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There Is a Sound of a Going in the Tops of the Mulberry Trees

God's instruction to David was, "When thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself; for then shall the Lord go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines. And David did so, as the Lord had commanded him." 2 Sam. 5:24, 25.

There can be no doubt that the Lord will be as explicit in His leading of His people today as He was in the old time, if we are as alert to follow as was David. That was a minor sign, to see the tops of the trees waving; but to the Lord's servant, it was an evidence of His direct leading.

Today people are restless and are wondering what the future holds in store. Statesmen and leaders of the people are much concerned, and the public generally believes that unless the Lord will shortly show a way out of the present uncertainty, the world will be thrown into chaos. The newspapers are daily describing bread riots, labor troubles, and starvation is staring many in the face even during the summer months. What will be the condition when winter sets in? Surely there is a "going" from above that tells God's people that now is the time for us to bestir ourselves, and let people know that a time of trouble has been foretold by the Lord.

"Soon grievous troubles will arise among the nations—troubles that will not cease until Jesus comes. As never before we need to press together, serving Him who has prepared His throne in the Heavens, Whose kingdom ruleth over all. God has not forsaken His people, and our strength lies in not forsaking Him. The judgments of God are in the land. The wars and rumors of wars, the destruction by fire and flood, say clearly that the time of trouble which is to increase until the end, is very near at hand. We have no time to lose. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecies of the eleventh of Daniel have almost reached their final fulfilment."—*Review*, Nov. 24, 1904, by Mrs. E. G. White.

"The Lord could carry forward His work without our cooperation. He is not dependent on us for our money, our time, or our labor. But the church is very precious in His sight. It is the case which contains His jewels, the fold which incloses His flock, and He longs to see it without spot, or blemish, or any such thing. He yearns after it with unspeakable love. This is why He has given us opportunities to work for Him, and He accepts our labors as tokens of our love and loyalty."—*Mrs. E. G. White*, in *Missionary Magazine*, 1901.

J. F. PIPER.

A Wonderful Experience

WE HAVE just returned from a very interesting and enjoyable visit of ten days in the Iowa Conference. During this time we held eleven meetings and spoke to around five hundred people. The response on the part of the brethren to do their best in the Harvest Ingathering was very encouraging.

While at Marshalltown, Sister Fish related to me the following experience which indicates what our lay brethren can do in winning souls to Christ: About a year ago at Waterloo, Iowa, one of the members of the Waterloo church tucked his *Signs of the Times* received at the meeting under his arm as he went

on his way from church. A man saw him passing each Sabbath and finally posted himself where he could arrest Brother Wolfe's attention and engage him in conversation. Being told by Brother Wolfe about the Sabbath, the man invited him to his home for an evening's study of the question. A neighbor was invited in but had company, but when the time came for the study, this man urged the neighbor with his company to attend the study. There were three families represented. After two studies of this kind, the first man ceased to be interested, but the two families who had been invited in by him wanted to continue the studies

by Brother Wolfe. Finally one of them moved across the road from Brother Chatfield, and after a while Brother Chatfield and Brother Wolfe continued the studies with these people. They invited to their studies a gentleman whom they had found, and thus three families became interested. Brother Chatfield studied with them, and recently Elder Fish baptized three men with their wives, heads of families all under thirty years of age. There are eight children in the three families. They have succeeded in getting the mother of one of the families to keep the Sabbath, and the sister of another is very much interested. This is a fine indication of what can be done when our laymen become burdened for souls that are perishing.

Our Harvest Ingathering work affords ample opportunity to find interested souls everywhere, and we are instructed by the servant of the Lord to search diligently for perishing souls while engaged in the Harvest Ingathering work.

We have a splendid opportunity this year of finding a class of men to solicit who will turn a nice sum of money into the cause, and they are the candidates for election, both in state and county. Let us not pass these men by.

Visit your neighbors in a friendly way and tell them what God is doing. Open the Ingathering paper to the spread page and read to them what the British government thinks of our work in Africa with lepers. I find this touches hearts and opens the purse. "Sometimes you will find it trying to do this kind of work, but if you go forth in faith, the Lord will go before you and will let His light shine upon your pathway."—"A Call to Service," p. 6.

S. T. SHADEL.

Are You in Line?

ON EVERY hand is heard the advice, "Get your education now while waiting for better times to come, while waiting for this world-wide depression to end."

While universities, colleges, and high schools are filled to capacity with mostly young people who hope to be prepared for this or that work leading to wealth and worldly honor, most of them tend to destroy faith in God. Satan, our

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Kansas Conference

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Enterprise Academy

THE enrolment is increasing. It is not yet too late to join the fine group of young people attending Enterprise Academy.

The academy is in position to accept some grain on student accounts.

A number of changes have recently taken place in the academy cattle herd. Nine head were sold. Seven cows and a herd sire have been added to the herd. The academy will accept a few more good cows on student accounts.

Several hundred quarts of garden produce have recently been canned.

Kansas News Notes

THE Topeka church had a Harvest Ingathering field day Tuesday, September 20, and as a result they gathered in a little over \$100.

Elder C. S. Wiest left the office the first of the week for the northwest part of the state. His plans were to meet with the Hill City church Sabbath, September 24, and to be with the Oberlin church on the 25th and 26th.

Brother A. M. Ragsdale, our Sabbath school secretary, visited the Kansas City church Sabbath, September 24. He also met with the colored church in Kansas City on the same day.

Professor A. W. Spalding, of the General Conference, and Professor C. W. Marsh, of the Central Union, visited the Topeka church September 21 and 22. Their visit was very much appreciated, and Brother Spalding's instructions were greatly enjoyed by all.

A short time ago many *Review and Herald* expiration notices were sent out. At this writing there are quite a few who have not sent in their renewal. Kindly do so at once. If you wish a copy of either "Great Controversy" or "Practical Guide," add \$1.00 to the regular subscription price.

Sister M. H. Jensen writes that Brother Jensen is busy in the Ingathering, in his section of the field. No doubt the work in his territory will soon be finished and their goals reached.

Sister McManaman, of Herington, sent in a rush order for more Harvest Ingathering papers. She states that so far they have raised \$25, and no doubt they

will reach their entire goal of \$10 a member.

Elder E. H. Meyers, our field secretary, met with the Ottawa church Sabbath, September 24.

The little book, "Why Pray?" which will be used as a help in connection with our Sabbath school lessons this coming quarter, is now in stock. The price is 25 cents a copy. If ten or more are ordered at one time to one address, the price is \$1.35 postpaid.

The little book, "Wet or Dry?" is still having a splendid sale. Now is the time to dispose of these books. The regular price is 25 cents a copy, ten copies for \$1.35.

Mr. Theo. R. Torkelson, who canvassed during the summer months at Leavenworth, passed through Topeka, Wednesday, September 21, on his way to El Dorado, where he plans on canvassing until the first of the year.

No. Dakota Conference

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Investment Fund

CAREFUL study and prayerful consideration has been given to the Investment, and we are satisfied that the Investment has proved a great blessing to the denomination. Thousands of dollars have been secured for the furtherance of God's cause in the earth. It affords parents and children an opportunity to participate in the great needs of the world-wide fields. God has prospered the gardens and the fields in behalf of this fund. The writer recalls an instance where a lady promised half of her alfalfa to the Investment. In the preceding years, the alfalfa crop was a failure, but the year when she promised half of it to the Lord for the Investment fund, she realized more in one year than during any of the previous years. To the good sister this was an indication of the Lord's blessings resting upon the field, providing help for the fields beyond.

Some time ago the writer attended a meeting on the Sabbath which was designated for the Investment. The people were all poor and there were but three families. All the children of these families participated in the Investment. Some brought the returns from the lambs, others in calves, others from garden produce, and some an acre of wheat or flax. It was a remarkable meeting. They had no church in which to meet. They met in a little house, poorly equipped, but when the offering was taken and the money

was counted, it amounted to \$86.56. It was a remarkable meeting. Every heart was touched as these people related their experiences in securing means for the Investment fund.

I am sure that there are those throughout the North Dakota Conference who have definitely planned to participate in the Investment fund.

Sabbath, October 1, has been appointed as the day in which the Investment means should be gathered, and we have confidence and faith that the people of the North Dakota Conference will do their best, and we trust that the Lord will richly bless everyone who participates in this opportunity. May God add his blessings and multiply the means that are sent forth to the mission field.

E. H. OSWALD.

Welfare Work at Fargo

If you think that the Fargo Seventh-day Adventist ladies are not interested in welfare work, you should have been with the writer last Thursday evening at the Camp Maternity Hospital in Fargo. There, assembled *en masse*, was the Fargo Dorcas Society, better known as the Fargo Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Society.

This Dorcas Welfare organization cooperates with the Harvest Ingathering campaign that is now on. Every member of this organization is a strong believer in the Harvest Ingathering work. The president, Mrs. J. L. Camp, besides being president is also one of the leaders in the campaign for gathering mission funds from the outside world.

It was interesting to note that the ladies gathered to make quilts, patch clothes, darn socks, shine shoes, write letters, etc. They were a happy crowd running from room to room, sorting clothes, rolling out cotton for quilts, making notes of clothing to be sent and instructing beginners in the arts of welfare work.

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The Junior Dorcas Society had met in the afternoon and the members were present to present to the senior society a quilt they had made for some poor family. What a splendid work for young people to be engaged in! It was also touching to notice the sacrificing spirit of these young ladies as they came with some of their garments, such as coats, dresses, etc., asking that they be sent to some of the needy whose appealing letters touched their hearts.

No small work is this Fargo welfare work, for in one evening they had boxes of clothing to go out to needy Adventist families to the valuation of between \$50 and \$60. There were 126 pieces, consisting of quilts, blankets, suits, overcoats, underwear, dresses, mittens, overalls, stockings, shoes, rubbers, sweaters, and babies' clothes.

We believe that all of our churches could take a good lesson from this society, which is so well managed by its president, Mrs. J. L. Camp; Mrs. Joe Johnson as vice-president; and Mrs. J. L. Whitnack, of Moorhead, as welfare secretary. The daily newspaper was interested enough in this welfare work to give us a write-up. This helps in our harvest ingathering. Why not every church try it? B. A. SCHERR.

Workers Work

"Prestige"—what a wonderful word! "Busy"—another one. "Skillful"—a third. "Worker"—the fourth. But how they do work together in the Harvest Ingathering campaign! Start out with me if you please in the campaign and see how it works out.

We will go to the city of Fargo and find out if the church is interested in the campaign. To be sure they are. They are anxious that their church shall reach the quota set. We ask, Who will volunteer to go? A number of hands go up. Whose hands are they? You may think they were those who had very little to do and that is the reason they are willing. You will be astonished to find out that they are the busiest people in the church. You know when God wants workers, He generally calls workers because He knows they have been tried and will not fail. They are skillful because they have been at work, and by their work have gained prestige.

One of these sisters who runs a maternity hospital and could only go out several hours at a time, when she could find time between her other busy hours, gathered \$125. Another sister who would go out several half-days, gathered \$65. One good sister went out just a few hours and reached her goal of \$10. Soon the money was rolling in and Fargo has already over \$200.

At one bank the younger member was very cold to us and stated we could get our money from the clearing house. The senior gentleman was listening, and as we bowed to go, stepped up and handed us \$5.00. He said, "It is hard to give this year, but we feel that we want you folks to have this money, and as his eyes shone while he talked to us, our hearts were touched. Surely God is leading men to give. If one will not do it, another steps in his place. One man said, "The depression is so hard upon us that we cannot give you as much as last year," and while he was talking, he wrote down twice as much as he gave the year before.

One business man said, "Are you the folks that are passing out the Prohibition Signs?" We told him we were, and he gave us a donation and asked for some more of these papers. The Fargo Ladies' Welfare Society is planning to put out 1,200 of these Signs as soon as the campaign for Harvest Ingathering is over. B. A. SCHERR.

North Dakota Items

ELDER HARRY WENTLAND recently moved his furniture from Jamestown to Dickinson, where he will make his home from now on. Anyone desiring to get in touch with him will write to him at his new address, Dickinson, N. Dak. He is leader of the district west of the river.

We are receiving orders nearly every day for additional supplies of Harvest Ingathering papers. We are led to believe from this that our people are actively engaged in the campaign. We trust that those who have not commenced their work will do so as soon as possible.

Our colporteurs who have done so well in their sales the past summer, considering the times, are ready to make their deliveries. Hundreds of books have been ordered from the Bible House, and we hope our people will remember these workers in their prayers that their deliveries may prove successful.

We have received our first shipment of the new book, "Why Pray?" which is the lesson help that has been prepared for our benefit in the study of our Sabbath school lessons for the fourth quarter of this year. It sells for the small sum of only 25 cents, so we trust that everyone will provide himself with one of these books in order to get the most out of his study the last three months of this year.

Elder B. A. Scherr, our home missionary secretary, is helping the churches in the eastern part of the state launch their Harvest Ingathering campaign. He re-

ports good results in Fargo, and we believe he will have similar results in Grand Forks and other cities where he plans to assist.

Elder A. A. Leiske has been busily engaged binding off the work at Oakes, where he held an effort last summer, but plans to spend several weeks in the Harvest Ingathering campaign now. After his campaign work is over he hopes to return to Oakes, where he will continue his work for a few weeks before leaving for Fargo, where he plans to make his headquarters.

Brother C. R. Morris, our field secretary, plans to help as many of the colporteurs as he can in their deliveries. He is assisting Miss Schanders this week.

Professor P. E. Berthelsen and wife have moved from Harvey, N. Dak., to La Grange, Ill., where Professor Berthelsen is connected with the faculty of Broadview College. They wish us to state that they regret very much leaving their many friends in North Dakota, and that they wish them many blessings from the Lord. They will be pleased to hear from their old friends.

So. Dakota Conference

Gorden Osa, President
B. L. Schlotthauer, Secretary
Drawer 586 Watertown

The Hecla Church Dedication

FOR some time Elder Babcock and our isolated brethren and sisters in the Hecla vicinity have labored unitedly and untiringly to spread the third angel's message. As a result, one baptism has been held and another is planned for soon. As the little company grew, there developed with it a desire to have a permanent place of worship. Making practical this desire, a neat little church has been erected and paid for in full. The size is 18 x 28.

On Sabbath, September 17, it was dedicated. Elder Charles Thompson delivered the dedicatory sermon and the writer the prayer. Brother and Sister Schlotthauer, of Watertown, Brother and Sister Leiske, of Oakes, N. Dak., and Sisters Kemper and Hohensee, of Aberdeen, contributed much to this meeting with their gifts of music and song. Other visitors were present from Cayuga, N. Dak., Leola, Britton, Hillhead, and other points, besides a number of friends in the city and nearby community. It has called for unusual sacrifice on the part of Elder Babcock and the believers there to erect this place of worship at such a time, and we bespeak for the Hecla church a rich fruitage for the Lord as they will now

engage in soul-winning service in the same earnest way.

GORDEN OSS.

A Telegram

THE following telegram was received from Elder Watson, the president of the General Conference:

"NEED OF FUNDS IN SIGHT AS AUTUMN COUNCIL MEETS IS URGENT. IMPERATIVE MISSIONS BUDGETS BE SUFFICIENT TO RETAIN ALL MISSIONARIES AT POSTS. WE APPEAL YOUR CONFERENCE DO UTMOST TO BRING ITS INGATHERING TO TEN DOLLARS OR MORE PER MEMBER BEFORE 1933 BUDGET IS VOTED, THUS ASSURING TREASURY OF NEEDED FUNDS."

Will you not do your best, and then report to us, so we can compile the reports and pass them on to the General Conference?

South Dakota Church Schools

"ARE all the children in?" As we see all about us evidences that the storm is about to burst upon the world, which is the prelude to the dawn of the eternal day, this question becomes very pertinent. The present conditions which make the work go hard have inspired greater effort and sacrifice upon the part of our people, and with the result that our church school work in South Dakota is on the gain.

Two new schools have been added to the list this year, making seven in all. Because of the financial stringency and the increased number of schools, the conference found it necessary to limit the appropriation to schools to \$45, which is just one-half of the former appropriation in most cases. This, of course, has thrown a heavier burden back upon the churches where these schools are being conducted, and in some cases has resulted in a further lowering of the teacher's wage.

Our teachers have cheerfully accepted their part of the burden of sacrifice, and in two instances they are teaching for less than the general wage scale in order to make possible the carrying on of the school.

Our enrolment is considerably increased over last year. At Hot Springs, where Miss Cleora Turner is the teacher, they have an enrolment of 24, and were compelled to refuse admission to others who desired to attend. Leola is next with an enrolment of 22. Miss Victoria Larsen is the teacher there. At Aberdeen Brother Perry Hills is again the teacher and the enrolment is 18. At Redfield the

enrolment has fallen short of last year, but will be around 17 or 18 when they are all in. Sioux Falls has an enrolment of 13, and Sister Nellie Holtz is again the teacher.

The new schools are at Spearfish and Mobridge. Spearfish has started out with an enrolment of 17, and Brother Carl Mock is the teacher; and Mobridge has the smallest enrolment, six in all, with Miss Viola Christensen as the teacher. While Mobridge is small in numbers, yet we think they make up in quality what they lack in quantity. We look for the Mobridge school to grow and become one of the permanent schools of our conference.

These schools will not be conducted without difficulties. Satan hates our church schools and will do his best to defeat the efforts put forth. We solicit the prayers of all our people in behalf of these schools and these teachers to whom has been committed "the nicest work ever intrusted to mortals."

C. M. BABCOCK.

Hot Springs

SOME time ago I received an invitation from the South Dakota Conference to conduct a short series of meetings in Hot Springs and accordingly arrived there on the evening of September 4. The members of the church were at that time making the final arrangements for their church school, and in listening to their problems I encountered something very unusual; namely, they had more applicants than their church school room would hold. The school is functioning quite well now with 24 pupils, and Miss Turner as their teacher.

Hot Springs is an interesting town in more than one way. The surrounding farming country is rather poor and the town does not receive much support from the same. During the summer, however, it is frequented by many tourists, and in reality it is a hospital town, having the National Soldiers' Home, the State Soldiers' Home, and a Lutheran Sanatorium. All these circumstances combine to make it rather difficult to get a steady and promising audience. I held meetings for nearly two weeks, not having a large but to my surprise a regular attendance. On Sunday, September 18, two precious souls were baptized in Hot Brook, and another was added to the church on profession of faith; all adults.

The members of the Hot Springs church take real interest in our worldwide mission work. Not only do they contribute liberally themselves of their own means, but they are also doing their very best to reach their church goal in the Harvest Ingathering work. Their lead-

ers lead and the people follow. I enjoyed my stay with that church, and trust the Lord will richly bless its members in their sincere efforts to advance His cause.

H. F. MEYER.

South Dakota Notes

BROTHER and Sister Elmer Heimbaugh, of Oelrichs, lost their home and all their personal effects by fire a short time ago. All they saved were themselves and their children. Orville Poore, who has worked for them and expected to go to Plainview Academy in a few days, lost his money, clothes, and books.

Elder C. D. Hein will soon be through Ingathering in his field and will begin in the vicinity of Onida and Highmore.

When these items are read, Elder Oss will be Ingathering in the vicinity of Salem or Montrose.

New Sabbath keepers are reported at Winner, Spencer, and Mitchell.

Plainview Academy opened September 20.

A new book, "Why Pray?" is one of the helps for the Sabbath school lessons for the fourth quarter. It contains many illustrations and experiences that will make the Sabbath school lessons clearer and more interesting. You will want one. Postpaid, only 25 cents. Order from the Book and Bible House.

Iowa Conference

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Iowa Notes

ELDER SHADEL and Elder Christensen returned to Nevada on Monday, September 19, from visiting churches. That same day, Elder Shadel accompanied Mrs. Shadel, who had spent a week as a patient at our sanitarium, to their home in Lincoln, Nebr. After attending to business at the office, Elder Christensen went to his special district for Ingathering work.

Automobile loads have been going out from the Nevada church in the Ingathering work quite steadily since the camp meeting, and good experiences are reported each time.

Elder J. C. Nixon was at Hawarden, September 17-19. A meeting was held on Sabbath and also one was held on the evening after. Two meetings were held in the interests of a church school, and on Monday night he enjoyed a campfire meeting with the juniors.

Elder C. F. McVagh plans to spend the next two weeks in active Ingathering work. He will spend some time at Sigourney and will also visit Winthrop.

Mrs. Jacob Shively, of Osceola, after the death of her husband late in August, accompanied her daughters, Doctor Ida and Susie, to their home in California. Brother and Sister Shively are greatly missed by the family, the church and other friends, where they have made their home almost through life.

The funeral of Mrs. Minnie Gregerson, who died on Tuesday evening, September 20, following a heavy operation, was conducted at Ute on Friday afternoon, by Eder E. L. Sheldon. Many friends will sorrow with the family at the death of this dear sister.

Nebraska Conference

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Harvest Ingathering in Times of Depression

GOD says, "In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity [depression] consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him." Eccl. 7:14.

We have had the days of prosperity and now the days of depression are upon us, and how shall we relate ourselves to them in connection with the Lord's work?

Again He says, "For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight, wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God." Eccl. 2:26.

Sinners did gather together and heap up during the days of prosperity, and now in these times of depression those who are good in God's sight must approach those who have means and ask them to give of the means intrusted to them for the work of God at this time.

"Although now almost wholly in the possession of wicked men, all the world, with its riches and treasures, belongs to God."

"To all who are about to take up special missionary work with the paper prepared for use in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, I would say: Be diligent in your efforts; live under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Add daily to your Christian experience."

"Let us also pray earnestly in behalf of those whom we expect to visit, by

living faith bring them, one by one, into the presence of God. The Lord knows the thought and purposes of man, and how easily He can melt us! How His Spirit, like a fire, can subdue the flinty heart! How He can fill the soul with love and tenderness!"—"Christian Service," pages 168, 169.

Now brethren and sisters, study these texts and comments and do as God says in your work and expect the Lord to bless.

An appeal has just come from Elder Watson, president of the General Conference, urging that we all do our best to reach our goal of ten dollars or more by the time of the Fall Council, which will convene at Battle Creek, October 18 to 26. Will you help?

T. B. WESTBROOK.

From the Office Viewpoint

MISS RACHEL LANDRUM, the office stenographer, has returned from a week's vacation.

Elder and Mrs. Westbrook spent Sabbath, September 17, with the Hastings church. Two services were held, and at night the singing band took in several dollars Harvest Ingathering.

The singing band in Grand Island has been out and received good offerings. Singers from Shelton Academy have given good help.

Brother, Schnepfer spoke in the Grand Island church Sabbath, September 17.

Elder Roy visited Norfolk, Oakdale, and Peters church recently in the interests of the colporteur and Ingathering work.

Colorado Conference

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Colorado Missionary Volunteer Notes

THE reports reaching my office indicate that the Colorado young people have raised over \$350 thus far in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and are still going strong. The West Denver Missionary Volunteers set their goal at \$150, reached it, reset it as \$200, and are pushing hard toward that. The Colorado Springs Missionary Volunteers already have \$200, and are still working four nights a week in the singing band work. Canon City made a fine record last year, and have

raised \$25 this year toward their goal. Campion Academy is organizing two or three singing bands and hope to get into this work in a strong way in the very near future.

I trust that the young people of Colorado will take advantage of this splendid time to do temperance work. In the issue of the CENTRAL UNION REAPER of August 15, there appeared a fine temperance program which was prepared for our people to present in the schoolhouses and other places. The extra issue of *Present Truth* just off the press is also very excellent for this kind of work. A tract has recently been published by our people entitled, "Youth and Prohibition," by Joy E. Morgan, president of the National Educational Association. This leaflet may be secured from the Bible House for one cent each. Let every society do something on this prohibition problem.

G. M. MATHEWS.

Western Slope Items

WHILE the Inter-Mountain Conference has merged with Colorado, and the academy closed, yet we are glad to report a church school at Rulison carrying ten grades. It is in charge of Professor and Mrs. Cowin, and as it is the only church school in operation this year on the Western Slope, it should be a success and well attended.

I was privileged lately to spend a few days visiting the believers and holding some meetings at Paradox. I was accompanied by Brother McNeil, who in 1927 held the meetings that resulted in the organization of the Paradox church. Paradox is seventy miles from the nearest railway point, Placerville, and is quite isolated. Our meetings with the people were profitable and pleasant. While going and returning we had some Ingathering work, and also while at Paradox I spent two days with the elder, Brother Walter Gramlick, in the Ingathering work. While the returns in money were not large, yet we had many good experiences.

Elder S. A. Wellman, one of the Sabbath school secretaries of the General Conference, will be in Palisade and Delta October 10 and 11. The meetings will be especially for the Sabbath school officers and all who are interested in Sabbath school work. The latter class includes all believers. We anticipate a good attendance at the meetings from the churches near these two points.

We are running some advertisements in the papers, including the REAPER, for the Inter-Mountain Academy farm and buildings. We are hopeful that these

farms will be purchased by some of our people, as we have a nice Adventist community and church in the vicinity.

While the Harvest Ingathering campaign has been somewhat delayed, owing to the harvest, there is no reason now why all of us should not get under the burden and finish up the campaign in a few weeks.

Faithfulness in paying tithes is one of the evidences of faith in the third angel's message and its soon triumph. We cannot afford to disregard God and His blessings at any time, especially during such perilous times as the present. Let us be faithful.

B. M. GRANDY.

"Home and School" Magazine

WE ARE advised by the publishers of *Home and School* that they are making a special offer at the present time to increase the circulation of this worthy magazine. A sample copy of the magazine has been sent to each missionary secretary in the conference, together with a letter suggesting that an average goal of 5 subscriptions be set for each church. They offer to enter a subscription for fourteen months free to any church missionary secretary who sends in five subscriptions by October 15. This will enable the church missionary secretary to have this magazine on hand, which is a valuable help to the work of the church.

W. I. MONTANYE.

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The Colporteur Institute

THE colporteur institute that convened at Cheyenne from the 7th to the 12th of September was a source of encouragement to everyone who attended.

There were fifteen colporteurs in attendance. God came especially near and His presence was felt daily. Instruction was given by Elder D. E. Collins, of the Central Union, who was ably assisted by Brother D. W. Gahagan, the Wyoming field secretary.

All phases of the colporteur work were covered and exhibitions given. The colporteurs left the institute with a clearer vision, a deeper consecration, and a compelling zeal to be faithful in the literature ministry.

Let us pray that the seed sown by these faithful colporteurs will bring a bountiful harvest of souls.

F. H. McNIEL.

Minnesota Conference

A. H. Rulkoetter, President
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1854 Roblyn Ave. - - - St. Paul

District Meeting at Artichoke

A WEEK-END meeting will be held at the Artichoke church, beginning Friday night, September 30, at eight o'clock. There will be services on Sabbath morning at 10:30, Sabbath school at 1:30 P. M., and other services that afternoon and also throughout Sunday. The isolated and nearby churches are urged to join in these services.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

District Meeting

A DISTRICT meeting will be held at Moose Lake over the week-end of October 8. The first service will be Friday night at eight o'clock, followed by a service Sabbath morning at 10:30, and services Sabbath afternoon, beginning at 1:30. We extend an urgent invitation to those who live nearby to join with us during this special meeting.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

Missouri Conference

H. C. Hartwell, President
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616 So. Second St. - - - Clinton

A St. Louis Experience

May I tell you a little story of our Harvest Ingathering?

We have been going out singing and soliciting for several weeks, and doing as well as last year,—smaller offerings but more of them, two cents to one dollar, the dollars very few.

One evening several of our regular workers had disappointed us, so we were few in number, but decided to go on and do our best, trusting the Lord to bless His work. The offerings came unusually slow. Two little girls followed us for a time. The older girl gave us a dime, but the other, a dear little tot about four years old, said, "I haven't any money but I want to give my dolly for missions. I want to give my dolly for Jesus." After talking to her and finding that she understood what she was doing, we ac-

cepted the beloved dolly, armless, scratched, and without clothes. But we all know how the little mothers love their oldest dollies. So her gift was a real sacrifice. On Sabbath the story was told and the dolly redeemed for God's service, bringing five dollars to the Harvest Ingathering fund.

MRS. T. M. TILTON.

Obituaries

PAUL.—Mrs. Jennie Paul, 84 years of age, of Washington, Ia., died Sept. 18, 1932, at the Washington County Hospital, where she was taken late Sabbath afternoon. Early Sabbath morning she was discovered by neighbors in her home helpless from a stroke of paralysis.

Sister Paul, née Steen, was born in Ohio in May 1848. She was married in 1870 to Hamilton Paul. He died in 1912. Two children were born to them, both dying in childhood. An adopted daughter, Adessa, was unable to attend the funeral.

Sister Paul was greatly beloved in this community, as the very large funeral and many floral offerings testified. She was a favorite with all her neighbors, and consistently lived the truth before them.

She was laid to rest in the Elm Grove cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

C. H. HENRY.

DAVIS.—Maggie Thomas Davis was born Dec. 10, 1868, in Butler County, Kansas; and died at her home in Dodge City, Kans., July 13, 1932.

She was united in marriage to Clarence J. Davis, in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, May 21, 1891. To this union two sons and two daughters were born. The family moved to Kansas in 1915, to Montezuma, and to Dodge City in 1924.

She was converted while in her youth, and united with the Methodist church, and about thirty years ago she accepted the Seventh-day Adventist's faith, in which faith she continued until her decease.

She is survived by her two sons and two daughters, two grandchildren, one brother, and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer in Dodge City, Sabbath morning at ten o'clock, July 16.

A. S. BRINGLE.

SWADLING.—John Swadling was born in Smarden, Kent. Co., England, April 26, 1835; and died in Oskaloosa, Iowa, Sept. 8, 1932. He came to America in 1860 and settled in Elgin, Ill. He enlisted as a volunteer in Company K, 52nd Ill.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 17, 1932

| | Bk. | Hrs. | Ord. | Value | Helps | Total | Del'd |
|---|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | |
| Elwood Baker | Misc. | 1 | | | .75 | .75 | 3.00 |
| *Sarabel Borton | RJ | 36 | | | 4.25 | 4.25 | 16.00 |
| W. A. Burton | DR | 46 | 7 | 31.50 | 12.15 | 43.65 | 22.25 |

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|--|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--|--|
| *Sophia Carter | RJ | 66 | | | | | | | |
| *Bennice Des Mukes | OT | 45 | 11 | 51.00 | 1.25 | 52.25 | 10.00 | | |
| Harry Duff | RJ | 40 | 1 | 3.00 | 9.75 | 12.75 | 27.75 | | |
| Mrs. Harry Duff | RJ | 32 | 1 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 8.00 | 6.50 | | |
| Mrs. L. Erickson | RJ | 10 | | | | | | | |
| J. L. Haddock | OD | 37 | 4 | 13.00 | | 13.00 | | | |
| W. E. Helt | PP | 30 | 1 | 6.00 | 2.00 | 8.00 | 16.50 | | |
| Sallie Holmes | HW | 37 | 6 | 20.00 | 11.25 | 31.25 | 2.25 | | |
| Beulah Lane | RJ | 10 | 2 | 6.00 | 1.75 | 7.75 | 1.25 | | |
| Henry L. Lane | BR | 35 | 2 | 10.50 | 4.25 | 14.75 | 1.75 | | |
| Floyd Mathews | BR | 44 | 5 | 30.00 | 1.50 | 31.50 | | | |
| S. A. Minear | RJ | 40 | 12 | 37.00 | | 37.00 | | | |
| Mrs. W. A. Reid | HP | 7 | 1 | 5.50 | | 5.50 | | | |
| *Wm. Thomas | OT | 49 | 25 | 101.00 | | 101.00 | | | |
| Mrs. J. W. Gardner | Mag. | 25 | | | 14.95 | 14.95 | 14.95 | | |
| *Mrs. A. F. Myers | Mag. | 17 | | | 10.85 | 10.85 | 10.85 | | |
| Totals | | 607 | 78 | 317.50 | 79.70 | 397.20 | 133.05 | | |
| MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaarde, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Francis Crofoot | RJ | 20 | 2 | 6.00 | .75 | 6.75 | | | |
| Thos. Dokken | RJ | | 36 | 109.00 | 10.00 | 119.00 | | | |
| B. O. Engen | GC | 43 | | 8.50 | 19.75 | 28.25 | 7.50 | | |
| Karl A. Evenson | BR | 54 | 14 | 81.50 | 74.75 | 156.25 | 4.00 | | |
| Henry Peterson | RJ | | | | | | 105.15 | | |
| Clare G. Rust | Helps | 20 | | | 13.83 | 13.83 | | | |
| Totals | | 137 | 52 | 205.00 | 119.08 | 324.08 | 116.65 | | |
| †MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaarde, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| F. Crofoot | RJ | 22 | 7 | 21.00 | 2.00 | 23.00 | .50 | | |
| Mathilda Dahl | RJ | 26 | | | 6.00 | 6.00 | 67.75 | | |
| Karl A. Evenson | BR | 53 | 8 | 48.00 | 79.50 | 127.50 | 14.25 | | |
| Mrs. John Green | Signs | 43 | | | 20.20 | 20.20 | 20.20 | | |
| Vernon Kellstrom | RJ | 18 | | | | | 100.75 | | |
| Miss C. E. Powers | Signs | 40 | | | 10.20 | 10.20 | 10.20 | | |
| Clare G. Rust | Misc. | 40 | | | 25.89 | 25.89 | 25.89 | | |
| Floyd Smith | RJ | 31 | | | .50 | .50 | 58.75 | | |
| Totals | | 273 | 15 | 69.00 | 144.29 | 213.29 | 298.29 | | |
| IOWA: L. P. Knecht, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Anna Rasmussen | RJ, GC | 19 | 6 | 18.00 | 5.10 | 23.10 | 33.60 | | |
| C. Nordstrom | RJ, BR, GC | 44 | 5 | 13.00 | 11.75 | 24.75 | .50 | | |
| Carl Edwards | GC | 32 | | | 20.75 | 20.75 | 3.00 | | |
| H. G. Biggers | Misc. | 33 | | | 19.00 | 19.00 | 25.00 | | |
| Anna Hanson | BR | 26 | 1 | 6.00 | 5.05 | 11.05 | 2.55 | | |
| H. Millist | Misc. | 34 | | | 10.50 | 10.50 | 2.00 | | |
| Fay C. Smith | BR | 32 | 1 | 6.00 | 1.75 | 7.75 | 1.75 | | |
| Elva G. Wilcox | OD | 22 | 2 | 5.25 | 2.43 | 7.68 | 3.68 | | |
| Ronald Wise | Misc. | 6 | | | 4.60 | 4.60 | .10 | | |
| Mrs. A. Snovel | BR | 5 | | | 4.50 | 4.50 | | | |
| No Name | Misc. | 2 | | | 2.05 | 2.05 | 2.05 | | |
| Ruthita Shidler | RJ | | | | | | 25.00 | | |
| Totals | | 255 | 15 | 48.25 | 87.48 | 135.73 | 97.18 | | |
| WYOMING: D. W. Gahagan, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Anna Covey | DA | 2 | 3 | 9.50 | | 9.50 | | | |
| Mary Covey | BTS | 8 | 3 | 9.00 | | 9.00 | | | |
| Mrs. D. W. Gahagan | D & R | 1 | | | | | 11.25 | | |
| *Chivela Jorstad | D & R | 33 | | | 10.50 | 10.50 | 17.00 | | |
| *M. Pitchford | D & R | 19 | 2 | 9.25 | 1.75 | 11.00 | 14.50 | | |
| Chas. H. Roberts | RJ | 21 | 4 | 12.00 | 4.75 | 16.75 | .75 | | |
| H. I. Smith | BR | 10 | 2 | 9.00 | 6.00 | 15.00 | 4.00 | | |
| Totals | | 94 | 13 | 48.75 | 23.00 | 71.75 | 47.50 | | |
| COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Ernest Harper | HP | 23 | | | 1.25 | 1.25 | 5.20 | | |
| Mrs. P. M. Jenkins | HP | 25 | 4 | 17.00 | .50 | 17.50 | 2.00 | | |
| Mrs. S. McGrew | HW | 7 | 1 | 3.00 | 4.75 | 7.75 | 7.75 | | |
| H. R. Prentice | BR | 16 | | | 9.75 | 9.75 | 2.00 | | |
| Albert Priest | HP | 51 | 8 | 58.50 | 1.50 | 60.00 | 33.00 | | |
| Karl Simon | Mag. | | | | 16.00 | 16.00 | 16.00 | | |
| Totals | | 122 | 13 | 78.50 | 33.75 | 112.25 | 65.95 | | |
| NORTH DAKOTA: C. R. Morris, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Jake Walcker | HP | 21 | 8 | 44.00 | 7.00 | 51.00 | | | |
| NEBRASKA: R. J. Roy, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i> | | | | | | | | | |
| Elmer Glantz | OD | 6 | | | | | 26.50 | | |
| Abel Larson | RJ | 38 | 2 | 6.00 | 8.75 | 14.75 | 9.25 | | |
| Charlotte Lewis | BTS | 36 | 2 | | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.25 | | |
| C. A. Lindquist | RJ | 20 | 5 | 20.00 | | 20.00 | | | |
| C. A. Pence | OD | 32 | | | 5.75 | 5.75 | 5.50 | | |
| Lois Stack | BTS | 26 | 1 | 1.50 | | 1.50 | 4.00 | | |
| G. R. Starr | HW | 29 | | | 3.75 | 3.75 | 1.50 | | |
| Totals | | 187 | 10 | 27.50 | 22.25 | 49.75 | 51.00 | | |
| Grand Totals | | 1696 | 204 | 838.50 | 516.55 | 1355.05 | 809.62 | | |
| *Two Weeks. | | | | | | | | | |
| †Week Ending September 10. | | | | | | | | | |

linois Infantry, Sept. 6, 1861, served all through the war, and was with Gen. Sherman in his memorable march to the sea. He was the last Commander of the Phil Kearney Post No. 40, of Oskaloosa. There are four surviving children by his first wife, Hannah Harris Swadling. He also leaves three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

In 1908 he united with the Seventh-day Adventist church. January 19, 1912, he married Mrs. Martha E. White, of Brighton, Iowa, who preceded him in death, after which he made his home in Oskaloosa with his two daughters.

The funeral was held from the Powers Undertaking Parlors in Oskaloosa by the writer. The American Legion attended in a body, World War veterans acted as pall bearers, the ladies of the G. A. R. had part in the services, and the military firing squad fired the salute over the flag-covered casket after which four buglers sounded the farewell taps.

STEMPLE WHITE.

BROADBENT.—Harriet Wilbur Broadbent was born in Onondago County, New York, on January 5, 1835; and died Sept. 3, 1932.

More than fifty years ago Sister Broadbent accepted the third angel's message. She remained a faithful member through all the years of her life. To the time of her death she was a constant reader of the *Review and Herald*. For more than forty years she resided in St. Paul. One daughter survives her. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.

J. L. TUCKER.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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WANTED.—Two men to pick corn. E. C. Prusia, Grant, Nebr. 30

WANTED.—Care of invalid, children, or treatment-room work by S. D. A. nurse. Consider other work. Nurse, Rt. 1, Box 164, Orient, Ia. 30

WANTED.—By a young man, a place to work. High school graduate. Am willing to take whatever wage I can get. Vernon Miller, 3802 Fifteenth Ave., Des Moines, Ia. 30

WANTED.—S. D. A. man and wife to work on farm for board and small wages. Ray E. Long, Stratton, Colo. 30

FOR SALE.—Inter-Mountain Academy upper and lower farms, consisting of approximately 120 and 180 acres respectively, at Rulison, Colo. Two farm cottages and other buildings; chapel seats, school desks, office furniture and equipment, school and dormitory furnishings and supplies; horses, cattle, and farm implements. Also small building and lot and office equipment at Grand Junction, Colo. If interested in bargains, correspond with Elder B. M. Grandy, 122 South 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

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Notice

AGAIN we call special attention to a recent change in postal regulations relating to a charge of two cents each time a postmaster notifies us of the change of address of any of our subscribers. These notices were formerly sent free, and our readers for the most part left it to the postmasters to notify us of any change of address; but now that we must pay two cents for each notice, we are requesting our readers kindly to notify us when their address is changed, and not wait for the postmaster to render this service. If these notices continue to come from the postmasters as formerly, the postal charges will very soon amount to a large sum of money, and thus become a heavy financial burden to the REAPER. If possible, please notify this paper in advance of your new address. A penny postal card may be used to convey your information to us.

Union College Campus Notes

STUDENTS are still enrolling. Miss Margaret Clemons, Miss Avela Kraft, and Mr. Walter Specht arrived from Colorado Friday.

The Gregerson brothers returned to their home in Ute, Iowa, because of the illness and death of their mother, which occurred September 20. We extend our sympathy to this bereaved family.

We were sad to learn of the death of Mr. A. C. Atwater, of Hastings, Nebr., on Wednesday, September 21. Mr. Atwater was the father of Miss Mildred Atwater, a former student of Union College.

Professor Frederick Griggs, president of Union College from 1910 to 1914, and now in charge of the work in the Far East Division of the General Conference, visited the college on September 21. He spoke in chapel in the morning and again at five in the afternoon. Students and faculty were delighted to have Professor Griggs with us even though his visit was short.

Elder and Mrs. A. G. Daniells spent last week-end at the college while en

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route from California to Washington. Elder Daniells spoke in chapel and vespers Friday, and at the church service Sabbath morning. The visits of these faithful servants of God are always greatly appreciated, and they inspire us to renewed consecration and service.

President Andreasen left Thursday night for Chicago on a business trip.

A Sabbath School Lesson Help

WE HAVE received a complimentary copy of the new book, "Why Pray?" by Professor Lynn H. Wood, president of Emmanuel Missionary College. This valuable little book is designed as a help to be used with the Sabbath school lessons for the fourth quarter of the present year. The first eight chapters of the book comment on the Lord's Prayer, bringing out many helpful and important lessons. The last six chapters are entitled: "Reasons for Surrender," "Hindrances to Prayer," "Intercessory Prayer," "Need of Intercessory Prayer Today," "Hindrances to Intercessory Prayer," and "Why Pray?" No Sabbath school member should be without this splendid little book. Order from your Book and Bible House. The price is 25 cents.

Are You in Line?

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arch-enemy, uses these secular schools as a medium for destroying faith in God and our Saviour. In very many cases atheism and evolution are now taught openly, while in some schools they creep in so insidiously that a person who does not have on "the whole armor of God" constantly becomes an easy prey, although he may think himself above being deceived by any such teachings.

The Lord knew all this beforehand, therefore He instructed us as a people to build schools in which true education would be given our Seventh-day Adventist young people. "Education is the acquisition [or getting] of knowledge and

wisdom." The Scriptures say, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy is understanding." The first chapter of Proverbs plainly warns of the dangers of acquiring the above named teachings so much in vogue in secular schools of late years. It also implores us to heed the warnings of the Spirit of Prophecy and attend our schools.

It is to be deeply regretted that we have so few church schools, as the text books used in public grade schools are becoming more and more dangerous in their contents, sowing in the children's minds the seeds of unbelief, which will make it so much easier later to take for granted what is taught in high school and college.

Young people, think seriously and candidly over this matter of your education. Prepare for the possible time when you will be required to work for the Master, in some way, however lowly or common the place may be. Prepare and be ready. Grow strong in knowledge (education) and be fit representatives of Him. Leave worldly dross, give your all to find the Pearl of great price, knowing that each passing year brings us closer to the climax, the end of everything of this world. If you prove true to your Lord and do your part, you will share in the wonderful things promised to those who are faithful unto the end, as stated in Isaiah 64: 4, and 1 Corinthians 2: 9.

MRS. P. A. PETERSEN.

"OUR conduct is watched by the world; every act is scrutinized and commented upon. There must be diligent cultivation of the Christian graces, that those who profess the truth may be able to teach it to others as it is in Jesus."—"An Appeal."

"OF EQUAL importance with special public efforts is house-to-house work in the homes of the people. In large cities there are certain classes that cannot be reached by public meetings."—Vol. IX, p.

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For Eight Months (Thirty-Five Weeks), Ending August 31, 1932

| | Member-ship | Amt. \$21.00 Per Memb. | Amount Received | Amount Short | Per Member 1932 | Per Member 1931 |
|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| *Colorado | 3233 | 67893.00 | 29148.04 | 38744.96 | .258 | .272 |
| Iowa | 2522 | 52962.00 | 14978.45 | 37983.55 | .170 | .198 |
| Kansas | 2506 | 52626.00 | 11883.60 | 40742.40 | .136 | .162 |
| Minnesota | 3310 | 69510.00 | 20864.65 | 48645.35 | .180 | .251 |
| Missouri | 2141 | 44961.00 | 17104.27 | 27856.73 | .228 | .247 |
| Nebraska | 2400 | 50400.00 | 17068.40 | 33331.60 | .203 | .236 |
| †North Dakota | 2158 | 45318.00 | 6734.47 | 38583.53 | .089 | .134 |
| South Dakota | 1468 | 30828.00 | 8826.65 | 22001.35 | .172 | .255 |
| †Wyoming | 320 | 6720.00 | 2976.53 | 3743.47 | .266 | .318 |
| Union | 20058 | 421218.00 | 129585.06 | 291632.94 | .185 | .223 |

*Colorado report includes Inter-Mountain.

†August remittance not received.