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# A Mind to Work

"So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work.' Neh. 4:6. "A mind to work"! Have you tried to accomplish a task you did not like? How laborious, what drudgery! But the same work under the same conditions became light and pleasant even though it taxed your mental or physical powers to the limit and difficulties were legion. when you "had a mind to work." In the experience of Nehemiah and his co-workers, there were difficulties plenty, but they knew it was the work of God, and were spurred on with the thought, "The God of heaven, He will prosper us." They did not regard an eight hour law, but worked from earliest dawn until the stars appeared.

The task before us of "building the old waste places, and raising up the foundation of many generations, that we may be -called the repairers of the breach, the restorers of paths to dwell in," is infinitely greater than that referred to above. God has given us a blue print for the building of His work, and every member of the church is "under bonds to unite with Him in the great, grand work of soul-saving." -Vol. VII, p. 19. In looking over the blue print for this work, we find one section of the wall which has been neglected. "Our people are behind the times, and are not following the providences of God."-Vol. IV, p. 388. "They do not realize their duty to obtain subscribers for our periodicals."-Id., p. 931. "We must carry the publications to the people and urge them to accept."-Id., p. 492.

Your attention has recently been called to the new plan for the Watchman magazine. Someone who has been figuring says that if each member of our denomination in North America sold two copies of the Watchman at the new price of ten cents, with a profit of six cents a copy, and gave it for missions, all the deficit in our mission program would be wiped out. However, the plan is for each person to sell what he can, secure as many subscriptions as possible, and do as he pleases with the profit. While many of our people now unemployed could be scattering rays of light, yet there are others who might raise good substantial sums for the cause, and thus serve a double purpose. Recently we discovered the following, which shows this to be part of the plan of God: "Many can engage in the work of selling our periodicals. Thus they can earn means for the work in foreign fields while sowing seeds of truth in te byways and hedges of the home field. Such labor will be blessed of God, and will not be done in vain."-C. and H., p. 345. Besides selling single copies, do not pass by the public libraries. The following shows only thirtythree of the 945 public libraries in our union receiving the Watchman:

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|              | Lib.  | GOING | Sent  |
| Colorado     | 57    | 5     | 52    |
| Iowa         | 210   | 16    | 194   |
| Kansas       | 132   | 1     | 131   |
| Minnesota    | 152   | 5     | 147   |
| Missouri     | 114   | 0     | 114   |
| Nebraska     | 138   | 1     | 137   |
| North Dakota | 37    | 2     | 35    |
| South Dakota | 66    | 3     | 63    |
| Wyoming      | 39    | 0     | 39    |
|              | 945   | 33    | 912   |

# A Cup of Cold Water in His Name

"REMEMBER the poor. Forego some of your luxuries, yea, even comforts, and help those who can obtain only the most meager food and clothing. In doing for them, you are doing for Jesus in the person of his saints. . . . Do not wait until your imaginary wants are all satisfied. Do not trust to your feelings, and give when you feel like it. Give regularly, either ten, twenty, or fifty cents a week, as you would like to see upon the heavenly record in the day of God."— Vol. 5, p. 151.

We can minister to our Lord as we minister to the needs of the poor.

This winter season is our opportunity to help those in need. Do it today. J. F. PIPER.

GENERAL CONFERENCE

Let us pray for "a mind to work," and the goal of 15,950 a month will be easily reached, the message carried to many now in darkness, and great blessings come to our people and churches.

S. T. SHADEL.

Colorado Conference Jay J. Nethery, President W. I. Montanye, Secretary 1081 Marion Street - Denver

## Wray Church

THE Wray church has been steadily pushing forward in definite missionary endeavors. The spring Week of Prayer of 1932 was of special importance in soul winning. The members wished to make this service public, and lacking funds to advertise, personally visited the homes in the town, inviting the people to attend the meetings held at the church. As a result a decided interest was developed and it was necessary to continue the meetings another week.

The need still seemed pressing during the summer, so a tent was pitched, and in spite of an exceptional amount of rain, the interest was maintained throughout the seven weeks' meeting. As a result of the prayers and united efforts of the church members eleven have been baptized, and one added on profession of faith, and the meeting conducted without expense to the conference. Several others are keeping the Sabbath and preparing themselves for baptism.

A large number have been attending the Wednesday night prayer meeting, which is of special interest, in that it is devoted to preparation for service.

Our prayer is that the Holy Spirit will continue to work in a mighty way for the advancement of the cause of God.

Alger H. Johns.

#### Sabbath School Notes

FOR the past ten years the Colorado Sabbath school department has had a perfect record in obtaining a Sabbath school report from every school in the state each quarter. This is a very fine record, and we are sure every school in the state will wish to cooperate in helping to continue this good record by getting its report in by the 10th of January.

A number of schools have sent in good reports from the Investment fund. During a recent visit at Ft. Collins, Sister Brooks informed us that \$115 came in at the time of their Investment program. We are anxiously awaiting reports from the rest of the schools to get the results of their Investment projects.

#### **Colorado Items**

ELDER JAY J. NETHERY made a recent visit to Pueblo, where he enjoyed the day with the membership. He was particularly pleased to learn of the excellent church school being conducted in that important city.

Elder Lickey reports a good interest in the meetings being held in Colorado Springs.

The Colorado Conference committee meeting and auditing board will meet in the conference office Tuesday, January 10.

E. L. Pingenot and P. E. Shakespeare were in Boulder Monday, January 2. Plans were laid for the cooperation of the Boulder Sanitarium and the Home Missionary department of the conference to conduct week-end conventions throughout the state. Special time will be given to the doctors representing the institutions in connection with the training of the church members for definite lines of missionary activity.

The Colorado colporteur institute will be held in the West Side church in Denver, January 8 to 18. Our field secretary, P. E. Shakespeare, will be in charge of these meetings.

Elder S. T. Shadel underwent an operation at the Boulder Sanitarium Monday morning, January 2.

Missouri Conference H. C. Hartwell, President I. H. Harrison, Secretary - Clinton 616 So. Second St. -

#### **Teacher's Institute**

THE institute for church school teachers was conducted in the Kansas City Memorial church from December 28 to January 2. Professor Marsh, from the union, and the superintendents from the Minnesota, Kansas, and Missouri Conferences attended. Several of our teachers were prevented from attending because of sickness. Two of the Kansas teachers attended.

Elder Hartwell attended some of the

meetings daily. We appreciated very much his cooperation in the discussions. He also spent some time with the colporteurs, whose institute was carried on at the same time in the church chapel. Brethren Collins and Campbell also contributed to the institute, showing some of the possibilities and service of our teachers in their communities.

The teachers have expressed their appreciation for the great help the institute brought to them. I quote from two of them:

"Our institute has been of help both professionally and spiritually to me. I shall be better able because of this institute to get out of a rut into which I had unconsciously fallen, and also to put more efficiency in my work."

"It is hard to express in words the value and help derived from our institute. The spirit and interest manifested on the part of each teacher present was an inspiration to me to do better work in the school room. We regret that every teacher could not be present."

We felt especially grateful that Professor Marsh could be with us throughout the institute. Although he was obliged to instruct us, answer questions, and speak for many hours each day, he did not lose interest in any feature. On the other hand, he expressed great appreciation for the interest the teachers demonstrated in making the institute most successful.

Brother Ragsdale, from Kansas, who was with us for all the meetings, gave splendid instruction on methods of teaching geography and music.

Our teachers expressed their determination to render most efficient service in their respective schools. They also voiced their hope for another institute next school MELVIN OSS. term.

No. Dakota Conference E. H. Oswald, President S. E. Ortner, Secretary Box 1491 lamestown

#### **Special Conventions**

WE are pleased to report that we have been holding some very interesting conventions in a number of churches in North Dakota. The attendance at these conventions and the interest manifested has made us feel that other churches should have the benefit of such meetings. So, in accordance with this idea, the following conventions will be held. Please make note of these dates, and if you live in the vicinity of any of the

churches named, we will depend on seeing you present.

Harvey City Church, January 6 to 9. Manfred, January 10 to 12. Pettibone, January 13 to 16. Goodrich, January 17 to 19. Bowdon, January 20 to 22.

The workers who will carry the leading part in the conventions will be Elder E. H. Oswald, Elder B. A. Scherr, Elder F. F. Schwindt, and Brother R. R. Bietz. E. H. OSWALD.

#### **Perfect Attendance**

Some have written in asking if one is sick but has Sabbath school at home, should he be counted for a perfect record? We have just taken this up with Sister Plummer, and she answers as follows:

"Until the time of the last General Conference we followed the plan very generally of allowing a person to stay at home and to have Sabbath school at home and get a perfect record. But at the last General Conference there was such a protest from the Sabbath school secretaries generally that it was decided to change the plan and make it a little more strict. The following recommenda-

"'We recommend, That our Sabbath school standards be held high and that Honor Cards be issued only for a perfect attendance without tardiness and for daily study, with a ten minute minimum as the time of studying; the only exception to the standard being for absence due to most unusual circumstances . . . as in case of cyclone, earthquake, blizzard, et cetera, and that perfect attendance cards be issued to such members, family, or group, if they have faithfully carried out the Sabbath school program and rendered a written report to the

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secretary of the Sabbath school, giving daily study and offering items, together with other information that may be of interest in the program of the school to which they belong."

B. A. SCHERR.

## The Devil's Waterloo at New Home

WE are very glad to report to the REAPER family that the enemy has been defeated at New Home.

Elder F. F. Schwindt and Brother August Heitzman, who leads the choir, have been conducting meetings here for the past two weeks, and the Lord has worked mightily. At this writing 40 adults have taken their stand for the Lord. Among these are three entire families. The work, however, is only begun, and we are expecting greater things from the Lord.

We cannot but believe that the way had been prepared before the brethren came. One young man surrendered before he had attended any of the evening services; others took their stand during the first few meetings.

The attendance has been very good. In spite of sickness there has been an audience of 100 to 200 every night.

Elder Schwindt and Brother Heitzman were both taken down with influenza, but we are glad they are recovering and are able to continue their work.

Great victories have been won. Many souls are in the valley of decision. We earnestly solicit the prayers of our people in behalf of the work begun here.

Adeline Voth.

## Home Study League

LETTERS and post cards keep coming to our office as the result of our Home Bible Study League through the use of the good old *Signs of the Times*. The following letter has just been received:

"Dear Christian Friend: You have been so kind to me during all the past weeks and months in that you have been keeping my name on your mailing list, and I have been reaping the benefits of all the helpful articles published in your dear little magazine, The Signs of the Times. I feel that I owe you a few words of thanks at this time for these great favors, and am taking the liberty to send you these few words in response for the kindness you have shown me. I adore the little magazine, and in behalf of its publishers and sender, I wish to show my appreciation by enclosing a small gift, and pray that God may richly bless you all.'

We hope that every new home mis-

sionary officer will plan at once to have a club of *Signs* for the Home Bible Study League work in 1933.

B. A. SCHERR.

# S. R. A. News Notes

MOST of our students went home for Christmas vacation, although we only had a short one. School was dismissed Friday noon and started again Tuesday morning. We were all glad that the weather was so nice, making it possible for so many to visit their folk. There were in all about twenty students here at the academy over the week-end, and we had a very enjoyable time skating and attending the various entertainments for our benefit. Saturday evening we all gathered in the dining room and enjoyed games while the taffy was being prepared for us to pull. We all felt that we had gotten sufficient exercise for the day when we had finished with our taffy pull. The time was made the more enjoyable because we had a radio moved to the dining room, where we could hear the beautiful Christmas carols coming in from all over the country. Sunday eve was spent much the same way, although this time we had popcorn for a treat. All in all the week-end was proclaimed a success by those students who stayed at the school and kept the home fires burning.

Our matron, Mrs. Zumbaum, certainly did her part in making our vacation a happy one by preparing a delicious Christmas dinner for us. There were in all about forty gathered around the "festive board" Sunday at about one o'clock. We were glad to hear the origin of Christmas day and several other interesting and, to us, unknown facts from our principal, Professor Newman.

Last Saturday night the girls had their annual "open house." All the boys were invited over to view the rooms of the girls, and needless to say it was quite impossible for the boys to find the much searched for dust. They all confessed that the girls are very good housekeepers. The latter part of the evening the boys entertained the girls by several dialogues, and the male quartette did their part, and sang that old and well known song, "Dixie." We were glad to have several of the parents here also, and we welcome them back again.

Those who received highest grades for the past six weeks and have a place on the honor roll are Luella Bentz, Raymond Grenberg, Myrlo Hilde, Ruth Poppe, Francis Saunders, and Albert Shimke.

Wednesday evening Mrs. R. R. Newman gave the first of a series of talks she will give during union worship. She spoke on Friendship. There are three classes of friends. In the outer circle are those who, when asked to do something for you, say, "I'm sorry, I don't have time. I hope you can find someone else to do it." In the next circle are those who are our chums, classmates, etc. In the inner, the smallest circle, are our parents, a very few close friends, and later our life companions. Friends should be a help to us in developing character. The example of David and Jonathan is one we may well follow. Friendships made in a hurry are often short-lived.

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# January 14 Is "Watchman" Promotion Day

THE goal which has been set for Nebraska is one Watchman per member. The suggestion is not that two or three in a church sell the number equivalent to the church goal, but that each member sell at least one, and then of course those who want to sell more may do so. This is a kind of missionary work that not only does not cost the one who does it any money, but it actually pays him money to do it. Let us all try it. It is being done and bringing souls to the truth. I really believe that is just the way God wants us to finish the work. This is not just another campaign. It is an inspired effort to lighten the earth with the glory of the truth, and prepare a lost and despairing world for the soon coming of Jesus.

Several of the churches have already sent in orders for the *Watchman*. In Kearney with a small attendance and with very brief presentation because of other matters, the church goal was almost reached.

# Beer Bill, H. R. 13742, Can Be Defeated!

WRITING December 28, 1932, Elder C. S. Longacre sends out an appeal to every church, requesting that special petitions be signed up by our church members and all whom they can get to sign with them, to be sent in to one of our two Senators, in opposition to the Beer Bill, H. R. 13742. This bill has already passed the House of Representatives, and is to come up before the Senate about the last of January. We have done a great deal already for the temperance cause, but now of all times we should be sure this work is not neglected. Please bring this up in the church and in your community at the earliest possible opportunity.

Also write a letter to the heads of the Columbia and National Broadcasting chains, expressing to them your opinion of the publicity they are giving to the wet side of the argument these days. Several thousand letters would have great effect. Do you want your children listening to liquor advertisements over the radio in your home? R. J. Roy.

Iowa Conference C. F. McVagh, President G. F. Nystrom, Secretary 734 Main St. - Nevada

#### The Eleventh Hour

"AND about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive." Matt. 20:6-7.

I sometimes wonder if these gracious words are heeded by many of God's people today. How many we find idle in the market place, and yet unlike those in the parable, although it is the eleventh hour, many refuse to work for the Lord of the vineyard. These men did not ask the wage they were to receive, for the householder said, "Whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive." With this assurance they gladly went to work.

Like Abraham of old they stepped out by faith, for "by faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after recive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went." Heb. 11:8. I am sure it is that kind of faith and trust in God that made him the father of the faithful.

If without faith it is impossible to please God, if unwilling to obey, if in such a time as this when many are idle in the market place, we refuse to work in the Lord's vineyard, I tremble to think of the outcome when summoned before the judgment bar of God.

The words of the song come to me, "How shall we stand in the judgment?" It causes me to wonder if I am doing all I can for God and the finishing of His work. Christ says, "If any man will be my disciple, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Are you willing to forsake all and follow Him? Are you ready to have Christ our great High Priest lay off His priestly robe and say, "It is finished; the summer is past, the harvest is ended"?

The new year is just before us. Why not give yourself anew to God for service? "The canvassing work is a most successful way of winning souls," are the words recorded by the servant of God. She also states that this is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time. May we have faith to believe these words, and in harmony with the instruction given reconsecrate our lives to Him and to this line of His service.

Our conference committee voted Tuesday morning, December 27, to have our annual institute at Nevada at Oak Park Academy. Professor Ford has made us special arrangements, saving the conference a great deal of expense, for which we are indeed thankful. As our institute starts January 19, be sure to make application at once, as only a limited number will be accepted. We will have General, union, and local help.

I ask you, dear brother and sister, to unite with me in prayer that God may baptize us with power from on high, that the work of God may soon be finished, that we may hasten the day of His coming. For further particulars, write 734 Main St., Nevada, Iowa.

L. P. KNECHT.

Minnesota Conference A. H. Rulkoetter, President B. C. Marshall, Secretary 1854 Roblyn Ave. - St. Paul

## **A** Pleasant Trip

It is a pleasure to me to worship with the people of God in any part of the world, but somehow there is particular interest and joy in meeting with those whom you have known and for whom you have labored in years past.

It was my high privilege recently to spend some weeks in the Minnesota Conference. I was glad indeed to see so many old friends that I knew in former years. On this occasion I visited Minneapolis, St. Paul, Alexandria, Dodge Center, Mankato, and Austin. In some of these places I was with the brethren only for one meeting, and other places I spent a week or more. In each church I found those I had known in former years, and of course some new acquaintances were formed, for our work is growing. I was glad to find many whose hearts were warm and courageous, whose interest and love for the truth and its advancement were still fervent and true, but here and there were others whose interest had waxed cold and a spirit of indifference seemed to prevail, and some I found had dropped out of the church altogether.

There are trying times, and we will all need to seek God most earnestly and draw warmth from the coldness of others and courage from their cowardice. The blessing and rich grace of God is for all who draw nigh to Him, and the nearer we get to our Lord the greater will be our love for oneanother, and the more sympathetically will we work together to quickly finish the task God has given us to do.

I was glad indeed for this privilege of spending a little time in the conference and to meet some of the churches and workers. My prayers will follow them, and I trust that the seeds of truth sown will produce a harvest for good, and that God will crown the work of these consecrated workers and church members with success, and arouse others who may be losing their vision of heavenly things, to turn to God with hearty devotion and much prayer before it is too late. G. W. WELLS.

Soul-Winning

THERE has never been a time when conditions have been more favorable to a rich harvest of souls than right now. The fields are "white for harvest," said Jesus. We have been asked by the leadership of our union to set a goal of ten per cent membership gain for our field. This is not too much, but it will mean prayer and work. Our churches are organized for service,-thank God for that. If we reach our goal of 330 souls in this conference during the present year, it will mean that every talent be used. The home missionary and Sabbath school organizations and the Missionary Volunteer society exist for the purpose of assisting each member in the church to find his place in the field of service. May God give wisdom and much of His Holy Spirit to leaders and people.

Says the servant of the Lord, "Not more surely is the place prepared for us in the heavenly mansions than is the special place designated on earth where we are to work for God."—C. O. L., pp. 326, 327. May each church and each member in this conference find the right place to work, and fill it faithfully. Your place may be that of Bible evangelism, literature ministry, welfare work, work among the foreigners near you. It may be that of teacher, Sabbath school super-

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intendent, home missionary leader, but whatever it be, may you faithfully serve, and may your reward be a rich harvest A. A. DIRKSEN. of souls.

#### **Bargain** Corner

WHEN taking our inventory we find that we have a few books on hand that are slightly shelf-worn, so we have decided to give our people the benefit of a liberal discount on these books. From week to week we will give a list of the bargain packages. The ones for this week are as follows:

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#### \$8.75 Bargain price, \$1.85, postpaid.

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Watch this space next week for more bargains. Write the Minnesota Book and Bible House.



# Second Semester at Plainview, January 25

At the beginning of our second semester we will be in a position to offer a full course to any that may be interested. We have received a number of inquiries, and hope it can be arranged for some to enter.

If any more are interested, write us your plans and we will be glad to help you arrange. We can offer some extra work for both young men and young ladies.

In these times when it is being stressed that all of our people do much towards winning souls, would it not be well that some spend a few months in our Bible classes in preparation for this work?

May God's choicest blessings attend you in all your plans.

H. C. HARTMAN.

#### South Dakota Notes

WE have had several orders for the new Sabbath School Training Course book entitled "The Making of a Teacher." This is the time of the year when

the Training Course starts. All who possibly can should avail themselves of the help they can get from this course to become better Sabbath school teachers.

Professor H. C. Hartman, of Redfield, stopped at the office as he was passing through Watertown Monday evening, January 2.

Elder Oss spoke at the Watertown church, Sabbath, January 7.

Elder C. D. Hein has been visiting the Tolstoy, Bowdle, and Java churches the last week or ten days, and assisted in the church elections.

We had an order from Elder Stotz for 2,000 of the "Good News" tracts. Elder Stotz plans to distribue those in Winner. Surely an endeavor like that will bring results.

Word has reached us of the death of Sister Schultz, of Mitchell. The funeral services were held Tuesday, the 3rd. We extend our sincere sympathy to the sorrowing ones.



# **Kansas News Items**

ELDER C. S. WIEST spent January 5 in Kansas City counseling with Elder T. H. Allison, pastor of the colored church, and Elder R. E. Griffin, in regard to their work.

Brother A. M. Ragsdale, our Sabbath School secretary, met with the Leavenworth colored church Sabbath, December 31. He informs us that the brethren there are of good courage, and are doing their best in their work.

Elder J. F. Piper, president of the Central Union Conference, met with the Topeka church, Sabbath, January 7. This was the first time that Elder Piper met with our church, and his visit was certainly appreciated.

On Monday, January 9, the conference committee met for the annual meeting. Elder J. F. Piper and Brother Lashier, of the Central Union Conference, were present.

At this writing about half of our church treasurers' reports are in, and every mail is bringing in more. We therefore confidently believe that at the time the books are to be closed, all the reports will be in. We especially appreciate the splendid remittances from our isolated believers.

Not very many of the church clerks' reports are in at this time. We would therefore suggest that if you have not sent in your report, kindly do so at once. Also send a list of names and addresses of your church members.

"The Making of a Teacher" is the new Sabbath School Training Course book. We believe it is one of the best books that has ever been put in the Training Course set. The price of this book is 95 cents post paid.

It has been arranged for Brother Ragsdale to meet with the colored church at Topeka, Sabbath, January 7.

# **Obituaries**

HOFFNER.—Corrine Yvonne Hoffner was born Nov. 27, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hoffner, of Tolstoy, S. Dak.; and died Dec. 16, 1932.

C. D. HEIN.

PRUETT.—George Elda Pruett was born in Orange County, Indiana, Nov. 1, 1870; and died near Emporia, Kans., Dec. 22, 1932. He was married March 10, 1892, to Lillie Dale Griggs, to which union four children were born. His wife preceded him in death in the year 1930. He was again united in marriage to Mrs. Florence Cook of La Junta, Colo. He leaves to mourn this loss, his wife, a daughter, and a brother. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. C. S. WIEST.

Houser.—Anna E. Houser was born in Middletown, Vt., July 4, 1845; and died at her home in Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 28, 1932.

She accepted the faith of Seventh-day Adventists about 50 years ago and was a faithful member until death. She was faithful in attendance at the Sabbath school and church services and reached her Harvest Ingathering goal before stricken with her last illness.

She leaves to mourn their loss, two daughters, one son, fifteen grandchildren, twenty-one great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, as-sisted by L. P. Knecht.

#### I. R. NELSON.

BAGBY.—James Robert Bagby was born in Yadkin County, North Carolina. Aug. 17, 1864. Later the family moved to Kansas. In 1885 he was united 'n marriage to Lona Hobbs. Four children were born to this union. In 1901 he with his family moved to Oklahoma City, Okla., and in 1902 he took a claim near Alva, after which he returned to the ministry. For several years he was a worker in the Oklahoma Conference, and in 1908 was elected president of the Alabama Conference. Later he returned to Alva, where his wife died in 1912. In 1917 he went to Pleasanton, Kins. Here he married Margaret Baker. Soon after, he bought the home farm where he lived until his death, October 24, 1932.

He was a sincere Christian as well as a devoted father and husband. He leaves to mourn, besides his wife and children, a host of friends. He died as he had lived, ever rejoicing in the blessed hope of a part in the first resurrection.

#### F. C. CLARK.

SCHRADER.—Emma Elizabeth Weidner-Schrader was born February 13, 1866, at Portsmouth, Ohio; and died at her home in Shaffer, Kans., Dec. 13, 1932. In 1882 she was united in marriage with William Schrader, then being a resident of Iowa. Three years latter they came to Rush County, where they made their home until the time of her death. Early in life she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Shaffer. For forty years she was asked to take the oversight of the children's department in the Shaffer church. She was especially gifted to interest the youth and children. For a number of years she held missionary license as a Bible worker from the Kansas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Her life was spent unselfishly for others. She leaves to mourn, her beloved and aged husband, one brother, and a host of friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. C. S. WIEST.

PENDERGAST.—Mrs. Eugene Pendergast was born Dec. 27, 1874; and passed away Dec. 26, 1932, in her home in Sherburn, Minn., after several years of failing health and about a month's severe suffering. During these trying days, when pain and suffering seemed to be her lot, she maintained her Christian integrity. When strength would no longer permit her walking to the little church she would have her husband or son take her. For a number of years she served the cause faithfully as Sabbath school superintendent and church clerk. We believe she sleeps in Jesus, and that she will have part in the resurrection of the just.

She leaves deeply to mourn, her husband, one son, three brothers, and three sisters. Services were conducted in the home and she was laid to rest in the village cemetery. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. Two of her favorite songs were sung by the Melendys. A. A. DIRKSEN.

MAGEE.—Miss Ila Anna Magee was born Feb. 8, 1915, at Rockville, Mo.; and died Dec. 20 in Fort Scott, Kans., after an illness of only four days. When three years old she with her parents moved to Nevada. In July, 1931, the family moved to Fort Scott. During the past summer Ila was employed in Kansas City, Mo., returning the first of September to enter the Fort Scott High School as a sophomore. She was a member of the Fort Scott Sabbath school and was well loved by the friends and associates of both the church and schools. Her death leaves an empty place in the hearts of all the friends and relatives. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Magee, and seven brothers and sisters.

Services were conducted by the writer from the Fort Scott S. D. A. church. Interment was at Neuton Burial Park at Nevada, Mo. N. J. AALBORG. SHAW.—Glen Shaw was born in Woodson County, Kansas, March 11, 1890; and died Dec. 26, 1932.

In August, 1931, he was appointed to a position in the Lansing Penitentiary, which position he held at the time of his death. He was a member of the 210th Engineers in the 10th Division, in the World War, serving about eight months, and was stationed at Camp Funston and Camp Mills, N. Y., and was honorably discharged at Humphreys, Va. His death occurred after only a few hours of illness because of heart failure.

He leaves to mourn this loss, his wife, his mother, and three brothers.

Burial was made in the Yates Center cemetery, and words of comfort were spoken by the writer. R. E. GRIFFIN.

LICKEY.—Mrs. Nancy Lickey, nee Hill, was born Sept. 29, 1856, at Half Rock, Mo.; and died Dec. 17, 1932. She was married to Francis Marion Lickey Sept. 22, 1878. To this union were born five daughters and three sons. Her husband, the eight children, and nineteen grandchildren survive her. She lived all of her life in North Missouri, until about two years ago, when she came with her husband to College View, to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Pogue.

with her daughter, Mrs. Poque. She was united with the Seventh-day Adventist church, which she loved and served. She bore her suffering without complaint, and seldom a day passed that she did not pause with her Bible for a few precious promises. In health, she was never too busy to find time to befriend the friendless, comfort those in distress, and in every way possible bring happiness to all who came within her reach. Truly her reward is that of all the faithful—a home of peace eternal in the heavens. In her death she was unafraid, repeating many of God's promises. The hope of Job was her hope: "I know that my Redeemer liveth, and in my flesh shall I see God."

OLSON.—Mrs. Anna B. Olson was born in Norway, May 27, 1852; and died at her home in Sioux City, Iowa, December 8, 1932.

ber 8, 1932. On June 1, 1929, she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church and remained a true and faithful member to the last. She leaves to mourn her loss, two sons, one daughter, and one sister.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer in the Seventh-day Adventist church in Sioux City, and our sister was laid to rest in the blessed hope of her Saviour's soon return. J. R. NELSON.

ERLER.—E. Geneva Erler, daughter of Fred and Ida Erler, was born at Lawler, Iowa, Dec. 5, 1881, and died at the home of her parents in Cresco, Iowa, Dec. 21, 1932. She moved with her parents to Cresco, Iowa, in 1890, and has made her home with them there since that time.

She was converted at the age of 14. In 1917 she heard Elder Elmer Wolfe deliver a series of lectures. She then, with her mother, took her stand for the message, and so continued to her death.

Her later years were times of great affliction. Her health, always delicate, gradually gave way, and toward the last she was a constant sufferer. Funeral services were held from the home of the writer. T. H. JEYS. Houpt.—J. H. Houpt was born in Sullivan County, Indiana, Nov. 12, 1852; and died Dec. 28, 1932, in Winnebago, Nebr. Mr. Houpt was a devoted member of the Seventh-day Adventist church for more than 40 years. In the year 1873 he was united in marriage to Margaret Queen, who pre-

In the year 1873 he was united in marriage to Margaret Queen, who preceded him in death nine years ago. To this union were born one daughter and six sons, all of whom are left to mourn.

Funeral services were conducted in the Presbyterian church in Winnebago, Nebr., by the writer.

J. R. NELSON.

NIEMANN.—Mrs. Emma Niemann was born near Beaver Dam, Wis., in Oct. 1855. She died at her home in New Ulm, Minn., Dec. 18, 1932. When she was about ten years old she with her family moved to Minnesota, settling near Blooming Grove, Waseca County. Later she moved to New Ulm, where she lived until her death. Sister Niemann was a faithful isolated Seventh-day Adventist Conference church member until the very last. She left a will stating that after her funeral expenses were attended to, ten per cent of what she had left was to go to the Minnesota Conference and ninety per cent was to go to foreign missions. What a worthy example Sister Niemann set for us all! We laid her to rest until her Saviour comes to claim His own.

A. J. HAYSMER.

RAGAN.—Addison A. Ragan was born in Ohio, June 4, 1867; and died Dec. 23, 1932.

23, 1932. While yet a youth he with his father came to Kansas and lived on a farm near Wellington. All of his life he lived in and about Wellington.

On April 10, 1888, he united in marriare with Mary N. Wynn, who has been a faithful companion unto his death. In 1900 he united with the Seventh-day Adventist faith at Wellington, where he was an active member during his whole life time. For about thirty years he had the eldership of the church and proved to be an efficient and faithful leader. For forty years he was an employee of the Santa Fe Railway. During this entire time the record states that he was late but twice. The community people set their time piece by his passing on his way to work. This accuracy was manifest in all his work, being careful in business, benevolent in spirit, and active in spiritual things.

Close to five hundred citizens came to show their respects to their departed friend. With tearful eyes, the aged, the middle-aged, the young, the youth, and children passed the coffin. It was an evidence that a prince in Israel had fallen. Though never ordained to the ministry, nevertheless, as a lay member his ministry was far-reaching.

He leaves to mourn this loss, his wife, two adopted daughters, Mrs. Maude Anderson and Mrs. Florence Lebo, both of Wichita, Kans., and two brothers, Silas and Frank, of Illinois.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. He was laid to rest in the Wellington cemetery awaiting the resurrection of the just. C. S. WIEST. LUTZ.—Nettie L. Lutz was born in Holton, Kans., Feb. 9, 1892, and passed away at her home in Holton, Dec. 22, 1932.

At the age of sixteen she was united with the Seventh-day Adventist church, and has been a faithful member until the time of her death. She has always been active, both in Sabbath school and in church.

She leaves to mourn, her mother, Mrs. Kate Lutz, three brothers, two sisters, and a number of other relatives and many friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. C. S. WIEST.

KEMPER.—Nathaniel S. Kemper was born in Lancaster, Pa., Jan. 24, 1852; and died at his home in Topeka, Kansas, Dec. 19, 1932. For some years Mr. Kemper's health has been failing, but his last illness was not long. He fell asleep in Jesus peacefully without great suffering and pain. He died with a confident hope and trust in the resurrection and eternal life.

For many years Brother Kemper has been a contractor and builder in Topeka. He has supported the church freely with his means. He has also served the church as superintendent, deacon, and elder. He

always had family worship. Those who survive are, his wife, his five children, a sister, and six grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

Brother Kemper has lived a faithful Christian life and is at rest awaiting the call of the Life-giver. A. C. GRIFFIN.

TRENT.—Mrs. W. C. Trent, at the age of 80, departed this life at her home in Hoyt, Kansas, Dec. 26, 1932. She en-dured her last illness very patiently and passed away peacefully. She awaits the call of the Life-giver.

She is survived by her eight children, thirty-one grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren. A. C. GRIFFIN.

ANDERSON,-Mrs. Samanthe Jane Andcollier, was born in Monroe County, In-diana, Dec. 28, 1842; and died at Ames, Iowa, Dec. 11, 1932. She was the youngest of a family of nine children. When she was a young child, the family moved by covered wagon to Clerk County, Iowa, but while on the way the mother died and was buried in Illinois. Samanthe Jane lived in the homes of her brothers and sisters, and later in the home of Martin Hood. In 1860 she was married to Charles Johnson, who died of sickness while serving in the Civil War. They had four children, none of whom lived to ma-

turity. In 1866 she was married to Thomas Jefferson Anderson, who preceded her in death 15 years. To this union six children were born, five of whom survive. There is also one step-son and his family, 16 grandchildren, and 9 great grandchildren.

Fifty-six years ago Sister Anderson with her husband, became a Seventh-day Adventist. Of her we may well say that she "Held fast the profession of her faith without wavering." In the feebleness of her declining years she was seldom able to attend the meetings of our people, yet her love of the truth was strong to the last. To talk of the "blessed hope" seemed her greatest pleasure.

E. L. SHELDON.

HUENERGARDT.—Jacob C. Huener-gardt was born July 1, 1877, in Rush County, Kansas. At the age of 15 he joined the Seventh-day Adventist church. In 1903 he was united in marriage to Katie Ewy. For some time they lived on a homestead in Oklahoma. In 1909 they moved near Durham and remained here until the time of his death. He has been in bad health for better than three years. and passed away Dec. 26, 1932. He leaves to mourn, his wife, one daughter, three sons, one grandson, two sisters, two brothers, and a host of friends.

Words of comfort were spoken by the riter. C. S. WIEST. writer.

SCHULTZ.—Minnie Endter-Schultz was born Feb. 17, 1887, at White Lake, So. Dak., and passed away at Mitchell, Dak., on Jan. 1, 1933. On Dec. 7, 1915, she was united in So.

marriage to John Schultz at Mitchell, So. Dak., where they have resided ever since. Sister Schultz joined the Mitchell Adventist church shortly after her marriage, and she continued a faithful and loyal member to the time of her death. During the last few weeks of her illness she often stated that she was ready to go to her rest, and that it would be only a short time until she would hear the voice of the Life-giver at His second coming.

Her husband, mother, two brothers, and two sisters survive her, besides numerous other relatives and friends.

The writer spoke words of comfort to a large gathering, and she was laid to rest in Graceland cemetery to await the resurrection morning. L. E. NIERMEYER.

MODEL.-Mrs. Katherine Vanbebber Model died in the Bethany Hospital, Kansas City, Kansas, October 22, being one week less than twenty-eight years of age.

She leaves to grieve this loss, her husband, four children, her parents, and one brother.

Though she was baptized but six months ago, her enthusiasm in the message, active interest in the church activities, and consecration of life, caused a pall of gloom over the entire church at news of this loss. Services were conducted in the church and interment made at the Highland Park Cemetery.

R. E. GRIFFIN.

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# Boulder Sanitarium Inaugurating Welfare and Health Work

At a recent board meeting held at the Boulder Sanitarium, definite steps were entered into to introduce schools of health and welfare work in some of the cities of Colorado. Dr. Orville Rockwell, one of the staff physicians, in company with several nurses, is expecting to visit certain cities where they will open up health lectures and demonstrations of simple treatments. and lay before our own people, and the public generally, the importance of health reform.

With the health hazards that we are constantly facing and the epidemics of quenca and other diseases that are so nt. I am sure a school of health be greatly appreciated by any of our urches, and many perhaps from the public would appreciate attending such a course of lectures.

Doctor Rockwell is noted as an interesting speaker and is well prepared to advise and counsel upon the points of health, himself a firm believer in health reform; and I bespeak for any church that will invite them to give their school of health and lectures along health and temperance lines, a very profitable meeting.

Many Seventh-day Adventists who have come into the truth in more recent years do not understand the principles of health reform as it was once declared among us, and we are glad to see the doctor and the sanitarium becoming so exercised over this question that they are willing to send this corps of workers into our churches, and to give the people in general the benefits of their knowledge. J. F. PIPER.

#### Notice

THE Upper Columbia Conference would like to borrow a few thousand dollars from any of our people who might be interested in making a loan to our conference organization.

Small loans in the amount of a few hundred dollars will be accepted. A nominal rate of interest will be paid. Any who are interested should correspond with the Upper Columbia Conference, 817 West Nora Avenue, Spokane, Wash.

#### "Our Day" Witnesses for Eight Years

IN Sitapur we had a very interesting experience with a European lady. At first she was not going to let us come into the house. Two months ago she had purchased from a lady canvasser a dictionary for Rs. 60/- and another set of books for Rs. 40/-. She felt that she had been cheated and had determined that she would have nothing more to do with persons selling from house to house. We told her that we were missionaries and that the books we were selling were designed to help her. When, in reply to her questions as to who we were and where we came from we replied that we were Seventh-day Adventists, she said, 'Good, I think you people sold me a book some years ago." The book which she referred to was "Our Day." She had purchased it some eight years ago. She told us that they valued it very highly and many people had borrowed it to read.

In Najibabad a Hindu whom we visited has been studying Christianity. He had decided that most Protestants and Catholics were not living up to the light they had. He told us that from the reading of our books he had concluded that Seventhday Adventists were true missionaries.

J. M. HNATYSHYN, Lucknow, India.



#### Learning to Live

IN THE preface of a history paper recently handed to me I found the following words:

"There is, I think, too frequently a tendency for us to base our opinions with finality when our knowledge is meager. My study has led me to a calmer consideration of things. This subject has been a profitable one, not only as a history requirement, but as a help in forming a calm, generous outlook on life."

In these few words is revealed the true purpose of history study at Union College. It is a study of the lives, civilization, and culture of those who have gone before. Looking back on the fiery controversies, bitter contests, and exciting campaigns from the vantage point of the dispassionate present, removed as it is by years, we calmly survey the turmoil of these struggles and gain lessons of justice, love, humanity, generosity, and benevolence. It is our aim in studying history at Union College to enter the class with a prayerful attitude, to understand the past, and to profit by the experiences of earlier generations. History studied in a purposeful manner teaches the student how to live. This is the purpose of the Union College history department.

#### EVERETT DICK.

# Union College News Items

THE college book bindery has just finished binding an order of books for the University of Nebraska library. The bindery is now working on a shipment of 225 volumes sent in by Peru State Teachers' College. The work in the book bindery is being carried on by four students: Frank Swearengen, Russell Nelson. Theodora Wirak, and Elmer Hagen.

On Saturday night, January 7, the young men of the college entertained the young women at a party in the South Hall dining-room as a reward to the young women for their winning the *Clock Tower* campaign. The committee in charge were Alten Bringle, Cree Sandefur, A. K. Phillips, John Phillips, and Wallace Nethery.

The walls of the Union College library are receiving a much-needed coat of paint. Harold Quick, Byron Miller, and Chester Cross are doing the work.

The Union College Ensemble, under the direction of Stanley Ledington, will give a program in the Union College chapel on the night of January 14. All of the numbers, with the exception of one sacred and two secular selections, will be sung a capella.

Among the students employed by the college laundry the following are working a large part of their way through school: Anabell Rumpf, Ileen Uldrickson, Beulah Brebner, Mildred Priest, Esther Siebenlist, Ivan Sutton, Oleta Phillips, Margaret Clemens, Irene Pedersen, Elinore Sutton, Esther Sutton, Lafern Asburry, and Wesley Blumenschein.

H. K. Schilling, head of the department of science, will give an illustrated lecture on astronomy, on the Shelton Academy lyceum course.

