

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

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Rapid City, S. Dak.

H. A. Fish

It has been some time since I have written anything for the pages of the OUTLOOK.

Immediately after the Union Conference, I was asked to move to this part of our field and to locate at this place, and endeavor to arouse an interest in view of a tent effort to be held here during the summer.

I arrived here with my family February 19, and have been busy since that time. I am using all of the literature I can. Twenty families are studying the "Family Bible Teacher" from week to week. I have held a Bible study every week at the home of a drayman. They manifest considerable interest, and nearly every week have some neighbor present. I have other places in view where I hope soon to be studying with the people.

There is considerable agitation here at present over the liquor question and many are hoping the city will go dry. The saloons were retained last year by the small majority of sixty votes. So I have improved the opportunity by making use of our temperance tracts and the *Instructor*.

I plan to canvass soon for "Bible Readings" as I consider that an excellent way to get into the homes and become acquainted with the people.

Rapid City has a population of about 5,000, but to be on a nearby hill after night you would think it to have nearer 15,000, as the lights are so scattered.

I am enjoying my work and am of good courage. Pray for the work here that the honest souls may be searched out and brought to a saving knowledge of the truth.

Gordon, Nebr.

Our meetings in the hall here in Gordon are still continuing with a good attendance and interest. Instead of the attendance falling off, as is usually the case after the Sabbath and other testing truths are presented, it has increased. For four successive evenings during the past week, the attendance was from sixty-five to eighty or more.

Ten adults have promised to keep all of the commandments and we are very hopeful of nearly as many more.

Among those who are now keeping the Sabbath is one educated woman of Sioux Indian descent. Her husband and family, although members of the Catholic church, are very favorable, and she has a great burden to give this truth to her people. A white lady is also keeping the Sabbath who was a teacher on the reservation for several years; and her mother who is also a retired teacher of the Indians is very favorable.

On last Sabbath, March 28, thirtysix, including children, were present at Sabbath-school and they manifested an excellent interest in the lesson for the day.

Truly God is coming very near to the people in these meetings. We ourselves feel very unworthy of such great favor but we recognize in this that God is now "cutting the work short in righteousness" and that "there shall be delay no longer" in the closing of this great work.

We desire to do earnest, faithful work, while the closing hours of probationary time still linger.

> H. E. Reeder, G. W. Berry.

Office Notes

Asa Smith

By the time this reaches our readers our canvassers' institute will be in session at Hemingford. We are anticipating a good time there.

We were very much pleased to be able to report an additional member to the State Home Department of our Sabbath-school in the person of Mrs. Frances C. Oviatt at Laramie, Wyo. This sister has recently entered our conference from Michigan.

Some weeks ago word came that the infant child of Elder and Mrs. O. A. Hall, of China, was stricken with small pox. There was anxious waiting on this side of the water for additional news, hoping that the next report would be more favorable. But word was received a few days ago by Elder Hall's parents here at Crawford, that the baby died and was buried February 23. The other members of the family escaped the disease and are now out of quarantine, prepared to resume their duties in the school. Word is just received from our president that he expects to be in the office tomorrow, and will go on to Gordon in the evening.

Brother S. B. Harrison who has been the superintendent of the Sabbathschool at Scotts Bluff, Nebr., writes that he has changed his location and is now attending Sabbath-school at the home of Brother Kirkle, at Minatare.

The work at Rapid City, S. Dak., is being carried on by Brother Fish by the use of the "Family Bible Teacher." Regular Bible readings are held once each week beside the Sabbath service and there seems to be some interest arising. Brother Fish reports the finding of a Seventh-day Adventist nurse there by the name of Myrtle Cox.

Professor Thomas reports an enthusiastic temperance meeting at Hemingford, recently, and that twentynine signed the temperance pledge.

A letter from Elder C. H. Miller last week states that he expects to be ready to enter the Wyoming Conference this week. He was to hold quarterly meeting at Kearney, Nebr., and at North Platte on Sunday and expected to go directly from there to Evanston, Wyo. We are very glad indeed that a worker has been secured for that part of our conference which we had been unable to touch.

Last Wednesday there came a telegram from Edgar Hatten of Evanston, Wyo., calling for Elder Kirkle to come and preach his father's funeral sermon. We were very sorry that it was impossible to reach Elder Kirkle or any of the rest of our ministers in time for them to reach Evanston by the time appointed which was the next day noon. We immediately responded stating the impossibility and suggesting that it might be possible to secure Elder Adler from Ogden, Utah, which is less than 100 miles from Evanston. We hope for a letter soon giving us more of the details.

A letter from Virginia Rosenberger, one of our girls who did some successful work in the canvassing field in our conference last summer, states that she is enjoying her school work very much at the Plainview Academy at Redfield, S. Dak.

There is to be a Temperance number of Our Little Friend this year. Experienced workers with children have furnished material for this special number and we are sure that it will meet with favor. The price is 5 cents per single copy; five or more to one address $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents each. This is certainly a beautiful number. Send your orders to this society at once.

The first Sabbath-school report for the quarter ending March 31 was received from the Newcastle Sabbathschool. This report shows a good attendance and excellent offerings. Will all Sabbath-school secretaries who read this and have not yet sent in their reports do so at once.

A letter from Elder Berry just received states that the interest and attendance continue good in the meetings at Gordon. Several have already signed the covenant and 35 attended Sabbath-school last Sabbath.

We are made sad to learn that Brother John Marshall, who lives near Gordon, Nebr., has been confined to his bed for some weeks. He has not been able to attend the meetings at all. We sincerely hope that he may be speedily restored to health.

We are anxiously looking for more returns from the investment slips. One brother sends in his, to-day, stating that he has set apart one lamb. Have you sent in your slip as you intended to do when it was received? It may be that you have not yet definitely decided what the investment shall be. Now is the time to decide that matter.

Frank H. Jenks sends us a nice remittance of tithe and offerings from Wright, Wyo. Brother Jenks stopped at the office one day last summer having just come from Colorado. He stated that he was seeking a place to work where he could keep the Sabbath. He did not profess to be an Adventist, but he has a devoted mother back in Iowa, who is an Adventist, and the influence of her life and prayers he can not escape. He is very favorable to the truth, and hopes to be able to fully identify himself with it.

Professor Thomas, our educational secretary, sends us the following elipping from a letter he received recently from Brother J. M. Fletcher concerning the church school: "Our school, was out Friday and I am enclosing to you my report for the last month. We have had a very successful term and all of the pupils enjoyed their school work very much. The last day we had a program and there were about fifty present and all seemed well pleased with the way the children did. It was something new and different from the programs usually held in this part of the country. Earl Morris is planning to attend the institute in April."

Nebraska Conference

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Notes from the Hastings Institute

C. G. Bellah

The very best institute that Nebraska has held for many years closed Sunday, March 29. When I arrived, the institute had been in progress several days. Brother Hebard had the work well organized, and considerable advancement had already been made.

Heavy work was done each day. A forenoon session was held from nine o'clock till twelve, and an afternoon session from two-thirty till fourthirty. The evening hour was devoted exclusively to general instruction. Quite a number of the church people attended, especially the evening services.

We must mention the hearty cooperation extended the canvassers by Professor and Mrs. Blue. The entire chapel time every day was devoted to the canvassing work. This gave ample opportunity to increase the interest and enlist others. Professor Blue recognizes the canvassing work as an important part of the great message that is to go to all the world in this generation. We are always sure of a most hearty welcome when we visit the Hastings school.

Brother Smith, the tract society secretary, attended almost every session of the institute, and not only took part in the discussions, but gave special instruction in business methods, reporting, ordering, etc. We are sure that every canvasser will have the fullest cooperation from the office.

A Bible study was given one day on the importance of settling unsettled things in the life. This seemed to be the keynote all the way through. Many expresesd their thanks to God that many problems had been forever settled in the life during the institute. Brother Hebard plans for a large work in the Nebraska Conference this year, and we believe it will be the best year that Nebraska has had for a long time. Several who were not at the institute are planning on entering the work soon. May the Lord richly bless the canvassers in their service for Him this year.

From the Field

J. W. Christian

Leaving College View, March 22, we went to Arlington, where we had one meeting with the believers. This is where Brother Merton Helligso held meetings the latter part of the winter. It was a pleasure to meet with this little company of faithful light-bearers and note their interest in the progress of the cause we love. This is where the Church of God people are so urgent for a discussion on the law of God and other truths that distinguish us from other Christian denominations. We cannot say at this time just what the outcome of this matter will be, but will report later.

I was met at Blair by Brethren House, Helligso and Blue, where we spent about four hours in counseling over the work in Decatur and Arlington. The brethren returned to their appointment for the evening, while we had a meeting for the church in Blair. I could not help contrasting prevailing conditions with the situation as it existed before our effort of last year. Sister Esther Smith has done very acceptable work here.

Our next stop was in Oakdale where our brethren had arranged a temperance program. Dr. Eva Shively and Miss Ida Johnson, of the College View Sanitarium, were in attendance. The first meeting was held in the United Brethren Church with the pastor in The next day Dr. Shively charge. spoke to the ladies in the Methodist Episcopal Church. This talk was much appreciated. In the evening the pastor, Mr. Shelton, introduced the doctor in a very striking way and she gave a stirring talk on the "Effects of Alcohol and Narcotics on the Nervous System." At the close a gentleman arose and moved a vote of thanks to those coming to their town to assist in the work of temperance. This called forth a most hearty response. The Oakdale church had ordered one hundred copies of the Temperance Instructor which were used to good advantage. We feel that much good was done not only in giving instruction but in breaking down the barrier of prejudice.

The next trip was across the country. Brother Fred Nelson kindly volunteered to drive his team and took us on a trip of about sixty miles. We visited at the home of Brother Gustave Anderson and shared their hospitality during the noon hour. In the evening we drove into Petersburg where a meeting had been appointed, but owing to the rainy weather this was taken up. The night was spent at the home of Brother and Sister Roy Streeter. If they enjoyed the visit as much as we did, the good part is still lasting.

Sabbath morning, Dr. Shively spoke to a goodly company gathered in our church. Her talk was inspiring and full of timely counsel and we were urged to "have Doctor come back again", which we hope to do. In the afternoon, after the Sabbah-school, during the regular service hour the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated. We were glad to see so many present at this important meeting. The Lord was present in a marked way. One was added to the church.

The return trip, a distance of eighteen miles, was made in a rain after four o'clock, reaching the home of Brother Nelson at 8:30 p.m. Everywhere we find the people of good courage, ready to take hold of every plan for aggressive warfare against evil. May the Lord make us willing to do all we can.

Nebraska Sanitarium Briefs

Brother Chancy Premer gave a very interesting talk to the patients and sanitarium family Friday evening, the 27th ultimo.

An interesting program was rendered in the sanitarium parlor, last Wednesday evening, by the helpers and the college male quartet.

Mrs. Arthur Koch, of Hickman, was operated on last week for appendicitis. She is recovering rapidly.

The carpenters and plasterers are working faithfully these days on the new operating rooms. They will soon be completed and ready for use, which will be appreciated by all.

Dr. Eva Shively and Miss Ida Johnson, the matron, returned from Oakdale one day last week, where the doctor assisted in a very interesting temperance program in the Methodist and United Brethren churches. The

attendance was good, and the principles as given by the doctor and others were very much appreciated.

Late arrivals: Mrs. Arthur Koch, Hickman; Miss Anna Wilson, Stromsburg; Wm. L. Garner, Seward; Miss Grace Palmer, College View; Mrs. Canfield, Omaha; R. E. Phillips, Nebraska City; Jas. W. Wilson, Mrs. J. C. Holt, Omaha; G. W. Johnson, Lincoln; Miss Caywood, Broken Bow, Nebr.

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Among the Churches

A. T. Robinson

Leaving Denver, Tuesday, March 17, I spoke that evening in the church at Colorado Springs. Wednesday evening I spoke to a goodly number of our people and guests of the place, in the dining room of Brother Davie's hotel, at Lamar; Tuesday night, at the home of Sister Cook, in La Jaunta; Friday evening and Sabbath, I spoke three times in the church at Trinidad. Leaving Trinidad, Sunday morning, March 22, I held a meeting in the Rocky Ford church in the afternoon, where was guite a good attendance of outside people. Monday morning I arrived at Blanca, in the San Luis Valley, and held meeting that evening at the hospitable home of Brother Ed. Ross. Tuesday evening, I spoke in the church at Alamosa; Wednesday, held meetings afternoon and evening in the church at Monte Vista; Thursday evening, spoke again at Alamosa; Friday evening I spoke in the church at Salida, which place I left early Sabbath morning for Cannon City, where I held meetings on the Sabbath and on Sunday forenoon. Sunday evening I spoke in the church at Florence, and Monday evening in the Pueblo church, from which place I returned to Denver, Tuesday morning, March 31.

This to me has been an exceedingly interesting two-weeks' trip. My object in this tour was to learn the location of as many of our churches in the southern part of the state as I could reach during the time; to study the needs of the field; and to become acquainted with as many of our brethren and sisters as possible, in all of which points I feel that it has been time and travel well spent. I spoke sixteen times in all, and enjoyed the special help and blessing of the Lord in presenting the sacredness of this closing work in which we are engaged, and the necessity and importance of a personal preparation to meet the Lord. The brethren and sisters turned out well, and at some places there was quite a sprinkling of outsiders in attendance.

I endeavored at each place to visit as many of the homes of our people as possible. I could not ask for a more warm-hearted and cordial reception than I received everywhere I went. It led me to feel, as I have often been led to express, that, with all of our imperfections, this is surely the best people in the whole world. Only one thing is lacking,-the bringing of the perfection of the Lord Jesus into our characters. That is a glorious part of the finishing of the gospel, and will be accomplished in the life of every one who yields himself wholly to the Saviour.

Our spring workers' meeting will be held about the last of April, between now and which time I plan to visit as many more of our churches as time will permit.

San Luis Valley

Elbert H. Curtis

The work is moving onward in the San Luis Valley. We are endeavoring to press the battle to the gates. Our victories do not come as soon as we would like to see them, but yet we have our victories.

We began work in the valley in July of last year, at Center. There were only a few who would listen to the message. Satan worked to keep all from hearing, but in this he was not successful. As a result of the work, four adults with eight children are keeping the commandments. Their Sabbath-school offering for Sabbath, March 28, was \$5.70. One sister, who has four children, has been keeping the Sabbath for five or six years. She has been a great help and comfort to us in our work.

In December we moved to Monte Vista where we have a little company and a nice church building.

Some of this company are working earnestly to bring the knowledge of the truth to the people. Four adults have recently begun the observance of the Sabbath, and there are others with whom work is being done.

This church was organized in 1895. In that year Elder Watson Ziegler, Brother Castle and myself held a series of meetings here, and organized the church. Elder Anglebarger had previously done work here. There are three persons living here who accepted the truth in 1895.

I have held a few meetings at La Veta just over the mountains from the valley. At that place three accepted the message. Brother R. Eden is living in town and is doing what he can by tract and paper distribution.

In February and March, I held a series of meetings in a school house about three or four miles southeast of Blanca. The weather was not very favorable, the nights being so cold that the attendance was not large. Blanca is a little more than 7,900 feet above sea level.

As a result of the meetings several acknowledged the truth of the matters presented, but only two had the courage to step out to walk in the light. However, we are expecting that some others will do so.

We are of good courage. We only wish that all of our people were earnest and zealous. Some are working, for which we are very grateful, but all could do something and with their prayers and faithfulness a mighty power would be felt and many would be brought into the blessed experience of walking with Jesus in all God's commandments.

North Missouri Conference E.E.Farnsworth, Pres. Allie Guthrie, See'y F. C. Clark, Field Agent, Hamilton, Mo.

Columbia

L. F. Trubey

A few weeks ago, Brother F. L. Limerick and I rented a hall in the Virginia Building and began a short series of meetings with a view of giving the business men an opportunity to attend, several of whom had expressed a desire to attend.

Our meetings are now in the past, so far as the public effort is concerned; but with many the interest goes on, and we have reason to believe that we shall soon make another small addition to the church here.

Frequently, bankers, judges, real estate men. county officers, police, and city officers could be seen in our meetings, and all who have expressed themselves were well pleased. While giving a study at the chief of police's home, a few nights ago, he said that he had been spoiled for ever believing anything but what we teach; but, said he, "What is a man to do that must work for a living?"

The Lord has blessed and given souls here, but, brethren and sisters, we need your prayers, that those who are convinced will have faith to take their stand on the side of truth.

We have studied and prayed that the Lord would guide us in such a way in this educational center of Missouri that His work should not be marred; and truly He has given us favor with the people.

I am hoping and praying that our next camp-meeting will be held here, for this place offers all that any other place could possibly offer, and is thoroughly aroused over the message. Should we have our annual gathering here, it would be a great benefit to the work here.

We ask for the prayers of our people in behalf of the work at Columbia.

The St. Joseph Institute

F. C. Clark

The canvassers' institute at St. Joseph was not only a blessing to those who attended but also to the church. Brother F. L. Limerick who was present to assist us occupied the pulpit at the evening services. His work was much appreciated and many renewed their consecration to the Lord. Sabbath morning, when Elder E. E. Farnsworth made the call to reconsecration, the whole church responded. Brother Wm. Whorton was with us at the close of the institute and gave some good. practical points right off the firing line.

The canvassers are now going forth prepared to war, and full of courage. Pray for their success.

I will spend this week out in the field assisting Brother W. E. Wright and Brother J. B. McBane, who will begin work in Buchanan County.

Field Notes

C. J. Kunkel

Brethren McBane and Wright, who are canvassing south of the city, are making St. Joseph their headquarters.

Dr. O. H. Hahn, of Hastings, Nebr., spent a day with his parents last week, and on Sabbath afternoon spoke to the young people. He gave a timely talk, which was appreciated.

Elder Farnsworth spent the last days of the canvassers' institute with the boys, and stayed until Tuesday night to transact some business for the conference association. The Enyart church building is undergoing a decided change. It was built twenty years ago and was showing its age and wear. The exterior as well as the interior is being remodeled, which will give this church a modern appearance.

Sunday, March 29, Mr. Nicholas Nelson and Miss Mary Wilbur were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed in the home of Brother Chapman at Enyart. Brother and Sister Nelson will spend the summer at Washburn, Mo., where Sister Nelson's father lives. No doubt many of the readers will remember Miss Wilbur as one of our faithful and successful church-school teachers, and join with the writer in wishing Brother and Sister Nelson a happy future.

Office Notes

Allie Guthrie

Elder Farnsworth was in St. Joseph over Sabbath.

Elder C. J. Kunkel spent Sabbath, March 28, with the Hamilton church. The ordinances were celebrated, and those present enjoyed his discourse, which was both profitable and interesting.

Sister Dora Teel, of Darlington, is moving with her family to College View, that her son, Hubert, may have the advantage of the school. Her father and mother, who have been in poor health this winter, will accompany them.

News has reached us that Mr. Nelson, of Gentry, and Miss Mary Wilbur were married Sunday, March 29. We join their many friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous journey through life.

The St. Joseph church reports having greatly enjoyed the privilege of having the canvassers' institute held there. Notwithstanding the fact that the attendance was small, God's blessing was given in rich measure. The meetings, which were well attended, proved a real spiritual reviving to the church.

Uncle Dan Easton is doing excellent missionary work among the children of Marceline. He has organized a Royal Temperance League that now has forty members. Only those who are good, temperate children are eligible to membership. A small fee is charged, and they are given access to his library, which contains about forty juvenile books. This example would be worthy of imitation by many of our people in other places.

A few weeks ago, a sample copy of the Temperance Instructor was placed in the hands of the leader of the W. C. T. U. and also the superintendents of the different Sundayschools of Hamilton. As a result, the W. C. T. U. have ordered 260 copies of the paper, to be distributed among the school children. The W. C. T. U. will be assisted in this excellent missionary endeavor by the different church organizations.

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St. Louis

W. D. MacLay

It was my privilege to attend the Missionary Volunteer and Sabbathschool conventions held in this city March 21 and 22. Prof. M. B. Van-Kirk was present and rendered valuable assistance. Our Missionary Volunteer secretary, Brother W. A. Long, seems to have the work well in hand, and the conventions were a real help to the work here.

The question of having a church school was considered by the brethren and all seemed very much in favor of taking hold of this important part of the great work which God has given us to do.

At the conclusion of the Sunday morning service, Elder A. C. Anderson baptized five precious souls. I think all of these persons accepted the truth under the labors of Sister Leo.

The Lord is certainly blessing His work in this great city. A number of people are very deeply interested in the truth and will, I think, in a short time take their stand. Brother Schick, the young minister who recently came to us from the Nebraska Conference, is getting hold of the work in the city in a very gratifying way.

The work among the German-speaking people is also moving onward. I feel that if all our brethren realized how very difficult the work is among the foreign-speaking people of our large cities they would pray more earnestly for the success of the workers who are called to this trying work. Dear brethren and sisters, I ask an interest in your prayers in behalf of the work we are trying to do for the foreign-speaking people of St. Louis. We are at present working for the German, Servian, and French. Pray that the Lord of the harvest may bless the faithful labors of His servants so that many of these strangers in a strange land may be brought home to their Father's house where they will be no more strangers, or foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and the household of God.

The Lord is blessing the work among the large negro population of the city. As a result of Elder Willis' efforts last season a number of members have been added to the little church and the prospects are good for a prosperous summer campaign. Do not forget the work for the negroes of our conference, and especially in the city of St. Louis.

It may encourage some and stimulate others to know that the little church of which Elder Willis is the pastor is one of the best tithe-paying churches in the South Missouri Conference. The members are also very actively engaged in home missionary work.

Brethren, I feel more and more impressed that we ought to be doing a broader work for the masses of the people of this great city.

The Canvassing Work

J. J. Strahle

I believe we are going to have one of the best years in the canvassing work in South Missouri. Everywhere I have been, people are hungering for the truth.

Last Sunday, Brother Stern and I went to Bland, Mo. We were told not to go there, that the people are so prejudiced against the truth that it would be impossible for us to do anything. I told the brethren where we stayed that we would pray over it. and God certainly could open the way. We all prayed, and Brother Stern and I started out to canvass, beginning with their next-door neighbors. To our astonishment, there was no prejudice whatever, and we were told to come right in before we had a chance to introduce ourselves. One old gentleman came out to meet us, and said, "I know you men are servants of .God, and I also know you have something good for me." We thanked God that He was opening the way and that He was our Leader. Others were so anxious to have the book that they were willing to sacrifice a great deal in order to have it; and still others expressed themselves as wanting the book so they could read a chapter each day to their children. I praise God for such experiences.

I was with Brother Stern, Monday and part of Tuesday forenoon. On my way back to our stopping place, I noticed a house in the timber that we had missed. I went up there. A lady met me at the door and asked me to come in. I canvassed her, and she said, "Were there two of you vesterday?" I explained how we happened to be together and how we missed her house, and that I did not want to miss showing any one this good book. She stepped back and said, "Do you know what I did yesterday?" She went on to say that she had heard that some book agents were in the neighborhood, and that she had phoned to some of her friends not to buy the books. Just then she caught a glimpse of the list of names I had, among which were the names of those to whom she had phoned. She began to apologize by telling how they were all defrauded by a county atlas agent last year, but stated that she wanted a good book like this one. I knew that the Lord had led me to this place to get this lady's order, and also to have her praise the book instead of condemning it.

As I came by another place, I saw the man and his wife burning brush. We had canvassed them the day before, but had failed to get their order. The Spirit of God prompted me to go back to talk with them. I told them I could not pass by without giving them another chance to get the book, "Great Controversy." The man looked at his wife and his wife at him. Then he said, "Well, you might bring one along for us."

Such are the experiences of the canvasser. Our orders for the fifteen hours amounted to \$50.00.

Brother Osborne says that he is enjoying canvassing near Marshfield. He expects to move his family there, so he can stay in the work. We look forward to some good reports from him soon.

Brother Crisp has sent in an order for fifty "Great Controversies," besides ordering several other books. We are glad to welcome Brother Seiber into our ranks. He will canvass with Brother Bonde, who has been making a delivery since the institute. Brother Rasch expects to canvass at Sikeston in Scott County. While in St. Louis, I met Brother Massey, who did some canvassing a year ago, and he has promised to join us in two weeks.

We are expecting quite a number to join our ranks by June. We want to make this a banner year for South Missouri, so that we may know that the people in this conference are being warned of the soon-coming Saviour.

In a letter received from Brother S. N. Curtiss of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, he says that the outlook for the bookwork is good everywhere this year; and, as he emphasized, the uplook is always good. He tells us that he is looking for some good reports from South Missouri, and I am sure our bookmen will be able to cope with the other canvassers in the Union.

Field Notes

The church at Rolla are doing what they can to enlighten the people. Twenty-nine dollars were given for the religious liberty work.

Dr. B. E. C. Slawson and family have sent the *Protestant Magazine* to many of their city. May the Lord help all our people to do more of this work with this good magazine.

Elders W. D. MacLay and A. C. Anderson will visit the Rockville church the coming week.

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Canvassers' Institute

M. W. Shidler

The canvassers' institute at Hill Academy was held according to appointment, March 12-22. We were somewhat disappointed in not seeing as many in attendance as we had hoped, there being but one beside those in the school or living near by; but these rallied nobly and in all there were twelve present who expect to spend some time in the canvassing field this season. Six of this number are students, and we are hopeful that others will yet decide to have a part in the work.

Elders Sutton and Bellah were a little late in getting to the institute, as both were really too sick to be about, but their services were very much appreciated. Elder Sutton's Bible studies were right to the point. From one we took our rallying calls for the work,—our motto and watchword, "Ambassadors for Christ," and "As much as in me is." Elder Bellah's instruction on gospel salesmanship was listened to with a great deal of interest and profit. Visitors as well as canvassers felt that they could sell books when he was through. We regretted very much to think that we may never again have his assistance at an institute.

At our closing meeting, we had a consecration service in which the Spirit of God came very near and touched the hearts of all. Some were so deeply moved that they could not give utterance to their feelings, but we know that the "Spirit itself" that "beareth witness" made a record of these silent testimonies.

We are looking forward to a good year in the canvassing work, one in which destinies will be sealed for the kingdom of God.

Bison

A. G. Steinert I am at work here in Bison, and can truly say that the Lord is blessing His work here. The people seem to hunger for the truth, for we have been here only two weeks and nine dear souls have taken their stand for the truth. Four were baptized yesterday and the others taken into the church. We have great hopes that more will follow their Master in all his ways. Pray for the work at Bison.

Office Mail Bag

Mrs. Florence Smith, missionary secretary of the Wellington church, has sent in a nice order for the Watchman, also the Temperance Instructor.

Several of our members have been doing successful work with the petition in favor of the bill which has been introduced into Congress asking for a constitutional amendment to do away entirely with the liquor traffic. Mrs. Lizzie Shafer, of Norwich, in a short time, secured seventy-five names on this petition. She orders twenty Temperance Instructors.

Last month the Kansas Sanitarium sent in an order for 225 Temperance *Instructors*. We have not heard as to the success that attended their efforts, but we hope that they have been able to sell all of them. We shall be glad to fill additional orders, as we have a stock now at the office and can send them out the same day the order is received.

Sister Lesta F. Seaward, of the Sterling church, has taken a lively interest in the circulation of the Temperance Instructor, working in con-nection with the W. C. T. U. of Sterling. The W. C. T. U. offered prizes for the best collection of pictures upon both the temperance and cigarette questions. We were glad to have the privilege of visiting the public school building at Sterling and seeing the work that had been done by the children. We noticed that seventy-five or eighty per cent of the pictures were taken from the Temperance Instructor. Miss Seaward also informs us that the W. C. T. U. has offered a five-dollar prize for the best essay on temperance, and many requests have come to her for matter in writing these essays. It shows that Seventh-day Adventists are looked up to for information along these lines. and this is as it should be. We suggest to our conference workers especially to work along this line in their efforts, and present the temperance question more strongly than ever before.

A few members of the Hutchinson church have been circulating the petition in favor of national prohibition as a constitutional amendment. and have secured over six hundred names. Last week the conference secretary mailed to the Hon. Geo. A. Neeley, representative from the seventh district of Kansas, a petition over twenty-two feet in length. Favorable notice was given of this in both of the daily papers of Hutchinson. Mr. Neeley has acknowledged receipt of the letter and petition, and promises to do all he can in favor of prohibition.

Brother J. F. Forshee is doing missionary work in the neighborhood of Concordia, and is circulating literature in that vicinity. We believe that he is also holding meetings near Concordia. We pray that Brother Forshee will be greatly blessed in his efforts to make known the truth in that part of the country.

Brother J. T. North is now canvassing in the country in Sedgwick County, and is reporting better success than he was having in Wichita. Brother North has done faithful work in circulating our literature, and we pray that the Lord will greatly bless him during this year. Canvassing in the city is difficult work, an I, as the people have so many attractions and so many ways of spending their money, it is a very easy matter with them to put the book agent at a disadvantage. We trust Brother North will press forward and still be of good courage.

In a letter received to-day, we learn that Brother J. H. Mohr, of Bison, has been called to Walla Walla, Wash., to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Carl Trefz, formerly Miss L. E. Mohr, a graduate nurse of the Kansas Sanitarium. We extend to Brother Mohr and his family our Christian sympathy at this time, and trust the Lord will sustain him in this trial.

Mrs. T. W. Reeder, a lone Sabbath-keeper of Kinsley, who lost her husband last fall by death, sent in a thirteenth Sabbath offering for missions. She regrets very much that there are no others at Kinsley to enjoy the study of the Sabbath-school lessons with her. We hope that she may be faithful in the study of the Sabbath-school lessons, and also in the service of the Lord, and that she may see others unite with her in the observance of all the commandments.

Mrs. Mary Mattson, a Bible worker from the East, has been spending a few months in Wichita, taking a rest and recuperating. We were pleased to get acquainted with Sister Mattson by correspondence. She has been doing some missionary work in Wichita while resting, and has now been called to Wisconsin on account of the illness of her mother. We sincerely hope that Sister Mattson may have the pleasure of seeing her mother restored to health. We extend to her a cordial invitation to return to Kansas whenever the Lord leads her in this direction.

We have received a very interesting letter and report of missionary work from Sister Brown, of Concordia. She tells of one lady with whom she has been holding Bible readings who has, with her daughter and sonin-law, begun to keep the Sabbath. Sister Brown is very hopeful that others will accept the binding claims of God's law. She is also circulating our literature, and is ordering more tracts at this time. We hope others will take up this individual missionary work.

Brother James L. Leach has entered the canvassing work and expects to stay with it during the year. Brother Leach sent in a report for the past week of orders amounting to \$40.00. This is a very good beginning, and we hope the Lord will greatly bless Brother Leach during this year. He has located at Conway Springs.

Elder M. G. Huffman recently started a series of meetings at luka, and sent us a splendid order for tracts and song books. We conclude from the size of the order that he expects to sow the ground thoroughly at luka, and we sincerely hope that he may harvest a good crop before he leaves that place. In a letter he reports a good attendance and interest, notwithstanding other attractions to draw away the people.

Elder A. S. Bringle writes that he has for the present discontinued his meetings which he was holding near Glen Elder, and has joined forces with Brother H. L. Shafer, who is holding meetings at the Glen Elder church. We learned from these brethren that a minister of the Disciple church has been called in for a discussion, and some have been very much stirred up as a result of this discussion.



Save the Young People

We are all well informed in a general way at least as to the means by which the Church of Rome has built up its work. One of the most effective means it has is the training of its young people. It bends every effort to that end. It establishes hospitals; it establishes orphanages. It does everything it can to get young children into its fold. It not only cares for its own, but for the Protestant children. To get hold of those children and train and develop them until they are brought thoroughly into sympathy with the work of the church, we find that every means and every effort possible is exercised by the church.

Now, I think if we labor with a determination to get every young man and woman interested in this cause, we will have accomplished the biggest thing we can for this work. It means more than dollars and cents. We have a splendid organization in the Missionary Volunteer movement, a splendid machine; and if we can make it operate to the extent that every one of our young people, is affected, then we shall see a mighty work accomplished. In some way, we ought to make every one feel that he is a part of the young people's work.

F. Griggs.

Our Work and Workers

Elder Russell returned to his home at Minatare last Wednesday evening.

W. J. Huffman is auditing the books of the South Missouri Conference. He will stop at Hamilton, Mo., to check the books of the North Missouri Conference on his return to the office.

Elder W. T. Knox stopped over a few hours in College View, Thursday, as he was passing through from California to Washington, D. C.

Professor Van Kirk, after spending three weeks in the field, assisting in Missionary Volunteer convention work and visiting schools, returned Monday to look after the interests of his lines of work in the office.

Union College News Items

Professor Griggs returned Sunday from California, where he has been in attendance at the spring council of the North American Division Conference.

The newly elected officers of the Missionary Volunteer Society are as follows: Leader, F. R. Isaac; assistant leader, Lulu Hiatt; secretary, Lulu Pease; pianist, Grace Butte; chorister, H. E. Scoles; leaders of Personal Workers' band, young men's division, M. E. Ellis; young ladies' division, Pearl Jones.

Walter A. Twing and Miss Mable Groom were married March 30. Mr. and Mrs. Twing will be at home to their friends in College View.

Elder H. C. Lacey has returned from Wichita, Kans., where he delivered the baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of the Kansas Sanitarium, on Sabbath, April 4.

The foreign mission bands of the Nebraska State University, Wesleyan and Cotner Universities met with the foreign mission band of Union College Friday evening. A very interesting program was rendered, a representative from each institution giving a report of the progress made in his band since the opening of school. Mr. Renjelian, of the State Agricultural School, who was born in Antioch of Silicia, sang an Armenian song, and gave the minaret call, which is given five times a day by the Mohammedan priests for summoning their followers to prayers. Mr. Mc-Clellan, International Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, was also present, and gave an interesting talk.

Saturday evening, five of the study groups of the foreign mission band, --India, China, Japan, Mexico, and Moslem,--gave exhibits demonstrating existing conditions in their respective fields. Africa, the sixth group, was represented by a stereopticon lecture.

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