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

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Will YOU Take It to Heart?



THE COMMISSION, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," was the sounding of a note that has never lost its power, and with passing days bringing us almost nineteen hundred years this side of its utterance, we wonder why it has not been accomplished, and the joy of a finished work be the lot of those who have had a part in carrying out the commission, and those saved as a result. The most comforting promise Jesus could make to his troubled disciples was that recorded by John, "I will come again." Not only to the few to whom he was speaking was this a precious thought, but by all who love him it is and has been cherished most dearly, for in his second coming rests the hope of all the faithful of all ages.

The Lord cannot fulfill this promise until the commission has been carried out, for he has said "when this gospel of the kingdom has been preached in all the world for a witness to all nations then shall the end come." That this is no small task is needless to say for with a moment's thought we can see that it can only be done by following some definite plan, with heaven's blessing upon

W. H. Clark

it, and God's guiding hand to direct the way.

To man and finance so great an undertaking must appeal to every one, and possibly we have been asking, in our minds, why did God choose the human family to give the world-message, at so great cost of time, money, and life, when angels would have gladly received the commission and hastened to do what man has been asked to do. "God is not dependent upon man for the support of his cause. He could have sent means direct from heaven to supply his treasury if his providence had seen that this was best for man. He might have devised means whereby angels would have been sent to publish the truth to the world without the agency of men. He might have written the truth upon the heaven's and let that declare to the world his requirements in living characters. God is not dependent upon any man's gold or silver. He says, 'Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills. . . . for the world is mine and the fulness thereof.'"—*Vol. 3, p. 390.*

Thus we see that when God chose mortal man as the agency, and asked him to finance it by tithes and offerings he did so, not as a last resort, but for

good reasons as have been brought out in the OUTLOOK by Elders Underwood, Gosmer, and Hale in articles submitted, to which I hope every reader has given careful thought. God designed that man and his means should, by being blessed, become a blessing to a world lost in sin. That man has failed to receive and be a blessing in many instances, is as evident now as when God spake by his servant saying, "If one and all would accept it, [God's plan in the tithing system] each would be made a vigilant and faithful treasurer for God; and there would be *no want of means* with which to carry forward the message of warning the world. *The treasury will be full if all will adopt this system* and the contributors will not be left the poorer."

The simplicity and equality of the plan make it possible for every one to have a part in the support of the cause and be co-workers with Christ in finishing the work in the earth, and be partakers with him in the blessings of an eternal home; but failure on the part of some to pay an honest tithe will bring great loss to them, and the cause of God will languish when it should prosper. In the days of Nehemiah the portion of the Levites, (the tithe) was not brought in and the cause of God suf-

ferred, for those who did the work were compelled to go to the fields and earn a living, but when the tithes were brought in all the places of service were filled and prosperity followed. See Neh. 13:10-12.

The prosperity that should and would attend the cause of God and the blessing that would rest upon his people should all the tithe be brought in was witnessed to in Hezekiah's time when he appealed to the people and they responded with the tithe of corn, wine, oil, and honey, also of oxen and sheep, and of all the increase of the field, resulting in an overflowing treasury after all needs were supplied. See 2 Chron. 31:4-40.

The promised blessing for tithe-paying does not rest alone upon the ministry, but every one may share it, for special promise is made to those who pay the tithe when he said, "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." His very next words tell that the harvest shall be more abundant for the devourer shall be rebuked and the fruit of the tree and vine shall not be cast untimely.

Here is a challenge from God to prove him. Have we accepted the challenge and with what result? In Vol. 4, p. 474, of the Testimonies we are told, "If all the tithes of our people flowed into the treasury of the Lord as they should, such blessings would be received that *gifts and offerings* for sacred purposes would be multiplied ten-fold and thus the channel between God and man will be kept open." If we are not receiving the blessing we are under the curse that will bar us from the reward that will be given to the faithful as taught in the parable of the talents. The history of Ananias and Sapphira telling of the personal loss that comes from withholding from God his own, and the sad results that came to Israel when Achan had in his possession that which did not belong to him, should cause us to consider well what attitude we take in regard

to the sacred obligations with which God has entrusted us.

I hear some saying, The tithing system belonged to the time of the Levitical priesthood only, and none of the commands and promises pertaining to it are for us. Then I think of such statements as, "The special system of tithing was founded upon a principle which is as enduring as the law of God."—Vol. 3, p. 404. Also, "The system enjoined upon the Hebrews has not been repealed or relaxed by the One who enjoined it. Instead of being of no force now, *it was to be more fully carried out and more extended*, as salvation through Christ alone should be more fully brought to light in the Christian age." Vol. 3, p. 392.

Since man sold himself for naught and sacrificed all that God gave him we

Would be shouting Zion's song.
The thirsty land would then rejoice,
And the 'waiting isles' would sing;
If all the tithes were quickly brought,
That belongeth to our King.

"Darkened hearts would soon be lightened

With God's message from above,
And thousands now in heathen lands
Would rejoice in heaven's love.
Come, ye stewards; haste, get ready!
All your tithes and offerings bring.
Soon you'll answer as a steward,
To your quick-returning King."

Cantonese Boys' School

W. W. RUBLE

I know that all the young people are interested to know about the progress of the boys' school in Canton, China.

At a recent meeting of the Missionary Volunteer secretaries of the Central Union Conference at Loveland, Colo., it was voted to suggest to the brethren at Canton that a corner stone be placed in the foundation with the following inscription, "Built by the Missionary Volunteers, Central Union Conference, U. S. A. 1917." I feel certain that the brethren in China will comply with



Central Union M. V. Decorations at the 1916 Missouri Camp Meeting

are not our own and all that we may have in our possession is ours only as a trust, God making us his stewards, asking that we give him the small rent of one-tenth, and show our appreciation of his trust with offerings from the nine-tenths which we may use to his glory and our good. It will not be long till we must account for our stewardship. Are we making the best use of our means entrusted to us? In this time of fast fulfilling signs, showing that it will soon be too late to come with our tithes and offerings to be used in finishing the work, shall we not *now* say, "Here Lord is thine with usury."

Two verses from the pen of Eld. A. T. Robinson seem very appropriate at this time and I close with them.

"If the tithes were in the store house,
It would not be very long
Till all the weary hearts now crying,

this request of the Missionary Volunteers, and I have written Brother Ham, who has charge of the work there, about this, and shall hear from him soon. When I do, I shall be glad to let the Missionary Volunteers of the Central Union Conference know just what is done.

The following names have been sent in as suggestive for the school: Missionary Volunteer Boys' School, Haven of Peace, Seventh-day Adventist Boys' School, Cantonese Boys' School. Anyone thinking of a more appropriate name for this school, please send it in at once to the Missionary Volunteer secretary.

Let us put our shoulders to the wheel for the year 1917, and help raise the \$5400.00 to finish this school, and also help in other worthy enterprises there in China.

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Grand Island

GEORGE J. SELTZER

For some time the members of the Grand Island church have wanted me to hold a week's meetings with them. This has been impossible, as the work here in Hastings at the sanitarium and church keeps one very busy. Last Thursday, however, I was called to conduct a funeral service at the Old Soldiers' Home at Burkett. The chapel was well filled long before time for the service. I preached from God's Word on the sleep of the dead. It created much interest in the minds of the old people. They made me promise to preach to them the next day, and there were a goodly number out to hear the sermon. They seemed more than anxious to have me preach Sunday morning also. I was impressed then to tell them of the last days, and of the soon-coming Saviour. I prayed that God would help me get this truth before them. God heard my prayer and Sunday morning many were out, and as the signs of the last day were made plain from the Bible you could see some of the old soldiers shake hands with each other, and could hear them talk out loud. After the meeting a number of them stopped at the door and asked me to hold a series of meetings. I told them it could not be done as the building was in use almost every night. They then asked if the meetings could not be held in a tent. I told them they could after it got warmer. One then said, "I will give \$5.00 towards a tent." Some fifteen or twenty said the same thing. I believe a goodly number could be added to the little company already there if a series of meetings could be held where these old people could attend.

The members of the Grand Island church are of good courage. Four meetings were held in the church. The first meeting was a prayer and testimony meeting. One of the old soldiers from the Home who came to the church that night gave himself to God, promising to keep all the commandments. He knows the truth, as he has been attending the Sabbath meetings in the Home.

Grand Island has a goodly number of

young people, and they need spiritual help. I feel a good work would be done if some meetings were held and these young people put to work. Work gives life while idleness brings death.

The Grand Island church school is doing nicely. They are blessed in having a good Christian teacher, and one who is not afraid to work. Miss Welch is certainly a busy girl, and is doing her best to make the school a success from every standpoint. I spent a half day at the school and believe I am safe in saying there was not a minute without some class reciting. May God bless our church schools and the young men and women who are willing to teach them.

Further Notes from the National Educational Association Kansas City

That the education, or non-education of any child rests no longer with the parents but with the state was very strongly emphasized at this meeting. Until recently, compulsory education laws have had no effect outside the city or thickly populated country districts, but this condition has reached a climax. City and state officials are sparing neither means nor labor to obtain a complete and accurate survey of school conditions. Twenty-three thousand dollars was lately spent by the city of Cincinnati alone in obtaining such a school census. And the work is being pressed with all possible haste in the rural communities that the state officials may apply the compulsory school laws to these districts. That each child in the United States, whether living in the country or the city, is entitled to educational advantages equal to every other child in the United States, is only a right proposition upon which to base this work. And to the end that the length of term, the ability of the teacher, the kind of school building, as well as its equipment, shall reach a certain standard, no stone is being left unturned. Last year this work was organized in the state of Nebraska and in order to hasten the work the state was divided into six divisions and an inspector put in charge of each. That Seventh-day Adventist schools will have the opportunity of being scrutinized, we do not doubt, and that it is the privilege as well as the duty of every school to measure up to the standard we must urge.

Let us be prepared for this inspection when it comes. More: let us invite the inspection of outside educators

that they may see the work of Seventh-day Adventist schools, for we are proud of them. Florence Howell.

An Acceptable Apology

J. I. BEARDSLEY

After an apology for not having written before, either to us or to the OUTLOOK, Brother Helligso writes as follows from Fairbury. Such things are too good to keep secret, and we pass the good words along, trusting that they will encourage someone else to greater efforts:

"The Lord has been blessing us in many ways. We are busy—all of us—trying to bring the truth to the people. We have our new baptistry completed and plan to use it March 24. Five have begun the observance of the Sabbath, and others are interested.

"We are still using a large number of Present Truth series. We are urging the members to take no more papers than with which they can do thorough work. They do not leave papers where no one is at home, neither where they do not want them. You would be interested to be at one of our prayer meetings and hear some of the experiences as they are related. We have the town districted and keep a record of all of the numbers of the papers that go into the districts. This missionary work has surely livened up the members.

"Our young people's meetings also show a very lively interest. Our meetings started with every other Friday evening, but the interest soon demanded that we have a service every Friday night. One feature of the meetings each week is a twenty-minute study on one of the main points of our faith.

The outline and texts are written on the blackboard, the members copy them, take them home and study them over during the week. At the beginning of the next meeting we have a written examination on the previous week's study. The number of one hundred per cent papers and the deep interest taken would surprise you. We are preparing for the Standard of Attainment examinations. Since beginning this plan we have had three or four outside young people join us in these studies. We will have a class of about twenty who will want to take the examination for Standard of Attainment."

There are good suggestions in this report which other societies could put into practice with profit.

Have you subscribed for the OUTLOOK?



The Foreign Missions Investment Plan

A. T. ROBINSON

Elder J. W. Turner and the writer have recently presented the above plan in twelve of our churches in Colorado, with splendid results. As a good illustration, two churches visited last Sabbath forenoon and Sunday evening, having a combined membership of sixty-three, filled out and handed in eighty-two investment blanks. Among these investments were eleven acres of wheat, corn, potatoes, beans and beets, also cash investments amounting to \$84.00. Among the smaller investments are calves, gobblers, turkeys, geese, ducks and chickens, galore. Our efforts are to get every church member and also the boys and girls in the families of our people to invest something for the Lord. In this way in some churches we get a larger number of investments than there are members in the church. We believe this is the most beautiful plan ever devised for the two-fold purpose of raising funds for foreign missions and cultivating and fostering the missionary spirit in our churches.

We are planning to visit and present this beautiful plan in as many of our churches as possible before our camp meeting, which is to be held in Rocky Mountain Lake Park, Denver, June 14-24. Are you planning to attend? If not, now is the time to begin to plan for that feast of tabernacles.

The Denver Efforts

W. A. GOSMER

As a result of the combined efforts in Denver during the last six or eight months, almost one hundred new Sabbath keepers have been added to the churches in the city. The effort in the auditorium, and in the hall following, resulted directly in the baptism of thirty-six souls. Many others are interested, and the workers in the city are endeavoring to bring them fully into the truth. In the three efforts headed by Elder T. B. Westbrook, since last July, seventy-six souls have been won to the truth, and baptized into the church. Elder Anglebarger and his corps of workers

have also been blessed with a good number of souls during this same time. Elder O. T. Nerlund, our Swedish pastor, also reports good success in winning souls the past eight months. His church is an enthusiastic body of people, and their courage is good. They have purchased a suitable church building, which is paid for.

Our people in Denver, with few exceptions, received a great blessing in nobly standing by the work there during the months past. Some contributed largely of their means, and many gave what they could, and practically all took part in bringing their friends and neighbors to the meetings. Many were very faithful in rendering help in the choir and with the music. All of this good work on the part of the brethren and sisters required no small degree of sacrifice in time and means. It is one thing to attend a meeting once or twice, and it is quite another thing to attend almost nightly for many weeks, paying car fare, etc., yet it can be truly said that the zeal of our Denver people never wearied, and many were sorry that the large efforts had to close.

Campion Academy News

E. E. FARNSWORTH

Mrs. C. H. Parker, of Longmont, visited Campion friends over Sabbath and Sunday.

Mrs. L. M. McCumley visited the academy last week and assisted in the Sabbath service.

Word comes from Wyoming of the arrival of another boy at the home of Mrs. Nannie Parker Long, a former Campion teacher.

Miss Elizabeth Everist returned from the sanitarium a few days ago, having recovered from pneumonia, and has returned to her home at Vernon.

The music department, under the able direction of Mrs. W. A. Gosmer, rendered a very interesting recital in the chapel last Wednesday evening.

Word comes from the sanitarium of the birth of a baby girl to Mrs. Helen Wilson, Campion, and thus the prospective students of the academy are on the increase.

Malcom and Derrell House enjoyed a Sabbath visit from home folks a week ago, and Derrell could not resist the temptation to take the auto trip home for a short visit.

Ethel Vickers surprised her Campion friends by announcing her marriage to a Mr. Jones who lives three miles

west of Campion. Her friends wish her much happiness.

Elder E. H. Curtis made another trip to Campion last week and closed a deal for the Spæcht property adjoining the school campus. We understand his family will move here from Cheyenne some time during April.

Harry Davis met with a painful accident recently while assisting in unloading a car of coal, the bone of the left thumb being crushed in several places. He was at once taken to the Boulder Sanitarium and the best attention possible given. For a time it was feared the thumb might not be saved, but we understand it is making gratifying recovery.

Last Sunday evening, Elder W. H. Anderson addressed a crowded house on his experience as a pioneer missionary among the heathen of Africa. He also occupied chapel hour the following day. Hearts were deeply stirred as the needs of that dark land were pictured to us, and appeals made for consecrated young people to prepare quickly to join the line of advance into the interior of darkest Africa. Some day we hope some Campion students will be found there gathering gems for the Saviour.

Our efficient Conference Sabbath School secretary, Miss Stella Parker, conducted an interesting and profitable Sabbath school convention at Campion, March 17-21. The Loveland school united with Campion in this convention. From first to last the instruction was practical and the Sabbath schools represented must certainly be more efficient as the results of the instruction given.

Efficiency in soul winning was the aim in all the instruction, and organization and methods are of value only as they produce these results.

The teachers and officers of each of the divisions in the Sabbath school met in separate meetings for special help. The convention was much enjoyed.

News Notes

R. T. EMERY

Miss Gladys Robinson is visiting the church school at Hygiene this week.

Miss Stella Parker plans to spend Sabbath, March 24, and the week following with the Sabbath schools near Wray.

Elder I. H. Evans spent Sabbath, March 17, visiting his son Jerome in Canon City. He passed through Denver Sunday on his way East.

Brother W. J. Huffman, Central Union Conference auditor, is spending a few days in this office, finishing the audit of the books for the year 1916.

Brother C. W. Carr, of Yuma, and his little boy visited the office on their way home from the sanitarium at Boulder, where the boy has been for treatment.

Brother C. W. Allen and wife left Denver the first of the week for Cheyenne Wells, to answer a call for meetings in that vicinity. Some of our people have been living in this neighborhood for some time, and as a result of their efforts, an interest has been awakened to hear the truth.

The Colorado Railway Association has granted our request for a one and one-third round trip rate to the camp meeting in Denver next June. Because of the difficulty experienced last year in obtaining this rate, we applied early, and were gratified at the prompt and favorable response. There will be three days of sale, June 14, 15, and 20.



Investment Fund

N. T. SUTTON

Self sacrifice is the key note of the Christian life. The plan of salvation has been laid by means of sacrifice. God gave his only begotten Son. John 3:16. Jesus gave his life. John 10:15. It seems that the only way that man can be saved is by the way of self sacrifice. "Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice." Ps. 50:5.

One of the greatest blessings that comes to a person in his Christian experience is that of a self-sacrificing effort to bring the saving truths of the gospel to those who know it not. "Every true, self-sacrificing worker for God is willing to spend and be spent for the sake of others. Christ says, "He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal." John 12:25. By earnest, thoughtful efforts to help where help is needed, the true Christian shows his love for God and for his fellow beings. He may lose his life in service; but when Christ comes to gather his jewels to himself, he will find it again." Testimonies, Vol. 9, p. 56.

I am sure that many of our dear brethren in the Wyoming Conference have heard the Macedonian call, "Come over and help us," and they are going to make a heroic effort in giving of their means to carry the light of truth to all the world. We realize that the great clock of time has struck the hour, when a mighty work must be accomplished in carrying to the teeming millions of the inhabitants of earth the knowledge of the true and living God.

All of us cannot sail to some far-off shore and tell the people of the peace, rest, comfort and joy that comes to those of us who have obeyed the gospel of Christ, but we thank our heavenly Father that he has provided a way by which each of us may have a part in the work of carrying the gospel story, and share alike in the reward with those who may be called abroad to preach the glad tidings of the gospel.

For the encouragement of all to have a part in this glorious work, the foreign mission investment fund has been devised. Provision has been made in this foreign mission investment fund that all from the little child to the hoary head may have a part. Each of us can do something along this line. All of us are more or less acquainted with this plan. The blanks which have been provided for this fund are ready for distribution.

It is not too early to commence to plan for this fund. Brethren, let us all have a part in this work for the coming year. Let us pray earnestly that God will help us to do all that he requires of us at this time.

We appreciate the noble effort our brethren made along this line last year. The large sum of money, which was raised, will be used in bringing the blessing of the gospel to many souls in those lands which are robed in heathen darkness.

News Items

ASA SMITH

We are pleased to report that Mrs. A. C. Clawges, of Bridgeport, Nebr., is enjoying good health once more.

Elder Sutton and J. M. Fletcher held a few meetings over Sabbath and Sunday with the brethren at Scotts Bluff, Nebr.

C. W. Jones, of Crawford, Nebr., returned last week from Savannah, Mo., and reports that his mother is improving.

John Morris and family, of Dunlap, Nebr., have moved to within a few miles of Hemingford, Nebr., and this will enable them to attend church.

W. E. Thomas, of Lingle, Wyo., has sold his well drilling outfit and expects to take up self-supporting evangelical colporteur work.

Mrs. N. B. Hansen, formerly of Bend, S. D., and a member of our conference church, has upon request been granted a letter to unite with the church at Viborg, S. D.

At the recent meeting of the conference committee the following names were added to the conference church: Mrs. T. R. Cox, Rapid City, S. D.; Mrs. Edna Brooks, Riverton, Wyo., by letter from Graham Station, Calif.; Paul Hansen of Wauneta, Wyo., by letter from Pueblo, Colo.; Archie Anderson and wife, Encampment, Wyo., by letter from College View, Nebr.; Lená and Edna Groff, and Ida Brown; and Ella Trompeter, of Manderson, Wyo., by letter from Hillsboro, Ore.

At the committee meeting which was held early this month arrangements were made for the camp meeting which will be held in Crawford, Nebr., providing suitable arrangements can be made for the ground. The following appointments were made for management: superintendent, H. A. Fish; pitching large tents, Elder C. H. Miller; pitching small tents and locating people, Elder W. A. Long; newspaper and advertising work, J. M. Fletcher; children's meetings, Mrs. H. A. Fish; music, Elder E. H. Curtis. Voted, that the dining tent be run on the cafeteria plan, same as last year, and that M. J. Brown be secured for manager again if possible.

An action was also passed to furnish each minister with \$5.00 worth of free tracts for evangelical work each year.

It was also decided that arrangements should be made for securing two young men students to assist in the tent meetings this coming summer.

The matter of the furniture of the Hemingford school was quite carefully considered and action was taken authorizing the president to sell or make arrangements for the sale of this furniture to the best advantage at cash prices.

If you want to see the silk worm develop from the egg to a moth through its different stages, send ten cents to cover packing and postage and you will receive a liberal "setting" of silkworm eggs, and full directions for care. They may be started on fresh lettuce but should have mulberry leaves to do well.

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The Kansas School Problem

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At the Kansas camp meeting a large committee was appointed to consider the school situation in Kansas and report to the conference. This large committee reported back to the conference, recommending that the schools in Kansas continue as on their present basis until such time as the matter could be taken up with the North American Division and Union Conference educational departments, and it was requested that Professor W. E. Howell and Elder I. H. Evans visit the Strode and Hill Academies, and give such counsel as they thought best regarding the school situation in Kansas. It was impossible for Elder Evans to visit the schools, but Professor Howell spent some time at each place, looking over the situation, and studying the school problem in Kansas.

On the 28th of January, at the Union Conference committee meeting, the following motion was passed:—"Voted, that a committee of seven be appointed to formulate a policy to assist the executive committee in handling the educational situation in the Central Union Conference at the present time." The following were the members of this committee:—H. A. Morrison, chairman; W. A. Gosmer, president of the Colorado Conference; W. H. Clark, acting president of the Kansas Conference; J. S. Rouse, president of the Nebraska Conference; W. E. Howell, acting secretary of the North America Division Educational Department; F. R. Isaac, president of the Clinton German Seminary; and W. W. Ruble. This committee met, and after studying the entire educational situation in the Central Union Conference, passed the following motion regarding the situation in Kansas:—"Voted, that it is the sense of this committee that the Strode Academy be built up as rapidly as the money can be raised, but on the following basis:—(a) That the citizens stand by the proposition made by their representative citizens to give \$1.00 for every \$2.00 donated by the denomination; (b) that the city provide proper sanitary conditions for the school. Voted that we advise the Hill Academs board to

conduct Hill Academy as an eighth, ninth or tenth grade day school, the grade to be determined by the ability of the local church to maintain the same, according to the standards adopted by the educational department."

The above motions were accepted by the Central Union Conference committee with the following persons present: Elders R. A. Underwood, W. H. Clark, N. T. Sutton, J. S. Rouse, W. A. Gosmer, F. R. Isaac, H. A. Morrison, W. W. Ruble, W. J. Huffman, D. U. Hale; C. L. Benson, field Missionary Volunteer secretary of the North American Division Conference; and G. B. Thompson, from the North American Division Conference.

On February 28, the Hill Academy board met at Downs, Kans., to consider the problems of the Hill Academy, and to elect a faculty for the same. After studying both recommendations very carefully, it was voted that all of the members of the Hill Academy board meet with the Strode Academy board at Oswego, Kans., March 5 and 6, and after going over the situation there, that some definite action be taken regarding the Hill Academy. In compliance with this motion Brethren McComas, Maxwell, Dresselhouse and Prof. H. H. Howard met with the the members of the Strode Academy board at Oswego, March 5 and 6. After a very careful study of the situation, and of the recommendation to the board by the Union Conference when Elder Thompson, Professor Howell and Professor Benson were present representing the North American Division, it was voted to adopt the plan suggested, and submit the same to the Kansas Conference at the time of the regular Kansas camp meeting.

It was thought best not to continue the Hill Academy as a boarding school, but conduct it as a day school because there are only a few boarding students there, and it was impossible for the conference to maintain two boarding schools in Kansas. The reason why it was suggested to build up Strode Academy rather than to build a central school was that there was already invested at Oswego something like \$10,000 or \$15,000 which would practically be a loss if we were to abandon the school there. The Hill plant will be turned over to the brethren at Hill Academy, to be used by them for school purposes as long as they desire to continue their school. It was voted that the Strode school should be built up just as rapidly as the money could be

raised, building a good building and another dormitory near the present location of the girls' dormitory.

We trust that the brethren will study this situation very carefully, and come to the camp meeting prepared to cooperate in building up one strong school for Kansas, and unite their efforts in conducting a school in order that the richest blessing of God may abound. It was in the heart of every one present at each of these meetings to find out just what was the best thing to do, and we feel sure that when this matter is considered at the coming camp meeting that a spirit of union and harmony will prevail, and that the will of God will be done regarding the school situation in the state of Kansas.

Office Notes

F. I. MOHR

The conference secretary is enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. G. C. Mohr, of Nekoma, this week.

Elder M. A. Altman and family left this week for Colorado Springs, Colo., where he will locate for the present.

Miss Faye Eagle, the Sabbath school secretary, is visiting the schools in the eastern part of the state. She reports having good meetings with these schools.

The following were callers at our office this week: Adam Schreiner, of Otis; Jacob Yakel, of Bison; Professor J. F. Simon, of Clinton, Mo.; Elder Boettcher; J. J. Mohr and family, of Otis.

Elder M. Lukens, our president, visited the Hutchinson church last Sabbath, returning Saturday night to attend to work in his office. He is planning on visiting the Kansas City churches, Sabbath, March 24.

Elder Wilson received a message from Iola to take charge of a funeral. While at Iola he received a telegram that his father was on his death bed at Rockville, Mo. He immediately went to Rockville to attend his father's funeral.

We are very desirous of having all our people throughout the conference pay in their tithes and offerings for the month of March during this month. It will certainly help us very much. We are very thankful to our church treasurers and others for their promptness in sending remittances. The Lord is pleased to see his people doing business promptly. May the Lord bless you all.

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Colporteurs' Report for Week Ending March 24, 1917

	Book	Hours	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd.
Colorado							
Louis Boesser	P. G.	19	2	7 00		7 00	
L. F. Bowman	E. S.	12	4	14 00		14 00	
Anna Hayer	D. R.	18	6	23 00	4 15	27 15	1 90
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Kansas							
John B. Aitken	B. R.	10	2	8 00	75	8 75	
B. F. Blum	B. R.	13	1	3 50		3 50	
John S. Davis	P. G.	43	5	17 50		17 50	
A. M. Dorman	B. R.	52	24	102 00		102 00	180 00
Wm. Duce		22	6	24 00		24 00	
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J. A. Jacobsen	C. K.	32	9	23 00	3 00	26 00	
Katie E. Mayer	C. K.	4	1	2 50	3 75	6 25	
C. R. Millar	E. S.	25	5	17 00	4 75	21 75	
G. A. Millar	C. K.	34	11	22 00	1 25	23 25	
A. F. Miller	B. R.	38	10	28 00	9 00	37 00	
J. E. Miller	B. R.	38	11	38 50		38 50	
J. T. North	D. R.	22	4	15 00		15 00	
W. H. Powell	B. R.	20	7	25 00		25 00	
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L. F. Morrison	B. R.	20	3	11 50		11 50	88 10
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Office Notes

ALICE GUTHRIE

Elder Hale was with the Ava company over Sabbath, March 17.

The location of the camp meeting this year will probably be Sedalia, providing suitable grounds and facilities can be secured. Elders Hale and Limerick and Brother Bradley were appointed a committee of three to investigate.

Miss Sadie Godsey, who was in attendance at the institute last week looking after the magazine work, left Clinton Wednesday evening for Nevada to assist a number of the members of the church in getting started in this line of work.

The senior hydrotherapy class gave their program Saturday night. The way they carried out their parts showed they had been doing faithful and thorough work and was a credit both to themselves and Mrs. C. Hines, their instructor.

Elder F. L. Limerick and Brother Madsen visited the Springfield church Sabbath and Turners Sunday. At Turners they took up the investment pledges and both old and young took hold of the plan in a way that means success. We expect a liberal offering from these pledges next fall.

The investment fund campaign is now on in our conference. Many of the churches have already taken hold of this important work. Let all fall into line with this excellent work. It will help you as well as the missionaries in the foreign fields. We are in receipt of a letter from a brother saying that the family's investment last year amounted to \$26.30. He gave one twentieth of his watermelons. These brought \$13.25.

The colporteurs' institute at the German Seminary closed Friday. About fifty of the students are planning to enter the field as soon as school closes. If this band of young people carry with them the spiritual influence so evident during the institute, and which we believe they will, the homes they visit can not fail to recognize them as children of God, and seeds of truth will soon be sown that will bring forth fruit for the kingdom.



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