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

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## Central Union Conference Directory

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## The Church of God

Hail, church of God, come list to me,  
The while my tuneful harp I bring;  
List while I raise loud notes of praise,  
And sweetest songs of Zion sing.  
Come, ye who weep 'mid sorrows deep,  
And ye whose hearts are lone and sore,  
Whose love is dead, whose hope is fled,  
Who dream of earthly joys no more.  
Have ye forgot, 'mid earth's dull grief,  
That glorious country bright and fair,  
That pearly gate where angels wait  
To bid us loving welcome there?  
Have ye forgot that day of days,—  
That long, bright journey to the skies?  
With angel guide close by our side,  
On tireless pinions we shall rise!  
Have ye forgot? Lift up your head!  
That glad day hasteth on apace;  
And escorts bright from realms of light

Like horsemen gather for the race.  
Arise, ye dead, from dusty bed,  
From desert waste and ocean cave;  
'Mid trumpets' blare they cleave the air,  
With shouts of victory o'er the grave.

Transporting thought! earth is forgot;  
Up, up! on wings of rapture fly;  
Away, away toward endless day  
And endless glory in the sky,  
Sweeping along, a glorious throng,  
Past suns and systems blazing bright,  
Celestial bars, and countless stars,  
And dark, abysmal depths of night.  
—Selected.



## Union Educational Workers

M. B. Van Kirk

Since my election to the office of educational secretary of the Central Union Conference, I have been getting acquainted with the different conferences in the union through correspondence. Of course, being at this distance from the field, and being unacquainted with the conditions which prevail in the union and local conferences, it is very difficult for me to say very much about the work being done. However, as far as I can learn, a good amount of work has been done in the schools throughout the union, and the academies have been well filled, and the interest in all educational lines seems to be good.

Some changes in the plans for the summer school and assistance usually given to church school teachers were

made at the last session of the union conference, and, naturally, these plans do not meet the minds of all, but in correspondence which has been carried on between myself and the superintendents throughout the union, I have found a spirit of cooperation. The same is true on the part of the principals of the academies.

Now, I am certain that no plan will be a success unless every one who is concerned in the plan does his very best to make it a success. If we all stand by and look on, and say "that is not my plan, I can not see how it can work, and I will not have anything to do with it," it will not be a success. or if it is a success, it will not meet the measure it might if every one would come in and do his best.

The plan to hold a local institute in each conference was voted at the union meeting. Since this is the plan, it seems to me that all the church-school teachers, church elders, and our brethren and sisters should try to make it a success. The superintendent should see that the church school teachers attend the institutes, and we should try to make the most of the opportunities; then if it does not meet our needs, other plans can be laid another year.

There may be some delay in the sending out of the certificates to the students who passed the different examinations this spring, caused largely from the fact that the general department has been unable to get the lithograph work completed thus far. A new form of certificate was adopted last year, and it is our desire to use this new form this year, but I wish to assure the ones concerned that just as soon as the returns from the examinations reach the union office after June 4, the certificates will be made out and

mailed to the parties who are to receive them.

It is my plan to be in College View on June 3, the Lord willing. All mail after June 1 should be addressed to me at College View.

We hope for a full cooperation all along the line.

### Strode Academy and St. Louis

Frederick Griggs

I recently had the pleasure of visiting Strode Academy and our people in St. Louis, Mo. Elder Meade MacGuire was just concluding a series of revival meetings at the time I visited the academy. The meetings had borne much fruit. A company of six were baptized, and all the students and teachers were greatly blessed. A social meeting which I attended was especially marked by the splendid testimonies of victory and courage. No one can witness such a work in our schools and not be thankful that we have these schools.

Strode Academy is doing an excellent grade of work, and has in attendance a fine class of students. Those graduating this year will engage in teaching and other lines of gospel work. The experiences which these young people have in actual field work will only make their advanced school work in college the more valuable and practical.

We are very anxious that the young men and women graduated from our conference schools should, after some field work, continue their studies in our union conference college, for we so much need well educated and highly trained minds in this closing work that every young man and woman should plan for school work in advance of our academies.

I visited St. Louis, in company with Elder E. T. Russell. Here we found several young persons whose minds are turning toward Union College. Our churches in these great cities have an especial burden resting upon them to care for their youth, as these cities present great dangers to the spiritual interests of such. The love of money and gain so prevalent in them needs to be overcome by a love for souls and this message. The children should be in the church schools and the youth in one of our academies or in our college. Indeed, it is only through great diligence that we hope to save our youth to our work.

Learning without thought is labor lost.

### Strode Academy Notes

J. B. White

All appreciated the visit of Professor Griggs and the instruction that he gave.

There will be seven graduates from the academy, and about twelve finish the eighth grade.

Commencement takes place Tuesday night, May 21. Elder MacGuire will deliver the class address. Elder Kennedy will deliver the baccalaureate sermon the Sabbath preceding.

All the boys in the Home are planning on entering some line of the work during the summer, also many of the girls. There is an enthusiastic band of canvassers that is going to make things "hum" as soon as school closes.

Last Monday, ten were baptized by Brother MacGuire. This makes twenty-three that have been baptized during the school year. Nearly all the above number are connected with the school. Every student in the Home has been converted and baptized. We can say to the Lord be all the praise.

One more month closes the most prosperous year of the academy. The students are practically all staying until school is out. The attendance the entire year has been very regular, there being very little dropping out. All have taken a deep interest in their studies, and have a definite idea of finishing a course.

### Union College Notes

Chaney L. Premer

The interest in the canvassing work is increasing among the students of Union College. The institute which is being conducted by Elder Bellah and Brother Abegg is well attended. Various classes have been organized for special study of the books that are to be handled. Quite a large number of students are definitely planning to enter the canvassing field as soon as school closes.

Elder Mills, pastor of the College View union church, gave a splendid chapel talk Tuesday morning on the subject, "Higher Education." He showed clearly that the only knowledge that will be ultimately worth while is the knowledge of God. His words were appreciated by all.

Mrs. Judd, of Battle Creek, Mich., is visiting her son, Alfred, who is attending college, and other relatives in College View a few days this week.

Mr. Alvis Dick is visiting his brother, E. D. Dick, a few days this week.

Miss Lulu B. Hiatt is enjoying a visit from her sister Carrie this week.

Doctor Paulson, of Hinsdale, Ill., paid Union College a very pleasant visit Tuesday and Wednesday, April 23 and 24. He spoke to the students three times during his short stay. His testimony for the Lord was powerful and made a profound impression upon all. He urged us to aim high in life, then ask and expect God to help us reach the mark. All were greatly benefited and encouraged by his visit.

### Present Day Misinformation

Dr. Fredrick Burk, president of the San Francisco Normal School, announces that hereafter the institution will examine students upon such subjects as have a vital bearing upon life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness in the home, society and the state, rather than on ancient and mediaeval history.

In a pamphlet sent to high school teachers he attacks the present educational tendencies and prints answers received in a state-wide examination of high school students on current topics. Here are some of the answers given:

"Samuel Gompers—The king of democrats, member of congress.

"Booker T. Washington—The assassin of Lincoln.

"Portirie Diaz—An early Portugese explorer.

"La Follette—The governor of California.

"Charles Darwin—One of the plotters against Scotland in the time of Mary Queen of Scots.

"Are our American schools preparing Roman citizens?" asks Dr. Burk, after noting that concerning Cassius, a Roman political insurgent, living before Christ, ninety per cent of the answers were correct. Do we live B. C. or A. D?"

A canvassers' institute will be held in connection with the Hastings Intermediate School, in Hastings, Nebr., May 2-5. Elder Bellah will be present most of the time. We extend an invitation to all who can do so to attend this institution.

W. A. Long.



## East Kansas Conference

W.F. Kennedy, Pres. B. M. Emerson, Sec'y  
M. P. Manny, Field Miss. Agt.  
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### Missionary Gardening

We want to tell the children of the Central Union what we are doing and have been doing in the missionary gardening work. Last year the Sabbath-school made a special donation and gave each child five or ten cents to invest and make grow for the Lord, about twenty taking nickels or dimes, and pledging themselves to do what they could to make it increase. Many planted garden stuff, some set hens, and when the first returns were in, reinvested it, until when the Harvest Ingathering services were held in the fall, we had nearly \$27.00 for missions. Here is the way one little girl did. She started with five cents, bought five eggs which she placed in her mother's incubator. She got five chicks which she sold to a neighbor for twenty-five cents, and bought eggs again and set them, getting fourteen chicks which she sold for five cents each, again investing in eggs. This time she hatched thirty-two chicks, which she sold at once, and placed one hundred eggs in the incubator, selling the chicks as before. By this time the season was getting late, so she did not again set the incubator but hatched a few choice eggs under hens, for which she realized 98 cents. She received in all six dollars and three cents from her nickel.

While none of the others did so well they made good and are enthusiastically entering into the plan again this spring. With a little money we had left which was not taken out for gardening we bought copies of *Life and Health* in October, the children selling them. We have a committee of three ladies, one of whom acts as secretary and treasurer. While we feel gratified with the amount of money raised, we feel that a greater good has been accomplished in training the children to take responsibilities and developing in them the missionary spirit—love of God and His truth.

Ottawa (Kansas) Sabbath-school  
Missionary Gardening Dept.

### Notes by the Way

E. T. Russell

Following the council meeting held in Topeka April 14, noticed in last week's OUTLOOK, in company with Professor Griggs, I spent April 15-17 in St. Louis. Three public services were held during our visit. Unity and harmony prevail in the English, German, and colored churches, and there seems to be a bright prospect for the future of the work in St. Louis.

From the 18th to the 22d, I spent at the Clinton German Seminary. I found the institution running along quite well and doing good work. There is an earnest and faithful class of students in attendance. A board meeting was held at which were present Brethren Terry, Ogden, Haffner, Grauer, Witzke, Ebal, and the writer. In harmony with the request of Professor Grauer, he was released from the duties of business manager of the seminary, in order that he might be free to spend time in the field in the interest of the seminary. He was asked to continue as president of the seminary. Professor Harder was re-elected as Bible instructor, and Miss Winnie Hunt as instructor in English. I spoke several times while at Clinton, and the good Spirit of the Lord was present in all the meetings.

April 23 and 24, I was at Downs, Kans., where I attended a meeting of the Hill Agricultural Academy, where they have a nice school plant, worth about \$10,000. Professor Leffingwell and his assistants have been doing faithful work, and the Lord has blessed their efforts. There were present at the board meeting, Brethren Sutton, Osterloh, McCroskey, Hill, Down, McComas, and the writer. The faculty for the coming year was elected

### South Missouri Conference

L. W. Terry, Pres. Ralph Rhodes, Sec'y  
F. L. Limerick, Miss. Agt.  
520 West Lynn St., Springfield, Mo.

### Office Notes

Ralph Rhodes

Brother W. A. Clute stopped at the office last week on his way to Webb City, where he will canvass for "Easy Steps" during the summer.

Brother Terry spent a day at the office last week on his way to Carthage, where Brother Meade MacGuire is helping in a meeting.

The home of Brother F. E. Lain, at Poplar Bluff, was destroyed by fire on April 10.

Our canvassers are now enjoying nice weather, and are sending in good reports.

We are in receipt of \$100 tithes from the new company at Cole Camp.

Brother E. L. Carman, of Tyrone, Mo., and Miss Hila Maud Perrin, of Corning, Iowa, were married at the office April 17 by Elder L. W. Terry. They will remain with Brother Carman's parents during the summer, on a farm near Tyrone, but expect later to enter the work, as both are graduate nurses.

Brother L. F. Thomas, who has been selling only Bibles and small books, took one each of "Great Controversy" and "Bible Readings," for samples, a short time ago, as he did not know the canvass for either, and has several orders just north of Springfield.

We have just received over \$100 from a little company of five tithe-payers.

Brother W. J. Maxwell, of Turners, was a visitor at the office a few days ago. Several new families of Adventists have recently moved to Turners.

### West Colorado Conference

E. A. Curtis Pres. J. L. Humbert, Sec.  
122 So. 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

J. L. Humbert

Elder H. M. J. Richards made us a pleasant call on the 16th. He had been at Palisades on business.

Prof. N. W. Kauble and wife have gone from Palisades to Galt, Cal. The professor has been employed as Bible teacher at Lodi the coming school year. A farewell reception was given them at the home of Brother and Sister Walker.

Elder G. F. Watson and younger son, O. B. Watson, visited his elder son, Harry, and family at Palisades early in the month. While there they held some very profitable meetings.

Elder Curtis went to Palisades last Friday, and remained till Monday. He was assisting the brethren in matters pertaining to the school, etc. He expects to preach there again next Sabbath.

Brother J. A. Neilsen, our former office man, has moved his family into

the country between Grand Valley and Rifle. From there he will help the various churches within reach more or less, as opportunity offers during the summer. Their address is Route 2, Rifle, Colo.

Mrs. F. A. Washburn, our former Sabbath-school secretary, who has just finished a course of stenography and bookkeeping, was called to her home, Blair, Nebr., a few days ago because of the sickness of her sister. She is hoping soon to either take up Bible work in St. Louis or office work in one of our institutions.

A conference committee meeting was held in Grand Junction on the 16th. It was voted that Elder and Sister Spriggs go from Fruita to Routt County for a while, and that Elder Curtis visit the southern portion of our conference before the tent season begins. It was planned to have two tents in the field this year. Elder Andress was not able to attend. He is holding meetings in a schoolhouse near Delta.

Recent letters, orders, and remittances from the Western Colorado brethren evince good courage and strong determination to help finish the work in this generation. During the religious liberty campaign, the collections amounted to \$42.82, and 220 yearly subscriptions for the *Protestant Magazine* and 49 for *Liberty* were received, also one order for 20 copies of the "Thomas Jefferson" and "Free Press" number. The *Instructor Temperance Annual* work is now on, and 912 copies have been ordered thus far. Our Sabbath-schools donated \$51.13 on "dollar day." Hearty responses to the call for mission investments keep coming in, and these investments range all the way from a hen's summer labor to the yield of ten Jonathan apple trees.

### Nebraska Conference

Pres. J. W. Christian, College View, Nebr.  
Sec'y Pearl E. Jones, Hastings, Nebr.  
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Office Address  
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### A General Meeting

J. W. Christian.

It was arranged by Brethren Porter and Field to hold a general meeting at Valentine April 16-21 to accommodate our brethren living in the northwestern part of the conference. There were representatives from Mer-

riman, Cody, Arabia and Ainesworth. The services were held in the neat little church built in Valentine two years ago.

From the very beginning a marked desire to study the Word and to seek a closer walk with God by confession and the putting away of sin was evident. We held an average of five meetings each day, covering various features of the work but with a special design to get acquainted anew with God. It was a feast of good things to us all from the very beginning. Friday evening and all day Sabbath was especially marked with the sacred presence of the Lord. Not a large company was present as the brethren live so scattered, but every one of those in attendance either renewed their consecration or gave their hearts to God for the first time. It was a time of solemn, deep heart-searching on the part of all.

Sabbath afternoon and until Sunday noon it rained and snowed, but as there were no flowers on the hats or powder or paint on the face, no one had to stay away for the sake of pride and even the unbelievers came through the storm to the services. Sunday noon the sun came out clear and warm and we repaired to the banks of the river Minnechadusa where eight dear souls were baptized by Elder Porter. It was a solemn scene. Quietness and strict order was observed as one by one these dear ones were buried with their Lord in the watery grave. On the banks of the river, beside the believers, had gathered about one hundred of the dwellers of Valentine to witness the scene. It was a beautiful sight and what rejoicing it must have caused in heaven!

We met again at the church for a business meeting. These candidates and a few others on profession of faith were received into church fellowship. A full corps of church officers were elected. Brother Fred Wilbur will serve as elder, Brother Peterson as deacon. A most cordial spirit exists among the members of this little church.

Brethren Porter and Field have worked untiringly in this sparsely settled country since the conference in College View, most of the time in the country about twenty-five miles from railroad. Not a discouraging note did they sound. Their hearts are in the work and they are willing to "endure" for the sake of the gospel which is more dear to them than all else. It is planned for them to spend a few days in their home after this meeting,

having been gone for ten weeks.

Our study of foreign mission work was heartily appreciated, and a liberal spirit shown in the sustaining of the work. What was raised was put in on the Investment Fund. Though poor in the things of this world, their hearts yearn for the final triumph of the cross and they are willing to sacrifice. May the Lord of the harvest richly reward these dear isolated ones.

### North Platte

C. H. Miller

The work here is progressing slowly. We have been spending our time in personal work and circulation of tracts. At the time just prior to the election, we circulated 400 *Temperance Instructors*, 600 "Black Valley Railroad Time Table" and 500 "Shall the Liquor Traffic Be Continued?" While the election did not result in putting out the saloon, yet we made many friends by the effort. Outside of what we did, very little was done by any of the other churches.

One of our readers with whom we had been studying died, and the funeral was held in our church.

Last Sabbath evening, a brother to one of the sisters in the church was killed by the train, and we were called upon to conduct the funeral. The body was buried at Paxton, Nebr.

One family with whom we were studying and who were taking hold of the truth, moved out near Gandy.

The enemy has been working hard to defeat the work here. Some, however, are keeping the Sabbath, and we trust will, after further work, unite fully with us.

### Office Notes

M. E. Ellis

Brother E. L. Cook has returned to his work at Petersburg, after spending a few days at home.

Miss Fannie Adams, of Union College, was out with the *Temperance Instructor* a few days during vacation, and sold 474 copies.

We have found it necessary to send for another 2,000 *Temperance Instructors*. This makes 7,350 ordered this year so far.

The Grand Island church has sent a copy of the *Temperance Instructor* to every school teacher in Hall County. It took just 150 copies.

Sister Ida M. Fulk, of Atlanta, called at the office last week. She and her husband were on their way home from Lincoln where they had been visiting their son.

A letter just received from one of our isolated sisters tells that through the reading of books which she has sold another lady has just begun the observance of the Sabbath.

We have just received Sister M. A. Eldrege's order for 550 of the May magazines. This makes 2350 magazines ordered by Sister Eldrege so far this year.

At the Cortland church the Investment Fund was taken up Sabbath, April 13, and from a congregation numbering nineteen, sixteen investments were secured ranging from a dozen roosters to an acre of corn.

W. A. Long, of Union College, our new state agent, spent Sabbath, April 20, in Hastings. He worked up so much canvassing enthusiasm in the intermediate school while here, that an institute is being arranged for, to be held early in May.

### Wyoming Conference

D. U. Hale, Pres. Asa Smith, Sec'y  
H. A. Fish, Field Agt.  
CRAWFORD, NEBR.

### Northern Wyoming

H. E. Reeder

During the latter half of March and the first half of April, I have visited the company at Buffalo and the church at Sheldon and the scattered ones at New Castle, Pedro, Cambria, and Upton.

At Buffalo where we held tent meetings last summer a nice little company of about ten earnest souls are rejoicing in the light of the truth.

Regular Sabbath meetings have been maintained there ever since the tent meeting closed. Brother and Sister Fish remained with the company holding cottage meetings and Bible readings from house to house until about November 15. As a result of this follow-up work, two have begun the observance of the Sabbath, and others are manifesting a good interest. We think this company will be ready for organization in a short time.

At Cambria I found Brother R. M. Lamie, who is working in the coal mines, striving to hold up the light of the message among that large

company of miners, many of whom are foreigners. Brother J. P. Fredrickson is also at Cambria, engaged in selling dry goods.

At Pedro I had the pleasure for the first time of meeting Brother J. F. Stenberg who recently came to our conference from Colorado.

At Sheldon I visited the scattered members of the church, and presided at a meeting at which Brother B. F. Abbott was elected as church elder.

At New Castle I enjoyed a three days' visit at the hospitable home of Brother and Sister B. B. Barrett.

May God's choicest blessings attend these scattered ones as they endeavor to live out the truth before their neighbors.

### Notes by the Way

D. U. Hale

After a long delay, it was my privilege to visit the company at Lander the first of April. They have been waiting for help for some time. While they were somewhat torn by dissensions and strife, yet we are glad to say that we found them honest in what they were doing, and this fact made the matters more easily settled. It makes no difference what the differences between people may be, if they are honestly blinded, they will see and follow the right way when it is presented. It is stubbornness that is hardest to deal with. And that kind that will not see after they are shown is the kind of stubbornness that God says "is as iniquity and idolatry." 1 Sam. 15:23. We thank the Lord we did not find any of that kind in Lander. We hope it will never develop there.

The church was organized with a full set of officers. The Sabbath-school was also reorganized, and will start out to get the most good possible from the lessons. When we left the church, there was a note of courage from every one to whom we spoke.

We spent one day with Brother Berch at Hudson. He is getting his bees out ready for work among the spring flowers as soon as they appear. We had a heavy snow, but it was about all gone when we left, and the flowers will soon be out.

We also had a pleasant visit with Brother Butterfield at Shoshoni. He is getting ready for spring farming. His irrigation ditch is about complete.

While at Shoshoni, we had the pleasure of meeting Sister Porter, of Denver, Colo. She has settled on a claim on the Shoshoni Indian reservation. She was glad to meet those of like

precious faith. Arrangements were made here for Sabbath-school.

Sabbath, April 13, was spent at the Pleasant Valley church. Its name at this time was a misnomer, for we were caught in the worst blizzard of the season. We made out to get to the church house in the midst of the driving snow, but most who came got no further home than Brother Hahn's until Sunday noon. We surely appreciated a good shelter and warm room, shut in from the raging elements outside.

We were called from here to attend the funeral of Sister Jennie Stewart, who died from a paralytic stroke. She was buried Tuesday, April 16.

We are now at Lisco, waiting to go out to the church, where we are to have meeting to-night, April 19.

### The Canvassing Work

H. A. Fish

I will be at Hemingford May 5, and would be pleased to meet all who are planning to go out in the canvassing work in our conference this summer. We will spend a few days together studying some general principles of the canvassing work and studying our prospectuses, that we may be able to present to the people our truth-laden books in an acceptable manner.

It may not be necessary for those who have had institute privileges or years' experience in field work to attend. Elder Hale promised to be there. So come, and we will have a good season together.

### Office Notes

Asa Smith

J. H. Wheeler of Marsland was a caller at the office the first of last week. He was called to Crawford to assist in conducting the funeral of Sister Jennie Stewart.

W. F. Russell, who has been living at Upton for the past two years, writes that they will move back to their ranch near the Sheldon church for the summer.

Mrs. B. B. Barrett of Newcastle, Wyo., reports that Elder Reeder recently visited there and held some Bible readings which were very much appreciated.

C. E. Rosenberger of Hemingford, Nebr., sends a check for \$60 as the proceeds of his Investment of one acre of potatoes and one acre of

wheat last year for Missions.

A meeting of the conference committee has been called to convene at the office in Crawford on April 30. Among other matters to be considered is the camp-meeting and the making of arrangements therefor.

Valentine Chapman, who is attending the Wyoming Intermediate school, thought he would take a little practice in canvassing in order to be better prepared for his summer's work. He spent a few hours one day and took seven dollars worth of orders.

Ora G. Pierce, who canvassed in the Platte River Valley last summer, writes from Hot Springs, S. Dak., where he has been during the winter, that he hopes to enter the canvassing work again this summer.

Brother H. A. Fish is now at Union College attending the canvassers' institute. As soon as he returns, he will spend a week at the Wyoming Intermediate school giving instructions to those who expect to take up the work in our conference.

Born to Mr. and Mr. Jennings of Sheridan, Wyo. April 15th., a son. Mrs. Jennings will be remembered by many as Pearl Leech who spent some time in the Wyoming Intermediate school a year ago last winter.

Elder Hale was called from Marsland the first of last week to conduct the funeral of Sister Jennie Stewart. On Wednesday he left the office for Hemingford and the next day he went to Lisco to hold quarterly meeting with the church. He hopes to be able to visit the brethren near Sidney before he returns to the office.

Up to the present time there has been received \$280.52 as a result of last year's Missionary Investment plan. We sincerely hope that the present year will give us much greater returns. The prospects for crops were never better in this part of the country. We are looking forward with much interest to the result of this work this summer.

It is reported that Elder J. J. Nethery and family who have been laboring in England for several years, were passengers on the ill-fated Titanic which collided with an iceberg off the Newfoundland Banks and sank carrying down with her about twelve hundred souls. So far as we have

been able to learn from the papers, their names are not among the list of those rescued. Elder Nethery was a worker in the Wyoming Conference before going abroad. His wife is the daughter of Brother and Sister Albert Hedgecock who lived at Hemingford for so many years. Their many friends will hope that Brother and Sister Nethery are still among the living. These terrible disasters by land and sea are only additional evidences that we are nearing the end.

### North Missouri Conference

A. R. Ogden, Pres. Allie Guthrie, Sec'y  
F. L. Limerick, Field Miss. Agt.  
Utica, Mo.

### Kansas City, Mo.

V. Nutter

On his return east from the Pacific Coast, Elder K. C. Russell spent Sabbath with the Kansas City church.

During the morning service, Elder Russell dwelt upon the needs of the church at this time, and pointed out some of the dangers that confront the church that is not awake to the conditions surrounding us.

During the afternoon service, some of the important principles of religious liberty were presented. The struggles for religious legislation and the various organizations that are active in its advancement were dwelt upon, showing that Seventh-day Adventists are practically the only people who are actively opposing religious legislation.

Many remained after the meeting till about seven o'clock, talking of the truths presented and asking various questions upon the subject. We were sorry that Elder Russell could not remain with us longer. These visits from our general workers bring us cheering messages from the field, and encourage us to move forward into more active missionary endeavor.

Elder E. T. Russell, of the Central Union Conference, spent the following Sabbath with us, and delivered a helpful discourse from Isa. 43:24. Elder Russell showed that the Lord is burdened and wearied with our sins when we cling to them and refuse to walk wholly in His ways. The Lord is anxious to pardon the sins of His people. Elder Russell also emphasized the importance of forsaking our sins, and the fact that when we do, we will put away all differences between us, and will render to the Lord the tithe and offerings.

The Kansas City church appreciates these visits from our general workers,

and it is our purpose to manifest a stronger zeal in the advancement of the message.

### Kansas City Notes

Brethren A. R. Ogden and J. C. Bradley spent Sabbath with us on their way to Clinton.

The new building of the Pacific Press Publishing Association is well under way.

The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society gave a very interesting program Sabbath, April 20th., taking the time of the regular morning hour. The program was filled with a real missionary spirit, and all felt they had been greatly blessed.

### West Kansas Conference

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### Canvassers' Institute

L. R. Ackerman

On March 21, our spring canvassers' institute began with a small attendance but a big interest. During the ten days of the institute, we were privileged to have Brother Bellah with us most of the time. At the two o'clock hour each day Brother Bellah gave some most valuable talks on "Gospel Salesmanship". The service at this hour was well attended by those interested in the canvassing work.

A very interesting feature of the institute was the instruction given to the magazine workers by the Misses Clara and Maggie Ogden. Miss Clara has made a success of the magazine work, and her practical suggestions and selling points were greatly appreciated.

Four workers were prepared to enter the field, but one of them, Brother Miller, whose health has not been very good for some time, has decided to spend a few weeks on the farm. We hope to see Brother Miller improve rapidly, and to soon have him out on the firing line, where he has done such good work in the past.

We are glad to have Brother Ray Callender take up this grand work. It is Brother Callender's first experience, but we know from the way he is going at it that he means to make a success of it. He has burned all the bridges behind him and did not buy a round-trip ticket to the field. We feel that Brother Callender is a valuable addition to our force of

workers. With his "benzine wagon" he will be able to cover lots of territory, and do splendid work.

Brother Austin Cole has again put on the canvassing harness, and we are glad to see him in the field again. May much of the Lord's blessing go with these earnest young men as they endeavor to give the message to the waiting people in West Kansas. The next two weeks the writer expects to spend in the field with these young men.

May 10 is the date set for an institute to be held at the Hill Industrial Academy. From there we are looking for several good strong workers to go out for the season to do a good work for the Master.

May all of these workers glorify their Father in heaven by "bearing much fruit."

### Niles and Bennington

B. H. Shaw

I began a series of meetings in a schoolhouse about three miles from Niles. Our attendance has been irregular from the first, as this is a busy time here. A number are deeply interested in present truth, and we are earnestly working to increase the attendance and lead interested ones to the decision we desire to see them make.

Our Sabbath-school at Verdi, four miles west of here, is encouraging. It has about thirty members now, and we are hoping to see our present meeting increase the Sabbath-school attendance.

A small but interesting Sabbath-school is also conducted at Bennington.

My prayer is for more of the power of God to melt cold hearts and break down prejudice and indifference.

### Field Notes

N. T. Sutton

Brother Huffman, auditor of the Central Union Conference, is auditing the conference and tract society books this week.

Brother L. R. Ackerman will spend a short time in Salina, where he will locate a company of canvassers.

Austin Cole and Ray Callendar left Hutchinson Tuesday for Salina, where they expect to canvass.

The Hill Academy board will meet at the academy, Tuesday, April 23. It is expected that Elder E. T. Russell will meet with the board at this time.

Sister Emma Callendar has been spending a few days with friends in Hutchinson. She returned Wednesday to Wichita, where she is canvassing for "Patriarchs and Prophets."

Miss Eunice Crawford left for Wellington Wednesday to attend the educational and young people's convention at that place, Sabbath and Sunday, April 20 and 21.

At the quarterly meeting with the Liberal church last Sunday, three persons united with the church, two by letter and one on confession of faith.

Brother J. F. Forshee, of Logan, will soon be in the field again. Brother Forshee is a book-seller, and we are sure that many homes in West Kansas will be blessed by his placing books in them this summer.

Brother M. W. Shidler will enter the canvassing work again as soon as his school closes. Brother Shidler knows how to get our good books into the homes of the people. We bespeak his success the coming season.

Miss Maggie Ogden and the writer spent Sabbath and Sunday, April 13 and 14, with the Liberal church, where they held a young people's convention on Sabbath. Miss Ogden returned to Hutchinson Sunday evening, on her way to Wichita.

The past winter has been one of the most severe winters we have passed through for many years, and has hindered the advancement of the work to a certain extent. The snow is now gone, and the fields are carpeted with green. There never has been a better prospect for a wheat crop in Western Kansas than we have at this time, and we trust that it will materialize into a crop for the advancement of God's cause in all the earth.

At the present time, the workers are at the following places: Elder S. S. Shrock is laboring among the German churches; Elder A. S. Bringle is holding meetings at Naron; Elder M. G. Huffman is at Wakeeney; Brother Nott is at Preston; Brother H. L. Shafer is at Wichita; Brother Orno Follett is at Garden City; and Brother B. H. Shaw is laboring near Verdi.

The reports which have come from the above mentioned places are very encouraging, and we are expecting a

good harvest of souls from these united efforts. We trust that the OUTLOOK family will remember these dear laborers in their earnest efforts to win souls to Jesus.

We are very glad to see the tried canvassers entering the field of battle this spring. With such good prospects for a crop, success can only attend the God-fearing canvasser. Any one who desires to enter the canvassing work and thus help to finish the work, write to L. R. Ackerman, 508 Fifth Street, East, Hutchinson, Kans. The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few.

### Young People's Convention

Contributed without Signature.

The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society of Liberal, Kans., was greatly benefited by the convention held here. There were with us Elder Sutton and Sister Maggie Ogden. We had three sessions which were attended by a goodly number which was very encouraging to the young people. The program was composed of very important articles which were followed by discussions bringing out many new thoughts.



Brother S. J. Abegg, of Kansas City, is assisting Elder C. G. Bellah in conducting a canvassers' institute at Union College.

Elders E. T. Russell and J. W. Christian were in Hastings, Nebr., on Sabbath, Sunday, and Monday last, where, we learn with interest, were held the graduating exercises of the first class who have completed the nurses' training course in the Hastings Sanitarium. The OUTLOOK extends congratulations to the members of the class.

Elder A. T. Robinson preached in the Lincoln church last Sabbath, using as his text, the words of the apostle, "For ye see your calling, brethren." The discourse was a setting forth of the "High calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Brother Chris Sund, of North Platte, Nebraska, in a letter ordering one of the OUTLOOK cards, "An Aid To The Systematic Reading of the Bible," says: "I am well pleased with the OUTLOOK. It is a good paper. It does me so much good to sit down in my own home and read how the work is being carried forward in all parts of the field. May God bless you in your work and may the OUTLOOK be a help to many is my earnest prayer."

Elder C. G. Bellah, who is in attendance at the canvassers' institute in Union College, occupied the College View pulpit on Sabbath morning, April 20, giving one of his soul-stirring talks along practical lines.

Elder C. R. Kite, president of the Colorado Conference, writes: "Our work is moving forward here in an encouraging way, and the outlook for crops is the best that it has been for two or three years. We are hoping for better days financially. The offerings to missions keep up in a remarkable manner, which to us here in the conference is an evidence that the hearts of our people are stirred to give of their means for the advancement and finishing of this work."

The following friendly notice of the OUTLOOK is from the "Northern Union Reaper," of April 16: "The CENTRAL UNION OUTLOOK of April 9 is a 'Canvassers' Number.' It is well edited, filled with pictures and groups of canvassers, and no doubt will give an impetus to the book work in that territory. It inspires confidence in this branch of God's work to see so many staunch young men enlisting and staying by this noble, soul-saving work."

Orders have been coming in freely for the card published by the OUTLOOK, entitled "An Aid to the Systematic Reading of the Bible." The first edition of this card, for slipping inside one's Bible, is nearly exhausted and a new edition is to be published. Price six cents, five for twenty-five cents. Order of the OUTLOOK.

From a private communication from Elder N. T. Sutton, president of the West Kansas Conference, we take the liberty of making the following extracts: "I believe, as far as I am capable of judging, the OUTLOOK is finding a warm place in the hearts of the brethren and sisters of the West Kansas Conference, and I am sure that it will continue to grow stronger. I

have never heard one word of complaint from any of our brethren concerning articles not having been published and therefore we cannot claim your offer of a free subscription to the OUTLOOK. I appreciate the OUTLOOK and intend to do all I can to help in making it a success. I have encouraged our workers to send in their reports and will continue to do so. It has been very difficult during the past two months, because of weather conditions, to do much in the western part of this state, but everything is opening up nicely now and we will endeavor to keep you posted as to how things are progressing in this section of the Lord's vineyard. Believing that the OUTLOOK will fulfill the mission for which it was called into existence, I wish to cooperate with and have the cooperation of its supporters."

Do not fail to read the article in this paper from "The Missionary Gardening Department" of the Ottawa, Kansas, Sabbath-school. Would it not be a good plan to organize such a department in other Sabbath-schools?

At an open meeting of the College View Commercial Club, held Tuesday evening, April 23, the installation of a water system was strongly advocated. In response to a petition which had been previously circulated, the village board have called a special meeting of the voters of College View for May 14, to vote on the proposition of bonding the town to the sum of \$25,000 to meet the cost of establishing water works. It is hoped the system will be installed the present season.

We are glad to welcome a list of twenty-five new families in the East Kansas Conference this week to our circle of OUTLOOK readers, among these being a nice list of eighteen sent in at one time by Brother B. M. Emerson, secretary of the East Kansas Tract Society.

Brother M. E. Ellis, missionary secretary of the Nebraska Conference, took an active part in the Sabbath morning service in the College View church on Sabbath morning, April 27. The service was in the interest of the Foreign Missions Investment Fund.

Brethren C. G. Bellah, who is in attendance at the canvassers' institute at Union College, and W. A. Long, canvassing agent for Nebraska, spent Sabbath, April 27, with the church in

Omaha. Brother Bellah spoke in the forenoon and Brother Long at the afternoon service.

### Religious Liberty

The *Signs of the Times* weekly, seeing the need of some vigorous campaigning this summer along religious liberty lines, has planned to present this subject in a very thorough, systematic way by devoting six consecutive issues to the consideration of the fundamental, underlying principles of liberty. The first number will be dated May 21, and the six numbers are called the Religious Liberty Series.

Among the contents it will have six strong, leading articles on each of the following subjects:—

America and Religious Liberty.  
The Bible and Religious Liberty.  
An Inquiry into Religious Liberty.  
California and Liberty.  
Timely single articles.  
The Home.

There will also be six articles of the strongest and best that can be secured from Sister White on the power and influence of the gospel of Christ.

*Wanted.* Home in Sabbath-keeping family, with church school privileges, by a Sabbath-keeping girl sixteen years of age, in good health, strong and willing to work. Correspond with Dr. Amy Humphrey, Sanitarium, College View, Nebr.

### Notice

We desire to get in touch with any of our brethren in the state of Nebraska, who can aid a canvasser this summer by giving him the use of a horse, or who can furnish a home for a canvasser over the Sabbath. If you want the printed page circulated in your neighborhood or can assist us in any way, please notify the writer, at College View, Nebr.

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