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"Signs" Campaign

As you search earnestly among the powerful instruments available for the most efficient medium by which you may convey to your loved ones and friends this wonderful message that possesses your heart, you are confronted continuously with the *Signs of the Times*

This chosen messenger does win souls. Will you not pay his transportation charges to the homes of your blood-kin who are outside the fold? You are not in a position to conduct the Bible studies you would like to give; no evangelist is near to preach those wonderful sermons which thrill your own soul. Oh, if only so-and-so, relatives and friends of yours, could hear the truth! They can: in a beautifully clear, interesting and convincing way, if you will provide them with the *Signs of the Times*. Give the *Signs*. Take the *Signs* to your outside folk, or send it to them through the mail. However they get it, see that they are provided. Then pray earnestly, and be prepared to take up personal soul-winning work. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit, the *Signs* wins souls.

As an example of this, from far-away New Zealand comes a *Signs* story sent in by Elder T. A. Mitchell. He says:

"The other day one of our good sisters came into our office here and her heart was just overflowing with joy, the kind of joy that comes through real consecrated effort in soul-winning service. She related this experience to us from a heart that was deeply anxious that souls could be won as the result of the earnest efforts that she has been making in her district. This good sister has set apart Tuesday of each week for home missionary work. This she calls her missionary day, and week by week as her missionary time comes around she receives wonderful courage, and her happiness increases as she goes on this active service for the Master. On this particular day our sister filled her bag with thirteen "helps," a number

of *Signs of the Times* and other papers. She then felt impressed to take this bag of books and papers to the Lord and ask His blessing upon His work. More than that, she prayed definitely that the Lord would send her home this evening with her bag empty. This she had never done before, nor had she ever had her bag quite so full. Feeling quite sure that the Lord was going to lead her this day she set out, and throughout the day one happy experience followed another. Wherever she went she was received with kindly words and in several cases people wished her the very greatest success and blessing of the Lord upon the good work in which she was engaged. She returned home early in the afternoon, her bag was empty but her heart was full of the joy that comes from such consecrated service.

"So happy did our sister feel that she decided she would give the remainder of the afternoon to further missionary endeavor, and taking up some more papers she visited her nearest neighbor. To her surprise, upon being ushered into the sitting room, she discovered a number of ladies who had gathered together to spend a social afternoon.

"After talking with the hostess of the occasion our sister was invited to distribute her *Signs of the Times* to the other members of the party, some of whom were deeply interested in the papers and the work which she represented, and asked for further information and help. The result of this visit is that each week our sister is giving Bible studies to a number of these interested neighbors, and we believe that God will use His servant to win some of these neighbors to the third angel's message."

Soul-winning possibilities are all about us. The number of persons brought into the faith is limited only by the measure of effort expended. May God enlarge our vision and help us to use to the limit of our ability, the successful means He has provided. More Signs—More Souls.

R. G. STRICKLAND

Spirit of Prophecy

Reading Program



Assignments for Second Week

Jan. 4-10

Volume: "Desire of Ages"

"The Chosen People"

"The Fulness of the Time"

"Unto You a Saviour"

"The Dedication"

Jan. 4 27-29

Jan. 5 29-32

Jan. 6 32-36

Jan. 7 37-44

Jan. 8 44-49

Jan. 9 50-55

Jan. 10 55-58

Gem Thought

When the fulness of the time had come, the Deity was glorified by pouring upon the world a flood of healing grace that was never to be obstructed or withdrawn till the plan of salvation should be fulfilled.—*D. A. 37.*

Assignments for Third Week

Jan. 11-17

Volume: "Desire of Ages"

"We Have Seen His Star"

"As A Child"

"The Passover Visit"

Jan. 11 59-62

Jan. 12 62-67

Jan. 13 68-71

Jan. 14 72-74

Jan. 15 75-77

Jan. 16 77-81

Jan. 17 81-83

Gem Thought

He (Jesus) was not willing to be defective, even in the handling of tools. He was perfect as a workman, as He was perfect in character.—*D. A. 72.*

Maritime Conference

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News Notes

The evangelistic efforts being conducted by brethren Astleford, Blair, and Moores in Charlottetown, St. John, and New Glasgow respectively have reached the stage where the weak in faith are dropping out "by the wayside," leaving a nucleus of earnest students of Scripture following on to learn more of God's will for them. Says Elder Astleford, "We are not discouraged in any way, for this is the Lord's work, and He has charge of it. We have a few interested ones who say they believe the Sabbath is right, and we must do all we can to establish them in this message. We are distributing 200 tracts per week from door to door. One of the interested ladies who expressed conviction that "this is the truth" states that she is commencing to keep the Sabbath in her home. On Sunday, December 7th, at St. John, in spite of a blizzard, forty-nine were present, including nineteen strangers, to hear Elder Ainsley Blair's message based on Revelation 13." Elder Blair states: "The interest remains steady, and those studying the Sabbath are showing close attention." One young man in St. John has begun keeping the Sabbath without any urging, following a visit to Elder Blair's home. "Naturally," says Brother Blair, "the devil is at work here in St. John, but it appears that a goodly number may still take their stand for the truth. People here are much more reticent and conservative and reserved than out west. One has to go more slowly with them, but they make excellent members when fully indoctrinated."

Brother Moores writes that he is dropping out the Friday evening meetings in New Glasgow to permit more personal visiting in the homes of the people. "The interest is good," he says. "So far seven have attended every night. A number of others have only missed one night." Let us pray for all these interests.

Due to the above evangelistic efforts, most of the visiting of churches

and companies without resident pastors had to be done on week-days. Elder Astleford visited Moncton and "the Sydneys," Elder Blair payed a visit to Barnesville, we understand. Brother Moores renewed old friendships in Mahone Bay, Gold River, and Fox Point, visiting also Tusket and Barrington. Elder Stray hoped to visit Tantallon or Fox Point, but may not have been able to do so on account of Sister Stray's illness. Brother Wimer visited Amherst, Lake George, Carlingford, and Minto, and is today winding up the 1941 Harvest Ingathering campaign with a day in Sackville. Brother S. E. White enjoyed his visits to Prince Edward Island and Amherst, but due to the condition of the roads was unable to get to Hopewell Cape. Brother White speaks enthusiastically of the consecration and zeal of the Amherst company. On the eleventh Sabbath of the quarter every single member of the Sabbath school had had a perfect Daily Lesson study record for the quarter. We say, without hesitation: "This Sabbath school will grow."

The writer spent the Week of Prayer visiting Halifax, Tantallon, Mahone Bay, Gold River, Yarmouth, Tusket, and Barrington. A few thoughts on Revelation 17:12-14 were passed on to the young people in Halifax Friday evening. Brother Melvin Longard drove the writer to Tantallon for services there Sabbath afternoon and Sunday evening. This church is using the new church hymnal in all church services, and we hope others will soon follow their example, taking up collections to provide sufficient hymnbooks for visitors. The members here are apparently of good courage in the Lord, but greatly scattered so that in bad weather it is hard for them to get together. The members at Mahone Bay were seriously considering walking six miles to Gold River so as not to miss the service there, but fortunately Brother Moores arrived there in time to bring them over in his car. At Gold River the upper floor of a barn has been transformed into a very comfortable place of worship. At Yarmouth the writer visited Mrs. Manus Brown, Mrs. Lloyd Cann, Miss Kathleen Smith, and Mrs. Lillian Berry, holding a meeting Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. V. Van-Tassle. Members and friends all spoke warmly of Brother Percy Marsa's labors in that section of the field.

Brother Marsa accepted a call to Gitwe Mission, we understand, where as many as 15,000 have been known to attend camp meeting. Appreciation of Brother and Sister Marsa's labors was also expressed by the members in Tusket and Barrington.

At Tusket it was a pleasure to meet a real "Christian philosopher," possessing unbounded confidence in the message, in the person of Brother Layton Reynard, who was recovering from an attack of pneumonia. Space does not permit mentioning all the happy visits made in this and other localities. Meetings were held at Sister Laurent Doucet's home, where Brother Doucet, serving at a sub-base hospital of the R. C. A. F. was fortunately a visitor on leave. So far Brother Doucet has had no difficulties in respect to securing Sabbath privileges. At Barrington, besides the Sabbath meeting in Oak Park, the Lord opened up the way for Sunday afternoon and evening services at the Wesley United church and St. James United church at Barrington Passage. The writer spoke on "The International Implications of the Christian Gospel" at both churches, the meetings being announced by the United and Baptist church ministers at their Sunday morning services. Brother Angus Atwood is giving strong leadership to the Barrington church; his son Ralph helped greatly by putting his car at the disposal of the writer and members who needed transportation. On Monday morning, December 15th, the writer spoke briefly at the school where Sister Sadie Smeltzer is teaching.

Gradually Brother White and the writer are getting around the Conference, but there being 26 Sabbath schools in the Maritimes and only 13 Sabbaths in the quarter, it is taking time. Not long ago a very pleasant Sabbath was spent by the writer at Hopewell Cape. On the first Sabbath after Christmas the writer hopes to visit Norton, New Brunswick. Every Sabbath till February 28th is booked up for a visit to one or another of our companies. We hope the companies not yet visited have a rich measure of the "patience of the saints."

Church elections being over, we trust all who have been asked to serve will willingly give of their best. If any have been released from

office, may they not consider themselves released from the responsibility of giving their best to the Master. If others have taken over the responsibility we carried in 1941, let us give them our unstinted support and encouragement. The Lord be with His people everywhere as they place themselves unreservedly on the altar of sacrifice to be used as He sees best.

E. A. BEAVON

NOTICE

The federation meeting of Dorcas Societies for Toronto, Hamilton, Oshawa City and Oshawa Missionary College, is to be held in West Toronto church, Wednesday, January 14, 1942. Meetings from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing new officers and a large attendance is requested.

Mrs. B. Burns, *Secretary*.

News Notes

Brother Carl Neill has had outstanding success selling "Bible Readings." His highest sales for one week in November was \$322.90. The total number of hours canvassing and delivering during November was 157, and the total sales for the month was \$840.45. The last week in November he put in 18 of the 157 hours in delivering and delivered \$307.00 worth of books. He took in \$113.65 in advance payments during the month, which was an average of 81 cents per hour. His sales averaged \$6.00 per hour for the time he canvassed. Besides this, thousands of pages of truth-filled literature has been placed into the homes, and thousands more will be placed there when Brother Neill makes his last delivery in December.

On December 4th the young people of the Moncton church were entertained at the home of Elder and Mrs. Beavon.

Remember, the special price on the "Review and Herald" \$2.50; the "Big Four" \$3.60; and the "Family Group" \$6.35, expires on January 17. After this date the prices will go up considerably. Take advantage of these special offers to secure good reading material during the whole of 1942.

The Moncton church school stu-

dents very ably rendered their yearly Christmas program December 16th in the church. The large attendance of relatives and friends greatly enjoyed this program, and special credit is due Miss L. VanBuskirk, the church school teacher, who had very thoroughly trained these young people.

Have you ordered your Sabbath school quarterly for the first quarter of 1942?

SUNSET SCHEDULE

	Fri. Sab.	Fri. Sab.	Fri. Sab.	Fri. Sab.
	Jan. 2, 3	Jan. 9, 10		
Saint John	4:53 4:54	5:00 5:01		
North Sydney	4:26 4:27	4:34 4:35		
Carlingford	4:54 4:55	5:02 5:03		
Charlottetown	4:38 4:39	4:45 4:46		
Moncton	4:45 4:46	4:52 4:53		
Halifax	4:45 4:46	4:52 4:54		
New Glasgow	4:38 4:39	4:45 4:46		

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Layman's Institute

The great reformatory movement of the last days, among God's people is truly a layman's light movement. All who attended the Layman's Institute held in Toronto church last week end were thrilled with the earnestness, consecration, and enthusiasm of the delegates in attendance. It was their deep conviction that we are on the threshold of the great layman's movement foretold by the Servant of the Lord in describing the heaven-sent vision in which "Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families and opening before them the word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and . . . The world seemed lightened with the heavenly influence." Vol. 9, p. 126.

All appreciated the good counsel given by Elder W. A. Butler, associate secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department. Elder D. N. Reiner from the Canadian Union Conference, and Elder A. E. Millner, our own conference president. We were glad for Elder Gerhart's reports of the methods used in his district where the Shuler plan of lay-evangelism is already taking on major proportions. Brother Geauvreau, one of our veteran lay workers, addressed the del-

egation Sunday afternoon making an earnest appeal for consecration and service.

It is our earnest prayer and hope that the results from this first institute of this kind in this part of the field will be a definite step toward a greater response to God's call and pledge to the lay preacher which reads:

"In all fields, nigh and afar off, men will be called from the plow and more common commercial business vocations that largely occupy the mind, and will be educated in connection with men of experience. As they learn to labor effectively, they will proclaim the truth with power." Vol. 9, p. 96.

J. A. BUCKWALTER

News Notes

Mrs. A. E. Millner's many friends will be pleased to know she is making good progress after her accident and is now home from the hospital.

Following the Layman's Institute held over the week end of December 19 and 20 in Toronto, many of the aspiring evangelists in the conference are asking if they could be entrusted with a small effort this coming winter season. Surely this is the day when all who can give the message should be doing their part.

Our people will be pleased to know the Ingathering work in the conference has reached an all time high point in 1941. When the records are all in the total will come close to \$13,000.

We have been pleased with the way our members have ordered the Morning Watch calendars for use as greeting cards. New Years should be made the time for making good resolutions. The Morning Watch resolution is one of the best.

The first broadcast of the nationwide radio effort of the S. D. A. denomination will originate in Los Angeles, January 4, 1942. The stations which will carry the program are to be published in the Review and Herald. Watch for it. Get your friends interested in this the biggest evangelistic effort ever attempted by our denomination.

Do not forget the special prices on the Review, Big Four, and Family

Group. The special prices are good to January 17. The special prices are good for renewals as well as new subscriptions.

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Sunset Table for Oshawa

1942

Jan. 2 5:43	Jan. 30 6:22
Jan. 9 5:55	Feb. 6 6:31
Jan. 16 6:04	Feb. 13 6:41
Jan. 23 6:13	Feb. 20 6:51

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Duties and Responsibilities of Church Officers

Churches will soon be electing officers to serve during the year to come. Many of the elected officers are new to the duties and responsibilities that come under their office, but long to serve the cause of God to the best of their ability. To help such and to inform all our membership regarding church relationships we have selected portions from the book prepared and issued by the General Conference entitled, "Church Manual."

DEACONESSES

"Deaconesses were included in the official staff of the early Christian churches. Rom. 16:1, 2. Deaconesses are elected to office for a term of one year. It does not follow that the wife of a man chosen as deacon thereby becomes a deaconess, nor is it incumbent upon a church to choose the wife of a deacon as deaconess just because her husband is a deacon. Deaconesses are to be chosen from the standpoint of consecration and other qualifications that fit them to discharge the duties of the office.

"Deaconesses are to do their part in caring for the sick, the needy, and the unfortunate, co-operating with the deacons in their work.

"The deaconesses prepare the bread for the Lord's supper. They also neatly arrange the ordinance table, pour the wine, place the plates of bread, and cover the table with the linen prepared for that purpose.

"The deaconesses also assist in the ordinance of humility, giving necessary aid to women newly come to the truth. It is also the duty of the deaconesses to see that the table linen,

towels, etc., used in the celebration of ordinances, are laundered and returned to their place.

"In the larger churches a board of deaconesses should be formed, with chairman and secretary. In such churches, the deaconesses can render help at the regular Sabbath service by extending a welcome to the people, especially the strangers, as they enter the church. In such localities it has also been found helpful to district the membership of the church, assigning a deacon and a deaconess to each district, expecting that they will visit every home at least once a quarter."

S. G. WHITE

Our Rights and Privileges

It is well to take some time for a personal retrospect at the closing hours of the year, before another year opens up before us its veiled future. A kind providence holds His hand over our eyes and we step out on the promise, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

The past, however, remains in our memories, and now with a renewed consecration for the new year, we must locate and correct the reason for our failures.

As God's children we must confess that failures are often the results of disobedience to God's clear Word. We reason wrong because our reasoning is not based on a clear "Thus saith the Lord."

As long as we are pilgrims in this world we struggle to make a living in this world. We are educated and trained for some line of work which enables us to attain this object. We are endowed with physical and mental power to assist us in our efforts. "Give us this day our daily bread" does not mean that we should be raven fed, but that the God-given powers and intellects are employed towards answering our prayer.

Yet we need God's help and care in our daily living and working, and it is in our hand to obstruct the channel of temporal as well as spiritual blessings. Where can we find a larger promise of material blessings than in the following: "I will . . . pour you out a blessing there shall not be room enough to receive it, and I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes and he shall not destroy the fruits of your grounds, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time." This promise supplies our wants and sustains our physical life.

Yet it depends on our willingness to "bring all the tithes into the storehouse."

"It gives its donor a part in carrying forward the precious work of salvation. Every man, woman and youth may become a treasurer for the Lord and may be an agent to meet the demands upon the treasury. Says the apostle, "Let every one of you lay by him in store, as God has prospered him." If one and all would accept it, each would be made a vigilant and faithful treasurer for God; and there would be no want of means with which to carry forward the great work of sounding the last message of warning to the world. The treasury will be full if all adopt this system and the contributors will not be left the poorer. Through every investment made, they will become more wedded to the cause of present truth. They will be "laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life." *Test. Vol. 6, p. 389.*

It is your duty as well as privilege to thus participate in the great work of salvation and prove the Lord of hosts if He will not open you the storehouse of heaven and . . . rebuke the devourer for your sakes." Can we ask for any better guarantee to give us this day our daily bread?

U. WISSNER

"Our Responsibility"

"Gather the children, for the day of the Lord cometh, and it is nigh at hand." Joel 2:16, 1.

One of the greatest responsibilities committed to the Advent people is the saving and training of our children. We are told that no other work submitted to us is as important as the training of our youth, and every outlay necessary for its right accomplishment is means well spent.

It is essentially true that schools of the world train for good citizenship, but these can never take the place of our own schools ordained of God to help our children and young people develop a character, and mental and spiritual power that will fit them for a place in God's work and ultimately in His Kingdom.

The responsibility of this work of training our children and youth for Christ in our own Christian schools has been placed not alone upon the teacher and official leaders, not alone upon legal parents and guardians of

these children and youth, but upon every "father and mother in Israel" and upon the older members of the church, upon every man and woman in our ranks whether they are parents or not.

Again the servant of the Lord has admonished us, "If ever we are to work in earnest, it is now. The enemy is pressing in on all sides like a flood. Only the power of God can save our children from being swept away by the tide of evil. The responsibility resting upon parents, teachers, and church members to do their part in cooperating with God is *greater than words can express.*" C. T. page 166.

True, there are many and varied problems confronting us in our church school work. The scattered church membership sometimes makes it difficult to bring a number of children together for a school. Some of our churches, where there are a large number of children, have found it difficult the last few years to give adequate financial assistance to our church school program.

Let us ever keep in mind, however, that our responsibility in the matter of Christian education is steadily increasing, and may we ever be found praying that the Lord may somehow open the way so that a larger number of our children may have the privilege of attending a Christian school.

H. D. HENRIKSEN

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Messenger Mailing List

We have just received from the College Press several sheets of paper with nearly 1100 names on them—those to whom the *Messenger* has been going the past year. In checking over the names we are finding a great many corrections to be made. We find some of our people have moved to new addresses within the conference and are still receiving the paper at their old address or, at least, it is still being mailed there. Then there are others who have moved to points outside the conference whose papers are still being mailed to their former address. In other cases there are duplication of names.

In spite of our efforts to keep the

list up-to-date in the past, we are having to make a large number of corrections at this time. It is altogether possible it will even then be anything but perfect. There may still be those not receiving the paper who should be getting it and others not on the list who should be there.

This is an appeal for two things: First, please help us to keep the record straight. To add or drop names from the list, or for any change in address or any other adjustments in the mailing list, please be sure to write the conference office. Do not leave us to take these things for granted. We are very slow sometimes at catching on.

Then, please remember that each copy of the *Messenger* going into the field is costing the conference close to 70 cents. This past year we received less than \$200.00 direct from our people to apply on this. If every member receiving the *Messenger* could see his way clear to send in 70 cents sometime during the year to cover the copy he is receiving, it would take a great load off the conference treasury. We greatly appreciate the help that has been given and can only hope still others may share with us in the burden during 1942.

C. W. DEGERING

News Notes

A letter just received from Elder Rick brings this picture of his work in behalf of our isolated believers: "I arrived home safely last Friday after a very strenuous drive over bad roads with the mist freezing on the windshield. The next morning I was with our people northeast of Rimbey. I met with five families there and found them of good courage. As the snow was quite deep, I found it rather hard driving but went on to the home of another of our brethren who took me to the home of his son-in-law, whom he said was interested in studying the Message."

Elder Mackintosh writes of the work in Calgary: "You will be pleased to know that we had one of our best audiences thus far during the effort this last Sunday night. The collection, counting radio gifts, was over twenty-five dollars. Many of the people have come regularly since the first meeting. We now have three cottage meetings in progress and are kept quite busy. Around one hundred fifteen have handed in their names for literature."

Brother L. W. Taylor reports as follows regarding the Wetaskiwin effort: "Three people have taken a definite stand to keep the Sabbath and a few others are convinced of the Truth but will need some further help. Quite a number of others are opening their homes to us and are friendly."

The Lacombe district Dorcas Confederation held its meeting on the last Sunday of October with representatives from all societies that are members of the confederation in attendance. For the well planned program Mrs. Casey, the president, had arranged the first meeting starting Sunday forenoon. The opening exercises consisted of excellent reports given by the Stettler, Red Deer, Bentley, Olds, and Lacombe societies. Plans were laid for aggressive work in the future. Special features of the afternoon were a demonstration on treatments on the home by Mrs. H. M. Johnson and a talk by Mrs. R. C. Sharmon, which gave us a glimpse of what the ladies are doing in Africa. All went home determined to do a stronger work in this humanitarian endeavor.

A number of our lay preachers are in urgent need of Seventh-day Adventist periodicals. Brother E. S. Stanley, Faust, Alta., is particularly calling for "Our Little Friends" at this time. Kindly send to us other papers as well, such as Youth's Instructors, Reviews and Health Journals, and we shall forward them on to the different people calling for periodicals.

The Rosebud Dorcas society had a successful sale of the various articles

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made by their society on November 4. The money received that night, not only from the sale, amounted to \$185.00 and was distributed in the following way: \$12.00 for Elder Mackintosh's broadcasts; \$5.00 The Wood's Children Home; \$5.00 Junior Red Cross; \$15.00 for flowers for sick and funeral sprays; \$10.00 to Rest Haven Sanitarium for sheets, etc. A quilt was given to the Red Cross which brought that organization \$100.00. Often Christmas parcels are sent to the poor in their neighboring towns.

Elder Degering left the end of last week to visit a number of churches during the Week of Prayer. Brother Reile as well as Brother Carlill are also out. Brother McFeters visited Alberta Beach last Sabbath and plans to be with the Leaman church this week.

The Book and Bible House has recently been rushed with business. Renewals and subscriptions for Youth's Instructors, Big Four, and Family groups at the special price have come in. The special price to the Youth's Instructor expires, December 25; the other specials expire January 17. The Specials are as follows: Youth's Instructor—\$1.95; Review—\$2.50; Big Four—\$3.60; Family Group—\$6.35. Word has just been received from the Press that the regular 1942 prices are being increased.

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Baptism at Creston

It is with gratitude and thanksgiving in our hearts that we lift our voices in praise to our Heavenly Father for the success that has attended our efforts in the Ingathering this year. God is good and God is love. He blesses freely. Our Ingathering campaign closed with a very impressive baptism in Creston, when three precious souls entered the icy water in the Goat river to be buried with their Lord. These souls ranged from the ages of 59 to 80 years of age. Due to very cold weather and heavy rain the writer tried to discourage an outside baptism, but since no arrangements could be made for a baptism inside the one sister said, "I do not fear cold water. I know that my Lord will take care of me." This sister has suffered for years with rheumatism in her leg and a day after the baptism she told us that the pain in her leg has left her and that for the first time since being a young girl she had a good nights rest with no sign of pain in her leg.

As these souls came forth out of the biting water, their faces shone with the glory of heaven. Raised with

Christ to walk in newness of life they determined to become mighty witnesses for their Lord and His blessed truth. This is only the beginning in Creston. We are looking for a great spiritual revival to take place here this winter as God's mighty truth goes out to the honest in heart by the preaching of the word and by living example. C. C. WEIS

Canadian Junior College

College Heights, Alta. H. M. Johnson, Principal

Our hearts were saddened when we heard that Mark Rogers, a former student of C. J. C., was instantly killed when hit by a tree, while logging in B. C.

A bookbindery has been started at the college to take care of the damaged and worn books of the library.

Holidays are here and many students have gone to spend them with their parents. The faculty joined with those who remained to enjoy a tasty well planned Christmas dinner in the college dining room, Christmas day.

Mother nature is all dressed up for the holiday—clear blue skies, hoar frost clinging to spruce and pine trees; snow crystals sparkling like myriads of diamonds in the glorious sunlight, and ice fit for a king to skate on.

Good cheer was brought to the threshold of many homes in the community this Christmas as the members of the Missionary Volunteer Society distributed baskets and



"Elder C. A. Reeves baptising a large group of candidates in the Lyric Theatre at one of his recent baptisms."

sang carols on Christmas Eve. The Dorcas Society was also busy with deeds of love and cheer.

The evening of November 29, was an occasion enjoyed by all the college students as the boys of East Hall opened their residences to the inspection of the girls and faculty. Pig-tailed Chinese guides directed the groups through the Kiang Ching Pagoda. Much amusement was created in the parlor by the students as they partook of a delicious fruit chop suey with dainty chop sticks. The Open House entertainment culminated in a short program of music and recitation. The evening had worn well away before the excited students finally contrived to get all the desired autographs of friends inscribed on their Chinese chop stick souvenirs.

ATTENTION!

Who? All regular and prospective colporteur missionary evangelists. Why? Colporteur Training schools are to be held soon.

Where? Maritimes, Ontario-Quebec, Manitoba-Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia.

WHEN?

Maritimes	Jan. 13-19, 1942
Ontario-Quebec	Jan. 21-27, 1942
Manitoba-Sask.	Jan. 30-Feb. 5
Alberta	Feb. 6-12, 1942
British Columbia	Feb. 16-22, 1942

Test. Vol. 4, p. 389: "Hundreds of men should be engaged in carrying the light all through our cities, villages, and towns. The public mind must be agitated."

NOTICE

The Alberta Colporteur Institute will be held in Calgary, February 6 to 12, 1942.

We are expecting a fine group of men to attend the Institute this year. This branch of Gods work needs the best and strongest men we have in the conference. There is no more important work than getting our literature before the people and leading them to search their Bibles. This thought was expressed by Sister White many years ago. If it was true then it is even more true today, because Satan is working harder than ever.

If you are interested in becoming a regular colporteur, write Brother R. Carlill, 324 Birks Building, Edmonton, Alberta.

Gleanings From Our Literature Evangelists

"The Lord gave the word and great was the army of them that Published it."

R. D. Steinke—B. C.

FIELD MISSIONARY SECRETARIES
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Our Literature Influences

Just recently in Vancouver we again had ample evidence that our literature influences people to accept this truth.

Some years ago one of our sisters living in Saskatchewan sold Bible Readings to one of her neighbors. This sister moved to Vancouver shortly after and later the daughter of the lady who purchased the Bible Readings in Saskatchewan was married and also moved to Vancouver. However, when this daughter was married Bible Readings was given as a gift and it was read and studied.

Upon coming here the daughter heard the message preached and she was so pleased to know that the message coincided with the book Bible Readings that she felt it must be the truth for it harmonized with that plan she had in her home. She is now numbered with the remnant church.

It was not so long ago that the sister who sold the book somehow contacted this new member and learned that the Bible Readings that was sold to the mother of this new member had influenced her to take her stand with God's remnant people. This sister feels greatly pleased for the part she had in winning this member for God.

While on Vancouver Island I met one of our sisters and she was telling me how she purchased a full leather Bible Readings from one of our colporteurs. She received the book, paid for it, and shortly after her minister came to the home and found this volume. He told her to burn it but she told him she could not afford to burn the volume because she paid \$10.00 for it, so she put it away on top of some shelf.

Later on, one of our evangelists visited the town. She went to hear him and then her curiosity was roused. What could that volume contain that was placed on the top of the shelf? Bible Readings was taken down and was studied each night as this sister came home from the meetings. She looked up the subject in the Bible

Readings and found it to be the same message. She finally accepted the third angel's message and tells us if it had not been for Bible Readings she doubts if she would have taken her stand for the truth.

We are told that the colporteur strengthens the hands of the minister. We can see in each case here; evidence that this is true. May the Lord help us that we may all have a part in the distribution of our message-filled books and thus help to finish the work.

R. D. STEINKE

"Steps to Christ"

"Steps to Christ" should be circulated by the hundreds of thousands, especially the edition for the army, navy, and air force.

Here is a letter from the Maritime conference that gives some idea of what people think of it:

"I have read with much interest and pleasure the book that you gave me on the train entitled 'Steps to Christ.' Never have I seen so much truth so clearly explained in such concise form. I think it is a wonderful little book.

"I have passed it on to a friend of mine in the Air Force and he writes that he is finding it very helpful. I shall have opportunity in the near future of passing along more copies of this book to men in the services, so am enclosing a money order for 50 cents. I would appreciate it if you would send me 3 or 4 copies of the book.

"I received the book 'Bible Readings' a few days after I arrived home, and have found it very helpful and interesting already. During the winter months I shall have more time to study it than I have had lately.

"Trusting I shall hear from you shortly in regards to the book 'Steps to Christ', I remain."

The Lord has no place in His work for those who have a greater desire to win the crown than to bear the cross. *M. H. p. 476.*

Weddings

On October the 29th, Miss Ger-aldine Perrin was united in marriage with Mr. Emil Radke. The ceremony was performed in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Vancouver, Washington, by Elder G. W. Pettit. We wish them a life of happiness and service.

W. E. PERRIN

Miss Mary Mayden of Hazel Dell, Sask., and Mr. Paul Babiuik of Swan Plain Sask., were united in marriage at Stenen, Sask., on November 2, 1941. Following the ceremony the relatives and friends gathered at the home of the bridegroom's parents for the reception. At this time many beautiful and useful gifts were presented to the bridal couple.

We wish them God's blessings and a happy married life. The ceremony was performed by the writer.

A. M. BAYBARZ

Miss Mary Bartsch of Great Deer Saskatchewan and Mr. Adolf Schroeder of Ebenezer, Sask., were united in marriage on November 9th. We wish the young couple God's blessing. They will reside on a farm near Ebenezer, Saskatchewan.

D. D. NEUFELD

A wedding of unusual interest took place at the Rosebud church on the evening of November 11, in the presence of a large group of friends and relatives when Miss Hazel Leona Johnson and Mr. Earl Clifford Chandler were united in holy wedlock. Both young people are highly esteemed as evidenced by the large attendance.

A large reception was held in the Beiseker Hall, where the couple received many beautiful gifts. They reside at St. Thomas, Ontario. May the Lord bless and prosper them together as they establish their new home.

C. C. VOTH

Obituaries

McNaughton—William McNaughton of Spruce Lake, Sask. was born April 1, 1863 in Chatham, Quebec, and died in Dauphin, Man. October 20, 1941 as a result of a fall.

Before moving to Spruce Lake, he lived in the Dauphin district for about thirty years. Through the influence of R.

S. Greaves now Elder R. S. Greaves of Cyprus, near Greece, he accepted the third angel's message.

He leaves to mourn his wife and two sons, Oren at Spruce Lake, and Ernest at Oshawa, besides many relatives and friends. Interment was in Dauphin cemetery.
F. T. BALMER

Heisler—When the writer arrived in the Maritimes around the middle of September, it seemed that everyone was talking of Sister Ruth Heisler's missionary enthusiasm. Workers and lay-members united in speaking appreciatively of her work, all testifying to her earnest, self-sacrificing endeavors to advance the cause of God.

On September 17, Sister Heisler left Halifax to spend a few days at home before going on to Oshawa Missionary College to teach church school there. She was to have left for Oshawa on Sunday, but Saturday night she was thrown from a motorcycle and was taken to the hospital unconscious. On Tuesday evening she died. During the three weeks prior to her death, her last report shows 2,000 copies of the September "Watchman" sold. It will be hard to fill her place in the colporteur ranks.

Sister Ruth Violet Heisler was born on the 13th of February, 1921 at Moncton, N. B., and was baptized in 1935 by Elder D. Mackintosh. The bereaved include her father, John A. Heisler, her mother, Sister Bernice Heisler, one brother, Edward, and three sisters, Eileen, Marion and Esther. They sorrow not as those without hope, for their confidence is that they will certainly meet their loved one on the morning of the resurrection. She rests in the Wyvern Cemetery awaiting the call of the Life-giver. The writer held a short service at the home, followed by a service in the Collingwood Corners United church, which was filled with sympathetic friends. A choir composed of local talent sang very beautifully several hymns breathing the Christian's hope. Many non-Adventist friends testified to the high regard in which Sister Heisler was held. May the Holy Spirit water the seed this consecrated worker has sown.

E. A. BEAVON

Stromgren—P. E. Stromgren was born in Sweden January 1, 1861, and passed away unexpectedly at his home in Stockholm, Saskatchewan, September 16, 1941.

Brother Stromgren enjoyed a deep Christian experience, was always found in attendance at campmeeting if at all possible, and faithfully sent in his tithes and offerings.

He leaves to mourn his loss three daughters, four sons, twenty-seven grandchildren and a host of friends. We expect to see our dear brother when the Life-giver comes to receive his waiting children.

U. WISSNER

Brown—Vernon S. Brown was born near Dresden, November, 17, 1922; and died in St. Joseph's Hospital in Chatham, Sept. 12, 1941. Vernon was not well for some time being afflicted with heart trouble. This last year he had failed con-

siderably and took very sick about three weeks before his death. He was always cheerful and was a friend to every one.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his father, mother, sister, and many loved ones; besides a host of friends.

L. E. HOUSER

Sharapie—Vasilina Sharapie was born in Galisia, Austria, December 27, 1883, and died on September 21, 1941. In the year 1905 sister Sharapie came to Canada and accepted the truth in Battleford, Saskatchewan, in 1921. She lived in Saskatchewan over 33 years then came to Simcoe, Ontario.

She leaves to mourn her loss a loving husband, daughter, two sons, other relatives and many friends.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer on Tuesday, September 23. Interment was made at the Silver Hill Cemetery, Ontario.

W. W. POLISHUK

Hoffman—Edward Hoffman was born in Russia in 1889 and came to Canada in 1928. He died Nov. 4, 1941 at his home near Killam, Alberta, and was laid to rest in Prairie Park Cemetery Nov. 7. Left to mourn are his wife, one daughter, and four sons. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

R. A. HUBLEY

Swanson—C. J. Swanson of Hillesden, Saskatchewan, passed away on October 18. Brother Swanson was a faithful member of this conference for many years. He was born in Sweden on December 2, 1854. Before his death he lived with his daughter, Mrs. C. N. Hewitt of Hillesden. We are sure that on the resurrection morning this brother will be found among the faithful. We extend our sympathy to his daughter and those he left behind.

U. WISSNER

Hanson—Elmer Edward Hanson was born in Edmonton, December 30, 1924 and with a companion met an early and tragic death in a highway crash at Wildwood on November 19, 1941, while returning from work at his father's lumber camp. His residence was for the most part at Wildwood, though for a while he attended church school at College Heights.

Mourning their sad loss are an affectionate father and mother, two sisters, and four brothers. His esteem in the community was amply manifested by the large attendance at his funeral. He was laid to rest in the local cemetery.

L. L. REILE

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