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FROM THE UNION PRESIDENT

C. F. McVAGH.

Since my arrival in Calgary, April 29th, I have had the privilege of visiting Lacombe, Didsbury, Edmonton, Acme and Beiseker, besides getting my family settled, and spending some time in the office trying to get a general understanding of the situation and needs of the field. It has been a pleasure to meet with the brethren and sisters of Calgary and the other churches named. In all these places there is much to encourage me, as I see God's providence working for His people. Under God I want to do a faithful part in bringing the light of the Third Angel's Message to all the homes in Western Canada. God in His love has given us so many ways to work that we can all have some part.

Sister Graham just sent me a report of the Home Missionary work reported in the Western Canadian Union for the last two quarters of 1915. It was encouraging indeed, and no doubt would be much more so if all our people had reported the work actually done. When you write missionary letters, send out literature, hold a Bible reading, etc., be sure and report it to your Librarian. Every little helps to encourage someone else.

Then there are our canvassers scattered all over the field. Don't forget to pray every day for them; also the missionaries in other lands and our own faithful laborers in the Conferences of this Union.

From now until the last of September camp-meetings will be in session somewhere in the Union nearly all the time. Watch the dates and if you cannot go, pray earnestly that a rich blessing may come to each meeting. I hope to see many of our dear people and begin to get acquainted with them at these yearly feasts. We confidently expect to see greater blessings than ever before come to God's people in the camp-meetings this year. We are nearer the end and a greater earnestness and intensity is taking hold of the people and work.

FOR THE REGIONS BEYOND

I look back with pleasure to the camp-meeting tour the summer of 1915 in Western Canada. At that time there was no thought but that we would be back in India ere this. But we are still here and a little note from the editor reminds me of the promise to send some message to the dear brethren and sisters.

Our trunks were all packed last fall, and we had planned to return to India as soon as possible after the Loma Linda meeting in November. But to that meeting came the calls from the ends of the earth,

requiring more than \$100,000 to meet the demands for 1916 than for 1915; also the call for 200 new workers. Thus it was impossible to do without a material increase in mission offerings and recruits.

So the brethren asked that I should not return to India for one more year and come to these Eastern States and work in the interest of missions. It was with reluctance that we accepted, but now that several months of the campaign are in the past, I feel that it is good to be even here. I am carrying the call of the mission field right home to the individual churches and feel that it is profitable. In the first place we are adding fuel to the missionary fires, so that they are burning brighter than ever; secondly, we are reaching a large number of our young people who would otherwise give of their strength to building up the work of the world which is about to perish in its own corruption; and thirdly, I am raising a large fund of more than \$50,000 for the equipment of the Training College here in the East, so that our young people may have the training necessary to prepare them for their particular place in the battle. The message had its rise in the East. But the spirit of prophecy said that it must first go West and establish itself, and then before the closing of the work it would return to the East with power. Everything shows that that time is now here. In these large cities, thousands of people have filled the largest theatres and listened eagerly to the light given us concerning these times. Large numbers of young people are coming into the truth. While our colleges in the West are well equipped and now largely out of debt, these institutions here in the East are altogether inadequate. So I feel that I am doing a work for the mission fields as important as though I were out in India itself.

However, soon after the first of the next year we hope to be on our way to India. We pray that the camp-meetings in Western Canada this year may be even more blessed than those last year, and that the Lord will give his Spirit in showers of blessing. The work in India is onward, many are being baptized and there are many open doors unentered for the want of means and workers. Let us each be faithful in the part the Lord assigns us in the accomplishment of this great task.

GEO. F. ENOCH.

A WORK THAT PAYS

Here is an extract from a recent letter from one of our missionary volunteer secretaries, which gives in concrete form some of the good results of our missionary volunteer work:

"I had a reading course review paper recently from a fine young person, on the book *Things as They Are*.

One question is "Mention a way in which the book has helped you." She said, "It has helped me not only to realize the great need in that benighted land, but has made me willing to go if God calls me." I know that she meant it. And to think that our Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses can have such an influence on our young people's hearts! It certainly shows us that they are worth while.

"I visited a society two or three weeks ago where I was especially struck with the earnest, well-expressed prayers of the young people, several of whom led in prayer. All of the girls had accepted the truth only last fall, and it seemed so unusual to hear them give such good prayers. One of my girls who attended camp-meeting last year said to me, 'I am so glad that you prevailed upon me to take part in prayer band at camp-meeting, even though I did dread it so every time; if I hadn't become accustomed to it then I don't know what I should have done, for all these new girls looked to me to teach them how to pray to the Lord right, when they came into the truth last fall. And I couldn't have helped them at all if I hadn't gotten a start at camp-meeting.' It seemed wonderful to me that so timid a girl had been the means of encouraging all these young folks to take part in the meeting in this way." M. E. KERN.

THE ITALIAN SIGNS OF THE TIMES MAGAZINE

Closely following the transfer of the Italian Quarterly Magazine from the Foreign Department of the North American Division Conference to the Pacific Press at College View, Nebraska, came the fire, destroying the manuscript for the second quarter of this year. At first it looked as if its publication would have to wait until the middle of the year, but the need for the magazine was so great that with the help of Brother Calderone, who again prepared the copy, and Brother Steen Rasmussen to oversee the printing, we have gone ahead and published this number in Chicago, and it is now ready for circulation. This is an attractive magazine, splendid in workmanship and illustrations, and filled with present truth. Its name is now "I Segni Ooi Tempi" (The Signs of the Times), it having been changed from "La Verita" (The Truth). Here is a partial list of contents:

- A Survey of World Events.
- Is America in Danger of Invasion?
- The Progress of Nations.
- The Papal States and the Prisoner of the Vatican.
- Can We Know if the End is Near?
- Help for Bible Students.
- Is Man Immortal?
- Did God Create the Devil?
- What After the European War?
- Will Ye Also Go Away?
- Home and Health Department.

As there are Italians in almost every community, and thousands and hundreds of thousands in our large cities, this magazine should have a large circulation. It will be eagerly received. Will you help? From 5 to 50 copies of your tract society cost you 5 cents each; retail 10 cents a copy.

PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,
College View, Nebraska.

HOW THE SIGNS MAY BE CIRCULATED

Years ago, before we began to publish magazines, a good many *Signs* weekly were sold from house to house by church members who made a regular business of this work. We believe this plan of circulating the *Signs* can and should be revived, and that good success will attend it.

The aim of those who take up this work should be to work up a regular round, where they may deliver their papers each week. The worker should therefore take a definite section of territory. He should divide his territory into sections for each day's work, and make a note in his notebook that he will work this section on Monday, the next on Tuesday, and so on. This is important, because when people consent to take a paper each week, they want it on the same day of the week. It is annoying to most people to get their paper on Monday one week, on Friday perhaps the next, and on Wednesday the third week. Therefore the worker should be very particular to call punctually at the appointed time each week, when the people are expecting their papers.

If the paper is refused at your first visit, do not hesitate to call with it the following weeks, unless you are plainly told never to come again. I remember one periodical worker who had no memory for locations, so could not remember who had accepted the paper and who had refused it. She, therefore, called at every house in her territory each week, and when told that she had been informed the week before that the paper was not wanted, she would sweetly apologize for troubling them and explain how it happened. The result was that many who refused at first were won over by her persistent calling and pleasant manner.

Before going out, the paper should be well studied and a few good selling points selected. In these troubled times there are many articles appearing in the *Signs* that appeal to most thinking men and women.

If this work of selling the *Signs* is to succeed, the workers must consecrate themselves to God and seek him earnestly in prayer day by day, that he will send his angels before them to prepare the hearts of the people.

The following letters are a few from among many which show that there are people, who want the paper, living in many parts of the country.

Elkton, Minn., February 14th, 1916.

"Find enclosed cheque for \$1.75 for which send me your valuable paper. Last summer I found a copy of it in the Austin depot and was so wonderfully pleased with it that I saved the paper to subscribe for it as soon as I could. I have never read a religious paper that I liked so well. I am not of your belief, I mean an Adventist, but I am redeemed with the same precious blood, Jesus Christ, of whom you preach, and believe in the seriousness of the time we live in."

Kimball, Nebraska, February 25th, 1916.

"I am very anxious to learn something about the meaning and cause of the great world war. It seems to me that it is not as a common war, as it seems that no matter how badly people desire to keep out of it they are at last forced in.

"What does it all mean and what will at last come over the world? Is it possible it might be Armageddon? If you have any pamphlets or back numbers of

your paper that will give me any light on the matter please send them to me and put me down for six months of your paper in addition, and I will send you the money. I got your name through an old friend who told me your paper would make things plain to me. Am anxious to hear from you soon and to get all you can send me to make these things plain to me."

Green Bay, Wisconsin.

"Would you please send me a copy of the *Signs of the Times*? I found a page of an old copy, 1914, and I hope this address is right which I use. Tell me the price of the paper for a year. I will send soon. I hope to see one of the late copies as it seems to be a very good paper."

A systematic house to house work will find such honest souls as these, who are earnestly seeking for light from God.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

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VISITING THE BELIEVERS

In looking over my daily record of traveling and visiting during the month of May, I find it reads this way:—

"May 1, Saskatoon and North Battleford; 2, South Battleford or the school; 3, North Battleford; 4, Saskatoon; 5, Regina and Rouleau; 6, Rouleau; 7, Rouleau and Regina; 8-10, Saskatoon; 11, Saskatoon and Regina; 12, Swift Current to Prussia; 13-16, Prussia; 17, Prussia and Fox Valley; 18-21, Fox Valley to Maple Creek; 23, Maple Creek and Gull Lake; 24, Gull Lake and Morse; 25, Morse; 26, Morse to Queen Centre; 27-28, Queen Centre; 29, Queen Centre to Regina; 30-31, Saskatoon."

The first church visited during the month was at Rouleau. I was glad to be with our brethren and sisters there once more. Nearly every member is striving to be faithful. On my trip to the Western part of the Province, Pastor Ziprick accompanied me to assist in interpreting into the German language. Brother Ziprick visited at Queen Centre and Swift Current before I joined him at Prussia. We spent several days at the Prussia church. God is blessing this church and it is sincerely hoped that every member will take hold of all the privileges of God's power to save. From this place we drove 47 miles south to another German church called Fox Valley. This church has almost 70 members. We held several meetings with our people here, and all enjoyed the blessings of the messages presented.

On Monday the 22nd, we drove 40 miles further south to Maple Creek to get the train to Morse from which place we drove about 30 miles to meet with our German church at Queen Centre. We also enjoyed our labor with our people here.

One of the most encouraging experiences on this journey in the south-western part of Saskatchewan was in finding eleven persons who had become deeply interested in the present truth through reading and personal labor of our people. Several of these were already keeping the Sabbath. These persons were found at different places in our travels. These and

other things show that God's spirit is working mightily everywhere. The honest are being sought. May everyone of us be so surrendered to God, that we can be used by Him in helping to find those who are looking for the way to the Kingdom.

We are now busy making preparations for the camp-meeting. A large number of our people expect to be present. God has promised a rich blessing for all who come. We wish that it were possible for every one of our people to attend this gathering. Do not forget the date and place—June 29 to July 9, Saskatoon. Do not forget to ask for a *standard certificate* when buying your ticket.

A. C. GILBERT.

CAMP-MEETING

The time for our annual conference and convention is drawing very near. We are continually reminded of this by the letters that come in from our brethren and sisters saying that they are planning to attend this gathering, and are looking forward to it with interest and pleasure. Of course this is most encouraging to us, and we hope that nothing will come up to prevent any from coming.

Indications are favorable to the best camp-meeting that we have had in this province. This is the way it should be, for these gatherings grow in importance with each passing year. Little do we know how many more of these meetings we will be permitted to attend, and how important it is, therefore, that every effort be made by everyone to be present at this one. The following quotation from Volume VI. of the *Testimonies* is well worth prayerful consideration:

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp-meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth.

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear. You can not afford to lose one such privilege.

"Anciently the Lord instructed His people to assemble three times a year for His worship. . . . The Lord saw that these gatherings were necessary for the spiritual life of His people. They needed to turn away from their worldly cares, to commune with God, and to contemplate unseen realities.

"If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict! And if the people of the world needed the light which God had committed to His church, how much more do they need it now!"

Information with regard to our camp-meeting this year has been sent to all our people. As you know it will be held in the city of Saskatoon, June 29 to July 9. Suitable grounds have been secured, and the pitching of the camp has already begun.

We are looking forward to great blessings at this meeting, and hope that you will all be here to share them with us.

U. WISSNER.

STRENGTHENING ONE ANOTHER

Since leaving Aberdeen, where several people have accepted the truth, I have had the privilege of visiting the brethren and sisters at different places, for the purpose of strengthening one another in the Word of God and also to celebrate the ordinances.

While at Loreburn, the Lord came very near to us. Several meetings were held at the homes of the brethren, and on Sunday a meeting was held at the school house. Five dear young souls surrendered their hearts to God, and have also expressed their desire to be baptized at the first opportunity.

Morse was the next place visited. Here two sisters have taken up the truth as a result of reading our literature. These, too, wish to be baptized.

We were then taken out to the Queen Centre Church by Brother Buhler. At this place a number of meetings, including quarterly meeting, were held. The enemy of truth seems to be working in a special manner in this vicinity, yet the Lord is giving victory. Two sisters—one of whom has just recently given her heart to the Lord—were awaiting baptism here, and on Sunday, April 3th, these dear souls were buried with their Lord in baptism.

From here we proceeded to Herbert and Rush Lake to visit the isolated believers at these places. The Lord was with us wherever we went, and we were grateful for His blessing. O. ZIPRICK.

BISLEY

Nature is carolling her praise and love to her Creator this morning as I sit to write another testimony to Jehovah's love, care and blessing.

The showers of rain that have fallen so bountifully of late, followed by the bright, warm sunshine this morning, find a ready response in the flora around us as, refreshed, each flower and plant reaches out after its full share of life-power being so liberally dispensed.

How happy the one who has learned to respond as naturally and as fully to the spiritual life-giving agencies!

We yearn for a closer and still closer association with Nature's Author, a heart pulsating in complete and perfect unison with the great heart of Love, and a mind moving only and always in answer to the Holy Spirit's mind.

When this is the experience of God's people how fast the buds will appear and open into the fragrant blossoms of Christlike graces, which in turn will develop readily the fruits of the Spirit in our own and other lives. Praise the Lord that all the authority and powers of heaven are pledged to accomplish this very thing for us! Let us co-operate as nature co-operates.

In the hilly country twenty miles south of McGee the school district of Bisley has been listening to the message of mercy and warning to prepare to meet God. The response has been very encouraging for so sparsely settled a district. For eight weeks the Sunday services have been attended by from thirty to fifty people, some coming a number of miles. At other meetings during the week from twelve to twenty-five have been present.

We have enjoyed some good experiences in this

work. One man, a slave to the snuff habit for nearly forty years, burned his idol and covenanted with God not to touch it again. This good stand followed a heart to heart talk and a beautiful little prayer service. Two others are abstaining from unfit foods of which they were very fond before. Three families and two young men seem particularly interested and are seriously weighing the message of Sabbath reform.

Although the enemy is busy sowing weeds broadcast in the form of "Lord's Day Alliance" leaflets and other literature misrepresenting God's work, when we return to this field after the camp meeting we expect to reap fruit in souls. The seed will be nourished and developed by the Holy Spirit in the meantime. This is Christ's promise. Pray with me for a bountiful harvest. W. G. FORSHAW.

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ALBERTA CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given that the Alberta Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a legal corporation, will hold its regular annual meeting in connection with the conference and camp-meeting, July 13-23, 1916, at Ponoka, Alberta, for the purpose of transacting any business that may be lawfully done by the constituency of said corporation. The first meeting will convene at 11 a.m. on July 20th. All accredited delegates to the conference compose the constituency of the association.

H. H. HUMANN, *President.*

F. L. HOMMEL, *Secretary.*

OUR ANNUAL MEETING

As has already been announced in the *Tidings*, the eleventh annual conference and camp-meeting of the Alberta Conference will be held at Ponoka, July 13-23. A suitable location, richly blessed with the beauty of nature, will be the camp where every believer in Alberta is invited to spend several days in worshipping and offering sacrifice to God. These grounds are situated east of the C.P.R. track and are not far from the banks of the Battle River.

In addition to all the laborers of the conference and union conference, there will be present to assist in the meetings; Elder E. W. Farnsworth, Vice-president of the Pacific Union Conference; Elder W. W. Eastman, Secretary of the Publishing Department of the North American Division Conference, and Elder G. F. Haffner, of Clinton, Mo. Other laborers from abroad are also expected, but at this writing we cannot state definitely who they will be.

Plans are being carried out to accommodate the largest number of our people who have attended gatherings of this nature in the Province. Besides the regular camp-meeting equipment used in former years, the conference has purchased twenty additional family tents. The rent of a tent, including fly, will be \$4.00. A large pavilion, 60x40, has been bought and will serve as an added facility at this meeting.

Let no one remain away for fear of lack of accommodation. Ample provision is being made to care for everyone who comes. Meals will be served at the dining-tent on the cafeteria plan at reasonable prices.

Elder P. P. Adams, assisted by other workers, has been conducting public meetings in Ponoka since the close of school, and reports which have come in indicate a lively interest in the message on the part of many who are attending. God is blessing this effort and we look with confidence for good results from these meetings and the camp-meeting which is to follow. We are living in the last days and persons are responding quickly to the invitation to enter the ark of safety, where abundant shelter can be obtained from the storms without.

As we look over the world today we see everywhere, at home and abroad, the rapid fulfillment of last day prophecies. As we witness and study these stirring events we can better appreciate the importance of laying aside earthly cares and duties, and of spending a season of refreshing with God. Who is there among us who is not today in need of just the very blessings which God is waiting to bestow upon His people at our camp-meeting? The conflict between good and evil is growing in intensity, and in order to be able to successfully overcome the increasing temptations and discouragements of the enemy our people must avail themselves of this opportunity of gathering renewed strength and courage. Jesus will be present to speak to us through the comforting voice of the Holy Spirit. Our time of need was never greater than now, and in view of this solemn fact I appeal to everyone to come to this meeting and receive the blessing already promised. H. H. HUMANN.

WINNIFRED AND DIDSBURY

Since my last letter to the *Tidings*, I have visited Winnifred and Didsbury. At Winnifred I was invited to preach the anniversary sermon for the Odd Fellows. God blessed us in this service so that a good impression was made. Some expressed themselves as desirous of hearing more. The text used was Acts 3:19-21. At the close of the service the officers of the order came to me and said, "Here is \$25.50 as a token of our appreciation." Thank the Lord for this opportunity of presenting the message.

I was called to Didsbury to meet Mr. McGregor in debate. This man goes around the country seeking for debates. It seems his way of advertising himself or of getting someone to preach to. He belongs to what he calls "Latter Day Saints" (?). The debate lasted for four nights of two hours each. During this time we had the privilege of presenting the truth on the Sabbath question to from two to three hundred people, and it is not likely that God's word will return unto Him void. I hope and pray that our brethren and sisters at Didsbury will do all they can to take care of the interest that has been created through this debate—not by argument, but by much prayer and consecrated lives and by faithfully getting the literature into the hands of the people. This is a time to work, not to stop for debates or run after men who have nothing else to do but to go around the country seeking to get the Lord's people's minds away from the work the Lord has called us to do.

We are making up the breach (Isa. 58:12-13) and

when those debaters come around, let us treat them as Nehemiah treated his enemies. When these enemies saw the breach was about to be made up, then they sent to Nehemiah and asked him to meet them in debate (Nehemiah 6:1-2), but notice the answer and let this be the answer of every Christian: "I am doing a great work and cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it and come down to you?" Verse 3.

The work of God demands haste. Souls are perishing, the end is coming, and we should allow nothing to take our minds from the object for which we have been called into this message. The work here in Edmonton is very encouraging and souls are deciding right along. The opportunities for Bible work are many. The church here is alive to the situation. Thank the Lord for this. J. L. WILSON.

A SAD ACCIDENT

It is with a feeling of deep regret that I announce, through the columns of the *Tidings*, the death of Brother Otha Workes, son of Brother and Sister A. J. Workes, of Whitla, which occurred on June 18th from cramp contracted while bathing.

Brother Otha was drowned while bathing near Winnifred. He had gone there for a supply of literature which he intended to circulate amongst the people of that neighborhood, a missionary undertaking for which he had laid plans while assisting his father with the spring work.

The evening before the occurrence of this sad accident, as the Sabbath was closing, Otha took part in the evening worship at the family altar. The burden of his prayer seemed to be for strength and grace to lead an upright life, and for pardon for past mistakes and failures. We believe he died with a strong faith in his Maker and that he will come forth in the first resurrection.

He was born in Felton, Mo., April 28, 1897, and at the time of death had reached the age of 19 years, 1 month, 21 days. He leaves to mourn his loss, father, mother, three brothers and two sisters, all of whom were present at the funeral service with the exception of one sister, Mrs. Peter Rick, who is in Australia at present and who has been engaged in missionary work with her husband in India for several years. Not as those who have no hope do these loved ones mourn, but in confidence look beyond the grave to that glad day so near at hand when the Life-giver shall come and the loved of earth shall be re-united never more to part.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

J. K. FISH.

EDMONTON

Since our last report from Edmonton we have been very busy trying to keep in touch with those who are interested in the Third Angel's Message, and following up our literature work. Also in repairing our little place of worship, and making it larger so as to accommodate the people who come to study the Word of God. We have made our seating room greater by removing the cloak room from the inside and building a larger one on the front. And we have been repaid for our labor by seeing the new seats filled as well as the old ones.

The interest is growing steadily in this place, and

many are becoming interested through the literature that is being scattered from time to time. One man who had bought a *World's Crisis* this spring, wrote to the publishers and stated that the book contained his idea of the things that he understood from the Scriptures, so we see that the literature is doing its work, and not only this one, but many are coming to different members of our company and asking questions; begging them to have some one come and study the Scriptures with them. One case especially, where three families had asked for studies last Tuesday evening for the first time. We had a splendid study with them and since that they have been asking ever so many questions, and one family has said that if they can see from the Word of God that the Sabbath, baptism, and other points of truth that they are anxious about, are binding and that they are for us in this day, they are ready to take hold of it.

By the time this reaches the readers we will have begun a series of meetings which will be conducted by Elder Wilson, assisted by Bro. Beane and other helpers, and we need your prayers that the work may be a success, and the Word of God may triumph, and that the honest in heart may be sought out and brought into the fold of Christ.

R. C. CORDIS.

MARRIED

At Lacombe, on June 6th, a few friends gathered at the home of Brother and Sister Knutson to witness the marriage of their daughter Hazel to William McCready, both former students of the Alberta Academy.

Elder P. P. Adams performed the ceremony. A very pleasant evening was spent and all present joined in wishing the young couple happiness and prosperity as they take their places in the ranks of the Lord's army.

J. B. McCLAFLIN.

RAILWAY RATES TO CAMP-MEETING

We are pleased to inform our people that the Canadian Pacific, Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Companies have granted the special round trip one-way fare to and from the place of our camp-meeting. Everyone who comes will want to secure a free trip home, but in order to obtain this privilege it is absolutely necessary to comply with the following rules. Study these well so that there will be no misunderstanding when the time comes to carry them out.

1. Plan to be at the depot at least fifteen minutes before the arrival of your train, so as to give the agent time to supply you with both ticket and standard form certificate.

2. Purchase a one-way full fare ticket.

3. Be sure and ask the agent for a standard form certificate for every ticket purchased. Do not fail to obtain this.

4. If you must travel over more than one road be sure and secure standard form certificates for every ticket purchased at the different ticket offices.

5. On arrival at the grounds do not fail to hand all certificates to F. L. Hommel at the book-tent.

Those who will travel on the C.P.R. from Calgary should bear in mind that the afternoon train for the north is not scheduled to reach Ponoka until the following morning, as it stops overnight at Red Deer.

We would therefore advise those who will travel this way to take the morning train (8.15 a.m.) or the night train (23.55) both of which go through to Ponoka direct. Those travelling on the C.P.R. from Edmonton should notice that the south-bound train now leaves there at 6.00 p.m. We would advise all to acquaint themselves with any changes of time in the arrival and departure of trains so that there will be no mistakes or disappointments in travelling to or from the place of meeting.

H. H. HUMANN.

SCHULER

On Sabbath, June 3rd, a nice little company of us met at Jacob Muller's, together with two families who are earnestly studying the truth, and all took part in prayer.

I received word that a seven-year-old son of our brother, Konrad Konschuck, accidentally fell from a load of wheat on the way to Estuary and died eight days later in the hospital at Swift Current, Sask. The funeral was held in the Baptist church, which was much too small to hold the people, so we had the meeting out doors. It was my privilege to present the truth on the state of the dead to a large congregation.

During the week following, I visited the whole neighborhood, and Sabbath, June 10th, we met at Bro. Konschuck's house. Two new families met with us here and the spirit of God rested on the whole company. Although it was raining, we met again on Sunday and Monday, and expect to meet together during the remainder of the week.

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WHY ATTEND CAMP-MEETING

In *Testimonies for the Church*, Volume VI., I find a very pointed paragraph answering the question why we should attend our camp-meetings. It reads as follows:

"God has committed to our hands a most sacred work, and we need to meet together to receive instruction; that we may be fitted to perform this work. We need to understand what part we shall individually be called upon to act in building up the cause of God in the earth, in vindicating God's holy law, and in lifting up the Saviour as the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world: John 1:29. We need to meet together and receive the divine touch that we may understand our work in the home. Parents need to understand how they may send forth from the sanctuary of the home their sons and daughters so trained and educated that they will be fitted to shine as lights in the world. We need to understand in regard to the division of labor, and how each part of the work is carried forward. Each one should understand the part he is to act, that there may be harmony of plan, and of labor in the combined work of all."

Page 32-33.

At both of our camp-meetings we plan to have meetings where instruction will be given to church

officers, especially that instruction which relates to the elder and missionary secretary. This will be in harmony with the following paragraph from the same volume: "Properly conducted, the camp-meeting is a school where pastors, elders, and deacons can learn to do a more perfect work for the Master. It should be a school where the members of the church, old and young, are given an opportunity to learn the way of the Lord more perfectly, a place where believers can receive an education that will help them to be a help to others." Page 49.

Camp-meetings cost us something in time and money, but surely the benefits we receive far outweigh the expense, if it is possible at all to raise the money in order to come. Sometimes we cannot see how we can go and the way seems closed, but I have seen some remarkable openings of Providence when the Lord's help has been sought. Let everyone to whom the way seems dark seek God in prayer. He hears, and answers, because he has our interests at heart.

Remember the dates, July 24-30 for the Nanaimo meeting, and August 14-20 for the one at Kelowna.

J. G. WALKER.

THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE

Since locating at Vancouver, I have twice visited Victoria, being at the House of Parliament when the prohibition bill was first introduced before the legislative body. At Victoria I received a hearty recommendation for the temperance *Instructor* from the Vancouver Island branch of the people's prohibition movement, knowing that it is an S.D.A. publication.

At a recent annual W.C.T.U. convention held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church in Vancouver, Mrs. Potter was requested to represent the Kelowna Union as she had worked with them while at Kelowna. One evening during the convention the leader in the people's prohibition movement spoke and publicly referred to the good work being done by the Seventh-day Adventists in the temperance cause.

From the standpoint of opening doors of opportunity in which to enter with our message, our temperance company already gives evidence that it is well worth all the effort we can put into it. Our first five thousand copies are nearly all out. Let us not be satisfied until we are doing all in our power to help the good work along.

E. R. POTTER.

A SPECIAL CALL

I wish to say a few words concerning the good work being done by the four churches in Vancouver and ask for help to make their work more successful. Each of the four churches have very efficient earnest missionary secretaries and I wish to mention especially the hospital and jail work being carried on by them.

It was my privilege to go through the hospital with one of these sisters while she called on the patients with flowers and papers. In the consumption ward lay a girl near the point of death. To see this girl who had lived a butterfly life, eager to hear the Bible and *Steps to Christ* and to hear her plead for our sister to stay with her was touching. Our sister did stay with her most of the time till she died, giving evidence of intelligent trust in God. We visited the invalid ward, and to see the smiling faces that greeted her as she came into the room with her papers was

indeed cheering, and all through the institution this sister and her papers were received as a ray of sunshine. The work is being carried on systematically by members from the different churches.

Papers are also appreciated at the provincial jail. Twice a month Sunday evening meetings are held with about a hundred inmates of the jail. While speaking to the prisoners on a recent Sunday evening, I said that while they were within prison walls, it was possible for them to be more free than many outside who claimed to be free. After the service one of the prisoners found a purse that one of the sisters had left and he immediately returned it to the officer; something that many outside would not have done.

If any readers of the *Tidings* have any clean copies of new or old papers or magazines to spare, I assure you they would be put to good use and be greatly appreciated if you will send to my address below, and I will make distribution to the different workers as needed.

If any readers have relatives or friends in or near Vancouver I will be very glad to receive their names and addresses and any information that would help us call on them and, if possible, co-operate with you in reaching them with the truth. E. R. POTTER.

Manitoba Conference

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OPENING OF MANITOBA MEETING

The meeting opened Thursday night with the camp all in readiness. About forty tents are pitched on the Agricultural Grounds. A goodly number are in attendance. We have had excellent meetings. Elders W. W. Eastman, E. W. Farnsworth, I. E. Shilling, and Prof. E. C. Kellogg are the speakers from abroad. Elder C. F. McVagh, Brother Manfull, Brother Rowse, and Professor E. D. Dick are present from the Union.

Elder Schilling spoke Sabbath, June 17, at the eleven o'clock hour from the text, "Prepare to meet thy God." He showed how necessary it was for us at this time, when the Lord is about to appear, to confess our sins and get into a condition so that we might receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit which God is waiting to bestow upon us. Hearts were touched and we all experienced the deep movings of the spirit of God. An earnest desire was felt on the part of everyone to put away every sin and to meet the conditions upon which the Lord has promised his Holy Spirit.

An interesting Sabbath-school was conducted by Brother Soper. Elder Eastman read some statistics showing the growth of the Sabbath-school work. Thirty-six years ago the entire donations of the schools in the denomination gave \$25.00, while in 1914 they amounted to \$344,000. These figures proved very interesting to all. The Sabbath-school donations on the camp-ground for the first Sabbath amounted to over \$20.00, which was an increase over the corresponding time last year. An effort is being made to bring every unconverted soul to Christ.

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OF INTEREST TO SASKATCHEWAN

Everybody in Saskatoon is busy with the preparation for the camp-meeting. The workers are here and we hope to have the camp look quite inviting when our people arrive. The place at the Exhibition Grounds is nice and large. The soil is sandy, and therefore if we have rain it will bother us very little.

A good supply of books will greet our brethren and sisters as they come on the grounds. These true friends are waiting to go home with you, and promise you enjoyable hours of study and mediation. Remember the book tent in making your preparations for camp-meeting.

Those who have not yet secured their Sabbath-school supplies for the coming quarter will kindly do so at once. We wish all might make it a point to order their supplies in good time before the beginning of each quarter.

NO INTRODUCTION NECESSARY

Readers of the Seventh-day Adventist periodicals need no introduction to Dr. P. T. Magan. They will be more than passively interested, however, to learn that he has been secured by the weekly *Signs* as an editorial contributor.

Three series of articles by the doctor are announced. One of them, entitled "Restoration of the Papacy," will begin in the issue of July 11. It will be followed by "The Eastern Question" and "Marvelous Living Experiences Connected with Our Work," probably in the order named. It is thought that the three series will cover a period of six months to a year.

Be sure to get every issue for yourself, and would it not be well to induce your friends to subscribe at this time? Scores, no doubt, will act upon this suggestion. Will you be one of them?

PASSED ON BY AN INFIDEL

An infidel received by mail the tract: "Prepare to meet thy God!" Angry, he was about to burn it, when it occurred to him that it would be a good joke to send it to a friend, a companion in unbelief. This man was convicted and converted by reading, and in turn sent it to another friend, who was also led to Christ.

Rays of Light on the Sabbath Question, by Eliza H. Morton, is the title of a new book which has just been issued. This little work deals with a single subject. Its style is new and original. It is not divided into chapters, but into paragraphs, each paragraph having a suitable heading—something after the manner of newspaper writers. The book is well written and would be most excellent to place in the hands of anyone who is interested in the Sabbath question. It contains 138 pages, paper binding selling for 30c, and cloth binding 55c. Send all orders to your Conference Tract Society office.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

Alberta—Week Ending June 16th

	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Totals
Campbell, Angus	B.R.	21	3	...	...	\$ 11.50
Hermann, Alex.	D.R.	37	3	...	...	12.50
Milne, Melvin*	G.C.	64	40	...	...	156.00
Sargeant, Allen*	B.R.	35	5	...	...	18.50
Shankel, George	B.R.	55	24	...	...	87.00
OStanley, E. S.*	B.R.	83	21	...	12.55	94.05

Manitoba—Week Ending June 9th

McGee, A. E.*	B.R.	83	21	...	12.55	94.05
Ojala, G. F.*	B.R.	98	13	...	15.00	61.50
Emery, Earl*	B.R.	26	14	...	...	55.00
Olson, Ronald	B.R.	32	18	...	...	80.00

Saskatchewan—Week Ending June 2nd

Adams, Phemia	B.R.	27	2	...	.25	8.25
Clark, Florence	B.R.	27	2	...	...	7.00
Crooks, S. A.	P.P.	15	3	...	...	11.50
Jewkes, John	B.R.	23½	2	...	...	9.00
Wells, Frank	B.R.	53	28	...	2.35	112.35
Wick, Theo.	B.R.	41	2725	114.75
Coles, Ida	27	...	240	...	24.00

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Total..... \$1,806.05

* Two Weeks.

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