



PLACE OF MEETING SECURED

In last week's Reaper we called attention to the change in date of our coming Northern Union quadrennial session, which is to be held jointly with the Central Union meeting. Reasons for this arrangement were set forth in the Reaper of November 3, and said article was reproduced in the "Review and Herald" of November 26.

We endeavored to make clear last week that the date of this joint session was fixed for February 3-13, 1932, and the city of Omaha, Nebr., was the place selected for the meeting.

On December 1 the writer and Brother I. G. Ortner met Elder Jay J. Nethery and Brother R. T. Emery, officers of the Central Union, in Omaha to secure a place of meeting. We observed that the Seventh-day Adventist church in Omaha was not the most advantageously located for such a meeting, considering what the weather man is likely to hand out in Nebraska during February. We were however, made welcome to the use of the building by the pastor and congregation at Omaha, as well as the officers of the Nebraska Conference. We were informed also that the heating plant was growing not only a bit aged, but somewhat infirm, giving, however, acceptable service upon ordinary occasions and respectable weather, but to depend upon it when the occasion would be extraordinary and the weather unfavorable was not considered to be a wise plan by the committee.

However, we feel our dilemma was solved, and every need for the meeting was supplied when we fell into the hands of Mr. Jensen, the manager of the Rome Hotel, and Frank P. Fogarty, convention manager of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce. The results of a few hours association with these obliging and enterprising gentlemen were the following. Mr. Jensen proposed, upon our making the

Rome Hotel our official headquarters during the ten days of our conference and our considering rooming a respectable number of our delegates in his hotel at convention rates; to provide "Crystal Hall" a room in the hotel with ample seating capacity for our delegation and visitors, with committee rooms, office space, and every convenience needful to make our conference a complete success, entirely free.

We felt this was sufficient to warrant our favorable consideration. We thought, however, that our attendance upon the two Sabbaths of the conference would be such that a place other than the hotel would be desirable and should be provided. It was here that the Chamber of Commerce through their representative, Mr. Fogarty, came to our assistance. He proposed to get for these two days, February 6 and 13, the auditorium in the Odd Fellows Temple, located at 19th Street and Capitol Avenue. This hall is estimated to comfortably seat 1,100 people. They also place at our disposal in connection with the large auditorium sufficient lodge rooms and other small rooms to make possible an ideal Sabbath school for all departments from the Senior to the Cradle Roll. This beautiful auditorium with auxiliary rooms is given us without cost or expense to the conference.

We, therefore, have accepted of these proposals, and have decided to hold our joint sessions accordingly. We, therefore, announce that the quadrennial session of the Northern Union Conference will be held in Crystal Hall of the Rome Hotel in the city of Omaha, Nebr., from February 3 to 13 except the two Sabbath day services, which will be held in the auditorium of the Odd Fellows Temple as stated above, on the Corner of 19th Street and Capitol Avenue.

Locating committees will be appointed and on duty in time to assist the delegates in getting located, upon arrival, so all will be

comfortably provided for and ready for the opening session at ten o'clock February 3.

Charles Thompson.

SOUL-WINNING COLPORTEUR WORK IN THE NORTHERN UNION

Never before have we seen such results in actual soul-winning through our colporteur ministry. From every quarter of the Northern Union come reports of soul-saving directly or indirectly as a result of colporteur work. Last spring an entire church with a Sabbath school membership of thirty-three was voted into a conference here in the Northern Union as a result of the book work. From various localities come reports of one or more brought into the message through this agency. One colporteur reports nineteen especially interested ones found in his territory.

Visiting one of our large city churches a few Sabbaths ago, our colporteur located there introduced me to several new ones he found in his work with whom he held some studies with the result that they are now rejoicing in the message. Letters like the following are coming in from various sections of the field which further indicate the effectiveness of the colporteur work:

Hamburg, Iowa, October 24, 1931
Dear Workers for our Master:

My mother bought a book from a lady agent in 1916 or 1917. It was called "Bible Readings for the Home Circle." It is the best book of its kind I have ever seen. I treasure it much, as I was only a little girl then. The pictures alone are worth the price. It is a very valuable book to me as I do religious work and evangelistic singing. I am wondering what tracts, papers or literature you have to offer, if any. Would like samples and price lists. Hoping to hear from you soon. Thanks!

Yours in His name,
(Signed) —————

Allison, Iowa, October 30, 1931

Dears Sirs:

I wish to know where I can get one of your books known as "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" or maybe you have a different name for the same at the present time. Please advise as to price, your nearest dealer or agent, or branch house. I thank you.

(Signed)

"In a larger degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory." "Testimonies", Vol. VII, p. 140.

Surely, brethren, the Lord is making a quick work in the earth. He is cutting it short in righteousness. Many more colporteurs ought to be engaged in the good work. Are there not many who could work part time? Many of our sisters could accomplish much in this line of service using a few spare hours now and then. Many are doing so. If you feel God is calling you to engage in the good work, do not hesitate. Write to your conference office for further information.

Geo. A. Campbell.

REPORTING

I was forcefully impressed with the importance of reporting at a recent convention held at Good Thunder, Minn. Elder Dirksen inquired of Brother Nenno, one of our members from Mankato who is employed by the United States government, as to how often he reported to the government. He replied that he reported every day, and if he should fail to report for two days, a detective would be on hand to find out the reason. If he failed to report for three weeks, he no doubt would be out of employment.

Elder Dirksen then brought out how we are in the service of a much higher government and many fail to make a report.

As a denomination we have a reporting system whereby every member is to report regularly. We are to report for the encouragement of others and for the glory of God. Heaven has a reporting system whereby angels record every act and word. Reporting may appear to be a small matter, but being faithful in that which is least is very important. Practically the whole Bible is a great report. The "Review and Herald" is a weekly report of our world-wide work. It brings courage to one another. Your individual report added to the many others shows what God is doing through His people. If you have not been faithful in reporting, start now and be faithful during 1932.

V. G. Anderson.

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WEEK OF PRAYER APPOINTMENTS

Another Week of Prayer has arrived and if there ever was a time when all our people should participate earnestly in such meetings for Bible Study, seeking the Lord and consecration, such is certainly the case just now. The conference workers will do their best in helping the churches with the meetings, however, the number is not large enough to have a worker in every church and the workers can stay only two or three days with each church they are going to visit. Each worker will inform each respective church himself just what days he expects to be present. We hope, however, that our church elders will not rely entirely on the help the conference workers are to give, but that each one may go ahead and plan to have the church meet every day during the Week of Prayer. A few of our local elders have kindly consented to help us in some nearby churches.

The appointments are as follows:

A. A. Leiske: Valley City, Oakes, Deisem.

D. K. Olson: Grand Forks, Hatton.

G. J. Engevik: Devils Lake, Rock Lake, Deering.

B. A. Relle: Cleveland, Medina, Gackle, Streeter.

G. P. Gaede: Pleasant Valley, New Home, Bowdon, Bowdon Village.

F. F. Schwindt: Harvey, Manfred Goodrich, McClusky.

R. R. Bietz: Hazelton, Napoleon, Lehr, Kulm.

J. H. Seibel: Woodworth, Pettibone, Robinson.

John Stern: Sheyenne, Lincoln Valley.

Peter J. Schmidt: Denhoff.

H. Wentland: Killdeer, Dunn Center, Golden Valley, Hazen, Driscoll.

B. A. Scherr: Belfield, Dickinson, Taylor, Hebron, Lark.

George Hmelevsky: Max, Great Stone, Butte, Dogden Butte.

J. C. Michalenko: Kief.

E. A. Piper: Minot, Palermo, Wheelock.

H. J. Meyer: Bismarck, Jamestown, Fargo.

Should we be able to secure some additional help for any of the churches, the churches will receive notice accordingly. H. J. Meyer.

SUCCESSFUL HOME BIBLE STUDY LEAGUE

We should like to say a word about the Goodrich Home Bible Study League. This society has been doing a splendid work in sending out "Signs of the Times" systematically. There are other societies in the state that are also doing good work. We could mention such as Harvey, Bowdon, New Home, Denhoff, Lincoln Valley, Kulm and others.

The reason we mention Goodrich at this time is the fact that they have carefully sent out their papers by the week and instead of writing carelessly with a pencil or writing any place on the wrapper they have neatly typewritten each name every week. Then they followed up their papers with letters to the persons to whom the papers were sent, enclosing a post card for reply. Immediately upon sending out these letters the replies began to come in. In just a few days ten cards came in from interested readers asking for more "Signs" and for a list of our tracts. Two asked for a Bible worker to call to teach them how to study the Bible.

After getting these replies and seeing what our people could do in home missionary work my heart was deeply stirred and I thought of the home missionary leaders and secretaries in our state who are doing practically nothing in sending out our literature. It seems as though our churches in some places are getting slack in giving this message to outsiders. I think sometimes we are like the Pharisee. We go to church each Sabbath and sing our songs and have our prayers and thank God that we are not like the other people who do not have the message, but do little to help them.

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We are pleased to say a word for our city churches like Fargo, Minot and Devils Lake that are doing a splendid work with "Signs" by putting them in reading racks, giving them out to offices, and distributing them from door to door.

Let us arouse ourselves and check up our home missionary officers and assist them in getting a club of our "Signs of the Times" for systematic distribution. Do it now.

B. A. Scherr.

INGATHERING OF SOULS AT MINOT

A large number of believers and friends gathered at the church at Minot on Sabbath, October 24, to witness the baptism of twelve candidates, two by Elder Hmelevsky, pastor of the church at Max, and ten by the writer.

There seems to be a deep interest manifested in our work in this district. Twenty-four have been baptized so far this year, and many more are contemplating taking the step. Several requests for evangelistic meetings have come in from those not of our faith, and we believe there will be a great harvest of souls this year.

Meetings have been held at Keene, Deering and Wheelock in connection with the Harvest Ingathering work. We have also begun a series of meetings near Kenmare recently, and we are praying earnestly for the salvation of souls in this place. We solicit the prayers of the Reaper family in behalf of our work.

E. A. Piper.

NOT TOO LATE

It is not too late!

What? To finish up the Harvest Ingathering, if you have some territory left.

This was demonstrated when the writer, in company with Brother Barkley, went from Walhalla to the little towns of Edinburg and Langdon recently and in a very short time secured almost \$40.

Some people are anxious to know what the prevailing world conditions mean. One banker told us he would give us the proceeds of seven farms, but it would mean a loss to us—and this is the story over much of our state—still he gave a donation, and many said they wished they could do better and invited us to come again next year. The Walhalla church has raised the goal of \$10 per member and is still at it.

Our members at Walhalla have prayed and worked to the end that they might have a church school this year. For this purpose they planted two acres of potatoes in

the spring hoping to realize a good sum of money from this, but when the time of harvest came the price had dropped to 15 cents per bushel for first grade. Just as they had the potatoes all dug ready to take into town a large truck came by whose driver took the whole lot at 25 cents per bushel. Does God hear prayer? Well, we all felt it was a very special blessing and our little ones there are rejoicing under the instruction of a Christian teacher. We are of good courage.

David K. Olson.

NEW HOME M. V. SOCIETY

Several weeks ago during the young people's convention at New Home, Elder Bond brought before us many important present day problems which are facing our young people. He also gave us the solution to the various problems, which will aid us in avoiding many mistakes in our Christian experience.

Our young people at New Home wish to thank Elders Bond and Scherr for the great help we have received during the convention. We also extend a hearty welcome to them for a future date in the coming year.

Our society has already been organized for the new year. We are now preparing an interesting course of study which will go into effect the first of January. Also our new year's resolutions are being planned for the coming year. Each member of the society is to keep a list on his or her desk of non-Christian characteristics. Such a list on a study table or other convenient place may serve as a perpetual reminder of the New Year's resolution.

Our educational secretary who has charge of the Bible Year, Reading Course, and Standard of Attainment has new devices and plans she has introduced to aid our society in attaining new heights.

We are willing to do our small part in this great M. V. movement. Our earnest prayer is that we might win souls for our Lord by keeping the young people in the church.

Because of weather conditions during the winter months, we shall not be able to have our programs so often as during the pleasant months of the year. We regret this very much, but as soon as road conditions will allow traveling any distance, things will be back in the usual routine.

We plan to have our next program December 19. All those living near enough are cordially invited to come and enjoy it with us.

Wayne R. Wentland.

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THE ANNUAL OFFERING

As we write, the Week of Sacrifice reports are not all in, but some of which we have heard are encouraging. Redfield is leading with about \$300. As the Week of Sacrifice and Annual Offering have come so close together, we have chosen to lay the greater emphasis on the latter, in view of its general usage in the past, to have a last strong united effort before the year's close. We know local conditions and are aware of what a strong call like this means, yet we confidently feel that it should be made. Elder Spicer calls attention to the way the lack of means is "cruelly felt" by the mission board at a time when the fields are "dead ripe" for harvest.

Looking back over the way, we can see many evidences of the Lord's care and blessing. Here is a quotation: "Our time and talents, our property should be sacredly devoted to him who has given us all these blessings in trust. Whenever a special deliverance is wrought in our behalf, or new and unexpected favors are granted us, we should acknowledge God's goodness, not only by expressing our gratitude in words, but, like Jacob, by gifts and offerings to His work. As we are continually receiving the blessings of God, so we are to be continually giving." "Patriarchs and Prophets," pp. 187, 188.

Gorden Oss.

THANKSGIVING DAY AT PLAINVIEW

Thanksgiving morning the writer and his wife drove on to the campus of Plainview Academy to fulfill the invitation which had so kindly been extended to us by the school family.

We were given a hearty welcome by the familiar voice and outstretched hand of Professor Hartman, who said, "Hello, folks! We are glad to see you here." (Did you notice Professor Hartman said, "We are glad to see you," speaking as one of the school family?)

Soon we were ushered to the dining room to partake of the good dinner which had been prepared by Miss Egger and the girls. It was inspiring to be in the midst of a large family of one faith and purpose. During the dinner, we were

entertained by different members of the school family who gave toasts and vocal and instrumental selections.

It was announced that there would be open house on the girls' side that evening, so all gathered in the girls' parlor at 7:30. We were ushered to the different rooms and I am glad to report that they were all 100 per cent. Then we were called to the chapel where all were entertained for an hour and a half by a very interesting program under the leadership of Miss Huffman and Mrs. Hartman.

To the readers of this article I wish to say, we have much to be thankful for when we have located in our conference an institution such as this, which has such high scholastic and spiritual standards. From the years I spent in connection with this school, I can truly say it is a haven of rest to any boy or girl who attends. Fathers and mothers, isn't it a great satisfaction to you to know your son or daughter is in safe keeping in a time like this? I advise one and all to pay the school a visit and feel the brotherly love that exists there. Then I know you will say "even though it means sacrifice, I will place my boy or girl there." For God says at the time He gathers His people together, "Here are they that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice." Leslie McKinley.

PLAINVIEW ITEMS

Mr. Alten Bringle will give a musical program in the academy chapel Saturday evening, December 19.

The outside students had charge of Missionary Volunteer meeting Sabbath, December 5. They gave "The Challenge of the Cross."

Those visiting our school during the Thanksgiving season were: Mr. and Mrs. John Strudle of Leola, Laurence Kempf of Hartford, Lloyd Levison of Viborg, Arthur Rifenburg and Wayne Brown of Union College, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McKinley of Watertown, and Clarice Mason of Aberdeen.

Prof. M. E. Cady spent Thursday and Friday at the school and had charge of the chapel exercises on both days. He spoke on "Truth" Thursday morning and Friday morning on "How to spread the Truth", in which he brought out the training of the voice. His visit to our school was enjoyed by both students and teachers.

The girls' annual open house was held the evening after Thanks-

giving, November 26. The guests were divided into groups and then taken through the dormitory by a group leader. It was an imaginary trip around the world as each room represented some important city which was to be guessed by the guests. After the room inspection, all assembled in chapel for a program given by the girls. They gave the life of a girl from babyhood to the evening of life, giving in pantomime different events in school life and in professional life. All assembled in the dining room and were served refreshments.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Miss Lenore Nesmith, treasurer of the Florence church, brought in her November report during the week while in Watertown on business.

Elder Gorden Oss spent a few days at the office and left Friday morning for Hecla where he will be with Elder Babcock on Sabbath and Sunday, December 5 and 6.

It will be appreciated if those who know themselves to be indebted to the Book and Bible House will pay their accounts before the month closes.

Brother Leslie McKinley, who is holding an effort at LaPlant, reports a very good interest. He believes that there will be a few who will take their stand for the truth.

On account of the snow and bad roads Elder Stotz had to discontinue his meetings at Murdo. He plans on holding meetings in the Burke vicinity as soon as the roads are passable.

We have an assortment of German pocket-size Bibles ranging in price from \$1.25 to \$4.50. A 10 per cent discount will be given on these prices during the holiday season, the same as on the English.

A few days ago a holiday circular was sent into the field quoting special prices on practically our entire stock of books and Bibles. We hope our people will take advantage of these low prices and send us their orders soon.

At this writing there are only a few copies of the Week of Prayer number of the "Review and Herald" left. In case you order one and do not get it, it will be because they were all sent out before your request was received.

On Sabbath, November 28, Charles Gusso was seriously injured on his

farm west of Florence, and he passed away the following Monday in one of the hospitals in Watertown. Elder Niermeyer, assisted by Elder Oss and Brother Bringle, had charge of the funeral, Thursday, December 3. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Sister Gusso and her family in this hour of sorrow.

Miss Claire Wininger, our state Sabbath school secretary, is visiting some of the schools and churches in the southern part of the state. She met with the Swan Lake church Thursday evening when they had their Investment program, and from there she went to Mitchell for Sabbath, December 5. She will visit the Brookfield and Canistota schools during the week and the following Sabbath she will be with the Madison church.

THIS YEAR'S WEEK OF PRAYER

What shall this week bring us? There will be readings, meetings, prayers and offerings. "The Lord is able to give thee much more than this."

I am thinking about some family altars that it appears have broken down. How is it with yours, dear reader? Is your house a house of prayer? Is there a set time when a respectful offering of praise is offered to Him from whom all blessings flow? Will the children in the coming days borrow strength or defeat from their present home life? Oh, shall we not cease putting off the needful things? A rugged family altar in every one of the six hundred or more Seventh-day Adventist homes in the conference, how much it would mean! Let us repair every broken altar this coming Week of Prayer. Let us be in earnest. Jacob said to the angel, "I will not let thee go except thou bless me."

There will be no published list as to where the workers will labor in view of several possible changes. Practically every church will be remembered. May the Lord bless us according to our vital needs for this hour. This calls for a liberal blessing from our heavenly Father, but He is able. Brethren, let us pray. Gorden Oss.

Simple friendship is the most helpful expression of any man's religion. He is most like God who most loves man. Religion at its best is doing deeds of kindness, showing friendship in plain, everyday ways. It is the laying down of life for men; not dying, but by daily living for them. By thoughtfulness, gentle consideration, practical helpfulness by doing whatever the Friend of sinners would do for them, it proves itself born from above.

Henry F. Cope.

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WORK AT OSKALOOSA

The Harvest Ingathering campaign is practically over for another year in our Ottumwa district. It has been somewhat harder to solicit for outside interests this fall. I found that despite the depression most every one was apparently ready to give liberally to the respective community chests. However, I have been impressed with the generosity of the many who have so willingly contributed to our world work. Somehow I have been led to believe that the Spirit of God has directed the donors to give to this cause in the face of pressing local needs.

I spent additional time at the beginning of the campaign this fall with the Oskaloosa church, in helping them solicit for their new church building. Up to date we have raised at this place between \$350 and \$400 chiefly from the business section of Oskaloosa. While only a part of this amount will be credited to the Harvest Ingathering Fund, our people of Oskaloosa should be complimented for their loyalty to the cause through the years and for their sacrifices and earnest efforts this summer and fall in the building and completing of their first church home. It is imperative that we foster the interests of our mission work but to do this we must build churches and build up our membership at the home base.

We have recently taken up labor in the western part of the conference where I will have charge of district number 9. Our home address is 1704 South 10th Street Council Bluffs, Iowa. We regret to leave our old district where we have labored for the past three years. In this time we have learned to know and love our dear people, and we take this opportunity to say farewell to all. May the Lord lead us into a deeper experience in the things of God that we shall be loyal to Him and to His cause till the work is finished. R. F. Bresee.

SABBATH SCHOOL FLASHLIGHTS

Mrs. Anna Marshall, superintendent of the Monroe Sabbath school of only six members, sent a check for \$20.56, their Investment Offering, and said: "I am sorry that it is not more, but hope that, with

the blessing of the Lord, it will do a little good." We surely have appreciated each year the investment efforts of this faithful little group of members. They have always had fine returns and we count this such also, even though it is not so much as they have had in more favorable years. If we could have that same average for every six senior members in the state, our Investment Fund would go over the goal and we would have the children's offerings to add after that. There are great possibilities in this Investment plan and now that the funds must of necessity come a little slower, let us plan early to do something special for next year's effort, doing our part in work and asking the Lord to bless it to the good of His cause. If all, young and old would do some little thing in this, I am sure that in 1932 we should have the largest Investment amount ever raised in Iowa.

Mrs. Minnie Linscott, secretary of the Sioux City Sabbath school, writes: "My dear Sister Dorcas, I must tell you about our Investment program. Much excitement prevailed on the morning of the fourteenth. Those who had been saving were anxious to turn in their money. After a program of dialogues, songs and recitations we had roll call and every one stood and told how he had earned his money. All of this was very interesting to every one present. Those who had their money with them passed to the front and placed their offerings in a big basket. Many were not ready to hand their money in, but they promised to have it by the last of the year, so it can count on this year's goal. All were very happy when the offering was counted and found to be \$95.16 for the day. This being added to the amount already turned in and totaled with the amount turned in since that time is \$199.66. There is a promise of at least \$50 more. Our superintendent's husband, Mr. G. N. Bushnell, turned in \$25.15 which he had been saving in odd change for almost a year, and not even his immediate family knew of his saving the money. We are rejoicing in the hope that this offering will win many souls to Jesus. If you wish I shall be glad to send a list of the names and what each one did."

We surely want the list. Many have wished before this time to have the Sioux City school tell just how they manage to raise so much Investment, and we are sure that all will be glad to read the details of this effort. These lists will help others to decide what to do this coming year.

Juanita A. Hircock, secretary of the Winterset Sabbath school: "We

had our Investment program on November 21. We have collected \$33.20 and there is more to come in — Jessie Clark, \$5; Edna Dunn, gooseberries, \$3.21; Mrs. C. Hansen, eggs laid on the Sabbath; Inez Jackson, one cent for every quart of fruit, \$3.38; Raymond Hircock, \$2; Mrs. Raymond Hircock, \$1; Betty Marie Hircock, \$1 for chicken; Anna Grove, money earned, \$6.60; Mrs. Davis, \$3; Juanita A. Hircock, pennies, \$2; Alvin Jackson, potatoes, \$2; Mary Jane Jackson, \$1.14; Carl Clark, chickens, \$2.45; Harold Clark, chickens, \$2.08."

Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

IOWA ITEMS

Everett Pearson and his family of Nevada have moved into the lower apartment of the conference property.

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Miss Bess Stanfield of the Boone church came to Nevada on the evening of November 29 to spend Sunday visiting with friends.

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Brother Ben Marshall of the conference office at Grand Island, Nebr., came with his family to Monroe, Iowa, to spend Thanksgiving Day with his parents and other relatives.

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Elder McVagh spent Sabbath, November 28, with the church at Mason City. He was called to New Hartford on December 1, to conduct the funeral service of Sister N. P. Olsen of that place.

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Miss Bertha Christensen, sister of Mrs. Arthur E. Axelsson, and Miss Esther Evers, both of whom were graduated from the Hinsdale nurses' training class last spring, spent a few days at the Axelsson home in Nevada last week.

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Brother G. A. Campbell has been spending some time in our conference assisting Brother Knecht in getting recruits for the holiday book trade. They found a lively interest in the churches visited to date. It would be well if every one in the conference could read the colporteur's news letter sent out regularly by Brother Knecht. It is a real inspiration to the colporteurs. The office has received several letters of late from those wishing to secure more of our literature. The seed sown is bearing fruit and arousing deeper interest in those who have purchased books and are in the message for this time. It is surely a good work to help distribute our literature and eternity alone will disclose all the wonderful results.

Finish the 1931 Training Course study, report as to its value and receive a certificate from the General Conference office. In writing of her intention to encourage the Sioux City training class to do this, the superintendent, Mrs. G. N. Bushnell said: "To me it has been the most wonderful study, outside of Bible study, that I have ever had anything to do with. Kenneth and I have taken it together and he is always in the class at church." It is fine for our young people to be getting the training afforded by the Sabbath school course study each year. In the little book, "Testimonies on Sabbath School Work," we find this: "The Lord calls for young men and women to gird themselves for life-long earnest labor in the Sabbath school work."

WEDDING BELLS

On Thursday, November 26, at noon in Hampton, Iowa, Miss Wava Newton and Mr. Edwin Fredericksen were united in holy matrimony, the writer performing the service.

Miss Newton has been at the Iowa Sanitarium for some time as nurse, and Mr. Fredericksen has also worked at the institution. As these young people start out in life together it is with the good wishes of all their friends. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Newton. A few guests were present.

As the words were pronounced that united these two, it was with the admonition that they ever have Jesus in their home as an honored guest.

T. H. Jeys.

OAK PARK NEWS NOTES

Lorraine Arnold moved from Elder Nixon's to Herman Staff's recently.

Miss Veda Griswold of the class of '30 visited the school Friday, November 27.

Russell Hoffman accompanied Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnston to Des Moines recently.

Katie and Morton Davis have returned from a short visit to their home at Hinsdale.

A light snow estimated to be about two and one-half inches, fell Thanksgiving evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Saver and Gertrude Eliot, of New Hampton, visited Helen March recently.

Although there was no Thanksgiving vacation, many of the students went home over the weekend.

The chapel period of November 17 was spent in playing a game of fox and geese by the students and teachers.

Professor Parker's brother and his wife and daughter, and his step-mother, visited him Thursday, November 26.

Elder Bond, who conducted the Week of Prayer, led out in some new and interesting games Saturday night, November 21.

An interesting volley-ball game was played Sunday afternoon by several of the boys and teachers of the school.

Elder Nixon spent a few hours Sunday afternoon with some of the teachers and students in a very interesting tree study for the benefit of those who are working to be Master Comrades.

Elder C. Lester Bond, associate secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference, led out during our fall Week of Prayer, which was held from November 13-20.

Some of the students enjoyed their first skate Wednesday and Thursday. Although the large pond was not frozen, they skated on a small pond near the barn. Skating is surely going to be good this year from present indications.

NOTICE

The Cresco church will hold an all-day program at the church building in Cresco, Iowa, on the closing day of the Week of Prayer, December 19. At that time the Annual Offering will be received. The Sabbath school will open at 9:45 a. m., and will be followed by the regular preaching service at 11 a. m. At 1:00 p. m. the program will be given, consisting of speeches, songs, and declamations appropriate for such an occasion.

Invitation is hereby given to our neighboring churches at Waukon, Village Creek, Riceville, Charles City, Hawkeye, St. Ansgar, together with any others who may be inclined to be with us on this occasion.

The church is located on 4th Ave., just across the street north of the high school building. Do not forget the date, Dec. 19, 1931.

T. H. Jeys.

What thought can be more rich and solemn than this of God so utterly filling the universe with Himself that out of no unexplored corner of it can start any anxiety to surprise Him? —Phillips Brooks.

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ADDITIONAL WEEK OF PRAYER APPOINTMENTS

N. R. Nelson.

Dec. 12, 13, 14, Granite Falls.

Dec. 15, Artichoke.

Dec. 16, Gilchrist.

Dec. 17, Litchfield.

Dec. 19, Duluth.

Change in Schedule

C. Edwardson.

Dec. 12, Artichoke, 11:00 A. M.

Dec. 13, Artichoke, 2:00 P. M.

Dec. 14, Dawson, 2:00 P. M.

Dec. 15, Montevideo, 2:00 P. M.

Dec. 16, Willmar, 7:30 P. M.

Dec. 17, Willmar, 2:00 P. M.

Dec. 18, Gilchrist, 2:00 P. M.

Dec. 19, Gilchrist, 11:30 A. M.

Dec. 13, Willmar, 2:00 P. M.

Business meetings as follows:

Litchfield already held

Gilchrist, Thursday, Dec. 3.

Artichoke, Between Dec. 6 and 12

as they wish.

Montevideo, Dec. 15.

Willmar, Dec. 19, 7:45 P. M.

A. H. Rulkoetter.

HARVEST INGATHERING			
For Week Ending Nov. 28, 1931			
Church	Number working	Amount this week	To Date
Conference	82	60.26	792.84
Mpls. Eng.	211	32.56	1754.84
Faribault	22	26.00	268.73
Staples	10	11.74	110.49
Duluth First	30	10.54	328.60
Hewitt	8	10.00	37.78
St. Paul Eng.	163	8.35	2163.20
Roseau	6	.40	68.00
Mpls. Swedish	40		330.50
*Virginia	11		295.96
Previously reported			12318.20
	573	270.13	12588.33
To Nov. 29, 1930		408.26	15242.72

Losses 138.13 2654.39

In the report next week we will endeavor to give the total receipts to the close of the records for November, and we hope the Harvest Ingathering funds sent in by the church treasurers who have not reported weekly, will considerably increase the figures in next week's report. The time is now growing very short during which additional funds may be raised or sent in to apply on this year's Harvest Ingathering goal, so I would appeal to all who are planning to either solicit more funds or to give what they can to help out in the 1931 campaign, to

do it very soon, for when you read this there will be just two more weeks before the last Sabbath in December. May the Lord help us each to do our best so that we shall have no sad regrets after the year closes, with reference to failure to do our part in the campaign this year.

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

Quintuple Centurion Band: Elder W. B. Pontynen.

Silver Crown Band: F. W. Vassenius, Mrs. Gertrude Gorham.

Loyal Legion Band: Jean Sansam, Marie Peterson, Gertrude Rooks, Mrs. H. Waterhouse, Mrs. W. L. Hinkley, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Morton, Anna Ledin, P. L. Shaleen.

A. R. Smouse, Treasurer.

THE FINISH

Much is said about beginning the new year right, but is it not just as essential to close the old year properly? While the idea that a good beginning is worth half the task, yet the finishing of the task is vital. Many lives begin in promise but end in defeat.

As the shadows of eternity gather around 1931, how will your year's record stand? Are there unconfessed sins, unfulfilled obligations, tithes withheld, or wrongs unrighted? While it is true that our salvation is not to be obtained by the correcting of these things, it certainly is not obtained without the adjustment of them. Opportunity is yours today.

As we draw to the close of the Week of Prayer, ought we not to put forth an effort by God's grace to correct the past as far as lies within our power? In fact, how can we begin the new year right without giving the proper consideration to the old? May this week bring victory to you. May it be the means of strengthening your fellowship with the Infinite.

A. H. Rulkoetter.

100 PER CENT DAYS

The first Sabbath of 1931 was a 100 Per Cent Day in many Sabbath schools throughout the state. Would it not be a good plan to close this year and begin the new one with a similar record. It might be advisable for the Sabbath school officers to make their plans early and to give plenty of publicity to the undertaking.

We are counting on your school and upon you as a member of the school to help us make the conference record 100 per cent. Will you try? A. H. Rulkoetter.

GOOD THUNDER CONVENTION

Under the direction of Elder Dirksen, the conference home missionary secretary, a very interesting and profitable convention was held at the Good Thunder church beginning Friday evening, November 20, and closing Sunday night, November 22. Elder V. G. Anderson, home missionary secretary of the Northern Union Conference, preached a very forceful sermon to open the convention on Friday evening. There was a very good attendance Sabbath morning from the Mankato, Wells and Good Thunder churches. After Sabbath school, Elder Anderson spoke to a well filled church and his sermon was favorably received by all. At the beginning of the afternoon services Brother Dittberner, the elder of the Mankato church, led out in a consecration service, after which some of the phases of missionary endeavor were considered. In the evening Elder Garner, pastor of the St. Paul English church, preached a very interesting sermon. On Sunday morning the duties and responsibilities of church officers were presented for consideration, Brother Engen of Wells leading out in the discussion. The rest of the day was devoted to the consideration of other topics along missionary lines presented by members of the different churches.

In the evening Elder Garner spoke on the fulfillment of prophecy and the signs showing the second coming of Christ to be near at hand. All who attended felt that it was a very profitable meeting and that it was good to be there. They were also inspired to do more missionary work. R. E. Campbell.

MINNESOTA ITEMS

The offering in the church service next Sabbath, December 12, is for local church expense, as is customary on the second Sabbath of the month.

With the 13th Sabbath only three weeks distant, doubtless all are thinking seriously of the call for help to advance the Mohammedan work in the Central European Division. Let us remember that our prayers as well as our offerings are needed for the mission fields.

Sabbath school officers are urged to check up on the needs of their classes to see that the necessary supplies are ordered at once for the new year. Please make it a point to have a copy of the new lesson quarterly in the hands of every member by December 19 that there

may be no omission of the daily study of the lesson.

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Elders Dirksen and Wolfe began an evangelistic effort in the church at Mankato on Sunday night, November 29. It was also planned for Sunday night evangelistic services to begin in St. Paul and Minneapolis last Sunday, December 6. In Minneapolis the auditorium of the Business Women's Club at Second Avenue South and Eighth Street has been secured by Elder Johns for these services, and in St. Paul Elder Garner will hold these Sunday night meetings in the Odd Fellow Temple at 156 West Ninth Street. Both these halls are commodious and well located, so we would urge our people to invite their friends and relatives living in the Twin Cities to attend. The prayers of our readers are also solicited in behalf of these efforts and their success.

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The St. Paul English church under the leadership of Elder Garner, put forth a special effort this fall to raise more than last year in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. A jubilee program was planned to be held when the total of last year's record was passed. The receipts for the week were reported by the pastor at the beginning of the church service each Sabbath and much interest was shown by the members in the effort to reach the desired objective. The figures reported Sabbath morning, November 21, indicated that last year's totals had been passed, so the jubilee program was announced for the evening after the Sabbath of November 28. At that time an appropriate program of music and speaking was presented in the council chamber of the St. Paul city hall, which had been secured for the occasion. The program was well attended and enjoyed by all. Many of the members raised much more than the average individual quota of \$10 and there were a goodly number who reached the goals of the Silver Crown, Gold Star, and even the Centurion Bands, as was indicated by the names previously published in the Harvest Ingathering reports. If the members of every church had worked as faithfully, the conference would be well past the total of last year's record right now, and would probably make a new high record for the year even in spite of the existing depression, so what has been accomplished this year by the St. Paul English church is especially appreciated, as are also the efforts of those other churches and members who have worked unusually hard this year in order to make the campaign successful and to help keep our missionaries in the fields.

We were indeed sorry to receive word the fore part of last week regarding the death of Mrs. F. E. Cornwell of Mankato. Arrangements were made for Elder Wolfe to conduct the funeral service on Wednesday afternoon and it was attended by a large number of sympathizing friends. We would join with them in extending our sincere sympathy to the members of the family in this bereavement which has come to them.

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It is recommended that a copy of the "Sabbath School Worker" be in the hands of every teacher. Those who teach, and others, also, will be pleased with the increased size and improved appearance of this paper beginning with the January issue. The Workers' Training Course for the new year is explained in detail on the last page of this number. It will be noticed that the book to be studied, "Bible Manners and Customs", may be had for 95 cents, which is quite a reduction from the usual price of \$1.25. Orders for both the paper and book should be placed with the Book and Bible House.

MAPLEWOOD NEWS

Brother and Sister Odegaard and Elder N. R. Nelson were guests at the school last week.

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Professor M. E. Cady was a welcome visitor at the school from Sunday night until Tuesday of last week. The students and teachers had the privilege of hearing him speak at the chapel hour on Monday and Tuesday and at joint worship on Monday evening.

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Miss Wavie Tubbs was hostess at a waffle breakfast given in the dining hall, Sunday morning, November 29. The guests were Mrs. Stanley Ledington, Mrs. Pearl Pettis, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fowler, and Misses Sadie Johnson, Ethel Hartzell, Lina Seppala, Theodora Wirak and Leslie Culpepper.

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The program given by the young women at their regular Wednesday night club meeting on December 2 included talks on the following subjects: How to live happily in one room, by Miss Dahl; Cliques, by Alma Lorentzen; Keeping the school home clean, by Hazel Davis;

and Gum chewing, by Carrie Young. The musical number for the evening was a cornet solo by Elma Danek, accompanied by Esther Olson.

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The school family was made sad last week to learn of the death of Mrs. F. E. Cornwell, of Mankato, mother of Dorene and Elmer, who are students at the school. Professor and Mrs. Ray Fowler, Arthur Stewart, Le Verne Melendy and Erma Miller represented the teachers and students at the funeral to extend to the bereaved ones the sincere sympathy of the school family. The senior class, of which both Dorene and Elmer are members, sent a floral offering.

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