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## A WORD FROM OMAHA

By Charles Thompson

Knowing the readers of the Reaper are interested in the Fall Council now being held in Omaha, I send the following clipping as appeared in the morning issue of the "World Herald," October 21:

"Says Adventists face gravest of problems.

" 'Never has the church so needed the favor of God as now. With civilization threatened by lawlessness, the spirit of war, the breakdown of society, the greed of conscienceless money sharps, spiritual declension in all religious organizations, surely we need to pray if we are to receive that favor,' said Elder C. H. Watson, president of the world's conference of Seventh-day Adventists in the opening session here Tuesday night.

"Delegates were present from every local and union conference in North America, from China, India, Inter-America and Europe, and for six more days they will face problems the like of which the denomination has never before considered," President Watson warned. He declared that there are two classes of people in the world whom God has promised to favor—first a pure ministry, and secondly an honest, consecrated membership in the church.

" 'Ministers of this church must purge themselves of all sin if they are to help in the evangelization of the world, which at its completion will bring the glorious advent of Christ,' he declared. He said the rapid movements in the world in scientific discoveries, in inventions, in revolutions of nations, in the hatred of mankind generally all point to the fulfillment of prophecies indicating the nearness of the end of all things in their present state.

"Five committees were appointed, with chairmen as follows: Distribution of labor, which means changes in the ministry in the United States and Canada, and the

recommendation of missionary recruits for foreign lands, Elder J. L. McElhany, chairman.

"Plans and recommendations, Elder O. Montgomery, chairman. Budget, President Watson, chairman.

"Finance, Elder J. L. Shaw, chairman.

"Platform, Elder G. W. Wells, chairman."

Much could be said regarding the importance of these councils, but being at the beginning of the meeting, this clipping contains about all that can be given at this time.

## WITH OUR COLPORTEURS

Such signs as "Agents, Keep Out," and "Bad Dog," have no meaning to a colporteur, for these warnings do not apply, as the following experience indicates. A. E. Merkel, South Dakota colporteur, in relating the experience said:

"Brother McKinley and I enjoyed some good experiences. At one place where we came there was a sign on the gate post, 'Agents, Keep Out.' The hired man was standing by the gate, and he said there was no use for us to go in. We drove in and were invited into the house. The lady had been having severe headaches, and after showing her the remedy from 'Home Physician,' she willingly gave us an order. From seventeen exhibitions the Lord gave me fifteen orders."

Brother Merkel is a student attending school at Union College. He earned a scholarship last summer selling "Home Physician." The colporteur work is educational as well as financial. Encourage your children to look forward to canvassing during their vacations.

Geo. A. Campbell.

There is nothing that Christ desires so much as agents who will represent to the world His Spirit and character. There is nothing that the world needs so much as the manifestation through humanity of the Saviour's love.—"Christ's Object Lessons," p. 419.

## NO FUNDS

By Arthur W. Spalding

You wouldn't believe it, but this is what happened before my eyes. Going up to the teller's window in a certain bank, I was preceded by a lady, young, pretty, and evidently quite unaccustomed to banks. The teller looked at her, she looked at him.

"Is this the place where you pay money?" she asked.

The teller looked puzzled. "What is it, madam?" he asked.

She handed through a pink slip, a counter check. "I want some money, please," she said.

Whether or not the check was improperly drawn, or whether the lady's hesitancy put him on guard, I do not know; but the teller scrutinized the check for a moment, and then inquired, "Have you an account here, madam?"

"Wh-what?" she stammered; "I just want some money, and my husband told me to get it at the bank."

"Wait a moment," said the teller, courteously; and he went out of his cage into the cashier's room. When he came out he ushered the little lady into the same room and left her there, to have it explained to her, I suppose, that you can't draw anything out of the bank until you have first put something in.

You wouldn't believe it, I suppose, but in another field of human relations this thing is happening every day. Mothers and fathers present themselves at the window of the bank of heaven, and pray, "We want some heavenly currency, some blessings for our children, some character, some holy ambition, some success." And a great many times the angels must look puzzled and inquire, "Have you put anything in?"

The days of childhood make the golden opportunity for parents to invest in their children's future by putting into them the character training on which they will wish to draw in later years. Thousands



of parents of youth come up to the minister and the teacher and plead, "Won't you do something for our boy, or our girl? They are becoming so wild, so ungovernable, so dissolute we cannot do anything with them." And the poor parents do not realize that righteousness and honor cannot spring out of ignorance and neglect. They did not know how to train their children for the crucial days of adolescence, and they anticipated no danger until they were facing youth's tempestuous age.

Oh, thousands of reasons for neglecting it! "Parents know by intuition."—"You can't learn anything out of a book."—"I know as much as these glass-eyed professors know about it."—"I can learn at home."—"Haven't time."—"What are our schools for?"

Yet there is a science to child training, a deeper, broader, more far-reaching science than any other, and to know it requires study, thought, and effort. Too late to train a child after he has grown to be a man.

Your conference is now making an effort to acquaint you with the books of the Christian Home Series and with the work of the Home Commission in assisting you to understand and train your children. Are you responding? Ask for the books from your Book and Bible House, and for specific help and organized study from the Home Commission, General Conference, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

### BOWESMONT, N. DAK.

In company with Elder D. K. Olson, I spent a few days in the Bowesmont territory in Harvest Ingathering. While there Brethren Fred Juhl and Jim Berthelsen went with us to the surrounding towns. We are glad to report a small gain over the amount gathered last year.

While there it was our privilege to spend one night at the home of Brother and Sister Chris Juhl. For a number of years Brother Juhl had an active part in sanitarium and conference work in Iowa and Denmark. He spoke of his great regard for the good old "Review and Herald", with its many inspiring messages. One statement made by him while we were there expresses the faith and confidence of many of our pioneers. He said that he was willing to have God bring to him any trials and disappointments and even turn him upside down, just so He brought him at last safely home to heaven. Brethren, there are many perplexities in this life, but "He that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved."

Many of the towns we solicited gave more than last year. It is our place to go to the people and give them the opportunity to give. Let

us give God a chance to work for us. This is His work, and it is going to all the world in this generation. You are His servant and He is willing to bless your efforts at home and abroad. The most important thing in the world is this message which we represent. Put first things first.

Have you done your part in Harvest Ingathering yet?

V. G. Anderson.

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### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER AND EDUCATIONAL CORNER

We are glad to report that our schools are going nicely throughout the state. We have the same number as last year, eleven regular schools with two home schools. Two of these schools are two-teacher schools, making fifteen teachers in all. One of the doctors from the Sanitarium, together with one of the nurses, accompanied the writer in making a tour of the church schools throughout the state, giving the children their physical inspection. This work has all been completed with the exception of two schools which we hope to visit this week. We have watched this work from year to year and we believe it is proving a great help and we hope the parents will cooperate with us in helping to take care of the defects that the doctor finds in visiting the various schools. It is only as this work is followed up that it can prove the most successful. The health of our children is dependent upon the care given them so we hope that parents will give attention to the reports that are sent to them. The teachers are doing their best to present the question of health to the children and we believe their efforts are fruitful.

We are glad to see a special interest this year in the Harvest Ingathering work among our young people. Our Juniors and Seniors are all working hard this year and we believe we are going to see great results through this effort. The Des Moines Junior Society has already raised \$55. Sioux City Juniors raised \$17.27. Davenport Juniors \$12.70. Council Bluffs Juniors, \$12.20. Marshalltown Juniors, \$2.66. Nevada Juniors, \$2. The singing band is being used in quite a number of societies this year. At least three have tried it out. They are Des Moines, Council Bluffs, and Centerville. Des Moines has already received \$75 in its singing band

work, hoping to reach \$100 this week. Council Bluffs has been receiving from \$4 to \$5 an evening and the young people are all greatly enjoying the work. Centerville members also have been engaged in this work and are enjoying it very much and we believe they are going to be successful. I hope that all our young people will do something in the Ingathering this year in view of the fact that the needs in the field are so great.  
J. C. Nixon.

### OAK PARK FIELD DAY

Practically every student and teacher of the Oak Park Academy started out early Monday morning, October 19, in their annual Harvest Ingathering field day. In addition to the cars provided by teachers and students, three cars were provided by J. C. Nixon, J. C. Christenson and J. R. Bowles.

While the surrounding towns and rural territory was being scoured by these eleven carloads of students, Elder V. G. Anderson, T. C. Nethery and Professor Ford worked in the town of Nevada. All went to work enthusiastically to raise as much as possible for the Lord's work.

At about eight o'clock Monday evening the academy chapel was filled with those who were ready to report their success. Many reported not only money, but garden produce, canned fruit, vegetables, jelly, eggs and chickens. Elder V. G. Anderson acted as auctioneer and the produce was soon sold. All were happy to learn that although this year is not so good as last, \$585 was the total for the day.

Nevada is not all canvassed yet, so this figure should grow in the next few days. In the chapel period on Tuesday the students told their Harvest Ingathering experiences and of the interested ones they had discovered.

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May God bless O. P. A., and may this fine group of students ever be as enthusiastic in the work of the Lord as they have been in this drive to help keep our missionaries in the field.  
J. C. Christenson.

### ATTENTION, CHURCH LEADERS

The General Conference has set aside October 31 as the day upon which the special offering is to be taken in all our churches for the elementary educational work. Our schools this year are struggling hard to keep their work going, and we want to encourage them all that we possibly can. We are glad to tell you that all our schools were able to continue again this year. We are very grateful that this is possible. However, it was made possible only in view of the fact that a number of the schools could obtain help from the Educational Fund. We realize that times are hard and yet we hope that all will rally to the support of our church schools. We appreciate the faithfulness of our earnest people throughout the conference.

We hope also that our isolated believers will contribute as well on the date mentioned and will send in their offering marked Educational Work. We can not fail even in these perplexing times to give to our children the education that they so much need.

I look forward to a splendid offering on the date mentioned.

Yours for the boys and girls,  
J. C. Nixon.

### IOWA SANITARIUM NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Butler are the parents of a son born at the Sanitarium October 20.

Master Harold Clark of Winterset was in the Sanitarium last Friday for a minor operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Miller of Cambridge are the parents of a son born at the Sanitarium October 21.

Miss Kathryn Jensen of the General Conference spent some time with us while en route to the Fall Council.

Mrs. I. O. Gibbs of Nevada, the wife of a local dairyman, submitted to a double operation at the Sanitarium October 19. She is at the present making satisfactory progress.

Mrs. E. Bishop of St. Anthony, aged eighty-seven, who had an operation for a ruptured appendix about ten days ago continues to make good progress.

Dr. Morse, Elder Nixon and Miss Jackman spent Tuesday at Exira examining the church school children. They reported that Mrs. P. C. Knudson of Exira, a former patient, was very much improved.

We are sorry that Miss Edith Wing of Hazen, N. Dak., due to her health has found it necessary to

discontinue the nurses' training and return home. She entered the Sanitarium this past summer.

Mrs. Ben Hockenberg of Des Moines, Mrs. M. H. Moore of Marshalltown, Martin Nissen of Nevada and Miss Hertha Madsen of Spirit Lake, who are here for medical care, are all improving in their conditions.

Mrs. Esther Welty Stevenson of Evanston, Ill., daughter of Attorney and Mrs. Bert Welty, of Nevada, submitted to an operation on October 17 and was able to be removed to the home of her brother on Tuesday. The sister-in-law is a graduate nurse and is well able to give her the necessary care.

### IOWA ITEMS

Elder McVagh went to Omaha on Monday of last week to attend the Fall Council.

Elder A. L. Miller conducted the quarterly service with the Muscatine church Sabbath, October 17.

Elder and Mrs. T. H. Jeys are now at home in Cresco, Iowa, having moved there recently from Dubuque.

Brother G. A. Nystrom left Nevada on Tuesday of last week to spend a few days at the Omaha Fall Council.

Brother C. E. Teik of the Oklahoma City church was a visitor at the conference office on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Dorcas went to Burlington on Friday of last week. She will visit isolated members during the week between the conventions at Burlington and Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Smouse of St. Paul, spent the week-end of October 24, with Mrs. Smouse's parents and some of her friends of earlier days, at Keokuk.

Elder and Mrs. J. C. Christenson and Mrs. C. L. Smith of Nevada, spent Sabbath, October 10, with the Marshalltown church. Mrs. Dorcas accompanied them as far as State Center where she spent the day with the Sabbath school members.

Elder J. R. Nelson, who has been in Hawarden for several months, where a fine large Sabbath school has been raised up as a result of the effort there, moved to Sioux City last week, and will be in charge of the work in that part of the field.

It is not hard to find good things to report in the Harvest Ingathering. Cedar Rapids, Birmingham, Charles City, Mason City and Winterset have made gains over last

year and they are still working. If they can do it you can too, by expending a little extra zeal.

Elder S. A. Wellman spent a few hours in Nevada last Monday when on his way to the Omaha meeting. Never having been at the Iowa headquarters before, he enjoyed visiting the office, Sanitarium and Oak Park Academy. He spent some time with the Iowa state secretary while here, for he is one of the associate secretaries of the Sabbath School Department.

Brother I. L. Kent of the Nevada church, who has been conducting meetings at Cambridge, twelve miles from Nevada, closed the three weeks series Friday night, October 16. The effort has made evident who are most interested and these interests will be followed up in various ways through the weeks to come.

Elder J. C. Christenson, after spending a week with the office and Investment work at Nevada, left last Thursday for more work in the western part of the state. Smithland, Onawa and Castana will have a share of his time and effort. Mrs. Christenson and their small son accompanied him to Ute, where they will remain with her parents during his itinerancy.

Mason City, Denison, Red Oak and Forest City, have gone "over the top" in Harvest Ingathering this week. Did your church go "over" last year? If so, we are waiting to hear the same good news this year. There are twelve churches that have gone over the goal. Doesn't that stimulate your courage? Let us keep on working until we reach last year's amount.

Some churches had a late start in the Ingathering this year, but when the reports come in they will make our Bulletin look much better. Some churches are far below what they reached last year, but we are watching their reports for a steady gain. Watch Des Moines and Sioux City figures, each church has a new leader. Elder C. H. Miller and Elder J. R. Nelson respectively.

### A GIFT TO THE SANITARIUM

The entire Sanitarium family was more than pleased, but especially those of the staff who work in the culinary department were made happy, to learn that we were to have installed a beautiful new refrigeration and its motor by the company of one of our guests as a token of appreciation for the attention received while the patient was at the Sanitarium. The gift was made by the C. L. Percival Company of Des Moines and the unit installed is worth \$1000.



This new unit will mean much to help us in keeping our milk, butter, and other prepared foods in a separate refrigerator. With our old unit we have had to keep vegetables, fruits, as well as the other articles in the same unit and it was a crowded arrangement and far from being as convenient and satisfactory as we should like.

We are very happy for this most useful gift for its value and convenience but we are doubly happy that our services and care were satisfactory to this degree.

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## HARVEST INGATHERING

### For Week Ending October 17, 1931

Church	Number working	Amount this week	To date
Hutchinson	50	\$200.76	\$220.26
Mpls. Eng.	199	116.92	1586.89
Conference	62	114.75	555.10
Morgan	13	114.55	142.86
Austin	12	95.07	276.44
Mpls. Nor-Dan.	58	45.33	721.14
Bemidji	13	36.25	224.90
Good Thunder	8	33.65	56.25
Mankato	40	32.00	494.49
St. Paul Eng.	150	24.86	1960.82
Brainerd	11	19.00	94.70
Williams	4	17.36	23.62
Faribault	19	16.00	224.16
Remer	13	9.91	21.62
Duluth Scand.	23	9.00	205.24
Eagle Bend	8	6.10	59.26
Middle River	7	3.00	23.20
Fergus Falls	7	1.15	127.96
Previously reported			9672.29
	697	895.66	10567.95
Last year	745	697.25	12168.66
	Loss 48	Gain 198.41	Loss 1600.71

The report this week is more encouraging as it shows a gain over the same week last year and thereby reduces somewhat the loss which has accrued during the last several weeks. Shall we not keep the good work going until we regain all that we have fallen behind last year? It is really of great importance that we catch up again, either in this way or by giving it ourselves. The support of our missionaries throughout the world depends upon an undiminished income and surely we must not fail them at this critical time. Good reports are coming in from various parts of the field which indicate that the Lord is marvelously blessing the Harvest

Ingathering efforts. Elder Pontynen is pressing right on in his district and is meeting with an excellent response. In soliciting at Grand Rapids last week \$95 was received which was \$25 more than last year. What we may have fallen behind last year in some places should be made up in others. If all will do their best we need not fall behind last year when the work of the campaign is completed.

The following names have been reported as reaching the band goals as indicated.

Gold Crown Band: M. L. Tinkcom.  
Silver Crown Band: Mrs. J. G. Goude, Mrs. M. Hove.

Blue Ribbon Band: Mrs. Katherine Webster, Mrs. Paul Dagoberg, Mrs. L. Kisor.

Loyal Legion Band: Mrs. M. V. Winters, Mrs. Lizzie Sproed, Mrs. M. E. Doble, Mrs. C. A. Williams, Mrs. Leona J. Hill, Mrs. R. Hatch, Mrs. B. E. Weatherly, Mrs. Flora Pearson, Carrie Powers, Mrs. S. James, Mrs. N. P. Anderson, Mrs. Barbara Johnson, Mrs. Edward Anunsen, Mrs. Gust Wickman, Mrs. C. W. Boettcher.

We hope there will be a goodly number of other names in next week's report.

A. R. Smouse, Treasurer.

## VISITING THE NAVAHO INDIANS

Many of our people in Minnesota will remember Brother Frank Webb, our veteran Indian colporteur, who, prior to two years ago when he returned to Oklahoma, spent a year or more laboring among the Indians on the reservations in northern Minnesota. A good letter from him was recently received at the office and he also sent a copy of the Southwestern Union Record containing an account of his recent visit to the Navaho Indians in New Mexico with Elder Orno Follett of the Lake Grove Indian Mission, a picture of which is on the back cover of the Harvest Ingathering "Watchman". This article was quite interesting, so we quote the following paragraphs from it:

"Brother Webb and I visited a number of Indians at this place (El Moro) but were not able at the time to hold any meetings for the Indians, as one of their pagan ceremonies was being held.

"At one of our visits to their ceremonial Hogan, we saw perhaps thirty-five or more Indians mounted, and a short time after we arrived the leader made a dash westward toward the setting sun, the others following hard after on their fleet-footed ponies. The leader was carrying the sacred branch, (See Zech. 3: 8, and other texts), which was a small juniper branch with a ribbon tied around it. This branch is an important part of the

N-dah ceremony, and evidently is a relic of the knowledge the Navahos had in the long ago of the scriptural prophecy of the true Branch, even Jesus, our Saviour. But they have wandered far from the true Branch, and the branch they now serve is withered and dead.

"The most interesting experience was our meeting with the Indians of Todenesja, a Navaho settlement of about three hundred Indians. I had announced a meeting for the Indians for September 14, but a steady rain fell all that day, and most of the day before, so our two days visit among these Indians was badly interrupted. However, we visited a goodly number in spite of the rain, and were surprised to see so many come to our meetings. Brother Webb estimated that there were fifty present.

"Brother Webb told them of how he, himself an Indian, had come up from an Indian wigwam away back in Minnesota, and after many years spent in the world and in sin, had, about twenty-five years ago, found the way of life; how he had at conversion thrown his pipe, tobacco, and whisky bottle into the stove, and has not troubled them since; how he had formerly been skinny and in poor health, but since has had good health; that he had spent nearly all the years since his conversion in carrying the gospel to the Indians of Oklahoma, and of his love for his new-found God and Saviour, Creator of the heavens and the earth, and all things in them.

"This ringing gospel message delivered by an Indian to Indians made a strong impression upon these dark-skinned children of nature. After Brother Webb's ardent prayer, offered by special request of the Navaho audience, a chorus of exclamations of approval resounded around the circle of listeners. Then they came forward and grasped our hands in the hearty Indian style, and one of them, who had acted as spokesman for the rest, embraced Brother Webb, which is a very unusual thing for a Navaho to do.

"These Indians urged us to return again and often. They are hungering for something, they know not what, but we who know the message for this time, know very well that only one thing can satisfy their soul-hunger, and that is the great three-fold message of Revelation fourteen."

With a few exceptions, Brother Webb found the Indians in Minnesota, his native state, rather unresponsive and difficult to reach with the truth, but we hope it may be possible for some further efforts to be put forth in their behalf in the not far distant future.

A. R. Smouse.



## EFFORT AT GRANITE FALLS

Sabbath, October 17, was a beautiful day. As the noon hour was approaching a number of cars drove up in front of the Congregational church at Granite Falls, as that building is our meeting place at the present time. When all had arrived, the baptismal candidates with some of their friends, occupied the seats in the automobiles and we started out on the road, for we were going to Wilmar with those who were ready for baptism after our summer's effort. We all arrived in Wilmar in good time for the Sabbath school. A number of visitors from Gilchrist and Hutchinson were also present, so there was a capacity attendance. Brother Croak, who is elder of the church, had everything in readiness for the baptism. The writer preached the sermon and Elder N. R. Nelson administered the rite of baptism. Nine converts were buried with their Lord and with Him they rose again to walk in the newness of life.

We hope to have another baptism in the near future, as for various reasons, several persons were unable to participate this time. In spite of much opposition, the interest at Granite Falls seems to be increasing instead of abating. Pray with us that the sincere of heart may receive grace to step out and get ready for the coming of Christ.

David Gulbrandson.

## MINNESOTA ITEMS

If every member were just like me,  
How much Ingathering would  
there be?

It is planned to hold an educational and Sabbath school convention at Morgan over the week-end of November 7. Particulars of this will be sent to those living near enough to attend.

If any of our readers are interested in the purchase of some unimproved farm land in central or northern Minnesota at a very low price, please write the Minnesota Conference office for particulars regarding two quarter sections, which are for sale. There is also another quarter section upon which there are some improvements.

The regular offering in the church service of our Minnesota churches next Sabbath, October 31, is for the Needy Poor Fund. In many places there will be a greater need in this respect during the coming winter, so we appeal to our people for a liberal offering next Sabbath. Three-fourths of it is to be retained in the local church if needed there, and the remainder sent in for the Conference Needy

Poor Fund. Where there is not much need for it locally a larger part or all of the offering may be sent in for the conference fund.

A sister in Minneapolis who is located within walking distance of the church school is so situated that she is willing to take into her home and care for one or two other children so that they, too, may have church school privileges. She would expect reasonable remuneration for her care and services. Any of our people who may be interested in this may write the Minnesota Conference office for this sister's name and address.

When sending in her third remittance of Harvest Ingathering funds a few days ago, Mrs. C. A. Folkestad, who is an isolated member of the Wing River church, wrote that she was continuing her efforts and hoped soon to reach her \$10 individual goal, toward which she had received and sent in the sum of \$8. As she had no car to use in her solicitation, it had meant a great deal of walking for a lady of her age: one day she walked six miles. She had visited practically all her neighbors and said they all seemed willing to give according to their ability. The Lord surely appreciates such faithful efforts, and they are indeed worthy of emulation.

Sister J. E. Burr, of Fleming Lake, writes the following of an interesting experience she had: "You remember the hive of bees that I had such a time to catch, when I cut down four trees to get them? Well, I promised the honey from this hive to the Lord if He would help me catch them, and I succeeded. The bees had one super full of honey and one night three bears came and spoiled most of the honey in the super of that hive and two more hives. Harlan shot two of the bears the next night when they came back to get more honey, so they won't bother us any more. That hive of bees has made some honey since, so I will have about one super full for the Investment Fund, anyway."

We were very sorry indeed to receive the sad word from Remer last week regarding the death of Arthur Myers, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Myers. His untimely death was caused by accidental electrocution while doing some work at the hotel, where he came in contact with a live wire in some way, but just how is not known as we understand he was alone at the time. He was twenty-five years of age and had been married only a short time previous to his death. The funeral services were conducted by a local minister who had also

officiated at the wedding. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the members of the bereaved family.

A most excellent remittance for the Investment Fund was received a few days ago from the Pike family at Spring Valley. It amounted to \$127 and Miss Alice Pike wrote as follows in her letter accompanying the remittance. "I am sending the Investment Offering at this time. Mother felt that as long as the Lord has kept her free from the pain (rheumatism) she had two years ago, she would show her appreciation to Him by giving \$100 again. Lucy sends \$5 from the sale of squash and tomatoes, Charlotte sends \$5, and Arnold \$2 from his sale of radishes. I painted the house and barn and am sending \$15 from what I saved by doing the work myself." Such interest and cooperation as is here exemplified is indeed laudable and greatly appreciated. We sincerely hope that Sister Pike will never suffer a recurrence of the rheumatism.

Brother Frank Webb, our veteran Indian colporteur, when on his way back from northern Minnesota to Oklahoma two years ago, was suffering from a very painful malady which had become chronic and confined him to the hospital for some weeks. When he visited the office he requested that we have special prayer in his behalf and the Lord very graciously responded by healing him. We rejoiced with him in the relief from suffering which was thus accorded him and in every letter received from him he gratefully expressed his appreciation for the Lord's healing power as exercised in his behalf at that time. We greatly appreciate his labors in Minnesota and the faithful efforts he put forth in behalf of the Indians on the reservations in the northern part of the state. His experience in visiting recently among the Navaho Indians of New Mexico, is related in an article elsewhere in the Reaper and it will be read with interest especially by his many friends in Minnesota.

## MARRIED

Miss Lydia Blom, of Middle River and Ray Nelson, of Thief River Falls, were united in marriage October 11, at two o'clock, in the presence of about sixty relatives and friends.

Both of these young people are well known in the Minnesota Conference. Their many friends unite in wishing them a very happy and successful life together here on earth and finally, the life and joy without end in the world to come.

Brother and Sister Nelson will make their home on a farm near Thief River Falls. N. R. Nelson.



## MAPLEWOOD NEWS

The Misses Myrtle Sather, Ethel Hartzell, Alice Croak, and Nina Dahl attended the baptism held at Willmar Sabbath, October 17.

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Mrs. L. S. Melendy and Mrs. Judson Crouse of Minneapolis visited LeVerne Melendy for a short time Wednesday afternoon, October 21.

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Impromptu speeches on subjects such as Study Hour, Room Inspection, Ambition, and Appetite were given by the boys of East Hall at their Woden Club meeting Wednesday evening, October 21.

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Elder A. H. Rulkoetter and Elder Varner Johns conducted joint worship in the chapel Sunday evening, October 18. Elder Rulkoetter spoke to the students on the polished refinement and culture of the Christian.

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Elder Yost and four students, Elsie Pierson, Erma Miller, Olive Steele and Hilda Olafson went to St. Cloud Sabbath, October 17, in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering. Elder Yost conducted the Sabbath service in the St. Cloud church.

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Miss Erma Miller, vice-president of the girls' club, called the Crescit Eundo meeting to order at the usual hour Wednesday evening, October 21. Miss June Pastoret read the secretary's report. With "My mind to me a kingdom is" as her theme, Miss Hartzell gave an amusing, as well as instructive talk. Misses Nina Dahl and Alice Croak sang "I must Have the Saviour with me". "Trade relations between Russia and Germany", the current topic for the evening, was given by Miss Lois Carnahan.

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Very different from the usual Saturday night's entertainment was the program given in the chapel last week. Miss Winifred Granbois, accompanied by Miss Esther Olson, and Professor Hein, with Mrs. Pettis at the piano, were the soloists of the evening and Miss Edna Purdy, Miss Nina Dahl, Alvin Kiley and Salisbury Zytoskee favored the audience with readings. Elmer Cornwell played a saxophone solo to close the program. Since many of the faculty and students are in favor of forming a literary society to meet at least once a month, with Professor Johnson presiding, the students elected a committee to nominate the officers. Much latent literary ability is expected to be brought out through these entertaining as well as educational meetings.

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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We are glad to announce that a few weeks of special meetings will be held at the Swan Lake church beginning the last of October or the first of November. We regret the inability to give exact date as yet. Elder G. W. Wells of the General Conference and the writer will be present for these services and it is planned to hold evening meetings. We trust that many near by will avail themselves of the opportunity.  
Gorden Oss.

## THE MOTHERS' SOCIETY

Malachi 4: 5 and 6 suggests strongly that there will be a turning of the parents to the children, and the children to the parents before the coming of the Lord. In harmony with this the Mothers' Society and Parents' Council has been organized and 107 separate organizations have already begun their work of how to have better homes. Besides these, many isolated are also benefited from these educational studies on home life.

South Dakota has two live organizations, Redfield and Chamberlain, but we should have several more. At camp meeting time I was chosen secretary of this department of the work, and I shall be glad to help any interested ones in getting started. Write for an outline of the work to be covered. If you are isolated, remember that the plan also embraces you. The logical time to begin study is the first of the year, so we would do well to get everything in readiness and all details worked out during the closing months of 1931. Join the Mothers' Society for better homes.

Gorden Oss.

## PLAINVIEW ACADEMY ITEMS

Mrs. E. P. Kemper of Aberdeen visited at the home of Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Hartman Sabbath, October 24.

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Miss Thelma Boggs of Pringle has joined our school family and is a member of the senior class. This brings our total enrollment up to ninety-three.

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Prof. and Mrs. A. L. Watt entertained the "Sunshine News" staff at their home in Redfield, Thurs-

day, October 22. A group of very unique games furnished real entertainment and then of course, the refreshments were especially enjoyed.

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Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Hartman entertained the senior class with a waffle breakfast. The class was divided into three groups, one group coming each morning on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The waffle iron was a gift from this same class during their junior year.

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The Young Mens' Seminar has been organized and is functioning. The officers are: president, James Webber; vice-president, Leon Pederson; secretary, Sam Reinholdt; assistant secretary, Willis Mohr; sponsor, Elder Youngberg. The first sermonette was given by Robert Brown in chapel Wednesday, October 21.

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"Pages of History" was the title of the program given in the dining room Saturday evening, October 24, under the direction of Professor Vande Vere. Different historical events through ancient, medieval and American history were dramatized. The most outstanding scenes were: Belshazzar's Feast, Death of Washington, Paul Revere's Ride, and Alcibiades. In conclusion Dorothy Schmunk, dressed in Indian costume, sang "Niagara Falls" accompanied by Walter Kiesz on the guitar and Mrs. Hartman at the piano.

## SOUTH DAKOTA NEWS

Elder L. E. Niermeyer visited the Sioux Falls church Sabbath, October 24.

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Elder Gorden Oss is attending the Fall Council at Omaha. He will be back at the office the latter part of the week.

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Word was received of the death of Brother Richards of Hurley. Elder A. W. Kuehl conducted the funeral services Friday, October 23. We extend our sympathy to the family.

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Sister M. J. Reinholtz of Aberdeen writes that she has worked part of the residence section of the city and so far has received \$25 toward the Ingathering. We believe that what Sister Reinholtz has done others can do. Let us finish up the Ingathering before the weather gets much colder.

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Elder C. M. Babcock writes that he will close his country effort at Hecla this week and baptize those who have taken their stand. He may hold another series of meet-



ings in the town of Hecla a little later on.

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Mrs. Lydia Nesmith and her son, Milton, who have been making their home at Florence during the summer, called at our office during the week. They plan to leave soon for California where they will spend the winter.

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A copy of the little book, "The Cigarette as the Physician Sees It," by Dr. D. H. Kress, was received at our office the other day. It is a splendid book and should have a wide circulation. Price 25 cents per copy; 10 for \$1.35, postpaid.

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Friday morning, October 23, we received the sad news of the death of Sister Churchill of Doland. It was arranged for Elder A. G. Youngberg, Bible teacher at the academy, to take charge of the funeral. We extend our sincere sympathies to those who mourn.

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Elder Oss and Brother Estey spent Sabbath, October 17, with the Camp Crook church. Following the Sabbath services, five were baptized. Elder Oss spoke highly of this fine group of candidates—two young married couples, and one brother of more mature years. Brother and Sister Estey are studying with a number of families in the Buffalo vicinity at present.

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## SABBATH SCHOOL INVESTMENT DAY NOVEMBER 14

We have again come to the fall of the year in which we all share in our annual Investment program. The children of Israel used to have an annual celebration in which they brought as an offering the first fruits of all their labors. There is nothing in our denomination or in our work that compares so favorably with the offering of the first fruits of the land as does the Sabbath school Investment.

Almost every Seventh-day Adventist in our conference has taken part in the Sabbath school Investment this year. This is what will make our Investment program on November 14 interesting. Every one can come with his offering representing the proceeds of the Investment and lay it on the altar. All ought to plan to turn their Invest-

ment into cash so as to have it ready for Investment Day.

In some cases perhaps it will be necessary for some of our people who have suffered greatly in the drouth to plan for some other source for an Investment Offering. I am sure the Lord will bless you. How about turning some of those potatoes, squashes, pumpkins or anything else which you might have into cash for missions?

If ever the work of the Lord was in need it is now. Remember that the Investment applies on the 30 cents per week for Sabbath school and 60 cents per week for church offerings. It is a missionary project. Plan to come before the Lord with thanksgiving and in His courts with praise on November 14.

H. Wentland.

## NORTH DAKOTA ITEMS

Brother Fred Reile was a caller at the office one day this week.

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Remember that November 14 is Investment Day. Have you turned your Investments into cash? If not, do so now.

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Elder Meyer is at the Fall Council where our leaders are gathered to study the situations of the day.

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Elders Reile and Gaede were callers at the office this week. Their plans are to organize a church at Medina, Sunday.

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Elder Scherr is out in Elder Hmelevsky's district, where he is holding meetings for the young people. The first church he is visiting is Williston.

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Do not forget those in need. Remember that on October 31, a special offering is to be taken for the Conference Poor Fund so as to help those in need.

## OBITUARY

Bentz.—Mrs. Sophie Eberlein-Bentz, nee Schmidt, was born on Oct. 14, 1889; and died at Harvey, N. Dak., on Oct. 2, 1931.

Sister Eberlein came to this country with her parents in her early youth, and in 1908 was married to Hugo Eberlein, who preceded her in death several years ago. Two daughters, Lillian and Alice, were born to this union.

About fifteen months ago Mrs. Eberlein was married to Jacob Bentz. Apparently the union seemed to be a happy one, but ended with an untimely and most tragic death on the morning of October 2.

The two daughters of Mrs. Eberlein and her aged mother need our sympathy and our prayers. They are sorrow stricken but hope to meet their loved one at the Saviour's coming.

H. J. Meyer.

## A FINE SABBATH SCHOOL HELP

No doubt all our people in North Dakota are enjoying the splendid lessons we are having on the teachings of Christ. It would be a fine thing if we really knew more about the wonderful spirit and life of Jesus Christ.

One of the best helps that we can find on our lessons for this quarter is the book, "Thoughts from the Mount of Blessings", by Mrs. E. G. White. This book may be in almost

## ADVERTISEMENTS

Wanted.—Man to work on farm for couple months. Good milker. Will pay going wages. William Jorgensen, R. F. D. 2, Clinton, Minn.

Wanted.—Seventh-day Adventist man to pick corn. Can start picking at once. Henry Gregerson, Ute, Iowa.

For Sale.—Best whole wheat flour packed in double bag, \$2.65 per 100. Highest prices paid for hay, straw, grain and corn. Write Wayzata Feed Store, Wayzata, 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 October 17, 1931.						
Biggers, H. G.	Misc.	28	20	3.75	33.75	17.25
Engen, B. O.		35		19.45	19.45	6.25
Evenson, K. A.	BR	43	10	50.90	119.90	1.75
Netteburg, Mrs. E.	GC	24	5	1.25	16.75	12.25
Totals		130	35	75.35	189.85	37.50
Week Ending October 3, 1931						
Biggers, H. G.	BTS	32	31	3.00	37.50	15.00
Campbell, B.	Hope	20	3	3.00	15.00	102.50
Engen, B. O. (3)	Hope	93	18	11.00	27.25	137.95
Evenson, Karl A.	BR	41	6	19.85	66.85	18.50
Keenan, Ben L.	BR	33	1	26.75	32.25	10.00
Rust, Clare G.				35.00	35.00	35.00
Totals		219	59	98.60	213.85	318.95



every Seventh-day Adventist home yet in my going from home to home I have found several, especially of our younger families and new families, who do not have this splendid book in their homes yet.

This is the best time to secure a copy of it as you can use it in connection with your lesson. You can have it in the paper binding in either German or English for 25 cents or you can get it in cloth binding, which ordinarily sells at \$1.50, at the special price of \$1.

I would urge all our people to secure a copy of this book. You will enjoy it and it will be a valuable help to you in your Sabbath school lesson study. H. Wentland.

### "PLEASE SEND ME ANOTHER"

A Nebraska Missionary Vounteer sent a dozen Morning Watch Calendars to as many friends, some of whom are not Seventh-day Adventists. A little later, there came a letter from a young woman, a Methodist, to whom a Calendar had been sent, in which she stated that she was not at home when the Calendar came, but her cousin had been using it, and had become so attached to it that she could not part with it; so she added, "Will you please send me another, provided it does not cost more than fifty cents?"

Last year there were sold 100,000 Morning Watch Calendars in North America. Hundreds of these went into the hands of people who are not members of the church. Responses like the above could be multiplied by the score. Thousands of young people are learning the value of the "Morning Watch," and to the faithful observance of it hundreds have attributed their growth in Christian experience.

Surely there is no nicer little gift for a friend than the Morning Watch Calendar, especially in the De Luxe binding. The 1932 Calendars are ready. The service edition costs only five cents, and the De Luxe edition fifteen cents. Can you think of a more suitable holiday present at a more reasonable price? Order from your Book and Bible House.

Let every Missionary Volunteer distribute at least ten Calendars among friends. H. T. Elliott.

### ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN BILLION CIGARETTES

Statisticians tell us that Americans smoke one hundred and fifteen billion cigarettes a year. That means about nine hundred cigarettes for every adult individual in the country. Many of us do not use them at all; hence others must use a tremendous number of these little "short smokes," as the Orientals call them. Having saved the price of about 1,000 cigarettes a year, we

should be in a position to help others to see the evils of the cigarette.

An excellent little book has recently come from the press, which, if placed in the hands of young men and women today, would do much to educate them regarding the evils of this terrible habit. The book is written by Dr. Kress. Dr. Kress has studied along this line for many years. He has helped hundreds to overcome the habit. He is known throughout the nation as one who is always ready to speak a word against tobacco in every form, and especially the cigarette. This book is very attractive, and will appeal especially to the young people. The price is only 25 cents, with 50 per cent discount on ten or more copies if ordered at one time, to one address. In case discounts are given, transportation charges must be paid by the purchaser. Order from your Book and Bible House.

### NORTHERN UNION HARVEST INGATHERING

Including Week Ending Oct. 17, 1931  
(As reported by church treasurers)

Conference	Gathered	Total
	Last Week	To Date
Iowa	1478.56	8061.48
Minnesota	641.26	10233.20
North Dakota	210.00	2538.10
South Dakota	199.31	5007.44

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Elder V. G. Anderson spent last week at Nevada, assisting in the academy field day and working the business district.

Brother Smouse says concerning Minnesota's Ingathering: "We are working hard to accomplish as much as last year. Three churches have reached and passed their full \$10 per member goals and eight have gone ahead of their last year's total so far."

Every conference in the Union raised more last week than was raised the corresponding week last year. Although the Union's total is less than last year, let us all work until we have made a gain.

The General Conference Bulletin contains the following: "From interviews with several workers in our field I find that the general conviction is that the national drive for the unemployed beginning this month, will not affect our campaign in the least, for the following reasons:

"1. This national drive will not reach into the homes of the masses.  
"2. It will not reach even into the average office.

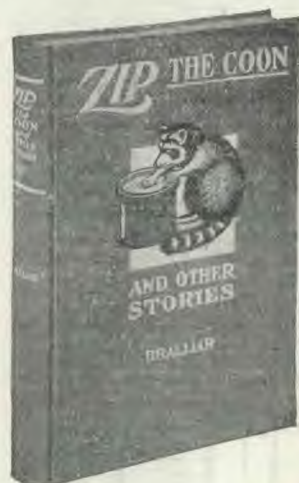
"3. It will primarily reach the captains of industry and men in high financial circles who will be expected to give thousands.

"I find, on the other hand, that

our brethren feel this national drive will react to our good, inasmuch as the publicity given the unemployment drive will tend to encourage the average man to give a little to our cause. There will be a sort of mass philanthropic stimulus that will be quite like the time of the World War, when there was so much public solicitation that our cause was greatly benefited by the general sympathetic feeling toward giving to any worthy cause."

Union Home Missionary Dept.

## ZIP THE COON and OTHER STORIES



THE first item that will interest you in this book is the cover design. Here we have the picture of Zip, the Coon who was an expert at skimming milk. He was full of pranks.

This story, in addition to ten more stories of animals that the writer, Professor Floyd Bralliar, has personally observed, will grip the heart of every reader, young and old. A full-page illustration precedes each story and a scientific description of the animal follows the narrative.

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