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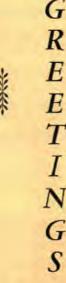
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

W. A. NELSON

ACROSS THE TREASURER'S DESK . . .

THERE FLOWS a constant stream of tithes and offerings for the support of God's work in all the earth—

A million dollars in tithe;

A half million dollars in mission offerings-

From Canadian Adventists who are not wealthy, but who sincerely and honestly believe in the soon appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

You will agree with me:

This weekly, monthly, yearly, constant flow of dedicated, sacrificial offerings is one of the greatest evidences that this is God's work. It is not natural for people to give such sums regularly and systematically. We recognize that this is the work of the Holy Spirit prompting the hearts of believers to make such sacrifices.

The Christmas season is now over. It has been an enjoyable one in our churches. Our church members have given liberally. Our gifts have been dedicated to God's work. The Thirteenth Sabbath programmes have been given. Investment is over for this year. Our Week of Sacrifice offering has been given.

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THE hands of the clock of time have nearly completed their yearly circuit. The door to the old year soon will close forever; but with the blessing of God, the influence of our labours and sacrifices will continue toward the fulfilment of God's purpose.

In facing the responsibilities and opportunities of the new year, we pause again in retrospect to thank the Lord for His mercies and for His blessing upon the work in all of the Conferences and institutions across the Dominion.

The tithe and mission offerings for all of Canada register encouraging increases. All the fields show good gains in Ingathering, with five Minuteman Conferences. There were substantial increases in Sabbath School offerings. In many sections there is enthusiastic activity in Investment projects for missions. When the reports for the year are all in, the total mission offerings from our churches in Canada will go well beyond \$400,000.00.

Our workers and churches have been burdened for evangelism. They have laboured and prayed earnestly for the salvation of souls. God has given a bountiful harvest. Incomplete reports indicate that the number of new converts will go beyond nine hundred for the year. The largest previous record for one year was 758 new members.

We thank God for this large number of precious souls. We thank Him also for the prosperity that our Conferences, churches, and institutions have had, and for the support all have been able to give the work in the mission fields.

The work of the year 1954 is now registered for eternity. This gives us serious thought; for many times we have failed. How thankful we can be that though the pages are marred and blotted yet the record of our lives for the year can show the confession of our sins and the forgiveness of the Lord. The door to the mercy seat is still open and we can still lay hold of the mercy of the Lord.

For many, the year has been hard and difficult. In some of our homes the family circle has been broken; sorrow and sadness have entered. There have been loss of crops and disappointments. But in it all, God has sustained and delivered. "He restoreth my soul." "He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds."
What a God is our God! How wonderful
the blessed hope! With David we can say:
"Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is
within me, bless His holy name. Bless the
Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His
benefits." How strong should be our determination to live for God and to be faithful
to Him in all things!

The new year is opening before us. It offers new blessings, new privileges and new opportunities for service. These blessings from God call for renewed consecration of our hearts. In full surrender to God we praise Him for His love and mercies, for His truth and for the privilege of serving the King of Heaven. Let each one of us resolve with God's blessing to devote our lives and our all in a larger measure than ever before to the service of God and His church.

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Reverence

By FRED COCHRANE

I sat in church one Sabbath day; The members talked so loud, And showed as little reverence As any worldly crowd.

Again I sat in that same church, But all was quiet now; For in a casket up in front Lay one with pallid brow.

And then I thought how strange it is That we so oft accord More reverence to a man that's dead

Than to our living Lord.

If we could see with mortal eye
Bright angels there each day,
Our words would cease; then all could hear

It has been said that "fools rush in Where angels fear to tread:" We say we come to worship God, But visit friends instead.

What lesus had to say.

Oh, why not show more reverence In this God's house of prayer, And try to act as Christians should When we assemble there?

Australian Record, 23/8/54

Colporteur Institute Schedule

French Mission Montreal To be arranged British Columbia Vancouver church January 14-19 Alberta Edmonton church January 21-25 Canadian Union College Organize club January 26, 27

College Organize club January 26, 27

Manitoba-Saskarchewan Maritimes Moncton church February 8-12

Ontario-Quebec Toronto church February 18-23

Oshawa Missiouary College Organize club February 24 Newfoundland St. John's church March 8-11

Jesus calls: attend for My sake and the gospel's.

Your Leaders Pray That God Will Give You . . .

POWER TO LIVE FOR CHRIST

EDMUND M. PETERSON, Secretary, MV Department



Happy New Year to the youth of Canada. 1954 was a wonderful year with progress in many spheres of youth endeavour. We are especially grateful to those who have been sharing their faith. Victoria, Saskatoon, Halifax, Hamilton,

Oshawa and several other centres have heard youth speak the truth. We pray that the seed sown will bear much fruit. The year before us comes as a tremendous challenge. Time is running out. The youth of the Advent Movement will play a large role in the finishing of the task. Share Your Faith is the call of the hour.

May we appeal to each young person to find an outpost and work there diligently during the year 1955. Pass out literature; give Bible studies; do whatever you can; do your part.

Young people, don't forget the Morning Watch and the Character Classics. These are designed especially that you may enrich your spiritual experience and find the power you need to live for Christ.

LONG LIFE AND PROSPERITY

J. M. HNATYSHYN, Secretary, Home Missionary and Sabbath School Dept.



As we look into the new year let us lay plans to reach definite objectives.

1. Read God's Word more. Study the Sabbath School lesson daily. Too many of us neglect the Good Book to read magazines and newspapers.

 Laymen, organize for greater service.
 "The church is God's appointed agency for the salvation of men. It was organized for service, and its mission is to carry the gospel to the world."—Acts of the Apostles,

3. Welfare workers, help the needy. We are instructed: "I cannot too strongly urge all our church members, all who are true missionaries, all who believe the third angel's message . . . to consider the message of the fifty-eighth chapter of Isaiah. The work of beneficence enjoined in this chapter is the work that God requires His people to do at this time. It is a work of His own appointment."—Welfare Ministry, p. 33.

4. Temperance workers, positive proposals must be made to fight the liquor traffic and the smoking habit. God desires peace, happiness, long life and prosperity for mankind. "I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health." 3 John 2.

May the Lord bless every one of you as you welcome the new year. By God's help determine to serve Him faithfully.

JOY AND HAPPINESS

J. M. BUCY, Secretary, Publishing Department



The Publishing Department of the Union desires to express deep appreciation to all who have so nobly aided the literature ministry during 1954.

Through your prayers, labours and help, our leaders and colporteurs have been notably blessed. Many souls have been won, and hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of truth-filled literature have been placed in Canadian homes.

May the New Year bring you new joy and happiness. As you serve Jesus may the words God gave Joseph for the king be yours: "God shall give . . . an answer of peace,"

FREEDOM AND PROGRESS

D. L. MICHAEL, Secretary, Department of Public Affairs



A wise man once said that there is a "time for everything under the sun." We would find it hard to evaluate this commodity called "time" if it was not divided into tidy, neat, little segments labelled minutes, hours, days, weeks and years.

These mileposts are necessary on the journey of life for they help us to measure our progress.

Perhaps the year which now closes behind us has had its full share of success and failure, joy and grief. We now step from the known into the uncertainties of the future. However, each passing year has brought us lessons that will reduce

the risks we face in the new year. Most of all, if we are living a life fully committed to God then each new day will find us closer to the Great Pilot's course.

A great statesman once said, "We have nothing to fear, but fear itself." From an even higher Source this message was sent: "We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way God has led us, and His teaching in our past history." Let us erase the memory of failure, but recall the lesson; let us ever remember the evidences of Divine leader-

With a sincere desire to make 1955 a greater year for the Cause we love, to do our best to preserve freedom, to make the Advent message better known, and to serve with all our hearts, we send this message of greeting to each member of our great family. God bless you!

blast to irreparable ruins this great masterpiece of Divine creation.

Others in this distraught world await word that will dissipate all fears, relax all tensions and usher in a new era of prosperity, goodwill and peace.

Traditional phrases come casually to our lips at this time of the year, but as we stand upon the threshold of stupendous events, what manner of persons ought we

To us who have elected to be counted in the ranks of the remnant has been given the urgent and God-ordained task of warning a perishing world. It must be our constant prayer: "Master, speak, thy servant heareth." That alone must be the authentic and authoritative Voice to which we must pay heed, for soon He that shall come, will come, and will proclaim, "It is finished!" Then shall the end come. And if we are faithful, in the end, we shall all go back as it were to the beginning, and, "In the beginning, God."

Rest Haven Hospital extends to all of like precious faith best wishes for the New

COURAGE, ZEAL AND FAITH

C. G. MARACLE, Manager, Kingsway Publishing Association



THE greatest even witnessed by mortal man and recorded in the annals of sacred or profane history was the birth of our Lord. Spanning the centuries of time, we can still hear the melodious strains of the Angel Chorus an-

nouncing the first advent of the Christ Child: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." The only avenue of Peace and Good Will among men and nations is by way of the human heart. The Spirit of the Christ dwelling within man will supplant selfishness with selflessness.

This is the root and source of true peace-"My Peace I give unto you."

We live in ominous times. Events transpiring on every hand are freighted with portent. The next great event the world is to witness, is soon to take place-The Second Coming of the Prince of Peace. We need His "peace, that passeth all understanding" to give us poise and buoyancy during these turbulent times.

Another year is about to slip from us. As we glance in retrospect over its pages let us recount our many blessings, and the wonderful way God has led us. The dawning of the new year will bring a new challenge. Let us face the future with courage and zeal and faith in God. In whatever channel we are called to serve shall we not with one voice say, "Here am I, Lord, send me."

Annual Instruction Classes

The 1955 annual Literature Evangelist Institutes are expected to be the largest ever held in Canada. These institutes are for regular colporteurs, recruits, magazine workers and students in our colleges and schools.

There is now a student scholarship bonus plan for our youth under fifteen years of age as well as a plan for those who are older. Now every boy or girl can earn a thirty per cent bonus plus a fifty per cent commission in the literature work. Enjoy a large scholarship for next fall. No experience necessary. Excellent training. Expenses paid. Win souls.

Write or see your publishing department secretary today. J. M. BUCY

GOOD WILL AND PEACE

A. GEORGE RODGERS, Administrator, Rest Haven Sanitarium and Hospital



S everal months ago I met a Filipino in Chinatown, San Franciso. He represented the Second Advent Movement in the Philippines, where postwar endeavours have achieved great prog-

ress in the work of God.

He spoke of my incarceration and said: "I remember your last sermon. It was, 'In the beginning, God." Twelve years had passed since I had

presented that exhortation inspired by Genesis 1:1. I was soberly impressed by the far-reaching consequences of the word spoken from the sacred desk.

This world came into existence at the spoken word of Almighty God. Today men are fearful that some spoken word will

Across the Treasurer's Desk

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These offerings will soon be going across my desk on their way to the mission fields.

These are the evidences that God is leading His church in a mighty way.

How good it is to know that we have closed the year right.

Our tithe is all paid for the year.

We have been liberal with our God who gave everything for us.

We face the new year with joy and thanksgiving.

We are one year nearer Home. I hope to meet you there.

E. L. GREEN, Treasurer, Canadian Union Conference



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In Partnership With God

"God tests us here, by committing to us temporal possessions, that our use of these may show whether we can be entrusted with eternal riches."—Counsels on Stewardship, p. 22.

FIRST . . .

It happened just a few minutes after I went on duty on the opening night of the Exhibition. A fine, pleasant appearing young lady stopped in front of our booth, looking intently at our beautifully coloured painting of Christ. Presently, a beautiful smile spread over her face, and as she turned her head to see the rest of our booth I stepped over and offered her some of our literature. After exchanging comments on the fact that the booth was sponsored by Seventh-day Adventists she mentioned in a very pleasant British accent that she had never heard of us until she came to Canada recently, and found that one of her friends is an Adventist.

Through her friend, evidently a good missionary, she had already signed up for the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course. She then asked me if I could tell her the closest Adventist church to her home. When I asked her for the necessary information, she told me she lived in Worthing, Sussex, a small town near the south coast of England. I contacted Pastor Gordon Hewlett, who was formerly a student of OMC, now located in the southern part of England.

AND THEN ...

A few days ago I received a letter from Pastor Hewlett, together with a letter from Pastor Dennis Conroy in whose district this young lady lives. It is most encouraging to learn from the district pastor that she is attending our church services and is also taking Bible studies in her home at the present time. Pastor Conroy feels quite certain that she will be baptized in the near future.

We hope and pray many more similar experiences will result from contacts made with those who visited our booth at the Canadian National Exhibition.



Left to right: Mrs. J. McMaster, chief cook and battle washer; Mrs. R. Borr, assistant hostess; Mrs. G. Arnott, assistant teacher; Mrs. N. Misher, teacher.

Toronto East Cooking School

December first the final cooking class at Toronto East was held. Mrs. N. S. Mizher was an interesting and able demonstrator. Each little luncheon served was excellent proof of her ability. Mrs. Gordon Arnott assisted her every night. Kitchen helper was Mrs. J. McMaster. Mrs. E. Jackson and Mrs. Robert Barr were hostesses. Both Dr. E. A. Crawford and Dr. Gordon Arnott gave of their time

and knowledge for one evening. Elder Nicholas Ilchuk brought his projector to show movies on school lunches.

Although called a cooking class we rather thought we had a course in dietetics. We are most grateful to the Conference for bringing Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Vollmer to launch these programmes, and to the workers here who so ably passed on the instruction.

ELISABETH CALVER

Federated Dorcas Societies of Ontario

"Lord help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way,
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for others,
Yes others, Lord, yes others,
Let this my motto be,
Help me to live for others
That I may live for Thee."

During the past summer the Dorcas ladies have more than fulfilled the words of this poem as they have laboured for others. We wish that many more could have heard the excellent reports from each society at the Federated Dorcas meeting that was held in the Willowdale church in Toronto, November 7. Mrs. J.

M. Bucy, the Federated Dorcas leader opened the meeting with words of welcome to all.

Elder J. M. Hnatyshyn was the speaker for the morning session. His topic was "The Balanced Life." He stated that mothers know how to sacrifice and so are often chosen to be Dorcas leaders. The uppermost thought in a mother's mind is for others.

At the eleven o'clock meeting interesting reports began from each society. How our hearts were thrilled as we heard how our welfare work is opening doors and even hearts to the Master. Surely the influence of the Dorcas work will lead many to receive the word of God's truth.

Enthusiastic Welfare workers who attended the Federation meetings at Willowdale.



At the two o'clock meeting Dr. Arnott gave instruction on what to do when the public calls on us for aid. We as a people are very fortunate that we have a pattern to follow as others of the world do not. Dr. Arnott emphasized that Jesus came to this earth to show us how to live. If we follow Jesus we will devote more time to minister to the sick and suffering.

Since May, the Dorcas workers have reported the following: 10,071 articles of clothing given away; 460 food baskets; 10,877 hours spent in Christian help work. There were 460 persons helped. The estimated cash value of help given was \$13,748.40. The Dorcas societies did much to relieve the suffering during the recent hurricane in Toronto. They gave a number of blankets, clothing, food, money and time to these unfortunate people.

Special music for the day was rendered by Elder Collins and Miss Ossmund, who sang "Bless This House." We must have the love of Jesus in our hearts. We must be consecrated to Him so we can go out and work for others.

MRS. F. W. CONNORS



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Juniors Can Sell "Life and Health"

Wayne, Douglas and Wendy Mohns are three young colporteurs living in the city of Winnipeg. Behind them you will notice the tweny-six boxes of Life and Health, thirteen hundred copies, which these young people sold in eleven days to earn their way to Junior Camp. You can see by the determined look on their faces that they are real "dyed in the wool" literature evangelists!

Their father, L. M. Mohns, has been one of Canada's leading colporteurs for the past few years. Last spring Brother Mohns held a small institute with the interested children from the church school. Enthusiasm ran high. They sold over four thousand copies of Life and Health in a short time, receiving over \$500.00 for themselves. These young people earned their way to Junior Camp by this means.

Every young person can do the same. A special letter is given to the customer, who reads it; keeps the magazine and gives



Wayne, Douglas, and Wendy Mohns.

the youthful salesman the twenty-five cents. We have a letter for selling Life and Health for Junior Camp but we have another letter which you can use the whole year through. Why don't you try this? It's a quick and easy way of earning money these winter evenings and on holidays and you are doing missionary work at the same time.

Write to your Book and Bible House for more information.

> w. Bergey, Publishing Secretary, Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference

News Notes

- * Reports coming to the office indicate that the nutrition classes held in Tugaske, in Canora and in the Winnipeg German church, have finished successfully.
- ★ The evangelistic effort in Fort William is bearing fruit. On the afternoon of December 4, eight precious souls followed Christ in baptism joining the local church.
- * The Christmas carolling programme is under way with more than a dozen Carolettes in operation. Good reports come to us from all the districts. In Saskatoon one evening over \$200.00 was collected. This is a wonderful way to raise Ingathering funds. At no time will it be easier to raise your Minuteman goal. E. J. HEISLER

Maritimes

Box 125, Moncton, N.B.

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New Glasgow Relief Centre

Mrs. Ethel McCann, an active Dorcas member and publicity secretary for the New Glasgow church, writes:

"For the past twenty years the Dorcas society has met one afternoon or evening

Welcome

A very hearty welcome is extended to all to attend the Maritime Literature Evangelist Institute which will be held in Moncton, N. B., from February 8 to 12. Make plans now to attend this institute and learn the know-how of Christian salesmanship and soul saving. The challenge of a great task is before us. Let us prepare ourselves now to meet this challenge by taking advantage of the free training course offered at this convention. The date —February 8-12, The place — Moncton, N. B.

C. R. NEILL, Publishing Department Secretary

a week in the home of one of the members. We found that this plan does not work as well as having a regular place where everything can be kept; but no such place could be found.

"Early last year we felt we must do something. A small welfare centre was suggested—after all, other churches had them—but where could it be located? We decided upon the large, unoccupied front room of the church. We were only a few, but if we 'could not be a pine on the top of the hill, we could be a shrub in the valley' and do our best.

"The menfolk encouraged us. They built shelves and racks for clothes. We sold Signs to pay for a second-hand carpet. One sister while selling Signs located a used heater for next to nothing. We were ready; we asked the Lord to send the clothing and the needy.

"For the past year or two we as a society have been affiliated with the local Council of Women in doing welfare work in New Glasgow. When the president of this council, who is also a correspondent for the daily paper, heard what we were planning to do, she gave us a write-up in the press announcing the opening of the Centre. The paper gave us a prominent place in the news with the fine heading Dorcas Welfare Society of the Seventhday Adventist Church Opens Welfare Centre.' An appeal for clothing of all kinds was included, and an invitation to the unemployed or anyone else in need to feel free to call.

"The Singer Sewing Machine Company loaned us an electric machine for a few weeks. Immediately boxes arrived containing all kinds of clothing, shoes, overshoes, rubbers, quilt materials, hats, purses, and what not. We went to work sorting, repairing, turning, and patching. Odds and ends were used for quilts. To date this year we have given away over three thousand garments, ten quilts, several grocery orders, as well as free literature to all helped.

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Let God Lead

H. D. HENRIKSEN

Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference



We stand on the threshold of a new year. None of us knows what is held in store but we may have confidence, knowing that a loving heavenly Father cares for His children.

Let us thank Him for His many mercies

during the past year. He has given us numerous evidences of His love and care. "Above the distractions of the earth He sits enthroned; all things are open to His divine survey; and from His great and calm eternity He orders that which His providence sees best." Ministry of Healing, p. 417.

To all our fellow believers we say

Happy New Yearl By this we mean true happiness that is deep and abiding, unshaken by adverse winds and tumultuous events. We thank you for every kindness shown and for your true Christian friendship. As we labour together for the finishing of the work, may our experience in the things of God grow deeper and stronger as every day brings us nearer to the hour of our Saviour's return.

"I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year: 'Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown!' And he replied: 'Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way.'"

Let us go forth, and holding the Hand of God, tread gladly into the night. He will lead us toward the hills and the breaking of the day in triumphant glory.



Work Today

PHILIP MOORES

Newfoundland Mission Conference

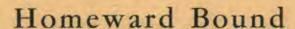


The year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five has come and we hope it will be an "acceptable year" full of the grace of our Lord. Close fellowship with Jesus will make it a happy new year that will

take us closer to the kingdom of God.

It is a wonderful thing to journey through life with the hope of something different and better beyond our journey. Millions journeying through life do not have this assurance. They are unsaved and without hope in the Lord. We, who know the joy of salvation, must do all we can to gather our friends and neighbours into the family of God. We must remember that probationary time is running out and that the plan for saving men will soon be finished. Soon the curtain will fall on the Drama of the Ages and the opportunities to lead men to salvation will be forever past.

Let us remember the words of Jesus: "Work... while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." Let us do our best for the Lord during each day of 1955 and pray that He will make it a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



G. ERIC JONES
Ontario-Quebec Conference



There are two things we must not lose sight of: we are homeward bound and we are judgment bound. We must make preparation for a journey. We cannot take all we possess with us on a trip, although we may sometimes try to do

this when we are going to be gone for two or three weeks. However, there are things that are needful, and we must not forget them. If we are going to travel by air we must be most particular in selecting the articles for our travelling bags, because we are limited to a few pounds.

We are Homeward bound and we will be travelling by air. All we can take with us is our character. The ticket has been purchased and it is ours for the asking. Are we making the needful preparation? "Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people."

We are judgment bound, too, for that is the "weighing in" before we can become air-borne. We used to sing about being weighed in the balances. We shall be weighed. Again, only character will prove essential.

We shall mount the skies on wingsone wing is faith, faith in the saving grace of Christ and His sacrifice for us; the other wing is works, and that is our part of the preparation for heaven. As we near the close of probation it is dangerous to be found in the habit of sinning and confessing, sinning and confessing. This is time which is allotted to us in which to deny self, our passions, our appetite, our love of the world and its allurements. God's final benediction is pronounced upon the "doers."

"If you will seek the Lord and be converted every day;

If you will of your own spiritual choice be free and joyous in God;

If with gladsome consent of heart to His gracious call, you come wearing the yoke of Christ,—the yoke of obedience and service,—

All your murmurings will be stilled,

All your difficulties will be removed, All the perplexing problems that now con-

front you will be solved."

Thoughts from Mount of Blessing, p. 150.

May God bind us together in love

May God bind us together in love, unity, and fellowship in preparation for our Homeward journey. When pride of opinion bows low to humility, and the will is surrendered to Him, there will be unity. This is a personal responsibility that rests upon each of us.

Peter admonishes: "Above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: ... the end of all things is at hand." I Peter 4:8, 7.

We are Homeward bound.



b You . . . uppy New Year

Be Faithful

J. W. BOTHE Maritime Conference



We have come to the time of year when we can turn for a retrospective glance at the achievements of 1954 before we take a prospective look through the opening portals of 1955. Surely we are grateful to our heavenly Father for the

many tokens of His love to us during the past. We praise Him for what has been accomplished in His name. Although we sigh for what might have been in the old year had we been always true to Him, yet the prospects ahead can bring us new courage, for new opportunities challenge us to improve upon the past.

Let us determine that by God's grace we will make the new year the best in our experience. May we pledge anew our loyalty to God, giving Him first place in our lives. As we do this we will be faithful in our missionary endeavours, in returning an honest tithe to God, and in manifesting a loving, kind spirit to all our brothers and sisters and to all our fellow men.

From the Beginning Unto the End

GEORGE E. TAYLOR Alberta Conference



Would you like to know what the year 1955 holds in store for you? While God in His mercy withholds many things from us, yet in His great love He gives us precious promises which assure us He will be

with us at all times and will supply our every need.

The Psalmist declares: "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." And again, "He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." God has also promised, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." With such wonderful assurance we should yield our hearts fully to God, knowing that He has made provision for us no matter what comes. We

read in Deuteronomy 11:11, 12: "But the land, whither ye go to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, and drinketh water of the rain of heaven: A land which the Lord thy God careth for: the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year."

Let us read these verses often and be comforted. God is watching, not only over this world, caring for it from the beginning of the year until the end, but He is also watching over us, His children. There are many hills and valleys ahead of us—hills of rejoicing, valleys of despair. Life is full of hills and valleys; but we need not fear, for the Word says: "The eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year." Let us take courage as we face the uncertain days that lie

Beginning Again

R. ALLEN SMITHWICK British Columbia Conference



We are nearing the close of another year. The days and months have passed swiftly by.

January is the month of beginnings. We might look upon it as the door of the year. The word "January" denotes a door. It is derived from the

name Janus, an ancient Roman god of all beginnings. His two faces looked forward and backward; he presided, or so the Romans thought, over doors, gates, bridges and entrances of all kinds.

Thus January can be looked upon as the door through which we enter a new and untried year. The backward look is not for the Christian. Paul reminds us: "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

We are soon to cross the threshold and look with anxious gaze at the dim and untried path before us. We need not be hesitant or timid as we enter its portals. God has promised to be with us. We can place our hand in His. He will light the way before us.

God has a dmonished His people: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." We should be courageous as we move forward under the guidance of our great Leader.

"Earth-lights may shine awhile, and then grow dim. But God is true; there is no change



Relief Centre

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"The room is open to the public on Wednesday afternoons and any other time by appointment. We cannot keep this going by working only one afternoon a week, so any spare time we have is spent there. We feel that the Lord has richly blessed us and has given us favour with the people. To Him we give all the praise."

Sister McCann writes very modestly. At a recent meeting of the Welfare Council, the president presented the case of a very needy family and asked various organizations how they could help in the emergency. No organization had any ready supplies except the Seventh-day Adventist Dorcas society.

When the president asked the Dorcas leader, "Mrs. Banks, what could your society do?" she replied that they had quilts and the necessary clothing on hand in their welfare centre and were prepared to give immediate assistance. Then the president made the statement that the Seventh-day Adventist organization, with the smallest membership of any group in the council, was putting the rest to shame!

We hope it will not be long until there will be many such active welfare centres in the Maritimes.

H. T. JOHNSON



PASTOR A. W. FIEDLER and his family are wel-

New Appointment

It is a pleasure to present Elder A. W. Fiedler, pastor of our North Sydney and Sydney Mines churches. He and his family have located in North Sydney, Nova Scotia. He comes to us with a rich background of mission experiences. He has served in the Middle East Division as president of the Iraq Mission with head-quarters in Baghdad, and as Bible instructor and pastor at the Middle East Training College in Beirut.

Prior to his appointment to the mission field he laboured in the Washington Conference as principal of the Everett Junior Academy and as a minister. Both Elder and Mrs. Fiedler are graduates of Walla Walla College. Let us remember Elder Fiedler and his family before the throne of grace, praying that the Lord will bless them abundantly.

J. W. BOTHE,

President

Gaulin have been conducting weekly services in St. Hyacinthe where already one dear lady has indicated her desire to be baptized.

Two of our Montreal families representing eleven souls reside in Drummond-ville where as a result of their consistent witnessing a new congregation is about to be formed. Under the leadership of Brother Ferrier and Brother Gagné plans are being laid for a suitable place of worship for this prospective addition to the congregations of the French Mission! Under Elder Devins' ministry we are confident of their success.

We invite our fellow believers all over Canada to join in praying that God will bless His work in the great Province of Quebec even as we ask for His blessing on every other field.

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Okanagan Federation Learns "Do" and "Don't"

The Okanagan Valley Dorcas Federation, held at the Kelowna church on December 5 began on an enthusiastic note as the president, Mrs. Amy Wagner, introduced Elder J. M. Hnatyshyn as guest speaker. He cited many inspiring experiences from home and abroad in which the work of Dorcas has furthered God's cause.

Miss Elizabeth Buck, Kelowna Bible worker, presented a new approach to the topic of "Dorcas Evangelism." With the assistance of Miss June Joyce, she illustrated in dialogue form "How not to do it" and "How to do it."

The afternoon session was filled with reports from the nine societies represented at the Federation. The Penticton secretary, Sister Lamb, reported that the City Council, the Red Cross and other organizations, with whom they are now working in close co-operation have completely turned over to the Seventh-day Adventist church the distribution of welfare clothing.

Members of the Grandview society gave in dialogue the highlights of a day at their Welfare Centre in Armstrong. Three of their members, Sisters P. Spangler A. Watts and W. Graham, who earlier in the year completed Civil Defence general welfare courses at Victoria and Vancouver, were interviewed regarding these courses

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A Challenge

The Montreal French Church is growing with new life with each of its members possessed of a fervent desire to do even better in the new year with the help of God under the direction of the Holy Spirit. Early in January Elder R. Devins and Brother C. Gaulin started a series of health meetings called in French, "Sante pour Servir," (Health for Service). These meetings are held each Wednesday evening in the French Chapel because certain religious prejudices prevent

the rental of a public hall. This reminds us that Quebec is a field that challenges our earnest endeavours. From a human point of view the work is very slow and difficult.

Nevertheless, we press forward with courage that the Lord of the Armies will bless His work in the Province of Quebec and that it will triumph in God's good time. Already His blessing has been evident as reported in the Messengen which chronicled the gains enjoyed by the Cause. With all the ardour of faith possessed by new members and with the election of a fine slate of officers for the church under Elder Devins and Brother Gaulin's leadership we look confidently to the future.

Brother Paul Salziger, a new member of our church who recently came to us from our Seminary Church at Collongessous-Salève, near Geneva, Switzerland has had a most interesting experience. Every second Sabbath afternoon he and some of the members of the Montreal congregation have gone from house to house distributing the tract, Les Feuilles d'Automne. At the same time Elder Devins and Brother

by Brother A. Reimche, Civil Defence Co- IN BRITISH COLUMBIA . . . ordinator for the Armstrong district.

Elder A. W. Bauer, Conference missionary secretary, presented a plan for a permanent Dorcas building at the Hope campground which met with general ap-MRS. VELMA WATTS

News Notes

- * The Vancouver church and the school are leading out in a strong way in carolling. They have four groups singing in different parts of the city. Everyone is enthusiastic and happy. Other churches are also carolling. We hear good reports from all of them.
- * Displays from our Book and Bible House have been made in several of the churches this fall. New books in which much interest was shown include: Prophetic Faith of our Fathers, Volume IV, selling at \$9.35; Lighter of Gospel Fires, life story of our pioneer Elder Loughborough, for young people, a wonderful book for \$2.20; Mohanraj, A High-Caste Boy of India, a thrilling story of missions which really grips you, the price is \$2.20. These are all postpaid.

Read Good Books

William Jennings Bryan said that the student could well afford to spend for books what the smoker spends for tobacco. He meant good books, of course.

One of the best things that can be done for our youth is to surround them with good books in attractive bindings. Much that enters today's homes is a curse. "We cannot afford to give young people valueless reading. Books that are a blessing to mind and soul are needed."-Fundamentals of Christian Education, p. 547.

Our children are sent to school with the hope that the instructors will teach them to read. With a whole new field open to them the children search for something to read. Are we careful to see that they receive the best? Our schools, MV societies, and homes, especially where families are isolated, ought to have the MV book clubs available. Often the reading of a single book determines the way a child will go. Buy books that build character, books that will help our youth face the realities of life.

The Primary book club for 1955 sells for \$9.85; the Junior club for \$12.60; and the Senior club for \$10.95.

These books in the hands of our youth will bring blessings to our homes and churches. "The best way to prevent the growth of evil is to preoccupy the soil." -Ibid., p. 164.

> R. KNAUFT, MV Secretary, B. C. Conference

Doctors Are Honoured Guests

On Sunday, December 5, the British Colombia Conference sponsered a luncheon in the Sky Room of the Sylvia Hotel in Vancouver overlooking English Bay. Honoured guests at this luncheon were physicians of the Conference and their wives. Others present were Elder and Mrs. A. George Rodgers of Rest Haven and Elder E. L. Green of the Canadian Union, This attraction has become an annual feature looked forward to by the medical fraternity. It has done much to strengthen the relation and deepen the understanding of the mutual problems of the medical practitioner and the minister.

Elder Smithwick, president of the Conference, was master of ceremonies. Appropriate remarks were made by the guest speaker, Dr. Arthur Grauman, CME class of '25, a prominent surgeon in Seattle, Washington.

The afternoon proved to be very successful. We were sorry that Dr. and Mrs. Druitt of Kelowna and Dr. R. Waddell of Loma Linda were unable to attend

Remember January 14

The literature ministry has contributed much toward the development of the work in the British Columbia Conference. The ever increasing number of baptisms of people whose interest was first awakened through reading our literature, testifies to the effectiveness of this soul winning programme. In a number of districts in British Columbia the teamwork of the consecrated colporteur and the minister has proven very successful.

We are living in a time when we will see even greater things. The Province of British Columbia is expecting a great financial boom in 1955 as the result of industrial expansion. Should we not as the

people of God see in this a wonderful opportunity to place more of our attractive truth-filled books in the homes of the people?

My heart has been thrilled lately to receive letters from a number of fine Christian men of good character and experience, who are burdened to enter the literature ministry. May God bless them! We can use still more. Our annual Colporteur Institute will be held January 14 to 19 in the Vancouver Church. Let us not hold back in this eleventh hour but say willingly, "Here am I, Lord, send me."

> M. D. SUITER, Secretary Publishing Department



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Eight Baptized

Two weeks of wonderful weather and two weeks of wonderful meetings went hand in hand as the Chalmers-Friesen evangelistic team conducted an effort in the Peoria church. The first meeting was held Sunday evening, October 24 and the last on Sunday, November 7. The church was filled each night even though harvesting was not yet completed.

Elder Chalmers gave some practical

points on how to live the successful Christian life; many gave their hearts to the Lord. All will remember the fine music brought to us by Elder and Mrs. Chalmers and Brother and Sister Friesen. Brother Friesen organized a choir of Peoria and Belloy young people. Their beautiful messages in song were greatly enjoyed by

At the close of the meetings baptismal classes were conducted by Elder L. R. Krenzler, who baptized eight persons on November 14. Several others plan to be baptized in the spring. Surely the Lord is blessing the evangelistic team in Alberta.

E. RUTH KRENZLER

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Psalm 111:10.

"We do not know how cheap the seeds of happiness are-or we should scatter them oftener." Lowell

Learn to Bake

Have you ever wished you might attend a cooking demonstration where you could learn to make tempting vegetable dishes and roasts? This was our privilege during Mrs. E. M. Chalmers' stay at Peoria, As many as fifty-five ladies met in the W. J. Rottacker home where Sister Chalmers showed us how to make pleasing vegetable roasts with the ordinary things we have in our kitchens.

We were also delighted to obtain a recipe for a health cake. It's easy to make and it's good! Especially so with the centre top covered with pie cherries and the sides piled high with whipped cream! Thank you, Sister Chalmers, for a job well done.

E. RUTH KRENZLER

News Notes

* The Thorsby Dorcas held a very successful sale and social evening on December 4 in the Sunnybrook Hall. Besides the home baking and handiwork sale, the film "The Royal Visit to New Zealand" was shown. Over \$74.00 was received which will be used for urgent local welfare calls. Mrs. H. Gulde is the leader and Mrs. E. Zotsman, the secretary.

* November 6, 1954 marked the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. David Ratzlaff of Leduc. Mrs. Ratzlaff is the former Rachael Steinke, daughter of Emil Steinke. Married in Leduc in 1929 by Elder O. Ziprick, the couple have resided there ever since. A family reunion dinner for forty-three was held. Mr. and Mrs. Ratzlaff were presented with a gift of silver. Their happy Christian home is a light to the community. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless them and their son, Donald.

CHRIST CALLS BOTH MEN AND WOMEN

"Jesus is calling for many missionaries, for men and women who will consecrate themselves to God, willing to spend and be spent in His service. Oh, can we not remember that here is a world to labour for? Shall we not move forward step by step, letting God use us as His helping hand? Shall we not place ourselves on the altar of service? Then the love of Christ will touch and transform us, make us willing for His sake to do and dare.

"Many, both men and women, can do an excellent work by canvassing for books that are full of direct, simple instruction on practical godliness."—Colporteur Ministry, p. 18.



Mrs. Julia De la Garza and her daughters, Rosa Lee, Elvia and Emmily.

ALBERTA - R. C. Spangler

Our Commission

"Our commission is to let the light shine forth everywhere from the press. By the printed page the light reaches isolated ones, who have no opportunity to hear the living preachers."—E. G. White, Letter 21, 1902.

The light is shining forth in thousands of homes as a result of the These Times missionary subscriptions which have been sent and through the copies placed in the homes by literature evangelists. This is producing fruitage in souls won. The accompanying picture is of a mother and her three fine daughters who were baptized early this year by Elder James Gray of Texas. The influence of These Times was a dominant factor which led to their baptism. It was placed in this home by

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LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

J. M. BUCY, Publishing Department Secretary, Canadian Union Conference

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Mrs. Gladys Cupps, a faithful literature evangelist who rejoices in having had a part in bringing this family the light of truth through the printed page,

God expects us to be true to our commission. "Let every believer scatter broadcast tracts and leaflets and books containing the message for this time."-Review and Herald, November 12, 1903.

Now, while These Times is available for the very low missionary rate of only \$1.15 a year, is a good time to send forth the light. Turn in your list of names so the light may penetrate many more homes and hearts and help you win souls.

> I. H. IHRIG, Circulation Manager, Southern Publishing Association

OBITUARIES

NASH—Annetta Elizabeth Nash was born in London, England on October 17, 1876 and quietly fell asleep on November 7, 1954. For many years she had been a faithful member of the St. Catharines Seventh-day Adventist Church. Her friends and neighbours attested to her unselfish life and many were heard to say that we had lost a many were heard to say that we had lost a saint.

The services were under the direction of the writer, assisted by Rev. Standish of the Merritton Anglican Church. Left to mourn their loss are two sons: Willard and Ed-ward; one daughter, Mrs. Alfred Woodhouse; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren besides other relatives, and a host of friends. We laid our sister to rest in the Victoria Lawn Cemetery where she awaits the coming of Jesus.

GILBERT E. ANDERSEN

CHARTIER—George Chartier was born in Canaan, Quebec, February 22, 1877 and died in Warden, November 22, 1954. In 1899 he married Bertha Renaud. Thirty-six years ago Brother Chartier was baptized by Elder Passebois becoming a member of the South Stukely church and remaining faithful until death. As long as he was able, he attended church faithfully and took an active part in church duties.

To mourn his death are his wife; five sons: Watson of California, Melvin and Ross of Waterloo, Quebec, Gordon of South Stukely, and Clarence of Windsor Mills, Quebec; one daughter, Gladys Malbeouf of Waterloo; four brothers; one sister; twenty-one grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends. The church members join them in looking forward to the day when "those that sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him." A. M. SPENST

SMIGELSKI-Joseph Smigelski was born October 18, 1905, in Golden Spike, Alberta, and died in his home in Ardrossan, Alberta, September 13, 1954. He accepted the Truth in 1949. He leaves to mourn his beloved wife, one son, three daughters, five brothers, and three sisters. He was laid to rest in Beech Mount Cemetery to await the resurrection morning.

GEO. SOLONIUK

STEELE-Dulcie Steele, born May 30, 1951, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Steele, was

the victim of a highway accident. She passed away on Sunday, November 21, 1954 at the Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto. Elder G. E. Jones and Elder N. Z. Mizher assisted the writer in the funeral service. Her father and mother, brothers Charles and Robert, grandparents, and many other relatives feel their loss keenly but are wondrously sustained by the promises of God's Word and the hope of the resurrection soon to come.

VICTOR W. COLLINS

WAGEMANN-Gary Edward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wagemann, was born September 9, 1953 at Bowmanville, Ontario and passed away August 1, 1954 at the Neurological Institute in Montreal after a brief illness. He leaves to mourn his loss his father and mother little Parkers and mother little Parkers. father and mother, little Barbara, one grandmother, and many other relatives who look forward to the resurrection morning when baby Gary will enjoy his full health. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder L. W. Taylor assisted by Elder A. E. Millner.

D. L. MICHAEL

GOODWIN-Sylvia Alice Bowen Goodwin was born at Barnston. Quebec on July 27, 1874 and died on October 15, 1954 at Sherbrooke, Mourning their loss are her husband; one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Clark; one brother, Walter Bowen; and other relatives and friends.

While living at Ayers Cliff, Sister Goodwin was baptized by Elder Farnsworth. She has lived faithfully for her Lord, During her last illness her courage was good and it was always an inspiration to visit her. The years will be few that separate us from the time of resurrection and reunion.

A. M. SPENST

KLEMM-Mrs. Susanna Klemm, widow of the late Gustav Klemm, passed away Novemthe late Gustav Klemm, passed away November 29, 1954, at the age of 74 years. She is survived by seven daughters: Mrs. F. O. Ergang and Mrs. J. Ratzlaff of Leduc, Mrs. A. Kruger and Mrs. E. Fraser of Edmonton, Mrs. R. Krueger of Victoria, Mrs. G. Mintz of Vancouver, and Mrs. F. J. Gorbell of Los Angeles; 13 grandchildren and one greatgrandchild; two sisters, Mrs. A. Klemm of Stony Plain and Mrs. J. Sturtz of Leduc. Funeral services were held at Temple Baptist Church with Rev. Henry Pheiffer officiating. Church with Rev. Henry Pheiffer officiating. C. GOERTZEN

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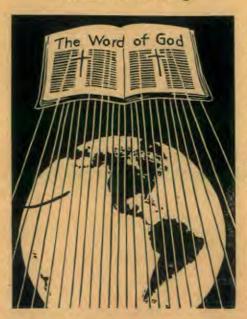
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At this holiday season it seems to me that the most important message we can send from the "School of Character" is that the school family is still maintaining and advancing the spiritual ideals which it has upheld for so many

years. Tonight as I write, about two hundred students and teachers are carolling, bringing songs of cheer to the hearts of many who are not accustomed to the certainties of our faith.

Our heartfelt greetings to friends of Canadian Union College in all parts of the Dominion come from a school where uncertainty and the influence of a sinful world find little room. Here in this quiet country



location the realities of the Christian life have more meaning and it is easier to maintain a good spiritual atmosphere. The inspiration of Christian youth studying in a Christian college builds confidence in the minds of those who come in contact with the school.

We to whom has been given the sacred trust of directing young minds in an age of skepticism and doubt, rejoice with all our friends for the blessings we enjoy. From the depths of our hearts we give thanks for the hope in a world now being shaken to its foundations, of a kingdom that will not be shaken.

We solicit your prayers as we strive to uphold the intellectual, moral, physical, and spiritual standards of the Seventhday Adventist organization and inspire the youth to reconsecrate and rededicate their lives to the Master's service.

The School That Trains For Service Not Fame

w. A. sowers, President, Oshawa Missionary College

Heartiest greetings from Oshawa Missionary Collegel I wish that it were possible for me to visit each of you in your home to wish you each personally God's blessings for the new year, and share with you the joys of working with God for the salvation of our youth through Christian education.

We thank each one of you for your loyal support of the programme of Christian education that under God we are endeavouring to carry on in this vast Dominion. We thank you for your prayers and your sacrifices for your young people.

God has richly blessed us here at OMC during the past year. He has blessed us spiritually, physically and financially. We thank God for His protection and His guidance. Just before the Christmas holidays twelve of our precious youth were baptized, joining the church and going forward in preparation for their places in the finishing of the great task of the Church. Our schools are ordained of God to train our young people and are used



of Him as the greatest evangelistic medium in our midst.

As we approach the threshold of a new year we pause in retrospect and humbly thank God for His guidance. We note the places where we have come short of God's ideal for our lives, and renew our consecration to Him and His work. We pray that God will give us the wisdom and understanding that we need to lead these young people closer to Him.

As you face the new year pause with us and ask yourself the question, "What doest thou here?" Are you filling that special place that God has in which you are to labour for Him? Young man, young woman, Jesus is coming soon. Are your talents and capabilities all developed to the utmost and dedicated to His service? Are you satisfied with the service you are rendering to your fellow men and to God? "He that winneth souls is wise." Remember Oshawa Missionary College is dedicated to the task of training workers for God. Let us help solve your educational problems.

Happy New Year. We pray that soon God's work will be finished so that we can go home with Him where there will be no more sorrow or sin. By God's grace let us each determine anew to be there.