



## "YE ARE CHILDREN OF LIGHT"

It is the plan of Jehovah that His church be the light of the world. His word to the disciples of old, "Ye are the light of the world," is God's program for today. Through fulfilled and fulfilling prophecy His people are to "walk in the light" and hence the city set upon a hill that cannot be hid. To those who sit in darkness the children of light are to shine forth, not by some egotistical profession manifested mostly in noise, or some spectacular display, but by being able to bring the revelation of God's word to bear upon every world event which causes questioning and caviling among the unenlightened minds. For it is written, "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Ps. 119:130.

We believe the times through which we are now passing should be used as an opportune time to enlighten the people in a rallying call to righteousness. In Isaiah 26:9, 10 we read, "For when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal wrongfully, and will not behold the majesty of Jehovah."

It seems clear from these scriptures and others we might cite that prosperity and spirituality are not synonymous, but often through adversity people learn righteousness.

The Spirit of prophecy throws light here in the following quotation: "The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society and the alarms of war are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude . . . Great changes are

soon to take place in our world and the final movements will be rapid ones.

"The condition of things in the world shows that troublous times are right upon us. The daily papers are full of indications of a terrible conflict in the near future. Bold robberies are of frequent occurrence. Strikes are common. Thefts and murders are committed on every hand. Men possessed of demons are taking the lives of men, women, and little children. Men

## NOTICE

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have become infatuated with vice, and every species of evil prevails.

"In the great cities there are multitudes living in poverty and wretchedness well-nigh destitute of food, shelter, and clothing; while, in the same cities are those who have more than heart could wish, who live luxuriously, spending their money on richly furnished houses, personal adornment, or, worse still, upon the gratification of sensual appetites, upon liquor, tobacco, and other things that destroy the powers of the brain, unbalance the mind, and debase the soul. The cries of starving humanity are coming up before God, while by every species of oppression and extortion men are piling up colossal fortunes." Vol. 9, pp. 11, 12.

The reader will note the expression, "Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God." The things enumerated are very real to the inhabitants of the world today; hence, according to the prophet Isaiah the times are propitious for

"men to learn righteousness." Surely the call of the hour is evangelism. Never were minds more ready for the gospel of God's dear Son through the living preacher, the message-filled books, and periodicals containing the message for the present hour.

The third angel's message is God's answer to the conditions of the world today and it not only answers but provides the remedy. May God inspire His church to "arise and shine."

Charles Thompson.

## HARVEST INGATHERING IN IOWA

It was my privilege recently to spend some time in Iowa in the Harvest Ingathering work. At the Des Moines church I was pleased to see a number sign covenant cards for \$50 each. We ran short of cards for amounts of smaller denomination. One lady signed a \$50 card and reached her amount the very first week.

The first night the singing band went out it averaged \$1 a block in donations.

At Winterset I assisted Mrs. Delbert Clark in the business section. We received \$120 in two days. The total for the church, raised to date, is a gain of practically \$50 over last year's record.

Brother Lewis Johnson and the writer worked Terrill, Iowa, a village of about 600, and received over \$50. Brother John Johnson assisted in Milford, a town of about 1000, where \$50 more was gathered. This total of \$100 for the Terrill church is less than the same men gave last year. A number of business men were out, who will be visited later, so the total will be very nearly that of last year.

The only royal road to success in Harvest Ingathering is prayer and hard work. The times demand earnestness on our part. Let us be up and doing before winter sets in. Pray for success and then go forth with courage. V. G. Anderson.



## WITH OUR COLPORTEURS

Henry Peterson, assistant field missionary secretary of Minnesota during the past summer, sends in the following experience which he had while assisting one of the colporteurs. This again indicates the fact that there are searchers after truth among the Roman Catholics.

"About four o'clock one afternoon we came to a place where the man was busy carrying sacks of grain from a Master Six Buick to a nearby shed. He appeared very cross on first appearance, but we greeted him with a smile and, as he soon warmed up, we engaged in a friendly conversation. He had just traded cars and, of course, we were interested in looking over the car, which he was anxious to show us. When we were through looking over his car, he invited us inside. He introduced us to his wife and after a few comments about the purpose of our visit to her, I proceeded with the canvass. They both listened eagerly and it was a pleasure to canvass them. The man had been reared in Catholicism, but was looking for light on the Scriptures. He wasn't satisfied with what he had. Among the different questions he asked were these, 'Which is the true church? What shall a person believe in this age when there are so many denominations?' I told him we would have to let the Bible answer it; we did. We stayed for two hours. He subscribed for the book and also got the book 'The Way to Life', by Branson. When we left, I told him he might hear from me. He said he would write and let me know how he enjoyed the books. There are many sincere people today who are asking the same questions he did namely, 'What is truth? What shall I believe?' These souls need our help."

In the Spirit of prophecy we are told "This is the very work the Lord would have his people do at this time." Is God calling you? Respond, by saying, "Here am I, send me." Geo. A. Campbell.

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## HARVEST INGATHERING

This week, in company with Brother L. C. Christofferson, I have been soliciting mission funds in Council Bluffs. The response is indeed encouraging. Surely, God is working upon the minds of the people. Business men sense keenly the dangers confronting the world and they take time to talk about these things and the local calls that are bound to come this winter in every city, yet they are constrained to give to missions even though they tell us that their business prospects will not warrant giving.

I am impressed to urge all our ministers and people to go out to do their Harvest Ingathering without delay. It is easier now than it will be later in the season. We should try to finish this work before the middle of October. We are told that: "It is the very essence of all right faith to do the right thing at the right time."

"God is the great master-worker, and by His providence He prepares the way for His work to be accomplished. He provides opportunities, opens up lines of influence and channels of working." There is no reason to be dismayed. Pray much: present the needs earnestly and give the people a chance to share with us in the blessing of giving to God's work. C. F. McVagh.

## CHEERING REPORTS

The Harvest Ingathering campaign is gaining momentum in Iowa according to reports that are coming in from the field. The workers feel that the work should be completed as early as possible this year in view of the fact that undoubtedly many calls will be made on business men this fall for the relief of the situation which exists because of unemployment.

The main part of Fort Dodge was worked last week by the writer and several of the business men increased their donations. The church is putting forth an effort to reach the splendid amount that was raised last year.

Elder V. G. Anderson has been working in Des Moines and Winterset and he reports that a good gain has been made in the latter place. Boone has already raised about \$100. A few more dollars and they will have their goal.

Elder Jeys cheered our hearts

when he sent word that the Dubuque church has already made its goal. If they can raise their goal in so short a time, surely the same thing is possible in other churches. Let us work all the harder in these trying times to provide means to speed on the third angel's message. J. C. Christenson.

## CEDAR RAPIDS

On our return from camp meeting on September 5, we launched the 1931 Harvest Ingathering campaign here. Literature in English and foreign tongues and other supplies were on hand; the reporting bands were organized; territory districted; business firms assigned mutually, and proper instructions given. In addition to using the thermometer goal chart provided by the General Conference Department, we have the names of every church member nicely printed on a large goal chart for the six weeks' campaign, which will show what every member reports each week, with totals thereafter.

As each member turns in his first report of funds received, a red star will appear just before his name. As each person turns in an amount equal to \$10, the minimum per capita, a gold crown will appear in his total column. For each additional dollar turned in over ten dollars, after the individual crown has been won, a little gold star appears. A special song has been provided which is sung each Sabbath during the campaign at the close of the Sabbath meeting, emphasizing, as all join in the chorus, "Somewhere, somewhere, Stars for my crown are somewhere; Help me this week those souls to seek, Stars for my crown are somewhere."

The children and the juniors are listed in bands and we are endeavoring to get all to have a real

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part. The first week's report was very gratifying. We have introduced the "singing band" feature and we expect also to work a few nearby towns.

Sunday evening, Sept. 13, after the sermon on "The most definite sign of our Lord's soon return" and before a large congregation, ten candidates were baptized in the newly installed church baptistry. One of these is the youngest daughter of the brother, Jasper Wayne, who started the Harvest Ingathering campaign in this denomination.

In addition to our regular Sunday night public meeting, we plan to hold a meeting each week at another place nearby. Our teachers' meeting is held every Wednesday evening after prayer meeting. A junior division of the Sabbath school, with Miss Ida Edgerton as leader, has been organized, and both they and the kindergarten and primary divisions hold their Sabbath school services apart from the senior division. We request our readers, if they have friends in Cedar Rapids, to urge them to attend the Sunday evening services at the Kenwood Seventh-day Adventist church. We solicit your prayers in behalf of the work here. Stemple White.

#### IOWA ITEMS

Elder and Mrs. J. C. Nixon, with Naomi and Joseph, were at the Boone church on Sabbath, September 12.

Brother G. A. Nystrom visited Maxwell on Monday of last week on conference business.

Elder McVagh visited Council Bluffs the first part of last week, where he planned to spend a little time in the Harvest Ingathering.

Elder R. F. Bresee and family, having recently moved from Ottumwa, are now pleasantly settled in Council Bluffs.

Miss Ruby McSparran, Bible worker at Sioux City, visited the office last week, when she was here with her brother, who is a patient at the Sanitarium.

Miss Alice La Bonte, niece of Brother and Sister L. C. Christofferson of the Council Bluffs church, came to Nevada on Monday of last week to assist in the conference office.

There is general activity over the state in the Ingathering for missions. Many reports are excellent, even exceeding previous years.

However conditions may be, by persevering effort, we can help in this way to keep the missionaries in their fields of labor.

Mrs. Dorcas met with the students at Oak Park Academy in their Sabbath school the first Sabbath of the new school year, September 12. Last year's Sabbath school work in that place was very gratifying and the good response at this time leads one to believe that this year will be the best ever.

Elder A. L. Miller, with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Templin and family, returned the first of the week from Alexandria, La., where they visited his eldest daughter. They also attended the closing days of the Louisiana-Mississippi camp meeting at Baton Rouge.

Elder and Mrs. J. C. Christenson, with Jackie Dean, spent a week at Ft. Dodge, in the interests of Ingathering work. They spent the following Sabbath, September 12, with the appreciative little Sabbath school at State Center. Elder Christenson returned to Ft. Dodge the first of last week for further effort.

Brother Nystrom fell on Thursday of last week, with an extension ladder that led from the second floor to the roof of the office, and suffered a dislocation of the right shoulder and some bruises and cuts. Dr. Morse soon had everything properly cared for and Brother Nystrom is getting along quite comfortably and is thankful that results were no worse.

The Centerville Sabbath school is planning for a Sabbath school convention to be held there on Sabbath, September 26. The Missouri secretary, Mrs. M. J. Whitsett, and other Missouri friends are expected; also Mrs. Dorcas, and any others who may be within driving distance. Bring your lunch and come prepared to spend the day. The Sabbath school is held at the Odd Fellows hall, north side of the Square, at 10:00 a. m.

Elder Stemple White held a baptismal service at Cedar Rapids on Sunday evening, September 13. Dorothy Wayne, one of the ten candidates, is the daughter of Brother Jasper Wayne, who started the Ingathering work in Iowa nearly twenty-five years ago. He worked first from his personal interest in missions, by the plan which has been adopted by the denomination and through which more than \$12,000,000 have been added to the funds.

Katherine French of the little Glenwood Sabbath school which has an average attendance of 18, only ten of whom are seniors, says: "We already have over \$70 in our Investment Fund. While we shall not have that much more, I believe we shall have at least \$100." If all our Sabbath schools with that many members and more would raise as much as that in this year's Investment, we would have \$4800! Then, think how much the other forty-seven schools would add. There are great possibilities in this plan; let us raise as much as we possibly can through this year's effort. What are you doing in your school to foster the work?

Brother L. P. Knecht has informed us that we now have sixteen regular and part time workers in the field, with an equal number of prospective colporteurs. Most of the student colporteurs are now back in school, some having sold enough for half and full scholarships. In our monthly report which is just received, we show a gain of \$3067 over last year at this time. With our fall rallies soon to come, no doubt the work in our state is to continue onward with increasing success. Thanks and appreciation are extended to those who had a part in making this good gain possible.

#### IOWA SANITARIUM NOTES

Arlene Post of Nevada is almost ready to go home, following her operation for the removal of the appendix.

Kenneth Kinsey of Nevada and S. A. Trausch of Eagle Grove had their tonsils removed the first part of this week.

James Ketcham of Colo., Mrs. C. F. Darlington of Ames, and Mrs. W. C. George of Collins have recently registered as medical patients.

C. L. Percival of Des Moines submitted to a major operation on Monday. Harvey Nichols of Sioux City had an operation on the same day. Both are making good progress toward recovery.

Dr. and Mrs. Morse, Leon and Lawrence, and Mrs. Esther Whitney returned home Sunday evening from a short outing at Spirit Lake. They reported having enjoyed the little time that they were able to stay away. Dr. Morse will spend the remainder of his vacation by staying at home when the work here will permit it.

Miss Marion Hollnagle of Man-kato, Minn., came to us last week as our day supervisor. She has been employed in the Hinsdale Sanitarium and recently she has been doing special duty in Chicago. We



are happy she is making herself right at home and has already made a place for herself in our work here.

J. P. Casey, a "floater", was brought to the Sanitarium last Sunday morning in a very critical condition as the result of a dispute over politics with another "floater". The other man was quick to draw a knife and had slashed Mr. Casey severely and then had gone and left him. The wounded man suffered the loss of much blood during the night and was found early in the morning. He is, however, making a very remarkable recovery.

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### AN APPRECIATION

Three days after the opening day of school our enrollment is 77 and more are coming later. Undoubtedly our enrollment will be about the average. Certainly this is most splendid, and we want to thank our loyal patrons for this attainment in spite of the depression through which we are passing. The Lord has richly blessed you and will continue to do so. I know it means sacrifice. Some of the best results have been obtained through sacrifice. With the earnest group of young people we have in our school, there is no reason why this can't be one of the best school years Plainview Academy has ever had.

Should there be some whose plans have not materialized and would like to be here, try again. Where there is a will there is a way. Write to us and we shall be glad to help you with your plans. IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO COME TO PLAINVIEW ACADEMY.

Remember our work here, before the throne of grace.

H. C. Hartman.

### SOUTH DAKOTA NEWS

Brother Leslie McKinley has been assisting Brother Pietz in his delivery the past week. He met with the Mobridge church Sabbath, September 19.

Elder Charles Thompson visited the Hot Springs church, Sabbath, September 19. Elder Thompson's visits are always appreciated by our churches. We hope he can visit some of the other churches in the near future.

O. R. Gilbert, traveling salesman of Huron, called at our office one day last week. He needed a few tracts for use as he travels about. We wish more of our people would use tracts and hand them to people as they come in contact with them.

Elder Stotz, who has been holding a series of meetings, writes that eight were baptized last Sunday and a few will be baptized later on. As soon as he can leave the work there, he will start the Ingathering in his territory.

We still have a few of our camp meeting bargain Bibles in stock. A nice pocket size Bible, regular price \$4.25, we are selling now for \$2.50. We also have a children's Bible, regular price \$3.25, which we are selling, as long as our stock lasts, at \$1.75.

Elder Gordon Oss has been assisting the Alexandria church in the Ingathering. He had meetings with them Friday evening and Sabbath morning, September 18, 19. In the afternoon he met the Mitchell church. He will assist the latter church in the Ingathering during the week.

Elder V. G. Anderson of the Union office plans to be at the Swan Lake church Sabbath, September 26, with Elder Oss. He will assist the church there the following few days in the Ingathering work. From there he will go to Gettysburg where he will help Brother and Sister Anderson on Thursday and Friday.

Miss Claire Winingar, our Sabbath school secretary, is visiting Sabbath schools in the Hill district. Sabbath, September 19, she met with the Spearfish church. Her plans were to be with the Hot Springs church on the following Sabbath. She will also visit some of the isolated ones on this trip. She expects to be gone about four weeks.

Elder and Mrs. C. D. Hein and the children stopped at Watertown the first of the week before continuing on their way to Hutchinson, Minn., to visit Elder Hein's brother for a few days. Their plans were to be back at Bowdle the end of the week as Elder Hein planned to meet with the Bowdle church on Sabbath, September 19.

The Harvest Ingathering Field Day at the academy will be held on Monday, October 5. Elder V. G. Anderson from the union, also Elder Niermeyer from the local office plan to be there, and it may be there will be other workers who

will assist. They will be there for the Friday evening service on October 3 and for the following Sabbath services.

As the result of an expenditure of 16 cents in postage stamps and return reply envelopes Elder Niermeyer has thus far received \$33 in response to letters written soliciting Harvest Ingathering donations. Have you tried this method? If not, you should invest a few cents in postage stamps and try it out.

If you have not ordered your Sabbath school supplies, we would advise that you order immediately. We have the quarterlies and memory verse cards in stock. The Picture Roll and color sets we have to order from the publishers. In order to have all these supplies when the new quarter begins, you should order them about two weeks early.

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### HARVEST INGATHERING AT MINOT

A man is not worth any more than he is worth in a crisis. Depression should test one's stick-to-it-iveness and ability. You will have the chance in the Harvest Ingathering campaign to prove yourself.

While conditions are very serious in North Dakota, it is wonderful how the Lord does help us. It was the writer's privilege to work with Elder Piper in the Harvest Ingathering campaign in the city of Minot. The business men told us that the county was giving \$1200 a month to the hospital for the poor and that 1500 people were supported by the county. Nevertheless these men also realize that the need this year for uplift work is greater than ever and they act accordingly.

While we do not realize the amounts we received last year yet, we are pleased to note that in three and one half days in Minot we received \$150. It is not for money alone that one should go out in the Harvest Ingathering. There is a great mission work connected with this campaign. For instance, we went into one place and presented a Yiddish paper to a Jew. He was one of the leading young men of the town and after reading from the Yiddish magazine he became very much interested. He told us



that he had never heard of our work in this way before and asked for more of our Yiddish literature.

In another place, while soliciting a prominent doctor's office, with Mrs. Mortenson, we were very much impressed with what the doctor's wife had to say about our work. She said she had been getting the "Signs of the Times" through the Home Bible Study League work and has had a new vision of adventism. Her father had been a Presbyterian minister and he was always inclined to be little the Adventist faith but since she has been reading our literature she believes that we have the truth. She reads every word of it and has subscribed for it for herself. This lady is a prominent woman and it was a pleasure to hear her talk about our message in such a way.

We called on another doctor and he said that he certainly enjoys the "Signs of the Times" that the ladies in Minot are taking to his office each week. He, personally, reads each one of them as it comes.

Another important thing that helps Minot in the Harvest Ingathering campaign is the fact that this church conducts, each year, a Dorcas relief society for the poor. Last year, they had three sewing machines going with ladies patching and fixing up clothes for the poor. They gave away 500 garments in this way.

Another thing that impressed us in the Harvest Ingathering at Minot was the willingness of the foreigners to help in this work. We received donations from Jews, Greeks and Japanese. One Japanese merchant gave \$5.

The people of Minot have the right missionary spirit. The majority of them have signed the Harvest Ingathering band cards and are determined to earn their quota for the campaign. If every member in the state would try to reach at least his \$10, North Dakota would do great things for missions.

It was interesting to notice the goal device, with the dial swinging around to the amount reached, which was hanging in a conspicuous spot in the church.

This church is divided into bands with a leader over each band. Each of these bands has a goal to reach. Our brother Jennijohn, together with his wife, has planned another method of coming in contact with the people in Harvest Ingathering. They have started a Sunday school in their neighborhood and it was the pleasure of the writer to preach a sermon at the close of this Sunday school to a very fine audience. This is not only preparing the way for Harvest Ingathering but also for saving souls for the kingdom.

Brother Jennijohn assisted us in

the city of Minot and was a great help in enabling us to realize money for God's great cause.

It is a good thing to keep up one's prestige with the business men. For years Sguttis and Sons, who conducted a store at Butte, N. Dak., gave to our cause in the Harvest Ingathering. This firm has now moved to Minot, and as a result of our contact with it at Butte, it was very friendly to us and gave liberally each year for our work.

Now is the time for our people who have a heart for the Lord's work, or prestige, or skill, or tact, or foresight, to endeavor with all their might by their mannerisms, appearance and kindness to venture out with boldness and the help of the Lord to gather in means for His important work.

B. A. Scherr.

### NORTH DAKOTA NEWS

Brother Jacob Ruffer of Cleveland was at the office on Thursday.

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Brother P. E. Iverson, of Stanley, was a caller at the office one day this week.

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Brother Wentland has been out at Devils Lake helping Brother Solomon Krueger with his delivery.

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Brother Beck of Medina called at the office during the week. He told us he was going Harvest Ingathering soon.

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Brother Fred Reile called at the office one day for some Harvest Ingathering papers and solicitor's cards.

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Elder B. A. Reile called at the office Monday and Tuesday. He reports that the attendance is still strong at his meetings at Medina.

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Elder Scherr has been working the city of Bismarck in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering. Elder Schwindt has been with him.

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Elder Meyer left Wednesday for Napoleon and a number of other churches in that vicinity in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work.

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Brother Bietz called at the office Monday when he returned the tent equipment from the Cathay tent effort. Brother Andrew Dietz, of Cathay was with him.

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Brother William Biloff of Carrington called at the office Wednesday and brought in some Harvest Ingathering money. He, with Elder Gaede, had worked the town of Carrington.

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### MAPLEWOOD OPENS WITH LARGE ENROLLMENT

Promptly at eight o'clock on Wednesday morning, September 16, with a large student body present and more room reservations in the schools homes than at the corresponding date last year, registration began in the Maplewood Academy, and continued until Thursday afternoon. At the close of the first day a larger number had registered than at the same time last year. We are very much encouraged by the splendid spirit of good will and kindness, which seems to be manifest on every hand.

In the chapel at ten o'clock Thursday morning, Professor Johnson in his address of welcome challenged the students to make this the best year of their lives. Only seven letters are needed to spell the word, "Welcome," but a wonderful amount of happiness lies hidden within its true meaning. Welcome, Education, Labor, Character, Opportunity, Movement and Eternity. An education is necessary today in order to have an active part in the advancement of the advent movement; to gain an education one must labor, long and faithfully; choice of companions aids in molding character; every opportunity must be seen and seized that a home in eternity might be gained. These are some of the valuable thoughts which he invited the students to consider at the very beginning of the present school year.

Thursday following chapel, recitations began. The students are settling down to the regular routine of the academic year, and are rapidly becoming adjusted to the various problems that confront the student who is away from home.

Over the week-end the school family enjoyed the services of the Sabbath beginning with the vesper service at Sunset Friday. In the evening service Professor Johnson discussed the importance of making right choices. Each has the power to choose wisely and well. The response in the form of testimonies by practically the entire student body was impressive and very inspirational. At the eleven o'clock service Sabbath Elder Yost urged all to answer the call of God as it comes to them, instead



of waiting until it is too late. The young people's meeting was held near the close of the Sabbath with the new leaders, Miss Hartzell and Irwin Campbell in charge.

On Saturday evening at eight o'clock the opening reception of the school was held in the dining hall. After all had followed the usual custom of getting acquainted by the annual handshaking the remainder of the evening was spent informally in games and contests.

To those students who have not come yet, but who are expecting to come within the next few days or weeks we extend to you a welcome. We still have room for you although accommodations are being filled up. Both boys and girls dormitories are well filled. To those who have given up the thought of coming to school this fall, we urge you to reconsider the need of a Christian education. If you want to join one of the finest groups of students to be found anywhere, come to Maplewood.

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Church	Number working	Amount this week	To date
Duluth First	23	\$134.83	\$181.72
St. Paul Eng.	146	118.32	1694.40
Mpls. Eng.	179	90.12	1114.13
Mpls. Swedish	21	70.92	152.85
Conference	29	51.40	230.55
Blackberry	7	50.25	66.25
Austin	15	42.68	112.47
Gilchrist	5	36.75	121.40
Brainerd	5	32.10	32.10
Duluth Scand.	12	30.74	93.99
*Winona	22	27.25	367.25
Roseau	4	21.95	23.45
Faribault	6	13.34	123.09
Fergus Falls	6	13.25	85.13
Anoka	7	10.25	147.00
Middle River	1	6.25	6.25
Staples	3	4.70	74.70
Hancock	7	3.85	36.90
Eagle Bend	7	2.95	38.96
Hewitt	3	2.00	10.20
Remer	3	1.16	1.16
Dodge Center	8	.80	43.96
Previously Reported			5719.22
	519	765.86	6485.08
Total Year ago	583	1188.86	6889.84
Losses	64	423.00	404.76

The reports received for the week were not quite up to what they were for the same week last year, so we fell behind to that extent this week as you will observe from the comparison of the above totals. Surely we must catch up again this week. May we not appeal to every member to help in the campaign now instead of delaying its completion until winter sets in, so that it can soon be finished successfully. On the Harvest Ingathering letterhead of the Northern European Division is printed the slogan, "It's Doing that Does It." This is both appropriate and expressive. It applies in America as well as in Europe. Let us each make it our individual Harvest Ingathering slogan.

The names reported as reaching the various band goals this week are as follows:

Centurion Band—Elder A. J. Haysmer; Gold Crown—Elder A. S. Anderson, L. L. Provencher; Silver Crown—Mrs. R. A. Jahn, C. W. Bunker; Blue Ribbon—Mrs. Blanche Gorman, Mrs. N. T. Goulet, Mrs. Jane W. Forrester, Mrs. O. R. Peterson, Mrs. F. E. Pelto, A. R. Fischer, Dr. H. H. Hall, Bertha Jung, Mrs. Geo. Cheesebrow, Alma Hedquist, Mrs. W. A. Howell, Mrs. H. M. Hiatt; Loyal Legion—Ida B. Cummings, Mrs. Mary J. Beaman, Soverina Anderson, Mrs. L. E. Stratton, E. P. Gage, Marshall E. Hagen, Mrs. F. Lange, Jennie Lindquist, Florence Hoaglund, Kristine Rust, Marie Peterson, Mrs. W. W. LeBard,

Mrs. C. B. Sargeant, Mrs. E. J. Freer.

A. R. Smouse, Treasurer.

## NUPTIAL ECHOES

On September 6, near relatives of the bride and groom gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Yaeger to witness the sacred ceremony which united in marriage Mildred Yaeger of Mankato and Prescott Nelson of Saint Peter.

After accompanying Merton Yaeger in an appropriate solo, Mrs. Emil Sauer, an old school friend of the bride, played the wedding march. Artistic simplicity characterized the entire service of this beautiful home wedding.

May heaven's smile continue to gladden the hearts of this sensible, consecrated young couple as they take up life's burdens together. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson will make their home at Saint Peter, Minnesota.

A. H. Rulkoetter.

## THE A. C. S. COLUMN

In a letter received from an isolated sister last week, she wrote as follows: "I am enclosing a check for seven dollars, which is tithe from our crops this summer. My husband has given this, although not a believer, and I am thankful the Lord has been good and blessed our garden and berries." It is indeed appropriate to acknowledge God's blessing in this way and He appreciates it. We know of many who are tithe payers even though they have not yet become church members. When these recognize that Christian stewardship is worth while, surely every church member ought to be a faithful steward.

Another good brother and his wife, when sending in the tithe on their produce last week, wrote the following excellent testimony to God's faithfulness in making good His promise to those who are careful in their stewardship. "Two weeks ago yesterday morning it looked as though our melons, beans, tomatoes and vines, and the squash and pumpkins were all gone; but the Lord has certainly fulfilled the promise in Malachi. We have already disposed of over \$220 worth of melons and have more to sell. Other things are maturing rapidly. Even if the frost were to take some things, we have an immense crop." Truly, it pays in every way to "Honour the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barns be filled with plenty and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths."



## MINNESOTA ITEMS

Remember Inter-America on September 26, with a liberal offering.

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Elder and Mrs. Bjerke were accompanied by Miss Hopkins on a trip through part of their district last week.

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The offering in the church service next Sabbath, September 26, is for the Educational Fund as usual on the fourth Sabbath of the month.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dickinson of Hibbing called at the office on Monday of last week, while in the Cities on business, Sister Dickinson is treasurer of the Hibbing church.

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Attention is again called to the services which will be held at Houston, September 26. The place of meeting is the Charley Nelson home three and a half miles south-east of Houston and the time is 10:30 a. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all our members in that vicinity.

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With his regular remittance of the tithe and offerings received last week, B. A. Hansen, of Greenbush, included six dollars for the Investment Fund, which was the proceeds from one ear of seed sweet corn

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## OBITUARIES

Mattson.—Andrew Mattson was born in Sweden, Nov. 14, 1850; and died at Herman, Minn., Aug. 26, 1931. He grew to manhood in his native country and came to the United States in 1878, at which time he homesteaded the farm near Herman, which he owned up until the time of his death.

On January 27, 1880, he was united in marriage to Miss Anna Olson. To this union eight children were born, seven of whom survive, and, with their mother, are left to mourn the loss of a kind and loving father and husband. The children who survive him are Mrs. C. G. Carlson of Mentor, Minn.; Mrs. Carl Anderson and Emil Mattson of Herman; Mrs. H. Johnson and Eddie Mattson of Tintah; Andrew Mattson of La Grange, Ill.; and Fred Mattson of Ardock, N. Dak. Brother Mattson accepted the Adventist faith about fifty years ago and was a faithful member until the time of his death. Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church in Herman, on Sabbath, August 29, by Elder G. L. Budd who was assisted by the Methodist pas-

tor. Interment was made in Lake-side Cemetery.

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Men of stamina will not wait to have their way smoothed, and every obstacle removed; men who will inspire with fresh zeal the efforts of dispirited workers, men whose hearts are warm with Christian love, and whose hands are strong to do their Master's work.—"Ministry of Healing," p. 497.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

Wanted.—Elderly lady to care for invalid lady in farm home. Church privileges. Wm. Eklund, Route 3, Chokio, Minn.

For Rent.—160 acre farm for rent seven miles from Brainerd. Close to school. Cash rent very reasonable. Mrs. Christ Olson, 1310 Oak St., Brainerd, Minn.

## COLPORTEURS' REPORT

G. A. CAMPBELL, Union Field Missionary Secretary

## MINNESOTA CONFERENCE, M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary

Colporteur	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Helps	Total orders	Del.
Week Ending September 12, 1931						
Anderson, Fred S.	Hope	33	5	8.00	28.00	7.75
Anderson Mrs. F.	Mag	3		5.75	5.75	2.75
Biggers, H. G.		17	10	1.00	16.00	11.50
Crom, Carl		9	2			13.00
Evenson, Karl	BR	41	19	21.25	33.25	210.00
Keenan, Ben L.	BR	58	8	23.00	28.50	77.25
Moyer, Mrs. C.	Signs			31.15	31.15	81.15
Moyer, Ruth	Signs			17.15	17.15	17.15
Plinke, K.		30	15			97.75
Plinke, W.	Hope	56	27	3.00	11.00	220.25
Powers, Miss C.		15		9.30	9.30	9.30
Totals		262	86	119.60	180.10	697.85

## IOWA CONFERENCE, L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary

Weeks Ending September 5 and 12, 1931						
Shelton, Glenn	BR	90	5	50.00	85.00	
Luke, Iona	BTS	44		38.10	38.10	51.75
Hanson, Anna	BR	55	1	21.95	29.95	15.70
Nethery, Wallace	BTS	44		22.50	22.50	126.55
Johnson, A. E.	HW	39	4	3.00	15.00	13.50
Olson, Myrrhine	BTS	31			14.00	8.70
Wileox, Elva	OD	57	5	14.85	28.35	23.20
Gregerson, Edna	Mag	40		22.50	22.50	22.50
Smith, F. L.	Mag	25		20.00	20.00	20.00
Thake, Alice	Mag	39		16.70	16.70	16.70
Kaufman, A. D.	Mag	6		6.40	6.40	6.40
Nordstrom, Mrs. C. E.	BTS	3		6.75	6.75	
Larson, Mrs. G. E.	Misc.	13		5.00	5.00	
Ahlstrom, G. E.	OD	9	1	1.00	3.50	
Wooten, Carl	RJ	40				181.60
Stringer, Wayne	RJ	40				129.75
Stringer, John	RJ	29				81.00
Feimml, Edith	BTS RJ	20				51.00
Graham, Harold	RJ	25				58.50
Wise, Ronald	RJ	81	2	2.50	8.50	94.25
Elliot, Mrs. E. E.	OD	4				21.75
Nelson, Greta	Misc	18				19.25
Ogren, John	OD	13				10.00
Totals		765	18	231.25	322.25	952.10

## SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE, L. L. McKinley, Field Missionary Secretary

Week Ending September 12, 1931						
Anderson, E. C.	HP	45	6	6.00	45.00	40.50
Brewer, T. K.	OD	28	4		14.00	49.00
Hohensee, W. H.	HW	14				41.75
Hilliard, Lewis	GC	42		5.35	5.35	7.85
Kunsman, Herbert	HW	1	1	6.00	10.00	
Mock, Carl	OD		14	30.25	87.25	
Nash, H. E.	OD		13		72.50	
Pietz, Edward	GC	21	1	15.05	21.30	3.65
Totals		151	39	62.65	255.40	142.75



## MINNESOTA ITEMS

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and one packet of melon seed. They expect more later from their squash. Surely the Lord blessed this Investment.

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Elder and Mrs. V. J. Johns and family arrived in Minneapolis Monday of last week. Elder Johns is the new pastor of the Minneapolis English church and succeeds Elder Rulkoetter. We welcome them to the Minnesota Conference and feel confident that they will also receive a hearty welcome from the members of the Minneapolis English church.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. West, of Swanville, reported as follows last week regarding their Investment: "Our Investment swarm of bees has already filled its hive for winter and made over three supers of honey. The three supers brought in \$6.70 cash which will be sent in later with Sabbath school money." That is very good, indeed, and will be substantial help toward reaching our \$4000 Investment Fund goal.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Liers of the Winona church called at the office on Tuesday of last week, while on a business trip to the Twin Cities. As was mentioned in last week's Reaper, Brother Liers took an active part in the Harvest Ingathering campaign at Winona and was quite enthusiastic regarding the success attained in it again this year. It is the second year in succession that they have reached their goal early in the campaign. He feels that each church can reach its goal if the members address themselves to the task in earnest. We hope that every church in Minnesota will emulate the excellent example set by the brethren and sisters at Winona.

## MARRIED

On Saturday evening, September 12, a group of relatives gathered at the home of the bride to witness the marriage of Carl Berglin and Marvel Thayer. Mr. and Mrs. Loren Pettis were best man and lady for the occasion. As these young people take up the burden of life together we wish them Godspeed.

A. H. Rulkoetter.

MEETING SABBATH  
OBJECTIONS

"Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holy day, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath day; which are a shadow of things to come." Col. 2:16, 17.

Ministers of other churches are using this text frequently these

days in meeting the questions of their followers who are wrought up over the Sabbath question. "Time," the news magazine, recently carried an article nearly a column long, advancing this text as the all-sufficient answer to all Sabbatarianism.

It is important that every Seventh-day Adventist know just where he stands on this question. And in the October "Watchman," Elder Roy F. Cottrell, in his article, "A Robot Sabbath," deals with this question and this particular argument, in a strong way. In a very clear and simple style, Elder Cottrell explains the difference between the annual feasts, the ceremonial sabbaths, and the Sabbath of the ten commandments.

This is just one of the many helpful articles in this issue of the "Watchman," which you may now obtain from your Book and Bible House. If you order ten or more, they are only ten cents each to you. The "Watchman" sells for twenty-five cents. There is a good margin of profit for those who wish to sell them. Why not order a supply of this issue at once? L. L. Skinner.

NORTHERN UNION HARVEST  
INGATHERING REPORT

Including Week Ending Sept. 12  
(Cash in hand)

Conference	Total
Iowa	1705.18
Minnesota	6405.52
North Dakota	705.48
South Dakota	1743.29

Total 10559.47

Dubuque, Iowa, seems to be the first church in the Union to raise its goal. It had its full goal by August 25.

Watertown, South Dakota, is the first church in that state to make its goal. We look for others soon.

The writer spent some time in Iowa last week. Over \$100 was raised at Terrill and Milford. One hundred twenty dollars was gathered at Winterset. This is a gain of practically \$50 over last year's total raised by the church.

From Elder Niermeyer's bulletin we glean the following: "Courage Comes With Dependence Upon Divine Power."

In a letter from Brother J. M. Christensen, elder of the Mitchell church, the following encouraging statements are found:

"The past few weeks I have been feeling disheartened as the Ingathering campaign approached. There seemed to be almost a rebellion in my heart. Should I go out and engage in this work in such a time as this? . . . Having no other place to go I went to the throne of grace. I told the Lord how I felt about it. 'It is your work,' I said, 'not mine. If it is my duty to go,

remove this feeling of dread.' Later, when Elder Youngberg came and we were driving to town to begin our work, he said to me, 'How do you feel about it?' I replied, 'I feel all right. I think we shall get along all right.'

"We have worked two days and received nearly \$100. True, it was not like former years, but we have been treated kindly thus far . . . so you see, our work was not in vain. Surely the Lord will bless every individual who will work for Him." To which we would add in the words of the scripture, "Let all the people say 'Amen.'" The Lord will bless even in times like these when we go out in faith, believing.

The Winona church reached its goal September 5, raised its goal \$100 and expect to reach that. The St. Paul English church is approximately \$500 ahead of its record at this time last year.

V. G. Anderson,  
Union H. M. Sec.

## SABBATH—SUNDAY

(This acrostic was written two years ago by W. H. Allison, of the Sanitarium, Chamberlain, S. Dak. Mr. Allison is now ninety-two years of age.)

Sunday is a day of man,—  
Useless as a sacred day;  
Not "Lord's Day", since time  
began,—  
Do your work on it, you may.  
All who will God's word obey,—  
You must keep His "Seventh Day"!

Sabbath is a sacred day,—  
All God's teachings plainly say.  
But man, uninspired, says "No!"  
Better let God's teachings go;  
All had better keep first day,—  
To Rome, sovereign homage pay:  
Her's the mandate to obey!

The tendency to persevere, to persist in spite of hindrances, discouragements, and impossibilities—it is this that in all things distinguishes the strong soul from the weak.—Thomas Carlyle.

