



THE WEEK OF SACRIFICE

The General Conference Calendar reveals that November 21-28 is the Week of Sacrifice. We are, therefore, calling attention to it at this time so all can plan to enter into its privileges, and rejoice in the corresponding blessings.

There has been no time since the creation of this plan that the need for all our people to participate in giving is greater or more pressing than this year. We are face to face with the awful embarrassment of beating a retreat in our foreign mission endeavor that has marked a steady advance since our first missionary was sent across the seas.

Today I received a letter from Elder J. L. Shaw, treasurer of our General Conference. Regarding the Week of Sacrifice, he says, "We are appealing to all our workers in all our institutions and conferences to give one week's salary to the Week of Sacrifice Fund. One week's sacrifice by our workers in North America would amount to about one hundred thousand dollars. If we could add to that a similar amount from our people who are not employed by the denomination, it would enable us to hold every missionary at his post."

To hold every missionary at his post is an objective worthy of the supreme effort of every believer. If such is possible, a sacrifice sufficient for its accomplishment would be a most worthy one. In this connection, and as a stimulant for appeal, I quote a paragraph from "Testimonies for the Church", Vol. II, page 481: "Christ sacrificed everything for man, in order to make it possible for him to gain heaven. Now it is for fallen man to show what he will sacrifice on his own accord for Christ's sake, that he may win immortal glory. Those who have any just sense of the magnitude of salvation, and of its cost,

will never murmur that their sowing must be in tears, and that conflict and self-denial are the Christian's portion in this life. The conditions of salvation for man are ordained of God. Self-abasement and cross-bearing are the provisions made by which the repenting sinner is to find comfort and peace. The thought, that Jesus submitted to humiliation and sacrifice that man will never be called to endure, should hush every murmuring voice."

There can be no condition environing us that would justify a lack of effort. God has a thousand ways we know not of. He has avenues for bringing means not seen or explored by human vision. The cry of need should be the inspiration for effort and the appeal for sacrifice.

We, therefore, urge minister and laity, pastor and people, elder and congregation of the Northern Union Conference to note the time, and be prepared upon Sabbath, November 28, to bring an offering that will be at least our quota of the two hundred thousand required to "hold every missionary at his post."

Charles Thompson.

DELAY NO LONGER

An air mail letter arrived today from the General Conference Home Missionary Department, urging all our leaders and members to finish the Harvest Ingathering as soon as possible. A national relief drive will soon begin and after that it will be more difficult to obtain funds. If all our members would rally to this work, reaching the \$10 per capita, the shortage in the mission treasury would be made up. Be faithful in working your territory regardless of the outlook. Make the Harvest Ingathering a real missionary program and go out and search for souls as well as dollars.

I spent some time in South Dakota recently, and had a variety of experiences. A banker in the Swan Lake territory, whose bank had closed a few days before, wept as we talked to him of world conditions. Finally he said, "I heard the doctrines of the Seventh-day Adventists when I was a boy, and everything is happening just the way they preached it." Brethren, as men's hearts are failing them for fear, let us lift up our heads and rejoice, for our redemption draweth nigh.

At Gettysburg, South Dakota, we found a good response from the business men. Brother and Sister E. C. Anderson have worked faithfully there for years. About \$60 has been raised thus far this year. Last year Sister Anderson spent practically two weeks working the residence territory. This family is isolated, but is anxious to do its part. How about the residence territory around your home?

It was an inspiration to spend a few days at Plainview Academy and go out in a field day with the teachers and students. God blessed abundantly in spite of the lack of crops in that territory. The work is onward, brethren. Wars, depression, and crop failures may come, but

A MESSAGE FROM SISTER WHITE

"To all who are about to take up special missionary work with the papers prepared for the Harvest Ingathering campaign I would say be diligent in your efforts, live under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Do all in your power to secure gifts. We are not to feel that it would not be the thing to ask men of the world for means, for it is just the thing to do. Through this means not a few will become interested and many hear and obey the truth for this time."

this message will triumph. Will you triumph with it? Do your Ingathering now. V. G. Anderson.

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PLAINVIEW ACADEMY FIELD DAY

One of the most successful and inspiring field days in the Harvest Ingathering endeavor that Plainview Academy has ever engaged in from the standpoint of cooperation and earnestness was held Monday, October 5. The writer and Elder V. G. Anderson, of the Union Conference, were present to assist them.

In our first plans for field day we hardly knew what we should do. It was suggested that we just take four or five cars, pick out a few students and visit the best towns in the territory inasmuch as some of this country was hard hit with drouth and grasshoppers, and we deemed it inadvisable to make it a general field day for this reason. However, after counseling together, we thought we could at least make it a good missionary day, even though we might not get so much money. After a rousing sermon on the Sabbath by Elder Anderson, when the call was made for those that wanted to go out, the response was so good that we saw the Lord was leading, and we therefore laid plans for a general field day, as usual. By the time Monday morning had arrived when the groups were ready to go, Professor Hartman had to conscript one boy to stay home to milk the cows because every one wanted to go.

Fifteen carloads went out in various directions to their regular territory, as in years past, and Professor Hartman went down town and worked among the business men of Redfield, completing the work that he and Elder Babcock had begun a few days ago. We had decided that if we could get an average of \$2 per member for all those who went out, that would be as much as we could possibly expect. Since there were eighty-one participating, that would mean a total of \$162. When all the groups returned in the evening and the proceeds were totaled, we found that \$783 had been gathered in, \$283 of this being gathered on the field day by those who went out, and the remainder was secured by Professor Hartman in the city of

Redfield among the business men. He says that by the time it is all in the total figure will reach \$825.

I am sure all will rejoice in this good report from Plainview, for this represents much hard work on the part of the students and others, and in view of the conditions in that particular territory, it can certainly be said that it is remarkable how the Lord worked for us.

Gorden Oss.

BAPTISM AT KYLE

On October 4 an impressive baptism took place in the American Horse creek on the Pine Ridge reservation. This is said to be the first baptism in that part of South Dakota. Brother and Sister E. L. Marley, teachers for the Indians, have been earnestly laboring to spread the knowledge of truth and were rewarded when six, for whom they have labored, together with Brother Kirch's daughter, were buried in the watery grave. While these six were whites, there is a decided interest on the part of a number of Indians, conspicuous among them a bright young man of thirty-two years, who interpreted for us while we were there. This man is waiting for his companion, and they, with others, are arranging for Bible studies this coming fall and winter.

We wish in this connection to strongly indorse the self-supporting missionary work as carried on by Brother and Sister Marley and a number of others of our lay members. The situation calls for much more effort along this line. Who will volunteer? Read the "Testimonies", Vol. VII, page 21.

Gorden Oss.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder Carlyle B. Haynes has written a book entitled "Gift of Prophecy", which all our people should read. It is cloth bound and retails at \$1.

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The Fall Council begins at Omaha, October 20. Remember these brethren in prayer, as they meet at this time to plan for the future of the work.

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A number of special meetings have been planned for some of our churches this fall and early winter. Both General and Union help has been arranged.

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On September 29, Elder Oss conducted the funeral services for L. H. Housel of Mitchell. Sister Housel is assured of the sympathy of the brethren and sisters in this sudden loss.

Elder C. D. Hein has started a series of meetings south and east of Gettysburg, in a schoolhouse, and Brother Estey is conducting a series of meetings at Buffalo.

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Elder C. M. Babcock started a fall effort at Hecla, Sunday night, October 4. He writes that the attendance was not very large, but hopes the interest will increase as time goes on.

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Miss Claire Winingar spent Sabbath, October 10, with the company at Harrod, and returned to the office Sunday afternoon from her four weeks' trip in the western part of the state.

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Elder J. C. Stotz writes that he organized a Sabbath school at Murdo a week ago, with a membership of sixteen. Brother John Webb is the superintendent and Mrs. Robert Webb is secretary.

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"Repairing of Sam Brown" is a small booklet by Professor Thurber, and is the first book written, of a series on doctrinal topics in story form. It is a treatise on the Sabbath. Price, 10 cents.

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We have a copy of "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" in the full leather, which we are offering at \$2.10. This book is practically as good as new, and the new ones retail at \$3.50.

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The little book written by G. A. Campbell, "Mary Kennedy's Victory", is having a splendid sale. It is a very interesting book, especially written for our Catholic friends. Price 50 cents, postpaid.

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Elder Gorden Oss returned to the office the middle of the week from

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the western part of the state where he visited at Kyle and Tuthill. He spent Sabbath, October 10, with the Watertown church. His visit here was appreciated, for it has been a long time since Elder Oss has spent a Sabbath at home.

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The Harvest Ingathering is still going strong in a number of places. Thus far, Plainview Academy has \$325; Hot Springs will soon have its goal; Spearfish orders more papers. Think this over: "If the mission fund depended on me, what kind of a fund would the mission fund be?". Really now, have you done your honest part in this year's Ingathering? If not, do it now.

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Word received from Mrs. Carl Christensen, formerly Alice Flatten of our conference, states that they are enjoying their work in the Chile school. The depression is felt keenly there, and there are many unemployed. The students of their school voted a day's fast to help them. Some workers have been laid off and salaries cut, because of the shortage of funds. Sister Christensen pleads for a spirit of sacrifice, that the work may be strengthened.

PLAINVIEW NEWS ITEMS

Norma Hebbel arrived Thursday and has enrolled as a senior.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Betts returned Wednesday, October 7, from a short visit to Sheyenne River Academy, North Dakota, where Mrs. Betts' sister is teaching church school.

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Professor H. C. Hartman, Edna Simon, Clifford Sanford, and Eugene Wagner went to Chamberlain, Sunday, October 11, for medical attention. They returned again Sunday evening.

CHRISTENSEN—BAKKE

At the home of the bride's parents, Brother and Sister C. J. Christensen, occurred the marriage of their youngest daughter, Beulah Bernice, to Alvin Nicholas Bakke of Bison, October 6. Brother and Sister Bakke are well known to many in conference circles, having attended Plainview Academy, where Sister Christensen finished last spring. All will unite in wishing them happiness. Address them at Tuthill, South Dakota.

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GENERAL MEETINGS IN THE NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE

According to our custom of past years we shall, this year, have a number of general meetings here in this conference. The reasons for having such gatherings are manifold, but the existing conditions at the present time and the pressing demands from almost everywhere to hold meetings and advance the work, make it more necessary than ever for our churches to come together not only for study and prayer, but also to plan for the carrying on of the work more speedily and successfully.

The plan this year is not to call so many churches together at one place, and thus avoid traveling expense; at the same time, however, we want to urge every member to come, because the admonition given in Heb. 10:25 "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" should be heeded now, more than ever before, for the coming of the Lord is certainly drawing very nigh.

So far we are able to give a definite program only for the meetings that are to be held with the German churches, but within a week or so we shall announce several meetings which we intend to hold with our English and Scandinavian churches. The places and dates where meetings will be held, and the churches which are to get together at each respective place, are as follows:

Kulm, October 30 - November 2. Church to participate: Deisem.

Lehr, November 4 - 7. Churches to participate: Streeter, Napoleon, Hazelton.

Cleveland, November 8 - 10. Churches to participate: Medina, Woodworth, Gackle, Jamestown-German.

Golden Valley, November 12 - 15. Churches to participate: Hebron, Burt, Taylor.

Bowdon, November 18 - 21. Churches to participate: New Home, Pettibone, Robinson, Bowdon Village.

McClusky, November 22 - 25. Churches to participate: Turtle Lake, Lincoln Valley, Denhoff, Goodrich.

Harvey, November 26 - 29. Churches to participate: Sheyenne, Manfred, Cathay.

Elder W. B. Ochs, the secretary of the German Department, has

STATEMENT OF TITHE AND SIXTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE

For the first nine months of 1931

	Member-ship	Tithe	Goal Funds Received	Per Wk. Per M.m.
Aberdeen	54	755.96	972.94	.46
Alexandria	11	186.29	92.45	.215
Ash Grove	12	186.94	98.52	.21
Bowdle	108	1363.65	1017.71	.241
Brookfield	7	106.45	163.32	.398
Bison	28	164.98	278.83	.255
Camp Crook	16	130.64	95.06	.152
Chamberlain	57	1927.82	818.82	.368
Colman	25	135.59	510.24	.523
Conference	413	4437.66	3033.43	.183
Elk Point	13	272.82	135.35	.266
Florence	13	188.17	157.03	.309
Hot Springs	30	520.14	547.45	.467
Huron	21	184.00	467.70	.57
Java	43	84.28	286.60	.17
Leola	72	219.03	503.14	.179
Madison	29	533.80	653.36	.577
McLaughlin	43	195.97	112.43	.067
Mithell	28	241.58	623.68	.57
Mobridge	28	291.97	264.40	.242
Olivet	15	36.70	69.26	.118
Penville	18	15.71	100.23	.142
Redfield	63	1394.67	1010.10	.41
Rapid City	18	519.29	348.82	.496
Sioux Falls	84	1786.51	1688.65	.515
Swan Lake	68	419.53	1007.64	.379
Spearfish	36	597.35	246.42	.175
Tolstoy	64	907.33	599.42	.24
Tuthill	16	166.48	195.32	.313
Watertown	24	999.21	749.97	.30
Yankton	11	298.71	232.31	.54
	1468	19269.23	17080.60	.293

J. H. Nies, Treasurer.

promised to attend these meetings and efforts will be made to get more General Conference help for these meetings.

H. J. Meyer.

FARGO JUNIORS SET GOOD EXAMPLE

Following the admonition of Proverbs 31:19, 20 a group of us junior girls met at the home of one of our mothers to sew. Realizing what the senior Dorcas Society in our church is doing, we decided to form something new and therefore organized a junior Dorcas Society. We elected a president, vice president, secretary, assistant secretary and treasurer.

Although we seem grown up in most ways, we felt that we needed an advisor. We asked the home missionary secretary of the church to act as such. As one person could not do all the planning we decided to appoint a committee. This was called the welfare committee. The duty of this committee was to search out and visit places among the poor where help was needed and report that to the society. This committee was made up of juniors, with a junior as chairman.

We also appointed a membership committee. As our society wished members who would be regular in attendance it was the duty of the membership committee to visit those who would absent themselves from the meetings. If a junior wished to join, the membership committee would investigate to see if the junior were a Christian or not.

The aim of this junior Dorcas Society is to help the poor and needy. One of the things that is done at the meetings is to make baby quilts. These quilts are given to the poor or sold to make money for missions. We also have taken it upon ourselves to try to make baptismal gowns for our church.

We certainly enjoy our work and would advise every young people's society in the state to organize a sewing junior Dorcas Society.

Fern L. Camp, President.

NORTH DAKOTA ITEMS

Brother R. R. Bietz was a caller at the office Wednesday morning. He was on his way to Bowdon after having spent some time in the Harvest Ingathering work in the western part of the state.

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Brother and Sister Voth from the New Home church were in the office Monday. Brother Voth brought in the remittance from the New Home church.

Elder Scherr left Monday for Bowdon, Goodrich and McClusky in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work.

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Brother and Sister Rhinehart of the Fargo church were callers at the office Wednesday. They were on their way back from Harvey where they had taken a number of students to attend Sheyenne River Academy.

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Elder Leiske has been spending some time in Jamestown looking after the interests there and conducting several services.

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Elder Meyer left Wednesday morning for Burt, N. Dak. He will spend the week-end with the Bowdon folks.

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Elders Reile and Gaede are still busy at Medina. They are of good courage and are expecting some real results.

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HARVEST INGATHERING

For Week Ending October 3, 1931

Church	Number working	Amount this week	To date
St. Cloud	2	\$96.50	\$96.50
Mpls. Eng.	190	59.37	1398.72
Mpls. Nor-Dan.	55	56.78	617.52
St. Paul Eng.	147	51.35	1908.12
Blackberry	9	48.60	131.60
Conference	42	48.05	367.15
Duluth Scand.	20	38.00	175.24
Brainerd	10	22.00	75.70
Virginia	10	20.00	213.56
Duluth First	29	14.00	269.72
Fergus Falls	7	10.73	125.56
Faribault	14	10.70	198.48
Middle River	5	8.95	20.20
Eagle Bend	7	8.73	49.29
Wadena	5	7.05	31.95
Bemidji	11	6.50	187.65
Rock Creek	3	4.00	14.25
Hewitt	4	2.83	15.78
Alexandria			158.75
Anoka			172.00
Artichoke			125.50
Austin			181.37
Barnesville			21.20
Bath			7.00
Detroit Lakes			95.43
Dodge Center			43.96
Gilchrist			140.89
Glenwood Co.			27.57

Good Thunder	22.60
Grandy	7.00
Hackensack Co.	11.01
Hancock	36.90
Hibbing	92.50
Houston	8.00
Hutchinson	20.00
Lake Eunice	21.15
Litchfield	58.65
Mankato	360.91
Mineral Center	24.35
Mpls. Swedish	167.35
Montevideo Co.	4.60
Moose Lake	44.75
Mora Co.	46.29
Morgan	28.31
New York Mills	15.00
North Branch	32.75
Owatonna	134.27
Pillager	11.00
Pipestone	5.00
Princeton Co.	1.60
Remer	11.71
Richville	46.68
Roseau	46.65
Sauk Center	63.40
Sherburn	40.35
Staples	79.25
Stewartville	1.50
Stillwater	30.05
St. Paul Scand.	67.32
Wells	51.00
Williams	5.00
*Willmar	228.84
Wing River	13.25
*Winona	374.44
Wright	7.00

	570	515.14	9097.70
Totals year ago	718	1016.08	10756.05
Losses	148	500.94	1658.35

The above report includes all Harvest Ingathering funds received up to the close of the records for September, and in addition the amounts reported on the church treasurer's report cards for week ending October 3. The loss compared with last year increased about one hundred dollars as compared with last week's report, and leaves us \$1658.35 short of last year's receipts up to the same date. Shall we not rally to the work during the next few weeks and make up this deficiency? We need faith in God and His guidance but that is not enough. If we have faith there will also be works. An old ferry-man on one of the highland lakes in Scotland, painted on one of his oars the word "Faith" and on the other "Works", for he realized that he needed them both. So it is with us, in order to make the Harvest Ingathering successful, we must dip in with both oars,—"Faith" and "Works"—then pull. "There is no real failure until you fail to keep on trying."

Willmar is the second church to reach the \$10 per member goal and we congratulate them. Here are the names of those reported as quali-

ying for the various bands this week.

Gold Crown Band: Mrs. G. E. Lowe, Mrs. A. Mair.

Silver Crown Band: Michael Johnson, Mrs. L. O. Stokke, R. F. Wolcott, Mrs. Lee Johnson, Mrs. F. E. Pelto.

Blue Ribbon Band: Eva Kisor.

Loyal Legion Band: Mrs. Chas. Thompson, Mrs. Florence Clark, Henry Dahl, Mrs. Henry Dahl, Mrs. H. Ehlert, Mrs. M. Roe.

Let us all remember the accomplishments of Gideon's band and go forward courageously.

A. R. Smouse, Treasurer.

MAPLEWOOD BANQUET HONORS SOPHOMORES

On Sunday evening, October 4, at six o'clock the Maplewood Academy entertained two hundred and thirty guests at the annual school banquet which was given this year in honor of the sophomore class. The guests were announced by Miss Tubbs.

All were seated at the beautifully laid tables which were arranged as a continuous one around the dining room, with the guests of honor, the sophomore class, at a table in the center of the room.

The color scheme of green and gold was excellently carried out in the menu as well as in the center-pieces and favor cups which decorated the tables. The window curtains of the same colors and the garden effect of palms and cedars in the center of the room added much to the appearance.

A varied program was given between courses. After some preliminary remarks by Professor Johnson, toastmaster, he introduced Brother and Sister Melendy who furnished several beautiful musical selections. Elizabeth Anderson, representing West Hall, and Elmer Hagen, representing East Hall, spoke appreciatively of the loyalty and enthusiasm displayed by the winning class in working for students. William Reuer, president of the honored class, was followed in his talk by Elder Yost, class sponsor, who commended them for their united and persistent efforts in bringing students to Maplewood where true principles of Christian living are taught. Winifred Granbois and Mrs. Prescott Nelson entertained the guests with vocal solos. We were glad to have Elder Rulkoetter with us and he gave the concluding talk of the evening.

The dinner was served in four courses. White dresses with green and gold crepe paper collars and cuffs made up the neat costumes of the waitresses. The waiters wore dark suits.

MINNESOTA STATEMENT OF TITHE AND SIXTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUNDS JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1931

Church	Mem.	Tithe Rec.	Weekly Per Mem.	Missions Rec.	Missions Goal	Weekly Per Mem.
District No. 1						
Middle River	26	\$158.48	.15	\$ 88.32	\$608.40	.08
Roseau	19	248.45	.33	181.29	444.60	.24
Williams	32	221.93	.17	203.14	748.80	.16
	77	628.86	.20	472.75	1801.80	.15
District No. 2						
Alexandria	30	363.74	.31	362.34	702.00	.31
Barnesville	9	98.79	.28	76.45	210.60	.21
Fergus Falls	20	270.99	.34	321.19	468.00	.41
Glenwood Co.	8	94.98	.30	78.02	187.20	.25
Hancock	10	111.23	.28	76.93	234.00	.19
Richville	14	196.92	.35	137.30	327.60	.25
Sauk Center	29	285.58	.25	251.64	678.60	.22
	120	1422.23	.30	1303.87	2808.00	.27
District No. 2A						
Eagle Bend	18	171.37	.24	94.87	421.20	.13
Hewitt	24	764.03	.81	145.60	561.60	.15
	42	935.40	.57	240.47	982.80	.14
District No. 3						
Brainerd	46	467.26	.25	306.27	1076.40	.17
Daggett Brook Co.	16	27.96	.04	33.16	374.40	.05
Detroit Lakes	51	280.84	.14	390.22	1193.40	.19
Hackensack Co.	6	59.77	.25	110.22	140.40	.47
Lake Eunice	32	620.51	.49	206.99	748.80	.16
New York Mills	15	27.11	.04	69.30	351.00	.11
Pillager	16	118.71	.19	83.70	374.40	.13
Senjen	4	23.00	.14	1.00	93.60	.006
Staples	40	456.19	.29	219.84	936.00	.14
Wadena	28	100.61	.09	119.66	655.20	.10
Wing River	18	92.52	.13	54.36	421.20	.07
	272	2274.48	.21	1594.72	6364.80	.15
District No. 4						
Bemidji	45	376.96	.21	354.46	1053.00	.20
Blackberry	26	550.62	.54	363.26	608.40	.35
Hibbing	19	436.10	.58	321.73	444.60	.43
Remer	32	230.48	.18	76.33	748.80	.06
Virginia	24	357.58	.38	355.50	561.60	.37
	146	1951.74	.34	1471.28	3416.40	.25
District No. 5						
Bruno	10	124.12	.31	60.93	234.00	.15
Duluth English	113	1782.66	.40	1087.36	2644.20	.24
Mahtowa	6	26.70	.11	27.51	140.40	.11
Moose Lake	14	242.74	.44	220.09	327.60	.40
Duluth Scand.	32	485.88	.38	402.65	748.80	.32
Mineral Center	24	125.55	.13	84.03	561.60	.08
Wright	9	81.40	.23	85.11	210.60	.24
	208	2869.05	.36	1967.68	4867.20	.25
District No. 6						
Grandy	15	147.50	.25	104.44	351.00	.17
Isanti	7	36.50	.13	31.90	163.80	.11
Mpls. Swedish	63	1216.25	.48	733.96	1474.20	.29
Rock Creek	17	49.00	.07	91.11	397.80	.13
	102	1449.25	.36	961.41	2386.80	.24
District No. 6A						
Mora Co.	8	90.19	.29	145.91	187.20	.46
District No. 6B						
Sunnybrook Co.	12	62.58	.13	26.62	280.80	.05

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St. Paul English	318	District No. 7		6752.56	.54	4512.40	7441.20	.36
		District No. 7A		440.47	.30	289.20	865.80	.20
Stillwater	37	District No. 8		10567.15	.68	4850.90	9757.80	.29
Minneapolis Eng.	417	District No. 8A		2574.37	.47	1763.62	3229.20	.32
Mpls. Nor-Dan.	138			426.08	.30	288.62	842.40	.20
St. Paul Scand.	36			3000.45	.44	2052.24	4071.60	.30
	174	District No. 8B		701.62	.48	534.20	865.80	.37
Anoka	37			7.00	.02	33.85	210.60	.09
Princeton Co.	9			708.62	.39	568.05	1076.40	.31
	46	District No. 9		3312.30	.47	1630.14	4212.00	.23
Hutchinson	180			470.20	.94	362.68	304.20	.72
*St. Cloud	13			3782.50	.50	1992.82	4516.20	.26
	193	*District No. 10		138.72	.11	546.93	702.00	.46
Artichoke	30			370.41	.39	336.84	561.60	.35
Gilchrist	24			460.34	.62	1120.64	444.60	1.51
*Litchfield	19			10.56	.05	76.60	117.00	.38
Montevideo Co.	5			448.81	.54	530.14	491.40	.64
*Willmar	21			1428.84	.36	2611.15	2316.60	.66
	99	District No. 11		544.74	.41	467.86	795.60	.35
Faribault	34			132.69	.22	155.88	351.00	.26
North Branch	15			224.15	.23	377.27	561.60	.40
Owatonna	24			901.58	.31	1001.01	1708.20	.35
	73	District No. 11A		165.23	.14	160.18	702.00	.13
Good Thunder	30			2105.35	.47	1456.78	2667.60	.32
Mankato	114			220.94	.28	191.08	468.00	.24
Wells	20			2491.52	.58	1808.04	3837.60	.28
	164	District No. 12		23.00	.09	52.96	140.40	.22
Fairmont Co.	6			83.24	.09	378.57	538.20	.42
Morgan	23			58.50	.16	96.57	210.60	.27
Pipestone	9			256.76	.38	184.16	397.80	.27
Sherburn	17			421.50	.19	712.26	1287.00	.33
	55	District No. 13		1162.21	.41	1143.40	1661.40	.41
Austin	71			71.14	.20	1042.11	210.60	2.97
*Bath	9			459.63	.20	351.60	1333.80	.11
Dodge Center	57			647.52	1.25	203.98	304.20	.40
Houston	13			202.71	1.73	86.87	70.20	.74
*Pine Island Co.	3			78.20	.25	107.90	187.20	.34
Stewartville	8			771.31	.59	771.76	772.20	.59
Winona	33			3392.72	.47	3707.62	4329.00	.51
Conference Church	486			5585.96	.29	3791.57	11372.40	.19
Camp Meeting						297.48		
	3288			51157.65	.398	36379.45	76939.20	.283

There are some encouraging features in the above report even though the total receipts of both tithe and mission funds are considerably less than for the same period a year ago. Four churches and one company made up more than their full mission quota as

will be noted from the stars in front of the names, and the Winona church lacked only forty-four cents of reaching the average per capita goal. Had they known just how they stood they would doubtless have made it up before the September remittance was sent

in. At any rate their coming so near to it is much appreciated, as are also the liberal gifts of all who have contributed faithfully according to their ability. Our total mission offerings for the first nine months of this year would be very nearly up to those of last year were it not for the September decrease in Harvest Ingathering receipts this year, which was \$1282.79; while our total mission fund decrease as compared with the first three quarters of last year is \$1341.85. May I here take the opportunity to again encourage our people in the Harvest Ingathering effort, for the money raised in that way does not have to come out of our own pockets. The Lord will make it possible for us to raise the Harvest Ingathering shortage if we will each do our best during the next few weeks.

If the tithe income of the conference is a dependable criterion as to the income of our constituency, which should be the case, the mission offerings have held up very well compared with the tithe, as the tithe decrease has been 14.7 per cent while that in the mission offerings has been only 3.6 per cent. The tithe decrease has been a very serious one and has necessitated a reduction in the wages of the conference laborers, also additional retrenchment in other respects. The tithe income from the city churches has held up remarkably well as compared with that from those located in the rural districts. The income of our people who are engaged in dairying should be considerably increased by the higher prices for cream and butter fat which now prevail. While financial conditions are far from favorable with many of our people, still we have a great deal for which to be thankful. We consider our taxes high, but if we lived in England the federal income tax, which very few of our people pay directly in this country, would cost many of those who are exempt here, as much as \$300 a year, and those who pay as little as \$1.12 a year as income tax here, would have to pay \$725 a year to the government if living in England. So we are a great deal better off than many of our people in other countries. May the Lord help us to more fully appreciate our many blessings and to be faithful to Him in both service and stewardship.

A. R. Smouse, Treasurer.

THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS

No less than two hundred and twenty times reference is made in the New Testament, to the Old, in addition to giving about two

hundred and eight quotations. How foolish for some to claim that the Old Testament is obsolete and not essential to a correct understanding of the New, and again how foolish to reject the New Testament. The above figures do not include the book of Revelation, for the whole book is a reflex of the prophetic visions of the Old Testament. Worthy of note is the fact that of the two hundred seventy-nine quotations of the Old Testament more than three score refer to the Saviour's first and second advent.

How thankful we ought to be to God for having revealed to us His blessed word, the whole Bible, and how faithful we should be in the proclamation of the second advent message. Our beautiful Harvest Ingathering number is a great help to the proclamation of this message. Why not present a copy of this number to your neighbor, now, asking him to give of his means so that many others who still sit in darkness may also see the light?

A. A. Dirksen.

MINNESOTA ITEMS

Are Y O U Ingathering for Him?

Miss Hopkins visited the Academy last week in the interest of her department.

I. D. Long and Elmer Hagen of Maplewood called at the office last Thursday while on a business trip to the Cities.

The Faribault Sabbath school reports that their Investment has gone over their last year's returns already, with more to be turned in. Surely the Lord has blessed them in this work.

From Swanville comes the good word that they thought they were reporting all Investment proceeds to be received, but they were happily surprised to learn that still more may be looked for. This is an encouraging word for us who are expecting to reach our \$4,000 goal this year.

A letter was received at the office last week from Elder L. H. Olson, who, with his family, is returning to his field in Salvador from a few months furlough in Minnesota. It was written on the boat between San Francisco and Los Angeles. He reported that they all seem to be enjoying good health and that he would write further after arriving in his field.

In a letter recently received from a devoted sister who is isolated, she writes as follows: "I am busy

with my house work in the forenoon and I go out with the Harvest Ingathering in the afternoon. I know I am slow to walk, but I must take my time, as my feet hurt me so." That is indeed the right spirit, to go willingly and gladly even though walking is painful. The Lord will surely bless such faithful efforts in His service.

Mrs. N. T. Goulet of Olivia is always faithful in her Harvest Ingathering efforts and had raised almost fifty dollars at her last report, even though the closing of the bank there had made the solicitation more difficult this year. She says she enjoys the Harvest Ingathering and has thus far used about twenty-five more papers than last year. If we are able to reach more people in our personal efforts this year as the result of the depression, that will be worth while too.

Next Sabbath, October 17, is Foreign Mission Rally Day. Did you notice the statement near the close of Elder Christensen's letter published last week, where he said that two of the four workers in that mission had to be laid off on account of the reduced appropriation? Just think what a disappointment and handicap that reduction in the working force must be in that great field, where they are pioneer laborers; then give to the Mission's Rally offering next Sabbath as you would like for Elder Christensen to give, if you were in his place and he in yours.

Here is an encouraging extract from a letter received from one of our faithful isolated sisters a few days ago. After mentioning the amount of tithe and Harvest Ingathering which she remitted, she wrote: "I wish it were more, but it was all we could do this year. We are well and are very glad to be as well off as we are for the long winter ahead. God has surely blessed this part of the state by allowing so bountiful a harvest." How appropriate it is that we should always be thankful for the blessings we receive, realizing that they come from our loving heavenly Father.

Some years ago when Mrs. Sarah Fishback of Northfield made her will, she provided for a thousand dollars of her means to go to the cause of foreign missions. One hundred dollars of the bequest was paid by her before she died, and a few days ago a check for the remainder of the bequest, nine hundred dollars, was brought to the office by Elder Haysmer, who is the executor

of her estate. It was indeed greatly appreciated, especially at this time, when the needs are so great and the regular offerings somewhat reduced. Are there not others among our readers who would like to make their wills and provide for some of their means or property to go to the cause, which they may not be able to give during their lifetime? If there are such in Minnesota and they will write to Brother Smouse he will, if they desire it, arrange for the drawing of their wills without cost to them.

ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale.—Potatoes, Ohios and rurals; very good. \$30 bu. Come and get them or write. F. O. Gotvin, Box 16, Verndale, Minn.

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SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

Burlington, October 24.
Sabbath school, 9:45—Superintendent, Josephine Gustison.
Place of meeting: Smith and Central Ave.
Davenport, October 31.
Sabbath school, 9:45—Superintendent, Roscoe Dunlap.
Place of meeting: 537 West 15th St.

We trust that all members living within possible driving distance of either of these places will plan to attend these meetings. Bring your lunch and enjoy both forenoon and afternoon services. We hope that friends living over the line in Illinois will also be with us. These will be good days, helpful days, do not miss them.

Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

IOWA ITEMS

Mrs. Dorcas spent Sabbath, October 10, with the church at Winterset.

Elder Charles Thompson spent Sabbath, October 3, with the church at Davenport.

Elder R. J. Sype and Mr. and Mrs. Nystrom were in Des Moines on Thursday of last week.

Conference workers, members and friends are working faithfully at the Harvest Ingathering and the reports that come are encouraging.

Brother Glenn Shelton was a visitor at the office on Wednesday of last week and took with him a supply of books for his colporteur work.

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Elder McVagh went to Cedar Rapids on Sunday, October 4, to fill the evening appointment for Elder Stemple White, who was suffering an attack of lumbago.

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The Centerville young people went out in singing bands Harvest Ingathering. In about two hours they had collected \$6.80. They enjoyed it very much and were going again.

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Elder C. H. Miller and his family are now living in Des Moines, his field of labor being changed to that city. The friends at Sioux City held a farewell reception for them on Sunday evening, October 4.

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Prof. M. E. Olsen of the Fireside Correspondence School plans to speak at the Nevada church on Friday evening, Oct. 16; at Des Moines on the Sabbath; and at Council Bluffs on Monday evening, Oct. 19.

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Miss Ruby McSparran and the Watsons' of Sioux City, came to Nevada on Sunday, October 4, and left next morning on their return, taking with them Harvey Nichols, Miss McSparran's brother, who is making good recovery from an operation.

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Brother Knecht informs us that the colporteurs' report sent in to the Reaper last week showed only a total of \$180.20, when it should have been \$201.25. He also stated that for the month of September the colporteur's sales were \$495.97 more than they were in that same month last year. Many are thanking God for the wonderful gain shown this year and for the interest manifested in this work by our people over the state.

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Brother I. L. Kent, home missionary secretary of the Nevada church, has been leading out for several months in a campaign to cover near-by towns in the distribution of "Present Truth", autos and volunteer distributors worked faithfully in this, and now he has started a series of meetings at the little town of Cambridge, which was the first to share in these literature favors. Lay members assist in various ways and have been very faithful in adding to the attendance. The Anderson orchestra and Nevada singers cooperate, and the villagers who attend seem to feel very friendly. It is hoped that a good interest will develop into

something permanent, as a result of these efforts. Elder R. J. Sype gave a little talk Sunday evening on life in the mission field, and Elder McVagh spoke at the Saturday night meeting. Both have assisted at various times.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

One hundred years ago the advent message was first preached by William Miller.

To commemorate this centennial the "Review and Herald" is planning to publish three series of articles on the beginnings of this advent movement:

Nine articles by Everett Dick, professor of history at Union College, will deal with events clustered around the great theme of Christ's second advent as preached by William Miller;

Six articles by A. W. Spalding which are about the struggles of the advent people following the disappointment of 1844; and

Seven articles by seven of our veteran ministers giving personal glimpses relating to the growth and development of the advent movement.

You cannot afford to miss these inspiring accounts of God's leadership in the giving of the second advent message around 1844.

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NORTHERN UNION HARVEST

INGATHERING

Including Week Ending Oct. 3, 1931

(As reported by the church treasurers)

	For Last Week	Total To date
Iowa	1312.88	5539.47
Minnesota	1510.90	9042.22
N. Dakota	587.80	2143.28
S. Dakota	1262.59	4311.28
Union	4674.11	21036.25

Elder A. A. Dirksen planned on being at Hutchinson to assist Maplewood Academy in their field day, October 6.

Elder W. B. Pontynen reports that the Blackberry, Minn., church has passed last year's total. In Grand Rapids, in company with David Anderson, they raised \$69.50, the same as last year, and have not finished yet. A number of people increased their offerings.

Elder H. J. Sheldon assisted Brother Allen Cates at Elk Point, South Dakota, in the Harvest Ingathering. Two-thirds of the church goal was raised by the time he left.

One member sends in the following five words which will help you raise your Ingathering goal: consecration, preparation, organization, determination and solicitation.

V. G. Anderson.

"We do not earn salvation by our obedience; for salvation is the free gift of God, to be received by faith. But obedience is the fruit of faith."

STATEMENT OF SIXTYCENT-A-WEEK FUND

January 1 to September 30, 1931

Conference	Mem.	Quota	Rec'd	Short	Per Wk. Per Mem.
Iowa	2579	60348.60	24730.39	35618.21	.245
Minnesota	3288	76939.20	36379.45	40559.75	.283
N. Dakota	2125	49725.00	12964.31	36760.69	.156
S. Dakota	1461	34187.40	17080.60	17106.80	.299
Union	9453	221200.20	91154.75	130045.45	.244

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SABBATH SCHOOL OFFERINGS

January 1 to September 30, 1931

Conference	Mem.	Rec'd 1930	Rec'd 1931	Per Wk. Per Mem.
Iowa	2579	18204.39	15623.93	.155
Minnesota	3288	22521.12	20773.15	.161
N. Dakota	2125	9907.09	8386.60	.101
S. Dakota	1461	11040.88	10700.76	.187
Union	9453	61873.48	55484.44	.150

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF HARVEST INGATHERING

January 1 to September 30, 1931

Conference	Mem.	Rec'd 1930	Rec'd 1931	Per Cap.
Iowa	2579	6151.44	4998.50	1.93
Minnesota	3288	9899.35	8582.56	2.61
N. Dakota	2125	1874.71	2226.56	1.04
S. Dakota	1461	5293.63	3522.54	2.41
Union	9453	23219.13	19330.16	2.04

I. G. Ortner, Treasurer.