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PEOPLE MUST BE

EDUCATED

To Get Out of the Cities

THERE is to be no let down in our work of encouraging Seventh-day Adventists to leave the cities. However, we need to set in motion an educational programme which will help city people to know how to live on the land. Most of our city people know nothing about planting, cultivating, or harvesting crops. They are not acquainted with methods of agriculture, whether it be gardening a small tract of ground, or farming many acres. There have been disastrous examples of families leaving the cities for places in the country, due to the fact that they were not ready for the transition, and knew nothing of how to cope with the problems of country living.

We have been instructed: "Educate our people to get out of the cities into the country, where they can obtain a small piece of land, and make a home for themselves and their children."—*Country Living*, pp. 10, 11.

The counsel is to "educate" our people to leave the cities. This educational process will have to be developed in every city church, and wherever there are Seventh-day Adventists living in the cities. It means that conferences will need to give more attention to the counsel of the Lord, "Out of the cities!" It means that educational institutions will need to gear themselves for the training of youth in the practical arts of agriculture. It means that garden clubs and groups interested in rural living are to be developed in the city churches.

It means that city people should be encouraged to take trips into the country where they can visit farms, gardens, and

such agriculture centres as may appeal to them. It means that Seventh-day Adventist farmers and gardeners who are now successful in their pursuits and who have an eye single to the purpose of God, will need to lend their efforts to this educational plan by inviting city dwellers to come and visit their farms. It means that rural living will become as much a part of our general teaching and promotion as are education, health, home missionary activities, Sabbath school, temperance, young people's Missionary Volunteer endeavours, religious liberty, evangelism and other kindred fields of Christian activity.

Rural living is a part of the third angel's message, and as such it is important. The same angel that instructed God's messenger, Sister E. G. White, to write volumes in regard to the education of our children and youth, also instructed her in this important phase of Christian living for these last days. But the plan of rural living is not to be agitated on an extreme, emotional basis.

There are to be no rash moves. There are to be no fiery speeches which would hurry our people from the cities without giving them adequate preparation for the exodus. The programme must be educational. Thousands of our people will be content to remain in the cities until the passage of Sunday laws forces them to flee. At the best, we can but hope that a certain percentage of our people now in the cities will take advantage of present opportunities for leaving the cities.

Nevertheless, we must be charitable with those who remain in the cities. Some

will have to carry on missionary work in behalf of the city people. Churches will continue to be established in the cities to care for the incoming converts. At the same time, we would urge those who are now interested in country living, and who still live in the cities, to do all they can to prepare themselves for their places in the country. The following counsel is worthy of careful consideration.

"Think candidly, prayerfully, studying the Word with all carefulness and prayerfulness, with mind and heart awake to hear the voice of God. . . . To understand the will of God is a great thing."—*Country Living*, p. 26.

We are happy to announce that plans are already under way for such an educational movement. The Lake Union Conference has recently taken action endorsing the plan of having an Agricultural and Rural Living Workshop, December 29-31, 1953, at Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Michigan. The local conference presidents of that union, at a committee meeting, expressed themselves as being favourable to the idea. Plans have been formulated for a constructive, educational programme which will last three days. Well-informed and practical men are being readied to give counsel and help to those now living in the rural areas of this Union Conference, as well as for those of the cities who desire to learn how to live on the land. It will be the first step in the direction of developing an educational programme which, we believe, will be far-reaching in its effects.

Those who are interested in obtaining farms, small or large, or places in small towns or villages where they may establish some form of industry, should contact their local or union A.S.I. secretaries or write to us at the General Conference, and we shall endeavour to help in finding what you want.

WESLEY AMUNDSEN, General Conference
Secretary
Association of Self-supporting Institutions

The Twenty Million Dollar Budget - - - and You

EVERY loyal Seventh-day Adventist in Canada shares with Seventh-day Adventists everywhere the feeling of gratitude to God that comes from the realization that the world mission budget of Seventh-day Adventists for 1954 exceeds twenty million dollars. When you realize that the budget for the entire world field in 1923 was only \$1,324,959 you can understand what a tremendous increase the twenty million dollar budget for 1954 represents. This is the largest budget voted by any denomination in the history of the world for foreign missions; but it must be so if we are going to finish God's work on time.

But while we are rejoicing over this evidence of God's blessing upon His work, we should pause a moment and contemplate what this means to you and me as individual members. It is an indication that our leaders have faith that our people will measure up to the budget. The twenty million dollars is not in hand but our leaders have confidence to believe that it will be raised during 1954, as the result of the devotion, sacrifice and labours of our people. Brethren, we must not fail our leaders, we must not fail the Lord.

An increase in the budget indicates the need for an increased giving on the part of Seventh-day Adventist members. To meet this new, larger budget, the individual Mission Offering Goal has been raised from eighty cents a week per member to \$1.00 per week per member. When we stop and realize that the purchasing value of the dollar has greatly decreased in recent years, we understand that \$1.00 per week per member does not represent any greater sacrifice today than fifty cents per week did a few years ago.

Since the Sabbath School Mission Offering furnishes practically fifty per cent of all our total mission offerings it is only logical that the Sabbath School Mission Goal has been raised from forty cents to fifty cents per week per member. We should keep in mind that the fifty cent goal is not an individual goal, but only an average. The

individual goal is as "God has prospered." God asks us to give systematically and sacrificially and if we do that, some will give one dollar per week per member, and others will give as much as five dollars. We know of many thousands of our members these days who are giving one dollar or more per week in our regular Sabbath School Offering. We would like to suggest in your planning for the coming year, you keep these facts in mind and greatly augment your Sabbath School mission offerings.

But what of the immediate future? There still remains several weeks before the end of 1953. Let us close the year 1953 by having a part in investment and also by planning to give Christ the largest gift we have ever given at Christmas time when the custom of the world is to exchange gifts with each other. The Lord's Messenger suggests that a Christmas tree might be erected in every Sabbath School and that the gifts for Jesus be placed on the boughs of the tree. She says that in this way we can "show true respect to Jesus by bringing to Him gifts and offerings. In every church let the smaller offerings be placed upon your Christmas tree." She further states, "Brethren and Sisters, while you are devising gifts to one another, I would remind you of your heavenly Friend, lest you should be unmindful of His claims. Will He not be pleased if we show that we have not forgotten Him?"

May God help us to be liberal both in our gifts to missions, keeping in mind that, "The very best manner in which to give expression to our love for our Redeemer is to make offerings to bring souls to the knowledge of the truth."

We invite you to read carefully the recommendation from the Canadian Union Conference committee concerning Sabbath School offerings which appears elsewhere in this issue of the MESSENGER.

H. E. McCURE, Secretary,
Home Missionary and Sabbath
School Depts.

sionary secretary as soon as possible—not later than the end of December. At that time the price of the Canadian *Signs of the Times* will advance to seventy-five cents per year. Let us turn all of our subscriptions in before the end of December. If you lack names and addresses your church missionary secretary or pastor can supply you with any number. You will receive a blessing as with God's help you will pay your pledge, then the *Signs* can go on its soul-winning way.

H. E. McCURE, Secretary,
Home Missionary Department

Go Forward in 1954 With "Go"

Are you a Church elder, Missionary leader, Missionary secretary, Dorcas leader, Missionary Volunteer leader? Then you should be a subscriber to, and a reader of *Go* magazine. Are you an active layman? Do you desire to become a more efficient and successful soul-winner? Then be a regular reader of *Go*. This fine journal, so full of inspiration and help for church officers and soul-winners, is an indispensable item for 1954. It replaced, some time ago, *The Church Officers' Gazette*, "The Dorcas Letter" and the publication "The Lay Preacher." The material from these former journals are all combined into one compact, complete and inspiring journal. Programmes for Sabbath services, news from soul-winners, methods of carrying on church activities and Dorcas work, suggestions for sermons and Bible studies, the latest in visual aid equipment, all of these are dealt with in *Go*. We suggest that each church provide a year's subscription to *Go* magazine for every officer listed above. If you desire to win souls as an individual Christian then how could you spend \$1.35 in a better way than to subscribe to *Go* magazine?

According to the latest list of subscribers to *Go* there are several hundred persons in Canada who should be reading *Go* who are not receiving it. Will you not make this your first business? Do not let the year slip by without seeing that your subscription to *Go* is sent in through your church missionary secretary to the Bible House.

H. E. McCURE
Home Missionary Secretary

What About Your "Signs" Pledges?

There has been a marvellous response this year to the *Signs of the Times* appeal in churches throughout the entire Union. Many of our members have pledged twenty-five, fifty, one hundred subscriptions each, and several have gone as high

as 500. We believe that when the results are all tallied we will show a substantial increase over any former record in connection with the *Signs*. This is certainly as it should be as we are nearing time's last hour.

Let us bear in mind that all of these pledges should be paid and names and addresses turned in to the church mis-

Sabbath School Mission Goal

The following recommendation was recently unanimously adopted by the Canadian Union Conference Committee. We invite your serious consideration of this recommendation:

Whereas, we are admonished in both the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy to contribute generously and systematically to the cause of God in the earth, and speci-

fically to the great world mission programme, and that this work "began in sacrifice and will close in sacrifice," and,

Whereas, the purchasing power of the Canadian dollar has been sharply reduced in recent years, and,

Whereas, Sabbath School mission offerings provide fifty per cent or more of the funds for our ever expanding world mission budget,

Resolved, 1. That we adopt in the Canadian Union the new denominational Sabbath School mission goal of fifty cents per week per member, and encourage every conference and church to make a serious effort to reach this objective in 1954.

2. That we encourage each individual member to substantially increase his Sabbath School mission offering in 1954, keeping in mind the average goal of fifty cents per week per member.

3. That we recognize as our objective for Thirteenth Sabbath offerings at least \$2.00 per member.

4. That we encourage every member participation in the proven and God-blessed plan of Sabbath School Investment.

As we carry out this recommendation we believe that God will add His rich blessing to our lives in 1954.

H. E. McCURE,
Sabbath School Department

Keeping Up With the Progress of the Message

These are the days when things are happening quickly in all parts of the earth. The Lord's messenger told us the final movements would be rapid ones. This is true in the political world, in the affairs of the nations, and it is doubly true as far as the work of the church is concerned. The message is going today on the wings of the wind by means of television, radio, literature, the living preacher, the work of our laymen, and in mysterious ways in all parts of the earth. We are hearing of thousands being baptized in one day, and we believe that the months and years just ahead of us will see more evidence even of the onward progress of this message.

As our work becomes so far-flung with thousands upon thousands proclaiming it in all parts of the earth, it becomes even more imperative that we have an authentic, concise report brought to us each week telling us of victories and conquests.

We thank God for just such provision as that in the form of our church paper the *Review and Herald*, affectionately called "the good old Review" by thousands of our members. If your heart is in this message, then you will thrill as you read the stories in the *Review and Herald*. Furthermore, in these times of trial in

which we live every Seventh-day Adventist needs the summons, the studies and the counsel which the *Review* brings to us from our world leaders, as well as chosen statements from the Spirit of Prophecy to meet these very conditions in which we live.

Many years ago the Lord's messenger stated concerning the *Review* that it "should be in every family of believers." This being the case, I am determined that my family shall not go without the *Review*, and we believe that any family that chooses to do so does it at a terrible risk.

In May and early June of 1954 we will again have one of those thrilling General Conference Sessions in San Francisco. We wish that every Seventh-day Adventist might be there, but many, many thousands will not be able to attend. But you can be right on the front seat of the General Conference Session by the daily bulletins which are issued at that time. These come out in the *Review and Herald* and will

be furnished without additional cost to all the *Review and Herald* subscribers. The total value of the *Review*, including these bulletins is \$6.25, however, between now and the end of the year a special price of \$4.75 prevails. Furthermore, this price has been extended to Canada this year, as well as to the United States. In these times \$4.75 does not have much purchasing power; how could you better spend that small amount of money than to provide your family with this indispensable church paper? Better yet, include other periodicals and subscribe to the Big Three, including the *Review*, *Life and Health* and *Liberty*, or the Family Group which includes the *Instructor* and *Sabbath School Worker* in addition to the above mentioned periodicals. The Family Group has a value of \$17.25 but will cost you between now and the end of the year only \$10.95. You had better turn your subscription in now through your church missionary secretary.

H. E. McCURE,
Home Missionary Secretary

Freedom is Everybody's Business



PUBLIC RELATIONS — Adventists continue to make news and report it across Canada. We salute the following for distinguished reporting!

Press Secretary Jewkes of the Victoria, B.C. church for his feature story in the *Daily Colonist* on a vegetarian harvest festival banquet sponsored by the church. A fine piece of interpretative news writing!

Pastor R. Allen Rentfro, of Vancouver, B.C. for his evangelistic series of meetings which featured sermons on other denominations and advertised as "What I Like About The Anglicans" and other bodies. Positive presentations are more effective!

Pastor H. E. Reimche of Medicine Hat, Alberta for realizing that a week of prayer in a church makes news. Evidence—a good story in the *Medicine Hat News* reporting the opening of the revival series. Twice in succession for this "PR" conscious parson!

Press Secretary Dilarmarter of Welland, Ontario for a very complete report of the recent Dorcas Federation Rally held some eighty miles away in Toronto, which appeared in the *Welland Evening Tribune*. Another repeat for this persistent scribe!

This reporter is frankly puzzled as to who gets credit for this amazing "scoop." An editorial in the *Brantford Expositor* lauding "Alert Adventists" for their stand on censorship. Apparently

it was based on two wire stories of the recent Publishing Council which took an action on this point. We believe that former pastor Eric Zins deserves a lot of credit in this case for the excellent contacts he developed with this editor while in that district.

Press Secretary Theda Kuester of Windsor, Ontario for excellent press, radio and TV coverage for Elder Nelson's revival services in that city.

ATTENTION all churches, pastors and nominating committees! Don't overlook re-electing a successful press secretary or electing a good secretary for 1954. The coming year should see every church benefit by an alert and progressive public relations programme conducted by an able, conscientious and responsible press secretary.

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS—An extremely favourable interview with the Honourable Milton Gregg, V.C., Minister of Labour for the Dominion with the secretary of the department of public affairs accompanied by Elder H. Ward Hill will result in more co-operative reaction to Seventh-day Adventists and their unique position on the question of union membership.

As a result of this contact, conferences with the executive officers of the Trades and Labour Congress and the Canadian Congress of Labour produced a most sympathetic response to the attitude taken by the Adventist labouring man with regard to membership in labour unions.

It is felt that these encouraging visits will prove beneficial to any approach that might be made by a Seventh-day Adventist to a labour union seeking recognition for these conscientious convictions.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY — Seventh-day Adventists will be cheered to learn of a speech given in the House of Commons by Erhart Regier, Member of Parliament for Burnaby-Coquitlam, stressing the need of separation of Church and State in all phases of governmental activity in Can-

ada. Mr. Regier is the first Mennonite to be elected to the House of Commons and we rejoice that there are others, who with us, share concern for this essential principle in the struggle for the preservation of religious freedom.

"You Can Do It, Too"

A FINE young man by the name of Del Sudds felt the call to colporteur evangelism about seventeen months ago. He carefully learned a canvass word for word. He specialized in one large religious volume giving the same canvass practically word for word in every home. The first twelve months' sales report showed over \$12,000.00 delivered. This year he has already delivered over \$9,000.00 using the same canvass. Some days he sells as high as nine large volumes. He sells just four days per week, working ten to twelve hours daily. His book orders are in by the 8th. of the following month, and his Bible House account is always paid by the end of the month. This fine colporteur is geared to the divine blueprint, and God is marvellously blessing his colporteur ministry. He drives a nice car and makes a good living. Besides his colporteur ministry

we understand he has just organized three groups of people who are now keeping the Sabbath as a result of colporteur contacts.

Thank you again, Colporteur Evangelist Del Sudds, for showing us that "It Can Be Done," when a colporteur learns his canvass word for word and gives himself wholeheartedly on the altar of service. Truly an example worth emulating! Thanks to Book & Bible House manager W. Ismond of the Ontario-Quebec Conference for this superb report.

Our five Publishing Department leaders can still arrange to have you attend the annual institute. Why not talk to Jesus about it, and then burn your bridges behind you today and become a credentialed colporteur evangelist like Del Sudds, or former actress Mrs. Silliphant.

J. M. BUCY, Canadian Union Conference

Institute Dates

British Columbia	January 6-10
Alberta	January 12-16
Manitoba-Saskatchewan	January 19-23
Ontario-Quebec	January 27-31
French Mission	February 2-6
Maritimes	February 7-11
Newfoundland	June
Canadian Union College	April 16-20
Oshawa Missionary College	April 23-26
The Lord calleth for you. J. M. BUCY, Canadian Union Conference	

A Day With One of Our Publishing Leaders in the Field

I was out with Arthur Young last week, and one day we sold \$124.50 with over \$100 in cash. I had one rather unique experience. We sold one lady one copy of *Bedtime Stories*. I had tried my best to receive an order for the full set, but she insisted on only one book. Later on, towards evening we were going down a road about five miles from her home. Arthur had canvassed all of the people on this particular road, but as we were going by one house he put on the brakes, as he happened to remember that these people were not home when he called. We went up to the house and gave our

introduction. The lady was quite reluctant to let us in, but a voice came from the kitchen saying, "These men really have something good." It was the lady to whom we had sold the one book. When I saw the little children in the home, I took out the spread of *Bedtime Stories* and laid it on the table. This lady said, "Oh, I know those books. We bought one four years ago and I have been angry with myself ever since that I didn't buy the whole set, but now my children are almost beyond the age." This was a perfect set-up for *Children's Hour*, so I took out the folder for this set. She immediately ordered the set, paying cash, and then I turned to Mrs. Willard and said, "You heard what your friend said, Mrs. Willard, about being angry with herself. I would hate to have you in that position. Don't you think you had better order the other four now?" She decided that she had better do so. This was the \$45 in orders, all cash, that we would have missed if we hadn't made this call back. I believe the Lord certainly guides and leads colporteurs.

R. C. SPANGLER

The Lord is calling for more colporteurs. He can make a colporteur out of any human clay that will stick.

J. M. BUCY,

Canadian Union Conference

Progress Report

Following are some of the leading colporteurs in hours and deliveries for 1952:

*Hours	Deliveries	Union	Name
1. 1741	16,407.80	Pacific	Charles Eddy
2. 1927	14,213.85	Canadian	L. M. Mohms
3. 1961	13,027.00	Lake	N. Tallios
4. 1605	12,602.00	Pacific	W. Womac
5. 1890	12,466.08	Canadian	F. W. Connors
6. 1933	12,295.95	No. Pacific	D. B. Withers
7. 1749	12,120.00	Canadian	Del Sudds (April to April)
8. 1956	12,011.99	Pacific	E. E. Werner
9. 2123	11,208.75	Southern	Riley Chesnut
10. 1700	11,200.00	Canadian	Bro. Aussner
11. 1807	10,917.10	Southern	H. J. Nolan
12. 1958	10,708.60	Southern	R. A. Neal
13. 1816	10,673.80	Southern	Harvey Estep
14. 1780	10,600.00	Atlantic	O. C. Peterson
15. 1503	10,070.40	No. Pacific	E. McIntyre
16. 1990	10,061.75	No. Pacific	J. E. Ismple

(* All but two averaged at least 38 hours per week for the 44 weeks).

Out of the ten highest colporteurs in deliveries in North America delivering between \$11,000 and \$16,000 in subscription books, Canadian colporteurs placed 2nd, 5th, 7th, and 10th. We commend these faithful, intrepid warriors of the cross and King Jesus, for leading onward to victory.

J. M. BUCY,

Canadian Union Conference



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G. E. Taylor President
L. H. Davies Secretary-Treasurer

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Overflow Audience At Lacombe

More than 300 people filled the available seats of the Lacombe Theatre on November 15 and a large number were standing along the walls and in the lobby to hear Elder Gordon S. Balharrie, professor of theology and religion at Canadian Union College, speak on "The End of the World from the Standpoint of Science and Religion." About 115 persons requested copies of the sermon.

Elder Balharrie pointed out that man's only hope is in Jesus Christ's coming, which brings the end of the world. He emphasized the thought that the end of the world is a joyful experience, for the Christian sees in the signs of Christ's coming the promise, "your redemption draweth nigh."

The large attendance is traceable to the intense literature programme that has been in progress for the past few years. The meetings were advertised by large posters placed in the business places of Lacombe, and by house-to-house visitation with handbills. The rural area with approximately 400 homes received handbills through the mail, and by personal calls

made by some of the students and church members.

Music for the meetings is under the direction of Elder J. Ivan Crawford, accompanied by Mrs. Crawford. James Campbell, a senior theological student, is head usher. Interested people will be visited by the church members and theological students, the latter being under the direction of Mrs. Jean Murdoch, an experienced Bible instructor.

ALEX HOLICHENKO, Reporter

Canadian Temperance Society

A strong chapter of the Canadian Temperance Society has been organized at Canadian Union College under the direc-

tion of Elder T. C. Murdoch. Every student in the academy and college has been enrolled as a member this year, making the total membership 335. The officers of this chapter are Malcolm Graham, president; Chester Beavon, vice-president; Miss Keitha Comrie, secretary; Gordon Smedley, treasurer.

It is planned to have a special Temperance Week beginning December 12. During this time the students will present programmes at the chapel period and also at the time of the evening worship periods in the dormitories.

The Temperance chapter officers are also sponsoring a temperance contest, which is divided into four phases. Prizes will be awarded for the best poster de-

picting some phase of the temperance work. This is under the sponsorship of Mrs. Mildred Clark. Miss Roberta J. Moore and Mr. George Graham are sponsoring the essay contest, and Elder Gordon Balharrie the oratorical contest, while Mr. Verne Gustavsen is in charge of the jingle contest.

Elder Murdoch attended the Temperance Institute at Loma Linda, California, last summer, and the information he received there is being utilized in the temperance work in this vicinity. Elder Murdoch was the speaker at a W.C.T.U. rally in the town of Lacombe on the evening of November 20, and he also has been invited to give several other addresses in nearby towns.



OFFICERS OF THE C.U.C. TEMPERANCE CHAPTER

Standing: Chester Beavon, Gordon Smedley. Seated: Malcolm Graham, T. C. Murdoch and Keitha Comrie

Alberta Students At Walla Walla

Friday evening, November 13, the candle lights in the Rose Room at Walla Walla College showed the Alberta students who are in attendance there meeting together with Elder M. E. Erickson, MV Superintendent of the Alberta Conference, for a special "Alberta" supper. Seated around the table were Evelyn Perish of Edmonton, Leona Anderson, Marilyn and Myrna Johnson of College Heights, Don Heuther and Howard Gimbel of Bieseker, John Uniat of Beauvallon and Mike Haluschuk of Innisfree. There were a few other Alberta students at the College who were unable to meet with the group. May God's blessings be with these students as they train to be of greater service in God's work.

MV Rally

The Pobida Church near Beauvallon was filled to overflowing all day Sabbath, November 28 for an MV Rally. Elder Ira D. Follett, the Alberta Conference Sabbath School Secretary, had charge of the

Sabbath School. It was very interesting to hear the reports read by the secretaries of the different Sabbath schools represented.

Elder G. E. Taylor spoke at the eleven o'clock service. His message was a real inspiration to all who were present.

A symposium in the afternoon challenged all to do more for God. We were impressed that we should give more to Jesus especially as the holiday season is approaching. The Ingathering Caroling programme was shown to be an excellent way to give our neighbours an opportunity to give their gifts to Jesus.

An MV Federation was organized at the evening meeting comprising the following MV Societies: Pobida, Myrnam, Innisfree, Loyalist, Lindberg, Boyle and Edmonton Ukrainian. The officers of the MV Federation for the coming year are: President—Dr. John Melnychuk, St. Paul; Vice President—Joseph Dudar, Myrnam; Secretary Treasurer—Mrs. Leward Polishuk, Innisfree; Pianist—Josephine Tym, Beauvallon; Music Director—Anton Proskew, Myrnam; Advertising Director—Peter Tym, Wostok; Head Usher—Samuel Hrehchuk, Innisfree.

This is the second MV Federation to be organized in Alberta, the first one being formed some time ago in the Peace River District.

The day closed with the showing of two films, "The Pan-American Youth Congress" film and an excellent educational film "Decision."

Great things for God are expected from this newly organized MV Federation.

M. E. ERICKSON,

Educational Superintendent

A Letter About Tithes and Offerings

Dear Brethren and Sisters of the Alberta Conference:

We certainly appreciate the tithes and offerings that have been coming in to the office from month to month, and once more it is time to remind you all that in order to have your tithes and offerings as a deduction from the 1953 Income we must receive them in this office by December 31. Any money received after this date must be dated in the new year. Thank you one and all again for your liberal support of the Lord's work.

Sincerely yours,

L. H. DAVIES, *Secretary-Treasurer*

Weddings

On the evening of August 16, Clarence E. Chinn and Catherine Sankey were united in the holy estate of matrimony in the new Corvallis Seventh-day Adventist church. Brother and Sister Chinn will reside in Corvallis Oregon. May heaven's blessings attend this splen-

did young couple as they journey life's pathway together. Elder John D. Trude read the marriage service.

Thursday, October 29, was the date chosen by Lorna May Diebel, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Diebel of Unity, Saskatchewan, for her marriage to Harry Ernest Boettcher, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Boettcher of Belloy, Alberta.

Elsie Diebel and Mrs. Shirley Lehman, sisters of the bride, were maid of honour and bridesmaid respectively. Edgar Boettcher and Harold Lehman were the best men.

A wedding supper was served in the Odd Fellows Hall in Unity and the bride and groom received many beautiful and useful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Boettcher will reside near Red Deer, Alberta where Mrs. Boettcher is teaching school. May God bless this young couple as they start life's journey together.

M. E. ERICKSON



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Saskatchewan

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B. H. Stickle *Secretary-Treasurer*
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Conference Nurse

For some time it has been felt by the conference committee that adding a registered nurse to the working staff of our conference would be a great asset to the cause of God in this field. We have now been successful in obtaining the services of Miss Helen McKibbin of Lacombe, Alberta. Miss McKibbin is a former student of Canadian Union College and also of Pacific Union College where she took



MISS HELEN MCKIBBIN

her pre-nursing course. She is a graduate of the College of Medical Evangelists' School of Nursing, class of 1951.

More recently Miss McKibbin has taken post graduate work at Walla Walla College in nursing education and biological science and has gained a practical experience in the various lines of health education. Thus, she comes to us well qualified for her work as conference nurse and medical secretary. It is hoped that Miss McKibbin can spend considerable time in the field conducting home nursing and nutrition classes as well as doing medical duties at our camp meetings, Junior and Senior Camps and making health inspections in our church schools. Our conference nurse will be a very busy worker and we consider ourselves fortunate in having obtained her services. We extend a cordial welcome to Miss McKibbin. May God richly bless her in her many and varied responsibilities as she takes up her new duties.

H. D. HENRIKSEN



Elder Henriksen addressing the Junior Campers

AT THE CROSSROADS

By H. D. HENRIKSEN

IN A FEW short days we will have come to the crossroads of the years and the sun will have set for the last time in 1953.

In retrospect we ponder the past and are profoundly impressed that through the days and the months that so quickly passed, God's goodness and mercy have followed us constantly. Indeed, "our cup runneth over." Truly there have been triumphs and trials; there have been joys and sorrows, but through it all we hear our Saviour's voice, "Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love, therefore with loving-kindness have I drawn thee." In response let us exclaim with the psalmist "O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men." How very good God has been to His children in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference! He has blessed us to overflowing materially and spiritually. His work has prospered and borne fruit in abundance. More labourers have supplemented our working staff. Scores of new believers are today rejoicing in the truth who, but a few months ago, were still outside the fold of safety. Needed facilities have been added to the conference assets. Under God's continued guidance we can look toward the future with renewed courage.

In this eleventh hour of time, is it not appropriate, my brother and sister, that we seriously consider our own spiritual experience. Is it not well that we should take an inventory of our faithfulness to God and the message that we love so dearly? As we contemplate the past and search our hearts, is it possible that we have disappointed God in failing to come up to His expectations. Have we as members of His remnant church been faithful in our witnessing and in our stewardship? Never shall I forget that Sabbath evening when sitting at the bedside of one of my brethren whose life was slowly ebbing out. While we were conversing quietly together tears trickled from his tired eyes and with quivering lips he formed these remorseful words: "I have only one regret; I have been unfaithful to God in tithes and offerings. Do you think God can forgive me?" While God is a loving and merciful heavenly Father, let us never impose upon His goodness and mercy but let us make certain of our calling and election now, that we will have no regrets when we say good-by to the old year.

Looking ahead we shall soon cross the threshold into the year that lies before us. We are given another period of probationary time; another opportunity to make up

the failures of the past and to go on to new achievements.

Lord, Thou has given me a clean, new year,

Help me to keep its pages pure, unspoiled.

To write upon its scroll but kindly thoughts;

With no unsightly blots to have it soiled.

Strange paths lie before us all untrod,

The new year, spotless from the hand of God;

We cannot tell how long this life will last,
How soon these precious years be over-past.

My thoughts are with each one of you, fellow believers, in a special way at this eventide of the old year. My heart is filled with thanksgiving to God for His loving-kindness and to you for your interest in and faithfulness to the cause of God. Let us never fail nor falter in our service of the Lord. As we turn with courage to the new year before us, let it be with a knowledge that God will continue to guide and bless. Has He not said, "Fear not for I am with thee. . . . I the Lord will hold thy right hand saying unto thee, fear not, I will help thee."

So, having come to the crossroads of the years, let us step forward in confidence knowing that God is holding our hand as we walk into the unknown.

H. D. HENRIKSEN

Evangelism

The Winnipeg evangelistic effort continues to draw large audiences. In a letter just received from Elder C. A. Reeves, he writes: "I know that you will be happy

SEASON'S GREETINGS

to our members in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and western Ontario.

Cordially,
Officers and staff of the
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to learn that we had the largest audience at the Dominion theatre last night that we have had to date. The place was so packed that we could not get another one in and many scores were turned away disappointed. We are very encouraged by this splendid interest, inasmuch as the Sabbath test had been presented the previous Sunday night."

God is wonderfully blessing the work of our brethren as the message of warning and salvation is being presented in that large metropolis. Two ordained ministers and three interns are associated with Elder Reeves, and the members of our three Winnipeg churches are giving whole-hearted and enthusiastic support in every way they can. Nature itself is co-operating in that the weather has been unusually favourable, making it easy for the people to get to and from the meetings.

Sabbath afternoon services have been held for the interested and those who have already taken their stand for the truth; the attendance has been most gratifying. Let us earnestly pray that an abundant harvest of souls may be reaped in that part of the Lord's vineyard as well as in other points throughout the conference where similar efforts, although on a smaller scale, are being conducted. The time has come when a great advance must be made in all our evangelistic and soul-winning endeavours. May we ever be faithful in our support of the finishing of the work of God both here at home and in the fields abroad.

H. D. HENRIKSEN



Elder C. A. Reeves explaining the prophecies at Winnipeg

News Notes

★ Elder L. L. Bock, in the interest of the *Signs* campaign, recently visited eleven churches in twelve days. No wonder our *Signs* subscription goal is nearly reached.

★ Our latest addition to the conference staff arrived October 25 in the person of Gaylene Jeanette Soloniuk—a baby sister for Gytha.

★ Elder Jeremia Florea from Detroit, Michigan, has come to our conference to spend several weeks holding meetings among the Roumanian speaking people in southern Saskatchewan. Brother Nicholas Chohan of Truax will assist him in his work. May many souls be brought to the foot of the cross as a result of their ministry.

★ Letters addressed to Mr. Beverly Evans, Nipawin, Saskatchewan; Mrs. Agnes Webb, Ceasarea, Ontario; and Miss Myrtle Hinds, Herschel, Saskatchewan have been returned (address unknown). Any information regarding the whereabouts of these members will be appreciated.

★ Five baptismal services have now been held in the new Saskatoon church. Four were baptized during the Sabbath service on November 28. This brings the number that Elder Streifling, pastor of the church, has baptized thus far this year to 27.

★ Brother D. J. Donesky has been in the hospital in Saskatoon with a serious knee operation. He is now back in the field and is preparing to move to Regina where he will be taking up his new duties as pastor-evangelist of that district.

★ Two camp meetings will be held in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference next summer; the dates are as follows: Saskatoon July 1-10; Clear Lake, Manitoba July 15-18. It is expected that in this way nearly the entire constituency of the conference will be able to attend camp meeting.

★ Brother Peter Samograd is holding meetings in Erwood, Saskatchewan. Let us pray that many people may attend and that God may bless this evangelistic effort in a very special way.

★ Three hundred young people and church members crowded the Saskatoon church for their annual Saskatoon and district Youth Rally. Climaxing the Week of Prayer and the Youth Rally, Elder L. E. Smart, Union Missionary Volunteer Secretary, challenged the youth to live a life of consecration that would be above reproach, directing others to Christ by their living.

★ Elder W. G. Soloniuk reports that a good interest is developing from his Sunday night evangelistic meetings in the small town of Borden, Saskatchewan.



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MV Evangelism

On the evening after the Sabbath, November 21, I attended an evangelistic service in a lecture hall about four miles from the heart of the city of Victoria. This meeting was under the direction of the MV Society of the Victoria Church.

On the night I was there they had three speakers, several musical numbers and some pictures. The attendance was around eighty, which was very good considering it was an unusually stormy night; the storm reaching its peak about the time the meeting got under way. The average attendance is around seventy, but their largest crowd was about one hundred. They feel this is very good, especially since the first night they only had one non-Adventist and that was a minister.

Brother F. L. Bell, a recent graduate of the ministerial course at Canadian Union College, and Elder A. E. Hempel are giving valuable assistance and direction to this worthy project. Mrs. F. L. Bell is writing the script for the sermons.

Mary Edwards, a lady colporteur, is bringing many interested people to the meetings. With a background of eight or ten years colporturing in Victoria, Miss Edwards renders valuable service to the effort.

Already two families are attending Elder Hempel's meetings, as a result of this effort, and others are attending church regularly. A number are expected to accept the Message.

This courageous project, sponsored by the young people of Victoria, is a sample of what other young people throughout the conference are capable of doing. We trust we shall soon see more of our church school teachers joining with the MV Societies and together planning with the pastor or district leader for similar efforts in other parts of the conference.

R. ALLEN SMITHWICK

Letter From Rest Haven

Elder and Mrs. Ross J. Sype are among our most recent arrivals to this conference and are located at Sidney where Elder Sype has entered upon his duties as pastor of the Rest Haven church and superintendent of the district of Nanaimo and Port Alberni. He will also serve as chap-

lain of the Rest Haven Sanitarium. Now that they have launched into their permanent programme we are glad to pass on a brief report of their plans and work, as penned in a recent letter from Elder Sype.

He writes, "Rest Haven is one of the most interesting places we have ever lived. From the standpoint of natural surroundings it is one of the most beautiful locations we have known. We have an interesting field of labour as well as an interesting place to live. The church here consists partly of institutional workers and partly of artisans and those engaged in other pursuits of life, all of whom have a real love for the truth of God."

"One of the first things to be noticed as one approaches the more or less rural settlement which we usually speak of as Rest Haven, is the new church edifice. This splendid representative sanctuary is conveniently situated within walking distance of the hospital and right in the heart of the district where the largest single section of the membership lives."

"Language always fails me when I try to describe Rest Haven as it appeals to me. It is not only beautiful, but it has been a place from which the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ has shed its healing light into many hearts while they were receiving help for bodies afflicted with illness. Many have found physical healing and we believe many have found balm for troubled hearts. In our short residence here we have already met some who have testified that they were leaving, not only with healed bodies but with a vision of Christian love such as they have never known before. Truly this is one of God's great light-houses shedding its guiding beams to lost souls as well as giving restoration to pain-racked bodies."

"We have just begun a series of Sunday night meetings in the church. We are giving a series of practical, revival sermons, which we believe will not only help our own people but will be appreciated by the friends. Later we expect to launch into a regular series of studies on our distinctive message. We solicit the prayers of all that this winter may find us at Rest Haven doing a finer work for God than ever before."

"Now, a word about the district to the north of us, which has been committed to our care. The conference has suggested that we visit Nanaimo and Port Alberni once a month; also to look up the isolated in that general area. This we have done. We have made three regular visits to that district besides a trip with Elders Youngs and Bauer in the interest of the *Signs* campaign."

"The churches in both of these cities are small, but they make up in earnestness and Christian love what they lack in size. We have found them most cordial and friendly, but even more important we

find they are all of good courage in the Lord and trying to do their part in the advancement of the message of truth. We are receiving names of interested persons in that area and we shall plan to visit them as time permits.

Vancouver Island is a most interesting

country and we believe there are still souls here who are looking for truth. May God help us to find them and may He make His people here ever willing in this great day of His power."

R. ALLEN SMITHWICK, President
B. C. Conference

B. C. Evangelistic Programme

WHILE it is still a little early to determine the full results of our evangelistic programme throughout the conference we do have an encouraging report to send out. We will start with the lower tip of Vancouver Island and close with the northern outpost at Terrace and Prince Rupert.

Elder A. E. Hempel, pastor of the Victoria church, writes, "We hope to be able to have a baptism before the end of the year. We will continue Sunday night meetings, as a regular thing, throughout the year. We are keeping Brother Bell busy three days a week giving Bible studies."

Sixteen miles away in the new church at Rest Haven, the pastor, Elder R. J. Syde writes, "We have just begun a series of Sunday night meetings in the church. Last Sunday night was the first service. The ushers tell me there were eighteen visitors there, besides a fine attendance of our own people."

Crossing to the mainland we have reports from Vancouver and New Westminster. Elder R. A. Rentfro, pastor of the Vancouver church, says, "Our meetings here in Vancouver are now approaching the tenth week and we have some really heart-warming experiences. One man and his wife come all the way from West Vancouver." Elder Rentfro plans a baptism the last of this month and a second baptism about Christmas time.

Elder E. E. Duncan of New Westminster reports 120 interests. Two weeks ago his attendance was over 300. Some are now attending Sabbath services, and another couple, who are also attending the meetings and Sabbath services are ready for baptism. He writes, "We plan on having a baptism before Christmas. Others will follow."

Up the valley beyond Langley Prairie we come to Aldergrove. There, on Sunday and Wednesday evenings, Elder D. E. Tinkler is in the midst of a theatre effort. Three weeks ago he baptized seven precious souls. Two weeks ago, the eleventh night of the series, he had his largest attendance. Of this meeting he writes, "Many new names were turned in for literature, together with the names of those who have been attending regularly. Visits in the homes reveal marked interests."

Elders R. A. Hubley and S. G. Joyce are making plans for church or hall efforts after the first of the year. Elder Hubley writes of new interests through the districts and Elder Joyce plans a baptism near the close of the year.

Elder E. Rasmussen reports that as many as forty are attending at Cherryville and a Sabbath attendance of twenty or more in Kamloops. There are many to be baptized in the churches of the district. Elders H. E. McClure and A. W. Bauer will conduct revival meetings in the churches of Vernon and Grandview, November 30-December 5. No doubt many will be baptized in the district by early spring.

Brother John Holstein is holding meetings in Trail.

Elder H. E. Dawes writes of his Prince George effort, "At our first meeting we had about sixty-five out and a good half or more were non-Adventists. Last Sunday night we had our largest crowd of about eighty or ninety. We are quite encouraged."

From Prince George we push on westward along the North Line to Burns Lake, Babine Lake, Houston, Hazelton and Terrace. In this wilderness of isolation are towns, farms, sawmills, and silent forests. There we have Brother and Sister Reimche, valiant frontier workers and standard-bearers of the Cross. In September Mrs. Smithwick, Elder W. A. Nelson and I travelled for days, holding meetings every night and conducting a baptism of five new believers at Burns Lake. All are the fruits of Brother and Sister Reimche's labours. They are planning for another baptism in March or April.

We shall see a steady increase in baptisms in our conference as we get farther along in our winter efforts. The plan for church revival meetings in all of our churches will bring a good harvest also. Let us pray that by camp meeting time we shall reach our goal of four hundred souls won to the Message.

R. ALLEN SMITHWICK

Fraser Valley Dorcas Federation

"Your Community Welfare Centre is performing a very commendable service in the community," stated Miss Jean Gordon,

the provincial representative of the Social Welfare Branch for the municipality of Langley, who addressed the Fraser Valley Dorcas Federation at its meeting at Aldergrove on November 25. After giving a survey of the work of her department, Miss Gordon expressed her thanks for the co-operation of our Welfare Centres, and said "We could never cover the ground without your help!"

Our Dorcas members who were assembled from Vancouver, New Westminster, Langley, Aldergrove, Mission and Chilliwack, were much encouraged to realize that their welfare activities were recognized and appreciated by those in authority.

In the morning devotional talk by Elder E. Duncan, an account of the life and experience of Dorcas of Joppa inspired us to more detailed service for the Master.

A panel discussion by the Chilliwack Welfare Centre workers revealed effective avenues of welfare work; and Sister Blake, our president and chairman brought helpful information on how to make our welfare centres soul-winning agencies.

Elder Bauer introduced a plan to supply our homes with Disaster Kits, containing first aid and medical supplies to use in national emergencies. A civil defense film impressed us with the urgency of being trained and equipped to help in time of war and disaster.

The song by the Missionary Ladies' Trio expressed our prayer for the infilling of the Holy Spirit as we go forward in welfare ministry.

MRS. D. E. TINKLER

Child-Evangelism Workshop

A Child-Evangelism Workshop was conducted at the Grandview church, Armstrong, B.C. on October 26, for the Sabbath School workers of the North Okanagan who were unable to attend the Workshop held earlier at Hope, B.C. Twenty-five superintendents and teachers from six Sabbath Schools took advantage of the intensive and practical instruction which Elder and Mrs. A. W. Bauer, of Mission City, B.C. were able to condense into the short time available.

The morning was spent in demonstration by Mrs. Bauer, of illustrated songs and devices to make the Sabbath School of greater interest to children while keeping it always Christ-centred. In the afternoon, those attending, worked in groups to copy as many as possible of the patterns and other material presented, and also acquired many of the books displayed by Elder Bauer.

The hope was expressed by all that this would be only the first in a series of such workshops.

MRS. VELMA C. WATTS,
Press Secretary, Grandview Church



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Halifax Young People Plan Effort

Inspired by reports from the San Francisco Youth Congress, and desiring to do something definite to share their faith, the members of the Halifax Y.P.M.V. Society have laid plans to hold an evangelistic effort. It will be conducted entirely by the young people of the church, and emphasis will be laid on reaching the youth of the city and district.

Halifax's official delegate to the Youth Congress, Humphrey Longard, is an appropriate choice as leader, and chairman of the program committee. Heading up other committees are: Sister Donald MacDonald, Secretary-treasurer; Wayne Loxdale, Music; Tony Boutilier, Ushering; Floyd Coolen, Publicity.

First meeting is slated for January 10, 1954. We solicit the prayers of our people across Canada that souls may be won to Christ as a result of this effort.

FLOYD L. COOLEN,
Publicity Secretary

Voice Of Prophecy Radio Log

CANADA

SUNDAYS unless otherwise noted. Subject to
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Alberta —				
Calgary	CFCN	1060	8:30 AM	
G. Prairie	CFGP	1050	8:30 AM	
British Columbia —				
Prin. Geo.	CKPG	550	9:30 AM	
Vancouver	CKWX	980	9:30 AM	
Vernon	CJIB	940	9:30 AM	
Manitoba —				
Dauphin	CKDM	1230	10:05 AM	
Winnipeg	CKY	580	5:00 PM	
New Brunswick —				
Moncton	CKCW	1220	9:00 AM	
St. John	CHSJ	1150	3:30 PM	
	FM-CHSJ	100.5	3:30 PM	
Newfoundland —				
St. John's	CJON	930 Sat.	9:15 PM	
St. John's	VOAR	1230	1:00 PM	
Ontario —				
Ft. William	CKPR	580	10:30 AM	
	FM-CKPR	94.3	10:30 AM	
Ottawa	CKOY	1310	10:30 AM	
Toronto	CFRB	1010	10:30 AM	
	FM-CFRB	99.9	10:30 AM	
Windsor	CKLW	800	10:30 AM	
Prince Edward Island —				
Ch'lott'n	CFCY	630	1:30 PM	
Quebec —				
Montreal	CKVL	980	9:00 AM	
Saskatchewan —				
Regina	CKCK	620	8:00 AM	
Saskatoon	CFQC	600	10:30 AM	

Price Change Of The Canadian Signs Of The Times

For the past thirty-four years the *Canadian Signs of the Times* has been used of God as a soul-winning agency. God has wonderfully blessed its ministry, and through its truth-filled pages many an honest soul has been enlightened with heaven's special message for this day and hour. Some of those who have accepted the gospel invitation through reading the *Signs* are now workers at Maracle Press Limited helping to speed on the message to others.

In every issue of the *Signs* there is a Bible Correspondence Coupon inviting the reader to enroll in the free Bible Correspondence Course, also the Voice of Prophecy radio log, listing the nearest station, and giving the hour of the Voice of Prophecy message over the air. Our hearts are cheered as we are informed of the hundreds of applications coming to our Conference Bible Correspondence Schools requesting the free Bible course. Many are receiving Bible lessons whose first interest was attracted by the Voice of Prophecy radio log and the Bible Lesson Coupon in the *Signs*. They write us expressing their sincere gratitude for the wonderful message they have found. Space will permit only one such letter as a sample.

"My wife and I have been studying the Voice of Prophecy lessons regarding the Sabbath. One night I went to bed with this on my mind. I dreamed that a glorious being stood before me and said, 'These are my people, and I am with them.' I told my wife the dream, and we were both impressed that this message was from God. We accept the Seventh-day Sabbath as the true Sabbath of the Lord."

In Volume 6, page 71, of the *Testimonies*, the servant of the Lord informs us that "Many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in." Brethren and Sisters, why not use the *Signs* to help gather them in.

For many years we have endeavored to keep the subscription price down to a minimum, but owing to rising costs in production, effective January 1, 1954, we are forced to increase the price to seventy-five cents per year for missionary purposes to our people. The colporteur rate will be \$1.50 per year and single copies will sell at fifteen cents.

We would like to urge all who have made pledges in the recent campaign to do their best to fulfil these pledges by the end of December if possible. Even at this new price, the *Signs* still offers the greatest value and best investment our people can make in a soul-winning paper. As we

see more and more evidence of our Lord's soon return let us pray and work for a larger circulation of the *Signs* in 1954.

P. G. BIV, Manager.

Book and Periodical Department

Colporteur Reports for the Month of October, 1953

	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
ALBERTA			
Astleford, D. R. L.	230	\$ 1,537.20	\$ 1,170.90
Baker, G. B.			1,245.20
Coulter, Lionel	155	1,061.50	433.25
Devnich, L.			261.33
Fell, E. H.			207.80
Frank, J. A.			547.54
McFarlane, A. E.	140	542.50	654.95
Miller, G. N.			1,477.82
Neish, Ronald	164	736.15	1,192.01
Robertson, Ashley	173	1,082.75	1,720.79
Young, Arthur	26	198.00	70.00
Detmold, Mr. & Mrs. J.			48.55
Johnson, Clifford			120.59
Johnson, Mrs. J. K.	35	215.25	219.90
Spangler, R. C.			288.75
Spangler, Mrs.			92.60
Bader, Frances			72.45
Bader, Ruby			81.65
Bowen, Oliver	20	188.75	119.00
Breslawski, Marie			58.05
Clark, Willis			27.75
Fisher, Lloyd			50.00
Gabel, Lillian			345.65
Gallimore, Lindbergh			1,937.60
Hain, Dieter	35	276.05	588.70
Kutzner, W.			100.00
McConnachie, David			199.70
Thiessen, Bernice			210.45
Part-time Workers	17	65.65	4.75
TOTAL	995	5,903.80	13,547.64

MARITIMES

Acorn, Lorraine & Lauretta	122	220.36	17.25
Bezanson, Mrs. A. E.	79	54.60	
Bezanson, Elsa	41	19.25	115.53
Gay, David			144.50
Heaney, George	29	28.25	352.75
Kierstead, Fred	66	148.55	39.30
Manning, Mrs. B.	51	151.10	223.99
Martin, Mrs. J.	52	83.05	13.50
Martin, Mr. J.	82	62.70	
McMackin, Mrs. E.	30	22.60	29.05
Mercer, W. M.	85	631.60	153.10
Moore, Mr. & Mrs. W. R.	314	811.45	620.40
Munroe, O. A.	141	540.00	293.50
Neill, Mrs. C. R.	33	294.00	134.50
Neill, Mr. C. R.	31	363.25	
Noles, Mrs. G.	129	538.35	225.10
Pearson, G. O.	152	1,153.94	560.87
Robertson, A.			89.50
Robertson			109.90
Rogers, Mrs. H.	85	204.15	72.55
Part-time Workers	4	60.60	210.05
TOTAL	1,526	5,387.80	3,405.34

ONTARIO-QUEBEC

Batten, Lydia	140	384.90	390.85
Davies, Glynn	106	570.50	146.00
Dinsdale, J. F.	172	624.90	396.50
Hyrchuk, Helen	113	502.85	175.65
Knister, H. L.	184	729.90	331.35
Komoll, Beatrice	89	184.75	121.30
Lemon, Elmer	272	494.85	744.50
Morneau, Roger	88	780.00	49.00
Remmers, T. W.	198	408.25	530.00
Smith, Donald	67	429.00	4.75
Sudds, Del	127	537.00	886.00
Wagar, Reed	172	347.15	257.20
Cole, Mrs. G.	35	102.50	6.00
Crowther, Amy	67	145.85	
Hartin, Mrs. F. T.	14	88.55	4.75
MacDonald, Mrs. D.	24	58.45	4.75
Sands, Mrs. J.	48	54.50	
Smedley, Mrs. E.	12	47.50	23.75
Magazine Workers	20	104.68	104.68
Part-time Workers	59	800.69	781.69
TOTAL	2,007	7,396.77	4,959.52

ST. LAWRENCE MISSION

Buch, Pierre	164	637.50	699.00
Dorotich, Dan	64	286.50	280.20
Ferrier, Andre	127	707.00	473.00
Moreau, Simone	83	208.50	115.50
Morneau, Roger	55	187.00	473.50
Paschukew, B.	140	490.25	186.25
TOTAL	633	2,516.75	2,227.45

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Bartsch, H.	38	72.25	71.30
Bayliss, H. G.	155	647.00	367.15
Bell, F. L.	81	480.75	13.50
Christopherson, M.	106	259.55	186.00
Edwards, Mary	122	409.50	279.00
Gildersleeve, C.	114	262.40	311.40
Harder, D.	113	919.50	206.25
Horinouchi, I.	44	372.55	299.80
Hovey, O.	148	701.40	301.85
MacIntosh, R. D.	71	349.75	24.75
May, C.	97	792.50	271.75
Reimche, R.	94	594.10	381.71
Totenhofer, H.			84.86
Wells, John	177	1,678.04	522.00
Woodgate, Ena	25	88.75	16.55
Fisher, F.	20	5.00	5.00
McEachern, Mrs. L. M.	14	4.50	68.62
Murphy, Mrs. L. A.	10	36.70	36.70
Stevens, Mrs. E. J.	18	33.15	13.90
Jackson, B.	12	12.00	99.75
Rowe, E.	30	9.65	83.69
Tataryn, P.	34	44.45	57.40
Warner, D.	22	9.75	114.02
Part-time Workers	2		1,952.54
TOTAL	1,547	7,783.24	5,769.49

MANITOBA-SASKATCHEWAN

Aussner, R.	125	1,051.31	995.25
Baker, Alice	110	140.30	146.05
Bergey, R. L.	167	1,588.95	2,202.68
Bergey, Mrs. R. L.			1,255.89
Clark, H.	126	729.75	267.25
Devnich, R.	67	9.50	198.68
Dick, C.			231.00
Eaton, Mrs. J.	12	63.20	62.00
Gibson, R.			70.20
Gowen, A. M.	141	722.75	335.20
Graham, R.			381.69
Getzlaff, Olga			54.00
Hagen, W.			185.24
Harbridge, Ken			357.15
Kettner, Lois			974.37
Kurlak, Victoria			393.75
Lejneiks, Arno			252.40
Lejneiks, Ole			381.23
Miller, G. N.	88	908.95	18.71
Mohs, L. M.	163	1,756.00	1,798.60
Mohr, Gilbert			245.12
Pretchuk, E.	46	206.25	238.25
Rogers, Esther			173.07
Sabiston, J.	69	384.25	211.84
Shultz, Warren			416.75
Scrace, Mrs. T.	142	995.00	212.30
Scrace, Mr. C. T.	150	749.50	157.11
Sloratz, Frank			255.10
Thiessen, J. A.	98	456.10	299.25
Thiessen, M.	78	490.60	499.44
Tomenchuk, D.			55.92
Wagner, O.			681.83
Wasylyshen, Al	14	144.98	137.65
Part-time Workers			14,144.97
TOTAL	1,596	10,413.03	

OBITUARIES

HARDER—Mrs. Katherine, fell asleep in Jesus at Abbotsford, British Columbia, on November 2, at the age of seventy-nine years, following a sudden illness.

Although Sister Harder was the only Adventist in her family, she was a faithful witness for the Lord and a loyal member of the Aldergrove church. Everyone called her "Grandma," and the lives of many were enriched by her life of unselfish service for others.

She confidently passed to her rest in the sure and certain hope of hearing the call of the Life-Giver on the resurrection morning.

D. E. TINKLER

deVRY—Cornelius, was born in Holland eighty-one years ago, and passed to his rest at Abbotsford, British Columbia, on November 15, after a brief illness.

After leaving Holland, the family homesteaded in Foremost, Alberta, before coming to B.C. thirty-five years ago.

Brother deVry was a charter member of the Aldergrove church, and was a zealous worker for his Master. He was well known and highly esteemed in the community, and many were benefited by his helpful counsel and interest.

His devoted wife, who mourns his passing, knows that she does not sorrow in vain, for she is assured of a joyful reunion soon when Jesus comes.

D. E. TINKLER

BRADLEY—It is with deep regret that we record the death of Sister Bella Bradley, one of the oldest members of the Winnipeg English Church. For some time she had suffered from heart trouble. Following an attack she was taken to the Misericordia Hospital where she passed away on November 27th, at the age of seventy years. Her father was instrumental in calling the first Adventist worker to Manitoba. Sister Bradley loved the truth and for twenty-seven years lived in the church building while acting as caretaker of the Lord's house. After a funeral service, conducted by the writer in the Winnipeg church, she was laid to rest in the family plot at Austin, Manitoba, by Elder B. Kuhn. She died in certain hope of the Resurrection and we believe she soon will hear the call of the Life-Giver.

CLIFFORD A. REEVES

FITZPATRICK—Ralph was born August 17th, 1879 at Angus, Ontario, and died in North Vancouver, June 26th, 1953, where he stayed with his oldest daughter Mrs. Leslie Taylor.

He was united in marriage to Margaret H. R. Wallace on March 23, 1910 and God blessed this home with five children.

In the year 1917 they heard of our Sabbath truth and accepted the Third Angel's Message, and the following year were baptized by Elder Farshaw.

Brother Fitzpatrick devoted many years to the colporteur work after he retired from farming, and has won a number of souls to the Truth. During a long illness ten years ago Brother Fitzpatrick spent a lot of time reading our books. The last four or five years he spent as a sewing machine repairman giving Bible studies in many of the homes and scattering our literature wherever he went.

He leaves to mourn his passing, three daughters, Mrs. M. E. Taylor, Lillian B. Taylor, and Laura T. Ritchey, and two sons John and Orval, and fifteen grandchildren and one great grandson, a sister in Ontario and a brother in Saskatchewan.

The funeral was held at Burrard Funeral Chapel, North Vancouver. Words of comfort were spoken by Pastor R. A. Rentfro. Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson sang, "There Is No Disappointment in Heaven," and Mrs. Anne Sovdett sang "Beulah Land," one of Brother Fitzpatrick's favourite hymns.

He was laid to rest in the beautiful Capilano View Cemetery in West Vancouver to wait until the resurrection morning when Jesus shall call those who sleep in Him.

R. A. RENTFRO

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Sabbath School Investment at Oshawa Missionary College

The story of investment for 1953 at O.M.C. is a practical demonstration of what can be accomplished under the blessing of the Lord when a church rallies as one to reach a given objective. This story began last April when we were told our goal for this year had been set at \$844.00—almost double the amount we raised for this offering the previous year. Maybe the conference Sabbath School Department expected us to gasp, but we fooled them. We had already had our heads together and our Sabbath School Council had decided we should raise at least \$1,000.

In May we initiated the plan of a monthly "Red Bag Day" when each class was supplied with a numbered red bag in which members were to place any investment money they had accumulated during the month.

All through the months which followed we planned for an Investment Fair to be held late in the fall. Soon after sundown on the night of November 21 the auditorium was the centre of a great deal of purposeful activity for the time had finally arrived for our long-planned-for programme and fair. In no time at all the rear of the auditorium had taken on the appearance of a full-fledged fair. There were ten attractive booths all decked out in colourful crepe paper streamers and balloons, and laden with garden produce, lovely fancywork articles, good things to eat, and many other things too numerous to mention.

But the fair was not opened for business yet. It was announced that all should find seats. After an opening prayer by Professor W. E. Nelson from Brazil, Lorene Smart gave a recitation, "Investing For Him." Special music was rendered by the trumpet trio consisting of Victor and Cecil Moores and Leland Tetz. Elder McClure gave us a success story of an adopted son who, in a few short years, has become a multimillionaire with holdings all around the circle of the earth.

The L. W. Taylor family rendered, in the form of a radio skit, "The Story of God's Tomato Acre"—a true investment experience from Detroit, Michigan.

The theme of our programme was "The Cross of Christ." At the edge of the

platform was a cross which was illuminated as Mrs. McClure cited references from the pen of inspiration such as, "The cross of Christ will be the science and song of the redeemed through all eternity. In Christ glorified they will behold Christ crucified."—*Great Controversy*, p. 651.

Following a spirited fanfare by the trumpeters the tiny tots from the Cradle Roll and Kindergarten Divisions brought their offerings and laid them at the foot of the cross. It was an inspiring sight as the members of the Primary Division responded to the call of the trumpets, marching behind their Investment Banner which was literally covered by one dollar bills. The Juniors followed with their dollars all clipped to a long cord as the trumpets played "Bringing In the Sheaves." Finally, as the girls' choir sang, "They Brought Their Gifts to Jesus," the adults brought their gifts to the cross. We know the scene was a lovely one to Jesus, who gave His all for us.

Now the fair was opened and it was certainly a buyer's market. In a short time the booths were empty but the corporation of "TREASURES IN HEAVEN, Unlimited" was richer by more than \$800 from the evening's activities!

The Primary and Junior Divisions did outstanding work in this year's investment, raising \$200.00 and \$187.00 respectively. Mrs. R. T. Shearsmith, our superintendent, and Mrs. Evelyn Bowles, assistant, gave invaluable assistance and co-operation, as did also all the teachers and Division leaders. But most important, every member did his part. We thank them all! To date our total for the year is \$1444.00.

We can truly say Investment this year has been a delightful experience. We all worked together and God blessed abundantly.

MRS. H. E. MCCLURE,
Investment Secretary

Temperance Programme At Windsor

Doubling the conference goal was Windsor's way of demonstrating their enthusiasm for the temperance work carried on by our union!

A temperance programme, under the direction of Mr. D. Geauvreau, one of the elders of the Windsor church, included a symposium by Mr. E. Monteith, a high school history teacher who is actively witnessing for God; Mr. J. Fairbairn, who has had experience in temperance work, and Mrs. Hilda Jackson, an active youth leader. Brother Geauvreau prefaced the symposium with a Bible study on temperance.

The Bible study and symposium given by these laymembers struck such a responsive chord in the hearts of the listeners that the resulting offering amounted to \$100.24, thereby doubling the goal of fifty dollars which had been set by the conference for the church.

"Such a response to the temperance appeal," said Brother Geauvreau, "is an indication to me that the Lord wants us to press forward with the temperance work at this time when crime, degradation, traffic fatalities, and poverty are so prevalent because of the lack of temperance. May God impress every soul in the Canadian Union to prepare to strike a telling blow on the most terrible scourge ever brought upon the human race."

This enthusiastic spirit and self-sacrifice on the part of our laymen, combined with the efforts of our ministry and conference leadership, will make possible the accomplishment of great strides in this work that God has given us to do.

MRS. W. E. KUESTER, Press Secretary
Windsor Church

This Christmas let us remember our dearest Friend, Jesus with a generous gift offering on thirteenth Sabbath.



Children taking part in the O. M. C. Sabbath School Investment