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"BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS"

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#### HE KNOWS

He knows the bitter, weary way: He knows the endless striving, day by day, The souls that weep, the souls that pray, He knows.

He knows how hard the fight has been, The clouds that come our lives between, The wounds the world hath never seen, He knows.

He knows when faint and worn we sink; How deep the pain, how near the brink Of dark despair we pause and shrink— He knows.

He knows! O, thought so full of bliss, For though our joys on earth we miss, We still can bear it, feeling this— He knows.

-Selected.

# AN IMPORTANT CALL FOR MARCH 15

Sabbath, March 15, brings to us an opportunity of unusual privilege, that of uniting as a people in establishing our denominational medical college hospital. It is the first time this matter has been presented to us in this way, and the occasion deserves and demands our most hearty response. The object of this call for help is one that appeals to every individual among us, and should move us to a united action in performing the thing required.

The development of our medical missionary work since its origin with us fifty years ago, has ever called for advance moves. It has made progress according as we have kept pace with its demands. Its growth has been constant and certain, and untold good has been accomplished in field and institutional work. We come to the place where it seemed absolutely necessary that we have our own medical college, where an education could be given that would in the highest sense meet the needs of Seventh-day Adventist medical workers. After most eareful investigation, and with evident leadings of God's providences, the College of Medical Evangelists was established at Loma Linda, California. After three years' experience in conducting this school, the wisdom of its establishment is being fully demonstrated.

There are at present sixty-three students in attend-A number of these are now entering their ance. fourth year. Their education thus far has been such as could be given with present facilities. They now come to the more important part of their education and training, where they must have practical experience in the care and treatment of the sick. They need to make application of the knowledge they have gained in right methods of treatment, such as we teach, and which they wish to follow in their future work. They should have opportunity of seeing these methods employed and of studying their effects. They should, under the supervision of our own physicians, be permitted to diagnose and prescribe treatment. This need can not be met in outside medical schools or hospitals.

Aside from the evident value of facilities for giving the most efficient training, there are the legal requirements, which demand certain standards of education before permitting students to pass examinations for actual practise. A people occupying the prominent position we do in conducting health institutions, and in the promulgation of health principles should certainly not be satisfied with anything below the highest standard recognized by the world. We must not only be prepared to meet this, but go as far beyond it as the special needs of our work may demand. This we are aiming to do in the work of our medical college.

Above all, there is the important matter of holding our own medical students and future missionaries under the influence of our own instructors, where they may have the most favorable conditions for maintaining in the highest degree their love for and interest in the cause of truth in which they are called to serve. Any one can readily see that this is essential to the right training of our workers.

The establishment of a hospital will do more than simply supply a means of advanced education. It will open a way whereby many of our own people can receive the best of attention and hospital care at most moderate cost. It will also bring to us a large number of people from without, who could not enter sanitariums where the rates are necessarily higher. The services rendered will be of the highest efficiency, and the most kindly consideration will be shown all.

This matter comes before us in the appointment of a special Hospital Day, at which time we will make an offering to this work. It is thought that, if we average fifty cents each in our gifts, it will meet the needs. While some may find it a little difficult to meet this amount, with the other calls that come, others can surely give much more, thus helping to make up the full sum. Let the occasion be one of liberal response, and let us in this one effort establish this most worthy and needed enterprise, a hospital for our medical college at Loma Linda.

A. G. DANIELLS.

## THE BOOK WORK

We have just returned from the bookmen's convention, which was held at Mountain View, California, January 12-22. We wish you might have had the privilege of attending that meeting and listening to the splendid reports from the field.

The motto appearing on the walls of the assembly room "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us," was forcibly impressed upon us as the reports of the work done in the Pacific Press territory for the past year were given. The sales for the year 1912 were \$459,-000, which was the largest in the history of the Pacific Press Publishing Association.

There were present at the convention about seventy field agents and Tract Society sceretaries, representing the territory west of the Mississippi river, with the exception of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. This was the largest convention of its kind ever held, and we believe that the plans laid and the discussions entered into will only lead to the enlargement of the work and the scattering of the printed page to those who sit in darkness.

It was many times impressed upon us that we are not in this work for the 'loaves and fishes,' but our aim should be the saving of souls for the kingdom of God. We know if we go forth with this aim that we have the promise that all things will be added unto us. Can we not grasp this promise and do the work to which God has called us? I am sure that if we do this, the Lord's arm will be revealed in our behalf.

Our visions were broadened to take in the worldwide field as Elder N. Z. Town earnestly plead for recruits for the regions beyond, especially India and China. While the message is to be carried to forcign lands, our attention was also called to the foreigners within the borders of our own country who have, in God's providence come here to learn this message.

The need of getting out several of our large subscription books in the Portuguese, Italian, Polish, Finnish, Russian, and other languages was considered. Elder Shaw made an carnest appeal that immediate steps be taken to publish these books for the millions of these people scattered throughout Canada and the United States.

"One Half Million for 1913" was the slogan set by the convention for the Pacific Press territory, and we believe by the Lord's help this can be done. Our minds went back to our own field, and the extra demands placed upon our dear workers if we meet our share of this increase in sales. I believe that a greater work will be done in this Union than ever before.

W. L. MANFULL.

# Saskatchewan Conference

Office Address, Box 244, Regina, Saskatchewan.

President, A. C. Gilbert; Secretary-Treasurer, J. M. Rowse; Religious Liberty Secretary, W. G. Forshaw; Tract Society Secretary, J. M. Rowse; Field and Missionary Volunteer Secretary, R. P. Mooney; Sabbath-school Secretary, Mrs. J. M. Rowse; Educational Secretary, A. C. Gilbert.

#### TEMPERANCE

This is the word that is being heard to-day from many lips. The temperance campaign is on. Men and women, boys and girls in all parts of the country are spending their spare time in circulating the Temperance Number of the "Instructor."

The Temperance Number this year is a most excellent one. The quality of the information, and the clearness of its presentation, the forceful vigorous treatment given the subjects of temperance and intemperance, make this paper a very effective medium in the fight against the intemperance traffic. The illustrations themselves will make a vivid impression on the mind, and create within it a desire to have a copy of the paper.

Brethren and sisters, here is a duty for us to recognize clearly, and to discharge promptly. All around are seen the various forms of intemperance. Amongst the young and old, men and women, in all grades of social rank, we see the direful results of drunkenness and debauchery which are rushing hundreds of thousands to untimely and disgraceful deaths. This Temperance Number also deals straightforwardly with the evils of tobacco, and shows that its use by both young and old is destroying their manhood, sapping their vitality, and subjecting them to a slavery that is both body and soul-destroying

Last year Saskatchewan placed nearly 4,300 Tem-

perance "Instructors" into the hands of the people. We hope that our efforts this year in this direction will accomplish even larger things. Nearly every person likes the Temperance "Instructor," and are happy to see the enthusiasm with which our people are assisting in the eradication of the awful evil of intemperance.

Let us begin right now and start a campaign in the neighborhoods where we live. Show the people where you stand on the question of temperance. Let us pray that the Lord will place a heavier burden on our shoulders in reference to this vital subject. Men and women are as much in need of light on this matter as they are in need of instruction in regard to the plan of salvation through Jesus Christ.

First, of course, we must allow the work of reformation to purify our own lives. Not that any of us use liquor or tobacco, but we may be following the lusts of a perverted appetite in many other things. God has given to His people a beautiful message which teaches them how to conserve the physical forces in order to secure the best possible health while in this world of sin, and to the extent that they neglect the message of health reform, they lose the blessings provided for their physical welfare.

Let us study to know the great importance that is attached to the work of temperance in preparing a people for the coming of the Lord. It is a part of our message to the world. And now, while the papers are fresh from the press, let us hasten to the work that comes next in the great program that is being carried out for the help and salvation of mankind.

Send in your orders to the Saskatchewan Tract Society, Box 244, Regina, Sask. Prices in Canada, Single copy, 10 cents; five or more copies, five cents each.

A. C. GILBERT.

# FINDLATER

January 2, we left Swift Current for Findlater, to hold a series of meetings in a country school house about ten miles south-west of town. The weather was very cold, but the people turned out well, and gave good attention to the words spoken. The Spirit of God came into the meetings from the first and convicted people of sin, and the necessity of obeying the truth of God's word. The people were very strongly convicted that Christ's coming is very near.

We enjoyed our work and stay with the people here very much, and it was hard to part with those we had learned to love. But it is a blessed truth that if we are faithful and true to God, we shall very soon meet never to part again. Nine adult persons accepted the truth during the three and one-half weeks we were with them, and one elderly sister took her stand when I was there a few days after the close of the week of prayer. These together with three former believers, makes thirteen at this place, and we think some more will accept soon. We hope to see them organized into a church in the spring.

Our prayer to God and greatest desire is that these dear souls may grow in grace and the knowledge of the truth, and be a bright and shining light to lead other souls to Jesus. We expect to start south for a visit, the 16th of February, and will attend the General Conference in May.

> C. J. RIDER, Mrs. Alice A. Rider.

# THE WORKERS' BAND

Dear Children,

Here we are in March, 1913. How quickly time has passed since our last letter in the "Tidings." Soon the winter's cold will be gone, and the springtime will be here when you will want to go out and play.

We are still thinking about the tent we are to buy. We will want to order it pretty soon so that it will be made in plenty of time for the camp-meeting.

I don't believe you all have sent in your money yet. If you have not it would be a good plan to send it in as soon as possible. Perhaps some of you who read this have not yet joined the Band, but think that you would like to be a member and raise money for missionary purposes.

There are a good many things children can do to help, you know. First, we want to give our hearts to Jesus, and then work for Him. He loves us so much, and is so happy when we let Him help us do right; for we can not do it in our own strength. Do you not remember the song that says: "Ask the Saviour to help you, comfort, strengthen, and keep you. He is willing to aid you, He will carry you through?"

So let every member of the Worker's Band be sure, first of all, to have Jesus with you, then be obedient to papa and mamma; and get them to help you think of different ways to be missionaries.

I think that you all would like to read the names of all who have given money to the Children's Tent Fund, so we are printing them for you this time. They are as follows:—

Katie Haynal, H. L. English, Willie Whipps, Miss Louise Beiseger, Jimmie Brown, Theresa Bohlman, Phoebe Brown, Ivan Bohlman, James Burgess, Jessie Burgess, Herbert Burgess, Jane Burgess, Wilfrid Rowe, Percy England Brown, Paul Rowse, Marjorie Gilbert, Alice Haynal, Eva Palmer, Mary Haynal, Stella Palmer, Vernon Stewart, Esther Palmer, Mrs. C. J. Rider, Mrs. J. M. Rowse, Ruby Rowse, Mrs. A. Stotts, Bella Rowe and Mrs. J. A. Webster. Now isn't this a fine long list of names of those who are helping to buy the tent? Don't some of you want to add your name?

Mrs. A. C. Gilbert.

REPORT OF SABBATH-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT Quarter Ending December 31

		Donations			
Place-	Mem.	Reg. Off.	13th Sab	, Total.	
Dundurn.	17	\$ 21,00	\$ 9,35	\$ 30,35	
Fenwood	30.	12.87	5,90	18.77	
Hodgeville	30	17.50	2022	17.50	
Hanley		44.10	37.85	81.95	
Hillesden		14.86	2.00	16.86	
McLean	18	27.00	13,60	40,60	
Markinch	. 8	8.70		8.70	
Rouleau.	44	42.31	7.55	49.86	
Regina		14.75	2.50	17.25	
Sonningdale	28	20.20	1,93	22.13	
Swift Current		29.65	3.30	32.95	
Waldheim	53	42.16	21.80	63,96	
Provincial Home Dep't	102	77.67	44.50	122.17	
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#### SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Brother M. Ostoics is now engaged in work in Regina. Brother R. P. Mooney is making a tour in the northern part of the Province in the interests of the book work.

Elder Gilbert has called a meeting of the Saskatchewan Conference Committee to convene in Regina, March 5 and 6.

Elder J. V. Maas and Brother Oscar Meilicke visited the little company of believers at Sunset, Sabbath and Sunday, February 15 and 16. As mentioned in Elder Rider's article, most of these brethren have just recently accepted the Sabbath.

Have you seen the new Temperance number of the "Youth's Instructor?" As usual, it is filled with good things and really it seems better this year than ever before. Remember the price is ten cents a copy for less than five copies and on all orders for more than five copies you get them for five cents each. This Province ought to be literally filled with this excellent temperance advocate. Everyone can help do this. Send your order to the Tract Society today.

# **British Columbia Conference**

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President, J. G. Walker; Secretary-Treasurer, Andrew Roedel; Educational Secretary, C. O. Smith; Religious Liberty Secretary, F. H. Conway; S. S. Secretary, Mrs. Birdle Conway; Missionary Volunteer Secretary, Lydia Stickle; Tract Society Secretary, Andrew Roedel; Field and Missionary Secretary, E. R. Potter; Assistant Field and Missionary Secretary, E. S. Horseman; Medical Missionary Secretary, F. H. Conway.

### THE CONVENTION

It has been my privilege to attend the recent Bookmen's and Tract Society Secretaries' Convention, held at Mountain View, California. It was said by many present that it was the most profitable convention of this nature over held by our people. There were present nearly seventy delegates, this number being made up of the Union Field agents and Tract Society secretaries from nearly every state and province west of the Mississippi river.

The instruction received there, will bring about a uniform system in all our offices and a unity of action in the direction of the one great purpose for which we are in existence as a people,—the finishing of the work in this generation. Although a large amount of our literature has been distributed in recent years in the territory represented by the delegates at this convention, it seems after all that this work has only fairly begun. The printed page is yet to go ''like the leaves of autumn,'' and '' to a large extent is to do the work of the 'other angel' of Revelation 18.''

After the convention, a number of the delegates paid a visit to the Pacific Union College near St. Helena. Arrangements were also made to visit Sister White at her home near the St. Helena Sanitarium. While there she addressed most earnest words to us. The evening was spent at the Sanitarium, which is in a prosperous condition.

Nothing seemed to have been spared by the Pacific Press Brethren and other friends to make this a most profitable and enjoyable occasion for all present, and we return to our work with new energy and zeal, and with a fresh vision of the task before us, feeling that it was good to have been there.

ANDREW ROEDEL.

REPORT OF SABBATH-SCHOOLS Quarter Ending December 31, 1912

		Donations			
Place-	Mem.	. Reg. Off. 13th Sab. Tot			
Cumberland	11	\$ 2.40	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.40	
Clayburn	7	33.34	5.00	38,34	
Firvale	29	6.90	2.10	9.00	
Grand View, German	76	20.08	10.95	40.03	
Grand View, English	14	11.30	2,85	14.15	
Glenemma		2.65	1,00	3.65	
Janes Road	8	4.75	3.20	7.95	
Manson,	55	36.57	6.15	42.72	
Mission City	12	16.90	5.00	21.90	
Massett	12	5.00	1.05	6.05	
Nanaimo	34	48.45	7.00	55,45	
Penticton	25	19.00	2.40	21,40	
Port Simpson	11	2,50	.50	3.00	
Reiswig	10	2.00	1.30	3.30	
Silver Creek		.70	1.24.2	.70	
South Vancouver	25	11,75	7.25	19.00	
Straiton	5	5.83	2.30	8.13	
Vernon	19	4.10	1.20	\$ 5.30	
Victoria	34	16.50	3.40	19,90	
Vancouver	25	18.00	2.40	20.40	
West Vancouver,	44	43.14	28.31	71.45	
Total	473	\$308.86	\$ 94.36	\$406.22	

#### Home Department-

Alexis Creek	1	5.00	1.00	6.00
Campbell River	11	9.72	3.00	12.72
Deroche	9	5.05	2,25	7.30
Edgewood.	2	.85	.25	1,10
Erickson ,		.75	.25	1.00
Fernie		1.00	.25	1.25
	2	.40	.10	.50
Happy Valley	. 14	3.05	2.05	5.10
Kokanee		3.20	1.20	4,40
Little River	3	2,90	1.40	4.30
Van Anda		3.00	2.00	5.00
Columbia Garden	1	.75	.28	1.03
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Total	67	\$ 35.67	\$ 14.03	\$ 48,67

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Grand Total		4.4		14	539	344.53	108.39	454,89
Total for 1912.						1,181.99	426.81	1,608.80
Total for 1911.	-				4.4			755.91

Let us thank God for this good record, and earnestly seek to do more efficient work in all lines of Sabbath-school work during 1913.

MRS. BIRDIE CONWAY, Secretary.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTES

Elders Walker and Conway are visiting with the members of the Cumberland church this week.

By a recent letter from Brother J. E. Roberts we learn that the head of another family has accepted the truth at Penticton.

Baptismal services were recently held at the East Vancouver church, Elder A. O. Burrill officiating. Two souls went forward in this rite.

While on his way to the special session of the General Conference Committee, held at Mountain View, California, Elder H. S. Shaw spent Sabbath at Vancouver. He spoke in the forenoon to the West Vancouver church on the Eastern Question.

Sister E. R. Potter is rapidly recovering from an operation which she underwent a short time ago at the Grandview Hospital at Vancouver. Her father and sister from South Dakota are here visiting with her.

# Manitoba Conference

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#### ENLARGING OUR BORDERS

The second reason why our tithes and offerings for 1913 should increase is that Manitoba receives no appropriation from the General Conference this year. Last time we mentioned the rapidly increasing work in regions beyond. This time we want to take a look at the home field. With God it is all one field. "The field is the world." There is no difference between persons and nationalities with Him. There is, therefore, no reason why we should leave the masses in the home land to perish in their sins and go to foreign countries to proclaim the message. Again there is no reason why we should build schools, and send teachers to teach the native children of Africa and other countries, while we leave our own children to be taught errors and lost in the darkness of unbelief, which is no better than the darkness of heathenism.

I think 1 Timothy 5:8 applies right here: "But if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel."

Last year we sent more than half of all our tithes and offerings to needy fields outside of our province. I believe this to be right, and pleasing to God. It also shows a spirit of liberality and love for those more destitute than we. And I would say, let us not diminish in any way this stream of supply to the brave devoted men and women at the front.

But I desire to impress upon your mind and heart the need of keeping the home work in such a condition that we shall be able to continually keep those at the firing line supplied. It is impossible to do this, if we allow the home work to go down. In other words, the home field must grow and enlarge in proportion to the regions beyond, if the work is to be completed successfully.

Last year our tithe was \$5,057.12. This averaged \$22.25 per member for the year. The total tithe and offerings to home and foreign fields amounted to \$8,-930.45, which averages \$39.34 per member. Our tithe for 1913 must increase considerably if we shall keep pace with the message abroad, and also meet our obligations to the same. We can do this if we all come up to the help of the Lord with a faithful tithe. Knowing that the time is so very short shall we not all take a firm stand and be true to our call in this respect? The four angels are still holding the great powers of earth in check, but how long we do not know.

If we neglect to do our duty at this time, we may have to accomplish the work under more unfavorable circumstances. There is a general impression among the people that something is going to happen when the Turk is driven from Europe. I read lately of a certain city where all the ministers came together; and agreed to talk on the second coming of Christ on a certain Sunday. Now is an opportune time to be giving the message by voice and by pen.

O. E. SANDNES.

#### THE GERMAN WORK

Last October I returned to my home in Oregon, and enjoyed the visit very much, after an absence of nine months. I returned to Manitoba again, arriving in Winnipeg, December 27. The following day Elders Shaw, Sandnes, and myself, visited our Winnipeg German company, and Elder Shaw gave us a splendid talk.

January 3, I went to Beausejour and found our people of good courage, and some new Sabbath-keepers. The Lord came very near, and we had some fine meetings.

Sabbath, the 11th, we celebrated the Lord's ordinances, in Winnipeg, and it was a blessed feast. On the 14th I went to Morden, where we had some good meetings, and again celebrated the Lord's ordinances, and the following day held church election. The spirit of unity was present.

I also went with the brethren to North Starr. I found that there are two families who are very much interested. We organized a Sabbath-school of nine members with Brother Henry Weichert as leader, and also celebrated the ordinances. I am now in Winnipeg, and hope to win some souls for the Kingdom.

H. J. DIRKSEN.

#### MANITOBA NOTES

Elder O. E. Sandnes is making a two weeks' visit among the believers at Bergland, Ontario.

Brother Oscar Ziprick left last week for Camper, Manitoba, where he expects to hold a series of meetings.

Brother J. M. Hogg was a visitor at Giroux last week, and spent the Sabbath there.

Brother Charlesworth of Minaki met with us last Sabbath, and made the office a pleasant call on Sunday.

Brother Erdman Klaat has recently moved his family from Katrime to Camper, Manitoba, where he has taken a homestead. His address is now Clochough, Manitoba,

We were glad to greet Brother Atkinson in the city recently. Brother Atkinson has purchased a farm of C. E. Carlson of Erickson, and expects to move his family there in the early Spring.

# Alberta Conference

#### Office Address, Lacombe, Alberta

President, C. A. Burman, Secretary-Treasurer, U. Wissner; Educational Secretary, J. I. Beardsley; Missionary Volunteer Secretary, A. Pond; Field and Missionary Secretary, L. T. Heaton; Sabbath-school Secretary, Miss H. G. McCulloch; Medical Secretary, N. J. Aalborg; Tract Society Secretary, U. Wissner; Religious Liberty Secretary, W. A. Clemenson.

#### BEISEKER

On Wednesday, January 22, I arrived at Beiseker, where Elder Humann had already arranged for an evening meeting at the home of Brother Lang. The next day we went over to the church six miles to the East.

On Thursday we visited the church school conducted by Brother and Sister Harder. The school has an enrolment of one hundred and sixty German children between the ages of five and twenty. The class work is carried on in both the German and English languages. We were well pleased to see the success attending the efforts of these faithful teachers.

There was a good attendance at all the meetings, especially was this so on Sabbath when every scat was occupied. A straight message was borne from the Bible and Testimonies on such subjects as the "Second Coming of Christ," Spirit of Prophecy," and "Tithing." Prosperity cannot attend those who wilfully turn against any point of this message. Some saw the truthfulness of this statement and decided to begin anew. There is but one way to be saved. We can not climb up some other way.

The following officers were elected: Elder, A. A. Roth; Deacon, Fred Suelzle; Treasurer, John Dais; Clerk, Henry Kindopp; Librarian, Samuel Leiske.

On our return to the station we held another meeting at the home of Brother Lang, where were present some English believers, who have recently begun the observance of the Sabbath. Pray for the work at Beiseker.

C. A. BURMAN.

## MISSIONARY WORK

The Week of Prayer was the means by which a live missionary spirit took hold of the members of the Lacombe church. Although many opportunities have been offered those dwelling in this neighborhood to become acquainted with this message, yet it is realized that personal work in the way of missionary visits would do more to awaken the people to the situation confronting the world to-day.

Accordingly plans were laid by a committee to start a definite work in town and country. As a result, sixty-four houses are being visited each week in Lacombe with Family Bible Teacher Leaflets and different magazines. Where people refuse the leaflets, the doors of their homes are kept open to the truth by arousing their interest in the medical work and systematic visits are made to their homes with "Life and Health." This plan works well. We are determined, by the grace of God, to give these people every opportunity to heed the warnings of the Third Angel's Message. Wherever possible, Christian help work is taken up.

The editor of the local paper very kindly published one of our tracts on Turkey, giving almost a whole page to this vital subject. This week 176 houses have received a copy of another tract on the Eastern Question, with a written invitation to correspond with the writer if interested. At present we are taking 50 "Signs Monthly," 36 "Signs Weekly," and about 65 Family Bible Teachers in addition to loaning books and distributing tracts. The "Signs Weekly" is being mailed to interested persons with whom correspondence is being entered into. Work in the country has started, systematic visits being made each month

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with the "Signs Monthly."

This work can only succeed by earnest prayer on the part of every member, as well as the systematic giving of means with which to push it to the utmost. If persistently followed up we believe it will do its part in saving some souls for the soon coming kingdom of our heavenly King.

H. D. MIDDLETON,

# ACADEMY DAY

It has been decided to set apart Sabbath, March 22, as Academy Day. The object of this day is to acquaint all our people with the history, workings and needs of this institution. A programme is being prepared for the occasion, which will consist of papers and talks. The following will be a part of the programme:

1. A paper on Christian Education.

2. A paper on the History of Our School.

3. A paper on the Results of Our Academy Effort.

4. A paper on Present Conditions at the Academy.

5. A paper on Our Needs.

As far as possible a conference worker or academy teacher will meet with each of our churches on that day. It is desired that all back pledges be paid at that time or before, so that we may start out anew from that time. An opportunity will be given for all, old and young, to assist the academy during the coming season.

There is no question but this will be the most interesting and profitable day yet seen in Alberta. All our people are deeply interested in the progress of education, and the spread of this message. For this reason every one will put forth a special effort to be present on this occasion. Let those living at a distance from the place of worship make every effort to be present that day.

A programme with readings for the occasion will be mailed to the church elders and scattered believers in due time. This will be a special day to all our people in Alberta. The readings will be in the German and English languages. Do not fail to attend meeting that day.

C. A. BURMAN.

## ACADEMY BOARD MEETING

The annual Academy Board meeting will be held at Lacombe, March 11-13, 1913. The first meeting will be at nine o'clock on the morning of the 11th. On this occasion the teachers for the coming year will be chosen and the calendars provided for. Let all members of the Board be present.

C. A. BURMAN.

THE MESSAGE IS IN THE CONTENTS of the March "Signs of the Times" magazine.

#### ALBERTA NOTES

Elder C. A. Burman left last week in response to a call from the brethren of the Vermilion Lake church, where a number are interested in our message as a result of the missionary work done by the church members there.

Elder H. Humann has visited the German brethren at Walsh and Bassano, and is now spending some time in Josephbury, where he expects to find enough interest to hold public meetings.

A. H. Brigham of Regina, Saskatchewan, has recently spent a few days with us, while auditing the books of the Conference, Tract Society and Academy.

Elder Niergarth writes encouragingly regarding the work at Edmonton. As a result of the labor being carried on there, four new believers have begun the observance of the Sabbath, during the past three weeks.

#### ACADEMY NOTES

Earl Smith is visiting at his home near Clive.

Fred Schwindt spent Sabbath, February 15, at Leduc.

Marion Rathje of Lacombe is the latest to enroll.

Elder Louis Halswig and Brother H. E. Shelstad were recent visitors.

Lee Smith of Clive spent a few days recently visiting his brothers, Cal and Earl.

Miss Martha Tetz of Beiseker and Mrs. Wm. Tall of Lacombe are among the enrollments.

Clinton Hubbard has returned to his home at Lakesend, Alberta, to prepare for the Spring's work.

Brother Reith of Gull Lake, west of Lacombe, is spending a few days at the Academy.

Some of the new classes begun this semester are Physical Science, Canadian History and Hydrotherapy.

R. W. Constable has left to take the special course at the Foreign Mission Seminary, Washington, D. C.

The following have lately enrolled: Harry Hanson, Fertility, Alta.; Anna and Katrina Neufeld, Waldheim, Sask.

Last Thursday morning Ellen Randlett gave an interesting and instructive talk in chapel on the astronomical facts of the moon.

Mrs. McClafflin of Bismarck, Alberta, was a recent visitor. Her daughters, Juneau Belle and Chrystelle, are dormitory students.

Nora and Clara Anderson have returned to their home at St. Kilda, Alberta. Selma Shaber has gone to Calgary to work, with the intention of spending the entire time next year in the Academy.

Several of our students spent last Sabbath in the country east of Lacombe, where a little Sabbath-school is being held with some scattered believers. They report a good meeting.

The regular Young People's meeting was postponed till last Friday evening, when an interesting temperance programme was given. Thirteen signified their intention of signing the temperance pledge for the first time.

The enrollment of our Sabbath-school has grown till last Sabbath a Scandinavian class of fourteen was organized. There are also three German classes with a membership of nearly thirty adults, and two primary German classes with a membership of twelve. The entire membership is 165.

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After attending the General Conference Council at Mountain View, California, Elder H. S. Shaw has returned to Regina, where he is spending a few days.

While returning from the Missionary Convention at Mountain View, Brother W. L. Manfull spent a little time at College View, Nebraska, and Hutchinson, Minnesota, in the interests of the book work.

Brother W. V. Sample, formerly manager of the Calgary Branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, left recently to join his family in their new home in Oregon. We trust that the blessing of God may attend them. Their present address is R. F. D. 2, Box 20, Gaston, Oregon.

We regret that conditions over which we have no power have caused a break in the regular issues of the "Tidings" since the new year began. Under the circumstances we have done our very best, and must request our readers to kindly bear with us. Henceforth we trust the paper may be issued on its regular time as usual.

# "DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS AT THE DOOR"

"I always knew that Christ was coming, but I did not know that it was at the door," writes an Alaskan miner, who has just got hold of and read a copy of the pamphlet, "Matthew Twenty-four." The pamphlet stirred him and he immediately ordered more literature, and he sent money to have it registered, so it would be sure to reach him away up there in Alaska.

Brethren, do your neighbors know that it is "at the door?" Did that man you talked with on the train know the meaning of the signs taking place about him every day? Think how many opportunities you have to scatter the seeds of truth if you only had the "seed" with you,

Listed below we have three different packages of tracts as follows: Pocket Package Number 1, on Miscellaneous subjects; Pocket Package Number 2, on Prophecy and the Coming of the Lord; Pocket Package Number 3, on the Sabbath and the Law. Each package contains 400 pages of tracts, and they will be sent to you postpaid for 25c. each. Order of your Tract Society, and be sure to tell which package you wish, Number 1, 2, or 3, as the case may be.

#### THE MARCH 15 OFFERING

It was my privilege to attend the meeting of the constituency of the Loma Linda College for Medical Evangelists, held in Loma Linda, California, the last week in January of this year.

Having looked over the situation and seen the work that is being done there to prepare students to meet the urgent calls to the various fields of the world, I feel free to say that the call by Elder Daniells in this issue for funds to build a Clinical Hospital there for the work of these medical students during the last two years of their course, is a worthy one, and I hope to see our people all over the Western field, rise up by the blessing of God, and give to this good cause as the Lord may impress you for the present relief that faces them.

This is the only institution in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination for training missionary physicians to fill important positions in connection with this branch of the Lord's work throughout the world.

May the Lord bless this offering to be made on Sabbath, March 15, among all our churches in the United States and Canada. H. S. Shaw.

## A VALUABLE BOOKLET

In response to urgent requests from some of our workers, the General Conference Publishing Department has prepared a compendium of data regarding the beginning and development of our denominational work in its several departments. This valuable information is published in a vest-pocket dairy for 1913, occupying about 20 pages. The statistics and facts are arranged in such a way that the comparative growth of the various departments of our work may be seen at a glance.

This data alone is worth many times the price of the booklet; but aside from this, and the dairy, there is ample space for addresses, memoranda, and cash account. No Seventh-day Adventist can afford to miss the opportunity of getting this valuable little booklet. Owing to the delay in getting the matter ready, only a limited number have been published. Price while they last—25c. Order from your tract society.