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The Spirit of Prophecy Books

Are You Reading Them?

By W. H. BRANSON, *President*
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Eight years before Mrs. E. G. White passed away she wrote these reassuring words in the *Review and Herald* of July 18, 1907: "The instruction that was given in the early days of the message is to be held as safe instruction to follow in these its closing days." Long before that, back in 1882, she wrote in the same journal (December 26) that the Spirit of prophecy books "contain instruction which meets the case of all," although many "know little or nothing of the contents of these books, and they are losing much by their neglect."

These statements appeared in the days of our fathers and grandfathers. They are still timely. The instruction is still good for the closing days. We ought to be well acquainted with it. With the lapse of years and the growth in numbers there is even greater danger today than in 1882, that many may be unfamiliar with the writings of Mrs. E. G. White and thus "are losing much by their neglect."

For this reason, the General Conference Committee at the recent Spring Meeting voted a special recommendation directing the attention of our people again to the vital importance of the Spirit of prophecy counsel in our

lives and work. It was urged that all secure these messages and give them the most thoughtful and prayerful study, bringing their lives into compliance with their guiding principles.

By special arrangements with the publishers, a 25 per cent discount applies to all the E. G. White books during the summer months of 1953, thus giving our people the opportunity of acquiring at an attractive price any of the volumes they may not already possess.

In the words of the preamble to the committee recommendation, "The approaching crisis connected with the world's closing events calls for a clear discernment of the times in which we live; a rich and fruitful spiritual experience, the highest standards of Christian conduct; and an earnest, wholehearted preparation to meet the Lord." This is a challenge to every Seventh-day Adventist. Let me invite each of you personally to provide yourselves with every possible advantage in your spiritual warfare during these troubled, momentous and final days.

Action of the Spring Council

WHEREAS, The approaching crisis connected with the world's closing

events calls for a clear discernment of the times in which we live; a rich and fruitful spiritual experience; the highest standards of Christian conduct; and an earnest, wholehearted preparation to meet the Lord; and

WHEREAS, The Spirit of prophecy counsels have been vouchsafed to us to accomplish these objects, and to guide and guard the church to triumphant victory; and

WHEREAS, "The instruction that as given in the early days of the message is to be held as safe instruction to follow in these its closing days" (Mrs. E. G. White in *Review and Herald*, July 18, 1907); and

WHEREAS, The Spirit of prophecy books "contain instruction which meets the case of all" (Mrs. E. G. White in *Review and Herald*, Dec. 26, 1882), and yet there are among us many of our people who "know little or nothing of the contents of these books, and they are losing much by their neglect" (*Ibid.*);

We recommend, 1. That in our ministry in the churches and at general gatherings, we call anew the attention of our church members to the

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New England Sanitarium and Hospital

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First Aid Certificates

Elder W. E. Burns, educational secretary of the Southern New England Conference, gave seven seniors of the New England Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing special instruction to qualify them as instructors in Red Cross First Aid.

The students were eligible for this shortened instruction because they held standard and advanced first-aid certificates from the American Red Cross and were also specially trained instructors in the Red Cross in Home Care of the Sick. The first-aid teacher's certificates will be issued after the students graduate from the School of Nursing this summer.

Those who completed this special first aid training were: Gladys Anderson, Patricia Berkeley, Joan Brewster, Shirley Boyd, Ruth Holmes, Rhoda Spencer, and Aloyth Trygg.

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Recent Meetings

May 23 will long be remembered by the members of the Adirondack district. It was on this day that the entire district was invited to Canton for a celebration of their Ingathering victory. We were very happy to learn that the district was a Minuteman district, and all but one church were Minuteman churches. We know that this one church will not cease its labors until it too will stand on the honor roll.

We were very fortunate in securing the services of Elder Arthur L. White, secretary of the Ellen G. White publications. He gave some helpful and instructive studies on the Spirit of prophecy and the life of Sister White, particularly pointing out just how the Spirit of prophecy came to us under the guidance of God to direct the last remnant church in its world-wide work and prepare it for the finishing task to which the Lord has called it.

At the Canton meeting, Elder A. E. Wade had the meetings well organized

and all arrangements were made for a successful program. Sister Mabel Vreeland, assistant in the district, conducted a very well organized Sabbath school.

On Sunday, May 24, the working staff of the conference met at Syracuse, when Elder White again spent a good share of the day with us giving us instruction in the Spirit of prophecy and helping us to understand better the importance of this wonderful medium which the Lord has set in His church to guide and direct.

We certainly appreciated having Elder White with us and we hope that it will not be as long before he can visit this conference again as it has been since his last visit. We know our brethren at the General Conference are very busy, but we are always glad to have them in our field.

J. J. REISWIG

Union Springs Industries

The Academy Board met at Union Springs Academy Monday, May 25, to make final arrangements for the building for the industrial program of the school. We were glad to have Brother Frank Shull, a building contractor, from the Genesee Park church at Rochester meet with us, and the board unanimously voted to give him the contract for a one-story building, 40' x 85'. This building will house the flower industry, the crate factory, and the machine shop.

We hope that our people will remember the Academy Extension Fund liberally, for we need quite a bit of money yet to pay for this building and also to put the equipment in that is necessary for these industries to really be successful. We know that in these industries we will have to compete with other industries that are equipped with machinery of the very latest type and where work can be done much faster than we can do it with student labor. While it is not our intention that this should be a money-making business, it must, however, pay its way and at the same time, train our young people in a trade that will prepare them for life's work. The industry must be able to stand on its own basis financially; otherwise it cannot be carried on. The school would not have finances to take care of any deficits that might occur in the industry; therefore, we hope that our people will remember this undertaking with their prayers and funds.

J. J. REISWIG

Camp Pitch

The work of pitching the camp will begin Sunday, June 21. All the ministers will be there to help pitch the camp. It will be necessary to hire about twenty other men. If any reader of this report is interested in joining this work crew, kindly write to the camp superintendent or to the conference office at once. Secure an application blank from your pastor, who has a supply of them. Wages will be paid to those who will come and help. The wages will be according to the usefulness of the worker.

Preparing a camp for one of our annual meetings is a sacred work, and it will therefore be expected that those who are accepted for this work will hold to Christian standards of conduct.

A. S. ANDERSON
Camp Superintendent

Camp Meeting

Another spiritual feast is awaiting you at the New York Conference camp meeting July 3-12, 1953.

The meetings begin Friday evening, July 3, at 7:30 p.m. and close Sunday noon, July 12.

Those who will largely contribute to the program are as follows:

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July 3-5—Paul Eldridge, a former worker of the New York Conference, now laboring in Japan

July 3-6—Robert M. Whitsett, associate secretary of the Ministerial Association

July 3-6—Miss M. Vandermark of the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference

July 5-7—Elder W. H. Branson, president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

July 6-8—S. A. Kaplan, who is in charge of the Jewish work in North America

July 8-12—Elder F. D. Nichol, editor of the *Review and Herald*

July 9-10—The Voice of Prophecy group

July 9-11—I. H. Ihrig of the Southern Publishing Assn.

Besides these General Conference brethren, Elder L. E. Lenheim and the union conference secretaries, and also our local workers will be there to serve you.

Notice

Due to graduation exercises at Union Springs Academy, the New York Conference and Book and Bible House offices will not be open at any time Sunday, June 21.

Book and Bible House Notes

In just a few days now, the workers will be gathering at the camp ground to begin preparation of the tents, cabins, etc., for another wonderful meeting of our people. The book tent will no doubt be one of the first tents erected and we will then busy ourselves arranging the tables and the literature for your examination. Some grand things have been arranged for this camp meeting. Elder Branson, our General Conference president, Elder Paul Eldridge, returned missionary from Japan, Elder F. D. Nichol, editor of the *Review and Herald*, and Elder R. M. Whitsett, associate secretary of our Ministerial Association, will be with us to bring many soul inspiring messages at various times throughout the camp. Beside those already mentioned, we are expecting the Voice of Prophecy Radio group, Elder H. M. S. Richards and the King's Herald, to visit for one day, Thursday, July 9. As you know, this group has prepared for use in our homes and churches many recordings of hymns and sacred music. For that one day, in honor of their visit, all King's Herald records and

albums will be sold at a very *special* discount. Plan now to attend camp meeting for the full time if possible, but at least for these special days when special visitors will be on hand. All Chapel Records may be secured at special camp meeting discounts on the camp ground or through your church missionary secretary. See him for complete information, or write to the New York Book and Bible House, P. O. Box 1285, Syracuse 1, N. Y.

"SEE YOU AT THE BOOK TENT"

E. L. VANSANFORD, *Manager*

Pan-American Youth Congress Delegates

The next two weeks will see a steady stream of Seventh-day Adventist young people heading westward across the continent, destination—San Francisco and the Pan-American Youth Congress.

Twenty-six of the delegates to that great gathering of young people and their leaders will begin their travels at different points in the New York

Conference. Those who will be representing the various churches of this conference at the Congress are:

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| Albany | Mark Bullock |
| | Mrs. Harriett Walker |
| Binghamton district | Mrs. Lucille Rodman |
| Buffalo | Gladys Ruppenthal |
| Cortland | Doris James |
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| Rochester (Genesee Park) | Malcolm Coyer Jr. |
| Rochester (Grand Ave.) | |
| | Mr. & Mrs. Ashley Richards |
| Syracuse | Eugene Vreeland |
| | Richard Diltz |
| | Anna Sawyer |
| Troy | Mrs. Lowell Wheeler |
| Vienna district | Mr. & Mrs. Robert Tobiasson |
| Conference delegate | Gladys Knott |

We wish these delegates Godspeed in their journey, and are eagerly looking forward to their return, when they will share with us the inspiration and enthusiasm they have received at the Congress.

M. D. HANNAH

CAMP MEETING ORDER New York Conference

July 3 to 12, 1953

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| Cabin rental | \$20.00 |
| (Cabins all reserved for this year) | |
| — Tent, with frame and partition | 9.50 |
| — Tent, with floor, shelf, frame and partition | 12.00 |
| — Double spring | 1.50 |
| — Single spring | 1.00 |
| — Spring cot | 1.00 |
| — Table | .50 |
| — Straw for large tick (bring tick) | .50 |
| — Straw for small tick (bring tick) | .35 |
| — Light in tent | 1.00 |
| — Light and hot plate | 2.00 |
| — Gas hot plate | 2.00 |
| — Trailer or tent space | 5.00 |
| — Transients, per person per night | 1.00 |
| — Dormitory rooms per person per day | 1.00 |

Please check the accommodations you would like and mail to the New York Conference, Box 1285, Syracuse, New York.

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Pan-American Delegates Selected

Seventeen youth of the Northeastern Conference will leave on Monday, June 8, for the Pan-American Youth Congress in San Francisco, California, June 16 to 20.

The delegates and the churches they represent are as follows: Lester Valentine and Henrietta Granderson of the Ephesus church, New York City; Elizabeth Simmons, Bethel, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Willoughby and Bernice Calender of the City Tabernacle church, New York City; Helen Jackson of Boston, Mass.; Willa Mae Pope of Rochester, N. Y.; Chester Sparks and Joan Paramour of Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Ruth McDaniels of New Haven, Conn.; Naomi Edwards of Bridgeport, Conn.; Mrs. Mary Smith of Nyack, N. Y., will fly to the Congress; Mrs. M. Charles of the Mount of Olives church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Veida Warner of Christian Fellowship; and James Wright of the Bronx church. Others known to be going to the Youth Congress are Samuel Gooden, church school teacher; Mrs. Mabel Barber and Elder C. M. Willis of the Publishing Department; Mrs. Moses Drayton of New Haven, Conn. The writer and his wife are planning to be at the great spiritual feast in San Francisco, also.

We solicit the prayers of the believers for a safe journey to and from this historical Pan-American Youth Congress. It is hoped that this will be the stimulus for a great revival among our youth.

J. E. ROACHE

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Regional Meetings

The days are fast slipping by and I trust that our members are keeping regional meetings in mind, and are laying plans to attend. Our meetings in Lewiston, Maine, on June 26 and 27 will be held in the United Baptist Church on Main Street again this year. Elder W. H. Branson, president of the

General Conference, will speak on Friday night. With his long background of experience in the United States as well as in Africa and China, together with his travels in other lands, surely a blessing is in store for every one who attends.

Our services in West Lebanon, New Hampshire, on July 17 and 18 will be held in the High School Auditorium. The speaker on Friday night will be Elder N. F. Brewer. Elder Brewer served for many years in the mission field in addition to his labors in the homeland. Besides these General Conference representatives, strong help is promised from the Atlantic Union Conference, and our local ministers will be in attendance. You cannot afford to miss Friday night this year in Lewiston or West Lebanon, and plan to attend all the other services as well. A feast of good things is in store.

ROSCOE W. MOORE

Rutland Church School

Recently I asked Mrs. Miriam Hunt, our church school teacher at Rutland, to get together some information relative to what our church school had accomplished during the past two years. The report was most encouraging, and we are happy to share its inspiration with you.

Ingathering has been one of the most outstanding missionary activities of our school children. Last year they raised \$312, nearly doubling their goal. In 1953 they have far surpassed this by gathering over \$500, nearly half of what the entire church has raised. This is a per capita of \$35.75 for each child in the school. Our teacher won the Jasper Wayne award for \$130; three children won the \$50 gold award; and five children, not yet baptized members, won the \$25 silver award. Every child in school took part in Ingathering.

In the various contacts they have made during the past two years, the 13 children have given out over 6,000 pieces of literature.

Toward the purchase of new equipment they have raised \$150 during this time. Because of this six new desks, a metal file, books, and playground equipment have been secured.

All the pupils are junior members of the American Temperance Society, and together they have given out several hundred pieces of temperance literature.

In Progressive Class work they also

have been very active. An investiture service has been held near the close of each school year. Nine Busy Bees, twelve Sunbeams, eight Builders, six Helping Hands, six Friends, and two Companions have been invested. The children have earned 131 primary and 45 junior reading course certificates, and 57 honors in nature study.

Their scholarship has also been very good, standing high above average for the entire school.

We are happy to say, too, that during this time three of the older children have followed their Lord in baptism.

Surely we are reminded that Christian education pays as we think of some of these accomplishments. Our teachers, parents, and others who have a part in our schools shall see "stars in their crowns" for investing in, and working for, our boys and girls.

ARNOLD R. SWANSON
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A Request from the Conference

Our camp meeting will commence Friday night, July 3, at 7:30. We have an excellent group of visiting speakers this year and we are expecting a large attendance. We are praying that the Lord will come preciously near to us and that all will receive a rich measure of His spirit. Three requests are being made of the members of our conference.

First, plan to come to camp meeting. If you cannot attend for the full time, attend as many services as possible. The services at night will be evangelistic in nature and you may feel free to bring your friends and relatives.

The second request is to please come to Sabbath school on time. Sabbath school this year will start at 9:00 o'clock. If you can come for only the Sabbath day, we urge you to start in time so that you can arrive on the grounds and be in your place before Sabbath school starts at the appointed hour.

The third request we feel is a reasonable one and again it applies to our members who can attend camp meeting only on the Sabbath. We urge you to bring your lunches rather than depend upon the cafeteria for your meals. The cafeteria will be open on the Sabbath

but only to serve the needs of those who are living on the camp ground. In harmony with the spirit of true Sabbath-keeping we believe that those who come for just the day should not overtax the cafeteria but should arrange to bring lunches with them. Your co-operation in this matter is earnestly desired.

These three requests are reasonable and we appeal to you to give them your earnest attention. We are looking forward to seeing you at camp meeting.

MERLE L. MILLS

Dr. David Johnson Establishes Practice in Conference

We are pleased to announce to the constituency of our field that Dr. David Johnson is establishing a medical practice in Greenville, Rhode Island, July 1. During the past year he has been intern-

ing in the Pawtucket Memorial Hospital. He is a graduate of C.M.E. No doubt many will recognize Dr. and Mrs. Johnson as former workers in this field. Both the doctor and his wife are graduates of Atlantic Union College, Class of 1940. After their marriage that year, they went to Jamestown, New York, where they taught church school. In 1941 he entered the ministerial field and continued in the New York Conference until 1945. He was ordained to the ministry in 1944. In 1945-46 he was district leader of the Taunton and New Bedford churches. After that he returned to college to take the premedical course and entered our medical college in 1945 and was graduated in 1952.

There are two children in the family: David Lloyd, 10, and Carol Marie, 7. Both children are attending our church school in Providence. We are happy to welcome Dr. and Mrs. Johnson to

our conference family and feel that their coming here is a real asset to us. They plan to attend the Pawtucket, Rhode Island, church. We wish them heaven's richest blessings and will be praying for their success.

We are in great need of Christian doctors in our conferences and are interested in having others settle in our field. The Christian influence of a doctor can be a real asset to the church as well as a blessing to the community. If you know of doctors who would be interested in locating in our conference, or if you have sons or daughters who are taking the medical course and would be interested in taking an internship here, looking forward to permanently locating here, would you kindly pass on this information to your conference officers? MERLE L. MILLS

Spot News

- The Welfare Center in the city of Waltham is almost ready for business. Four members of the Boston Temple, Sister Lashua, Brother Cashman, Brother May, and Sister Harding spent Sunday painting and redecorating the center and they did a fine job. Elder Anderson, Brother and Sister Vernon Brewer, and Brother May went to the center again Monday night to add a few more finishing touches. Be sure to remember this venture for Christ in your prayers that it may be the means of raising up a church in the city of Waltham.

- Thirty-six persons were added to our membership during May. Baptisms for the month were as follows:

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| E. S. Chace | 4 |
| J. S. Damazo | 6 |
| M. G. Johnson | 2 |
| R. W. Knapp | 1 |
| R. K. Krick | 9 |
| B. E. Leach | 10 |
| C. M. Pike | 4 |

- Elder Anderson conducted the investiture in the Lynn church on Monday night. Thirteen Busy Bees, eight Sunbeams, nine Builders, eight Helping Hands, and seven Friends were invested.

Records Broken

All records are broken in the Southern New England Conference. The highest amount ever raised by this conference for Ingathering has been raised during this Golden Jubilee. At this writing the churches have raised



\$102,538.89, with a per capita of \$20.85, and many churches are still working. By the time we have our camp meeting victory celebration on July 4, we will probably reach or go beyond \$105,000.

We want to take this opportunity again of thanking all who made this outstanding victory possible.

C. P. ANDERSON

Camp Meeting Gift

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encourage more laymen to become acquainted with *Go*. It will inspire you to do more for Christ and give helpful guidance in winning souls. Every layman should be a reader of *Go*.

Place your subscription now through your church missionary secretary or order from your Book and Bible House. Enjoy *Go* for a full year and get your free book, *Man's Only Hope*. Offer good between May 1 and September 1, 1953, only.

For H. M. and Dorcas Officers

This note is for the special attention of the conference workers, home missionary leaders, and Dorcas welfare leaders throughout the Atlantic Union.

As you know, we have been planning for some time to have a congress for our Dorcas welfare leaders and home missionary leaders, and it was tentatively voted that this be held from August 24 to 27 at the Greater New York camp grounds.

We took a poll of the field and found that many of our officers who are interested in such a workshop will be unable to attend because it comes in the middle of the week.

Because of the fact that we cannot hope to have a representative attendance from a majority of the churches the union committee has voted to postpone this meeting for this year. We will probably plan to have workshops in connection with the camp meetings or conference-wide rallies.

There have been many rallies throughout the union in the local churches dealing with the welfare approach and how to follow through with 20th Century enrollments and Bible studies, and we find this plan very effective. We trust that all of our members will give special attention to following up every interest that has been found while Ingathering.

LEMUEL E. ESTEB

OBITUARIES

WALSTON—Leona Bicknell-Walston was born in Burlington, Vt., August 31, 1893. On April 15, 1897, she was adopted by Elder and Mrs. P. F. Bicknell, and on September 13 of that year set sail with her parents and sister for Cape Town, South Africa. When Sister Walston was in Africa, she began her schooling in the Claremont Union College grade school. After a little more than two years in South Africa, the family came back to the States. In the summer of 1900, she went with her family to New Brunswick, Canada, where Elder Bicknell was engaged in evangelistic work with Elder S. J. Hersum. In December of 1900 her father was called to the presidency of the Maine Conference, and the next four years of Sister Walston's life were spent in that state. In 1904, at a camp meeting in Caribou, Maine, she was baptized by her father, and became a member of God's remnant church. It was while the family lived in Maine that she wrote and had published, the book *How a Little Girl Went to Africa*. During the next two years she lived in Philadelphia, where Elder Bicknell was pastor of the West Philadelphia church; and in Massachusetts, where she attended South Lancaster Academy. The family made their home in South Lancaster from the fall of 1906 until 1942. During that time, Sister Walston completed the ministerial course (1912), the literary course (1917), and the secretarial course (1920). For a short time she worked in the Review and Herald office in Washington as a stenographer, but was called home because of her mother's serious illness. During the next 18 years, she cared for her parents until they were laid to rest. The next three summers after the death of her parents she spent in Worcester, Mass., as pianist and assistant Bible instructor in tent efforts with Elders Handhart, W. W. Rice, and F. C. Gilbert.

On November 22, 1942, she and Earl Walston were married and went to Vernon, Vt., to make their home. Shortly after, they moved to Spofford, N. H. The evening of March 28, just after Sabbath had closed, dear Sister Walston quietly fell asleep in Jesus.

During her lifetime she held many offices in various churches, and was an ardent and zealous Ingathering worker. She was always faithful to God's cause, and was ready to meet her Maker. Her last years were spent in a great deal of physical suffering, but she bore up under it as a true child of God. Here is a statement in her own words showing her readiness for the end of life as we know it in this earth: "I have tried to be a faithful wife, church worker and friend, and a true child of God. I know my sins are all confessed, and forgiven, and all is right with my Master."

Those who await to see Sister Leona Walston on the glorious resurrection morning are: her faithful husband, Earl, of Spofford, N. H.; and two sisters—Mrs. Sidney Norton, of Hartford, Conn., and Mrs. Rita Ingham, of Concord, Mass. She was laid to rest in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Lancaster, Mass., to await the time when Jesus shall be revealed in the clouds of heaven and impart to her life eternal.

CARL E. GROOM

TOWNSEND—Vivian Clifford Townsend was born March 19, 1897, in North Paris, Maine, and died on May 11, 1953, at his home in Worthington, Ohio. He was one of the third set of twins born to Edgar F. and Rowena S. Townsend. In addition to three sets of twins, there were three older children. Two brothers and a sister have preceded him in death.

Elder Townsend entered the colporteur ministry in 1917, and for three years served successfully in this work. About this same time he went to school at South Lancaster. In 1920 he was married to Miss Leola Griffin-Gresley, whom he had met the year before at the Maine camp meeting.

His career was rich and varied. He served as home missionary secretary of the Northern New England Conference for six years and engaged in several evangelistic campaigns during this period. He was ordained to the ministry at the Rochester, N. H., camp meeting in 1929. He conducted evangelistic meetings in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York State with a marked degree of success. His ability as a singing evangelist was also recognized, and he and his wife were invited to work with several of our leading evangelists. His last pastorates were in New York State.

During all these years Elder Townsend was periodically in and out of the hospital with a chronic mastoid infection. In spite of 17 operations during this time, he was always of good courage and willing to answer any call as part of his pastoral and ministerial duties. Finally, after undergoing surgery for a brain abscess, he was advised in 1944 to retire and take life as easy as possible. It was at this time that he moved with his family from Middletown, N. Y., to Oxford, Me. He was still young—only 47—and still ambitious and active, so much so that a series of strokes curtailed his activities even further. Recognizing the need of a warmer climate and desiring to be near a school where his daughters could obtain a Christian education, Elder Townsend moved to Worthington, Ohio, during the summer of 1950. Mrs. Townsend was employed in the Harding Sanitarium as a medical secretary and the two girls attended Mount Vernon Academy, where they graduated with the Class of '53.

In spite of his continuing ill health his faith and courage were still high until a few weeks ago. At this time his physical condition grew worse and overwhelmed his naturally hopeful and confident nature. As a result, the last few weeks were marked by an emotional depression.

He leaves to mourn: his wife; two daughters, Elaine and Vivien; three brothers, Elmer of Chicago, Ill., Erlon of Gorham, Me., and his twin brother Vernon of East Hebron, Me.; two sisters, Ethel Myrtle Stickney of Gorham, Me., and Alice Evalena Hills of Camden, Me.; and several nephews and nieces. He will be missed as a loving and devoted husband and father, and by many of his fellow workers and friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, and our brother was laid to rest in Walnut Grove Cemetery in Worthington, Ohio.

C. M. BUNKER

The wise carry their knowledge as they do their watches, not for display, but for their own use.

Spirit of Prophecy Books

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timeliness and helpfulness of the Spirit of prophecy counsels and the vital place they should occupy in our lives and work.

2. That we urge upon all a thoughtful and prayerful study of these heaven-indited counsels, and a compliance of life to their guiding principles.

3. That our church members throughout the world be urged to secure the Spirit of prophecy books for their home libraries, our English-reading members taking advantage of the generous 25 per cent discount offer on these books made available by our publishers during the summer months of 1953.

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South Lancaster and Vicinity
Tilson L. Vincent, Realtor
South Lancaster, Mass.

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LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

S. L. CLARK, Publishing Department Secretary

Atlantic Union Conference

Report for Week Ending May 23, 1953

| GREATER NEW YORK | | | | | | | |
|---|-------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|
| Howard D. Burbank, Pub. Dept. Sec. | | | | | | | |
| Hazel B. Potash, Asst. | | | | | | | |
| Colporteur | Hours | Orders | Del. | | | | |
| Gonzalez, C. | 42 | 46 05 | 36 25 | Swain, B. | 33 | 40 90 | 40 90 |
| Potash, A. | 42 | 147 75 | 124 25 | Buckner, C. | 30 | 111 00 | 42 75 |
| Schulz, G. | 40 | 104 00 | 104 00 | Douglas, H. | 16 | 32 30 | 32 30 |
| Salulaht, S. | 40 | 32 50 | 32 50 | Smith, H. | 15 | 9 00 | 9 00 |
| Pappastamoulis, N. | 36 | 41 30 | 41 30 | Abrams, M. | 15 | 8 50 | 8 50 |
| Diaz, F. | 35 | 49 50 | 49 50 | Cubia, C. | 14 | 15 75 | 15 75 |
| Aponte, R. | 34 | 80 60 | 74 10 | Darby, W. | 10 | 11 50 | 11 50 |
| Tirado, M. | 21 | 51 00 | 51 00 | Buffalo Aux. | 40 | 93 95 | 80 25 |
| Gonzalez, G. | 19 | 23 40 | 23 40 | Cornelius, L. | 35 | 92 25 | 92 75 |
| Jamaica Ch. Aux. | 15 | 20 00 | 20 00 | Brummiell, J. | 32 | 95 50 | 104 25 |
| Jeckle, F. | 11 | 15 25 | 15 25 | Miller, M. | 27 | 114 25 | 62 00 |
| West, F. | 8 | 3 75 | 3 75 | Justice, A. | 25 | 57 00 | 56 00 |
| Antonsson, L. | 8 | 34 75 | 34 75 | Jones, L. | 20 | 30 00 | 30 00 |
| St. Amant, Mrs. R. | 8 | 12 50 | 12 50 | James, R. | 15 | 34 00 | 34 00 |
| Tirado, E. | 8 | 14 60 | 14 60 | Simmons, U. | 12 | 18 75 | 18 75 |
| Bowdish, J. | 3 | 5 00 | 5 00 | | | | |
| Bocheclamp, E. | 2 | 2 50 | 2 50 | 40 Colporteurs | 958 | 2010 40 | 1778 22 |
| Bocheclamp, Mrs. E. | 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 | | | | |
| Rivera, G. | 2 | 4 50 | 4 50 | NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND | | | |
| | | | | L. D. Dryer, Pub. Dept. Sec. | | | |
| 19 Colporteurs | 376 | 691 95 | 652 15 | Colburn, H. | 36 | 91 25 | 56 25 |
| NEW YORK | | | | Peterson, G. | 44 | 392 00 | 102 75 |
| Clark Dilts, Pub. Dept. Sec. | | | | Willard, D. | 2 | 2 50 | 2 50 |
| Schlist, E. | 45 | 153 50 | 153 50 | Willard, H. | 2 | 3 00 | 43 75 |
| Brandstatter, E. | 42 | 234 75 | 181 75 | Willard, J. | 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 |
| Margrum, P. | 36 | 66 75 | 66 75 | Willard, R. | 10 | 3 75 | 95 75 |
| Mills, C. M. | 35 | 76 75 | 76 75 | | | | |
| White, C. | 29 | 74 75 | 74 75 | 6 Colporteurs | 96 | 495 50 | 304 00 |
| Bennett, C. | 18 | 37 50 | 37 50 | | | | |
| White, Mrs. R. | 17 | 59 40 | 59 40 | SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND | | | |
| Brandstatter, M. | 15 | 57 00 | 57 00 | Chester P. Lampson, Pub. Dept. Sec. | | | |
| Route Plan Workers | 10 | 25 00 | 25 00 | V. Bovey, C. Walkowiak, Assts. | | | |
| Freeman Children | 10 | 25 00 | 25 00 | Lombard, C. | 40 | 192 20 | 192 20 |
| Bullock, M. | 10 | 18 50 | 18 50 | McGann, R. | 37 | 337 05 | 87 15 |
| Wayland Ch. Sch. | 8 | 18 75 | 18 75 | McGann, R. | 35 | 154 00 | 104 65 |
| A Junior | 7 | 10 00 | 10 00 | McGann, Mrs. R. | 22 | 74 40 | 65 95 |
| Belden, E. | 4 | 18 75 | 18 75 | McGann, Mrs. R. | 23 | 109 80 | 109 80 |
| Franke, W. | 4 | 3 75 | | Chase, R. | 34 | 225 00 | 42 50 |
| Baker, Mrs. E. | 4 | 3 50 | 3 50 | Chase, Mrs. R. | 21 | 89 25 | 26 75 |
| Nitchman, H. | 3 | 20 00 | 20 00 | Rubenwolf, A. | 33 | 77 70 | 56 65 |
| Rochester Ch. Sch. | 47 | 50 00 | 47 50 | Fenley, Mrs. M. | 32 | 137 25 | 89 20 |
| Junior Camp Wkrs. | 25 | 00 | 25 00 | Knox, W. | 32 | 45 75 | 45 75 |
| Utica Ch. Sch. | 12 | 50 | 12 50 | Waters, Mrs. E. | 30 | 76 75 | 76 75 |
| Mrs. Jordan | 2 | 50 | 2 50 | MacLaren, R. | 26 | 163 85 | 71 20 |
| 21 Colporteurs | 297 | 991 15 | 934 40 | Weiss, S. | 25 | 50 00 | 50 00 |
| NORTHEASTERN | | | | Weiss, S. | 30 | 68 25 | 68 25 |
| C. M. Willis, Pub. Dept. Sec. | | | | Twining, J. | 20 | 46 20 | 46 20 |
| S. O. James, M. Morrison, M. Barber, Assts. | | | | Twining, J. | 40 | 45 20 | 45 20 |
| Bramwell, L. | 40 | 77 25 | 36 50 | Frattaroli, Mrs. | 17 | 18 20 | 18 20 |
| Bramwell, M. | 40 | 59 75 | 29 00 | Frattaroli, Mrs. | 6 | 4 85 | 4 85 |
| Upstate Group | 36 | 90 80 | 90 80 | Huntley, C. | 16 | 25 75 | 17 25 |
| Brooklyn Aux. | 34 | 99 80 | 99 80 | Huntley, C. | 11 | 25 00 | 22 25 |
| Davis, F. | 26 | 92 25 | 92 25 | Mack, A. | 16 | 52 75 | 52 75 |
| Collins, L. | 25 | 66 75 | 66 75 | Lawson, V. | 12 | 8 25 | 11 25 |
| Chambers, L. | 22 | 36 50 | 36 50 | Twining, W. | 12 | 14 00 | 14 00 |
| New Haven Aux. | 18 | 37 50 | 37 50 | Carlson, J. | 10 | 6 25 | 6 25 |
| Myers, E. | 12 | 26 75 | 26 75 | Black, A. | 8 | 5 00 | 23 75 |
| Edgecombe, J. | 10 | 34 75 | 34 75 | Clarke, Mrs. E. | 8 | 38 15 | 17 05 |
| Morrisette, B. | 10 | 12 75 | 12 75 | Waterbury Chur. | 8 | 23 00 | 23 00 |
| Campbell, V. | 45 | 70 00 | 47 27 | Wayshak, J. | 8 | 23 80 | 23 80 |
| Downing, E. | 30 | 73 25 | 60 00 | Henrickson, H. | 7 | 37 50 | 7 50 |
| Hills, C. | 30 | 17 50 | 17 50 | Patchett, H. | 7 | 25 35 | 25 35 |
| Hughes, E. | 28 | 48 25 | 27 75 | Alger, W. | 4 | 74 50 | 59 25 |
| Hughes, E. | 27 | 51 75 | 49 25 | Harrod, B. | 3 | 4 00 | 4 00 |
| Snowden, I. | 23 | 15 75 | 15 75 | Hoar, E. | 3 | 4 75 | 11 25 |
| Seatliffe, J. | 22 | 25 25 | 25 25 | Morrell, H. | 3 | 1 75 | 1 75 |
| Jackson, S. | 20 | 50 00 | 50 00 | Piper, A. | 3 | 7 50 | |
| Phillips, T. | 20 | 50 00 | 50 00 | Setterberg, C. | 3 | | |
| Taylor, E. | 19 | 7 25 | 31 50 | Watson, M. | 1 | 4 50 | |
| Carlos, H. | 14 | 7 90 | 7 90 | Kamerik, R. | 1 | 3 75 | |
| Case, C. | 12 | 19 50 | 19 50 | Moulton, D. | 4 | 4 00 | 4 00 |
| Ephesus Aux. | 10 | 93 00 | 93 00 | Towers, S. | 1 | 2 75 | 2 75 |
| Ephesus Aux. No. 4 | 46 | 81 50 | 81 50 | Towers, N. | 21 | 85 | |
| | | | | Pelletier, J. | 37 | 82 05 | 60 95 |
| | | | | 42 Colporteurs | 688 | 2411 90 | 1589 40 |
| | | | | Union Totals | Hours | Orders | Del. |
| | | | | 128 Colporteurs | 2415 | 6600 90 | 5258 17 |

Special Awards

Southern New England
\$250

Mrs. C. Donovan Miss A. M. Bissonnette
Mrs. Dorothy Coffen Mrs. M. G. Johnson
Mrs. Marcella Miller Elder M. G. Johnson

\$130

Mrs. Brenda Black Elder Joseph Damazo
Mrs. Ethel Yetman Dr. L. Senseman
Mrs. Beatrice Cowan Mrs. Bertha M. Collins
Sister Leathers Mrs. Rose DeCosta
Harriett Peckham W. E. Carpenter
Anna Lynch

Progress to Date

This is the last Ingathering bulletin we will be sending out until the treasurers' remittances come in at the end of June. What a wonderful report this is! It is one of the very best yet.

For the union now, we have a \$7,386.58 gain over the entire amount raised in the entire campaign last year. Southern New England leads in this with \$7,488.75. Greater New York is second with \$4,420.62, and New York is third with \$1,302.29. The other conferences lack very little of reaching their total for last year, and by the next report every field will have a good gain, I am sure.

We have a gain of \$57,634.13 over the same week last year. This is the greatest gain we have had in any report. Southern New England leads in this with New York and Greater New York close behind.

Bermuda has the greatest per capita gain this week—\$4.03. Elder Senecal tells me that he expects Bermuda to reach the Minuteman goal again this year.

Southern New England has the largest cash gain this week and is second in per capita gain. They lead in per capita standing with the astronomical figure of \$29.85. The \$102,538.89 which has been raised in Southern New England is way beyond what they raised last year. There are now twenty-two Minuteman districts in Southern New England. We salute the three new ones this week: Elder Coon and Pastor Caspie at Boston; Elder Leach at Worcester; and Pastor Mueller at Amesbury. We want to take our hats off to Elder Mills, Elder Anderson, all the workers, and the faithful members everywhere who have made this marvelous record in Southern New England possible. Mrs. Bertha M. Collins, who is not a member of our church, has reached the Jasper Wayne

ATLANTIC UNION CONFERENCE INGATHERING REPORT For 8th Week Ending May 30, 1953

| Conference | Total to Date 1953 | Per Capita 1953 | Total Same Week 1952 | Total for Year 1952 | Per Capita 1952 |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Bermuda | 5,101.14 | 9.13 | 3,946.61 | 6,375.20 | 19.74 |
| Greater New York | 70,146.74 | 18.59 | 58,993.72 | 65,726.12 | 18.19 |
| New York | 71,100.00 | 19.01 | 55,651.25 | 69,797.71 | 18.95 |
| Northeastern | 28,384.17 | 7.74 | 22,183.85 | 30,559.61 | 8.82 |
| Northern New England | 30,130.83 | 11.92 | 24,731.19 | 31,306.41 | 12.46 |
| Southern New England | 102,538.89 | 20.85 | 84,261.02 | 96,250.14 | 19.98 |
| UNION | 307,401.77 | 16.02 | 249,767.64 | 300,015.19 | 16.29 |

NEW MINUTEMAN CHURCHES

(Totals in parentheses)

Greater New York: (37)

New York: Penn Yan, Syracuse (44)

Northeastern: (4)

Northern New England: Bath, North Jay (5)

Southern New England: Athol, Boston Temple, Holland, New Bedford Portuguese, Quinebaug, Somerville, Springfield, Stoneham (46)

Union: (136)

award. She and others like her also deserve our congratulations.

As we look over the record, we see that New York has the second highest per capita now—\$19.01. They are just \$2,261.01 short of the Minuteman goal, and will reach it next week for certain. We salute Elder Reiswig, Elder LaGrone, and their 44 Minuteman churches.

Greater New York lacks just a few cents over a dollar in per capita of making their Minuteman goal. We predict that Greater New York, too, will become a Minuteman conference.

The other fields are doing wonderfully well also, and we want to thank each one again for the fine work that has been done. The totals for this Jubilee Year are certainly outstanding, and they will astound us all if we will keep on until the job is done.

LEMUEL E. ESTEB

Camp Meeting Season Gift

The fine book, *Man's Only Hope*, by Robert L. Boothby, is being given *free* with each one-year subscription or renewal turned in during the 1953 camp meeting season for *Go*, the laymen's journal, at the low subscription price of

only \$1.25. *Man's Only Hope* contains 159 pages and 25 helpful, inspiring chapters. You will want to read it and share the blessing it will bring with others.

Go offers 36 pages each month filled with pictures, stories, and practical ideas to help you win others for Christ. It brings program helps and project suggestions that are valuable to church workers and leaders.

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SUNSET TABLE

EASTERN STANDARD TIME

| | June 19 | June 26 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| Bangor, Me. | 7:24 | 7:25 |
| Augusta, Me. | 7:26 | 7:27 |
| Portland, Me. | 7:25 | 7:27 |
| Boston, Mass. | 7:24 | 7:25 |
| S. Lancaster, Mass. | 7:27 | 7:28 |
| Hartford, Conn. | 7:28 | 7:29 |
| New York, N. Y. | 7:30 | 7:31 |
| Utica, N. Y. | 7:43 | 7:45 |
| Syracuse, N. Y. | 7:47 | 7:48 |
| Rochester, N. Y. | 7:53 | 7:54 |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | 7:57 | 7:58 |

Add one minute for each 13 miles west. Subtract one minute for each 13 miles east.