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of Gospel Literature in One Month

to Manitoba-Saskatchewan Colporteurs!

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R. R. Figuhr, General Conference President

Someone is credited with saying that success is to make two blades of grass grow where there was one before. In the great literature ministry, God's plan is far in advance of this. He says through His messenger, "Where there is one canvasser in the field, there should be one hundred."—*Colporteur Evangelist*, page 7.

We thank God for the many dedicated men and women recruits who have joined the army of literature evangelists since these words were first given to this people, but we believe that many more should

Where There Is One . . .

## A Message From The General Conference President To Canadian Literature Evangelists

make a special contribution to the finishing of the work of the Lord in this line of service, which through the years has been so signally blessed of heaven. We are reminded on every hand of the solemn responsibility resting upon us to finish quickly the work committed to our trust. One of the most effective ways of accomplishing our task is through the printed page. We sense more and more the significance of the following message from the Lord to this people:

"The things of this world are soon to perish. This is not discerned by those who have not been divinely enlightened, who have not kept pace with the work of God. Consecrated men and women must go forth to sound the warning in the highways and the byways. I urge my brethren and sisters not to engage in work that will hinder them from proclaiming the gospel of Christ. You are God's spokesmen. You are to speak the truth in love to perishing souls. 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that

My house may be filled,' Christ says. Do not these words plainly outline the work of the canvasser? With Christ in his heart, he is to go out into the highways and byways of life, giving the invitation to the marriage supper. Men of wealth and influence will come if they are invited. . . .

"Oh, that thousands more of our people had a realization of the time in which we are living, and of the work to be done in field service, in house-to-house labor."—*Colporteur Evangelist*, page 32.

We are cheered, here at General Conference headquarters, with the fine records our literature evangelists have been making in Canada. We believe this is a most propitious omen for the reaching of your goal of \$1,000,000 in book sales by 1960, under the blessing of God, and the enthusiastic leadership of your union and local conference field secretaries. We are praying for the special blessing of the Lord on your endeavours as you go forth with new determination to "do exploits" for God.

## Tons of Books

P. G. BIY, Assistant Manager, Kingsway Publishing Association

"We are fast approaching the end. The printing and circulation of the books and papers that contain the truth for this time are to be our work."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 8, page 89.

If the above statement were true away back in 1904, when it was first given to our people, how much more so must it be today. Fifty-four years have slipped by. Signs of the approaching end have multiplied, and soon the work will be finished. Perhaps one of the most encouraging signs of the soon return of our Lord, which we are witnessing today, is the revival of the literature ministry among us. A few weeks ago we were thrilled as we listened to the Publishing Secretary of the General Conference render his report to the General Conference Session at Cleveland. When a single literature evangelist can deliver \$35,000 worth of Seventh-day Adventist literature in one year, truly we have reached the "revival of the literature ministry" foretold by the Lord's messenger years ago. Eighty-five others each delivered over \$10,000

worth last year. Over 5,000 literature evangelists throughout the world field are engaged in giving the message through the printed page which is to prepare a people to meet God. During the past four years colporteur baptisms have reached 10,355 for the world field, and still there is room for more consecrated literature evangelists. We firmly believe that many more will be impressed by the Holy Spirit to enter this work before probation closes.

Fifty-six years ago the servant of the Lord made this statement: "In a large degree through our Publishing Houses is

to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 7, pages 139, 140. At our last Publishing Council, a goal of one million dollars in sales was set for the Canadian Union. Up till now we have been selling half a million dollars worth of literature each year, but as we raise our sights and aim higher, we believe the Lord will bless our efforts in reaching a million dollars in sales per year.

Here are a few evidences of the showers of blessings which we are now experiencing in the literature ministry here. Our publishing house sales for the first seven months of 1958 indicate a gain of almost \$60,000 in subscription book sales over the same period last year.

The picture on the front page of this MESSENGER will give you some idea of the size of a recent shipment of books which was sent to Manitoba-Saskatchewan Book and Bible House from Kingsway. This shipment weighed over three tons. Included were 3,100 subscription books for colporteurs and the total retail value was over \$21,500. This represents one of the largest single shipments leaving the publishing house



P. G. Biy



this year. No wonder they need so many books when Brother Manchur can take orders for as much as \$630 worth of *The Bible Story* in one day. It gives us a thrill to read weekly colporteur reports such as I have before me for week ending August 9. This report with thirty-five regulars and students reporting, reveals the following facts: four show over \$1,000 each in sales, ten over \$500 each in sales, nineteen over \$300 each in sales. All this is from one weekly report from Alberta. Reports from other conferences in Canada are just as thrilling.

We appreciate the fine work our Literature Evangelists and their leaders and associates are doing in proclaiming this message of the soon return of our Lord. The Lord is calling for more Literature Evangelists to help finish the work soon. Will you not give this call your most serious attention?

## TWO SPECIAL TRAINING SCHOOLS IN LITERATURE EVANGELISM

**EASTERN CANADA OSHAWA, ONTARIO**  
**SEPTEMBER 7-10**

**WESTERN CANADA CANMORE, ALBERTA**  
**SEPTEMBER 21-24**

Once each year in the early fall just preceding the rich pre-Christmas selling season this complete training course in Gospel Salesmanship is offered absolutely free to every consecrated Seventh-day Adventist who complies with the following requirements:—

1. Memorize thoroughly a standardized canvass for one of our books.
2. Plan definitely to spend full-time in Literature Evangelism (35 hours a week for men and 30 hours a week for ladies.) Contact your Publishing secretary for details on how you can attend.

## Canadian Literature Evangelists Make Big Gains Over 1957

(The following table shows the accumulative gains over last year month by month)

	Orders	Deliveries
Jan.	\$ 6,812	—
Feb.	15,688	—
Mar.	36,366	9,509
Apr.	44,797	12,103
May	78,866	30,012
June	92,646	51,299
July	130,228	60,649

## Literature Evangelism in NEWFOUNDLAND—



G. O. Adams, President and Publishing Secretary

The Literature Evangelist holds an elevated position in the work of the church in its endeavour to spread the gospel around the world. The energetic pursuit of this calling affords invaluable progress to the work of God. We appreciate the earnest and successful contribution of our Literature Evangelist in Newfoundland. We stand ready to serve them in any way possible. We are glad to associate with them and pray for them God's richest blessing.

G. O. ADAMS

things about the Bible, I wondered how she knew so much. Finally she told me she had read this book through four times. Another customer said that he had never read anything like it before. It was such a wonderful book. One school principal spoke very highly of the set *Triumph* and *Golden Treasury*, and upon seeing *Triumph* his wife said she had been praying for a book to help her understand the Bible. The principal purchased a set and recommended it in his classroom to his pupils and to others and said he would gladly pay twice as much for them."—*Excerpt from recent letter from Miss Lydia Batten.*

NOTE: Miss Lydia Batten of Newfoundland has delivered over \$10,000 worth of literature each year for three years in her native island field which has little more than 400,000 people but whose official motto is "Seek ye first the kingdom of God." Miss Batten was one of the specially honoured \$10,000 Canadian literature evangelists who attended the recent General Conference.

G.B.H.

## Miss Batten Triumphs with "Triumph"



"I have been thankful for the privilege of having the new *Great Controversy* available for sale in Canada in such a beautiful and attractive volume as *The Triumph of God's Love*. It gives me real pleasure and satisfaction in presenting such a book with such a message. It is my endeavour when canvassing to present first of all *The Triumph of God's Love* and to place it in the homes. I find *The Triumph of God's Love* sells even better than *Golden Treasury* or other books, and for the last month canvassing deliveries were \$1,200! This was mostly all for *Triumph* with only a few *Golden Treasury*. People have appreciated it very much. One lady was telling me so many

## MILLION DOLLAR CLUB\*

### ONE WEEK RECORD SALES

Name	Conference	Date	Orders
B. Brown	Alberta	Aug. 9	\$1,450.25
R. Haynes	Alberta	Aug. 9	1,463.25
R. Spangler, Jr.	Alberta	Aug. 9	1,171.75
R. Thompson	Alberta	Aug. 9	1,021.00
L. S. Carvajal	Alberta	Aug. 2	1,307.00
E. Chan	Alberta	Aug. 2	1,089.58
K. Sorensen	Alberta	July 25	1,272.05
L. Shipowick	Man.-Sask.	July 25	1,085.75
R. James	Man.-Sask.	July 25	1,023.53
W. Sparks	Man.-Sask.	July 25	1,238.60
L. Shipowick	Man.-Sask.	July 4	1,032.50
Lydia Batten	Newfld.	June 7	1,213.00
L. M. Mohns	Man.-Sask.	May 10	1,615.00
E. Gogol	Man.-Sask.	May 10	1,547.00
G. Heeney	Maritime	May 10	1,283.00
R. L. Bergey	Man.-Sask.	May 10	1,229.20
M. Manchur	Man.-Sask.	May 10	1,135.24
F. W. Connors	Ont.-Que.	May 10	1,110.40
R. Spangler, Sr.	Alberta	May 10	1,005.75
V. Chernipieski	Man.-Sask.	Mar. 22	1,032.39
G. Heeney	Maritime	Mar. 15	1,104.25
E. Gogol	Man.-Sask.	Mar. 15	1,149.00
G. Heeney	Maritime	Feb. 1	1,234.80

(\*All who exceed \$1,000 in orders in one week are qualified to join the 1958 MILLION DOLLAR CLUB).



# The Colporteur in the MARITIMES—

## Is Your Lighthouse Flashing Its Signal?

Six atomic submarines strategically placed could bomb most of Canada and the States reported the *Halifax Mail-Star*. There was a time when Adventists were called "Calamity Howlers." Today historians, commentators and scientists are proclaiming the end of the world. A historian, commenting on the present world condition, said history is being written with a hurried pen. The editor of the *Mercury Journal*, a journal read by many prominent people of North America declared that as never before the prophecies concerning Christ's coming are fast fulfilling.

The people everywhere are conditioned for the most solemn and fearful warnings ever sent by God to man. This is sufficient reason why the literature ministry is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time.

Another reason is that God is depending on us to fulfil the prophecy of that other angel which comes down from heaven and whose glory lightens the earth. We are told that, in a large degree, the work of that other angel is to be accomplished through our publishing houses.

One million, one hundred and seventy-five thousand judgment-bound souls in the Maritimes are waiting for the third angel's message. Many Maritime counties are without a Gospel lighthouse. In this midnight hour God says, "Let there be light." Will you accept the challenge?

V. SHIPOWICK, *Secretary  
Publishing Department*

## Three Souls and \$30,000



George Heeney

G. B. Hoag  
interviews  
George Heeney  
of Bridgewater, N.S.

"George Heeney, as one of the outstanding literature evangelists of the Maritime Conference, would you tell us how you became a Seventh-day Adventist?"

"I accepted the message while in the Navy and was baptized 11 years ago. I found out about the message through my mother who became a Seventh-day Adventist by being in Rest Haven Sanitarium, in Sidney, B.C. in 1942."

"How did you get interested in Literature Evangelism?"

"While I was in Korea in 1951 I met a colporteur by the name of Brother Hayano. He explained in his broken English our literature evangelism work in Japan. I decided that when I was released from service to my country I would volunteer my service for the King of kings. This I did in 1953 and God has abundantly blessed. I would very highly recommend literature evangelism to everyone."

"Brother Heeney, how much literature did you deliver last year?"

"Last year my deliveries were over \$7,000.00. The Lord has helped me to deliver over \$30,000.00 in the past five years. So far in this year I have had three separate weeks in which my total orders have amounted to over \$1,000.00 per week."

"George, to what do you attribute your success?"

"Hard work, study and prayer. You know we can't do this work in ourselves. We have to take the spirit of God with us."

"Tell us one of your experiences."

"This story started two years ago. I was working in Lunenburg. I called on a

family concerning the Uncle Arthur stories and enrolled them in the Bible Course. A year later I was passing that way and saw the lady who insisted that I come in and visit them again. This time I sold her a copy of *Golden Treasury of Bible Stories* for her youngest girl's birthday. I asked how the other girls were getting on with their Bible Course. 'Oh fine,' she said."

"How would you like for me and my family to come and have Bible studies in your home?"

"That would be wonderful," she replied, so we started that Friday evening, and continued for four months. They then attended our Bridgewater effort and I had the joy of seeing three of my customers baptized. It is a great blessing to see others accepting this message."

"George, what counsel would you give to a new literature evangelist?"

"First—learn your canvass verbatim—really KNOW it.

Second—learn everything you can about the literature work—especially go to a Literature Evangelism Training School.

Lastly—go out with the counsel of your publishing secretary and Work hard, Study hard, and Pray hard."

## Camp Meeting Colporteur Symposium



A capacity audience was refreshed by the literature evangelist symposium that dramatized an actual experience of Elder Hnatyshyn which showed how one book won about 50 souls. This feature was sponsored by the OMC student literature evangelists. It was a variation especially appreciated and highlighted the entire programme.

Our canvassers came with their thrill-

ing, heart-warming experiences after sharing their faith during the biggest Big Week ever.

In one week they enrolled one hundred and ninety-three persons in the Bible Correspondence Course. The highest enrolment, reported by one student was seventy-eight. Maritime Literature Evangelists sold \$7,200 in orders in one week.



# Canvassing in ONTARIO-QUEBEC—



F. W. Connors

## What Are Your Marching Orders?

At one time the missionary board was meeting in London, England, in regard to the sending out of more missionaries. But for some unknown reason they couldn't decide what to do until one of the committee members invited a great army general to come and sit with them. When they explained their problem to him, he said, "Gentlemen, what are your marching orders?" They answered, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Seventh-day Adventists all over the world are obeying these orders in supplying doctors, nurses, preachers, teachers and literature evangelists in answer to the many calls. All are important in God's great plan for saving lost humanity, but the servant of the Lord said that the most important phase of our work is getting our publications before the people thus leading them to search the Scriptures.

The life of a literature evangelist is a very interesting one although not always an easy one. Many are the amazing experiences he encounters as he carries his literature to every nook and corner of the globe. Often he meets those who for various reasons are not attending church and so with much encouragement and prayer, he helps lost souls find their way again. One case of interest was an elderly gentleman ninety years of age, whom the neighbours as usual said it would be of no use to call upon as he hadn't attended church in over thirty years and wouldn't be interested in religious books. But in calling, the literature evangelist found this dear soul hungering and thirsting for spiritual food. One of the reasons he hadn't attended church was that he had to cook for his hired men which kept him busy every day. They had a wonderful visit together and before leaving the literature evangelist sold him a copy of *Bible Readings*. There were tears in his eyes as, after prayer was offered, the literature evangelist clasped the elderly gentleman's hand in his and said, "May we meet again in the earth made new."

The literature evangelists in the Ontario-Quebec Conference are doing a grand

and glorious work not only in sales but in soul winning. They are indeed obeying the command, "Go ye into all the world."

Following is a *partial* report of their missionary activities for the past two years:

Number of interested people	
invited to church	411
Number of Bible Studies given	800
Pieces of free literature	
given out	24,261
Number of homes in which	
prayer was offered	2,942
Number of Bible Course	
requests	2,647
Number of baptisms reported	26
Value of Books	
delivered	\$283,727.25

This is the largest amount of literature ever delivered in our conference in a similar period of time, and for this outstanding achievement we thank our Heavenly Father and our faithful hard-working literature evangelists.

F. W. CONNORS, Secretary  
Publishing Department

## We Owe A Debt to Our Neighbours



W. Ismond

The printed page has played a very important part in preparing a people for the coming of Jesus, and it still has a unique place in the work of God in these last days.

Of all the media of communication that exists in the world to-day, the silent messenger is still a power that can reach hearts and establish men and women in the message for these last days of earth's history.

In order to accomplish this God-given task, the Lord has enriched this people with a wealth of literature that is second to none, and the challenge before us now is to place these truth-filled books and magazines in the hands of the people by every means available and by every believer in the Advent movement, rich and poor, old and young.

We owe a debt to our neighbours, friends and relatives, for God has blessed us as a people with an enlightened message for these days, that affects our Spirit-

ual, Mental, and Physical welfare, and every loyal Seventh-day Adventist is a messenger of hope and courage in this sin-cursed world. We must not fail in this task, God can only work through human instrumentalities to accomplish His purpose and His will.

While God expects us to be separate, we must avoid being exclusive, we must share our Faith and Hope with others. If you have a burden for souls and wish to have a part in spreading the Gospel join the great army of Literature Evangelists, either as a part- or full-time worker, it is a work that will be a blessing to you and to those among whom you can work.

Christian greetings from all our publishing department workers.

W. ISMOND, Manager  
Ont.-Que. Book and Bible House

## A Dynamic Summer

by  
R. E. Malcolm  
Student Literature  
Evangelist



It was really a dynamic summer for me as I pedalled several miles a day taking the word of God to needy souls. The children in particular were especially happy for the *Golden Treasury* which puts the Bible in their language. It was difficult for me to make more than ten demonstrations per day, because most everyone wanted to hear more about our work. No student, therefore, needs to be timid in doing this work, because we have what people need.

Most of us fear hunger and lack of shelter, but we must remember that "My Father is rich in houses and lands."

I started out with less than a dollar in my pocket and God kept increasing it, but only as I worked.

I would like to mention a unique experience. One evening at a place called Wilton, I entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huff. First I spoke to a very fine looking, courteous young man. He was the only son. Soon his mother and dad, a very happy and hospitable pair, appeared and without much of a canvass, I took an order for \$25.00. Mrs. Huff then asked if I would like to stay over night. I am happy to say that I stayed all summer there—a most palatial residence. Not only that, but her influence for miles around caused me to leave a book in nearly every home. I received there an unparalleled treatment at no cost to me. I am sure that God has a special blessing in store for her.

Every day for me was wonderful. "Nothing succeeds like success." You, too, can succeed.



## Have You Missed the Greatest Joy in Life?



Nine Souls won in three years. Gordon Arnott of Toronto with most recent converts Brother and Sister Harvey Cunningham and family.

If we are genuine Christians heaven is our home. We wish the day to come when we shall go to that home. Wishful thinking will not hasten that day. The Gospel has to be preached in all the world before Christ comes to take those who love Him home. Do you and I love Him if we fail to heed the commission: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature?" Mark 16:15. I might ask myself the question, "If every professed Christian did just what I am doing in spreading the Gospel, when would Christ come?"

I reasoned thus: If God could bless me when I had a worldly position elsewhere, could he not bless me even more if I was actually in His work, and would put in the time and energy as before? Of course He could; and He has done just that. To Him be all the glory.

Have you ever seen a soul buried with his Lord in baptism because you went to his door and sold him the books that helped to lead him into the Remnant Church? If you haven't, you have missed the greatest joy in life.

It has been my privilege in the past three and one-half years to see nine souls baptized who first came in contact with this Message because God led me to their doors. One of these plans to enter the Literature Evangelist work in the very near future.

"The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to prepare a people to meet God."

"And in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory." —*Testimonies*, Vol. 7, pp. 139, 140.

G. ARNOTT, *Literature Evangelist*  
Ontario-Quebec Conference

## Is There Any Greater Reward?

I know that the Lord has called me to be a Literature Evangelist, for three reasons.

First, in the Scriptures God has made it very plain that His coming is to be very soon. However, in order that He may fulfil this promise, the Gospel must go to every nation tongue and people, and God needs willing feet to carry this wonderful truth to His people, regardless of where they may be.

Secondly, the Literature work, as it is carried on to-day, is a fulfilment of prophecy before our very eyes. In November 1848, Sister White was given a vision from God, concerning the Literature work. She was shown that it was to start with a small paper, which would grow until it would be like streams of light encircling the world. Surely the Literature Evangelist has had a large part in fulfilling this prophecy.



Del Suds

The rewards which come as a result of the Literature work are many, but to me the greatest reward is seeing souls baptized as a result of contacts which I have made. Recently as I was canvassing, I called on a home and found the lady of the house very much interested in the Bible. During the course of our conversation, she told me that she had been taking a Bible Course, and was having difficulty with one of her lessons. When she told me that the lesson was on the Sabbath, I proceeded to show her from the Bible why the lesson taught that the seventh day is the Sabbath.

Arrangements were made for Bible studies in the home, and today, both she and her husband are baptized members of the remnant church. I have also had the privilege of seeing two groups of believers being organized in companies where I have worked. Yes, God tells us that His Word will not return unto him void.

These have been wonderful experiences which I wouldn't trade for anything, but think what it will be like in the earth made new, to have people come to you and say, "If it hadn't been for the literature you left in our home, I might not have been here to-day." Won't you ask yourself this question, "Is there any greater reward?"

DEL SUDDS, *Literature Evangelist*  
Ontario-Quebec Conference

## \$10,000 Colporteurs of Ontario-Quebec



Four Literature Evangelists who qualified to attend the General Conference Sessions. Gordon Osborne, Ingrid Paavilainen, Gordon Arnott and Del Suds.

## The Printed Page In MANITOBA- SASKATCHEWAN—

### Bookmen's Greatest Hour!

There is a famine in the land—"Not a famine of bread, nor of thirst for water, but of HEARING THE WORDS OF THE LORD". Never before has the challenge of the unfinished task demanded a greater circulation of our books. Scientific research and technological advancement have opened vast new vistas of knowledge to mankind. But still God says "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" because "there is no truth, no mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land." Now is the hour when we must bring to the people the very publications which make plain the truths of God's Word. Doors are open, hearts are ready. This is literature evangelism's greatest hour!

A few weeks ago I visited a Mennonite minister. After a brief Bible study covering our cardinal doctrines he said "I'll take that set of books" and paid cash. I prayed with him for his family and his responsibility to his church. He further remarked, "You are doing a wonderful work", and wished me God's blessing.

I called at the home of a minister of the Gospel Mission and found them very prejudiced, so conducted a brief Bible study and had prayer with them. His wife then exclaimed, "More people should be doing this work!" I was thrilled with the opportunity of witnessing for Christ in this way. Both of these families will receive the book SDA's *Answer Questions on Doctrine*.

There is a tremendous task to be done



in house-to-house labour before Jesus can come. Thousands will never be reached in any other way except they be sought out in their individual homes. "This is the very work the Lord would have his people do at this time."—C.M. p. 6.



L. M. MOHNS, *Publishing Secretary  
Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference*

### More Seventh-day Adventists Should Be Literature Evangelists

If we as a people believe with all our hearts that we are living in the very closing scenes of earth's history, then it is time—past time—that we arise and go forth to finish the work of God.

There is, without exception, no other work in which anyone could engage that could be of so much blessing to others and to himself.

God is still calling His people to the literature ministry, because "Many who are hungry for the bread of life have not the privilege of hearing the word from God's delegated preachers. For this reason it is essential that our publications be widely circulated."—C.M. p. 6.

There are thousands of underprivileged people living hundreds of miles from a Seventh-day Adventist. It is with great interest that I recall how the Lord led me to such a home one day.

Strengthened by faith in the promises of God I knocked upon the door. There I met a gentleman who greeted me with a pleasant smile, and after my brief introduction he invited me in. The angel of the Lord was present to guide my words and his thoughts, and consequently *The Great Controversy*, *God Speaks* and *Bedtime Stories* were left in his home. On a subsequent visit this man told me of his interest in Bible study. I began studies in his home and after a few weeks the family was



R. L. BERGEY

keeping the Sabbath. Oh, what joy was brought to my heart when this family was baptized.

I ask, does it pay to be a worker for God? He gives us the privilege of sharing with the angels the blessedness of seeing souls won to Christ. Won't you join the colporteur band and say, "Here am I, Lord, send me".

R. L. BERGEY, *Literature Evangelist  
Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference*

### If Everybody Thought The Way You Do

For over four years now I have been concentrating on the homes in Winnipeg, giving out tracts, selling books and praying with the people.

The call of literature evangelism came in my early youth. The text, "My son, give me thine heart and let thine eyes observe my ways" fired me with the courage to go forward in service for Him.

I recall being introduced to a lady who said, "I know you, you're the fellow who called at my door and told me how to stop smoking."

Again, I'm reminded of an experience with a young Presbyterian minister who was enjoying *What Jesus Said* and *Questions on Doctrine*. "You know," he said, "I'm beginning to think you chaps are right, and we are wrong, on this idea of the complete annihilation of the wicked and the mortality of the soul."

Another home bought twenty of our books with the remark "Anything the Adventists put out is good."

It is not uncommon to have people say, "If only everybody thought the way you do." But is it not true that before people can think the way we do they must have access to the books we read?

Our Canadian field needs more literature evangelists—more people who will be humble enough to go from door to door with our publications.

Dear reader, how many prayers have you offered for the homes that are yet to be contacted? Please help the Lord of the harvest to answer that prayer by entering the field of literature evangelism.

May your sacrifice and mine be worthy of the price Jesus paid on Calvary!

RON MYERS

### WHERE ARE THE NINETY AND NINE?

"Where There Is One  
Canvasser In The Field,  
There Should Be  
One Hundred."

Testimonies, Vol. 6, p. 315

### Greater Than Any College Course!

More than fifty years ago the servant of the Lord wrote these words, "O that thousands of our people had a realization of the time in which we are living, and of the work to be done in house to house labour".—C.M. p. 24.

With each passing day the call becomes more urgent for men and women, young and old, to enter this important work. Thousands are hungry for truth. They are anxiously waiting for someone to bring to them the message of salvation, to study and pray with them, and to present to them our truth-filled literature.

Because of the effectiveness of the colporteur ministry, and because of the opportunities that exist today, I believe this is the very work God would have us do at this time. During this period of relative prosperity we have an opportunity such as never before to place our books in the homes of the people. Although many will not read them now, we are told that during trying times "... these books will be sought for and read". In this way many will learn the truth before probation closes, and only eternity will reveal the results.

Young people, the colporteur work will give you a needed preparation for your future profession that no school course will supply. Not only will your personality develop, but you will also develop courage, patience, perseverance, and a love for your fellowmen. As you realize your own inadequacies you will develop a sense of dependence upon God, thus enhancing your own usefulness in this life and in the life to come.

What a wonderful opportunity is ours. May I urge you to give the colporteur work serious consideration.



WILSON WHITE





Editor, G. B. Hoag, Canadian Union Publishing Department Secretary, reports 1958 colporteur sales of \$425,000 for first seven months compared to \$294,000 in 1957—a \$130,000 jump toward the union goal of ONE MILLION DOLLARS by 1960.

Duwain Werner, student Literature Evangelist working near Lacombe, Alberta told me when I was out with him the other day—"I found seventeen people in my first two days canvassing who are willing to take Bible Studies!" Lynn Hoag, student in Ontario recently saw a lady running down the street behind him calling him to come back and sell her neighbour his books. He quickly sold more than \$70.00 worth! Mrs. R. S. McAfee of Red Water, Alberta several years ago recognized a C.U.C. student colporteur going through her town. She ran down the street shouting to him to stop for she wanted to buy some of his books. Among other books, she bought from him the *Conflict of the Ages* Series. On the 8th of April this year she was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church! Ron and Wilma Neish of Lethbridge, Alberta approached a door recently when it swung open and two Mormon ladies eagerly met them with their checks all written out for their books! (Brother and Sister Neish and their books had been discussed at a weekly Mormon Ladies' club and these two ladies were eagerly waiting when the Neishes came to their home!) As never before the world is hungry for Adventist literature. Recently Kingsway shipped out over three tons of subscription literature to one conference in one month!

"The proper circulation and distribution of our publications is one of the most important branches of the present work."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 1, p. 687. "No other agency can penetrate so deeply, abide so persistently, witness so daringly, and in-

fluence so irresistibly as the printed page," says Chas. R. Watson in *The Highway of Print*. As Adventists we should keep to the forefront of our thinking this basic statement of fact penned by the messenger of the Lord in *Life Sketches*, p. 214 "I have been shown that the press is powerful. This agency can reach and influence the public mind as no other means can." Oh, that the full force of that statement could be flashed constantly before every evangelistic planning committee we conduct. When, in an area, literature circulation goes up—baptisms almost invariably go up. When literature circulation goes down, baptisms also go down. "Our publications are now sowing the gospel seed, and are instrumental in bringing as many souls to Christ as the preached word."—C.M., p. 150. If that be true then of the 1455 baptisms in Canada during the past two years over 700 of them could be traced to the influence of literature evangelism. Furthermore, we are promised that "more than one thousand will soon be converted in one day, the most of whom will trace their first convictions to the reading of our publications."—C.M., p. 151.

Twenty-one million dollars worth of books were sold in the world field last year! Canada has been circulating between four hundred and five hundred thousand dollars worth a year. Already this year from January to July our Literature Evangelists show a total gain of over \$130,000.00 in orders and over \$60,000 in deliveries over last year's record. For this we thank God. Our goal is to deliver a Million Dollars' worth of Gospel Literature annually

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G. B. HOAG, Secretary, P

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"THIS IS  
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by 1960. But God's goal is far higher. We are told that "Not a fiftieth part is now being done to extend the truth that might be done by scattering our publications." Vol. 2, p. 655. Fifty times twenty million means *one billion!!!* Let us lift up our eyes to God's goal and go out determined to achieve greater exploits for God.

Ninety-seven Lutheran Ministers graduating from two Lutheran seminaries recently requested our people to let them go out selling Seventh-day Adventist books! Samuel Carvahal a student Literature Evangelist from Colombia, South America began canvassing for the first time in English just eight weeks ago up in the Peace River region. In one week his orders were over \$1,300. (Take a look at the "Million Dollar Club" honour roll for other such recent records.) With such a desire on the part of the world for our beautiful literature and with the golden pre-Christmas



Samuel Carvahal from Colombia, South America \$1,307.00 has never before canvassed in English people and often sleep under the stars in their tents and their thrilling ex-

## Literature Evangelists



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selling season just before us together with the serious world-wide situation facing us and the divine instruction that "where there is one canvasser in the field there should be one hundred," (C.M., p. 25) and that "there are many who would work if urged into service, and who would save their own souls by thus working," (G.W. 82) should there not be a great response on the part of our people all over Canada from St. John's to Victoria to volunteer their services as full-time or even part-time Literature Evangelists? Two Special Training schools are to be conducted (see dates in this issue) where excellent free training and preparation will be given. Elder J. J. Strahle, veteran Gospel Sales trainer of the denomination will be chief instructor in the West. Now is the time to get the training and enter this thrilling work for God. Won't you say—"Here am I, send me."



Enzo of Italy and Sam Carvahal live with the dogs. Their total orders are now over \$8,000.00 and fill the Messenger!

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Special Literature Evangelism Training School for Eastern Canada.

## Extra Bonus Benefits

Bob had been a Literature Evangelist many years ago, and had for some reason dropped out of the work for a few years. Now he is back in the work doing his best and God is blessing him. As Bob was leaving my home one evening he said to me "You know our Literature Evangelists today are being well taken care of by the denomination. In the old days we received our 50% commission and that was all. Today, with our beautiful literature a faithful, up-and-coming, and hard-working Literature Evangelist may receive many extra benefits . . . for instance he may qualify for—

1. Up to \$400.00 a year in travel expenses.
2. Up to \$45.00 a month in rent subsidy.
3. A two-week paid vacation each year.
4. Camp meeting travel and lodging plus \$5.00 a day (maximum \$25) while at camp meeting.
5. Annual Institute travel, board and lodging plus \$5.00 a day allowance (maximum \$25.00).
6. Medical allowance and sickness and accident on the same basis as that granted to other conference workers, also financial aid for time lost during illness.
7. Transportation and moving expense

when change of territory is ordered by committee.

8. Automobile insurance covering public liability, property damage, fire and theft.
9. Two per cent cash discount on total purchases. If a man delivered \$10,000 worth of books which cost him \$5,000 he could receive a \$100 cash discount usually presented to him at the Christmas season.
10. Sustentation benefits after 15 or more years as for other conference workers.

"All this plus 50% commission on all his sales plus the joy and thrill of being an independent self-supporting, full-time, soul-winner for God—Why, I'd be a fool to leave this work today. 'There is no higher work than evangelistic canvassing—and as long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work.'—C.M. 11, 12. Yes sir, I'm happy to be a SOUL-WINNING LITERATURE EVANGELIST, and I am determined to keep on being one till Jesus comes." Bob made a wise decision. Hundreds more are needed in Canada. All who desire further information please contact your Pastor, your Publishing Department Secretary or G. B. Hoag, Secretary, Publishing Department, Canadian Union Conference.—G. B. H.



## Bookwork in ALBERTA—

### Just What I've Been Telling You

The man turned to his wife, "See," he said, "this is just what I have been telling you. The minister is telling us the same things I have been reading in the book!" The minister was Elder C. G. Samograd who had stopped to visit after he had heard that this couple were interested in the message we have.

The book referred to was a copy of the *Great Controversy* which this man had purchased twelve years previously. Having read and reread this wonderful revelation of God's word, he became convinced of its message. Today, he and his wife are rejoicing in the Advent message. We do not know who the colporteur is who sold them this book, but we do know that it will be a joyous occasion for him when he meets this couple in the portals of heaven.

It is reports like this which make the Literature Evangelist feel that his work is worthwhile. We hear of many such reports, but this is only a few "mercy drops". We shall have "showers" of conversions.

Recently, one of our colporteurs told me an interesting experience. He canvassed a lady and her son for *Triumph of God's Love* (new *Great Controversy*). They were not too much interested. Then the husband came in. After listening to our colporteur and looking at the prospectus, he indicated his desire to see the full copy. As he was looking through it, his eye fell on some Sabbath information. After scanning it a bit, he looked up and said, "You know, I've often said to my family that we should be keeping the Sabbath. I'll take this book."

Reports and experiences like these convince me more and more that "this is the very work the Lord would have his people do at this time." Thousands of people have opportunity to learn the truth this way who would have no other opportunity. I pray that God will send many more labourers into the harvest before it is too late.



Brother W. E. Bergey, right, and Ron Neish, left, are displaying part of the books that represents more than \$3,000 delivery made by Brother Neish during the month of May.

### "I Want To See King David"

Over my desk pass some of the most interesting stories; stories from the men who carry the news of a soon coming Saviour through the medium of the printed page. For instance, one of our Literature Evangelists called at a home and noticed in the bookcase several Seventh-day Adventist books. The man pointed to a copy of *Daniel and Revelation* and said, "I have lent that book to many of my neighbours and one of them became a Seventh-day Adventist after reading it."

Some time ago the Government of the Province of Alberta set up an Advisory Board on Objectionable Publications and appointed a lady in Red Deer to that Board. Recently a Literature Evangelist called at her home and demonstrated *The Bible Story*. She was amazed at the illustrations in the books and the simple yet impressive way in which the story was told. "Just what we are looking for," she said as she placed an order for the set. This lady is a member of the Anglican Church and already has a set of the *Bedtime Stories* and the *Children's Hour*.

An elderly couple was very much interested in the Bible. When canvassed for *The Bible Story* the lady said, "I knew the stories of course, but I like this set because it has pictures. I want to see King David and all the others." Surely as

Seventh-day Adventists we want her to "see King David and all the others", not just in *The Bible Story*, but in the earth made new.

In an article appearing in the *Review and Herald* of January 20, 1903, Ellen G. White wrote, "Many more of our larger books might have been sold if church members had been awake to the importance of the truths these books contain, and had realized their responsibility to circulate them. My brethren and sisters, will you not now make an effort to circulate these books?" That invitation is just as urgent now as it was then. The need for workers is just as great now as it was then. Will you respond to the invitation to be a worker for Him as a Literature Evangelist?



W. E. Bergey,  
Publishing  
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Secretary



A. N. How,  
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## Door to door work in BRITISH COLUMBIA



G. O. Pearson

### Fifteen Years A Literature Evangelist

When people ask why I stay in the colporteur work year after year, I tell them it is because I receive a great joy and blessing from bringing this wonderful message to those who know it not.

I remember one day I called at a home where a few ladies were visiting together. One of them ordered one of our Bible books for her children. She also wanted to know more about the Bible truths herself so signed up for the Bible course. After a few studies she was baptized and is now, along with her children, truly a jewel in the church.

I called on another lady one day. She asked me, "Is there really a true church on earth?" After giving her a few studies myself, I asked one of our Bible workers to continue the studies. This lady, too, became a baptized member of the church.

In closing, I would like to say that great men in the days of old such as the Apostle Paul and many others recognized the importance of door-to-door work. So, let us take up this great work as it is truly the time of the harvest.

G. O. PEARSON

### Russell Spangler, Jr.



**Student colporteur in Alberta  
Delivered \$3,700.00 in the summer of 1957**

**Age 17 — He is a second year theology student at C.U.C.**

**Big Week was \$1,170 with \$560.00 in cash sales**

**For the last three years he has made his own way with more than a scholarship and when he was 13 and 14 he made partial scholarships.**

**Drives an almost new Volkswagen  
He has attended church school all his life except for his first year**



### "Come Over and Help Us"

"Come over, and help us" Acts 16:9. We often talk of going into the highways and hedges, and compelling them to come in. (Luke 14:23); but when souls come out and URGE us to come in that is a different story.

A Catholic lady stopped me on a street and apologized, saying: "I am sorry for taking your time, but could you please tell me if you are selling religious books?"

I live in that unfinished house on which the builders are working. I would like you to call sometime if you don't mind." When I called, I presented *Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing*. "Oh, in my mother tongue", she said, "have you more?" She also requested the *Great Controversy* in German.

WM. H. HYDE, Literature Evangelist  
British Columbia Conference

### We Have the Answer to Soul Hunger and Suffering

The interview had taken only a few minutes but in that brief time a decision was made to purchase the combination of *Triumph of God's Love* and *Life and Health*, and another story of human suffering and spiritual need unrolled before us. Overcome with emotion, the lady thanked us for the visit and prayer for her cancer-stricken husband. We left sad, but thankful that soon the message of hope and health would be coming into another needy home.

Hundreds of sincere people, like this woman, are looking for the answer to their soul-hunger and suffering. They are the men and women passing to and fro on the busy streets of our cities and towns. They are found hidden away in the hills and valleys and isolated areas of our provinces. He has promised us the resources both material and spiritual necessary for success in His work when we go forward. With the blessing of God,



M. D. SUITER, Secretary  
Publishing Department

many are now accomplishing exploits never dreamed of before in the sale of literature and winning of souls. Improved literature, methods of selling, and financial benefits, together with the fearful conditions in the world, make this the most opportune time in history for the Literature Evangelist.



Millions of Times, Daily!!



E. Tetz, Manager  
B.C. Book and  
Bible House



## Report of Literature Evangelism for the Month of July, 1958

G. B. HOAG, Secretary, Publishing Department

Not once, not twice, but millions of times daily the world around, we hear the question, "Did we get any mail today?"

Mail is always exciting, for one never knows just what the innocent appearing envelopes contain, however, the Book and Bible House mail is doubly interesting. Every letter received presents a new challenge as its contents are eagerly studied for souls longing for truth—note the following excerpt from a letter received a few weeks ago:

"Mr. .... sent me a few small tracts (of which I have read) and I am now interested in some of your larger works, particularly some writings of Mrs. Ellen G. White."

Fortunately, this person was referred to the Bible House as a supplier of the treasure that was being sought, but how many do not know where to go to find the answers to the perplexing problems of life here and the apparently deeper mystery of life hereafter?

God has ordained the very plan to reach just those who know not where to turn today. If you are presently successful in some worldly enterprise and now hear the call to higher service, why not enlist today in the ministry of Literature Evangelism, thus becoming one of a prospering army of Messengers sent from God.

### Student Ray Halvorson



I believe God has a purpose for each of us. Especially as students, He knows the many problems involved in obtaining the well-rounded, complete education necessary for finishing the work. In the Literature Ministry, we give Christ the opportunity to work through us.

	Hours	Orders	Deliveries		Hours	Orders	Deliveries
<b>ALBERTA—W. E. Bergey</b>				Gooding, E.	101	859.25	
R. Neish (assisting)	163			Young, L.	101	512.60	
Wegh, R.	153	1,111.40	178.50	Harris, O.	100	1,000.75	
Anderson, D.	121	421.25	27.05	Coupland, R.	98	771.85	74.45
Anderson, J.	142	477.95	95.20	Nepjuk, W.	98	1,267.05	37.25
Brant, M.	161	850.75	82.70	Karst, E.	95	764.50	66.95
Brown, B.	127	2,174.65	189.40	Manchur, S.	92	610.00	25.50
Burtch, D.	192	954.20	148.45	Robertson, A.	89	395.25	24.75
Carvajal, S.	198	2,212.30		Devnich, D.	88	1,215.70	135.34
Chan, E.	130	1,467.38	765.49	Jamison, R.	87	468.50	68.05
Fenz, E.	221	2,321.00		McNaughton, M.	62	292.52	22.40
Finck, L.	185	2,017.35	36.45	Braun, D.	55	118.00	31.00
Gay, N.	143	605.25	3.50	Smith, C.	44	10.00	10.00
Greaves, T. S.	140	1,553.20	104.20	Dyck, A.	41	460.30	9.98
Haynes, R. F.	314	3,543.95	774.75	Didow, D.	41	235.30	
Haynes, R. A.	202	713.90	132.95	Part time	312	1,586.28	645.85
Hestdalen, F.	161	785.00	292.50	Totals	5,013	40,623.65	5,811.81
Janot, W.	140	632.25	169.00	<b>MARITIME—V. Shipowick</b>			
Jones, L.	90	430.35		Foulkes, Mrs. A.	88	500.90	98.20
Kramer, M.	94	601.05	58.50	Heaney, G.	126	1,314.70	647.25
Mason, D.	115	431.40	103.85	Gay, D.	85	676.40	785.70
McLashenko, K.	136	620.45	216.10	Moores, W. R.	92	388.70	281.50
Peckham, L.	203	1,314.60	10.00	Smith, E.	51	450.20	34.30
Roach, H.	106	570.15	102.95	Albert, H.	158	829.05	139.00
Smith, H. R.	141	875.80	81.75	Corkum, G.	85	713.50	115.30
Sorensen, K.	142	2,690.75	401.70	Dovich, J.	127	1,226.75	246.75
Spangler, R., Jr.	42	477.95	75.00	Foulkes, B.	75	186.35	41.20
Stoll, K.	136	1,434.05	461.10	Godsoe, D.	83	440.60	349.20
Stoll, R.	92	544.05	161.50	Gill, V.	136	535.55	46.60
Thompson, R.	203	1,327.20	388.80	Gray, R.	133	1,684.00	331.30
Werner, D.	89	390.10	62.75	Hare, J.	53	126.05	
Wigley, B.	118	408.20	31.50	Harris, D.	101	655.00	30.90
Yearwood, H.	143	580.50	16.35	Holzer, G.	165	939.60	187.60
Part time	157	1,287.05	140.81	Llewellyn, J.	135	1,205.92	150.40
Totals	4,900	35,943.98	5,431.35	Mullins, M.	108	701.90	49.90
<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA—M. D. Suiter</b>				Mulley, J.	52	488.70	162.30
Bayliss, H. G.	54	682.56	249.05	Regular, R.	57	158.30	4.80
Christopherson, Mr. M.	113	189.40	174.40	Schnierl, M.	96	570.40	
Edwards, M.	115	263.35	276.35	Tetz, B.	130	717.30	109.70
Harder, D.	212	3,246.75	2,502.30	Wilson, O.	72	520.15	16.50
Hartfeil, R.	140	206.00	206.00	Young, M.	76	355.15	56.20
Hyde, W. H.	168	697.60	199.70	Part time	63	84.40	84.40
Littman, E.	165	1,844.40	378.65	Totals	2,347	15,469.57	3,969.00
Mason, Mrs. G.	85	116.90	83.30	<b>ONTARIO-QUEBEC—F. W. Connors</b>			
Watson, G. E.	90	79.00		Clark, D.	116	727.80	59.10
Anderson, M. L.	86	274.80	19.35	Cobb, E. L.	57	211.00	75.00
Betts, R.	137	638.75	49.07	Dinsdale, J. F.	159	698.90	501.65
Bradford, L.	85	694.70	66.95	Dunbar, L.	105	273.75	17.50
Fehdrau, N.	111	316.50	54.20	Graham, D.	185	811.69	556.24
Freyer, W.	64	21.14		Harrison, E. D.	145	456.25	358.35
Halvorson, R.	145	803.70	104.00	Hoag, L.	161	1,705.80	412.65
Homenchuk, E.	96	401.30		Lemon, P.	124	836.05	191.15
Homenchuk, H.	82	549.00		Lemon, S.	135	559.18	104.75
Lonson, R.	142	572.20	42.95	Malcolm, R.	119	889.83	284.65
Lorenson, S.	144	455.30		Mineau, R.	149	552.00	78.55
McKeith, J.	143	308.00		Reimer, G.	95	466.15	413.00
Part time	198	1,215.75	373.95	Sayles, N. & Mrs.	196	1,406.15	554.00
Totals	2,575	13,577.10	4,780.23	Schmidt, A.	132	404.25	60.90
<b>MANITOBA-SASKATCHEWAN—L. M. Mohns</b>				Sudds, D.	162	1,218.75	729.50
Jones, B.	90	482.32	482.32	Thorpe, N.	144	721.95	167.75
Sabiston, J.	89	198.95	247.40	Whalley, D.	129	526.75	350.00
Christenson, G.	63	504.55	87.40	Dyke, R.	126	703.50	240.00
Manchur, M.	63	700.00	98.00	Gauvin, R.	152	678.00	292.00
Matiko, N.	50	420.90		Jasmin, U.	46	206.75	108.00
Pretchuk, E.	47	449.70		Mestre, M.	63	125.00	78.00
Ianzen, Mr. & Mrs.	417	1,803.00	276.35	A colporteur	194	394.00	50.00
Shipowick, L.	208	2,764.91	1,169.45	Orpana, O. (assisting)	127		139.00
Sproed, I.	203	1,117.00	712.30	Arnott, G.	135	1,117.10	687.40
Myers, C.	196	1,763.20		Easterbrook, E.	72	596.85	227.65
Milliken, L.	189	1,040.65	250.00	Hyrchuk, H.	93	451.50	115.65
Myers, D.	185	1,906.31	8.26	Jurizian, R. L.	137	1,320.00	697.75
Lugenbeal, E.	178	1,491.39	33.47	Paavilainen, I.	136	787.00	614.25
Fogarty, K.	170	961.75	35.00	Smith, D.	92	962.15	637.25
Dahlke, W.	168	417.81	103.24	VanNess, P.	86	235.25	206.00
White, W.	150	2,320.32	156.00	Lennox, A.	153	894.35	631.60
James, R.	139	2,957.63	227.05	Bronstein, P.	154	1,246.15	9.90
Vergil, E.	128	1,742.75		Chase, E. C.	126	336.60	369.45
Zyweck, M.	121	584.85		Ferrier, A. B.	152	293.85	425.40
Spenst, E.	120	421.85		Lightbourne, S.	184	248.05	
Hirschhorn, L.	110	668.25	95.50	Russell, D.	139	397.70	127.20
Mowery, E.	109	1,251.64		Smith, G.	83	280.65	48.20
Sparks, W.	109	2,592.14	442.15	Tucker, B.	50	78.50	
Eldridge, L.	106	677.60	20.00	Part time	332	2,049.95	1,335.25
Perona, J.	101	1,106.33	216.40	Totals	5,145	25,923.00	11,954.69
				UNION	19,980	131,537.30	31,947.08



## TOP TWELVE

Canada's leading Literature Evangelists in actual deliveries January through July

Name	Conf.	Delivery
1. George Heeney	Mar.	\$ 6,004.19*
2. David Harder	B.C.	\$ 5,774.01
3. Ronald Neish	Alta.	\$ 5,232.69
4. Gordon Arnott	O.Q.	\$ 4,500.15
5. David Gay	Mar.	\$ 4,045.15
6. I. Paavilainen	O.Q.	\$ 4,038.10
7. Del Sudds	O.Q.	\$ 3,849.25
8. Alfred Lennox	O.Q.	\$ 3,454.50
9. W. R. Mooers	Mar.	\$ 3,275.60
10. J. F. Dinsdale	O.Q.	\$ 3,164.45
11. George Reimer	O.Q.	\$ 3,161.75
12. Lydia Batten	Nfld.	\$ 2,990.75
Grand Total		\$49,490.59

\*George Heeney's total orders for 7 months exceed \$12,000.00!!



## Public Affairs Report

By DARREN L. MICHAEL

Secretary, Department of Public Affairs  
Canadian Union Conference



### Capital Comment

Parliament and the Nation, at this writing, are still waiting for Prime Minister Diefenbaker to unveil his long-promised "bill of rights". There is some doubt now as to whether it will be introduced at the present session. All lovers of liberty will want to examine the terms of this proposed Act to ascertain just how significant will be its contribution in the preservation and enlargement of freedom.

The establishment of a separate regulatory body to govern radio and television in Canada is, in the opinion of this correspondent, a wise step. It never seemed right for the C.B.C. to serve as umpire and contestant! It remains to be seen whether the legitimate rights of minority religious groups will gain anything by this new set-up. As of now Lutherans, Pentecostals, Mormons, Christian Scientists, Unitarians, Seventh-day Adventists and many other religious denominations are denied time on the only national network—the C.B.C. It must not be overlooked that there are difficult problems involved in apportioning radio and TV time to a host of small groups. But, we believe that some steps could be taken to achieve a more equitable distribution of religious time on the nationally-owned radio-television system for smaller denominations.

Early in September Dr. Jean G. Nussbaum, secretary-general of the International Religious Liberty Association (religious liberty secretary of the Southern European Division) will join this writer in a series of contacts in Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa before moving on to New York for the opening of the regular session of the U.N. General Assembly.

In the past his visits have proved extremely helpful in ascertaining viewpoints on a wide variety of subjects in French-speaking Canada. This window on an important segment of our country is enhanced by the rich experience and background which Dr. Nussbaum brings to his work. Among the truly great pioneers in the field of religious liberty work that this denomination has produced the Doctor is without a peer in the skill and

diplomatic acumen which is characteristic of his dedicated service in the cause of the freedom of the spirit.

### Public Relations Views

A most successful summer of camp meetings (summer conferences) has just closed. From a public relations standpoint all the returns are not yet in order to allow a comparative assessment. But, on the basis of preliminary reports from the clipping service and conference PR directors this year has been among the best! New frontiers in radio and television were opened and prejudice thresholds were crossed successfully. A mock air-raid and Civil Defense rescue demonstration in Hope, British Columbia made news, as did visiting overseas church leaders in Alberta and Manitoba-Saskatchewan. In Ontario World President Figuhr, Middle East church leader Neal Wilson and nutrition expert Dr. M. G. Hardinge helped to make news that appealed to editors and programme managers.

In the Maritimes local press secretaries were helped with a visit from the head of the General Conference Bureau of Public Relations. A well-attended "workshop" conducted by conference PR director H. Ward Hill and assisted by Howard B. Weeks and the Canadian Union PR director dominated the first half of that session-by-the-sea!

A most successful Public Relations Seminar has just concluded with Canada again among its beneficiaries. Jointly sponsored by the General Conference Bureau of Public Relations and Potomac University in Takoma Park the Seminar saw two conferences and two institutions from the eastern half of this field among those enrolled. Once again the full potential of this excellent training school was somewhat inhibited by the fact that the directors of the Seminar were hampered in their choice of instructional personnel. As a case in point was the appointment of this writer as one of the "visiting lecturers"! But, the other outstanding, and truly stellar, "professors" more than compensated for this inadvertent weakness.

The joy, happiness and satisfaction that came to me as a result of having a part in giving the last warning message to this world before Jesus comes is indescribable.

I choose to labour with God, because God spoke to all through His servant the words found in *Testimonies*, Vol. 9, p. 135

"The truth is soon to triumph gloriously, and all who now choose to be laborers together with God will triumph with it."

My desire and prayer is that you will choose to triumph with the truth.

DANIEL SKORETZ, Pastor  
Edmonton District



Daniel Skoretz

### How a Pastor Feels About Canvassing

"Those who are fitting for the ministry can engage in no other occupation that will give them so large an experience as will the canvassing work."—Vol. 6, p. 334. There is no other phase of experience that has helped me more in being a worker for God than has the colporteur work. Working from door to door, presenting the message of the soon coming Jesus to other people gave me a desire to live a pure life so God could use me anywhere and in any phase of His work.

A roommate at college inspired me to try the Literature Evangelistic work. Due to the fact that I was still a Catholic and not a baptized member of the church, I had never seen a Conference Office, a Book and Bible House or a Publishing Secretary. My roommate instructed me how to knock, smile, enter, canvass and pray. He did a good job for the first three homes I entered gave me a complete order in cash. Being inexperienced and proud, the big word "I" came to me, making me feel that "I" did it. The next three homes I entered drove me out and slammed the door in my face. That made me feel small, fearful and dependent on God. Then it was revealed to me clearly that in Colporteur work it is not "I" but "Christ" because it is His work. Thus it is in every phase of the Ministry.



## SPECIAL

Toronto Star Weekly  
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Portrays  
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## Branson Hospital Corporation

**LEGAL NOTICE:** Notice is hereby given that the second meeting of the members of the North York Branson Hospital Corporation will be held in the Board room of the Branson Hospital on Monday, September 29, 1958 at 3:00 p.m. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing directors to act in behalf of the corporation for the ensuing annual term and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may properly come before the Corporation.

G. E. JONES, *Chairman*  
A. W. KAYTOR, *Administrator*

## OBITUARIES

**MARSDEN**—Mrs. Moses Marsden, nee Nellie Orma Franklin, aged 83, was born at Alderville, Ontario, September 21, 1875, and passed away on June 2, 1958, at the Civic Hospital in Peterborough, Ontario. She was baptized in 1900 at Rice Lake, Ontario by Elder Starr.

On May 13, 1896, she married Moses Marsden at Roseneath, Ontario and spent most of her life in Lakefield, Ontario.

She is survived by her husband and nine children, Cecil of California; Elsie, Fred, and Ruby all of Lakefield; Larry and Percy of Detroit, Michigan; Esther of Sudbury; Mildred of Toronto; and Winnifred of Peterborough. Also surviving are twenty-four grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Sister Marsden was a faithful and true mother in Israel. Funeral service was held in Lakefield, Ontario, at the Anderson Funeral Home on June 4. Pastor N. S. Mizher officiated, assisted by Pastor Victor Collins. Interment was at Lakefield Cemetery.

**LEVY**—Mrs. Alice Levy, 95, one of Halifax's older residents, died Sunday evening, July 20, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. E. Giffen, Spryfield, after a brief illness.

Mrs. Levy was born on Big Tancook Island November 3, 1862. She was the first child of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Mason. In the year 1881 she married the late Mr. Ephraim Levy in Blandford, N.S. To this union were born six sons and five daughters. Mrs. Levy was a widow for seven years. For over thirty-four years she was a staunch member of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

She leaves to mourn her death four sons:

Howard, William, Albert, and Charles, all of Halifax; four daughters, Mrs. Ida Giffen, Spryfield; Mrs. Blanche Stafford, Halifax; Mrs. Elsie Cook, Halifax; Mrs. Rita Brennan, Arlington Heights, Mass.; two brothers: William Mason, Everett, Mass.; Freeman Mason, Rocksbury, Mass.; two sisters: Mrs. Lottie Chandler, Taunton, Mass.; Mrs. Ada Packard, Waltham, Mass. She leaves revered memories with many grandchildren, great grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

A well attended service was held in the Halifax Funeral Home with Pastor Ray A. Matthews officiating. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery.

R. A. MATTHEWS

**KNIGHT**—Mrs. Emilie Lucia Knight was born in Ontario in 1870 and passed quietly to rest July 7 at the age of 88 years.

At an early age she went to London, England where she later nursed for a number of years. In 1907 she was united in marriage to Jonathan Knight and together they came to Winnipeg.

In 1951 she became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church through baptism. She was predeceased by her husband in 1952. Her passing leaves to mourn, Jack of Winnipeg, James Robb of Fort Francis, Ontario, relatives and many friends.

Our sister rests from a life of active service for others but went to sleep with a rich faith in her blessed Lord's soon return.

L. W. TAYLOR, *Pastor*

**McDONALD**—John McDonald of Newton, British Columbia, was born in Michigan in 1879, and passed to his rest in the hospital at New Westminster on July 3 after a lengthy illness. Brother McDonald and his wife accepted the message in Calgary in 1914 and were baptized by Elder G. Johnson. They came to British Columbia in 1932 and settled at Chilliwack, where Brother McDonald was engaged in the sawmill business. He leaves to mourn his passing his beloved wife, one son, James of Peace River, Alberta, and one daughter, Mrs. Faith Allen of Cloverdale, who are assured of a joyful reunion on the glad resurrection morning when Jesus returns for His faithful children.

DESMOND E. TINKLER

## Wedding

Befus-Peterson

Sunday afternoon, June 8, Ethel Peterson and Peter Befus exchanged marriage vows before Elder J. P. Habenicht in a beautiful ceremony witnessed by a large number of friends at the Calgary Central Seventh-day Adventist Church. Miss Lorraine Martin, church school teacher of grades 1-6 at Calgary was maid of honour and Mr. E. L. Neilsen, teacher of chemistry at C.U.C., and brother-in-law of the groom was best man.

Following the wedding reception at the Beacon Hotel, the happy couple left for a three-week wedding trip to southern California taking in points of interest on the way. They are making their home at 530 11th Ave. N.E., Calgary. We wish them much happiness and the Lord's richest blessings.

JUDSON P. HABENICHT

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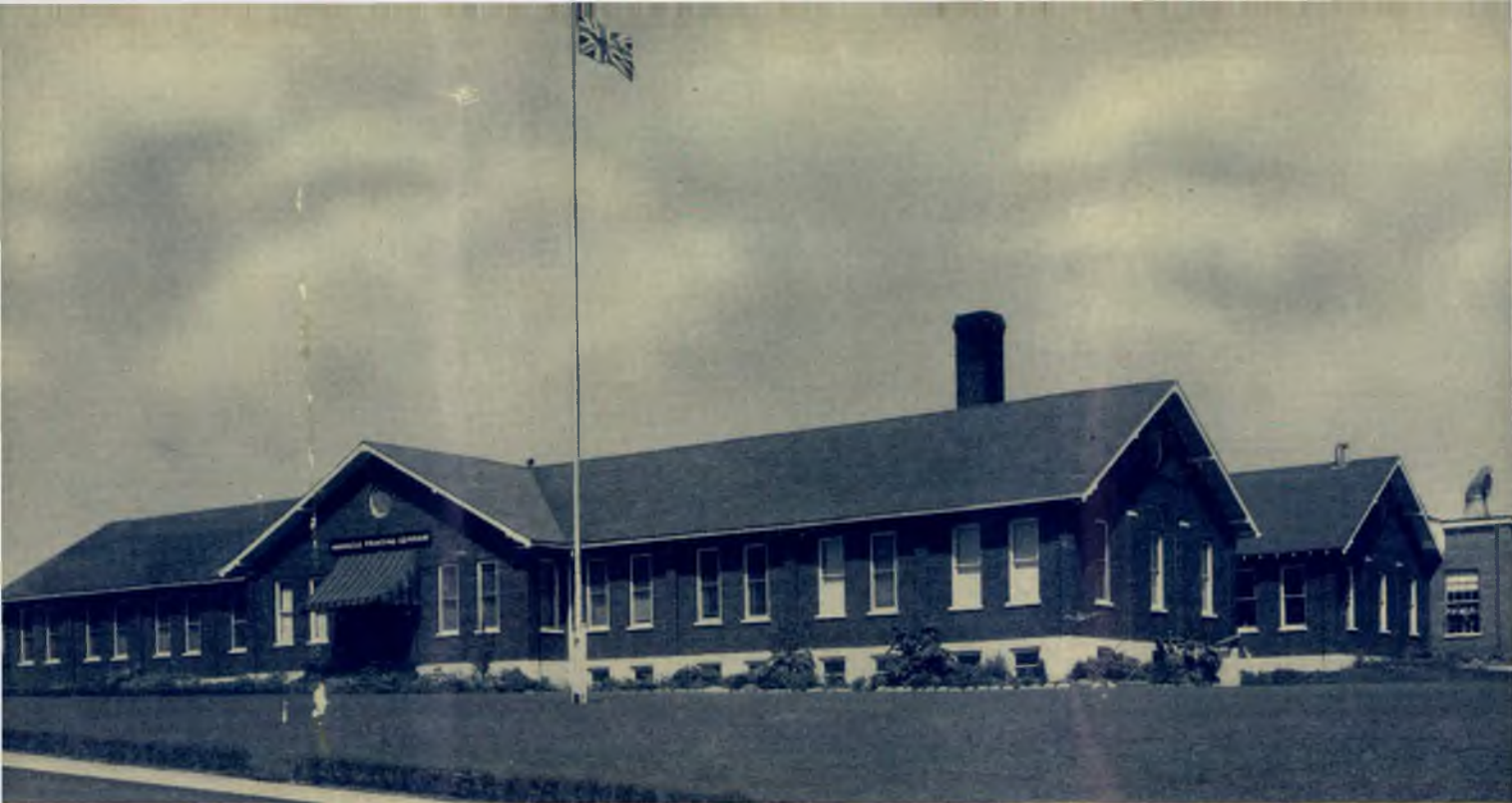
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