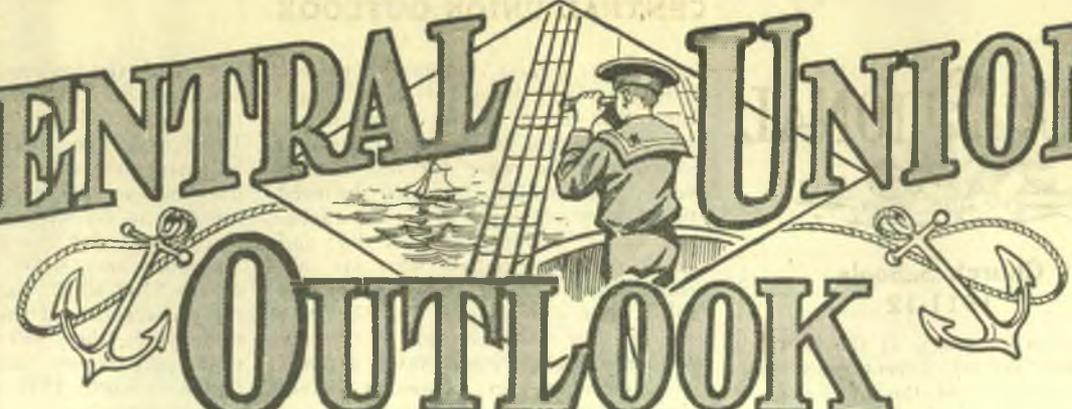


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"Every one said to his brother, Be of good courage." Isa. XLI. 6.

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The Land of Anyhow

Beyond the Isle of What's the Use,
Where Slipshod Point is now,
There used to be, when I was young,
The Land of Anyhow.

Don't Care was king of all this realm—
A cruel king was he,
For those who served him with good
heart,
He treated shamefully.

When boys and girls their tasks would
slight,
And cloud poor mother's brow,
He'd say, "Don't care! It's good
enough!
Just do it anyhow."

But when in after life they longed
To make proud fortune bow,
He let them find that fate ne'er smiles
On work done anyhow.

For he who would the harvest reap
Must learn to use the plow,
And pitch his tent a long, long way
From the Land of Anyhow.
—Canadian Presbyterian.

"They are never alone who are ac-
companied by noble thoughts."

Methods of Keeping a Church at Work No. 4

2. The Missionary Secretary.

The first desire of the truly converted is to make known the good news of the indwelling Christ to others. "That which we have seen and listened to we now announce to you also, in order that you also may have fellowship in it with us." 1 John 1:3 (Modern Speech).

"Every one who is added to the ranks by conversion is to be assigned his post of duty." Vol. 7, p. 30.

In connection with the above statements, I wish to make as emphatic as possible the responsibility resting on the missionary secretary and local church officers in putting them into effect. "Those who have the oversight of the church should devise ways and means by which an opportunity may be given to every member of the church to act some part in God's work." Vol. 9, p. 116.

Lines of missionary work that can be carried on with good results in our churches are as follows:

1. Tract Work.
 - (a) Loaning.
 - (b) Mailing.
 - (c) Reading racks.
 - (d) Miscellaneous distribution.
2. Periodical Work.
 - (a) Securing subscriptions.
 - (b) Selling from house to house.
 - (c) Selling in stores and business offices.
 - (d) Placing in reading racks.
 - (e) Use in connection with missionary correspondence.
 - (f) Supplying hospitals and other institutions.
3. Work with Our Books.
 - (a) Selling.
 - (b) Loaning.
4. Christian Help Work.
 - (a) Visiting the sick.
 - (b) Helping the poor.
 - (c) Giving simple treatments.
5. Missionary Correspondence.
 - (a) To relatives and friends.
 - (b) To strangers.
 - (c) To those who have purchased our literature.

6. Holding Cottage Meetings and Bible Readings.

- (a) In your own home.
 - (b) Among neighbors and friends.
- Jas. Cochran.

Close of Friedensau Council

The last Sabbath of the Friedensau Council was a grand day. Elder A. G. Daniells spoke in the forenoon, after which a call was made for those who felt they were sinners to come forward. About six hundred responded. Seventy-five or more were baptized in the afternoon, and twelve brethren, representing seven different languages, were ordained to the work of the gospel ministry. The following is the list: A. C. Enns, German East Africa (German-American); George Keough, Egypt (English); R. P. Paulini, Roumania (Roumanian); J. Schneider, Russia (Letonian); C. Motzer, Bulgaria (German); A. Langholf, Russian Germany (Roumanian); B. Schmidt, South Russia (German-Russian); F. Kock, Caucasus Russia (Russian-German); R. Lusky, Germany; H. Langenberg, Germany; W. Schaefer, Saxon Conference, Germany; Guy Dail, European Division.

The following were introduced to the audience: R. Stein and Miss Eichler, under appointment to Victoria, Nyanza, German East Africa; E. Lorentz, of Norway, under appointment to Abyssinian Mission; P. Henning, of Germany, Clinton Germany Seminary; O. J. Olsen, under appointment to Iceland; R. Kuempel, under appointment to Brazil; J. H. Shilling, under appointment to North American German work.

E. T. Russell.

London, England,
July 18, 1911.

Prof. Frederick Griggs has gone to attend the camp-meetings at Springfield, South Missouri; Ft. Scott, East Kansas; and Denver, East Colorado. He will be absent from College View several weeks.



Church Schools 1911-12

Our school work is at the heart of this great second advent movement, and the success of the movement is vitally connected with the prosperity of our school enterprises. No feature of our educational work is of more importance, if indeed of as much importance, as our church schools. If our children are early trained into the love and fear of God, and into the way of His service, their whole life work will naturally follow this early bent.

The history of our church school work has been a history of a struggle against odds. It began in great weakness. Many mistakes have been made, but our loyal people have sought to strengthen this work, to overlook its mistakes, and to fill its deficiencies.

Among the many problems which present themselves in the history and conduct of our church schools, two stand out most prominently,—properly qualified teachers, and the means of their support. Our training schools have been giving very serious consideration for several years to thoroughly qualifying teachers for this work. Courses of study for the training of teachers have been planned in our General Conference educational conventions, and are in operation in our advanced schools. A good number of text books have been prepared, and many more are in preparation. All this is making possible a corps of efficient teachers. The great need now is consecrated men and women, with the gift of teaching, to take these courses of instruction, and thus become well qualified for this most important line of work.

As to the means of support for these schools, this depends more largely than we often think upon the faith and determination of the members of the church where such schools should be established. If there is strong confidence in the principles of Christian education, and in the words of counsel which have been given us in the Spirit of Prophecy upon this point, the way for the maintenance of these schools appears far more readily.

Quite a number of years ago, I helped to start two church schools within a few weeks of each other. Both of these schools were manned by excellent Christian young women of practically the same ability. One was established and maintained for several years by a widow with five children, the youngest five years of age, and the oldest fourteen. She lived on a small farm six miles from a village in the northern part of Michigan. The other was in

one of our largest churches. One was held in a little house of three rooms, the other in a well-equipped school room. One was maintained for several years, and the other for less than a year. This widowed mother believed that God would assist her in the education of her children, and He did; and those of her children who are old enough are now in the work of the third angel's message. In the rich church there was much talk of the lack of money, and the school failed for lack of financial support. These two experiences justify a paraphrase of the old saying, "Where there is a will, there is a way," into, Where there is faith, there is a way.

In every church in the Central Union Conference where there are a sufficient number of children who can by any reasonable means be brought together, a school should be established. It will yield the richest returns for the effort and expense of its maintenance. It is high time that definite plans were laid by every church for the school work of 1911-12.

Frederick Griggs.

Pass a Good Thing Along

I am sometimes met with this query: "We want some good teachers out in our conference. Whom can you recommend to us?" Now, Colorado, for instance, thinks it is not fair in answering this question to recommend one of her teachers to Nebraska or Kansas or some other conference that also wants good teachers, because Colorado is itself in need of all her young people, and so it is with other conferences. Therefore, unless a conference has in some definite way interested itself in the training of the young people within its borders, the reply to this appeal will probably be, "We are very sorry that we can not send you a teacher, but the teachers in this year's training class are already engaged."

Another problem which I have met among teachers who are seeking a better preparation for their work is: "How can I get enough money ahead to afford the time and expense necessary to secure a normal training?" Certainly these are practical problems, and as at least a partial solution to them, the Nebraska Conference has set on foot a unique little plan which I think is good enough to pass along as a helpful suggestion to other conferences that are looking for qualified teachers. This conference plans to set apart \$200 a year as a sort of teacher's training fund, to be used in the following manner: Two worthy young people, who manifest teaching ability, are to be selected by the conference each year as recipients of this fund to the extent of \$100 each. With this amount, and such additional means as the person selected will himself provide, these persons will receive one year's training in the normal department of Union Col-

lege, with the understanding that they teach in the Nebraska Conference the three years following their preparation. If at any time, however, they desire to enter some other conference or engage in some other line of work, they are free to do so, but for each of the three years not given to teaching in Nebraska, they must return one-third of the \$100 which they received from the conference. If they teach the full three years, they will not be asked to return the money, Nebraska counting that it is worth \$3.70 a month to have a trained teacher.

This investment is not so large as to embarrass the conference financially, and it is a safe proposition. It is also a pretty sure way of lifting the standard of its educational work, if care is used in the selection of those who will thus be assisted. At any rate, do you not think it is a good beginning? What do the rest of our conferences think of such a plan?

Sarah E. Peck.

Hastings Intermediate School

The prospects are encouraging for the Hastings Intermediate School. Quite a few of our young people are definitely planning to attend this year. Even though crop conditions are not the most encouraging in some parts of Nebraska, yet the need and importance of Christian education are just as great. The schooling of our children calls for greater sacrifice on the part of both parents and children, but will it pay to let your children miss this year in their school work?

We will be pleased to give any desired information concerning the school and its work. In order that we may know as early as possible how many to plan for, we request all who are planning to attend to write us at their earliest convenience.

Irvin Blue,
Principal.

College View, Nebr.

Music at Hastings

Are you thinking of attending the Hastings Intermediate School this coming year? If so, no doubt you have had music in mind as one of your studies. We wish to invite your attention to the music department for these reasons: First, there is a great need of music teachers in our academies and colleges; second, there is a demand for young people who are able to play acceptably in churches, tent companies, Sabbath-schools, and in other lines of denominational work; third, there is no education more refining, more ennobling, uplifting, and soul-satisfying than the study of true, pure music; fourth, music brightens the home life, and creates a pleasant atmosphere.

The school offers you two courses of music,—the Sacred Music Course and the Normal Course. You may not

be very young, but there are very few who can not learn to play ordinary church music. We will make a special point of giving attention to very young children, for the younger the child begins his music study the better.

This year the theoretical branches of music will be taught,—Harmony, Counterpoint, History of Music, Theory of Music, and Hymnology. If you are contemplating finishing a course of music, you should have the theoretical branches.

I would be glad to hear from all who are thinking of taking music in connection with the school at Hastings.

Howard C. Wilson,
Director of Music.

College View, Nebr.



Children's Meetings at the Palmer Camp-meeting

Services were conducted twice a day for the children at the Palmer camp-meeting. Only a few children of Adventist parents were camped on the grounds, but from the very first many children of the town came to the meetings, twenty to forty attending. A large number of them did not miss one meeting during the entire session.

In the morning hour, classes were formed, when we studied Bible characters, endeavoring to bring to them something that would be helpful in their every-day lives. At the afternoon meetings, practical lessons were drawn from Bible truths, and the children seemed anxious to learn how they could better serve their Master. It was a real pleasure to be with them, as they showed so much interest in all that was said.

At the last meeting, an expression was taken as to whether or not the children wished the meetings continued, and every hand was raised. Miss Anna Post, who assisted in these meetings and who is doing Bible work in Palmer in connection with the tent effort, will hold three meetings a week with the children. We earnestly pray that the Lord may continue to lead these little ones to Him, and that through them prejudice may be removed on the part of their parents, that they may become interested in this truth.

Pearl E. Jones.

West Kansas Conference

A Missionary Volunteer convention will be held at Shaffer, Kans., August

12 and 13. A welcome is extended to all near-by churches.

The Missionary Volunteers of West Kansas have no doubt looked for a report in the OUTLOOK from the Missionary Volunteer secretary. I am pleased to report that our work is advancing, and some of the societies have done well in answering the calls. A few of the societies have been very prompt in reporting the first six months.

Our annual camp-meeting will soon be in session, and I am hoping to see a large number of our young people present to share in all the good things the Lord has for His people. Come believing and praying that we may have the best camp-meeting ever held in Kansas, and we will have it. "According to your faith be it unto you." The promises are sure to us if we will only accept them by faith, with corresponding works on our part.

I believe that many of our young people realize that there is much to be gained by being members of the Missionary Volunteers. One of our societies is supporting a native worker in China for a year. Another society gave \$18 for Switzerland. All the societies are doing their part to raise the money for the typewriter for West Africa.

Let us all plan to do more as the days are passing. Let us pray that the Missionary Volunteers may be all that God has designed that they should be.

Maggie Ogden,

Missionary Volunteer Secretary.



The "Ministry of Healing" Campaign

Several years ago, when this wonderful book was first given to our people, quite a large number of copies were sold in our territory, but not until last fall was a real campaign organized and started.

At the camp-meeting at York last September, 500 copies of the book were taken by those present. Since that time about 700 more have been delivered personally to our people, thus saving a large sum in cost of transportation. We have sent out in mail, express, and freight shipments, 1,800 copies.

We have given our people till the first of December to pay for these books, and about one-third of them have been fully settled for. When we consider that the books taken in our conference aggregate about one and a half million pages of the best reading obtainable, which comes close to two tons in weight, it looks like a large undertaking to circulate it all; but when we look at it from another standpoint,

it looks like an extremely small thing to do. Look at it this way: We have in Nebraska nearly twenty-five hundred Sabbath-keepers, who have taken, approximately, 3,000 books, a little more than an average of one each. But again, these 3,000 books have gone out on about five hundred orders, so the average number of books taken by those who have taken any is quite good, but only about one in five have so far had the blessing of a part in this campaign.

We are thankful for what has been accomplished, and we feel sure that the rich experiences of those who have taken these books to their friends and neighbors will react favorably on many more of our people, and that the coming autumn and winter, when our people are not so crowded for time, will see a healthy, active, and vigorous prosecution of this campaign, which has only been started as yet. Careful records have been kept of just where every book has gone, so we will know just where to push the work the hardest during the coming months.

In securing the co-operation of our people in this work, the words of the Spirit of Prophecy have strengthened the courage of both the workers and the people, for instance this:—

"One point that should never be forgotten by our workers is that the Lord Jesus Christ is our chief director. He has outlined a plan by which the schools [and sanitariums as well] may be relieved of their indebtedness, and He will not vindicate the course of those who lay this plan aside for lack of confidence in its success." Series B, No. 10, pp. 42, 48.

Or this:—

"And now our people should all be encouraged to take part in this special missionary effort. Light has been given me that in every possible way instruction should be given to our people as to the best method of presenting these books to the people." Series B, No. 10.

Scores of our people are pressing in to get their share of the blessing in this campaign, but the ranks are not yet full. Will you do your part? Let us not be members of the class spoken of below:—

"Many of our missionary enterprises are crippled because there are so many who refuse to enter the doors of usefulness that are opened before them. Let all who believe the truth begin to work. Do the work that lies nearest you. Do anything, however humble, rather than be like the men of Meroz, do-nothings." Vol. 8, p. 246.

Shall we not press into the work? Is there any good reason why we should not?

M. E. Ellis,
Miss. Sec. Nebr. Conf.

Boulder Sanitarium Notes

The work at the sanitarium continues very heavy, with new patients coming in every day. The workers are all en-

joying their work, and we hope that our heavy patronage may continue.

Miss Lorena Hills, from Missoula, Mont., a graduate in the class of '08, is spending a few days at the sanitarium visiting old friends.

Miss Leah Beltz, a graduate nurse of the class of '09, died at the sanitarium, Friday morning, July 28. Her funeral was held from our church at Boulder, Sabbath afternoon, at three o'clock, our chaplain, Elder W. D. Emery, conducting the service. We all feel very sad to lay aside one of our co-workers with whom we have shared the labors of three years. Miss Beltz had been engaged in private nursing at La Junta, Colo., and was brought to the sanitarium July 20, with typhoid fever, from which she was unable to rally. She was fully resigned to God's will, and we expect to meet her in the earth made new.

Davis—Abbott. At the home of the bride, in Sheldon, Wyo., on July 19, at 9:00 o'clock, Mr. B. F. Abbott, of Fairbanks, Tex., was united in marriage to Miss Fannie F. Davis, of Sheldon, Wyo., Rev. Caldwell, of Upton, Wyo., officiating. Their future home is to be in Sheldon.



Rifle, West Colorado

On the 21st of July the writer began a series of meetings in this town of twelve hundred inhabitants. A great work needs to be done here, and we feel that the Lord must guide in it all. Four churches are represented here, but the great advent message has never been proclaimed in this place, there being but one Seventh-day Adventist, a sister, living here.

Amusements of various kinds divert the attention of the people, and, as was expressed by one of the local preachers in his Sunday morning discourse, "The church members are madly pursuing the things of the world and forgetting the eternal realities."

Having held but five services, we are unable to report what interest may be developed, but the largest number in attendance so far has been forty-two. While we know not what the Lord has in store for us here, we are assured of the fact that your prayers are needed.

The work in the great harvest field is one, and we are glad to know of its progress in this Union Conference, as reported in the OUTLOOK. May this new paper help us to extend our vision

and appreciate the work being done in our sister conferences.

J. T. Spriggs.

July 26, 1911.

Garden City, Kansas

Our last report was given through the *Kansas Worker*, from Ingalls, Kans. We returned to Garden City, June 5, and since then have been holding Bible readings and cottage meetings with the people in their homes.

Five new Sabbath-keepers have been added to our little company within the past three weeks. One of these was a prominent member of the leading church in this city. This sister has been a loyal and faithful worker in the church from which she comes, and, being a person of influence among the better class, we look forward to the time when the third angel's message shall reach some of the most influential people of this city as a result of her efforts.

There is another person here, a young lady, who has become interested in our health reform work through reading the *Life and Health* magazine, and now desires to take the nurses' course in one of our institutions. Her purpose in doing so is to prepare herself for missionary work. Being a faithful Sunday-school worker at present, and unprejudiced against the truth, we believe she may become an efficient instrument in the Lord's hands for giving the message for this time.

The above experience is another grand testimony in favor of using our principles of health reform as an entering wedge for the third angel's message.

The outlook for giving the message to Garden City was never brighter, and we feel sure that God has precious souls here for His soon-coming kingdom.

Mr. and Mrs. Orno Follett.

Pretty Prairie, Kansas

The Lord is graciously with us at this place. At the close of our meeting last Thursday night, some of the leading men in the town came forward and suggested that we move our tent to a more central location, so that more people might attend the meetings. Several lots were offered to us in the northwest portion of the public square in the town. This was a surprise to us, but we soon recovered from our surprise sufficiently to say "yes."

The next morning one of these men came with his team and helped us move. Before night we were nicely located in our new quarters, with our tent well lighted with electricity, at a cost of about eight cents per night. That evening and the next we had fully one hundred attentive listeners. By invitation, I spoke at the union meeting of the churches to fully one hundred and fifty people. I believe angels of heaven were present. An excellent

spirit prevailed, and a good impression was left upon the minds of the people.

We are all of good courage, and believe we have another good week before us. We need your prayers more than ever.

S. S. Shrock.

East Kansas Camp-meeting

By the time this issue of the OUTLOOK reaches its readers, our camp-meeting at Ft. Scott will be in readiness, and we hope many of our people will be on the ground for the opening service. The rains that have fallen lately have so changed conditions with many that they are now planning to attend the meeting. Truly we have much to be thankful for.

As I have noticed the last few days how quickly the perishing crops have responded to the refreshing showers, and new life has seemed to spring up immediately, I thought if we would respond as readily to the outpouring of the latter rain, how quickly this work could be finished. Let us pray earnestly that during this camp-meeting God will give us a greater hungering and thirsting after righteousness. The work will be finished, and the great question for each of us is, Will I help to finish it?

A book tent will be on the ground with a good assortment of books and tracts, and I trust many will come prepared to take home with them a good supply of these for home missionary work.

L. W. Terry.

St. Louis Mission Field Camp-meeting

We are glad to announce to our people of this field that we are going to have a gathering of this nature. No doubt you all recognize the need of such a meeting, for we are newly organized, and have not had the chance to become acquainted as we should. And what is more important than this is that we need to come apart for a little while to study and seek the Lord together. We want all of you to plan to attend, and we are planning to have all things ready for you when you come.

The meeting will be held near St. Louis, and the date is September 6-13. We expect good help for our meeting, and as Elder Russell has just returned from Europe, he will have many good things for us. Professor Grauer also expects to be with us, so the German people will have help.

We are but few in number in this field, so let all do their best to come. Begin planning and praying now that God may grace this meeting by His presence. Do not forget the children. Provision will be made for them and daily meetings held with them.

We will write you a personal letter, informing you how to reach the camp, and giving other details you desire to know.

C. J. Kunkel.

Winnetoon, Nebraska

The interest at this place continued good until the demands of God's law were presented as being binding upon the followers of Christ at the present time, that our consecration to Him was determined by comparing our lives with His law, and that those who love Him would take pleasure in obeying His commandments. This was a little too testing for the most of them, and they turned away their ears from hearing the truth. The attendance at our meetings has become so small that we have decided to close our public effort here and finish the work at this place by visiting at the homes of those who still have an interest to study.

There are some who are seriously considering the awful doom of the lost and the free gift of eternal life, but they fear they would be unable to hold out. We are seeking God's blessing in their behalf to increase their faith in both His willingness and ability to sustain them, and we ask the prayers of all who read these lines to join us in this request.

Monday, July 23, in company with Brother Cook, I visited Creighton with a view of determining whether there was an opening for us there, and after looking the town over and finding several places we thought would be suitable for our pavilion, we went to see if we could get the privilege of using any of these sites.

Our effort to secure a location was quite discouraging at first, as many of the parties we wanted to see were away from town. We had about given up in despair when we ran across the right man who freely granted us the use of a couple of his lots on the main street from town to the depot, a location we had not noticed.

On Monday, the 31st, we expect to move to that place. Pray for our success.

L. B. Porter.

Holbrook, Nebraska

We have been holding tent meetings at this place since the close of the camp-meeting, June 11. A goodly number of people have been attending from night to night, the tent being well filled every evening. Some have manifested an interest from the start, and as a result of the meetings thus far twelve persons have expressed their determination to keep all the commandments of God, and have begun to do so. Others are very much interested, and we hope to see them start in the path of life.

These people have not as yet been fully instructed on all points, and we ask the prayers of God's people that those who have begun to keep the Lord's Sabbath may be faithful and walk in all the light as it continues to shine upon their pathway.

We rejoice as we read the reports

from the different places, and see that the Lord is working to gather out a people for His name and for a place in His kingdom.

We have had a good deal of opposition here, but the devil is not usually very much concerned unless he is afraid that people are going to walk in the light. The Methodist minister has done what he could to hinder our work, using some very unchristian methods. The Baptist minister who was here when we came was very angry, and one day shook his fist in Elder House's face, threatening to give him a thrashing. These men apparently lost much of their influence as the result of their course, while we gained friends thereby. We are of good courage in the Lord. Pray for the success of the work in Holbrook.

L. B. Schick,
B. L. House.

Omaha, Nebraska

Four new Sabbath-keepers recently took their stand for the truth as the result of the tent meetings held in English. Others are deeply stirred, and the attendance continues at from fifty to one hundred each night. The meetings have been a source of help and encouragement to the members of the Omaha church, who have aided by their presence and in distributing literature. Don't forget that we need your prayers in this great, wicked city.

G. R. Hawkins,
P. A. Field.

Hickman, Nebraska

After nearly seven weeks of hard work in Syracuse, we decided to take down our tent and ship it to Hickman, where the people were anxiously awaiting our coming.

We have nothing very flattering to report of results seen in Syracuse. Some faithful ones took their stand for the truth before we left; others were greatly benefited, so they said, by our being among them, but as a whole the people cared very little for the truth we hold so precious, and manifested it by staying away from the meetings. Miss Zelma Small will stay for a while, working with those who took their stand for the truth, and studying with those who are interested.

While it was with sadness that we felt compelled to leave this pleasure-loving city, yet our prayers shall continually ascend to the throne of God for the worker left on the field and for those whom God has called out of darkness, that they may be faithful watchmen, so that many others may be led to the light of this glorious truth.

Wednesday, July 26, found us already to begin our meetings in Hickman. Our audience the first evening was very small, but the second evening we had an audience of about fifty, though we had a picture show running in opposition to us; and our average

has been about the same each evening since. The people have treated us very kindly, and we hope and pray that a great work may be accomplished here. We desire your prayers. Oh, for a few drops of the latter rain, that our thirsty souls may be revived and the work finished.

V. W. Robb,
C. L. Premer.

The Palmer (Nebraska) Camp-meeting

The camp-meeting at Palmer, Nebr., was held July 24-30. Brethren C. A. Beeson and C. H. Miller are holding tent meetings at this place, and are having a good interest and a steady attendance.

About sixty-five of our people were camped on the grounds, and the truths of the message were received all through the meeting with earnestness and close attention, and the deep, quiet work of the Spirit of God went on from the first service to the close. Before the meeting closed, every soul camped on the ground had surrendered to Christ.

On Sunday morning, a foreign mission service was held. Elder J. W. Christian spoke feelingly of the needs of the work and the privileges we enjoy in having our all on the altar, and some excellent thoughts on giving were read from "Early Writings." This was followed by a social meeting, in which nearly every one present, young and old, took part, and in which each one told how much the Lord had impressed him to give. When the cash and pledges were reckoned up, it was found that this little company had given \$1,130, available by December 1, of this year, and \$1,125 more contingent on the sale of property now in the market, and a few other gifts which will be turned into money a little later. Surely "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy Power."

Children's meetings were held each day, with a good attendance from the town. Miss Pearl Jones had charge of these meetings, which were made intensely interesting for the children.

Brother Miller conducted young people's meeting twice a day, and good results were apparent from the very first.

Prof. F. Griggs and Elder E. A. Curtis were present, in addition to the local laborers, and gave valuable help.

It was a good meeting all through. Many of those present, both laborers and lay members, spoke of it repeatedly as the best camp-meeting they had ever attended. And why should it *not* be so?

M. E. Ellis.

Norfolk, Nebraska

Our hearts swell with gratitude as day by day we behold the working of our God. How precious to know that "the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open to

their cry." We have been busy in this town for about seven weeks. We have learned some precious lessons in our experience in the work of God.

The truth was preached in this place about eight years ago, since which time much prejudice has arisen, and a great many are opposed to the message. We find some, however, who are seeking for the truth and for freedom from the bondage of error, for which we praise the Lord. We trust some will take their stand fully for God.

The majority of the Germans at this place belong to the Lutheran Church, and it is very hard to reach them with this truth. They are strongly wedded to their church, and think they have all the truth they need. In our house-to-house work, we often find it difficult to talk with the people, and in some cases they will not even receive a tract. But it is a comfort to find some people who are hungering for the true gospel, and it inspires one to do all he can to win some of these for the Master. Let us be more diligent in the work of God, who has done so much for us.

The good reports and inspiring articles we read in the Outlook help us to forget the perplexities and obstacles we have to meet.

Every Sabbath we have the privilege of meeting with the brethren of this place. Here is a Sabbath-school of twenty-five members, English, Scandinavians, and Germans. Sister Cotton, our English Bible worker, is doing a good work among the English-speaking people. She also gets some interested to come to our meetings. We are hoping and praying that the Lord will crown our efforts here with success.

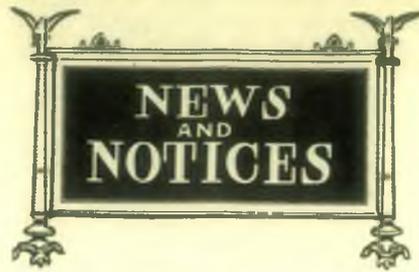
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Obituary

Goodwin.—Purnetia Adelia Goodwin was born June 16, 1877, in Johnson County, Indiana, and died July 25, 1911, in the Montgomery County Hospital, at Independence, Kan. Sister Goodwin was baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1897. She said in her last moments that she felt prepared to meet her Saviour. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, at the home in Independence, Kans. Words of comfort were spoken from Isa. 53:4. A father, husband, three children, four sisters and three brothers, beside a large circle of friends, mourn their loss. The body was taken to Elk City for burial.

John S. Yates.

The diamond unused is still a diamond. And the power unused is not therefore less real. What men do is by no means the measure of what they might do, if they used with a rational energy their powers.



Elder E. T. Russell arrived in College View on Monday of last week. He spent several days in College View, and left for the South Missouri camp-meeting at Springfield, on Thursday evening. On Wednesday night he gave an inspiring talk to quite a large company of people assembled on the sanitarium lawn. His talk was an interesting report of his trip through European countries and of the General Conference Council held at Friedensau, Germany.

All Gone

July 31, 1911, and the August *Signs* magazine all gone. Even though there were printed a great many more than were sold last year, about five thousand more could have been used, but such an advance in sales was not looked for by the publishers. Now the September number is being hurried along, and late August orders will be filled with that grand, good September magazine. Cheer and encouragement. Talk cheer. Talk encouragement. Let us make September a banner month, too. You can sell the magazine with the message.

Will There Be War in Europe?

A question that is stirring every country on the earth. With France and England on one side, and Germany on the other, contending for positions in Africa, it now looks as though there would be. There is strong talk of war. What will come out of it? People are watching the conditions, almost breathlessly. Carry them the truth in the September *Signs* magazine. A complete writeup, concisely stated, and an article that will be interesting and a help to many of its readers. This number is worthy of an unusually wide circulation. Its striking cover and important contents, with good illustrations, are bound to make it a good one for our agents. Order your supply early, through the tract society. This article alone will sell the magazine. People will thank you for bringing it to them.

The September "Signs"

Now ready for delivery, and its striking cover and important contents will appeal to and interest the people.

Wanted.—Work on a farm, for Sabbath-keepers, with a separate home for family. Am strong and able to do all kinds of farm work. Write, stating wages. John H. James.

924 Lincoln Ave.,
Holdrege, Nebr.

Special Notice!

The Central Union Conference, in fostering the work of some of the institutions within its borders, can make good use of some borrowed money. We would be pleased to correspond with any of our people who have money they could loan, to be used in the Lord's work and subject to call on reasonable notice. There is no safer place in this world to place money than in this cause. Great business concerns go down in financial disaster; some of the great banking houses are going to the wall, and these things will increase as the perils of the last days thicken around us, until the hearts of men shall fail them for fear. But who, among Seventh-day Adventists, ever expect to see the grand old message which we all love fail up and go to pieces? If you have money that you could let us have, write and let us know how much you can spare, what rate of interest you would require, and what length of time you would want to loan it for. Address either

E. T. Russell President Central Union Conference, or

A. T. Robinson, Vice-president,
College View, Nebr.



Ownership and Stewardship

MAN'S STEWARDSHIP

In our last study we found that man himself, the world, and everything therein belong to God by double ownership; first, by right of creation, and, second, by right of redemption.

1 Peter 4:10.

What relationship does man sustain to the gifts which God bestows upon him?

"All that we have is from God. He lays His hand upon our possessions, saying, 'I am the rightful owner of the whole universe; these are my goods. Consecrate to Me the tithes and offerings. As you bring these specified goods as a token of your loyalty and your submission to My sovereignty, My blessing shall increase your substance, and you will have abundance.' The Lord has given men His goods upon which to trade. He has made them His stewards, and has placed in their possession money, houses, and lands."—Vol. 9, p. 245.

1 Cor. 4:1.

In relation to the things of this world, how are we to be accounted?

"Every Christian is a steward of God, entrusted with His goods. Let us be sure that we are not robbing God in any jots or tittles; for much is involved in this question. A steward identifies himself with his master. He accepts

the responsibility of a steward, and he must act in his master's stead, doing as his master would do were he presiding. His master's interests become his. The position of steward is one of dignity, because his master trusts him. If in any wise he acts selfishly, and turns the advantages gained by trading with his lord's goods to his own advantage, he has perverted the trust reposed in him."—Vol. 9, p. 246.

1 Cor. 4:2.

What is required on the part of a steward?

THE PARABLE OF THE TALENTS
Matt. 25:14-19.

(1) Whom did the man about to take his journey into a far country call together? Ans.—"His own servants." (2) Whose goods did he deliver to his servants? Ans.—"His goods." (3) Upon what basis was distribution of his goods made among his servants? Ans.—"To every man according to his several ability." (4) What did the man then do? Ans.—"Straightway took his journey." (5) What did the man with the five talents do with them? Ans.—"Traded with the same, and made them other five talents." (6) What use did the man who received two talents make of them? Ans.—"He also gained other two." (7) How about the man who received one talent? Ans.—"He went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money." (8) What happened after a long time? Ans.—"After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them."

Mark 13:34.

Who is represented in the parable by the "man traveling into a far country"?

Isa. 40:10; 62:11.

What is represented in the parable by the lord of those servants coming to reckon with them?

"The parable of the talents has not been fully understood. This important lesson was given to the disciples for the benefit of Christians living in the last days. . . . The parable applies to the temporal means which God has entrusted to us."—Vol. 1, p. 197.

A. T. R.

Cooking Oil.—It is now believed that cotton-seed oil, doubly refined and deodorized, is, for shortening and for all cooking purposes, the best that can be found on the market. For years I have furnished this oil to our people, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It has been highly appreciated and praised by all who have used it. At present I will ship it anywhere in the Central Union Conference, freight prepaid, East of Denver and Pueblo, for \$4.25 per five-gallon can. For five cans or more, \$4.00 per can.

Address R. H. Brock, Kissimmee, Florida, Box 629.

"The works of God, above, below,
Within us and around,
Are pages in that Book to show
How God Himself is found.

West Kansas Canvassing Notes

Brother Shidler continues to do good work in West Reno County.

Walter Liebman accompanied Brother Daily this week, to gain his first experience in canvassing with "Heralds."

Austin Cole is still working faithfully in Edwards County, and says he is of good courage.

Miss Moon and Mrs. Ackerman finished delivering last Tuesday. They were very successful, only losing a very small per cent of their orders.

Eddie Taylor is delivering in Stevens County this week, and Sister Koos is doing good work with "Bible Readings" in Haviland and Pratt.

Brother Daily made a good beginning last week, and we look for something better every week. He is a natural salesman, but the best of it is, he is thoroughly consecrated.

Felix Lorenz is canvassing in Stafford County. While his reports are not as large as others who have had more experience, yet he feels very much encouraged. Brother Lorenz is doing good, faithful, and thorough work, and has found the key to successful gospel salesmanship to be prayer.

On Monday, July 3, Brother Patzkowski and Seth Mohr started out in an automobile, and Brother Patzkowski says: "In spite of the great drought, the hot winds, crop failure, and the temperature ranging from 110 to 115 degrees, we sold in two days \$55.00 worth of books. The remainder of the week I canvassed alone, and took eight orders for 'Daniel and Revelation.'" Here is a verse the boys sent, with a photo of themselves and their car, while they were doing actual canvassing:—
"Patzkowski and Mohr, see how happy they feel,
While canvassing with a big automobile.
They took twenty orders in only two days;
To canvass in Kansas, it certainly pays."

Brother J. E. Patzkowski writes: "I had some thrilling experiences this week. Three times I was ordered to leave. One man cursed the Adventists when he found out who I was. Another chased me from his yard with a flat-iron in his hand and curses on his lips. These experiences were somewhat discouraging at first, but they have taught me to be more earnest and tactful. I am of good courage, and hope to do better this week."

"Thou who has given me eyes to see
And love this sight so fair,
Give me a heart to find out Thee,
And read Thee everywhere."

Nebraska Canvassing Notes

Brother Eugene Sykes is making his headquarters at Hartington for a time.

Brethren Reid and Anderson are meeting with good success in Burt County.

Brother Wm. Wirth has sold nearly enough books to pay for two scholarships at Union College in two months. Who says it is too dry to sell books?

Brother Louis Specht delivered last week in Otoe County. He only lost four orders, two of which were on account of the people having moved away.

On account of illness, Brother Long has not been working the past two weeks. The Lord blessed his work during the previous seven weeks, he having secured orders to the amount of \$620 worth of books.

Brother John Strahle has averaged forty-six hours' work per week, and his sales have averaged \$87 per week. A comparison of exhibitions and orders shows that he has sold a book to an average of about every third person canvassed.

Brother David Harder, one of our youngest canvassers, has had some interesting experiences in Butler County. He secured a recommendation from a Methodist minister for "Great Controversy," which helped him to secure other orders. He begins delivering this week in Otoe County.

Brother Frank Doll, who has been making a successful delivery the past two weeks, is again taking orders. At present he is working in a German settlement. An American living near told him it would be useless for him to work there, as no one had ever been successful in selling books to them. Brother Doll writes: "I think I will try it, anyhow. I have a partner who knows how to meet any nationality successfully, and with His help I hope to make a success among them."

Kansas Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association

The annual meeting of the Kansas Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association will be held on the campground at Ft. Scott, Monday, August 14, 1911, at 4:30 p. m., for the election of such officers as are necessary, and also for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

We trust all our brethren throughout the East Kansas Conference will remember that they are members of this association, and that they have a voice in its business transactions.

H. S. Osterloh, President.

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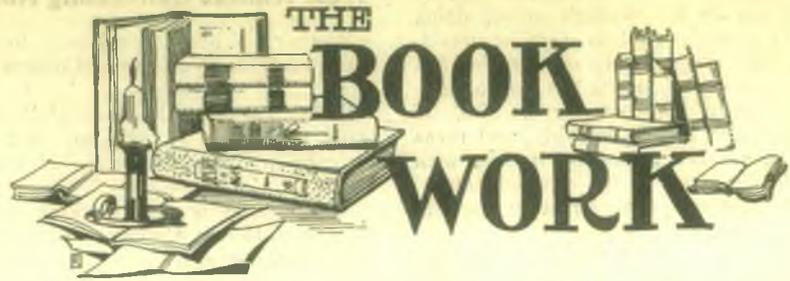
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Canvassers' Report for Week Ending July 28, 1911

	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
West Kansas							
A. W. Cole	G. C.	51	10	\$35 00	\$ 5 25	\$40 25	
Felix Lorenz	G. C.	35	7	26 00	5 25	31 25	
Mrs. E. H. Koos	B. R.	49	6	16 25	7 00	23 25	
*M. W. Shidler	B. R.	86	19	70 00	3 60	73 60	
J. E. Patzkowski	D. & R.	46	17	54 50		54 50	
Irving Daily	Heralds	27	2	4 00	5 15	9 15	
Agents, 6		294	61	205 75	26 25	232 00	
Nebraska							
Eugene Sykes	B. R.	43	7	25 50	3 00	28 50	3 00
David Harder	B. R.	22	6	18 00		18 00	
J. H. Loomer	D. & R.	33	17	54 95		54 95	3 00
C. S. Campbell	D. & R.		17	56 00		56 00	
J. J. Strahle	P. G.	46	23	84 50		84 50	
Alfonso Anderson	P. G.	45	10	42 00		42 00	9 00
J. H. Reid	P. G.	42	11	43 50	3 05	46 55	3 50
Frank Doll	P. G.	36	11	41 50		41 50	
Merton Helligso	P. G.	31	6	23 00		23 00	
J. M. Ferguson	P. G.	30	5	17 50		17 50	
Howard Wilson	P. G.	20	2	7 00		7 00	
Louis Specht	P. G.						117 50
Wm. Wirth	P. G.	42	11	41 50		41 50	
Agents, 13		390	126	454 95	6 05	461 00	136 00
Wyoming							
*Howard Holladay	G. C.		2	6 00	2 00	8 00	
*Ora Pierce	D. & R.	27	2	8 00	3 50	11 50	
Agents, 2		27	4	14 00	5 50	19 50	
Grand totals: Agents, 21		711	191	674 70	37 80	712 50	136 00
*Two weeks							

West Kansas Conference Association

The West Kansas Seventh-day Adventist Conference Association (a corporation of the state of Kansas) will hold its first annual meeting in connection with the annual camp-meeting to be held at Wichita, Kansas, August 31 to September 10, 1911.

The first meeting of the Association will be held Monday, Sept. 4, at 11:00 a. m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and a board of trustees for the ensuing year, and to transact such business as may properly pertain to the association.

All duly accredited delegates to the annual conference of Seventh-day Adventists of West Kansas are entitled to participate in the business of this association.

N. T. Sutton,
President;
E. T. Harris,
Secretary.

West Kansas Conference

The first annual session of the West Kansas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the camp-meeting at Wichita, Kansas, August 31 to September 10, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year and transacting such other business as may be brought before the conference. The first meeting of the session will be held September 1, at 9:00 a. m. Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization, and one additional delegate for each fifteen members, or fractional majority.

N. T. Sutton,
President;
E. T. Harris,
Secretary.

The Kansas Conference Association

There will be a meeting of the Kansas Seventh-day Adventist Conference Association, in connection with the East Kansas camp-meeting, to be held at Fort Scott, Kansas, August 10-20, 1911, for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

E. Harris, Secretary;
L. W. Terry, President.

Canvassing in East Kansas

Alpha Davis: "I was so foolish to worry over my delivery, for the Lord gave me 100 per cent delivery in three towns, and only lost four orders in the other. If God helps us to get the orders, He will help us deliver them."

Joseph Phillips: "Oh, it is just glorious to work in the city, for you can see so many people, and they just treat you so fine; many times ask you to come back and tell them more of the blessed truth."

John B. Aitken: "Sometimes the battle goes a little hard, but I am not discouraged, and my desire is to keep on canvassing until the Lord wants me to do something else."

"As God blesses the minister and the evangelist in their efforts to place the truth before the people, so He will bless the faithful canvasser."

Little Willie Stensgaard is doing nicely in Ft. Scott with "Heralds" and the *Watchman*. He also sells a great many Bibles. Willie is having some good experiences, as many people ask him questions regarding what the ministers are preaching at the tent, for they see him around there evenings. This gives him a chance to keep the brethren posted as to who are interested, and also puts him on his guard to be able to give a reason for his hope.

Our camp-meeting is right upon us, and we are hoping and praying that many more of our young people will be impressed with the valuable training which they will receive from this branch of our work. Yes, it is hard work, very hard work, but you are not expecting anything else when you engage in a work in opposition to the "Prince of darkness," are you?

E. T. Wilson.

"For all who are disheartened there is but one remedy,—faith, prayer, and work."