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

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Report of Colporteur Work for 1921 and 1922

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Paper read at the bookmen's convention at Mountain View, Jan. 13-22, 1922.

The following is a summary of the work done by the colporteurs as they have reported it.

	Av. no. reports	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Av. an hr.
1921	55	47216	15545	\$78,567.48	\$1.68
1922	68	49886	23505	74,977.37	1.45

These figures show the comparative results of the two years. It shows a few more colporteurs worked in 1922, a considerable number of more hours, a still greater number of orders taken, with a decrease in the value of orders for 1922. I think that the increase in orders taken, and lessening of the value of sales are explained by the fact that more attention was given to small books this fall than formerly.

But the thing that gives the greatest encouragement is the token of God's blessings in soul saving, and His providences with the workers. I will relate some of them as they have been passed on to me by the field missionary secretaries.

Colorado

"In my mail today," a sister wrote, "My husband bought two copies of 'Bible Readings' to send to his relatives, and has asked his employers to allow him to have Saturday as his Sabbath. He has been reading Adventist literature."

At present two families are keeping the Sabbath because their interest had been aroused by reading 'Great Controversy,' followed by attending some Adventist meetings. At another place a few miles from there an interest had been aroused by our books and a meeting is in progress with an attendance of forty.

At Stratton, a brother and his wife are awaiting baptism as a result of reading 'Great Controversy' and 'Bible Readings.'

From Arriba, Akron, Burlington, Otis, Stratton, and Wray calls are coming in, asking for a minister to hold meetings as a result of books sold around those places.

Missouri

"One of our oldest colporteurs in Missouri came to a creek that was swollen by heavy rains. He was tempted to turn back, but knowing that there were families on the other side who had never been visited, he waded through. He sold some books, and five families across the brook are now Sabbath-keepers."

Wyoming

"An interest was aroused at Clinton by the work of two of our lady colporteurs. I assisted them. A series of meetings has been held there this summer, and the field secretary was called to baptize the converts, thirteen in number. Some of them he had canvassed last spring while assisting the colporteurs in their work."

At another place a lady colporteur found a man and his wife who became interested. They were visited several times by the colporteur, and are now members of one of our churches.

Another man bought a book. He became sick, learned of our sanitarium at Boulder, and was treated there. He is now a Sabbath-keeper.

Kansas

"I met a man the other day in the road as he was going to his work. I stopped him and made known my business, but he said he was too busy to listen to my story. (Something like Martha.) I explained to him that I was just as

busy as he, and that I was anxious for him and his wife to see the book together. He went back to the house with me. They paid close attention as I showed them down through the prophecies to the 'Home of the Saved,' in a land beyond the sorrows of this life. When I had finished and had pulled for the order, they told me that they had the book, and that they knew it just as soon as I showed the prospectus, 'but' the man said, 'we wanted to hear you tell the old, old story.' Then the folks explained to me that five years ago they bought 'Bible Readings' from a young man, and it had convinced them of the truth. They also said, 'We have been keeping the Sabbath for nearly three years, but did not know where to find any Adventists. Our married son and our married daughter believe as we do, and received the light from 'Bible Readings.' " This man and his wife are now attending Sabbath school.

The elder of the Arkansas City church one Sabbath morning answered the ringing of the telephone, and heard a feminine voice saying, "Is this the pastor of the Seventh-day Adventist church?" On being told it was, she said, "Well, I have been reading a little book called 'Our Day in the Light of Prophecy,' which I bought of a lady canvasser. It is the finest book I ever read. It makes many passages of the Scripture clear, and more than that, it tells us what day we should keep as the Sabbath. If you will tell me where your church is located, I shall be very glad to attend this morning."

One hot summer day one of our colporteurs was trudging along the dusty roads, thinking of his sacrifices, and wondering if anyone would ever accept the truth through his labors. Off the

road he saw a well kept farm, large house, and all other buildings to correspond. He was soon showing his book 'Coming King' to the man who was standing near the gate. Suddenly the man looked into the face of the colporteur and said, "That book is published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association, and I already have five of their books. I have also discovered to my delight and joy that the seventh day is the Sabbath, and I am keeping it. I do not know anyone else who believes as I do, but I know what day to keep." This man received the message from 'Great Controversy' and 'Daniel and the Revelation.'

Nebraska

"One colporteur tells of a Catholic lady who bought a book. She and her husband began to keep the Sabbath. She loaned the book to a lady friend, and soon three from that friend's family became Sabbath-keepers."

"Another colporteur tells of having a hard time to persuade a family to purchase 'Daniel and the Revelation,' but he finally succeeded. The father and mother accepted the truth through reading it, also a grown daughter. The colporteur married the daughter. He landed that order in the best binding."

Inter-Mountain

"There has been twelve adult persons that have commenced to keep the Sabbath through reading our books. Just recently two of our colporteurs who have been working in the Mormon villages of Utah report several families have begun to keep the Sabbath. These colporteurs report orders amounting to \$3200.00 in seven weeks. They are making good deliveries."

The outlook for 1923 is good. All the field missionary secretaries are laying plans to push the work vigorously during the coming year. In each conference an institute has been planned, six in all, besides an institute in each of the six schools in the Union Conference. In some cases a local institute will be held besides the regular institute. Our first institute will be held at the Shelton Academy beginning February 2, and from that date until in May we shall be constantly in institute work. Bands have been or will be formed in each school. We assisted in organizing one at the German school at Clinton, Mo. Thirty of the students signified their intention of joining it. Others will join before the close of school. The faculty of Union College are uniting in an effort to interest the young people to

form a band there. At the Enterprise Academy a band of thirty-five has been organized. At Shelton Academy there will be about ten or twelve in the band, and at Campion about the same number. At the Rulison Academy in the Inter-Mountain Conference there are five young people planning to sell books during vacation. So we see no reason for discouragement. The prospects are as bright as the promises of God.

While the financial chaos of the world seems to threaten to engulf us, the dark clouds of war that are arising on the eastern horizon threaten to plunge the world into disaster greater than in 1914, and the world's great men stand aghast at the picture of ruin presented, yet as bookmen who have learned the lesson of knowing that "Man does not live by bread only, but by every word of God," we see in these things helps to impress upon people the value of literature that will enable them to see in these calamities fresh tokens of a better world looming in the near future. Our hearts beat with joy with the hope of saving some souls out of the wreckage that is piling up all over the world. The prospects of these things help to quicken our steps as we rush into the work for 1923.

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Creston Heights Sanitarium

Perhaps not many of our people know there is located at Colorado Springs, Colo., what is known as the Creston Heights Sanitarium, conducted by Dr. T. J. Evans, one of our own people. This sanitarium cares for tubercular patients. Just recently the Colorado State Board made an inspection and passed on it favorably, granting them a state certificate.

Recent word from Doctor Evans states that besides building his family a home (which is now in the process of construction), they are planning to add more cottages in order to meet the demand for accommodations.

Aside from the physical help the patients are receiving, encouraging progress is being made in spiritual lines. "We have not had a patient in the sanitarium yet who has not been free to read our literature, and we are truly pleased for all this," writes the doctor. One patient has written her husband that she expects to keep the Sabbath. Others are inquiring concerning the Sabbath truths."

Nebraska Conference

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College View

Plans and Recommendations of the Conference Committee

S. G. HAUGHEY

The executive committee and auditing board of the Nebraska Conference met in joint session in College View January 14-16. Some very interesting plans and recommendations were passed that will have a far-reaching influence upon the entire work of the conference. Firmly believing that our people should be made acquainted with all the general plans and work of the conference, we are taking this opportunity to pass on through the OUTLOOK a number of the recommendations that were passed at the above-mentioned meeting.

Concerning the work of spiritual revival and reformation called for by the Spirit of the Lord, our committee felt that while a good work had begun during the Week of Prayer season in December, and in many of our churches this work is still going on, yet we should so plan the distribution of the conference workers that as far as possible all our people might receive a spiritual uplift at this time. A small committee was chosen to work out some plans for looking after the whole interests of the conference. This committee has met, and while their work is not yet completed, we are glad to pass on some of the plans that have been decided upon thus far. We have arranged for five districts, I will not name the counties in each at this writing, which are as follows:

District I embraces the northeastern part of the state, and for the present takes in all the Sabbath-keepers along the northern border as far west as Valentine. The natural center of this district is Norfolk where Brethren McWilliams and Oss are now conducting an effort. Elder Garton is also located at Fremont, in this district.

District II embraces Omaha and the two counties immediately west of that city. Elders Meiklejohn and Lawrence are located in Omaha.

District III takes in the southwestern part of the state south of the Platte River. Its natural headquarters is College View or Lincoln. Elder C. H. Miller is located here. The conference office and general workers are here also for the present.

District IV takes in the central part of the state from the Kansas line to the two northern tiers of counties, and north of the Platte River it extends to the Colorado border. Thus far no workers are located in this district except those connected with the Hastings Sanitarium and the Shelton Academy. These workers cannot give much time to work outside of their institutions.

District V lies south of the Platte River and takes in the southwestern corner of the state. Elder J.T. Miller is located in this territory. It is planned to further district the larger sections when we can increase our force of workers.

It is planned for some of the general workers of the conference to have the oversight of District IV, and to visit the churches located there. Besides conducting some special services, the president of the conference will visit all the churches and companies as time will permit. With the large number we have, it will take some time to get the round.

A small committee was appointed to look up a location for our campmeeting this year in the vicinity of Grand Island if possible, or failing that place, the Hastings district.

In harmony with a former action of the conference delegates in session, it is the sense of the conference committee that the conference headquarters should be located nearer the center of the state. This will save railway fare and facilitate the movements of the general workers. It will also be more accessible for our western churches. Elders S. G. Haughey, G. C. George, and Brother A. F. Kirk were appointed as a committee to investigate the situation at Grand Island with a view to locating there. Pray for the success of the committee in securing the right place and location for our headquarters.

In view of the fact that "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women composing our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers," and "Because the church members have not been properly instructed by those whom God has placed as overseers," and further, seeing "The greatest help that can be given our people is to teach them to work for God, and to depend on Him" (see Test. Vol. 9, page 117; Vol. 6, page 434; Vol. 7, page 19), it was

Recommended, "That all our churches be encouraged to devote the first Sabbath service in each month to the home

missionary work, making a wise use of the matter provided in the *Church Officers Gazette*, and

"That our church elders, missionary leaders and all conference workers join heartily in this program and help to instruct and lead our people in lines of practical missionary activity."

Another recommendation dealing with the matter of gathering the weekly missionary reports is as follows:

"We recommend that the church missionary secretaries hand out the weekly report blanks at the close of the Sabbath school and before the second service begins.

"And that before the second hymn of the service, the elder or minister invite all the people to fill out these blanks, allowing two minutes for same, and that when the morning collection or offering is taken the blanks be dropped in the basket."

Other important recommendations were passed. One of especial importance has to do with the service in our churches on the fourth Sabbath in February. Full instructions will be sent to all our people before that date.

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Our Apology

FELIX A. LORENZ

The great triumph in the life of Christ is found in the accomplishment of His assigned task. "I have glorified thee on earth, I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do," He says to His Father. "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." We, in turn, will glorify Him by finishing the work which He has given us to do.

"The finishing of the work"—how often we hear it spoken of in these soul-stirring words! It is the highest hope of every true Seventh-day Adventist, the sacred Mecca toward which our eyes are always directed, and whence we draw our inspiration and our joy. For when this gospel of His soon-coming kingdom shall have been preached to all the world, "then shall the end come." Everything about this great movement is merely a means to this one great end, and in the light of this transcendent goal, may all the means sink into proper subordination.

In the closing days of the Civil War, hostilities having ceased, the two armies, on the opposite banks of the Tennessee River, were awaiting the settlement of details and orders to withdraw from the front. The Union army band had just finished playing a Northern air,

when the band across the river lustily poured forth, with all the ardor and passion of the South, the strains of her beloved "Dixie." As the last echoes died away, from some distant band, whether North or South or neither, no one knew, came the sound of music. The vying bands laid down their drums and horns, and with heads bowed in reverence and love, both armies joined in the spirit of the sweet strains of "Home Sweet Home." God give us grace to lose sight of our own interests, and to render, in harmony and unison, the strains of *our* "Home Sweet Home,"—the finishing of the work of God.

Under the anxiety of this burden we would view with grave concern any situation that seemed to imperil the finishing of the Lord's work. Yet for years we have read, with more or less placidity, the striking statement on the top of page 117 of Volume 9 of the Testimonies. Let it burn its way into our hearts as we read it again: "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." As a commentary on these words let us read a statement from the same pen: "Not one hundredth part has been done or is being done by the members of the church that God requires of them." (An Appeal, p. 11.)

The appeals for home missionary work among our church members and the training of our members for this work run through the last four volumes of the Testimonies and other of Sister White's books like a golden thread. What joy it must have brought to the heart of this faithful servant of God, when shortly before her death, at the General Conference in 1913, she saw in the organization of the home missionary department what seemed to promise to fill this long-neglected need. But we are slow to catch the heavenly vision, and it so happened that this new-born department, in its youth and inexperience, served various other interests that retarded its growth and prevented hardy, well-balanced maturity.

But it is refreshing to see that in recent months, perhaps I should say two or three years, the men who have the official responsibility in this work have gotten a vision of a constructive and balanced program, and there is a growing tendency, as we grow older, to be loyal to our convictions at the ex-

pense, perhaps, of some traditional obligations. We refer to these things to assure you that the meager results that have attended our efforts during the nine years of our department's existence are no criterion of what it should do in the future.

Because it is new, and strange to so many, may I be pardoned for devoting a few moments to the objectives and policies of the department. The home missionary department has but one apology—the promoting of home missionary work. Work done by our members whose primary object is to teach the people the third angel's message and to save their souls is essentially home missionary work. The various phases of missionary activity among our lay members group themselves in three main lines of work: namely, lay Bible and soul-winning work, lay medical missionary and Christian help work, and literature work. Giving to each of these three phases due attention and development will result in a well-balanced program of the missionary activities of any church.

Our objective, as a department, is three-fold: enlistment, organization, training. First, we want and need to enlist our members, all of them, from the oldest grandmother to the smallest child, in earnest, active missionary service for the Lord in His great army. In Volume 9, page 30, we read: "God expects personal service from every one to whom He has entrusted a knowledge of the truth for this time." Notice, it does not say "personal devotion," nor "personal donations," but "personal service." It is our first great duty to help our people to see that just like Sabbath-keeping and tithe-paying and church-going, so is personal soul-winning effort a vital Christian duty. Our task will not be accomplished until we have universal military service in the army of Prince Immanuel.

The second objective is organization. As the whole church is divided into classes in the Sabbath school, the church at study, so should the entire church be divided into bands for the church at work. In Volume 7, page 21, we find this pointed instruction: "The formation of small bands and companies as a basis of Christian effort has been presented to me by One Who cannot err. (Notice who is the author of this plan.) If there is a large number in the church, let the members be formed into small companies, to work not only for the church members, but for unbelievers.

If in one place there are only two or three who know the truth, let them form themselves into a band of workers." You see, whether the church is ever so large or ever so small, this band plan is the Lord's missionary plan for that church.

The third objective is training. "Every church should be a training school for Christian workers," is the Lord's message through His servant. (Ministry of Healing, page 149.) We enter school, not knowing the letters of the alphabet. We emerge, able to read and write and spell correctly. We enter the school of music, not knowing a note from a rest. We are graduated, musicians. We enter a mechanical school, hardly knowing a chisel from a screw-driver. We leave it after a few years, master-mechanics. That is what it means to go to school. "Every church should be a training school for Christian workers." Though a member may have no ability whatever for doing any kind of missionary work, the church is to be a training school that finds his natural talent and turns him out, finally, a master workman in his line of missionary work. This giant task is our third objective.

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The Four One Hundred Per Cent Churches

FELIX A. LORENZ

"A good report maketh the bones fat." Prov. 15: 30. Everybody in the conference, especially the members of these four churches, will be glad to see this report.

During the month of October there were only 126 reporting members in the entire conference—persons who reported their missionary work at least once during the month. In November there were 406, and in December there were between six and seven hundred—we haven't the exact number yet. And in January—well, let us hope there will be at least a thousand. You can help make it so. See to it that you report regularly every Sabbath. See to it that it is not overlooked a single Sabbath by your elder.

The conference committee took action last week, recommending that every church in the state adopt the plan of the General Conference department—that the slips be distributed just before church, that announcement be made just before the offering is taken between the prayer and second song, that two minutes be allowed the entire congre-

gation to make out their reports, and that they then be received together with the offering in the basket. Do not let your elder forget this a single Sabbath.

Here are the four churches that had a one hundred per cent report for December: Fairbury, Hastings, Republican City, and Norfolk. Your church can do it, too. Teach the children to do missionary work and report it. This will make up for absent or dead members. If your church is to be a one hundred per cent reporting church in 1923, let us begin with January. We want to see your church on the list next month.

Missouri Conference

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News Notes

Mrs. F. L. Abbott has been elected as president of the Dorcas Society for the Clinton churches. Excellent plans are being made for more progressive work in Clinton during 1923.

Elder O. B. Hall is having excellent success in his meeting at the Columbia church. He says, "The house is full every evening and the church is cooperating well."

Elder F. L. Abbott visited the Joplin and Carthage churches last Sabbath and reports that in spite of the rain they had good meetings, and that the church members are putting forth special effort for missionary work for 1923.

The price of the book, "Missionary Volunteers and Their Work," has been reduced to \$1.00. Be sure to send your order immediately for this book. All Missionary Volunteer leaders as well as society members will find this book of inestimable help in their society work.

Mrs. E. A. Emery writes that she is enjoying her visit at home with her mother, but will be glad when she can be back in Clinton. Mrs. Emery plans to visit Mrs. Herbert Griffith in Topeka, Kans., where she will join Mr. Emery on his return from the bookmen's convention at Mountain View, Calif.

Will you aid in the special *Signs* campaign? Every Seventh-day Adventist should read the *Signs*. It reveals fulfilling prophecy. It is one of the best papers for missionary work. Send in a club subscription today. Single sub-

scription \$1.50, club of five or more to one address \$1.15, club of five or more to separate addresses \$1.35.

Kansas Conference

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Kansas Schools and Volunteers

V. P. LOVELL

The Oswego Volunteers recently received eleven Standard of Attainment certificates. I am sure that they are proud of them. I shall be glad to help anyone in taking the Standard of Attainment course.

Have you started to read your Bible through during 1923? You can easily catch up even though several weeks have elapsed since the first of the year. Or you may start in where you left off last year.

Miss Parker, who is the teacher at Hutchinson, reports that her school room has been newly decorated and repaired. The patrons of the school had this surprise waiting for her when she returned from her vacation. I am sure there are some other teachers that would be delighted to have such a surprise.

I hope that every school board member has not only received the School Board Special, but that each one has carefully read it and is doing his best to carry out the plans and suggestions given. Do you not think the plan for a meeting of the board each month a good one? I trust that each school board will set a definite day or night of each month for the regular meeting. You owe that to the welfare of your school, and furthermore your teacher will expect it.

If the teachers would like to use any of the Missionary Volunteer Reading Course books from the circulating library to read to the pupils, application should be made so that they may be sent as soon as they are returned.

I think that I have a report from practically all of the churches where there are young people, but if there is one that has not reported I should be very glad to have the report at once.

The tract society still has a limited supply of the Reading Course books. If you do not have one of these sets, you should order before the supply is exhausted. The senior set sells until February 15 for \$4.25, or \$2.55 without "Patriarchs and Prophets." The jun-

ior set is \$3.00, and the primary is only \$1.25.

Anyone desiring enrolment blanks for the Bible Year, Reading Courses, or the Standard of Attainment will be furnished with them free on request.

I hope that all the teachers will be prompt about sending in their third period's report. I need them right away in making out my report. I certainly have been glad to see a junior report accompany practically all of the period reports received so far. And besides, most of the reports show a good amount of work done by the juniors.

Teachers desiring to read any of the Teacher's Reading Course books should let me know what book will be wanted before the books are returned to the library. One of the books came back yesterday, but I hardly know to whom to send it, as there are no applications in for it, and I do not know which of you have this particular book. I fear that some of the teachers are forgetting the "golden rule," as some of the books have been out over a month. Remember that three weeks is the limit.

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Kansas News Notes

Mr. E. R. Harris of Wichita made the office a pleasant call while in Topeka on business last Thursday.

Have you ordered the *Signs* for yourself and two or three friends? Remember the *Signs* has been instrumental in bringing more people into the truth than any other of our periodicals.

Elder W. L. Nott is at the sanitarium receiving treatments for injuries received in an automobile accident a week or ten days ago. We trust he will make a rapid recovery.

Attention: new church officers. Do you have the little book "Officers of the Church?" If not, you should order it from the tract society, for it will be a great help to you during 1923. The price is 60 cents postpaid.

The office force and a few other church members spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Sister E. J. Short on Sunday evening, January 21. The time was spent in making candy, singing, and playing games.

We wish to thank the church clerks and missionary secretaries for their promptness in sending their reports to the office. We received reports from each church clerk in the conference with the exception of the Kansas City Second church and the Bison church.

The missionary secretaries did not do quite so well.

V. P. Lovell and wife and Charles E. Davis and wife drove to Manhattan on a recent Friday afternoon and spent the Sabbath with the church there. The church at Manhattan greatly appreciated the help they received from Brother Lovell.

Colorado Conference

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Call for Clothes

Our colored brethren in Denver are instituting a rummage sale of good second-hand clothing. Anyone having good clothing either for men or women that can be donated postpaid to these brethren may send it to Brother T. H. Coopwood, 1112 Kalamath Street, Denver. Please do not send worthless clothing. The money raised by this sale will be used towards paying for their new church building.

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News Notes

Brother Page writes from Wray that there are now several families who show some real interest in the message that is being presented at the schoolhouse nine miles north of Wray. Arrangements have been made for sending the Weekly *Signs of the Times* to each family. It seems that there will surely be some fruit from this effort.

Two copies of the *Daily Tribune* and *Republican* of Greeley were received as these notes are being compiled. Each copy contained a synopsis of the sermon of the night before, nearly a column in length. Elder Hay is preaching to a full house every night. He has set his heart on greatly increasing the congregation that assembles at Greeley each Sabbath before the winter is over.

Elder Van Kirk began a ten days' meeting with the Boulder church on Friday night, January 19. There is a meeting held at the church each afternoon and evening. The afternoon meetings are principally prayer meetings and the evening meetings in the form of studies and round table discussions. Good instruction has been given from both the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy concerning the victorious life and a revival and reformation. The main auditorium has been comfortably filled each meeting, and many expressions of appreciation are heard.

The spirit of revival is permeating our churches throughout the conference. Is it in your church?

Elder Long is having a good attendance at his Sunday night meetings in the Westside church.

Elder Wearer is busy with his preparations for a great layman's missionary campaign for 1923.

Elder Anglebarger is holding Sunday night meetings in the Southside church which is full every Sunday night.

Elder T. H. Coopwood buried three earnest souls with their Lord in baptism last Sabbath in Denver.

Elder and Mrs. Van Kirk are enjoying a visit from their daughter, Mrs. E. H. Eden of Bushnell, Nebr. She plans to remain several weeks.

Dr. Dean and Brother McKenzie of the Boulder Sanitarium, together with their wives, were callers at the office on Wednesday of last week.

Elder Van Kirk stopped a few moments at Campion Academy on his return trip from Greeley on Tuesday of last week. While there he inspected the new steam engine recently installed. There is no trouble now to get power to operate our own dynamo, thus furnishing electricity for our own lights, which results in a saving to the school.

Brother Snideman writes that the bookmen's convention at Mountain View, Calif., closed last Monday. This meeting according to reports has been the best meeting of its kind held at Mountain View. The bookmen and tract society secretaries are returning to their fields with courage redoubled and a splendid enthusiasm for the next biennial period.

Elder Van Kirk, accompanied by Sister Kellogg and Elder Berry, drove to Greeley Tuesday of last week to give some assistance to Sister LaLone regarding her property. Sister LaLone suffered a severe stroke of paralysis affecting her entire left side a few weeks ago. Her condition seems rather hopeless. However, she is of good courage in the Lord and keeps cheerful.

Have you remembered that February 17 is the first Squaring-up Day for mission offerings for 1923, and that if our offerings reach the full amount of our goal for the membership reported, which is 2613 members at 60 cents a week a member, we should receive up to and including February 17, \$10,964.60? Each church should arise with courage and say, "By God's grace we will."

Elder Berry drove to Boulder from Loveland to conduct the funeral for Sister Stiffler's sister on Sunday, January 20.

The colored members of the Colorado Springs church have organized into a band to do definite work among the colored people of that city.

Brother Wilson was in Boulder Sunday night and Monday morning. He spent several hours in counsel with Elder Van Kirk over school matters.

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Teachers' Institute

The Colorado teachers' institute will be held at Campion Academy February 2-5. Every teacher is expected to attend. Each teacher should bring a note-book and take notes on the various topics presented. Remember the date, February 2-5.

Inter-Mountain Conf.

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A Revival on Health Reform

One of the striking features of the revival that is going on in the denomination is an awakening on the subject of health reform. This is reaching from the laity up through the ministry to men in high positions among us. This movement is bound to come before the end, and its arrival is a most encouraging sign of the times.

I am glad to report to Inter-Mountain readers that as far as I know every worker in the conference has taken a strong stand on the subject of health reform. Perhaps some of us need to go still further, but we are glad for this leadership and we know it will give courage to our people. At our elders' meeting there were strong indications that a large majority, if not all of the church elders, had also taken their stand on this question.

If you are interested in this question and especially if you are not interested, send ten cents to the Inter-Mountain Tract Society and secure a large pamphlet, "An Appeal for a Vegetarian Diet." This is one of the best things on the subject. It consists largely of quotations from the Spirit of Prophecy.

B. H. SHAW.

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Trust the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding. Prov. 3:5.

Progress at the Inter-Mountain Academy

The writer recently had occasion to spend a few hours at the academy, and I am glad to report an excellent spirit of unity and progress. There is a sort of "get under the load" spirit. Everyone is working hard. The students are rejoicing in the warm rooms made possible by the heating plant. A home-like spirit is coming into the school. The parlors are being transformed into places of comfort and beauty.

When I arrived I found the teachers and some students as busy as bees moving the library to the new room which has just been prepared for this purpose. The books are being catalogued and labelled; in fact, the school is starting its first library, and if those who contributed books in the recent campaign could see what they have added to the school in the way of strength and satisfaction, they would have sufficient reward. A school without a well-equipped library is like a shop without tools. Books are the tools with which the student works and builds. And let me make a most urgent appeal at this point. If any reader has books that can be spared—books on history, literature, travel, biography, denominational books—in fact, any kind of books, send them to the academy and strengthen the school.

Brethren and sisters, remember the school in your prayers. We believe it has a bright future. It is located in harmony with the directions of the Spirit of Prophecy, and can ever be, by our faithful efforts, a real school of the prophets.

B. H. SHAW.

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Good English Week at Inter-Mountain Academy

Monday morning, January 22, Good English Week began at Inter-Mountain Academy. A week is planned which we believe will be interesting as well as instructive.

Each English class is to give a program in chapel. The programs are intended to help us to do away with slang, gossip, and all forms of bad English.

A poster contest is open to the whole school. The halls, class rooms, and chapel are well decorated with attractive posters, urging us to perfect our English. It is very interesting to note the many original ideas set forth in these posters. A prize is to be given for the best poster.

Another feature is to see who can become acquainted with the most authors during the week, by finding the authors to twenty-five different lines of familiar poetry which are scattered around the building.

Altogether, we believe that the week will be a great help to us in learning to properly use our mother tongue.

WESLEY ADDRESS.

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News Notes

Verna Garvin was on the sick list three days of last week.

Elder B. H. Shaw spent Wednesday of last week visiting at the academy.

Elder W. A. Alway was absent from his classes the first part of the week because of illness.

The dormitory boys entertained the girls in their parlor on January 13 with an interesting and amusing program.

Oliver Coombs, a former graduate, spent Tuesday visiting old friends at the academy. Mr. Coombs plans to enter Union College the second semester.

The topic of our young people's meeting last Sabbath was China. Many interesting articles were given on the customs, language, and history of the race.

Saturday evening, January 20, was open house at Inter-Mountain Academy. All our friends were invited. After our company had visited each room, a short program was rendered.

Our library campaign ended January 23. Ask anyone who the winners were in the contest, and the answer will be—"the boys." Many books were collected, the total value amounting to \$305.05. We are proud of the spirit manifested by the students during the contest. We now have an up-to-date library and reading room.

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Advertisements

FOR ADOPTION: A nice little boy 2½ years old. Has dark brown hair and eyes. Mother is dead. From Seventh-day Adventist family. Address 3624 Elliot, Denver, Colo.

The writer is very anxious to secure copies of the "Medical Evangelist" published in 1920 and 1921. If you have copies not doing service and want to put them to work, let me hear from you.

B. H. SHAW.

WANTED SOON: One unencumbered lady to act principally as cook in small hospital. Must be strong and well experi-

Colporteurs' Report for Week Ending Jan. 20, 1923

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
<i>Colorado:</i>							
Anna S. Hayer	B R	20	3	16 50	20 50	37 00	
Mrs. C. Mardock	B R	12	8	36 00		36 00	
Total, Agts. 2		32	11	52 50	20 50	73 00	
<i>Inter-Mountain:</i>							
*Oliver Coombs	B R, O D	26	10	49 50	15 75	65 25	140 25
Mrs. Bessie Nelson	B R	37	13	62 00	12 50	74 50	
*L. A. Orser	O D	31	12	39 50	13 50	53 00	
*John F. Rader	O D	48	15	42 25	10 12	52 37	
Total, Agts. 4		142	50	193 25	51 87	245 12	140 25
<i>Missouri:</i>							
Mrs. Mary Dopp	B R	21	6	33 00	1 15	34 15	
L. Hilliard	G C	34	4	18 00	14 50	32 50	19 74
F. E. Lamb	B R	15	4	21 00		21 00	
Geo. Mayer	O D	30	10	27 50	3 50	31 00	
J. E. Michaelis	B R	8	7	31 50	50	32 00	
G. L. Rice	B R	18	11	58 50		58 50	
Total, Agts. 6		126	42	189 50	19 65	209 15	19 74
Gr. Total, Agts. 12		300	103	435 25	92 02	527 27	159 99
* Two weeks							

enced in plain cooking. S. D. A preferred. English unnecessary if Swedish is spoken. State age and wages desired in first letter. Address Dr. E. M. Stansbury, Vermillion, S. D. 4t

For Sale: Extracted sweet clover honey in 60 pound cans, \$8.00. Two cans \$15.00. Honey candied. Full directions on each can for liquifying. Chas. Rahn, Rt. 2, Council Bluffs, Ia.

FOUND: Something New. New Testament Decalogue. A chart of the Ten Commandments in the New Testament. Just off the press. Postpaid 25 cents. Nebraska Bible Supply House, College View, Nebr.

FOR SALE, EXCHANGE OR RENT: An 80-acre farm in the rich agricultural region of Southeastern Nebraska. Price \$8,750.00; small cash payment, easy terms. Possession March 1st. Address owner, Box 366, College View, Nebr.

Fifty dollars reward to anyone who finds the party who buys my half section farm. All best tractor land. All kinds of grain. Improved. School and church one mile. Telephone. Daily mail. Clear title. \$25.00 per acre. John H. Berry, Flagler, Colo. 2t

FOR SALE: A forty-acre farm, tillable land, four room house and other buildings. One-fourth mile from Enyart S. D. A. church and church school. For sale cheap on easy terms or would exchange for property in College View. Address Thos. N. Chapman, Gentry, Mo., Rt. 1. 2t

FOR SALE: 50 acres 3½ miles from railroad town. One-half mile from Seventh-day Adventist church in a good farm and dairy country. Four room house, barn and other out buildings, fixed for A-grade milk. All kinds of fruit for family use. Most all in grass. Eight acres of timber. Joe Dock, Kingsville, Mo., Johnson County. 3t

Seven beautiful songs for Church and Home, with music for the piano: "The Mountain Flower," "The Wonderful River," "The Christian Banner," "The Fading Flower," "Lift Up Your Eyes," and the "Flower Queen." Standard Sheet Music size, ordinary voice. All seven for \$1.25 postpaid. Order from Otto Lundell, Room 323, 155 No. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

FOR SALE: Farm of 150 acres. Irrigated. Free water right. Seventy acres in cultivation. Will grow 170 tons of alfalfa, or anything that will grow in that climate. Joins Inter-Mountain Academy, Grand Valley, Colo. Good four-room house and other outbuildings. Nice variety of fruit and berries. Might consider trade for small place near College Place or in Western Oregon. W. A. Whitman, Rt. 3, Albany, Ore. 2t

The 1923 calendar of the Fireside Correspondence School is now ready for mailing. It contains full information regarding the new and revised courses of study. Write for one today.

Address the principal,
PROF. C. C. LEWIS, TAKOMA PARK,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Union College News Notes

Miss Lucile Felkner, who has been teaching in Canada, is one of the latest students to enroll.

Glenn Hilts and Melvin Oss, graduates of the 1922 class, recently visited with friends at the college.

Mrs. Homer Teesdale of Nevada, Ia., has returned to her home after a week's visit with friends at the school.

Charles Williams, our new business manager, is wearing a broader smile than usual—a little girl, Eldoris Elaine, has just arrived at his home.

Mrs. A. R. Smith is visiting at the home of Mr. Smith's mother while Mr. Smith is attending the bookmen's convention at Mountain View, Calif.

There are many others who ought to take advantage of the classes which began the second semester. It is not too late yet to decide to come to Union for the remainder of the school term.

Recent visitors at the college were Prof. W. B. Ochs, president of the Clinton Theological Seminary, Clinton, Mo., and Prof. M. E. Cady, field secretary of the educational department of the General Conference.

Professor and Mrs. Everett Kirk are leaving this week for Inter-Mountain Academy, where Professor Kirk will act as principal of the school. The students in the expression department greatly regret to lose Professor Kirk from the department.

Students enrolling for the second semester, which began January 23, are as followed: Samuel Anderson, Spirit Lake, Ia.; Aaron Hawbaker, Gering, Nebr.; Robert Malone, Merriman, Nebr.; Herbert Anderson, Minnesota; William D. Heinrich, Carrier, Okla.; Janice McCormack, Glenwood, Ia.; Alfred and Esther Jensen, Hutchinson, Minn.; Arthur N. Nelson, Berkeley, Calif.; Everett Willmott, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. J. L. DeWitt and Mrs. A. E. Knight, College View, Nebr.

Dr. Frank Elwood Gordon gave "Shooting the Goal" as the fourth number of the lecture course night after the Sabbath, January 27. He especially emphasized the important part the home plays in making a child what he should be as a pupil in school, as a factor in the business world, and as a good, loyal citizen. He urged parents by all means to get and hold the confidence of their children. This will solve the majority of the problems in child training that come to parents.

Misses Edith Dick and Lenore Brewer spent the week end with friends.

Prof. George Bowers is gaining nicely, though he will not be able to continue teaching this year.

An epidemic of influenza seems to be going through the school. No serious cases have developed.

Friends were glad to greet T. G. Carner and Denver Roos, who spent the week end in College View.

Elder Wight spoke to the students during the chapel hour Tuesday, January 30. He talked about the colporteur work.

The annual meeting of the college board was held January 8-10. Professor John was reelected as president of the institution. Plans were laid for making a stronger and better Union College for the coming year. Those who attended from out of town were: Elder O. Montgomery and C. W. Irwin of the General Conference; Elders E. T. Russell, W. H. Clark, A. J. Haysmer, S. A. Ruskjer and Prof. H. J. Sheldon from the Northern Union; Elders Morris Lukens and E. R. Potter, and Prof. A. W. Petersen from the Southwestern Union Conference; and Elders M. B. Van Kirk, B. H. Shaw, C. G. Bellah, H. C. Hartwell and J. W. Turner from the Central Union.

On Tuesday morning, January 9, the chapel exercises took the form of a short symposium by members of the board. The students appreciated very much hearing from these brethren, especially the representative from their conference.

In renewing their subscription to the OUTLOOK, Mr. and Mrs. Romain Dixon write: "We are still in Kiukiang, Kiangsi Province, China. We enjoy our work here very much. We enjoy making the itinerating trips, but have missed out on a number of them the past two years. First, we helped to look after the construction of the two foreign homes here during the summer and fall of 1921. Then last spring we were sent to the Kuling summer resort to oversee the erection of a large summer school building for our native workers. We made one trip this fall, but did not get to make the one to the south part of the province because of the arrival of a baby girl in our home. . . . We are in the midst of the Week of Prayer and are hoping for large results. I think that nearly all of the native workers will line up to give the extra donation of a week's wage, the same as has been asked of the foreign workers and you folks at home. I know to some of them it will mean a con-

siderable sacrifice, for they are barely receiving enough to get along with. . . . There has been considerable fighting in the province during the past year which has brought considerable hardships to some of our workers. They have all been spared from harm, for which we thank the Lord. At one place in particular, I think it has really awakened them up to see things as they really are and not to be professors of religion only, but to be Christians indeed. . . . May you all receive much of the Lord's blessing and help as you labor at home and endeavor to send the men and means for furthering the work in these distant lands."

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A Debate

In a personal letter to Elder Wight, Brother J. C. Bradley of Goldsberry, Mo., tells of an interesting debate held in the largest church building in the northwestern part of Macon County, Missouri. This church is located about three miles from the Goldsberry Seventh-day Adventist church and church school.

The discussion by Mr. Fenton of the Church of Christ of Ottawa, Kans., and Brother J. C. Bradley began on Tuesday evening, January 9, and continued for three nights. The church was well filled each evening, sometimes the audiences hardly having standing room.

The truth shines more brightly every time it is studied. A good feeling prevails in the neighborhood, and some are asking for more light,—Bible readings, etc. May the interested ones find a Saviour who is able to save and guide them into all truth.

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