"Every one said to his brother, Be of good courage." Isa. 41:6.

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Home Missionary Convention

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 17-20

R. A. UNDERWOOD

This was our first Union home missionary convention held in the Central Union Conference. The laborers from Kansas and Missouri, quite largely, were in attendance, besides the presidents of the Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska Conferences, together with their home missionary secretaries. Elder James, Professor Benson, Brother Blosser and the writer represented the Union men in attendance. We were favored with the presence of Elder Quinn during a good portion of the convention, who rendered valuable assistance.

A full program had been prepared and the time from Monday evening until Thursday evening was fully occupied. Tuesday afternoon it was decided by the convention that the next day we would have what was called a "field day." We met Wednesday morning at 8:30, and after a season of devotion, the laborers present were divided into bands, Brother Ferren having outlined the territory in the city for these various bands with their leaders to enter. We were loaded up with something over three hundred copies of "Our Lord's Return," and fifty copies of the Watchman. We went out and spent one hour and a half visiting from house to house, carrying these books. Nearly all disposed of all the books they took with them. Many precious experiences were related in a meeting that followed on their return about 11 o'clock. Every one was impressed with the open doors on every side and the need of this kind of work being taken up by our churches every where. Scores testified that this was the richest experience they ever enjoyed in a similar period of time. There were no gloomy persons in the praise service that followed. A large valley of openings for medical missionary work, for Christian help work, for circulating truth-filled literature and holding Bible studies with the people were the results of this short period of field work by about one hundred laborers.

The convention was presided over by Elder J. S. James, and Brother Ferren was elected as secretary.

The following are some of the recommendations which were passed:

WE RECOMMEND, That following this convention, conference offices plan for church institutes where several churches can be brought together; that rallies be held in churches where distance makes this impossible, and that the elders of our nearby churches be invited to attend such meetings; and that in all these rallies and institutes a "field day" for the sale of our literature be held, the profits of which shall be used for the promotion of the home missionary work.

FOREIGN MISSION INVESTMENT

WE RECOMMEND, 1. That conference workers plan to present the subject of foreign missions in all our churches at an early date and enlist the people in foreign mission enterprises; and

WE FURTHER RECOMMEND to all the conferences in the Central *Union that our people be urged to make investments as they are able to add to the foreign mission offering, according to the plan already adopted.

2. That all our laborers and people, as far as possible, sell a sufficient amount of truth-filled literature to en-

able them to turn over \$1.00 or more each month on profits from the same, to be applied to missionary work—foreign or home, as each conference or church may determine.

FIELD DAY

WE RECOMMEND, That from time to time field days be held in all our churches for the sale and distribution of our literature.

HARVEST INGATHERING

WE RECOMMEND, That all our churches and people be urged to put out every Harvest Ingathering paper on hand at an early date.

MAGAZINES

WHEREAS, Magazines are extremely popular with the general reading public, and whereas, our denominational magazines offer a current medium for spreading the gospel, therefore,

WE RECOMMEND, (a) that definite plans be worked out in each conference for a more general use of magazines by our church members.

- (b) In order that the plans may be made more permanent, we encourage our churches or members to place standing orders.
- (c) That where not personally needed we encourage our members to turn the profits from the sale of magazines into some local church missionary fund.

The closing evening an interesting study on the finances was conducted by the writer. Inasmuch as a strict adherence to the cash policy is the only basis upon which successful, permanent missionary work can be built up it was the concensus of the convention that our churches be recommended to adopt the cash policy, and that the cash should accompany the orders sent in for literature, or be available not later than thirty days from the time orders are placed.

Sabbath School in Prison

T. J. CONNORS

The first Sabbath school ever held by Seventh-day Adventists in the Fort Leavenworth prison was organized February 8 by the following members: Joseph Anderson, No. 15,443; John Berger, No. 16,219; Lester E. Janke, No. 15,944; Chas. F. Schilling, No. 15,057; Henry H. McGilvey, No. 14,151; Alvin Conrad, No. 14,208; Hobart Crandall, No. 15,361; and T. J. Connors, No. 14,908. These are all the members of the Seventh-day Adventist church who are doing time here because of the Sabbath of the Lord.

In the school room, over the first wing, the Sabbath school was opened at 9:30 by singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour," followed by a season of prayer in which nearly everyone took part. All felt that the Holy Spirit was present. Brother Schilling, who is a very consecrated man, was elected as leader. As some one had a lesson quarterly, we studied Psalms 105:26-39. All took part in the discussion, bringing out points new and old.

Brother Schilling next called for testimonies, which were the best the writer ever heard, for all rejoiced that they had suffered for the cause of truth which is eventually to triumph over error. All felt of one accord, and rejoiced greatly that God had given this time for worship, even in prison.

The service was continued by a reading from the *Review* of January 2, on "The Present War Situation," by Elder Daniells and other articles by local conference presidents. As we had only one *Review*, we took this occasion to hear that our people are agreed in sending this message to a dying world. We then found our allotted time of two hours was up.

For the opportunity of meeting together, we are indebted to Prof. W. W. Ruble, who visited us February 1. Through his efforts we feel that we were granted the school room and also passes granting us relief from all Sabbath service. We are now given the Sabbath to enjoy. In this the authorities have shown us great kindness, and we are all cheerful in the hope of a soon-coming Saviour.

We ask the prayers of all who may read this, and thank all who have been so good as to write us letters and send literature. It is all good missionary work, for our papers and books are eagerly read by the men here. Many have heard the message of the third angel through the Seventh-day Adventist boys confined here. We feel that God's ways are not our ways, neither are his thoughts our thoughts. There is not a doubter among the brethren here, and all are gaining a rich experience. It is not the same as being among criminals, for the majority of the men confined here are here for some military offense. The hearts of many of the men are touched by the message of a loving Saviour, and the work is indeed going forward. Only the day of judgment will reveal the good accomplished. God's Word will not return to him void.

The writer has been in France and England during the past summer and has seen much sorrow and grief caused by this war. He has seen how great the harvest really is and that the laborers are few. At one time he felt as Elijah when he fled and said to the Lord that he only was left, but the Lord showed him that there were yet seven thousand who had not bowed the knee to Baal.

We want to thank our brethren and sisters for their prayers and tears which we know have been given in our behalf, and we not only ask your prayers for us, but also for everyone confined here, for the prayers of a righeous man availeth much.

Missouri Conference

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Clinton

Annual Colporteurs' Institute

FELIX A. LORENZ

It has been decided that we hold our regular annual colporteurs' institute at Clinton, March 21-30. We expect this to be the best institute we have ever had. All of our regular colporteurs will be asked to be present, and we are expecting quite a number of new recruits, men and women who have decided to enter the colporteur work as regulars. We are expecting substantial help in conducting the institute from outside the conference, and I am sure it will be a wonderful meeting and one long to be remembered as an inspiration to all who attend.

I know from reading the message of the Servant of God that there are scores of men and women here in Missouri whom God wants in this work. I also know from looking over the field and our records of past work that this state is the most needy field in the Central West. Where are the scores of colporteurs that should be giving Missouri the message? Why are you not one of them? Our field is in dire need, and our men and women have been blessed with success. Follow the report in the Outlook and notice the high sales per hour. Notice, too, how few reports for a state of four million people. Is not God calling you? Remember, the need constitutes the call.

Entertainment at the institute will be furnished free and railway fares to the institute and from here to the field will be refunded to the colporteur after he has established himself as a regular.

Please write at once stating definitely your aims so that arrangements may be made for you.

Where He Had Been Brought Up

C. G. BELLAH

"And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue, and read." Luke 4:16. There is always something particularly interesting about a visit to the old home place. What a joyful, happy time it usually is. But how different was the Master's visit. No love, no interest, no response; only criticism and opposition.

Just before coming to St. Louis nearly three years ago, the writer held a ten days' meeting in Poplar Bluff, the old home town. The Lord came graciously near, and gave us a great revival. At the close of this meeting, fifteen united with the church. Then a little over a year ago, we returned, and ten more were added to the company.

Last week we held services again at Poplar Bluff. I do not remember when the little church has been as well filled as during these last meetings. The brethren were faithful in coming, and also in inviting others. Some drove through snow storms, as far as four miles, in order to attend. On the last day, the Sabbath, seven came forward for baptism and church membership.

The souls won to Christ during these various meeting at this place were not the result of the writer's efforts, unless in a very small way. We merely bound off the work already done. It is the result of the activities of the church, and their godly example before others. Many of these converts were from the church school, which must largely have the credit for the results obtained.

God bless the old home church and town!

A Missionary Tour

V. P. LOVELL

After spending the week of prayer with the companies at Poplar Bluff and Monteer, I started out to spend a few days with each of the companies at Drexel, Creighton and Archie.

Inasmuch as Brother Hoen and I had held meetings at Drexel the past summer, I was glad indeed to pay them a visit. I found the little company there faithful and of good courage. One of the sisters told me that their family was just as faithful to the truth as when we left them last summer. One sister had been rather halting between two opinions since the meetings, but while I was there she got the victory and took a decided and determined stand for this third angel's message, that we all love so well. We certainly do praise the Lord for this victory. We know he is able to make us conquerers over him that would ever keep us from obeying the Master's call.

At Drexel we organized a good Sabbath school, which we trust will be a live and working one. Several of this company are awaiting baptism. Brother and Sister Pence plan to continue their good work of scattering the printed pages over the city and country about them. I wish that all of our people would realize the value of giving out tracts and papers and especially the *Present Truth* series. Whole churches have been converted as the result of one little tract or paper.

From Drexel I went to Creighton, and there found Brother James Cochran and family and Sister Forsythe of good courage in the Lord. They would have liked to have had some meetings but the influenza was so prevalent and another meeting at the Methodist church in progress, so we decided that it was advisable to postpone the meeting until later. Creighton seems like a fruitful little village for a good harvest of souls. We hope our people there will continue to sow the seeds of truth among their neighbors that in due time they may see souls saved in God's soon coming kingdom.

At Archie my soul was made glad and hopeful upon meeting dear old Brother and Sister Kivett. I often think of a statement that Brother

Kivett made. He said, "I was once rich, but now I am poor, but I would not give what I have now for all the world." Brother Kivett had plenty when he found this truth, but he has given nearly all that he had to the cause of God. But surely he has from it all the "pearl of great price." The Sabbath school here is made a live one by the faithful efforts of Brother Kivett's son and Sister White. I spoke to them Sabbath and spent the rest of the time visiting with the different ones. They report that the people are very anxious for another meeting. We hope to be able to hold a series of meetings there, before long.

After visiting the above places, I came to Neosho to see if there were any prospects for school house meetings. I found a nice school house about nine miles from Neosho, near Sister Hardiman's place, and the people here seemed anxious for some meeting, and they certainly have proved this to us in their good and faithful attendance. Sister Hardiman and her sister-in-law, Sister Burbridge have done good work among the people here. They have worked and conducted themselves so wisely in herping all they could in the Sunday school, in kind neighborly deeds and in giving out our literature, that we have very little prejudice, but a very interested and sympathetic feeling from the people. That means everything when a minister comes into a place. We are having excellent meetings with the prospect of a good harvest of souls. Last night most of the house manifested their desire to stand for the "Thus saith the Lord." We ask our people to pray especially for our meetings here at Neosho, that souls may be snatched as it were "a brand from the burning."

Inasmuch

C. G. BELLAH

"Inasmuch as ye have ministered unto the sick, ye have ministered unto me," declared the great Physician.

Those who serve misery best, serve the Master. There has never come to the Seventh-day Adventist pastor such marvelous opportunities and imperative needs as have been afforded by the recent, awful scourge of Spanish influenza.

St. Louis has surely had its share of victims. Countless numbers have been

afflicted, and thousands have died. Physicians, nurses, and relatives have been taxed to the utmost. The writer stood one day on Easton Avenue, and in twenty minutes saw five funeral processions pass by. When one remembers that these were going to only one of the many cemeteries in and around St. Louis, a little of the awfulness of this plague can be comprehended.

While there have been a good many cases of influenza among our own people here, not many have been serious. Surely the Lord has been good to his people here in preserving their lives. Only two have died, and only one of these really from influenza. We thank our heavenly Father for his tender watch-care over his chosen ones.

The writer, having discouraging tendencies toward bronchial affections, at first thought it best to avoid as far as possible, all opportunities of contagion. We reasoned that the shepherd must care for his own health, and avoid exposure, so that he might better look after the spiritual needs of the flock. But the great Shepherd soon gave us an entirely different vision of our duty. One day he whispered 'Inasmuch,' and we understood.

When the real need came, and many were down with the influenza, we utilized every opportunity possible of helping them. The very thing they needed most was not sermonizing, food, medicine, or even money; but bedside prayer and personal encouragement. This could not well be given on the lawn or door step, but right by the bedside, clasping the fevered hand of the sick and suffering. "Inasmuch."

During the last three and one-half months, the writer has made nearly two hundred visits, and most of them among influenza patients. The Old Book has been read to them, and earnest prayer offered for their recovery. We have sat unmasked in homes, offering comfort to the relatives, while loved ones lay cold in death near by. eral services have been held in packed houses, whose inmates were not members of our flock. Yet through it all. God has graciously given us health and strength, both physically and spiritually, for which we are most profoundly grateful.

WANTED: For adoption, baby girl under five years of age. References gladly exchanged. Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wammack, Box 11, Traer, Kans.

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Home Missionary Convention and Workers' Meeting

W. A. GOSMER

The Lord willing, a home missionary meeting for the western part of the Central Union Conference, and a workers' meeting for the Colorado and Wyoming Conferences, will be held in Denver, March 3-8. A cordial invitation is extended to the other conferences in the Union to join us in these meetings. Announcement will be made later of those who plan to attend. It has already been definitely decided that Elder Sutton and the workers from Wyoming will attend. Elders Rouse and Stray have also promised to take part, and will bring some of their workers. Elder R. A. Underwood and the Union Conference Secretaries are also planning to be present to help. The help from the General Conference is yet uncertain, so far as I know.

The home missionary work in the Union, as well as elsewhere, is taking on new life, and advanced methods which appeal to our hearts. Our people must become acquainted with these new ways of doing things. Our workers must get the inspiration of the hour, and lead our people to victory.

Two programs will be carried out, viz.: A distinctly home missionary program, under the immediate supervision of Elder J. S. James; and a conference workers' meeting, a program for which has been prepared by the writer. Copies of these programs will be sent to all who are expected to lead out in discussing the various topics. Both of these meetings will be a great blessing to our work and workers, and they are much needed. We need to study the best practical methods of reaching the masses by enlisting our own church members in the great work. We have theorized for a long time on finishing the work. The time has come actually to finish it.

Our conference workers need to come apart for a few days to commune with God and with one another. We must study the best methods in our work and seek a fitting up of heart and life by the infilling of the Holy Spirit and the laying aside of selfish plans and purposes. May God grant that every soul who attends these meetings may come praying, and be a channel of light to his fellow workers.

Further announcement will be made later on in these columns.

Sabbath School Helps

It has been the experience of many of our boys and girls after outgrowing the intermediate divisions of the Sabbath school and on entering the junior classes that the lessons in the lesson quarterly were uninteresting. The Sabbath school department has taken steps to fill the great need.

Beginning with the second quarter of 1919, the Youth's Instructor will publish a simplified form of the senior lessons for the junior division in addition to those for the intermediate division. Every Sabbath school should plan to provide every junior with the Youth's Instructor in time to begin April 1.

For the study of the new series of lessons, entitled, "Fundamentals of Christian Life," beginning April 1, every senior, junior and intermediate pupil will need a copy of "Steps to Christ" and "Desire of Ages." What can help us to better represent Christ in our life than an acquaintance with his life? There is a deep, strong cord of spiritual sympathy uniting the Divine with the human running through the record of our Saviour's life in "Desire of Ages" that I have failed to find in any other book. We all need the help of that cord to bind us to heaven. The personal possession by your boy or girl of a copy of these books may be a greater incentive to him to read them than if they were a family copy. The reading of them may mean everything to him when he comes to making decisions for himself.

There are few of us who have reached perfection in Sabbath school teaching. The new teachers' training course begins March 1. It will do us good to secure the two books, "The Teacher," by Luther Weigle, and "The Devotional Life of the Teacher," by J. R. Miller, and follow the outline as it is printed from month to month in the Sabbath School Worker. Those who have last year's books are missing much if they fail to write how the books have helped them, and thus se-

cure a certificate for completion of the course.

The tract society will be glad to supply you with the above books at the following prices:

"Steps to Christ," cloth, plain, (special price), 50 cents; khaki, armly and navy edition, 25 cents; red limp leather, \$1.25.

"Desire of Ages," cloth, plain, \$1.50; red limp leather, \$2.25.

"The Teacher" and "The Devotional Life of the Teacher," 60 cents.

Colorado Springs

As pastor of the Springs church, as well as Pueblo, I have been busy, but with the efficient Bible help rendered by Sister Bessie Sufficool and her mother we have been able to keep the work going. Recently we had the pleasure of baptizing nine, the greater number of them being young people.

The interest created in the theater and tent efforts of last spring and summer is still being followed with good results. A short hall effort is being planned for this spring to further the work at this place. Pray for the workers in this city of wealth and fashion that God may continue to gather those who know not the Saviour as we know him.

H. A. VANDEMAN.

Pueblo

Since opening the church after the epidemic, the Lord has wonderfully gathered the people together in both Sabbath school and church service. Outsiders are in attendance at all the services. The prayer meeting is well attended, the Spirit of Christ is in evidence, and the desire to work for others is inspiring.

We have under way a Sunday night effort in the church which is well attended by outsiders. One Sunday night lately, a snow storm failed to keep the crowd away, and many gathered to hear the truth. Last Sunday night the best attendance thus far this winter was registered, many men being present. We are slowly and surely gathering in a splendid company of men. May God help us in getting them definitely over the line.

We recently baptized four persons and four more were hindered because of various causes and will be baptized later. We have had no conference Bible worker for nearly a year in this great city, but Sister Wildebore, a volunteer, is doing most excellent work. Pray for Pueblo.

H. A. VANDEMAN.

Briggsdale

After a long vacation on account of the influenza epidemic, we have again opened our church school. This is our first year, and we are progressing nicely.

We have an enrollment of eighteen. Our teacher, Mrs. Lula Kinzer, is earnest and thorough in her work.

We have a fine up-to-date building, 28 x 36 feet, properly lighted and modern in every way. This is an ideal location forty miles northeast of Greeley, Colo., and a fine opening for any one wishing to locate near such a school. There is some state land here that could be secured on easy payments; also relinquishments and deeded land, near the school that can be obtained at a very reasonable figure.

R. T. HALLOCK, Elder.

Fowler

Last Sabbath afternoon I took my wife and our church missionary secretary, Brother Jones, to Fowler where a tent effort was held nearly two years ago. The company raised up at that time, although scattered in different conferences, has been faithful with the exception of three who have wandered. Brother A. D. Coon and wife have continued the work here. Although new to the Lord and to this message, they with the help of the Review and other papers and books have kept the light burning in their home Sabbath school.

We arrived too late for their Sabbath service, but held an earnest prayer service for the evening meeting scheduled at the Methodist church. We met a splendid congregation at the church in the evening. They listened attentively and seemed anxious to know what the Bible light was concerning the league of nations, and the future peace prospects. Both the Baptist and Methodist ministers were present. We sold some small books and handed out tracts.

The little company there were much encouraged and are planning to do follow-up work with a systematic distribution of *Present Truth*. Pray for this little band at Fowler.

H. A. VANDEMAN.

Sabbath School Reports

Only twenty reports from the Sabbath schools for the fourth quarter of 1918 have been received. This leaves fifty-four Sabbath schools in the Colorado Conference unrepresented on our records. We know many schools have little or nothing to report for that quarter, but we are anxious to have a complete list of Sabbath school officers with their addresses. Will those Sabbath school officers who read this please make sure that their schools have sent in a report?

The Sabbath school offers an exceptional field for service to every Seventh-day Adventist. Are we permitting the opportunity to pass unimproved?

F. A. PAGE.

News Notes F. A. Page

A successful colporteurs' institute has just closed at Campion.

Brother Albert Guest and family have moved from Ft. Lupton to Trinidad.

Miss Ethel Lane, of Boulder, is assisting Miss Pearl Keene in the Ft. Lupton church school.

Elders W. A. Gosmer and J. W. Turner are attending the home missionary institute at Kansas City.

We hope as many of our church elders as possible will attend the home missionary institute to be held in Denver March 3 to 6.

Our church school teachers are looking forward with a great deal of interest to their institute at Campion, February 28 to March 3. We are sure that participation will even be better than anticipation.

The Boulder Sanitarium is not only moving the gymnasium preparatory to beginning work on the new hospital, but is making some changes in the arrangement of the business office which is a great improvement.

Elder R. T. Nash has just completed a series of very successful meetings in the Fort Lupton church. Four new members have taken their stand, and several others are very much interested. Three men, whose wives were already members, have taken their stand, thus making united families in the message. We praise God for this.

Three aeroplanes, in their flight across the room, are marking the progress of the children's classes at Hygiene in keeping up daily study and perfect attendance. At present the three planes are together. They will doubtless keep together until the close of the quarter, because not one of the "crew" of any one of these planes are willing that their machine shall lag behind.

Kansas Conference

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Wellington Church School

Since last reporting, we have had three conversions in our school. This is due to the efforts put forth by the prayer bands and the week of prayer lessons given in the school.

On our return from the teachers' institute, filled with enthusiasm and a new determination to raise our school to a higher standard, we found others of the same spirit. With the aid of the school board, the ninth grade pupils, Dora Osterloh and Florence Ragan, had oiled the school room floor, also gone over the furniture and woodwork. The pupils are enjoying new playground apparatus.

Elder Stray was a welcome visitor at the opening of school one morning and led the morning devotional exercise.

The junior society has organized the different working bands, and we expect better reports.

MAUDE RAGAN, VIENNA HAMILTON.

Kansas Sanitarium Debt \$13,000

F. W. STRAY

The Kansas Sanitarium is our child. Years ago we started this child in the world with a plant consisting of about twenty acres of land and necessary buildings, but in debt, telling the child that now we had set it to work in the world, that it should pay the interest on this indebtedness. I find that the Kansas Sanitarium was in debt a little more than \$30,000.00 December 31, 1917, which is about fourteen months ago. Of this debt \$29,000.00 was in notes payable, bearing interest. You can readily see that even at the low rate of 5 per cent interest, this interest money alone would reach the sum of \$1,500.00 a year.

During the year 1918 pledges made by the conference and sanitarium workers and from two churches were paid on the debt, amounting to \$1,537.00. Then the overflow of the twenty-five-cents-a-week fund which came back to Kansas was applied on the indebtedness, which amounted to \$8,624.00. The sanitarium out of its earnings applied \$1,162.00 on the debt, making a total of \$11,325.00 paid on the debt during the year 1918. When the books were closed December 31, 1918, the unpaid notes had been reduced to \$17,600.00, with all other bills paid, so that amount represented the total indebtedness December 31.

At our conference session we voted the comeback on the twenty-five-centsa-week fund for 1918 to the sanitarium. At the session of the General Conference last spring the policy which had prevailed a number of years was reversed, so that now all overflow goes to the mission fields, the comeback being fixed, which was three cents a week per member in 1918, which would be \$1.56 per member—three cents a week for fifty-two weeks-and we paid the twenty-five cents a week on two thousand six hundred forty-eight members, making a total of \$4,130.00 which has come back to us and has been applied to the notes payable of \$17,600.00 reducing the total notes payable at the present time to \$13,470.00.

Now I am sure that this brings great encouragement to all our people to know that within fourteen months, the sanitarium indebtedness has been reduced from over \$30,000.00 to about \$13,000.00. But, better than this, the sanitarium had on hand December 31 about \$1,500, which if applied at that time to the notes would have reduced them to \$12,000.

Now, then, we want to plan to finish paying off the indebtedness this year, which now is only \$13,000.00, and stop all interest-paying on the part of the sanitarium. But we should like to do this without appealing to our people for gifts and donations direct to the sanitarium, because we are, as you know, making a general appeal for donations to our Kansas Academy. We believe that there is one way that the sanitarium can be brought out of debt speedily, and that is by the collection of its accounts.

We found that at the close of 1918, running back over a series of years, there were accounts due the sanitarium from patients amounting to over \$20,000.00. Much of this is owed the institution by the members of our churches in Kansas and Oklahoma. We appeal to the brethren and sisters of our conference to make every effort to pay these accounts at an early date. If there is any disagreement with the sanitarium, or question regarding any of them, we should like to have you write it out, sending it to me, and it will be considered by a special committee appointed for that purpose.

Now the plan is this: The collection of these accounts by this general appeal and by having our financial agent, Brother Surber, and others appointed, visit those who are indebted to the institution, encouraging them to pay these accounts. The sanitarium board has appointed Brother H. S. Osterloh to assist Brother Surber in this work. Sooner or later if these accounts are not collected, we must appeal to our brethren and sisters for direct donations to pay off the sanitarium debt. This we wish to avoid, and it seems unnecessary to us when the sanitarium has these assets in accounts of over \$20,000.00 which are unpaid.

It may be in some cases that some of the brethren and sisters who have had this work done are unable to pay for it. We should inquire into their circumstances and take some action concerning their account, either by discounting the same or helping them in some other way. In other cases, it may be that some one has property but not the ready money, and could readily borrow enough to pay the sanitarium account, thus relieving the sanitarium from paying interest.

In behalf of the sanitarium and the churches of the conference, we heartily thank every individual who has been prompt in paying his accounts, and regard with brotherly charity those who have been unable, or through any cause have been hindered. But now, brethren and sisters, let us all rally to this call so that we can soon sing the song of jubilee for our splendid institution which is doing such good work for our people, disseminating the truth among those who do not know the message, and training our youth for missionary work in this great hour of need and call for workers for the mission field.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

News Notes

MABEL EZELL

Brother Richard Hansen, of McPherson, who brought his wife to the sanitarium this week, has called at the office several times.

Miss Alma L. DuBois left this week for the eastern part of the state where she will visit the school at Galena, also the school and academy at Oswego.

Those from our office who are attending the home missionary convention being held in Kansas City, Mo., are: Elders F. W. Stray, and M. G. Huffman, Brethren F. I. Mohr, W. F. Surber, and E. A. Jones.

We have on our shelves the following books which can be had at prices quoted:

"Bible Year," cloth, 65 cents.

"Friend in the Kitchen," 50 cents.

"School Manual," for school board and teacher, \$1.00.

Brother Fred Laubach, of Coolidge, was among our visitors this week. Owing to the snow storm, he was three days coming from Coolidge to Wichita.

Bound volumes of *Present Truth* can now be had. They come in manila covers and the price is 50 cents. Order from the tract society.

Wyoming Conference N. T. Sutton, Pres. Ass Smith, Sec'y Arthur Nelson, Field Missionary Sec'y

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Nebraska

Cheyenne

Sabbath, February 1, I had the privilege of meeting with the brethren in Cheyenne. I found them of the best of courage. The Sabbath school is the largest it has been for some time. There is a good interest being manifested in the Sabbath school, and the outside attendance is very good.

While the population of Cheyenne is largely of the Catholic faith, yet our brethren are able to carry on a good, strong missionary work. They believe that the message will do its work among all classes. We are sure that in due time fruit will be gathered from the faithful efforts put forth.

The church school, taught by Sister Ida Anderson, is progressing nicely. The children are making good advancement in their studies, and all the patrons seem to be well satisfied.

N. T. SUTTON.

Wyoming News Items

C. W. Lee has made a public sale of personal property and will move to Colorado, near Boulder.

Mrs. Isabel Shaw, of White Owl, S. D., writes that there is opportunity for meetings in her vicinity.

Mrs. A. Boman reports \$24.75 received for one day's work with the Harvest Ingathering at Greybull, Wyo.

Mrs. Sarah Hansgen, who has been selling home workers' books at Dietz, Wyo., writes that they are moving to Auburn, Wash.

Elder Sutton left Sunday morning, February 16, for Kansas City to attend a home missionary convention there for a few days.

Miss Alma Adkins is doing Bible work in Worland, Wyo., and reports the organization of a Sabbath school of twelve members.

Thomas Worth stopped a few days with the church at Sheridan, Wyo., on his way home to Buffalo, Wyo., from the Boulder Sanitarium.

Miss Sarah Rutherford, of Ft. Laramie, Wyo., orders lesson quarterlies, stating a request has come from several neighbors to organize a Sabbath school.

Sister Cartwright informs us that a Dr. Ritchey and family from Chicago have located at Bridgeport, Nebr. This will add to the little company there.

Mrs. L. M. Davis returned February 18 from Denver, Colo., and found a letter telling her of the serious illness of her mother in Irvington, Calif. She left the same night for her mother's bedside.

Elder J. M. Fletcher received a long distance call while at the office February 12, telling him of the serious illness of one of the twins. He left that evening for home. Word has since been received that the little one is still quite sick. We hope for recovery.

The publishers of the Sabbath School Worker inform us that the May number will contain, in addition to the regular subject matter, the program and helpful matter for Rally Day, June 7. The price will be 5 cents per copy. We will have a supply at the office, and hope to receive orders for them from the Sabbath schools.

Colporteurs' Report for Week Ending Feb. 20, 1919

Colorado;	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
H. F. Wiswall	D. R.	16	3	12 00	5 35	17 35	
Mrs. H. F. Wiswall	O. D.	32	3	10 05	1 75	11 80	
Total, Agts., 2		48	. 6	22 05	7 10	29 15	
Kansas:							
M. M. Bates	O. D.	16	19	55 50	4 00	59 50	16 50
*J. T. North	D. R.	64	10	42 00		42 00	19 50
B. E. Potter	B. R.	10	4	18 00	2 00	20 00	
*W. H. Powell	O. D.	61	23	65 5 0	30 15	95 65	12 55
J. H. Roberts		15	5	13 00		13 00	
Total, Agts., 5	-	166	61	194 00	36 15	230 15	48 55
Missouri:							
*Curt Payne	D. R.	56	16	68 50		68 50	
†Freda Haegert	B. R.	45	10	42 50		42 50	
†Anna Orr	B. R.	45	12	50 50		50 50	
W. H. Coppock	B. F.	18	7	16 00	1 25	17 25	
J. W. Coppock	B. F.	25	28	60 00		60 00	
*A. B. Culy	B. R.	91	45	215 00	7 50	222 50	
Total, Agts., 6		280	118	452 50	8 75	461 25	
Nebraska:							
*H. F. Drake	D. R.	67	31	135 00	27 75	162 75	
*J. H. Loomer	O. DD. R	. 47	23	63 00	20 45	83 45	
Total, Agts., 2		114	54	198 00	48 20	246 20	
Grand Total		608	239	866 55	100 20	966 75	
*Two weeks. †Thre	ee weeks.						

Advertisements

WANTED: A graduate nurse to take charge of small hospital. For particulars address, Mrs. Anna M. Peterson, Valentine, Nebr. Box 498.

WANTED: To rent, 80 or 160-acre farm. Would prefer to have stock and machinery furnished. Can give good reference. A. N. Cardey, 217 North Lasalle St., Beatrice, Nebr.

FOR SALE: One hundred sixty acres in southern Oregon, two hundred seventy miles south of Portland and three miles from the main line of the Southern Pacific railroad. This land is mostly timber with about eight acres cleared, in a healthful climate and will make a good home. A fairly good house and barn are on the place. This land was donated to the cause of missions. The Colorado Conference will sell this land for \$1,500. Can give terms if desired. We also have a farm in Missouri for sale. For further particulars write S. J. Abegg, secretary of Colorado Conference, 1112 Kalamath Street, Denver, Colo.

A native Spanish teacher is now connected with the academy at Jaroso. One class will be conducted in the

evening for older persons not attending the academy. A good opportunity is now offered to any one who has a burden for Spanish work to acquire that language. There are many Mexcan villages in southern Colorado and New Mexico where practically nothing has been done for this people. For further information address, John B. White, principal.

FOR SALE: White Silver Skin Bottom Onion sets. Run 10,000 to a bushel. \$4.75 per bushel, f. o. b. Hutchinson. G. C. Curtis, Hutchinson, Kans.

WANTED: Nice, clean copies of different papers for missionary work, sent to 907 W. Lincoln, Wellington, Kans

Obituaries

Quade: Eleanor Hay was born in Boulder, Colo., April 19, 1897, and died in Loveland, Colo., Jan. 17, 1919. She was converted and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church of Greeley when eleven years of age. She was a student of Campion Academy for several years. On December 23, 1917, she was married to Harold N. Quade. Together they spent some time in the tent work. Sister Quade

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was a warm-hearted Christian, and found access to the hearts of the people as she engaged in Bible work among them. She planned on foreign mission work, and with her husband was to sail for the Philippines to work with Elder Roy Hay, her brother. She longed to live and work for God, but when she found that she must go, she said submissively, "Thy will be done." She leaves to mourn, her husband, one child, her parents, two brothers, and one sister. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, based on Rev. 14:13, assisted by Elders J. W. Turner and E. E. Farnsworth. We fully believe that she rests in the blessed W. A. GOSMER.

Dorman: Mrs. Emaline Dorman was born March 8, 1842. She was married to Joseph Dorman in 1860. She was a member of the Methodist church until 1897, when she joined the Berthoud, Colo., church of Seventh-day Adventists of which she was a faithful member until death. She was respected by all. Owing to the prevailing epidemic only a brief service was held at the grave. We believe that she rests in hope.

W. A. GOSMER.

Kiger: Mary E. Nelson was born February 2, 1857, in Sullivan County, Indiana, and died of pellegra Feb. 14, 1919, aged 62 years, 12 days. When a girl she, with her parents, moved to western Missouri, locating six miles east of Joplin. Here on June 17, 1876, she was united in marriage to W. H. Kiger. To this union four sons were born, all of whom preceded their parents in death. She leaves to mourn a devoted husband, a veteran of the civil war, one brother, one sister, several grandchildren, and a large circle of friends. Early in life Sister Kiger

developed a true Christian character. Her unselfish and sacrificing labors for the comfort of others have endeared her to all who knew her.

Ten years ago she heard and accepted the present truth, and since has spent much of her time in missionary endeavors, her consistent Christian life ever adding emphasis to her labors. When the terrible disease, pellegra, fastened its fatal talons upon her, her suffering at times was almost unbearable, yet she bore it all uncomplainingly, and never for one moment lost her hold on God and his promises. She was conscious to the last, and fell asleep with the blessed assurance that soon she would hear the call of the Life-giver bidding her arise and receive her crown of life.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer in the newly finished church at Galena.

J. L. BALLARD.

Clinton Seminary News Notes

MARIE EWERT

Among our visitors at the seminary were Claus Ewert; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Reiner, from Camp Funston; Lydia Reiner, Sam Reiner and family.

A recent letter from John Voth, a former C. T. S. student informs us that he has been in France for some time and has charge over twenty-five German prisoners.

The students are engaged in active missionary work, such as distributing free literature, conducting prayer bands, holding cottage meetings and giving Bible readings among the citizens of Clinton. The ministerial band sends out workers to neighboring towns to conduct meetings.

The Echo staff gave a rally in the chapel February 12, for the purpose of raising our subscription list. Our aim was, "Each student a subscriber." We almost reached the hundred per cent mark and it will not be long until we have our seven hundred fifty subscribers. 14ew subscriptions are coming in on each mail.

The normal department took charge of the chapel hours February 17 and 18, presenting the following subjects: "Why Study Methods and Class Room Management?"; "Better Equipped Schools and Better Prepared Teachers;" "Normal Work and the Ministry;" "The Normal Training in Secondary Education."

A Good Word

Regimental Infirmary, 2nd F. A., Camp Zachary Taylor, Ky., Feb. 14, 1919.

W. W. Ruble,

College View, Nebr.

Dear Brother Ruble:

Our papers have been coming irregularly regular. All have reached me and have been scattered from Ft. Sill, Okla., to Malestroit, France. They have been left in Y. M. C. A.'s and on boats and trains for some one else to read. I want to thank you for your personal interest in me, shown this way and by the letters you have sent. Tell the society that these have helped keep me connected with home influences and true motives.

Next Wednesday, all being well, I will be on my way home to the Pacific Press, a discharged soldier. It is therefore time that these papers be discontinued. I want to thank you again for these papers and tell you I am of good courage and for the experiences and lessons that have come to me during these last few months, and for the things I have seen in another country.

Yours sincerely,
HARRY I. SMITH.

Be Reasonable

Of late I have been wondering why man is so unreasonable with God when God is so merciful toward man, the One who holds the wealth of the world in his hands and gives us the necessities of life.

Besides giving us the things we need, he entrusts us with a small portion of that which belongs only to him which he asks to be returned to him for his own work on earth. If some wealthy friend should give you everything you need, and also give you more to be used as he directs, what would you do? Would you use that which he said was his for your own gratification? If you did, would you expect him to grant all the favors you might ask of him? Neither may we expect our Father which is in heaven to grant our petitions, answer our prayers, keep us from evil and protect us in this time of trouble, if we continually rob him.

Let us be reasonable; let us be honest with God, then we can claim his promises.

GEORGE NICKEL.