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Our Institutions—and Yours

WHILE auditing recently at the Iowa Sanitarium, I was much concerned regarding the decrease in patronage which has been caused by the depression, and I tried hard to think of ways and means whereby this condition might be improved.

In 1930 the sanitarium made an excellent gain, but all of our sanitariums in this field and the most of our schools have been seriously affected by the shortage of funds, which has been a deterrent to many who would otherwise have been patrons of these institutions that in the providence of God have been established to fulfil a very definite purpose in the up-building of His cause. In order to meet the reduced income, salaries and wages of both the management and the other employees have had to be cut repeatedly, and then the number of employees was reduced to what seems to be the minimum limit. Rates have also been lowered in the effort to make them as reasonable as possible for patrons.

We all realize that we are living in hard times, and doubtless the Lord has many lessons in economy which He would have us learn; but He will work them out for us as blessings in disguise if we rightly relate ourselves to Him and to one another. If there ever was a time when we needed to heed the admonition which has so often come to us, "Press together, press together, press together," it surely is now. And that is just what we need to do in behalf of our sanitariums and schools; to do our best in co-operating for their success, realizing that they are our own institutions, built largely by the funds which we and our fathers and mothers contributed for their establishment. I am confident that each of them could and would be self-supporting, even in these difficult times, if they had the united support and patronage of all our people in their respective fields. The management in each institution is working unremittingly for its success. They sometimes make mistakes, it is true, but who of us does not? I appeal to you, every worker and lay member in this great Central Union field, for your utmost cooperation in behalf of these institutions of ours—and yours.

If those of our people to whom the Iowa Sanitarium at Nevada, Iowa, is nearest will all patronize it when they need sanitarium or hospital service, and all boost for it when their friends or neighbors need such service, it will be a very great help indeed. And the same would hold true, of course, in the respective fields of the other conference sanitariums—the Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium, at Boulder, and the Porter Sanitarium, at Denver.

If you have some friends or neighbors

who need sanitarium or hospital care, recommend the nearest sanitarium to them, and send in their names to the sanitarium so that full information may be supplied regarding the great advantages our sanitariums have over the ordinary hospitals. Surely you want your institutions to be a success in every way, so please keep them in mind and boost for them as well as patronize them whenever you have opportunity. Please remember, also, to pray as well as work for their success and for those upon whom the burden of management falls, for it is no small nor easy task, particularly in these perplexing times. A. R. SMOUSE.

An Appeal to Missionary Volunteers

THE Autumn Council is just recently in the past. This council, much to its regret, found it necessary to make a further six per cent cut in the foreign mission budget. While our people as a rule have done heroically, still we are falling short.

One of the sources upon which the denomination depends is the Missionary Volunteer society offering. It is not a large part of the general budget, but it is a part on which the denomination really counts. In 1931 we raised \$14,433.81. Ac-

cording to the reports which have been received, for the first nine months of 1932 we have been raising only about two-thirds as much as we raised in 1931, through the Missionary Volunteer society offerings to missions. This is a serious cut which throws the Missionary Volunteer societies below the average, and to be below the average means that our work is not sustaining the general budget in proportion to the other sources of income.

We appeal to our Missionary Volunteer societies everywhere to do their best during the month of December to retrieve the losses through the Missionary Volunteer society offerings to missions. It is significant that over two-thirds of what was raised last year came in during the last quarter of the year. We can do a great deal in one month to change the condition for the better. Can we not make it a special month of real self-denial? In the month of December comes Christmas. It is often an occasion of embarrassment to some and of extravagance for others, because of the lavish spending money to send gifts and cards to each other. In this year when the mission treasury is so low, we appeal to our youth to make a very special gift, in their societies, to the Lord. Let us make it one feature of our holiday programs this year to bring an offering that will cause the angels of heaven to rejoice.

H. T. ELLIOTT.

We Determine Our Own Future

THE year 1932 with its blessings and its disappointments will soon be gone. As we look back we can see where we could have done differently. Possibly our failures could have been avoided had we been more instant in prayer and given more study to God's word. What the future holds for us will be determined largely by our own attitude, and the interest we show in the welfare of others. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." J. F. PIPER.

Sowing the Seed

IN a recent Sabbath school lesson our attention was called to a number of blessed promises given to the faithful seeker after souls. I was especially impressed with the one found in Psalms 126:6: "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing a seed basket (margin), shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." I thought I saw in that verse a sermon on home missionary work, for our faithful home missionary workers do go forth with their baskets full of precious seed (gospel literature). The text implies that they are not prompted by anything but a burning desire to go out and get lost sinners and bring them to the feet of Jesus, but in that they find ample reward and the fulness of joy. The text not only implies but contains the promise that if they go forth in that spirit, they will return with sheaves and with joy.

As I thought upon this promise and the faithfulness of our many home missionary workers, I was reminded of an experience I had this last summer. I was holding meetings in a small place and the crowds were not so large, but I noticed that there was one lady with two or three daughters who seldom missed a meeting and seemed very interested. So my wife and I called on her. We soon entered into a discussion of the subjects that had been presented at the tent. I found that she was familiar with the topics, and I no doubt looked a bit surprised, so she then informed me that she had a sister in California who had been sending her the *Signs* for fifteen years. Then I thought, What love for souls must prompt faithfulness like that! In my imagination I could see that dear sister as she sat in her home out in California and read in

our good missionary paper the simple yet convincing and heart stirring articles dealing with the many Bible truths so dear to us as a people, and as she saw there those strong appeals to sinners to repent and turn to God, I could see that sister pray with tears for her own sister out here in Kansas, and then I could see her with dimmed eyes mark the articles that stirred her soul most and wrap and mail the paper to that sister, not once or twice, but for fifteen years. Truly that savor of the love and compassion of Jesus for you and me.

Yet, I imagine as the years passed with no visible response, she said many times that she would not send another paper. But as she read the appeals her heart was touched, there was a love that would not let go, and ere she realized it she had marked, wrapped, and mailed another bundle of *Signs* to the sister in Kansas.

The text says, "He shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." As I was preparing this sister and one daughter for the watery grave, she said to me, "I am sure many prayers are answered here." And many more prayers might be answered if more of us would manifest such faith and faithfulness. Never till the day of judgment will we know the good that our seed sowing has done.

I like the way the poet has expressed the thought of this verse:

"O, there'll be joy when the work is done;
Joy when the reapers gather home,
Bringing their sheaves at set of sun
To the New Jerusalem."

M. H. JENSEN.

Power in Prayer

HERE is an experience which proves how the Lord answers the prayers and blesses the earnest efforts of His children with great success. If there are men in the world today who need courage and "stick-to-it-iveness," these men are our colporteur evangelists. May this story which Elder Neilsen, president of the South American Division, wrote to us, encourage the hearts of our colporteurs in such difficult but noble tasks:

"One of our faithful colporteurs, Brother Gomez, of the Cuyo Mission in Argentina, experienced the power of prayer, according to a report which he recently

gave at our colporteur institute. He told us that one Sunday morning after seeking the Lord, he started out to deliver eleven books. But he did not find the people at home and so did not deliver a single order. He then returned to his room to tell the Lord about it. He earnestly prayed for guidance to know what to do.

"Again he started out with the eleven books. He soon met a man on the street and gave him a canvass. The man took the book and paid for it. He continued to work on that street, feeling that God had heard his prayers. By noon he had

taken orders for the eleven books and delivered them to new customers, while the first eleven orders were delivered the next day.

"In reporting this our colporteur said: 'Had I become discouraged and failed to continue my work just because it was Sunday and the people were not at home, I would not have sold and delivered the extra eleven books.'"

E. KOTZ.

"THE distribution of our literature is one means by which the message is to be proclaimed. Let every believer scatter broadcast tracts, leaflets, and books containing the message for this time. Colporteurs are needed who will go forth to circulate our publications everywhere."

"IN MANY states there are settlements of industrious, well-to-do farmers, who have never had the truth for this time. Such places should be worked. Let our lay members take up this line of service. By lending or selling books, by distributing papers, and by holding Bible readings, our lay members could do much in their own neighborhoods."—*Vol. IX, p. 35.*

Missouri Conference

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St. Louis Sabbath School Items

WHILE in St. Louis recently I spent a profitable half hour with Brother N. A. Pappan, the Sabbath school superintendent. I had observed his efficient work and had several questions to ask him as to the manner in which several outstanding achievements were attained. From our visit together I pass on the following:

Teachers must realize that their work is not merely required for the Sabbath.

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During the entire week they have responsibilities to discharge toward the several members in their respective classes and in lesson preparation.

Teachers' attendance at the teachers' meetings is very good in St. Louis. Brother Pappan told me that the teachers were called together after the consideration of their selection, and were definitely informed that their attendance was expected if they wished to serve as teachers. There is a monthly meeting for teachers besides the regular teachers' meetings. Fifteen minutes are given to the Training Course, ten or fifteen minutes to special instruction, and twenty-five minutes to considering the lesson. A teachers' covenant has been signed by about ninety per cent of the teachers. They are making a noble effort to live out the requirements of the covenant.

It is important that all Sabbath school officers and teachers remember "Leaders should grow first." The people generally manifest the same degree of enthusiasm they see in their leaders.

After some inquiries, I concluded that a splendid spirit of unity and cooperation pervades the St. Louis Sabbath school. Brother Pappan said he always planned his work with all the Sabbath school officers, especially with the division leaders. Careful planning and adequate equipment enable the entire Sabbath school to be conducted in a quiet and impressive manner. Even the length of the songs sung and the order of the program are considered in advance, so it does not happen that one division is singing while the prayer is being offered in another room.

The pastor of the church, Elder W. K. Smith, has lent his cooperation in providing for a special Investment program, and also bore a leading part in the last thirteenth Sabbath appeal for a liberal offering. Brother H. Flier has rendered an unusual assistance in preparing a display of beautiful posters, which are always in evidence to encourage the members in this important branch of the Lord's work.

MELVIN OSS.

Investment campaign for next year, hoping to have more money to send in than we had this year. Our hearts are in the work, and though none of our members are rich in this world's goods, we are so glad to have a part in the finishing of this great work."

Elder C. F. McVagh visited the churches at Mason City and Forest City on Sabbath, December 3.

Elder J. C. Christenson held a very successful convention at Sioux City, November 25-27. The meetings were well attended and some very helpful instruction was given. Doctor Morse, of the Iowa Sanitarium, was invited to have a part in these meetings. He spoke twice and held a clinic for all those who wished to consult him. Many improved the opportunity and appreciated the help given. Doctor Morse and Miss Mayme Nelson, sanitarium nurse, gave the regular yearly physical examinations at the church school on Sunday morning. Assignments on home missionary work had been given to members, and the subjects presented had been well prepared; in fact, Elder Christenson expressed himself as very well pleased with their efforts. After the subject of welfare work had been considered, the church was very enthusiastic about starting such an organization in Sioux City. The convention as a whole was greatly enjoyed by all who were in attendance.

Clifford Brown, superintendent of the Sioux City Sabbath school, reports their Investment service held on Sabbath, November 26, and they were very glad to have Elder Christenson and Doctor Morse present. Their fund to date is \$104.30. They are of good courage even though times are different from former years. The school is making good progress.

So. Dakota Conference

Gorden Oss, President
B. L. Schlotthauer, Secretary
Drawer 586 - - - Watertown

Week of Prayer Appointments

THE workers listed below will plan individually with the church leaders as to time of meetings, etc.

Elder Kuehl, Souix Falls and Swan Lake.

Elder Staton, District.
Elder Stanley, District.
Elder Hein, District.
Elder Stotz, District and Chamberlain.
Elder Babcock, Hecla and Aberdeen.
Elder Niermeyer, District and Spencer.

Elder Oss, Black Hills District.
Elder Henry Meyer, Camp Crook and Pennville.

Brother Estey, District.
Brother McKinley, Florence and Yankton.

Brother Schlotthauer, Watertown.
Elder Youngberg, Redfield and Leola.
Professor Hartman, Tolstoy and Redfield.

Professor Barger, Huron.
Professor Watt, Aberdeen.

The Week of Prayer number of the *Review* has been sent to all isolated. Should there be any oversight, write at once for free copy. May the Lord visit us richly this week.

GORDEN OSS.

South Dakota Notes

WE have already received some orders for Sabbath school supplies for the first quarter of next year. We will appreciate it if all orders are in as early as possible, so we can have the orders filled by the time our year-end work comes on.

Elder L. E. Niermeyer conducted a series of meetings in the Huron church during the week ending December 3. He reports having a good attendance.

Elder Gorden Oss spent the week-end, Sabbath 26, at Aberdeen, where the teachers' institute was held. From there he went to Colman and joined Brother McKinley in the meetings there.

Professor C. A. Marsh, the union educational secretary, happily surprised us when he walked into our office one day last week on his way back to Lincoln from Aberdeen. He reports a very profitable institute held at Aberdeen.

A few lines from Brother Estey states that his meetings at Buffalo are well attended, and the interest is still growing.

Professor H. C. Hartman, of Redfield, came to Watertown Tuesday, the 29th, on a little business. He stopped at the office a few minutes.

Iowa Conference

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Iowa Items

MRS. J. W. RAY, of Iowa City, has written this: "Our Sabbath school of eleven members holds regular services, and all are of good courage. We were able to send in about \$18 Investment money recently, and we are starting our

Nebraska Conference

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Our Sabbath Schools

ONLY four more Sabbaths and twenty other days remain of 1932. During the preceding 342 days the seniors and youth have had the privilege of studying in the Sabbath school such lofty themes as

those set forth in the teachings of Jesus on the beginning, growth, and development of the Christian life. Then we learned of the science of salvation, revealing the eternal purpose of God's plan for us and His all-wise and complete provision for its accomplishment. For the third quarter, we studied the stewardship of life, setting forth our responsibilities to others in the light of the privileges and blessings that have been ours. And now for the fourth and last quarter we are studying the sublime subject of prayer, which is so vitally essential to the victorious Christian life. If we have made a daily, prayerful study of these most timely and practical lessons, surely our lives have been edified and molded by the influence of them, and we will feel that 1932 has been a year of spiritual progress to us.

Jesus said, "Freely ye have received, freely give." As we have been the recipients of such abundant spiritual food for our own growth and development in character, our hearts have been inspired to pass it on to others to share it also. While prevailing economic conditions have prevented our giving as liberally as in former years, yet we know that it is not the amount of the gift so much as it is the spirit which characterizes it that really makes it liberal. Our total Sabbath school offerings for the first ten months of this year have been \$15,458.37, an average of \$351.32 a Sabbath, or a weekly per capita of approximately 14 cents.

As we approach the Christmas season, which the world recognizes as the commemoration of the birth of Jesus, the most sacrificial Gift ever given, shall we not in token of our appreciation of this great Gift give ourselves whole-heartedly to Him, together with the most liberal monetary offering that His blessings will enable us to give for the finishing of His work and the hastening of His return to this world again, not as a babe in a manger, but as King of kings and Lord of lords? I know that each Sabbath school member will respond as liberally as possible to the earnest appeals from the needy mission fields of Northern Europe on Sabbath, December 31, so that a substantial overflow may be given to that field.

Mrs. C. A. Rasmussen, of Oakdale, is the first to report the completion of the 1932 Sabbath School Training Course. She writes, "Really I cannot tell in words how I do appreciate the good things received from this course. It seems that the *Worker* gets better every year." She plans to take the 1933 Training Course also.

The new book, "The Making of a Teacher," to be used in the 1933 course

is now in the office. All Sabbath school workers should order it right away so as to have it in time to begin the course at the beginning of the year. The price is only 95 cents. Only this book and the *Sabbath School Worker* are needed for the course. Single subscription price of the *Worker* is 90 cents. In clubs of two or more, 75 cents each. Increase your efficiency in Sabbath school work by taking the Training Course.

ANN S. TAYLOR.

Minnesota Conference

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Maplewood Notes

THE following summarizing report comes from the academy farm: In spite of drought and depression a bountiful crop was harvested. Among the crops are 2,200 bushels of oats, 1,100 bushels of corn, 110 tons of sugar beets, and 45 tons of alfalfa. Besides this, five acres of garden yielded produce, much of which will aid in keeping the school family in good health during the winter months.

The church hour, November 18, was occupied by Elder Gulbandson, who gave an illustrated sermon on Daniel 2.

The library has already added the junior and senior sets of the Reading Course books, sponsored by the Missionary Volunteers.

The speaker in chapel, Monday, November 21, was Professor Fowler. He based his instruction on the qualities of a one-cent postage stamp. These lessons were poignant and timely.

The students were agreeably surprised at chapel time Wednesday, November 23, when the usual Wednesday exercises were set aside and Elder G. W. Wells, of the General Conference, spoke to them. His remarks on "Choosing" were appealing and also timely, coming as they did just before vacation time.

The academy music and expression department gave a program in the chapel Sunday evening, December 4.

The Missionary Volunteers of the academy plan to present on Sabbath afternoon, December 10, a spiritual dialogue, "The Challenge of the Cross."

Minnesota Notes

WORD has been received from Brother Henry Peterson, who with Brother Thomas Dokken, is holding meetings at Gatz-

ke. He states that the weather has been very bad, but they were having nice weather now and the hall was filled with interested listeners. We hope that these young men will be able to win many souls in the work there.

Elder A. A. Dirksen and Elder L. E. Christman, of the General Conference, are visiting a number of churches in the southern part of the conference this week. Brother Christman spoke in the St. Paul church, Sabbath, December 3.

One sister in sending in a dollar for the REAPER fund says, "I appreciate the REAPER very much."

Elder Varner Johns began an effort in the Lake Harriet district in Minneapolis, Sunday night, the 27th. This effort is being held in a church, and he reports that the first night the building was crowded. Brother Melendy will have charge of the music for the first week or ten days of this effort.

Elder Tucker is continuing Sunday night meetings in South St. Paul with a good attendance.

The pastoral training class of the Minneapolis English church is conducting hall meetings in the city of Minneapolis, and is meeting with encouraging experiences. The class consists of lay members of the church. We rejoice to see the lay brethren take hold in a strong way of this work, feeling assured that precious souls will thus be garnered in.

Have you secured your Morning Watch Calendar? We have a good supply here in the office and are ready to serve you. Send in your order at once. Plain, 5 cents, deluxe 15 cents.

Elder G. W. Wells spoke in the Minneapolis church on Sabbath, November 26. The following week he held meetings in Dodge Center, going to Mankato for Sabbath, December 3. We certainly do appreciate having the services of Elder Wells in our conference.

The Home Missionary Calendar is exceptionally good this year. If you have not already gotten yours you should send in your order at once. Price 25 cents.

Kansas Conference

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Chanute District

THE writer will visit among the churches in his district during the Week of Prayer. His itinerary will be as follows:

Kincaid, December 9, Friday night till the close of Sunday night; Iola, December 12 and 13; Humboldt, December 14, for a day service; Thayer, December 14 and 15; Chanute, December 16 and 17.

These churches may plan for as many services during this time as they desire. Let us pray that this Week of Prayer may be a revival week.

N. J. AALBORG.

401 W. 5th St., Chanute.

Kansas News Notes

THE church and new Sabbath-keepers at Galena were glad to have Elder R. E. Griffin with them again. Elder and Mrs. Griffin have been visiting relatives and friends in Texas for the last two weeks. By the time this item is read, Elder Griffin will be settled again in Kansas City, where he plans to hold a winter effort.

Elder E. H. Meyers, our field missionary secretary, is attending the bookmen's convention in Mountain View, Calif.

Elder C. S. Wiest left the office Friday morning, December 2, for Rush County, where he will assist the churches in the election of church officers.

Brother A. M. Ragsdale left Topeka Friday morning for Wichita. His plans were to meet with both the colored and white churches Sabbath, December 3, and with the Wellington church on Sunday night, December 4.

Mrs. Herman Miller, one of the Topeka church school teachers, was called to Belleville, Kans., on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Guy Hotchkiss. Mrs. Miller returned to Topeka the first of the week and informed us that her mother was taken to the Boulder Sanitarium. The last report she had from the sanitarium was that her mother was somewhat improved.

We are glad to announce that a ten to fifty per cent discount will be given on all our books from now until December 31. The regular holiday circulars have been sent to the home missionary secretaries, and if you have not received yours, kindly call on the home missionary secretary and she will hand you a copy. We would suggest that you place your order early, so that in case we have to order some of these books from the publishers we can get them to you on time.

The Home Missionary Calendar is having a splendid sale. This week we received an order for fifty copies from Mrs. L. M. Straight, home missionary secretary of the Kansas City church.

It is not too early to order your Sab-

bath school supplies, such as *Quarterlies*, picture rolls, memory verse cards, and color sets. Many times just before the holidays, mail is slowed up and packages lost, and therefore it is well to place your order just a little earlier this quarter than usual.

Brother W. F. Surber, of Wichita, will spend the first part of the Week of Prayer with the Eureka church, and the last part with the El Dorado church.

It has been arranged for Elder A. S. Bringle to spend the Week of Prayer with the Hutchinson church.

The demand for the Week of Prayer *Review* has been much greater than we anticipated. We had a nice stock on hand, but at this writing they have all been sent out, and several orders sent on to Washington. We do not know whether the publishers have any left or not, but will know in a few days. We trust, however, that we can supply all with a copy of this special number of the *Review*.

Colorado Conference

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Colorado Educational and Missionary Volunteer Notes

SATURDAY evening, November 19, a city-wide junior organization was effected in Denver for the juniors of all the Denver Seventh-day Adventist churches. Forty juniors have thus far joined this organization, which we believe will prove very interesting and effective in carrying out the ideals of the Junior Missionary Volunteer department. Professor D. V. Cowin was elected chief counselor in charge.

As a sample of the fine missionary spirit prevailing in our church schools, I am listing herewith two experiences, the first concerning the Harvest Ingathering, and the second concerning the Week of Sacrifice. The church school teacher from Jaroso writes: "We realized that we would have a hard time getting any money, so we took anything they were willing to give. We brought back flour, potatoes, apples, cabbage, barley, beans, and a rooster. After selling the supplies, we received about \$8.05.

Miss Robins, church school teacher at Colorado Springs, writes: "Many of the children earned their Week of Sacrifice offering in part by selling candy, cookies, popcorn, bread, etc. As a sample of the sacrificial spirit which prevailed, one family of three children had three dollars—

one dollar each. They saved this by going without butter and salad dressing for two weeks, and living on the cheaper vegetables. In all, we collected \$22.10"

G. M. MATHEWS.

Colorado Items

OUR new address is 1081 Marion Street, Denver, instead of 1112 Kalamath Street.

Elder Jay J. Nethery left Tuesday night, November 29, for California, where he will attend the bookmen's convention at Mountain View.

All the churches of Denver will join in a union Week of Prayer service from Monday, December 12, to Friday night, December 16. These union services will be held in the West Denver church, corner of 11th and Kalamath Streets. The regular meeting of the evening will begin at 7:30. However, prayer bands will be held in various rooms from 7:00 to 7:30. We trust that all our members will endeavor to attend these meetings during this important week. Regular Sabbath services will be held in the various churches as usual.

Elder Charles Thompson was in the office Sunday. He spoke to the York Street church on Sunday night. During this week, he will visit the churches at Boulder, Greeley, Ft. Collins, and Cannon.

Mr. W. I. Montanye and P. E. Shakespeare are in California attending the bookmen's convention of the Pacific Press Publishing Association.

Mrs. F. E. Hattendorf, Mrs. Faye Gladden, and other friends from Ft. Lupton were in the office recently.

Elder Jay J. Nethery spent Sabbath, November 26, in Wray, where he conducted a baptismal service. Six people were baptized and others taken into the church on profession of faith as the result of the work of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Johns. Mr. and Mrs. Johns are now settled at Wray.

No. Dakota Conference

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Sheyenne River Academy Notes

MARTHA GOEBEL and Elrone Hmelevsky were the guests of Jessie Dietrich the past week-end. Jessie Dietrich lives at Hurdsfield.

The following students went home over Thanksgiving week-end: Loretta Held,

Olga Schwindt, Leona Leer, Leona Schlenker, Harry Suckut, John Meckler, Theodore Moser, and Theodore Dietrich.

Miss Beck, Mildred Adamson, Miss Skeoch, and Professor and Mrs. Michalenko went with Mr. Kooreny to Hurdsfield to assist in an Investment program by giving a few musical numbers. Miss Beck, Mildred Adamson, and Miss Skeoch sang a trio, Professor Michalenko and his wife contributed to the program by singing a duet, and Miss Skeoch sang a solo.

It might be of interest to our older students to know that our old pump house was moved to a new foundation, which is located just a few yards from the old well.

We were pleased to have as our visitor last week, Elder J. J. Reising, one of the General Conference associate secretaries. He spoke to us in chapel on Wednesday, November 23.

Our girls' glee club has been organized and consists of the following members: Maxine Barker, Jessie Dietrich, Loretta Held, Elrone Hmelevsky, Allise Lemke, Lorraine Poppe, Miss Beck, Ruth Poppe, Alma Schwindt, Olga Schwindt, Leona Schlenker, Luella Bentz, Esther Widmer, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Michalenko, Lorraine Schimke, Martha Goebel, Katherine Lang, Lily Illchen, Mildred Adamson, Miriam Oswald, Bertha Krein, and Pearl Briggs. We have a regular practice every week on Thursday evening, and the time is profitably spent by all. The glee club expects to give a concert shortly after Christmas, assisted by the men's double male quartet.

All those having "B" or above always receive honorable mention every six weeks, and those who are on the honor roll for the first six weeks are Luella Bentz, Myrol Hilde, Ralph Kooreny, and Raymond Grenberg.

Thursday noon the school family gathered about the tables in the dining room to partake of a bountiful repast. Two waitresses and two waiters were watchful of our wants at the table. While we ate, several persons entertained us with word and music, the first of whom was Mrs. Newman, who sang "Good-bye, Summer," accompanied by Mrs. Zumbaum. After we had proceeded further into the meal, Miss Skeoch gave some musical readings, accompanying herself; Elrone Hmelevsky, Lily Illchen, and Edward Timothy gave toasts; Professor Newman spoke on "Say So (Thank You)"; Professor Lang told two short stories; and Professor Michalenko, accompanied by his wife at piano, sang a

Thanksgiving song. We left the dining room feeling we had enjoyed an ideal dinner and program.

Walter Buckmuller was pleased to have as his guests this week-end his brother, Alvin, and a friend, Arthur Seibel. Both of them are from Bowden.

Martha and Herbert Goebel were visited by their cousin, Walter Goebel, and Ben Koeplin, who live in Lehr.

S. R. A. is glad to announce that a new pump has been installed and connected, and we are drinking purer and softer water as a result. The pump is electrically operated and has an automatic device for starting and stopping. Consequently we are not startled any more by a sudden whirring sound warning us that the pump is overflowing. The pressure of the new pump ranges between forty and sixty-five pounds.

The academy has organized a church choir this year consisting of the following members; Mrs. R. R. Newman, Ruth Poppe, Lorine Shimke, Lily Illchen, Katharine Beck, Mildred Adamson, Edward Timothy, Reinhold Patzer, Mr. Brand, Otto Koningsfeld, and Harry Suckut. Aside from the fact that we enjoy our practices and prepare music for services, the training in developing tone and the practice in sight reading is valuable to the choir members. The choir is directed by our new music teacher, Marjorie Skeoch, who comes to us from Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Mich.

It is interesting to note that S. R. A. served 135 visitors in the dining room the first month of school. Friends of the school are always sure to receive a warm welcome when they come to visit us.

During the week of Sacrifice at S. R. A., our attention was centered on what we could do. Teachers and students and others brought in on Sabbath offerings totaling \$140.00. The per capita for students was \$.30. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." We trust that this offer-

The Week of Prayer brought Brother Marsh, our union educational secretary, to us. This was his first visit to S. R. A., and we hope he can come again soon. During the week, he studied with us such subjects as "Effective Prayer," "Christ is the greatest power in the universe," "Prayer is the greatest privilege in the universe." God has a plan for each life. If we want to follow that plan, we must draw so close to God that we find out what it is, and then follow it. We received a rich blessing and felt that the Lord was near. Let us make every week a week of prayer.

North Dakota Items

A LETTER just received from Elder F. F. Schwindt informs us that the meetings he is holding at Manfred are being well attended. The church is not large enough to hold the crowds. Twenty-eight souls have, up to the present time, taken their stand for the truth in this place. There is every prospect of seeing the church membership doubled by the close of this effort. We should remember the work at Manfred in our prayers that God may richly bless in the saving of souls.

A series of meetings in the form of a convention was held at Lincoln Valley last week-end. Elders Oswald, Scherr, and J. J. Reising were in charge of these meetings. Good reports are reaching the office as a result of the conventions that are being held, and many of our dear people are getting a new hold of eternal things. At this writing meetings are being held in the Russian community around Max, Butte, and Butte Village.

Brother Bietz called up from Bismarck this morning and reported that the "war" is on at Mandan. To his surprise he found several Lutheran ministers and their sympathizers, who have not attended the meetings at this place heretofore, in his audience when he arrived last night. At the close of his meeting these men got up and called him a "sheep-stealer" and other uncomplimentary names, after which Brother Bietz had the audience decide by raising their hands whether or not he was justly or unjustly taken to task. The audience decided unanimously in Mr. Bietz's favor. The ministers challenged a debate and at this writing Elder Oswald is on his way to Mandan by request of Brother Bietz, to hold the debate tonight. Elder Gaede has been assisting in the last few meetings, with the idea of carrying on the effort after Brother Bietz leaves there, and we believe the Lord will cause His truth to triumph in this critical time in Mandan. This effort also should be remembered daily by our people in their prayers.

A series of meetings is being held at Lehr by Elder J. H. Seibel, and it is reported that they are well attended. While our working force is small, we are glad the Lord is blessing the laborers who are in the field. Should this not be an incentive to our people to pay a faithful tithe and give liberal offerings so that the work might be strengthened?

An error occurred in the recent article about the new Oakes church building. It was stated that the church is 12 by 18 feet, whereas it is 22 by 28 feet. The error occurred in the REAPER office.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 26, 1932

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Field Missionary Secretary							
E. C. Aaby	OD	35	9	22.50	6.20	28.70	4.50
W. A. Burton	DR	31	8	38.00	17.20	55.20	12.25
Beula DesMukes	OT	30	14	70.00	.....	70.00	5.00
Marguerite DesMukes	OT	30	19	95.00	1.50	96.50	.....
J. L. Haddock	OD	.....	3	7.50	.....	7.50	24.00
Sallie Holmes	HW	15	1	4.00	1.50	5.50	.....
Georgia Kemp	HP	9	1	7.50	.....	7.50	.....
Henry Lane	BR	22	1	4.50	2.25	6.75	23.00
Elmer Magee	OD	12	.....	.....	2.50	2.50	8.50
Floyd Mathews	BR	43	3	15.00	2.00	17.00	6.25
S. A. Minear	RJ	23	3	10.00	.....	10.00	3.00
Maynard Walker	HW	6	2	2.50	.....	2.50	4.00
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag.	9	.....	.....	6.00	6.00	6.00
Total		265	64	276.50	39.15	315.65	96.50
IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary							
Carl Edwards	RJ	36	.....	.....	42.00	42.00	2.25
M. A. Wyman	RJ	32	.....	.....	36.75	36.75	.....
Elmer Cox	OD	41	6	16.50	10.45	26.95	3.45
H. G. Biggers	Misc.	35	.....	.....	17.50	17.50	2.50
Robert Garber	RJ	35	3	9.00	6.00	15.00	4.00
Elva Wilcox	OD	26	.....	.....	11.15	11.15	5.65
Anna Hanson	BR	19	.....	.....	3.45	3.45	1.95
Mrs. A. Snovel	BR	8	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	.....
Total		232	9	25.50	129.30	154.80	19.80
MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary							
B. O. Engen	GC	23	1	4.00	8.20	10.20	6.70
Karl A. Evenson	BR	31	5	30.00	53.25	83.25	15.75
Carrie Powers	Mag	22	.....	.....	7.90	7.90	7.90
Clare G. Rust	Misc.	27	.....	.....	13.14	13.14	13.14
Total		103	6	34.00	82.49	116.49	43.49
COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, Field Missionary Secretary							
H. L. Canfield	BR	40	3	4.50	15.25	19.75	3.75
Ernest Harper	HP	22	1	5.50	2.00	7.50	1.00
Anna S. Hayer	HP	10	.....	.....	4.00	4.00	4.75
Mrs. P. M. Jenkins	BP	20	.....	.....	12.25	12.25	3.75
Sarah McGrew	HW	20	1	4.00	9.25	13.25	3.35
H. R. Prentice	BR	23	2	9.00	1.50	10.50	1.50
Jacob Reuber	HW	28	.....	.....	5.00	9.75	14.75
Mrs. Willett	HW	4	.....	.....	2.25	2.25	2.00
Total		167	7	30.25	54.00	84.25	27.10
*WYOMING: D. W. Gahagan, Field Missionary Secretary							
Ivan Daniel	BR	29	.....	.....	2.75	2.75	1.75
Chester Jarrett	DR	32	.....	.....	4.50	4.50	3.25
Margaret Jarrett	DR, BR	40	3	9.25	8.25	17.50	2.25
M. Pitchford	DR	35	1	4.50	8.00	12.50	5.50
H. I. Smith	BR	35	1	4.75	8.50	13.25	.50
Total		171	5	18.50	32.00	50.50	13.25
KANSAS: E. H. Meyers, Field Missionary Secretary							
Lucy B. Adams	Crisis	12	.....	.....	4.90	4.90	.....
Ralph S. Moore	BR	31	.....	.....	3.50	3.50	.....
†J. T. North	GC	36	.....	.....	11.50	11.50	.....
Mrs. L. M. Ratliff	.....	7½	.....	.....	5.25	5.25	5.25
T. R. Torkelson	BR	36	5	22.00	3.50	25.50	.....
Total		122	5	22.00	27.25	49.25	5.25
WYOMING MISSION: D. W. Gahagan, Field Missionary Secretary							
Ivan Daniel	BR	20	2	8.00	2.75	10.75	6.75
†Mrs. D. W. Gahagan	BPS	.....	.....	.....	51.05	51.05	51.30
Chester Jarrett	DR	18	.....	.....	1.50	1.50	.75
Margaret Jarrett	DA	16	.....	.....	3.00	3.00	17.50
M. Pitchford	DR	18	.....	.....	5.25	5.25	3.75
Total		72	2	8.00	12.50	20.50	80.05
Grand Total		1132	98	414.75	376.69	791.44	285.41

*Week Ending November 19.
†Two Weeks.

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Calling

A LETTER received at the General Conference office from J. Gronert, the superintendent of our Sierra Leone Mission on the West Coast of Africa, says:

"I am glad to tell you that the work is moving forward also in this field. We feel the present depression very much, but in spite of that I must say that the outlook for our soul-winning work has never been so bright as the case is this year. Requests come from new places here and there, and people living in the darkest places of the Protectorate seem to be longing for something better. About two months ago a request for a teacher came from a place far away from any of our stations. We were not able to do anything for them, but over and over again came a message from them. Once some of their leading men traveled all the way to our nearest station to see one of our African ministers who is working there. He found them very earnest and we arranged that he should go to the place to see what it was like.

"He found it was a far away place in the bush, but after that visit he, too, started to plead for these people and asked to be sent to them. We had no money, but then the people started to prepare a house for the teacher. On the next visit, our worker found that the house was completed, and after another visit he says in a letter received two days ago, that now the school building is there too. Now they are waiting for the teacher.

"When the Catholics heard about this, the priest came along and wanted to send a teacher, but the people refused to receive him. 'We do not want palaver,' they said; 'we want the people who are living a pure life and preach a pure doctrine. We have heard about them and we want them to come.'

"How we wish we could do something for the people in such a place; but will our money be sufficient? We are now trying to find a way so that we need not let these seekers of truth perish."

With people calling to us for help in

all parts of the world, surely as God's people we should bind about our wants and enter heartily into a plan of sacrifice for missions.

M. E. KERN.

1933 Sabbath School Workers' Training Course

THE Sabbath School Workers' Training course begins the first of January. It should be taken by Sabbath school officers and teachers in all schools,—preferably in a Training Course class; but if not in that form, then individually.

The course is based upon the book, "The Making of a Teacher," and upon our magazine, the *Sabbath School Worker*.

"The Making of a Teacher" is an old-new book—old in that it was first published in 1905; new in that it has just been thoroughly revised and reprinted. The revising was done by the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference at the request of Harper and Brothers, publishers of the book. Although the author, Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, was an eminent scholar and educator not of our faith, he was a Christian man of deep piety, and there is found in this book nothing erroneous or skeptical or otherwise out of harmony with the fundamentals of our own belief. Fortunately, it is written from the standpoint of a Christian educator for other religious workers. Jesus is set forth as the ideal and model teacher of all time, and His principles and methods are analyzed and studied. The book deals with such basic principles as securing attention, memory, building ideals, feeling and imagination, judgment, laws of teaching, questioning, the recitation, and religious teaching. There are twenty-five chapters, averaging about ten pages each. Price to the public, \$1.50. Special price to Seventh-day Adventists, 95 cents. Be sure to order of your Book and Bible House.

The *Sabbath School Worker*, the publication of the General Conference Sabbath School Department, is well known to Seventh-day Adventists throughout the world. For many years it has been a regular visitor to thousands of Christian homes. Each number is alive with instructive articles, inspiring accounts of sacrifice and service, pertinent suggestions, and enlightening lesson helps for all divisions. To read the *Worker* month by month is to enjoy it and to appreciate its value to any Sabbath school and to every officer and teacher. No laborer in the Sabbath school can afford to be deprived of this help.

For several years now the *Worker* has been a part of the yearly Training Course. Perhaps no decision ever made

with respect to the course has so strengthened and popularized it as has the determination to make the magazine a part of each year's course.

Recently the *Worker* was increased in size by about one third, with no advance in price. Rates: Single copy, 1 year, 90 cents; two or more copies to one address, each, 75 cents. Order of your Book and Bible House.

Weekly assignments and outlines throughout the year are given in the *Sabbath School Worker*, beginning with the January number.

The Training Course class should have a steady teacher, one as capable as is available. It should meet at a regular hour, the time most convenient to the largest number.

Those taking the course should enrol with the conference Sabbath school secretary—inform him of your plan to study the course. When the course is finished, inform him of that fact also, together with a statement of your opinion of the value of the course. Upon receipt of this information, the student's name will be forwarded to Washington, D. C., for one of the attractive lithographed Training Course certificates, free.

Begin on time—early in January. Keep up with the assignments. Be sure to finish.

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J. C. THOMPSON,
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Prohibition "Signs" Circulation

WE give here the circulation of the prohibition number of the *Signs of the Times* in each conference of the Central Union. Only one union conference, the Pacific Union, used more of this special number than the Central Union used.

Colorado	15,665
Iowa	4,784
Kansas	11,727
Minnesota	14,600
Missouri	37,636
Nebraska	17,030
North Dakota	9,044
South Dakota	8,960
Wyoming	10,000
Central Union	129,446

"WHEN the churches become living, working churches, then the Holy Spirit will be given in answer to their sincere requests. . . . Then the windows of heaven will be open for the showers of the 'latter rain.'"—"Review and Herald," February 25, 1890.