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Strengthen the entering wedge on . . .

# Thirteenth Sabbath

When my wife and I arrived in the New Hebrides our hearts were heavy because in this scattered group of islands the Seventh-day Adventist mission did not have a hospital, but our hearts were a little heavier when we entered our district and found that we could not boast a clinic.

With the other missionaries we voiced our needs that somewhere in this group we should have a hospital. Our plea went to the Central Pacific Union Mission, and now our hearts are rejoicing that on this coming thirteenth Sabbath we shall receive part of the overflow for the erection of a hospital.

How greatly it is needed! When our little mission vessel Ka Seli makes its quarterly trip around the district men and women of every denomination line the shores waiting for medicine. They believe that our medicine has some special power and as the ship approaches you can see mothers washing their pickaninnies in the salt water. In some cases this is their first wash since the mission vessel last called.

On Paama my wife and I have worked constantly for three hours giving injections of acetylarsen and then, time permitting, we have dressed yaws, ulcers, and tended their various illnesses. In many instances we have taken men and women to hospital or back to district head-quarters with us so that we can give them further treatment.

During the time the Ka Seli is anchored at Port Stanley men and women come to us from the neighbouring islands, bypassing the government medical outstation. I think of one such instance of a husband and wife bringing their child from Leviam on the west coast of Malekula over the rugged and steep mountains to the east coast, bypassing the government outstation and walking another seven miles to us. At first we had penicillin to treat the lad, but the next time we had none and had to turn them away. Again I think of the woman who lived one mile from the outstation but who decided to come to us because the medicine has power. Her legs and arms were covered with ulcers, and to keep the flies away she had wrapped banana leaf around each individual ulcer. A few weeks of treatment and we could see an improvement, a month and they were on the way to be healed. Yes, there is power in our medicine.

Inland from the north coast of Malekula are the Big Nambus. These people have defied all attempts at civilization. One village in particular, Amok, not only has defied civilization but the people still hold to their heathen practices in the face of almost forty years' contact with our mission. The right arm of the message is our only means of contact and in the long run will be the main entering wedge to bring the gospel to them.

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We have asked the paramount chief to build us a house half-way between his village and the coast. This house will be central to all the villages and will help us in contacting them all. This was a dream of Pastor Thompson's and we hope it will eventuate. We visited one of these small villages and were told we were the first missionaries to come there in fourteen years. This more than emphasizes the need of a central house where all can have a regular contact with the gospel through the agency of the medical work.

We need a hospital. The natives of our district are willing to sacrifice that they might have a hospital. Are we? Do remember the New Hebridean hospital this coming thirteenth Sabbath with your gifts and your prayers.

C. T. PARKINSON

# The Substance

... Of Things Hoped For

By W. A. NELSON



For years a number of Seventh-day Adventist workers and members have dreamed of a Seventh-day Adventist hospital in eastern Canada. For years mothers and fathers and young people in our churches all across Canada have longed for such a medical institution where our youth could receive fully accredited training in nursing.

It was recognized that the erection of a hospital with a minimum of one hundred beds that would meet government regulations would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. Consequently the hope of having such a medical institution operated under the pattern given by the Spirit of Prophecy seemed far removed. Still many continued to dream and to hope; these dreams and hopes were so earnest that they finally crystallized into a strong conviction that something must be done about it.

Our doctors in Toronto felt the great need of a Seventh-day Adventist hospital. Together with Elder G. Eric Jones, president of the Ontario-Quebec Conference, they were impressed that the time had come to step forth by faith. An ideal property in a good location was found, but there was no money. These brethren shared their conviction with the Toronto church. The members agreed to co-operate in every way by giving, working, and praying, and so the brethren signed an agreement of sale.

From the act of faith, providential leadings followed one upon another clearly showing that God had taken the reins of this important project in hand until today over \$400,000 from denominational sources is represented in the land, work on the property, purchases of important material in short supply, and money in the bank. In addition, more than \$200,000 is promised from other sources, bringing the total of cash and definite commitments to \$640,000.

By the end of April the contract calls for the steel to be erected. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for." We surely believe that a Seventh-day Adventist hospital will be serving the interests of the Seventh-day Adventist church in Canada within the time allotted for construction.

There remains much yet to be done. The Province requires a minimum of one hundred beds to qualify a hospital to conduct a school of nursing. A hundred-bed hospital with regulated specifications of construction will cost \$1,400,000. This amount provides for all of the necessary services and equipment.

Nearly one-half of the total cost is in hand or assured. The erection of the steel structure will lead the way to securing substantial contributions from the community. Already the Township Council has voted a gift for the hospital of \$75,000. It is hoped that the City of Toronto will give a substantial contribution.

We believe that our members and churches all across Canada will be happy to have a part in this important project. The Canadian Union Conference Committee authorized that an offering in all of our churches in Canada be taken on Sabbath, April 14.

We are anticipating a large and generous offering. Many former members of our churches in Canada who now reside in the United States when they learned of the project sent in their contributions, some as high as \$1,500. With the offerings were the assurances of their prayers that God would bless and lead in the completion of the hospital and the inauguration of a nurses' training course.

The offering to be taken on Sabbath, April 14, will be more than an ordinary offering. We hope that every contribution will be an offering of faith and that the total will be the largest of any single offering ever received in Canada.

"Faith is the substance of things hoped

# An Old Chequebook Continues ...

One hears all kinds of talk about people, and much of it from the chequebooks. Let me tell you about one that impressed me.

He was a small-town lawyer, of all things! He was a busy lawyer, a bit on the serious side. He was my Sabbath school superintendent, and seldom missed either school or church service. They had family prayers at his home, and they held a circle of hands during their devotions. This lawyer loved his home with a love that was deep, and it was ever a lovely place to visit. He was interested in the good of his community, for which there was plenty of evidence. Being a small-town lawyer, he was by no means the community's leading money-maker. But he was, several times over, the largest contributor in his church.

Once, in the depth of the depression, when money was extremely dear, the church treasurer met me with a big smile, saying, "Just got a cheque for \$100 for the church." I did not have to ask where it came from, for the simple reason that this lawyer had been a tither for a number of years before the depression came. He kept it up in the hardest of times.

Once the treasurer said, "I don't know what this fellow gives outside the church, but you can take this church book and tell to the dollar what he made last year. When he gets a \$100 fee the first thing



he does is send me a cheque for \$10."

This lawyer is still living and showing no signs of starving to death! I saw him not so long ago. True, he did not look like a millionaire. He would not try to look like a millionaire if he had ten millions. But he did appear to be making an honest living, and seemed to be enjoying it.

A lot of people living around him were afraid to trust the Lord during that depression. They hoarded money, and often lost it, in all sorts of places, but he just went on giving it away! I doubt that he ever thought of that tithe money as his own. It just belonged to God, and that

was all!

Yes, our chequebooks really speak. What does your chequebook say about you?

-Atlantic Union Gleaner

# A Plea

"Lord of hosts open Thy people's eyes That they may see earth's whitened harvest field, Widespread, may note the precious grain that

lies unreaped.

Open that they may see the promised yield Perish because no sickles touch the grain Making Thy Son's great sacrifice in vain.

"Lord of Hosts! Quicken Thy people's hearts; Cause them to feel what pain, what grief is thine.

While wasted lie these heathen lands, vast parts

Of Thy domain, untouched by love divine. Help them to share thy bitter grief, And move them, Lord, to send relief.

"Lord God of Hosts! Open Thy people's purse,

That they may give-not less, but more and more.

O, may they never taste the bitter curse Of Meroz! Help them their treasures all to pour

Into their saving work of grace, Thy coming hastening on apace."

(This poem was sent from the Coral Sea Union Mission, where God's work will be speeded by your liberality on Thirteenth Sabbath, March 31.)



### New Desire of Ages TV Bible Course

By W. A. FAGAL

At last a long-desired wish of the Faith for Today workers has been realized—we are now announcing the new Life of Christ TV lessons.

On the air, in the Faith for Today news monthly, and by special notice to all former Bible school students, the invitation is going out to enroll in the new Life of Christ TV lessons! The Bible and a new 800 page edition of Desire of Ages by Ellen G. White are the textbooks. Students may buy Desire of Ages for \$1.00

or they may borrow it from our lending library.

Although the Desire of Ages TV lesson series constitutes a full message course it will not replace any of our earlier TV Bible courses. Its distinguishing feature is the way it presents every point of our faith, so embedded in the gospel story of the life of Christ that no one can take offense. On the contrary, they will be drawn to the truth as it is presented from the lips of the Son of God Himself. Accusers who charge that Adventists do not believe in salvation by the blood of Christ are silenced by this series whose sole purpose is to "lift Him up."

Is this a course for Seventh-day Adventists? Doubtless a great many will wish to follow it as they again read the universal favourite, Desire of Ages. Thousands of others will find in this course the ideal guide to personal soul winning with a positive, prejudice-allaying approach.

But beyond taking the course for personal study, every member can freely and enthusiastically enroll doubting acquaintances and unbelieving loved ones, in full confidence that the gospel exemplified in the life of Christ will draw all men unto Him. The Faith for Today workers invite you to join them in praying that this new Desire of Ages TV Bible course on the life of Christ will hasten the coming of our Lord.

# Horizons Unlimited

The three colporteurs having highest deliveries last year in Canada were: Gordon Arnott, who worked a total of 2,020 hours and delivered \$10,573.98; Ingrid Paavilainen, who worked a total of 1,722 hours and delivered \$10,483.34; and Lawton Lowe, a student who worked a total of 491 hours and delivered \$5,228.00 worth of our literature.

The unusual feature about these three top bracket colporteurs is that they are all from one conference. Through the medium of the MESSENGER, we want to salute Publishing Director F. W. Connors, of the Ontario-Quebec Conference, and his loyal staff of colporteurs for producing this fine record in his field.

It is interesting to note that during 1955 the average colporteur delivered \$4,500 worth of truth-filled literature. This is truly a fine report. The excellent publishing department leadership in every one of our conferences, we believe, is reflected in the 1955 totals of souls and sales won through the literature ministry.

In Newfoundland Miss Lydia Batten has set an excellent record by delivering over \$6,000 worth of literature during

It was thrilling to hear Canada's top

colporteur for 1955 state that he was more interested in the nine precious souls that he and the Bible worker are now working with, than his delivery total for the year. Do you wish to know the reason for his high success? He states, "I pray in every home," One customer said, "I have never seen anything like it before. First this man sells me a wonderfull book, and then he turns around and prays for me and my loved ones."

You, too, can render a service to God and humanity. Why not enlist today in the great colporteur army?

The highest colporteur in North America last year set his goal for \$25,000 worth of literature delivered. His total figures reveal that he delivered \$29,000, which meant that he had a gross income of \$14,500 for the year. This year he has set his goal for \$50,000. The next highest colporteur in the States delivered \$25,000 worth of literature. Yes, it is a new day.

Time is short. We must hasten to the task. Let us remember that God is the best paymaster that anyone ever had.

> J. M. BUCY, Publishing Director, Canadian Union Conference

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### Greetings to our dear believers in Canada!

We know that all of you are interested in the work in the South Pacific Islands. The Coral Sea Union Mission, which is one of the most primitive countries in the world, is also one of the fastest growing mission fields in the world-field. Wonderful reports have come to us in just recent weeks. Pastor Keith, the Union president of that field writes:

"The work is moving along here in spite of our financial problems. Just recently we were visiting through the Highlands and a native leader came to us with a very urgent request that we send in teachers to his district where they have 30,000 people. They do not want churches of other faiths. I had to tell this man that we could not do anything about it. This was only one of many requests that came to us when we were visiting in the Highlands.

"How I wish we could go in now while the doors are open, and carry this wonderful gospel message to these people who sit in darkness. The tragedy is that I cannot see any prospects in the immediate future of meeting such calls, as our lines are so thinly held throughout this wide mission field."

We greatly appreciate the liberal offerings given by our people throughout Canada in the Sabbath schools and in connection with the Ingathering campaign. We are looking forward to greater and more liberal sacrifice on the part of our people in the homeland, so that money may flow into the treasury and enable us to answer these urgent calls in the mission field.

The Thirteenth Sabbath Offering Overflow for the first quarter of 1956 is coming to this Division, and we are confident that our people in Canada will respond with their offerings as never before, so that we may be enabled to send teachers in among these people to reap a large harvest for God and His kingdom.

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Sincerely your brother,

C. C. Weis Sabbath School Secretary, Australasian Inter-Union Conference



### Trade Union Leader Influenced by "Signs"

We were quite thrilled a short time ago when Elder D. G. Fleagle, home missionary secretary of the Chesapeake Conference, reported how Signs of the Times was influencing the philosophy and leadership of a high officer in a trade union in a great eastern city. You will enjoy reading his personal report of a recent visit:

"Recently I was called to the office of the manager of a trade union in the interest of one of our church members.

"As I walked into his office he greeted me by calling me Elder Fleagle. That, of course, made me aware of the fact that he must in some way have some knowledge of the way we at least address our ministers. Naturally, one is rather observant when going into the offices of these union leaders, because it is almost impossible to talk to some of them at all, for their

language is not good.

Almost as soon as I stepped inside of his office this gentleman said, I want you to know where I stand in my thinking in relation to your people.' He reached into his desk and pulled out a Signs of the Times, the latest issue, and said, 'This comes to my desk weekly and has for a number of years. My mother and father are both good Seventh-day Adventists, It is my good mother that sends me the

Signs.

"Of course, my mother is trying to make me a good Seventh-day Adventist. She doesn't realize that the Signs is making me a good union leader, because I see and recognize the need of a reformation in our union. I believe that I am able to do a work in the union that is comparable to your work as missionaries in many of the mission fields. To me, union organization is a mission field, and I am running our union on principles that will make it possible for anyone to be a member of the union. We open our meeting with prayer, we close it with prayer. There is nothing said at anytime during our meetings that would cause anyone, even a minister, to be embarrassed. We do not strike. Our union is carried forward on principles that, I believe, could be acceptable to any religious body.

'Again I want to say that much of our thinking is moulded through the fine articles that we read in the Signs of the Times. So, Elder Fleagle, I want you to know that in our counseling and working together, that you are talking to one that is fully aware of the standards and principles of the Seventh-day Adventist people, whom I admire and reverence actually because of my godly father and mother, and their influence in my life through the Signs of the Times."

Thus again Signs exerts a moulding influence on men in positions of leadership in economic life. It presents the only solution to the problems that beset this chaotic world, whether it be in the realm of religion, economics, science or philosophy.

Join the ranks of your fellow-believers in "erecting an Adventist pulpit" in the homes of those for whom your heart is burdened with the weekly visits of Signs during the coming year.

H. K. CHRISTMAN

### Do You Know?

What about dope addicts? Read the shocking story in the Youth's Instructor dated March 13 of a young Seventh-day Adventist who unwittingly married a dope addict.



RELIGIOUS LIBERTY - Cheering news from Saskatchewan reveals that Seventh-day Adventists along with other religionists will continue to enjoy the freedom of religion and the right to propagate their views by means of the printed page. In a decision handed down by Magistrate I. E. Lussier in Shellbrook he ruled that Hilda Skoretz, a Seventh-day Adventist colporteur, was not guilty of having violated a licensing ordinance of the municipality and did not come under its authority by the very nature of the religious work she was doing. We feel that this is a significant triumph, and while its judicial influence might be limited to Saskatchewan, it serves to add one more bastion to the cause of religious freedom in Canada.

Early in April Dr. Frank H. Yost, of Washington, D.C., editor of the quarterly journal Liberty, will visit Toronto and Ottawa. He is slated to be the guest speaker at the First Seventh-day Adventist Church in Toronto on Sabbath, April 7. Contacts will be made in Toronto and Ottawa for the purpose of securing Canadian contributors to the columns of Liberty in line with the editorial policy of internationalizing the paper.

It is interesting to note that a former cabinet member in the current Newfoundland government is the new president of the Lord's Day Alliance. Rev. H. L. Pottle served as Minister of Public Welfare and was reported as one who would have liked to see Newfoundland adopt the Lord's Day Act. It is hoped that his new post does not augur a high-pressure campaign to impose this blue-law statute upon Can-

ada's newest province!

PUBLIC RELATIONS-Through the courtesy of the Faith For Today office and the Columbia Union Conference, Don A. Roth in company with the Canadian Union Conference public relations director recently contacted several television stations in central Ontario. As a result, station CKNX-TV in Wingham, Ontario has already commenced airing the Faith For Today programme on a sustaining basis at no cost to the denomination. Stations in Barrie and Kitchener revealed an interest in scheduling the telecast at some later date. Canadians will be happy to hear that station WGR-TV, Channel 2, in Buffalo, New York has agreed to carry Faith For Today beginning this coming autumn. This station enjoys coverage in the heavily populated Niagara, Hamilton, Toronto and Oshawa areas.

Church pastors, local elders and home missionary leaders are reminded that Canada's own Seventh-day Adventist radio programme, Beside Still Waters, is available to every church that can find a station willing to carry this excellent religious radio broadcast. The format does not duplicate the Voice of Phophecy type of religious broadcast but opens an entirely new method of public relations broadcasting to Seventh-day Adventists.

Already aired over two stations, CKLB in Oshawa and VOAR in St. John's, Newfoundland, it is doing an amazing job of winning friends and breaking down prejudice for Adventists, An audition tape will be supplied along with information as to how the programme can be made available to a church or institution interested in sponsoring it over a local radio station. Write to:

> Pastor J. Paul Grove, Box 396. Oshawa, Ontario.

The first quarter of 1956 appears to have produced, due to the consecrated zeal of many, many press secretaries and public-relations-minded parsons, a recordbreaking total of newspaper stories about Seventh-day Adventist faith and works!

The following quarterly listing of news-

The Faith for Today programme is now presented over Station CKNX-TV, Wingham, Ontario.



paper credits reveals over fifty newspapers used during the first three months to herald the good news! We salute the churches that made news by their faith and good deeds and the press secretaries and pastors that helped to carry it to the thousands of readers represented by these papers. Just think for a moment of the vast audience numbering almost a million who were reached by these media of mass communication! How much did it cost the church? Very little, if any in terms of dollars and cents!

British Columbia: Vancouver Sun (2), Vancouver Herald (3), Vancouver Province (5), Victoria Colonist (5), Victoria Times (4), Gulf Islands Review (10), Mission City Record, Vernon News (2), Kelowna Courier, Nanaimo Free Press, Armstrong Advertiser (4), New Westminster British Columbian, Oliver Chronicle, Terrace Omineca Herald.

Alberta: Calgary Albertan (8), Calgary Herald (2), Edmonton Journal, Lacombe Globe, Medicine Hat News (4), Lethbridge Herald.

Manitoba-Saskatchewan: Fort William Times-Journal (10), Port Arthur News-Chronicle, Winnipeg Free Press (6), Winnipeg Tribune (4), Morden Times (2), Gravelbourg Review-Star, Yorkton Enterprise, Saskatoon Star-Phoenix (4), Regina Leader-Post (2), Moose Jaw Times-Herald (2).

Ontario-Quebec: Toronto Telegram, Toronto Globe & Mail, Toronto Star (2), Toronto Daily Commercial News, Toronto Flash, Toronto Meie Elli, Willowdale Enterprise, Sault Ste. Marie Star (3), Kitchener-Waterloo Record, Welland Evening Tribune (2), Niagara Falls Evening-Review (3), Chatham Daily News (2), Sarnia Observer, Windsor Star (2), Ottawa Citizen (3), Ottawa Journal (3), Oshawa Times-Gazette (7), Kirkland Lake Northern Daily News (2), New Liskeard Temiskaming Speaker, Haileybury Haileyburian, Montreal Star.

Don't forget your first quarter's report!

# With Our Schools



### Here and There

The Oshawa Missionary College Board met recently to discuss some of its problems. One important item dealt with the elementary school.

The present school year has brought the largest elementary school enrollment ever. More than 120 boys and girls are crowded in three classrooms. This makes teaching difficult and causes a hardship on pupil and teacher. Sensing the need of more space, the Board voted to add two new classrooms to the present structure. The plan is to hold all classes on the upstairs level. This will also mean the addition of another teacher to the staff, making four.

We are thankful for this forward move. Our hope is to make this a model school. A little later Professor Sowers, president of Oshawa Missionary College, will present the plans for the school in detail.

You will notice the pictures from the Paris, Ontario school. I wrote about this school previously, but wanted you to see a picture of the non-Adventist children attending the school. They come from Anglican, Presbyterian, British Israel, United, Mormon and Roman Catholic homes. Two of the parents of these children are now attending Sunday night meetings regularly, What a missionary field our church school programme can be!

E. M. PETERSON

Paris church school children. Left photo, back row: Beverley Norman, Richard Allen; front row: Catherine Galloway, Ronald Wray, Walter Steed, Richard Wood, Barbara Winn, and Kenneth Steed. They represent several church groups. Right photo: Marilyn Brogg is holding a copy of The Bible Sfory, which she received for answering a problem in a Junior Guide contest.







# Manitoba-Saskatchewan



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### News Notes

- ★ A letter from Elder B. J. Kuhn reads in part: "I have a family that took their stand. Of course there are difficulties and problems arising for this family that make it very hard . . . Please pray for this family (the husband about 45, his wife, and two boys—ten and fourteen years) that God will help them as they begin to keep God's commandments." Won't you, too, remember them in your daily devotions?
- ★ A request from one of our workers for thirty mimeographed copies of the brochure on tithing entitled "How Much Do I Owe God? brought to mind that we still have a good supply of these on hand. If you would like one or more sent to you, please do not hesitate to write for them. They are free and may be ordered from the president or secretary-treasurer.
- ★ Baptism. On December 24, 1955 there was much rejoicing in the Winnipeg German church when Elder Peter Samograd baptized Paul Komar, one of the candidates of Brother R. R. Aussner. Paul has been faithful even though it meant that he lost his job. The Lord will definitely bless such faithful ones.
- ★ Isolated young people and adults! Are you taking advantage of your Lending Library sponsored by the Conference Missionary Volunteer Department? The 1956 club books are here waiting for you to write for them. The department has also purchased about \$50 worth of books in addition to the regular reading course books. You will be receiving a list of these shortly. Be sure to give second and third choice in case the one you order isn't in when you write. We expect a big rush from now on!
- ★ Isolated families with children! Are you taking advantage of the new Sabbath School Bulletin being issued quarterly by the Sabbath School Department? This is primarily for families with children and leaders of children's classes. If you are isolated and conduct Sabbath school with your children from week to week, you should be receiving one of these bulletins! If you aren't and would like one, just write to Miss Dolores Clark, 1004 Victoria Avenue, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and she will be happy to put your name on the mailing list.

# Fruitage of Evangelism

. . . On the Prairies

Sabbath, February 11, was another high day in the Canora church when five precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. This brings the total to twelve who have taken their stand for the Lord in this district in the last three months. Three others came forward and gave their hearts to the Lord when the appeal was made during the service.

Brother C. W. Deer and his two sons, Arthur and Harvey, installed a nice, new baptistry in the church. We are confident that this will be the beginning of many more such beautiful baptisms in this

church in the future.

The Lord is greatly blessing His work in the district. Nearly thirty-five precious souls are now receiving studies and preparing for baptism in the near future. The radio work has opened the doors to such an extent that we cannot take care of all the Bible studies that could be given. Each week we receive letters from every part of the district requesting literature and further explanation of the vital truths that we present. Many have requested that we come and visit them.

Three weeks ago we were happily surprised to see a new couple walk into our Sabbath school in Yorkton. After the service we invited them for lunch and found that they have been listening to our radio programme for nearly a year. They were so impressed with the broadcasts each week that they finally decided to come and personally hear us at our regular service. They drove twenty-five miles by team and car in order to be with us.

We talked to them about the wonderful truths of the Bible and the necessity of being faithful and obedient to the commandments of God. We explained to them that this is why we observed the Sabbath day rather than Sunday. We could see the Spirit of God working on the hearts of this fine couple,

Yesterday, two weeks later, we were again happily surprised when this same couple came to our house and told us that they kept their first Sabbath last week. They asked us many questions and indicated their desire to be baptized and join our church. We praise God for all that He is doing in this northern Saskatchewan district.

When we came to Yorkton about six months ago there were just ten people gathering together for Sabbath school. Two Sabbaths ago we had sixty-five present; our meeting place was packed to capacity. We need a church building in the city of Yorkton and are laying plans to start building one in the spring.

This week we received a letter from the Fork River, Manitoba district in which the man pleads for a Bible and more literature on the subjects he hears over the Voice of Hope broadcasts each week. He concluded his letter as follows: "I am a Greek Catholic, but I would like to join your church. You present the messages so clearly."

Please continue to pray for the work of God in this large district.

UNIAT-TRYNCHUK Evangelistic Team

Soul-winning opportunities await . . .

# The Literature Evangelist



Hello! My name is Myers. I am a literature evangelist in the city of Winnipeg. This means that every working day, hot or cold, rain or snow, I take my brief case loaded with gospel samples and walk from door to door in search of seekers after light, I

look like any door-to-door salesman, but I talk about and sell a heart service. I direct

the minds of men away from the seen to the unseen, from the earthly to the heavenly. I bring joy, peace, and the sunshine of heaven into darkened lives.

What I have, both in my case and in my heart, every soul needs. This possession gives me a confidence born of God. It does not mean that I will be victorious at every house but it does assure me that I will turn up with a smile at the next home.

For a year now I have been visiting homes in Winnipeg and I have won many friends—eternal friendships based on a prayer, a page of literature, or the Word in due season. One lady expressed it by saying, "You never leave anything but a blessing."

Her words made me wonder what blessing I had left. Could it have been my faith in our heavenly Father's daily care? Here is a blessing worth leaving in the careworn homes of this faithless generation.

Our literature, with its literary style, its fragrance of Jesus, its softness of colour and beauty of format, is a blessing worth more than silver and gold.

How my heart thrilled when upon a recent visit to the above home the lady said, referring to the *Great Controversy*, "We were reading in your book." May God grant that my life will forever be linked with such beautiful literature.

Our freedom in Christ is another precious blessing so needed today when slavery is not confined to one area but is universal.

At one home I was taken into the kitchen where I met the husband who greeted my introduction with, "What a salesman! Why did you let him in here?" After showing him a few pages from the life of Christ as found in Treasures of Life he said, "Please forgive me. I didn't know you were that kind of salesman. I wish we had more like you going about selling literature like this." He gladly placed his order for nine volumes.

I fell to thinking about what he said, "I wish we had more;" and about the statement of Mrs. E. G. White that there should be a hundred workers where now there is one. Jesus said, "The labourers are few," I wondered why they are so few.

One woman put it this way, "If you want to get your ideas across you must get your books off the shelf and into the hands of the people," As she reached out her hand I put a copy of Great Controversy in it.

One mother told me on my second visit that she could see a change in her girl after having had Bedtime Stories, Book One, for only one month. Many, many mothers are just waiting for the opportunity to say the same thing, "Go to work, trusting not in what you can do, but in what God can do for and through you; then you will realize the fulfillment of His promise—'Greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father,'"

The hour is late. Let's work for God. It is much more interesting to have an experience in soul winning than to hear or read about one. Come, let's see what lies in store, locked behind yonder door.

R. E. MYERS

Note: Brother Myers is one of the credentialed colporteurs of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference. A lady who accepted the truth as a result of his call last year has also entered the colporteur work this year.



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Adventists.

### Investment Success

During the first half of 1955 the investment secretary of the Saint John Sabbath school promoted investment to a certain extent, but procrastinated in providing a goal device. A list of projects had been posted on the bulletin board and Sabbath school members were urged to participate. Then vacationtime came.

Then . . . without warning, the secretary was laid low with a heart attack and was forced to go to bed for seven weeks, followed by another seven weeks to recuperate. It was four months before he was able to be back to work and to Sabbath school. By this time it was November, quite late in the season to do much about investment. Once or twice word had been sent to the members for them to continue to remember their investment.

The secretary through earnest prayer entreated the Lord to take over the investment secretary's job, and impress the members to bring in a good investment offering. The following is a list of some of the projects entered into by the members:

Percentage of increase in salary; percentage of overtime pay; money saved on bus fare by getting free rides; saving pennies, nickels, dimes, et cetera; old pledges paid back; (one member returned to the Lord with interest investment money used for personal purposes years ago, and pledged a percentage of salary for this year); per cent of amount received by quick sale of car; percentage of increase on additional apartment to house; and many, many more.

The goal set at the beginning of 1955, more or less under protest that it was too high in view of what the year 1954 had produced, was set at \$750.00. The following list of amounts reached for the past six years varied greatly as can be seen:

1950 — \$305.44 1951 — 404.49 1952 — 747.66 1953 — 385.09

1954 — 476.29 1955 — 824.61

During the year just past, as you can see, the investment fund amounted to \$824.61. If the whole investment project is given over fully into the hands of Jesus, He will see that it prospers if we have the necessary faith. I do believe, however, that a good goal device does help very much. I would not suggest leaving it all to Jesus, for then we lose the blessing of co-operation, as we are privileged to do our part and be partners with God.

We have set our goal for 1956 at \$1,000.00 and we are going to work hard. I know we are going over the top this December, for I know that more and more members are realizing that Jesus does bless not only our investment, but us, as we participate and give freely to His work. I think few of us realize that the investment offering is one offering that takes nothing from us if we invest properly, for it is only the increase that He asks us for, the principal is still ours.

May the Lord continue to bless us and may our example inspire others to greater service for the Master in helping to finish the work.

> WENDELL FARRIS, Investment Secretary

### People Willingly Buy Our Books

A recent trip visiting the literature evangelists in the Maritimes proved very successful in literature sales. Two days with Brother Blanchard in Springhill resulted in \$216.10; a day and a half with Brother Mooers in Halifax, \$143.25; a day and a half with Brother Heeney in Lunenbury, \$183.25; a part day with Sister Noiles in St. John, approximately \$50; one day spent with Sister Jeffrey in the most severe snowstorm of the season in St. John, \$116.45. One day with Brother Pearson in Black's Harbour resulted in sales of \$210.50 (deposits \$22.62, cash sales \$29.20, and deliveries of \$69.00).

This is the general pulse of the field. The Maritime people are very friendly and courteous and buy our good books very readily. \$10,000 in deliveries per year is awaiting the energetic colporteur. The people are waiting for our message-filled literature.

Who is willing to spend nine hours each day for five days every week to spread the gospel of Christ through literature evangelism? For this type of colporteur, \$10,000 in deliveries can be his experience this year.

C. R. NEILL, Secretary, Publishing Department

"There is no security on this earth. Only opportunity." -MacArthur.

"Knowledge is more than equivalent to force." -Samuel Johnson.

"Truth is generally the best vindication against slander." -Abraham Lincoln.

### Plan Early

Our Sabbath school members throughout the Maritime Conference would do well to catch the spirit of this fine article by Brother Wendell Farris regarding raising investment money for Jesus. The St. John church is to be congratulated on their achievements for 1955 and their bright vision for 1956.

Spring is here. We would suggest that the spring investment programme be launched in our churches no later than March 24. Programme leaflets have already been sent out to each Sabbath school investment leader. Let each Sabbath school in the Maritimes make 1956 the best year ever in their investment projects.

We get from investment what we give; we reap from investment what we sow; and souls will rejoice with the investor eternally.

He who ignores investment loses an opportunity to win a soul for Christ.

> C. R. NEILL, Sabbath School Secretary



### Alberta

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### News Notes

- ★ Elder George E. Taylor is away from the conference office for a few days visiting Alberta medical students in California, with the purpose of encouraging them to return to Alberta to build up the medical evangelistic work in this conference. Elder Taylor is accompanied by Mrs. Taylor.
- \* A baptism was conducted in the Calgary Central church by Elder J. P. Habenicht, who baptized three members into the German church for Elder C. C. Voth, who was unable to conduct the service. One of these members was brought into the truth by reading the German Signs of the Times, sent to him by Mrs. W. Suelzle of Carbon. Elder R. C. Spangler baptized his daughter, Joanne, into the Calgary church on the same occasion.
- ★ Elder J. P. Habenicht, pastor of the Calgary Central church, reports that a laymen's effort is being conducted in Montgomery by Mr. Ben Lippert and Mr. Harry Rembold of Calgary. Both of these brethren were delegates to the Laymen's Congress. Determined to put into practical use the knowledge and instruction gained at the Congress, they rented a hall, put

out advertising, collected the necessary equipment, and each Sunday evening are presenting a preaching film and special music that are attracting the people of the community. Now in its eighth week, the effort is bringing results, and a good harvest of souls is hoped for by the end of the twelve-week campaign.

### Activities at the Rosebud Church

High enthusiasm marked the report brought to the office by Pastor and Mrs. C. Goertzen concerning the welfare activities of the Rosebud church located at Beiseker. As funds were needed to carry on these worthwhile activities, articles were gathered together for a sale which included fancy goods, small pieces of furniture and appliances, baked goods and other articles. Church members and townspeople gathered and at the close of the evening over \$500.00 had been cleared.

One of the highlights of the year was the packing of the welfare cheer baskets by the church members. A long assemblyline table was set up with members spaced on both sides of the table. As the baskets were passed along the table, contents were placed in them until each basket was completed as it reached the end of the line. Over two hundred baskets were thus quickly and efficiently packed for distribution.

The 136 members of the Beiseker church illustrate that welfare work can be done on a large scale if the members are well organized and enthusiastic for God's work.

W. E. KUESTER

### **Dorcas Federation Meetings**

The attention of all Dorcas and Federation officers and members is called to the schedule of coming Federation meetings. Plan to be present at your meeting and help to build up the welfare work of the church.

### SCHEDULE

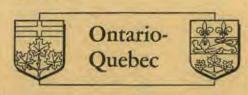
Beauvallon -- Sunday, April 8
Pobida Church,
10:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Calgary —Sunday, April 15 Calgary Church, 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Lacombe —Sunday, April 29 College Chapel, 10:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Peoria -To be announced later.

W. E. KUESTER, Secretary, Home Missionary Department \* Congratulations to the new parents, and welcome to our wee new singing evangelist, Kelly Dean, born January 30 to Mr. and Mrs. Gery Friesen. Brother Friesen is singing evangelist for the conference with the Chalmers-Friesen evangelistic team.



G. Eric Jones President
B. H. Stickle Secretary-Tressurer
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### Wedding

Sullivan-Smith

In a simple but very beautiful ceremony Lelah Smith, daughter of Mr, and Mrs. Harry Smith, of Cottam, and Ronald Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sullivan, of Ottawa, exchanged marriage vows at the Seventh-day Adventist church in Windsor on December 26. After the service a reception was held in the basement of the church. Given in marriage by her brother the bride was attended by her sister, Marion Dalgleish. The groomsman was Clare Dalgleish. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan will reside in Ottawa. May God richly bless this new Christian home.

AINSLEY BLAIR

# Your Help Is Needed

Yes, indeed, your one hundred per cent help is needed to make this year's temperance membership campaign the best ever! Sabbath, March 24, has been set aside as the day when every Seventh-day Adventist will join the Canadian Temperance Society by the payment of his two dollar membership gift.

Do you know what your membership will do? First of all, fifty cents will be kept in your local church treasury to further the temperance cause in your own community. Secondly, the balance will be sent on to the conference office where another sizable sum will be deducted to send Listen to you for one year. The conference will keep a portion of the balance and then forward the remainder to the union office for temperance work on the Dominion level.

Perhaps you have wondered what is done with the funds received here in our office for temperance work. At the present moment, Listen is being sent to every member of the Ontario Provincial Legislature including the Prime Minister and his Cabinet. All the provincial school inspectors and officers of the provincial Department of Health, as well as the school inspectors of the province of Quebec, are on the mailing list for Listen. It has cost us several hundred dollars to keep the leading officials of both provinces informed and enlightened by the world's best temperance journal, Listen.

It would be impossible to buy the films that you want to see and send Listen to provincial officials unless every member in our conference does his part by becoming a member of the Canadian Temperance Society each year.

Two dollars a year is such a little sum to give to this noble cause. Every Adventist will want to become a supporting member of the church temperance society. A membership card signed by your union and local conference secretaries is given to each one who joins the Canadian Temperance Society for 1956 on Sabbath, March 24.

Each church and company has been assigned a nominal goal for the day. Let us strive not only to reach the quota but goover it and beyond!

Isolated members are invited and urged to send in their contributions and membership fees addressed to the Conference Temperance Secretary, 114 King Street East, Oshawa, Ontario.

With the millions of dollars being spent by the liquor interests to promote their trade, God's people like David of old must rise to the occasion to stay this evil Goliathl

> F. B. WELLS, Secretary, Temperance Department





The workers of the Ontario-Quebec Conference met on February 27 and 28 in the Oshawa City church. Front row, left to right: D. L. Michael, E. L. Green, and W. A. Nelson, of the Canadian Union; G. E. Jones and B. H. Stickle, of the Ontario-Quebec Conference; E. E. Roenfelt, of the General Conference; E. M. Peterson and J. M. Hnatyshyn, of the Canadian Union.

# Conference Staff Meets

Two profitable days, February 27 and 28, were spent by the workers of the Ontario-Quebec Conference in sharing experiences and listening to inspirational talks. Courage was renewed and determination was strengthened to accomplish greater things in the days ahead.

Elder W. A. Nelson, president of the Canadian Union Conference, in the opening devotional talk emphasized the importance of confidence, faith, patience and earnestness. Particularly challenging were the thoughts brought from the texts: "Ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you" and "Ye have not, because ye ask not."

Elder T. L. Oswald, secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, gave convincing illustrations that helped each one to realize that many persons are nearer the kingdom than we may have supposed.

The "high calling" with which Seventh-day Adventist workers are called was brought to our attention by Elder E. E. Roenfelt, associate secretary of the General Conference. He urged, "Make known to sinners what God has done for them."

"Careful order and wise planning can mean much to the success of every worker," stated Elder E. L. Green, treasurer of the Canadian Union Conference.

Wonderful providences and evidences of God's leading in the establishment of the North York Branson Hospital were

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related by Elder A. W. Kaytor, hospital administrator. Enthusiasm ran high. Someone suggested that each one indicate his plans for the April 14 Hospital Offering. In a few minutes pledges totalling \$1200 were in hand to augment the \$2000 previously given by workers.

Joys, problems and plans revealed in the workers' brief reports brought encouragement to everyone. With God's help the workers of the Ontario-Quebec Conference are determined to make 1956 a year of unusual accomplishments.

B. H. STICKLE



# British Columbia

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### Pathfinder Training Camp at Hope

Plans are to conduct a Pathfinder Training Camp at Hope from May 31 to June 5 at the campgrounds. All British Columbians interested in receiving training for Pathfinder leadership are eligible. Any who are working with Pathfinders now or plan to in the future ought to take this training. This course will contribute much to your success in Pathfinder leadership.

Write for full particulars to the MV Department, Box 10, Mission City, British Columbia. Let us know now if you are interested.

R. KNAUFT

# Farewell Greetings Are Sent to You

### . . . BY THE BAUER FAMILY

A short time ago we accepted a call to the Wisconsin Conference. As we leave British Columbia we wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to you, our dear fellow believers throughout the conference, for your loyal support, your patience, your co-operation and for the inspiration you have been to us.

It has been wonderful to associate and work with you in this beautiful province. It seems like only a few months ago since we first came to this field during the summer of 1949.

As we go to our new field of labour we shall miss all of you very much. May God keep us all faithful in doing our part to finish the work quickly so that Jesus can come to gather His people home where there will be no more parting.

We shall be happy to hear from any of you. Our address is Box 512, Madison 2,

Wisconsin.

MR. AND MRS. A. W. BAUER
AND FAMILY

### ... BY THE RASMUSSEN FAMILY

In a few months it will be ten years since Mrs. Rasmussen and I arrived in British Columbia to begin our work in your midst. Now we are on our way to Wisconsin to take up leadership in the Superior district.

Ten years have seen many experiences in each of our lives. While serving as a minister among you, our lives have touched yours often, in the height of your happiness and again as sorrow came near. Because of these many experiences, time and distance can never erase the memories of the past nor rob us of the anticipated pleasure which will be ours to meet each of you again, if not before, when the work of the gospel is finished and Jesus comes.

As we continue to work in another field our aim is still to hasten the message of salvation so that soon all shall have the opportunity to respond to heaven's appeal of love. We know that only as this work is finished shall there be joy without sorrow, and fellowship without parting.

May we, in this short note, send our greetings and farewell to our friends in British Columbia and throughout the Canadian field. May we also urge each one to faithfulness to the Lord until the end.

Our new address is 1408 Hammond Avenue, Superior, Wisconsin.

MR. AND MRS. ELMER RASMUSSEN
AND FAMILY

### SERVING THE BLIND

The General Conference publishing house for Braille and recorded literature going to the blind is located in Lincoln, Nebraska. Since its establishment it has been known as the Christian Record Benevolent Association, Inc. From its small beginning in 1899, the association has become a great fortress of strength to the blind. At the present time seven raised dot, monthly periodicals go free to blind readers residing in fifty-four countries of the world.

A transcribed magazine and books on recordings are likewise available free to the blind. From our lending library a vast number of books in Braille go out to and return from the blind without cost to the reader. The Voice of Prophecy correspondence course in Braille is processed and serviced by the association, free to the blind.

There are about 329,000 blind in the United States, about nine thousand in Canada, and about thirteen million in countries across the waters. The ever increasing number of appeals for assistance on overseas projects for the blind coming to the association makes it necessary to establish mutual relations in these countries for Christian Record services going to the blind. Therefore the writer is leaving Lincoln on March 2 for contacts in twenty-two or twenty-four of the countries served by the association. This trip will be confined primarily to countries in the Far East, Near East and Europe.

For further information on the association's services, especially that which may be rendered to a friend or a neighbour who is blind, please address your correspondence to the Christian Record Benevolent Association, Inc., 3705 South 48th Street, Lincoln 6, Nebraska.

P. D. GERRARD, Public Relations Director

### Notice

The Michigan Conference is desirous of obtaining photographs of the following former presidents:

William S. Higley, Jr. — 1862 H. S. Gurney — 1869 C. A. Hanson — 1908 E. A. Bristol — 1917-18 R. J. Nethery — 1919-20 F. A. Wright — 1924-26

If you have any photographs or information about relatives of any of these men, please contact us. Any information will be appreciated and any photographs will be returned promptly.

> MORTON JUBERG, Public Relations Secretary, Michigan Conference of S.D.A. Box 900 Lansing 4, Michigan

### LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

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

### Report for February, 1956

	Hour	s Sales	Deliveries		Hours	Sales	Deliveries
ALBERTA-R. C. Spang	ler			MARITIME-C. R. Neil	1		
Bruce A. W.	149	607.40	573.25	Blanchard, L.	143	391.65	152.15
Carter, Riron	178	469.70	908.90	Heeney, George	132	770.10	
McFarlane, A. E.	131	367.05	327.85	Heeney, George Jeffrey, Mrs. Wm.	100	582,45	
Neish, Ron	101	243,75	411.45	Mooers, W. R.	108	484.45	346.15
Orpana, O.	54	245.75	185.25	Mooers, W. R. Noiles, Mrs. G.	128	640.55	162.00
Tomenchuk, Dorothy	40	566.35	,50	Pearson, G. O.	138	770.20	
Part time	73	506.25	259,40	Part time	11	14.45	
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BRITISH COLUMBIA-	M. D.	Suiter		Brown, D.	119	555.00	
Bannister, J.	169	358.30	191.85	Cole, Grace	123	319.40	217.40
Bayliss, H. G.	52	112.50	20.40	Coles, J. E.	134	487.15	
Christopherson, Mrs. M.	172	297.00	285.81	Cooney, Charles Dinsdale, J. F.	66	102.25	14.55
Edwards, Miss Mary	134	171,75	237.00	Dinsdale, J. F.	151	715.00	419,40
Ferguson, C. J.	129	232.85	227,48	Heaford, E.	97	278.50	
Hartfeil, R. Homey, Miss O.	297	356.55	356,55	Hyrchuk, Helen	128	250.85	217.15
Homey, Miss O.	130	571.00	194,05	Knister, H. L.	101	282.40	
TIYUG: WHILE II.	211	456.60	198.55	Knister, Mrs. H. L.	51	70.50	
Mason, Mrs. J.	157	258.64	221.45	Komoll, Beatrice	52	210.95	
Vincent, Mrs. E. A.	98	136.84	35.15	LeGresley, C. R.	100	335.50	
Watson, G. E.	65	45.50	35.50	Paavilainen, I.	162 319	1,331.00	
Wells, John	178	742.85	2,045.23	Reimer, E. & G.	116	496.75	
Part time	107	257,49	130.19	Silliphant, Ellen	151	1.052.10	
Totals	1,899	3,997.87	4,179,21	Sudds, Del	100	269.60	
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MANITOBA-SASKATCH	EWAN		Serve	Whitehouse, D.	50	46,40	
Baker, Alice	109	95.00	108.25	Young, George	128	629.20	337.60
Bergey, R. L.	116	402.75	367.75	Cheeseman, R.	46	392.15	221,000
Bozak, H.	56			Part time		2,178.21	1,824,86
Holden, Mrs. M. L.	42	164.40	28.20	Totals		3,691.51	5,868,91
Kwiram, B. K.	86	238,50	7.75	Totals	Tinar .	Diorant	2,000.71
Matiko, Mrs. N.	71	302.25	98.00	NEWFOUNDLAND-P.	Moores		
Matiko, N.	149	712.95	334.65				600.15
Mohns, L. M.	65	330.25	213.75	Batten, Lydia	132	423.40 25.00	690.15
Myers, R. B.	120	239.65	307.35	Part time	161	448,40	
Pretchuk, E.	112	301.35	1.00	Totals	101	448.40	715.15
Ross, O.	69	385.65	186.25	ST. LAURENT— Moreau, S.	81	232.00	67.00
Rusk, John	128	499.45		Tomasini, A.	95	316.50	
Sabiston, J.	125	216.60	90.25	Part time	32	81.00	
Scharer, A.	95	358.25	225.05	Totals	208	629.50	581.00
Trupp, A. H.	196	786.00	235.85				261.00
Part time	120	369.56	48.55	UNION TOTALS FOR			
Totals	1,659	5,402.81	2,027.60		8,005 3	0,830.19	13,775.62

### OBITUARIES

BROWN—William Brown was born in 1858 in London, Ontario, and passed to his rest at Indian Head, Saskatchewan, January 24, 1956, in his ninety-eighth year. Brother Brown enjoyed exceptional health—his step was firm, his eyes bright and mind clear until the week of his death. It was encouraging to witness his unbounded faith in God and this message. Brother Brown found his Saviour and the Sabbath truth as a result of his promise to his dying wife in 1905. He pledged to bring the children up so that they would meet her in the kingdom of God. About twelve years later he entered the employ of the Saskatchewan Conference as a Bible worker, continuing until his retirement. He helped to establish the Tugaske and Quill Lake churches. Many others, as well, remember him as the first messenger of truth they knew. He leaves to mourn six children: Mrs. R. C. Dinning of Oshawa, Ontario; Norman Brown of Lamming Mills, British Columbia; Mrs. W. H. McLean of Toronto; Wm. A. Brown of Vancouver; Mrs. O. Ross of McLean, Saskatchewan; and James Brown of Montreal, Funeral services were held in the Mosse Jaw Adventist church. Interment was made in Rosedale cemetery.

W. W. ROGERS

PLAYFAIR—Elijah Thomas Playfair was born September 4, 1864 at Perth, Ontario. For several decades he had been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church, and ardently longed for the return of his Lord. On January 30 of this year Brother Playfair passed to rest at the ripe age of ninety-one. He was laid to rest in the Duncan cemetery to await the call of the Lifegiver.

S. C. WHITE

OLSON-Christian Olson passed away at the family home near Leduc on December 15, 1955. He was born in Clinton, Iowa, May 29, 1873 and was married to Effie Russel at Bridgewater, South Dakota, on March 23, 1905. They came to Leduc in April of the same year. Brother Olson and his wife have been faithful members of the remnant church for many years. It was the writer's privilege to be present on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary last March 23. When Canadian Union College first had its beginning at Leduc, Sister Olson was among the first teachers. Brother Olson will be greatly missed by many, but especially his loving wife; two daughters: Mrs. Virginia Olson of College Place, Washington, and Mrs. Gladys Ziegler of Wildwood, Alberta; two sons: Everette of Victoria, and Ivan of Leduc; twelve grandchildren and one brother, Simon of Bridewater, South Dakota.

C. GOERTZEN

MIDDLETON—Harry Davenport Middleton passed away on January 23, 1956, at the age of ninety-two, following a prolonged period of illness. Mr. Middleton spent the first seventeen years of his life in Tiverton, England and then moved to Australia. In 1903 he came to Canada, where he first took up residence in Brandon, Manitoba. In 1912 he went to live near Lacombe, where he resided for the remainder of his life. Mr. Middleton, baptized in 1907, was the oldest member of the Lacombe Seventh-day Adventist church in which he had for twenty-five years served as home missionary leader. His perseverance in his correspondence band won many people to the gospel. He died in hope of the resurrection, leaving to mourn his wife Zula, a brother, Addington, of Vancouver, and many friends.

GORDON SMEDLEY

FORBES — Norris Berton Forbes was born August 14, 1881 in Brighton township, Ontario. In 1907 he married Annie Forbes. The family attended the Seventh-day Adventist camp meeting at Saskatoon where Mr. Forbes was baptized in 1915. In 1928 the family moved to Calgary, where they lived until five years ago when Mr. Forbes moved to Okotoks. He was faithful to the Lord unto his death, December 31, and was laid to rest in Queen's Park Cemetery to await the crown of life. Surviving him are his wife Annie; three sons: Frank, Earl, and Raymond, of Calgary; four daughters: Mrs. T. H. Torrens, of Crystal Springs, Saskatchewan; Mrs. R. J. Slater, of Victoria; Mrs. Leslie Parks, of Hinton, Alberta; and Mrs. J. Tweedie, of Los Angeles; thirty-one grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a brother, George, of Winnipeg; and a stepson, Gordon Kinghorn, of Sidney, British Columbia.

CAIN—Alice Ann Cain was born in England on May 11, 1884, and died suddenly in the Ottawa Civic Hospital on January 27, 1956. Sister Cain became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church after attending a series of evangelistic services conducted by Elder Fred Johnson in Ottawa in 1937. Friends will remember Sister Cain for her unfailing thoughtfulness. Even while in the ambulance a short time before her death she made arrangements to provide a birth-day remembrance for a little friend of hers. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Lizzie Spencer, of Manchester, England. Sister Cain was laid to rest in the Beechwood Cemetery.

CLARK—William H. R. Clark was laid to rest in the Quill Lake cemetery on January 11, 1956. He was called to rest while sleeping in his little cottage which is surrounded by the large truck garden he loved so much. It was our brother's life-long ambition to see the work on earth finished. To this end he gave thousands of hard-earned dollars to the Lord's work. He was always happy for the large part he had in building the camp meeting auditorium. Brother Clark was born in England, July 11, 1877, and came to Canada with his wife and family in 1905, residing in the Quill Lake district. He became interested in the truth in 1922 after reading a copy of the Great Controversy which was sold to him by Mr. Fossey. Becoming the first Adventist in the district, he was able to win several other families to the message. Brother Clark was predeceased by his wife and two sons. He is survived by a son, Bert Clark of Qarrick; a daughter, Mrs. Robert Finlayson of Quill Lake; 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

L. L. BOCK

COOKMAN—Mrs. Martha Jane Cookman, born in Brandon, Manitoba, seventy-three years ago, passed away at her home in Vancouver on February 23. She became an Adventist about two years ago during a series of meetings held in the Vancouver church. Previous to that, Sister Cookman had been a zealous worker in the Salvation Army. Her godly life endeared her to all who knew her; she closed her eyes trustfully looking forward to the first resurrection. Her fervent hope was to meet her loved ones then. Left to mourn are her husband, two daughters and one son. Interment was made in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, where angels marked her resting place.

R. A. RENTFRO

NAMETENKO—Alex Nametenko was born in Russia in 1888 and passed to his rest at the University Hospital in Saskatoon on January 3. He came to Canada in 1912. For forty-three years he has resided in the district of Cando, Saskatchewan. In 1923 he married Mrs. Lena Miller, He leaves to mourn his wife; six sons: Philip and George of Cando, Paul of Sonningdale, Walter of Yorkton, John and Bill of Santa Rosa, California; one daughter, Mrs. Agnes Fertuck of Sonningdale; and fifteen grandchildren. His other daughter, Mrs. Annie Berezouski, predeceased him. Interment was made in the Lizard Lake cemetery. Mr. Nametenko awaits the call of the great Life-giver.

L. A. SHIPOWICK

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SASK. 97-26-9 GLANZER-Raymond Peter, son of Peter and Katie Glanzer, was born October 3, 1914, in Dolton, South Dakota, and passed away at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., December 31, 1955. At an early age he was baptized into the faith and maintained an active, faithful Christian life. He was looked upon as one of the leaders in the church at Oliver, British Columbia. The end came following several years of failing health. Memorial services were conducted by the writer in Takoma Park. Left to mourn are his loving wife, Herta Schellenberg Glanzer, two sons, Lowry and Gene; four brothers, Ben and Eugene of Washington, D. C., and Tony and Harold of British Columbia; a sister, Mrs. Ella McClellan of British Coumbia, and many friends. We believe Brother Glanzer had made his peace with God and will be numbered with those who will be called with the righteous. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family, relatives, and friends.

KOWBEL—Nicolas Kowbel was born in Austria in 1870 and passed quietly to his rest on February 5 at the age of eighty-five years. In 1898 he was united in marriage to Anna Samarowich and to this union were born six girls and two boys. In 1908 he came to Canada. During the summer of 1955 he accepted the Lord Jesus as his Saviour and united with the Winnipeg Ukrainian Seventh-day Adventist church. Messages of comfort and hope were given in Ukrainian and English by Elder P. Samograd and the writer. Our brother went to his sleep with a rich faith in God and a hope of a glorious resurrection in Jesus. To those who mourn his passing the words of Jesus are very dear, "T am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

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### Baptism Climaxes Spring Week of Prayer

Another Week of Prayer has passed. No, not just another week but one that was unusually distinctive. Elder T. E. Lucas, secretary of the MV Department of the General Conference, was the speaker. What a privilege it was for students and teachers to listen to this man of God, this world-wide traveller, this man of such depth of experience as he spoke on such topics as:

Give Me This Mountain We Have Seen His Star Just Around the Corner

The Man Who Said He Would-and Didn't

The Man Who Said He Would-and Wouldn't

The Man Who Said He Would-and Couldn't

The Man Who Said He Would-and Did

Our hearts were thrilled as we listened to his earnest, eloquent appeals, so sincere, so humble and yet so positive and convincing. His logical reasoning and lucid thinking reached the hearts of students and teachers alike. Certainly many victories were gained, as evidenced by the way young people responded to altar calls and testimonies. One could not but be impressed with the quiet working of the Holy Spirit during these meetings.

Sabbath was a high day. The topic of Elder Lucas's sermon was "Grow in Grace." During the MV meeting we travelled with him half way around the world by pictures and stories which showed the rapid growth of this message. At the close of this meeting three young people who had decided to follow Christ completely were baptized.

It is a week long to be remembered. May its influence extend to eternity. God bless you, Elder Lucas, as you go on your way ministering to the youth of the world.

In appreciation for Elder Lucas's unstinted service to the young people, the teachers and students presented him with a travelling case.



Elder T. E. Lucas

The annual Board Meeting was climaxed by a banquet in the college dining room. For a portion of the worship period, the College Choir sang a number of songs. An excellent and tasty meal was served by the matron. After a number of speeches, teachers and board members left for their homes feeling that all had enjoyed a very delightful social evening.

Summer School at O. M. C.

July 7 - August 17

Plan on making your summer vacation pay by gaining six or eight college hours of credit and at the same time enjoying beautiful Ontario, with its Great Lakes, Niagara Falls, beautiful highways, historical forts and battlefields, and Canada's delightful capital, Ottawa.

Inquiries should be addressed to W. A. Sowers or C. H. Casey, Box 308, Oshawa May we hear from you soon.

Last Saturday evening the picture "Living Desert" depicted the amazing wild life on the desert, and the riot of colour and bloom of flowers following the rains. It made us think of the day when the desert shall "blossom as the rose."

An MV Society officers' institute was held at Hamilton, Sabbath, March 3. A number of student officers and teachers attended. Elders T. E. Lucas, E. M. Peterson, F. B. Wells, D. L. Michael, and G. S. Remick were the principal speakers.

Recently five carloads of teachers and students distributed literature in Peterborough. Lawton Lowe, a ministerial student of the college, with some other young people have developed a number of interests in that area.

The Oshawa Civic and Regimental Band presented a programme in the Lyceum series at Oshawa Missionary College on a recent Saturday night.

