you here.

Welcome to Plainview, dear new students and old ones.

Lydia Egger,
Matron, Plainview.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Miss Claire Winingar, our Sabbath school secretary, visited the company at Clark Sabbath, August 7.

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Brother D. H. Madsen of Winnipeg stopped over night at Watertown on his way to Viborg and Beresford to look after his farm interests.

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Prof. H. C. Hartman spent part of a day at the office attending to his correspondence before leaving for the southern trip.

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Mrs. Lydia Nesmith and son Milton called at our office while in the city last week. They are making their home for the present at Florence with Mrs. Nesmith's brother.

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Brother Mckinley has been assisting Brother Floyd Dufloth during the week. Sabbath morning, August 8, he went to Madison where he will assist Elder Stanley in the Harvest Ingathering in his district for a week or ten days.

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Elder C. M. Babcock on account of the busy season has only been holding Sabbath and Sunday night meetings at Hecla. He ordered several hundred Harvest Ingathering papers and plans on working some of that territory during the week.

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Elder Gorden Oss returned to the office the first of the week from a trip through the northwestern part of the state. He left in company with Prof. H. C. Hartman for the southern part of the state Friday morning in the interest of Plainview Academy.

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A new number of the "Present Truth" is out on the calendar issue. It contains the latest information on this momentous question, and has a petition blank on the last page. The International Conference on the calendar issue meets at Geneva in October. Time is short. Order a supply from the Book and Bible House for generous distribution among neighbors and friends. The price is 85 cents a hundred. Order No. 142.

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"When in faith we take hold of His strength He will change, wonderfully change the most hopeless, discouraging outlook."

MURDO, S. DAK.

No doubt the Reaper family have been wondering what has been going on at Murdo, as not a word has been said about the effort here. I should have written a short article before this but have been kept busy as I am alone in the effort.

On the last day of June I started some meetings in a good sized schoolhouse seven miles northwest of Murdo and have been going ever since. Almost as soon as I started, the people began to harvest their crops, as the dry weather and grasshoppers forced them to do so; for we had many hoppers in this section. In fact, some of the people never had to cut their grain, neither will they have to pick any corn, as the hoppers got it all. Owing to the fact that the people were busy, it was thought best to hold only four meetings a week, and so we have carried on this program all summer.

The interest has been good. On Sunday nights the house is filled and over. The house was so full last Sunday night that we could not find room for them inside. The topic was, "Where did Sunday come from?" After the service so many of the people said that they enjoyed the sermon. One member of the Lutheran Church said that she was through attending that church. The district senator and representative are our regular visitors on Sunday nights. Many of the people are people who hardly ever go to church, and some of those are the ones who advertise our meetings over the telephone. Several have already taken their stand for God's truth and others are interested, and I believe that ere long they, too, will have taken their stand also. We have a nice Sabbath school with outsiders in attendance every Sabbath.

We want you as our people to pray for the success of these meetings as some have a real battle at this time, while others have members of their families opposing them.

I want to mention the Webb families. Ed and John. They are a wonderful help in these meetings. There hardly is a night when Brother Ed Webb's family does not bring some one with them, which is a great help. The Rust family is here as often as they can come. They enjoy hearing these good meetings. May God bless all the efforts that are put forth in the interest of saving souls.

J. C. Stotz.

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The great secret of happiness is to be at ease with yourself; it is well to have in yourself a pleasant refuge.—Fontenelle.

Stevens.—Harland Uriah Stevens was born at Knoxville, Iowa, Aug. 8, 1884; and after a brief illness died at Lincoln, Nebr., July 27, 1931, at the age of 46 years, 11 months, and 19 days. In 1899 the family moved to College View to take advantage of the opportunity for Christian education, and he attended the Union College Academy from 1899 to 1903, and the college proper from 1903 to 1907, when he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science, as president of his class. He took graduate work at the University of Nebraska the following year and a half, and was on the physical science faculty of Union College from that time until 1911.

In 1911 he was united in marriage to Inez Holland. After a further period of graduate study he was awarded the degree of Master of Science in 1912 by the University of Chicago, and the same year accepted a call to foreign mission service in South America.

In the fourteen years of his South American missionary service he was successively director of the River Plate Academy in Argentina, secretary of the Missionary Volunteer and educational departments of the South American Division Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and superintendent of the Inca Union Mission. In 1920 he was ordained at Buenos Aires as a minister of the gospel. He terminated his work in South America in 1926 and returned to Union College as an instructor in the department of theology, which position he held until the time of his death.

His first wife having passed away in South America, he was married in 1928 to Miss Grace Evans, of Berrien Springs, Mich., who, with his daughter, Helen; his aged father and mother, of Glendale, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Mamie L. King, of Seattle, Wash., with three brothers, and Will, of Portland, Ore., and Rollo, of Los Angeles, Calif., with other relatives and a wide circle of friends remain to cherish his memory.

Brother Stevens was a very zealous and conscientious Christian, and like many other men of God, gave all for his blessed Master.

At the funeral service, conducted in the church at College View, the college faculty and summer school students marched from the college to the church and occupied seats reserved for them. The floral offering was profuse and most beautiful. The funeral sermon was given by Elder Jav J. Nethery, who was assisted by Elder B. L. House and Elder R. T. Baer. The body was taken to Kalamazoo, Mich., for burial, the former home of Mrs. Stevens.—Jay J. Nethery, "Central Union Outlook."

Heifner.—Gladys Ellen Heifner was born in Traverse County, June 15, 1912; and died at Wheaton, Minn., July 28, 1931. When she was still a child the parents moved to Rosholt, S. Dak., where Gladys continued to reside with her parents. She finished the local grade school and in the fall of 1927 attended Maplewood and returned the following year. She finished her high school work at Rosholt, this spring. Due to an accident Gladys was so severely burned that recovery was impossible. She is survived by her father and mother, three sisters and two brothers. May God's grace be with those who mourn.
A. H. Rulkoetter.

LaGrange.—Mrs. Ethel LaGrange, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bolby, was born at Columbus Junction, Iowa, Jan. 29, 1894; and died at Davenport, Iowa, Aug. 7, 1931.

Sister LaGrange was reared in the Seventh-day Adventist faith and united with the church in early youth. All her Christian life was not so faithful as it might have been, but about three years ago she reconsecrated her life to God, she remained a faithful and true child of His and died in the blessed hope.

July 26, 1920, she was married to Joseph LaGrange in Hannibal, Mo. To this union two daughters were born, Zenna and Joella. The husband, the two daughters and two daughters and a son by a former marriage, Maurine, Wilma and Francis Johnson, and the father and mother, all of Davenport, also one brother, H. W. Bolby of Burlington, Iowa, are left to mourn.

Services were conducted by the writer and we laid her to rest in hope of the soon return of her Lord.
A. L. Miller.

ADVERTISEMENTS

Wanted.—Any kind of work by a steady young man, twenty-nine years of age. Experienced in electrical, laundry and other kinds of work. Ralph E. Hartzell, 309 N. Main St., Montevideo, Minn. 33-2t

Wanted.—Work by a girl who is high school graduate. Good cook and seamstress. Prefers work with elderly people. Will be at Iowa camp meeting. Write Mrs. Roy Priddy, R. F. D. 2, Orient, Iowa.

For sale or exchange.—One five-room house with cement and stone porch, fire place, good basement, walnut trees and fruit. Situated on main boulevard. Also two lots with garage house, large chicken house, stable, etc. Price of former \$3,200 and latter \$1,000, both near church school and Sanitarium and Hospital. Will also sell or exchange my two lots in International Falls, Minn., at a great sacrifice. Write for further particulars A. W. Nary, Loma Linda, Calif.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

G. A. CAMPBELL, Union Field Missionary Secretary

Colporteur	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Helps	Total orders	Del.
NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE, H. Wentland, Field Missionary Secretary						
Week ending August 1, 1931						
Barkley, F. E.	HP	12		.35	.35	.35
Kruger, Solomon (2)		85	16	6.25	78.75	9.75
Petersen, Anna (3)	OD	113	12	6.25	51.26	3.50
Sepchenko, Lena (2)	HW	53	3	3.25	18.25	4.75
Unruh, Louise Kae (2)	OD	63	6	2.75	25.75	7.25
Walcker, Jake (2)	HW	50	6		21.00	
Totals		376	43	18.85	195.35	25.60

SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE, L. L. McKinley, Field Missionary Secretary						
Week ending August 1, 1931						
Anderson, E. C.	HP	39	3	15.00	22.50	119.00
Brewer, T. K.	OD	61	12	15.00	63.00	
Claridge, John (4)	HP	135	4	22.50	38.50	
Honhensee, W. G.	HW	24	3	6.00	18.00	
Hilliard, Lewis	GC	50	1	6.85	12.35	3.10
Kiesz, Arthur		25		49.25	70.25	
Kunsman, Herbert (4)	HW	119	15	66.75	126.75	
Pietz, Edward	GC	21	2	12.35	24.85	3.35
Mr. and Mrs. Pedersen (2)	PP	145		81.00	81.00	
Terkelson, Gunda	Watchman			12.25	12.25	
Totals		619	40	271.95	469.45	125.45

IOWA CONFERENCE, L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary						
Week ending August 8, 1931						
Shelton, G. A.		50	6	12.50	33.50	30.00
*Elliot, Mrs. E. E.		39	2	20.25	27.25	6.25
Nethery, Wallace		34		25.25	25.25	133.50
Frimml, Edith		31		25.00	25.00	67.25
*Westerbeek, Glen		56	5	7.50	22.50	44.00
Johnson, A. E.		50	4	9.75	21.75	.75
Kroll, Pauline and Neva		27	4	8.00	20.00	17.50
Burkhardt, Fred		49	2	12.75	18.75	
Luke, Iona		29		18.00	18.00	53.00
Wooten, Carl B.		50	4	6.00	18.00	
Graham, Harold		46	5	1.50	17.50	
Hansen, Anna		33	1	10.05	15.55	17.15
Wilcox, Elva		30	2	7.25	12.75	50.70
Dunn, Sam		15	1	6.70	12.20	
Stringer, Wayne		46		10.50	10.50	
Stringer, John		36		9.00	9.00	72.00
Ogren, John		23	2	1.75	6.75	.25
Bell, Miss Marie		6		5.75	5.75	
*Kaufman, A. D.		30		9.35	9.35	9.35
Kunau, Esther		17		3.55	3.55	3.55
Nelson, Eugene		13	1		3.00	27.00
Wise, Ronald		37		1.50	1.50	47.50
Olson, Myrrhine		28		.50	.50	
Culver, M. S.		10				55.50
Baughner, Ray		10				54.00
Dahl, Walter		10				31.00
Ahlstrom, G. E.		17				20.50
Drury, Russell		3				17.50
Totals		830	39	212.40	337.90	758.25

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE, M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary						
Week ending August 8, 1931						
Anderson, Fred S.	Hope	43	6	21.50	46.50	13.25
Anderson, Mrs. Fred S.		7		5.45	5.45	5.45
Biggers, H. G. (2)	Misc.	58	12	2.25	20.25	4.75
Crofoot, F.	Hope	41	4	5.00	25.00	3.50
Dokken, Thomas	Hope	18	4	.75	16.75	.75
Engen, B. O. (2)	Hope BR	84	2	31.85	40.10	14.60
Hanson, Donald	Hope	36	4	12.75	28.75	
Keenan, Ben L.	BR	28	2	23.50	34.50	48.25
Moyer, Mrs. C.				68.50	68.50	68.50
Moyer, Ruth				34.75	34.75	34.75
Nelson, Alice	Hope	36	8	4.25	38.50	
Netteburg, Lyol	Hope	29	1	2.75	6.75	
Plinke, Kenneth	Hope	29	5	6.25	26.25	1.25
Plinke, Wesley	Hope	29	1	6.00	10.00	1.25
Riechel, Leslie	Hope	17	2	3.75	11.75	.25
Rust, Clare G.				25.45	25.45	25.45
Rust, Paul	Hope	35	4	8.25	28.25	2.00
Rustad, George	Hope	22	10	7.25	56.25	
Wedde, Theodore	Hope	44		42.00	42.00	
Totals		557	65	312.25	565.75	224.50

PLAINVIEW ACADEMY NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Christensen and son Deryl left this week for a vacation trip to Tuthill, S. Dak., and points in Nebraska.

Plainview Academy's opening date is September 15. Plan to be present on the opening day. We shall be glad to welcome you.

Our community is glad to welcome Elder A. G. Youngberg back again after spending the last nine weeks in Lincoln, Nebr., attending summer school.

Prof. Stanley Ledington spent a few days here at the academy and worked the surrounding territory in the interest of Union College. We were glad for his visit.

On the evening of August 12, a group of Plainviewites, who are here this summer, spent a pleasant evening at the Eggler home in honor of Esther Kimball.

Elder Gorden Oss and Prof. H. C. Hartman are traveling in the eastern and southern parts of the state in the interest of Plainview. They expect to return the latter part of the week.

Elder and Mrs. C. M. Babcock of Hecla were home for a short visit and to see his mother. Grandma Babcock's friends will be glad to know she has kept very well this summer.

Old students of Plainview will be glad to know that our nice little town of Redfield has progressed with the times and has six new blocks of cement to replace the gravel streets. They expect to pave more in the future.

A program entitled "The New Earth" was appreciated by all in attendance at church Sabbath. It consisted of original exercises, poems, talks, a pianologue and symposium besides other interesting numbers.

August 11 was threshing day on the school farm. Mrs. Hartman helped Mrs. Betts with the cooking while the extra men were here. The farm men are also putting up 80 acres of wild hay this week.

We are indeed glad for the fine interest in Christian education in our state. Letters received and other indications show this to be true. Even though times are hard and it requires careful planning, yet the Lord will help us accomplish a Christian education if we do our best, for it is His divine plan for such times as we are now passing through.

"For years the perplexing question has been before us, How can we raise funds adequate for the support of the missions which the Lord has gone before us to open? We read the plain commands of the gospel; and the missions, in both home and foreign fields, present their necessities. The indications, yea, the positive revelations of Providence unite in urging us to do quickly the work that is waiting to be done. . . . In many places the

Harvest Ingathering . . . has proved a success, bringing blessing to many, and increasing the flow of means into the mission treasury. . . . Men and women of all classes have been reached, and the name of God has been glorified."—Mrs. E. G. White.

"No earthly power or skill or learning can supply the place of God's abiding presence."

HARVEST INGATHERING CANVASS

(Smile) Good morning! My name is ———. I represent a world-wide organization that is establishing industrial schools, hospitals, dispensaries, treatment rooms, and publishing houses in 139 countries, representing 400 languages and dialects. This brief report (reaching for paper) is published once a year for the purpose of keeping our friends informed of the progress of this work we are doing. (Page through paper and call attention to several items of interest, such as the work we are doing in the United States and Canada; refer briefly to our medical work on pages 3, 6, and 7; the welfare work on page 16; uplift work in the home field on back page; and "Preaching, Teaching, and Healing in All the World" on center page.) These large enterprises are supported largely by weekly gifts from thousands of the members of this organization, but once a year we appeal to our friends, especially those whom we believe can appreciate and sympathize with us in this noble work, to cooperate with us in the form of a liberal gift. Some give \$50, others \$25, \$10, and still others give a dollar or two. Your gift will be greatly appreciated.

Home Missionary Department.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF HARVEST INGATHERING

January 1 to December 31, 1930

	Rec'd 1929	Rec'd 1930	Loss 1930	Gain 1930	Per Member 1930
Iowa	17365.97	17410.81		44.84	6.65
Minnesota	18123.44	17263.82	859.62		5.26
N. Dakota	9941.96	6678.72	3263.24		3.28
S. Dakota	14428.61	11394.99	3033.62		7.68
Union	59859.98	52748.34			5.60

The net loss in the union for the last year was \$7111.64. If we compare our records this year with last year we are apt to set our aim too low. This year let us resolve to do the best we have ever done. Is it possible that depression, unemployment, and a gloomy outlook can delay the onward progress of God's work? The answer is emphatically, NO.

"Obstacles to the advancement of the work of God will appear; but fear not. To the omnipotence of the King of kings, our covenant-keeping God unites the gentleness and care of a tender shepherd. Nothing can stand in His way. His power is absolute, and it is the pledge of the sure fulfillment of His promises to His peo-

ple. He can remove all obstructions to the advancement of His work. He has means for the removal of every difficulty, that those who serve Him and respect the means He employs may be delivered. His goodness and love are infinite, and His covenant is unalterable.

"The plans of the enemies of His work may seem to be firm and well established, but He can overthrow the strongest of these plans, and in His own time and way He will do this, when He sees that our faith has been sufficiently tested, and that we are drawing near to Him, and making Him our counselor." "Testimonies," Vol. VIII, p. 10. V. G. Anderson.