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## Facing the Crisis

THE annual audits of all the local conferences in this large Central Union have now been accomplished. The writer, with S. J. Lashier, our union conference secretary-treasurer, was kept busy most of the time during the months of January and February, meeting with the auditing boards and conference committees, counseling over the receipts and expenditures of the fields, adjusting budgets and planning for the work in the conferences for the year.

With the greatly reduced incomes of conferences it has been an exceedingly difficult task to adjust the working forces and their expenditures, and to meet conference incomes this year,—more so than ever before. One of the most encouraging features of the embarrassing situation we have found in the fields is the courageous way that conference committees and conference officials are facing reduced incomes and adjusting their work accordingly.

In the union conference and Union College, and in almost every local field, the third reduction of workers' salaries has been effected; and in all of our organizations the workers are asked to work on the budget plan, reducing their expenses to a minimum. These will be scrutinized each month by conference officials, thus enabling them intelligently to counsel workers to save in every way on conference expense.

In every conference, committees have been compelled to reduce their force of workers during the past year, and yet even with this fact, there has been an increase in the number of souls won to the truth in 1932 over previous years, for which we thank God and give Him all the glory.

Let us unite in earnest prayer to God that He may prosper His people with larger incomes, so that their tithe will so increase that the conferences may re-employ those laborers who have been successful soul winners, but who have been asked to take up self-supporting work for a time.

May God greatly bless His work and people and add to our numbers those who shall be saved.

J. F. PIPER.

## No. Dakota Conference

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S. E. Ortner, Secretary

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## From North Dakota to Colorado

TEN years and eight months have gone by since I arrived in North Dakota, and on the 28th of June, 1922, was elected to lead out in the work of that conference. That field was at that time in a rather critical situation financially. The number of conference laborers had been reduced to nine, and the conference indebtedness was between \$18,000 and \$19,000. The Sheyenne River Academy was to be closed because it was in debt about as much as the conference, and quite a num-

## Why Defeat, Loss, and Leanness of Soul Is Experienced

GOD says we are cursed with a curse when we fail to pay our tithe. Some wonder why losses by fire, robbery, poor crops, sickness and death, or other misfortunes, come to us; when if we would return to God a faithful tithe and make liberal offerings, then present in our prayer of faith these evidences, asking Him to rebuke the devourer, as He has promised, we have a right to see the evidences of His promise.

"When God prospered them, and they were asked to give Him His portion, they shook their heads, and could not see that it was their duty. They closed the eyes of their understanding, that they might not see. They withheld the Lord's money, and hindered the work which He designed to have done. God was not honored by the use made of His entrusted goods. Therefore He let the curse fall upon them, permitting the spoiler to destroy their fruits and to bring calamities upon them."—*Vol. 6, p. 390.*

J. F. PIPER.

ber had gotten the idea that the constituency of the North Dakota Conference could not maintain an academy. But there were some who still had courage, and I still remember quite well who the loyal ones were in those critical days.

With confidence in our mighty God we went forward, and to the happy surprise of many, the darkening shadows soon began to disappear. The conference workers took new courage, and the means for the support of the work began to increase. In 1921 the tithe received was \$23,000, and there was a steady increase from year to year until it reached \$48,000 in 1926. The offerings to missions increased proportionately even more. At the close of 1925 the entire indebtedness of the conference, as well as that of the academy, was completely wiped out. At the beginning of 1927 the conference had a working capital of more than \$10,000, and another equal amount had been deposited as a reserve fund. The number of laborers had increased to 21.

On the morning of the 12th of April we were shocked when notice arrived of the complete destruction by fire of the girls' dormitory of Sheyenne River Academy. It was the best building the school had. However, nobody thought any more of closing the school. A few weeks after the fire it was decided to tear down the boys' dormitory and erect two new sufficiently large and well-equipped dormitories, which were completed during the first weeks of 1928.

In 1922 I had the first opportunity to canvass the conference from house to house for funds to pay debts, and then in 1927 I had to make the same trips to gather funds for the school. The brethren responded nobly, and among many pleasant experiences I shall mention only one I had with Brother Fred Bentz, of Harvey, when in a day and a half we gathered from the business people of that town the neat sum of \$3,600. The two dormitories with equipment cost \$53,000, and were paid for within one year after their completion.

Also the membership of the conference increased considerably. Immediately after the late war many of the members moved from north Dakota to the western states, and some of the churches were

seriously weakened. However, through aggressive evangelistic efforts the loss caused by emigration was not only fully covered, but during the years from 1922 to 1932 the conference had a net increase of nearly a thousand members. Twelve new church buildings were added during that time, and others were remodeled and improved. At the beginning of 1928 the thirty-eight church buildings of the conference were completely free from debt.

The present world-wide financial perplexity has hit the state of North Dakota very hard. Many of the people have lost their homes, and the income of our people has been very much reduced. Considering the outlook one might tremble; however, the work is the Lord's and He will also provide means and ways as well as courage for the furtherance of His cause.

The change in my work came suddenly and unexpectedly. Since I became separated from the work in North Dakota I have had the privilege of visiting and working with quite a number of churches in other conferences of the union, and I was glad to do so. Now I have moved to Colorado where I am to labor in behalf of the several German as well as several English churches, and raise up the banner of truth in new localities.

The separation from our brethren in North Dakota was not easy; our hearts have become closely united. However, here in Colorado I have received a warm reception and expect to labor as earnestly as ever for the advancement of our Master's cause.

H. J. MEYER.

Ft. Lupton, Colorado.

### News Notes

ELDER B. A. SCHERR and Brother R. R. Bietz conducted a convention at Valley City over a recent week-end. They report having had some very good meetings, and the brethren seemed very happy to have the privilege of attending these good meetings. These brethren held a convention in Fargo the following week-end, where Elder Leiske assisted in leading out.

Elder Harry Wentland reports that he has opened a series of meetings in Hebron, and they are being well attended.

Brother C. A. Edwards, our new field missionary secretary, left Jamestown early Monday morning for Grand Forks, where he plans to canvass a few weeks until the time of the institute to be held at Sheyenne River Academy. He is going to demonstrate that books can be sold in North Dakota even in these days of depression. This will be no easy task, and we hope our brethren will all re-

member Brother Edwards in their prayers that he may be successful in his work, both as a canvasser and field secretary.

Word has come to the office from Brother G. J. Engevik, a former worker in this field, who is at present doing colporteur work in Montana, that he is getting along well in his work. Excellent success has attended his efforts as a colporteur, and we are very glad to know that he is enjoying his work so well.

The *Sabbath School Quarterlies* for the second quarter have arrived and we hope that our brethren will plan early to order their supply. A little lesson help has been provided for outside reading the second quarter, entitled, "The Bible, Book Divine," which sells for 15 cents. We trust everyone will secure one of these books as an aid in the study of the lesson the coming quarter.

A splendid little cover has been gotten out by the publishers for the *Sabbath School Quarterly*. Many people carry their *Quarterly* in their Bible, which is certain to spoil the Bible, as it will make the leaves come out. By using the cover provided for the *Quarterly* it will save the Bible and give the *Quarterly* the dignity and protection it deserves. This cover may be had in a durable cover stock for 10 cents or in a beautiful cloth for 20 cents.

### S. R. A. Notes

STUDENTS having a grade of B or A for the third period are as follows: Luella Bentz, Myrlo Hilde, Allise Lemke, Ruth Poppe, Francis Saunders, and Mrs. H. J. Wenter.

Saturday night, February 11, the boys of South Hall were hosts to the rest of the school family, it being "open house" night for them. Judging by their rooms they are good at housekeeping. After all the rooms had been inspected, we went to the dining room where the girls gave a miscellaneous program of music, drills, speeches, dialogues, and stunts. The program was sponsored by Miss Beck.

The school family was saddened to hear of the death of Martha Geobel's little brother, and wish to extend our sympathy to the bereaved. Martha and Herbert Geobel went home to Lehr last Friday night.

We had an interesting program last Saturday night sponsored by Professor Mickelenko. A mock trial took place, the individual tried being Mr. Nick Teen. The audience was thoroughly convinced of the harm wrought by the smoking habit, the use of the poisonous weed, nicotine. In addition several dialogues and musical numbers made the evening's entertainment a success.

The girls' glee club will give their concert Saturday night, March 11. All the parents and friends are cordially invited to attend.

This past week-end Lorine Shimke had as her guest at her home over the week-end, Myrlo Hilde.

### Nebraska Conference

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### Revival among the Churches

ONE year ago the 18th of this month the writer came to Nebraska and entered upon his duties. The year has sped by very rapidly, and holds many precious memories of the presence of God in experiences in connection with the work among the churches and for our people.

We have held revival meetings for our own church members from one to two weeks in the churches at Culbertson, College View, Fremont, Grand Island, Hastings, Kearney, Lincoln, Omaha, McCook, Oakdale, and Scottsbluff, besides seven district meetings which took the place of our camp meeting, and week-end meetings at Loup City, Ong, Seward, and Shelton. The Lord has richly blessed in all of these services. The workers have cooperated loyally, and our people have responded heartily and earnestly to the appeals for deeper consecration and closer fellowship with one another and with Jesus.

In many of the churches backsliders have been reclaimed, and new ones have accepted the truth. Some young people, who have never taken their stand before, have given their hearts to the Lord, and 37 have been baptized since December. In addition to the work for the organized churches, we are sending out Bible studies to our isolated people,

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so all our members are receiving help, and we hope that all will enter earnestly into the work of heart-perparation necessary to meet the Lord when He comes in the clouds of heaven.

At the present time Elder Langberg and I are in the midst of a series of meetings in Nebraska City. It is the plan to visit other churches as rapidly as we can make arrangements and get to them. I wish to express my deep appreciation of the loyal support and cooperation of all the workers in the conference in making this revival-reformation program a great blessing to our people. In December the workers all met for a week to give careful study to the Bible and the "Testimonies," applying these to their own individual experiences. We are determined by the grace of God to live out the light given. We earnestly solicit the prayers of the readers of the REAPER family that we may make that full and final preparation which will enable God to pour out upon us His Holy Spirit, that the work may be finished in our own hearts and in our field, that we may be ready to meet Jesus and hear the "Well done" spoken when He comes.

We hope that this Spring Week of Prayer, March 11 to 18, will bring great blessings to all our young people. We are happy to report that the work of the academy and college is being greatly blessed of God. We have fullest confidence in these institutions, and fully believe in the teachers and their efforts in assisting our young people to develop a Christian character. We hope that the members of our conference will rally to the support of these institutions, and begin now to make preparations to send more of their young people to these schools of the prophets for these last days.

Camp meeting will be held August 11 to 20 this year at Shelton. Begin now to make plans to attend. We will have good help from both the union and General Conference, and this camp meeting ought to be the most deeply spiritual of any ever held in this state because of the conditions surrounding us and the nearness of the end.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

### Kansas Conference

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### Thayer

THE evangelistic meetings in the City Hall at Thayer are growing in interest.

There has been a most encouraging attendance from the very beginning. That the meetings are creating and arousing an interest in the message is very evident on the part of those in attendance.

The testing truths of the message are being presented at this time. Services are being held every night in the week except Thursday. The fourth week will begin Sunday night, March 5. The church members and their friends are showing a splendid spirit and are cooperating in every way possible. Evangelism is the prime essential in the work of the church. "It is indeed a joyous work to open the Scriptures to others."—*Vol. 9, p. 118.*

"Open the Scriptures to someone that is in darkness, and you will not complain of weariness and lack of interest in the cause of truth. Your heart will be awakened to an anxiety for souls, and joy in the evidences of the faith will fill your heart, and you will know that 'he that watereth shall be watered also himself.'"—*Review and Herald, March 13, 1888.*

N. J. AALBORG.

### News Notes

ELDER S. T. SHADEL, home missionary secretary for the Central Union, met with the Enterprise church Wednesday evening, March 1; from there he went to Hutchinson for Thursday night and spoke at the Wellington church Friday night. Sabbath and Sunday he conducted a home missionary convention at Wichita.

Elders Wiest and Meyers and Brother Nies spent Wednesday, March 1, at Enterprise on business. After spending a few days at Enterprise Elder Meyers will visit the surrounding churches.

The Kansas Conference will hold its colporteur institute at Enterprise April 13-21. Anyone interested in attending the institute should communicate with Elder E. H. Meyers, our field missionary secretary.

It was a real pleasure to have Elder Shadel in our office Tuesday, February 28. While here he saw our Holman Bible, which we mentioned in the REAPER last week. He said, "That is a regular \$3.50 Bible." We said, "No, only \$1.35 in the leather binding and 95 cents in the keratol, postpaid."

Elder Aalborg's meetings in the little village of Thayer are well attended. Last Sunday night over 150 were in attendance, which is especially good for a small place.

Brother Henry Jeffries is planning to move to Kansas City, Kans., and take up the colporteur work.

Elder Wiest spoke at the College View church Sabbath, February 25.

MORE BARGAINS: Slightly shelf-worn "Hero Tales" and "Something to Do" in the cloth binding. Two wonderful books for children. Regular price, \$1.25 each. As long as our stock lasts, only \$1.15 for the two books. Order at once.

### Colorado Conference

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### Colorado Items

ELDER Jay J. Nethery recently attended the Union College board meeting in Lincoln.

The Campion Academy board and local conference committee were in session the 7th and 8th.

Mr. E. G. Fulton, manager of the Porter Sanitarium, recently made a trip to California in the interests of the medical work.

Professor G. M. Mathews and Professor C. W. Marsh are to conduct a ten-day meeting beginning the 10th, at Ft. Collins. At this same time, Elders Pingnot and Grant are to hold a series of meetings at Briggsdale. Elder B. M. Grandy and Elder Jay J. Nethery are to hold two series of meetings on the Western Slope in March; also Elder C. F. Lickey and G. W. Chambers will hold meetings at Canon City and Salida. Arrangements will be made for other series later.

The colored members of Denver greatly appreciate the services of Elder T. H. Allison in their church during the three weeks ending February 25.

The young people of the South Side church held a recreational entertainment in the parlor of the sanitarium dormitory recently. It was a very pleasant occasion for those who had the privilege of attending.

Elder H. J. Meyer and representatives from the conference office conducted a church officers convention at LaSalle for all the German churches in the conference last week.

Mr. P. E. Shakespeare is spending several weeks in the field in the interest of the colporteur work. At present, he is in the Campion, Ft. Collins district.

Professor G. M. Mathews had the misfortune of getting his hand quite severely just recently while using an electric saw. He is improving nicely at present.

Friday night, February 24, marked the first meeting of the combined young peo-

ple of the South Side church and the Porter Sanitarium as a Missionary Volunteer society. Nearly seventy young people were present, and we are looking forward to some effective work to be done as a result of this combination.

The Missionary Volunteer leaders of several Denver churches met at the conference office Monday night, February 27, to lay plans for the young people's work for the city of Denver during the coming months. It was decided to carry on the Missionary Volunteer Week activities of March 11 to 18 separately; that is, each society in its own church. It was also decided to have a union Missionary Volunteer program Friday night, April 14.

The new plan of Junior Missionary Volunteer organization announced a few weeks ago has been spreading in various parts of Colorado, and we now have several divisions organized according to this new plan. The Campion Academy group is listed as Division 100; in Denver, Divisions 101, 102, 103, and 104; Canon City, 105; Rocky Ford, 106; and Rulison 107.

The J. M. V. Pioneer girls entertained their mothers at a mother and daughter banquet held in the assembly hall of the Grace Community church February 23. Approximately 150 mothers, daughters, and counselors attended this first entertainment sponsored by the girls' organization.

Several of our Denver members met at the gymnasium on Iliff and Bannock Streets Tuesday evening, February 21, where they enjoyed a very fine entertainment and supper. The proceeds will be used for improvements in the primary division of the South Denver church.

### Minnesota Conference

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### The Eye

THE eye is the light of the body. It is through this member that the child learns its first lessons. John, in his first Epistle, 2:16, mentions the eye as one of the three avenues through which Satan seeks to draw the individual to "love the world." This is also the avenue through which God works to draw men, women, and children to Himself. The importance of this should not be overlooked by the Sabbath school superintendent and his staff of workers.

The picture roll, memory verse cards,

and children's color sets, are all useful articles in the children's division of the Sabbath school. It is well not to forget the sandtable, with its blocks and other suggestive and educational playthings. In Sabbath schools where the picture roll is not used, the memory verse cards will form a substitute. These cards and color sets are not expensive, but mean much to the younger members of your Sabbath school. It will encourage the children if they are invited now and then to sing a song, repeat the memory verses, or do some other small act in the Sabbath school where mother and father attend. Make the children feel at home in the Sabbath school and help them to love it. It may mean their salvation in the end. We give special recognition, in the form of a picture card signed by the superintendent and the conference Sabbath school secretary, and an appropriate pin to those children that can repeat the memory verses for the quarter, and each quarter during the year. Ask us about this plan; we will be glad to explain more fully.

Jesus took time to help the children come to Him, and so should we.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

### Minnesota News

SABBATH, February 25, Elder Dirksen visited the church at Brainerd and the company at Daggett Brook. He reports an increased interest in the *Signs* campaign, and a club larger than last year has been placed every place where he has visited.

The board of Maplewood Academy met Sunday, the 26th, at the academy. Besides the board there were present Elder Chas. Thompson and Professor C. W. Marsh, from the union. A very encouraging report was given of the progress of the school so far this year by Professor McComb. Although the attendance has decreased somewhat, we are glad for the showing that the school is making along all lines this year.

Elder Rulkoetter was with the Austin church Sabbath, the 25th, and he reports a club of about 50 *Signs* being taken by that church.

Elder Chas. Thompson spoke in the St. Paul English church Sabbath, the 25th, and in the Hutchinson church Sunday night. Both of these churches increased their club of *Signs* quite materially.

The subject of the Sabbath school lessons for the second quarter is "The Bible." When ordering your *Sabbath School Quarterly* be sure and order the little book, "The Bible, Book Divine,"

as this will be a great help to you in the study of these lessons. The price is only 15 cents.

A letter has just been received from Brother L. S. Melendy stating that they started their effort at Windom on Sunday night, the 26th. He reports a good attendance. There are no Seventh-day Adventists around Windom, so they have no local help. Let us remember Brother and Sister Melendy in our prayers during this effort.

Elder Varner Johns reports a good attendance at his Sunday night meetings which he has started in the Minneapolis English church. Elder Johns tells us that the members of the laymen's seminar are continuing the meetings that were begun in the Lake Harriet district, and the reports are that some good results will follow this effort.

We hope that you will notice our colporteur report in this week's issue. Brother Jackson is doing good work in getting a number to take up this line of work. A number of our sisters are taking up the selling of the *Watchman* magazine. Recently one order to the publishers called for 1,700 copies of this paper. We believe that a number of our people throughout the state could do well in selling a number of these magazines each month. They cost when ten or more are ordered 4 cents each and they sell for 10 cents.

### Maplewood Academy Notes

THE Woden Club had Mr. Eheim, of Hutchinson, as their speaker, Wednesday, February 22. Mr. Eheim is one of the foremost bird authorities in Minnesota, and the boys found the information he gave to be very fascinating.

A number of the industrial departments of Maplewood enjoyed socials on the evening after the Sabbath, February 25.

Elder Charles Thompson spoke to the combined school and church audience Sunday evening, February 26. A fine club of *Signs* was subscribed at the close of an inspiring service.

President and Mrs. Andreasen, accompanied by Miss Andreasen, Mrs. Johnson, and Miss Rees, were recent visitors at the academy. Professor Andreasen used the chapel hour on Monday as a rally for Union. Everyone listened attentively, especially the seniors, as there were outlined before them plans for their visit to Union somewhat later in the spring.

One of last year's students, Warren Peterson, of Foley, visited old school chums at Maplewood over Sunday, February 26. At present he is preparing

a collection of mounted birds for the Union College museum.

Friday evening meeting, February 24, was conducted by Elder Edwardson. His subject, "The Great Enchanterer," was illustrated by pictures on the screen. A large number renewed their consecration, and a few bore testimony for the first time. Certainly the often repeated statements made by students as to the value of Friday night meetings find continual substantiation.

Recent visitors at the academy were Elder Rulkoetter, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Provencher, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hagen, and Ruth Croak.

Missionary Volunteer officers for the second semester have been elected. They are Lewis Jorgensen and Mabel Chaffee, leaders; Hylis Houck and Alvin Kiley, secretaries.

Officers for the Crescit Eundo Club were elected for the second semester and are as follows: Kathrine Evenson, president; Ruby Bartlett, vice-president; Anna Sorenson and Nola Beebe, secretaries; Nina Dahl, critic; Mabel Chaffee, sergeant-at-arms.

The newly-elected officers of the Woden Club took charge of the meeting on January 26. They are: President, Orval Hanson; vice-president, Paul Rust; secretaries, Alvin Kiley and Myron Schornstein. The inside committee is composed of Daniel Cornforth and Peter Jarnes, while Salisbury Zytoskee and Lyol Netberg compose the outside committee.

The students who went home for the week-end, February 17, were: Elmer Martinson, Margaret Hanson, Anna Sorenson, Merton Searle, and Robert Ehlert.

The senior class has organized. It has 21 members. They chose Harry Sather as president, Margaret Hanson as vice-president, Clarice Rust as secretary, Myron Schornstein as treasurer, and Elder Gulbranson as sponsor.

The story of the Prodigal Son was given in pantomime at the Missionary Volunteer meeting, February 18.

Saturday evening we were entertained in the chapel by pictures. We saw how sulphur is mined. Some of the beauties of nature were also shown.

### So. Dakota Conference

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#### Itinerary

ELDER CHARLES THOMPSON and Brother Leslie McKinley will visit the follow-

ing churches in the conference as listed:

Aberdeen, Tuesday, March 7; Bowdle, Wednesday, March 8; Mitchell, Thursday, March 9; Viborg, Friday and Sabbath, March 10 and 11; Sioux Falls, Sabbath afternoon, March 11; and Colman, Sunday, March 12.

#### Plainview Academy Items

ON Sunday evening, February 26, the boys of North Hall entertained the girls and friends of the community with the annual open house. After the groups were made up, all were taken on an inspection tour through the dormitory. The guests then assembled in the dining room, where a short program was rendered and light refreshments served.

Tuesday morning, February 28, the seniors quietly and very inconspicuously gathered in the laboratory for organization. After a few remarks on good organization and class spirit by Professor Hartman, the class chose the following officers: President, Robert Brown; vice-president, Willis Mohr; secretary, Florence Unterseher; treasurer, Robert Wagner; sponsors, Professor and Mrs. H. C. Hartman. The class was quick in their decision, and immediately chose the hues of the rainbow as their colors and displayed them in a very unique way in chapel Thursday morning.

Elder E. H. Oswald, president of the North Dakota Conference, stopped at the school over Sabbath en route to Jamestown, No. Dak. His sermons on Friday evening and Sabbath were full of timely admonition, and his visit was very much appreciated.

The Junior Missionary Volunteer society from the church school gave a health program in young people's meeting Sabbath, February 25. They gave some very good suggestions on the care of the body.

The highest speed and accuracy record in typewriting was made by Robert Brown recently, when he wrote for ten minutes at the rate of 62 words a minute with 99 per cent accuracy.

During chapel Tuesday, February 28, Miss Huffman sponsored an old fashioned spelling match. Four representatives from each class were chosen. Florence Unterseher, a senior, was the only one not spelled down.

We were glad to welcome the following week-end visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Dufloth and family, of Tolstoy; Mrs. John Loppe and daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Montis, of Flandreau; Olive Redmon, of Elkton; and Mrs. Pearl Kellogg, of Madison.

#### South Dakota News

BROTHER M. A. WYMAN and family have moved to Watertown. He is canvassing in the city until he takes charge of the field work later on. His first experience in our city was \$50 worth of orders in thirty hours work.

Plainview Academy is now following the General Conference plan of encouraging the students to pay tithe on their domestic time for which they get credit. Many of the students are faithfully responding. May there not be many who have attended our schools or otherwise overlooked some income in the past who would search out the matter and return to God His own in this time of need? One worker recently looked up his school days' income and is turning in a substantial sum of tithe.

Elder Babcock is spending the next few weeks or possibly a month in Elder Staton's district.

Brother James Marlin, of Huron, has read his Bible through in six weeks.

Elder J. R. Staton, with the help of the members of the Rapid City church, will soon begin meetings there. They have secured a hall in the city for the purpose. Elder Staton had the misfortune of fracturing his arm recently while starting a car.

Elders Oss and Hein expect to begin meetings in Java before long.

A number of *Signs* clubs have been coming in. Any number of experiences have been brought to our attention where people have been brought to a knowledge of the truth by the reading of the *Signs*. Shall we not continue to distribute this good paper to our friends and neighbors?

Brother Leslie McKinley returned to the office Monday evening, February 27, from a trip among the churches in the western part of our conference. He reports that our people feel the closing days are upon us and are rallying in a strong way to the winning of souls through the distribution of our literature.

Sister Ben Mekkelson, of Clear Lake, writes that she plans on giving Bible studies to some of her neighbors.

The members of the Sioux Falls church are real active in the literature work. Several hundred copies of the *Watchman* magazine are coming to that church every month. Different individuals are establishing regular routes for the sale of the paper. Remember the *Watchman* sells now for only 10 cents. Order a club of ten or so on trial.

A group of consecrated, hard-working folks are wanted at once for the colporteur work in South Dakota. Send all correspondence to M. A. Wyman at our office address.

The Watertown church has organized a literature band to do systematic work. Practically the whole church joined, and each member of the band has been given certain homes to work. About 175 homes are being visited once a week with literature.

The total investment offerings for our conference in 1932 amounted to \$1,016.77, and 837 honor cards for perfect attendance and daily study, and 81 bookmarks were given. Mrs. Rose Buroker, of Yankton, received a twelve-year bookmark at the close of 1932.

### Missouri Conference

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I. H. Harrison, Secretary  
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### Supporting a Missionary

INASMUCH as the canvassing work is missionary work of the highest order, and in view of the large number of souls who have recently taken their stand for the truth as a direct result of the work of our faithful colporteurs, I am writing this article to the constituency of the Missouri Conference with the thought in mind that perhaps there are some who would like to have an opportunity to help further the message in their own neighborhood, but who do not feel that they are able to go out to give the message themselves, but know of persons who are interested and would possibly accept the message if given an opportunity, and who are able to provide for a missionary to live right in their own home, under their direction, to be sent wherever they would like to have him go. If so, this plan will be one that will work out for the good of all.

These are very difficult times for many of our canvassers to get along in a financial way. There are a number of our people throughout the state who are able to provide room and board for such a missionary worker, and we would be very glad if you would write to us and tell us that you would like to have such a worker to help you out in your work in your community. This seems to me to be a wonderful opportunity for some

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### Obituaries

MOON.—Richard H. Moon was born near St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 6, 1852; and died Jan. 3, 1933, at Liberal, Kans. Mr. Moon united with the Seventh-day Ad-

ventist church 48 years ago, and has been a firm believer in this truth since that time. Interment was made at Liberal.

F. S. CHOLLAR.

BEVILHYMER.—Earl Bevilhymer was born Oct. 25, 1929, at Benton Harbor, Mich., and passed away at the home of his parents near Portis, Kans., Feb. 28, 1933. Earl was the grandson of Brother Albert Grounds. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Brother Albert Bullock, elder of the S. D. A. church there.

FARREL TRUEBLOOD.

LARSEN.—Esther Jacobson Larsen was born in South Dakota, July 9, 1886; and died in Canon City, Colo., Feb. 13, 1933.

In 1927 she joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in Canon City, Colo., and remained faithful to the end. She is survived by her husband, Chas. O. Larsen, and one brother. Services were conducted by the writer in Canon City, after which the remains were taken to Alcester, S. Dak., for burial.

R. W. BROWN.

LUCAS.—Mrs. Genevieve Wiley Lucas was born in Paonia, Colo., Aug. 13, 1910. She died in Denver, Colo., Jan. 11, 1933. She was married to Mr. Lucas, Oct. 3, 1925. To this union was born one child, Betty Lee.

She leaves to mourn their loss, her husband, her father and mother, her little child, Betty Lee, a sister and a nephew, and many near relatives and friends who loved her dearly.

Words of comfort were spoken by Elder G. W. Anglebarger, assisted by the writer.

A. J. MEIKLEJOHN.

CASH.—Charles Henry Cash died Feb. 15, 1933, at his home at Oswego, Kans. He was born Oct. 11, 1856, in McHenry, County, Ill. On Sept. 8, 1908, he was united in marriage to Bertha A. Brown at Glenwood, Ia. To this union two sons were born, Wayne and Harliss. In October 1918 they moved to Oswego, Kans., where he resided until his death. He was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church of Oswego.

He is survived by his wife and two sons. He was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery of Oswego.

F. C. CLARK.

MCCLEARY.—Mrs. C. M. McCleary was born Sept. 2, 1853, and died Feb. 14, 1933. In 1885 she became a member of the Winterset, Iowa, S. D. A. church, of which she was a faithful member till the time of her death. The funeral service was conducted by the writer.

C. H. MILLER.

BARNES.—Gertha Barnes was born in Denver, Colo., Dec. 26, 1910. She died at the home of her parents in Denver, Feb. 17, 1933.

She attended church school and graduated from the Denver Junior Academy. Following that she took some work in the Washington Missionary College. In 1921 she was baptized and united with the West Denver church, of which she was a faithful member at the time of her death.

She held various offices in the Missionary Volunteer Society, and was very active in the work of the Master. During the year previous to her death she had successfully conducted a large Master Comrade's class at the Greeley church.

She leaves to mourn, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Barnes, two brothers, and other relatives.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

A. J. MEIKLEJOHN.

STOUT.—George B. Stout was born at Freeport, Ill., June 1, 1849, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Cole, at Archie, Mo., Feb. 16, 1933. October 1, 1868, he was married to Emma Holroyd at Damascus, Ill. To this union were born nine children, six of whom are still living.

Brother and Sister Stout moved to Beatrice, Nebr., in 1890, where they lived until the death of Sister Stout in 1921. Seven years ago he went to Archie, Mo., to live with his daughter, Mrs. Cole, where he remained until his decease.

He carried office in the Beatrice church and was a most faithful member. He contributed liberally for the support of the cause.

Brother Stout is survived by four sons, three in California and one in Nebraska; and two daughters, one in Oregon and one in Missouri; 21 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and 3 great, great grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted by the writer in Beatrice, Nebr.

S. G. HAUGHEY.

### COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 3, 1933

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i>							
Karl A. Evenson	BR	27	4	25.50	42.75	68.25	22.00
*B. O. Engen	GC	59	1	4.50	16.85	21.35	7.05
†Bessie Nordstrom	BMP	55	—	—	27.25	27.25	27.25
H. A. Hanson	BR	38	7	31.50	8.75	40.25	1.75
P. M. Vixie	HW	34	6	19.00	6.00	25.00	3.25
Ada Schornstein	RJ	33	2	6.00	5.50	11.50	3.25
Eric S. Anderson	RJ	30	5	15.00	7.75	22.75	.50
Lillian E. Merten	GC	25	2	9.00	—	9.00	1.50
J. H. Opstad	HW	24	7	18.65	12.50	31.15	.50
J. M. Jackson	GC, PP	17	6	36.00	9.75	45.75	—
Mrs. F. Pomeroy	RJ	16	1	3.00	.50	3.50	—
F. W. Lequier	RJ	10	1	3.00	.50	3.50	—
Clare G. Rust	Misc.	39	—	—	10.60	10.60	10.60
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag.	35	—	—	9.70	9.70	9.70

Mrs. Chas. Moyer	Mag.	19	5.20	5.20	5.20
Mrs. L. Ludvigson	Mag.	18	7.60	7.60	7.60
Mrs. Bohdan	Misc.	11	1.25	1.25	.25
Leah Strand	Mag.	11	11.25	11.25	11.25
Mrs. Larson	Misc.	8	1.25	1.25	1.25
Ida Johnson	Mag.	4	1.60	1.60	1.60
<b>Total</b>		<b>513</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>171.15</b>	<b>186.55</b>

MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, *Field Missionary Secretary*

E. C. Aaby	OD	34	2	5.00	2.50	7.50	2.00
Mrs. M. Blackburn	HP	8	1	5.50		5.50	
W. A. Burton	DR	18	10	36.25	11.30	47.55	
Marg. DesMukes	OT	27	4	15.00		15.00	4.75
Harry Duff	OD	39	5	13.50	9.00	22.50	4.50
Henry Harlow	OD	44	1	2.50	.50	3.00	.50
W. E. Helt	PP	24	1	4.50	3.25	7.75	
Sallie Holmes	HW	13	2	6.00	3.25	9.25	1.25
Mrs. C. Kelley	Misc.						15.85
Orphia J. Klaus	OD	33			.95	.95	
Alex Kohltfarber	OT	24	3	11.50	1.75	13.25	.75
Henry L. Lane	BR	36	2	10.50	6.50	17.00	3.00
Lola Love	BR	14	5	26.25	.75	27.00	
*Ruby Sexton	DR	17	5	17.00		17.00	
Mrs. A. Snyder	RJ	33	4	16.00		16.00	
E. P. Spence	OD	40	3	7.50	8.50	16.00	7.00
W. M. Thomas	OT	9	4	14.00	4.00	18.00	
Lonnie Thompson	GC	12	5	22.50		22.50	
W. L. Vickers	RJ	27	2	7.00	1.25	8.25	1.25
Mrs. J. W. Gardner	Mag.	35			12.50	12.50	12.50
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag.	29			20.00	20.00	20.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>514</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>220.50</b>	<b>86.00</b>	<b>306.50</b>	<b>74.80</b>

COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, *Field Missionary Secretary*

Orval Garnes	HW	45	6	21.50	7.90	29.40	4.25
Anna S. Hayer	HP	10	1	5.50	3.50	9.00	7.75
Ernest Harper	HP	49	1	5.50	2.50	8.00	2.75
Mrs. P. Jenkins	HP	32	2	11.00	.25	11.25	.25
Henry Martin	HW	8	1	3.00	.75	3.75	
Mrs. McGrew	HW	7			1.75	1.75	11.25
H. R. Prentice	HW	41	2	4.70	4.25	8.95	2.50
Albert Priest	HP	43	17	119.50		119.50	.25
J. Reuber	DR	47	2	4.70	6.50	11.20	3.25
Mrs. Willett	HW	21	3	3.50		3.50	1.00
Hubert Young	HW	31	3	8.90	3.25	12.15	6.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>334</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>187.80</b>	<b>30.65</b>	<b>218.45</b>	<b>39.75</b>

IOWA: L. P. Knecht, *Field Missionary Secretary*

Florence Maurath	RJ	38	9	29.00	11.75	40.75	5.50
Elmer R. M. Cox	OD	33	6	16.50	10.00	26.50	22.25
G. A. Shelton	BR	42	3	15.00	6.50	21.50	5.00
Elva G. Wilcox	OD	31	4	11.50	9.05	20.55	6.70
H. G. Lincoln	RJ	32	3	9.00	6.75	15.75	
H. G. Biggers	Crisis	31	8		10.90	10.90	12.00
Anna Hanson	BR	32	1	4.50	3.05	7.55	2.20
Robert Garber	RJ	10	1	3.00	2.50	5.50	.25
Raymond Hircok	OT	8	1	2.50	3.00	5.50	.50
Mrs. A. Snovel	BR	23	1	4.50	.50	5.00	
Mrs. M. Edgar	Mag.	3			1.30	1.30	1.30
M. A. Wyman	RJ						45.20
<b>Total</b>		<b>283</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>95.50</b>	<b>65.30</b>	<b>160.80</b>	<b>100.90</b>

WYOMING: Henry Preston, *Field Missionary Secretary*

Ivan Daniel	DR						3.25
H. E. Preston	DR	42	4	14.00	18.85	32.85	5.00
M. Pitchford	DR	55	7	26.50	18.00	44.50	43.60
<b>Total</b>		<b>97</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>40.50</b>	<b>36.85</b>	<b>77.35</b>	<b>51.85</b>

NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, *Field Missionary Secretary*

Carl Edwards	BR	25	2	9.00	16.25	25.25	2.00
*A Colporteur	OD	26	1	3.00	8.25	11.25	10.25
*A Colporteur	BR	49	4	18.00	11.75	29.75	2.25
A Colporteur	Misc.				2.50	2.50	2.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>30.00</b>	<b>38.75</b>	<b>68.75</b>	<b>17.00</b>

NEBRASKA: R. J. Roy, *Field Missionary Secretary*

C. and E. Jorstad	DR				5.45	5.45	1.50
Abel Larson	RJ	28	1	6.00	1.75	7.75	2.00
Rhoda Pedersen	RJ	24	4	13.00	4.00	17.00	
G. R. Starr		28			2.50	2.50	2.50
Lucille Wallace	RJ	20	1	3.00	5.50	8.50	
<b>Total</b>		<b>131</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22.00</b>	<b>19.20</b>	<b>41.20</b>	<b>6.00</b>

<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>1,972</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>767.45</b>	<b>463.30</b>	<b>1,230.75</b>	<b>403.55</b>
*Two Weeks.							
†Four Weeks.							

JONES.—John Andrew Jones was born in Northampton, England, Oct. 31, 1864, and came to America in 1891. Seven years later he visited his native land and was married to Ada Elizabeth May. Returning to this country they made their home near Bloomfield, Nebr. He passed away at his home February 19 in the blessed hope of a part in the first resurrection. He leaves to mourn their loss, six children, three sisters, four brothers, and other relatives. Services were conducted in the Methodist church by the writer, after which the deceased was laid to rest in the Bloomfield cemetery.

T. M. LANGBERG.

LANG.—Mrs. Loa P. Reed Lang was born Dec. 3, 1867, in Lucas County, Ia. She was married to Mr. George E. Lang July 8, 1884. To this union were born eight children, four boys and four girls. Six of the children survive her. Sister Lang accepted the message in 1907. She fell asleep Feb. 7, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Finnelly, at Fairbault, Minn. We laid her to rest in the Richland cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

R. F. WOLCOTT.

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FOR SALE.—Oak and ash wood, and corn and oats. Call after 6 p. m., FO 593, Mr. M. Goodwin, 2601 56th St., Lincoln, Nebr.

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WANTED.—To rent, fully equipped farm. Have own help. Best of references. Also have nearly modern house, three lots, chicken coop, barn, garage, well fenced, in good lively town of 2500, and 80 acres three miles from same town, which I will trade for equipped farm. Don F. Prior, Flandreau, So. Dakota.

WANTED.—Experienced middle aged man to work on farm. Prefer someone that wants to work for share of crop as wages, or might pay wages. Mrs. Cora Dixon, Garden City, Kans.

G. W. HASSETT, TRUSTEE, is paying another dividend from the assets of the former Farmers' State Bank of College View. In office at 4711 Prescott Avenue every day except Saturdays and Sundays until March 17th, then only part time. Call in person, or write at once. Do not phone. It's your money, take it away.

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### Sunset Calendar

For Friday, March 10, 1933

Des Moines, Ia. . . . . 6:15  
Denver, Colo. . . . . 6:01  
Topeka, Kans. . . . . 6:25  
Lincoln, Nebr. . . . . 6:28  
Bismarck, N. Dak. . . . . 6:41  
Minneapolis, Minn. . . . . 6:12

### Missionary Volunteer Day Sabbath, March 11

#### Missouri Department

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of our people who are not able to give of their means to support the cause to help in a very material way.

I am hoping that anyone who is interested in this plan will get in touch with me as quickly as possible, and let me know just how soon you want such a worker to come to your neighborhood. I will be glad to make the necessary arrangements. Remember this missionary will be under your supervision, to work where you desire him to work, and visit those that you desire to be visited, and I am sure that the Lord will bless your faithful efforts as well as the work of the colporteur in your community. It should be beneficial to all concerned.

R. G. CAMPBELL.

#### The Effort at Sedalia

THE people of Sedalia are awake to the fact that there are meetings being carried on in town, and are showing a ready response by filling the little church every night to overflowing; and not only that, they are turning out *en masse* to the Sunday night meetings. Elder Crosier's subject, "The Mark of the Beast and Who Is the Man 666," was given most forcefully from the judge's bench in the county circuit court room. Every seat was full, even to the jury benches, and people crowded in at each of the four doors, many turning away. Hands went up everywhere when the call was made. Surely the Lord is working on the hearts of the people.

Last Sabbath morning the first to arrive for Sabbath school was a woman with some small children who had at-

tended the meeting the night before for the first time. Others followed long before it was time to begin. Seventy visitors attended, making a total of 91 present at Sabbath school. A well-attended young people's meeting was conducted in the afternoon.

Next Sunday night Elder Crosier will speak on "The Unpardonable Sin." The question again rises as to how we will take care of the large crowd, but we are confident that the Lord will open the way.

JAMES GAITENS.

### News Notes

ELDERS HARTWELL and OSS visited the church at Springfield on Sabbath, February 25, and spent Sunday and Monday at the church at Ava. Two preaching services and a business meeting were held there, and a wedding was celebrated on Monday evening which will be mentioned later.

Last week Elder Hartwell attended a meeting of the Union College board and union conference committee at College View, Nebr.

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### Iowa Conference

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### Mason City Convention

Our new president, Elder R. S. Fries, will lead out in a joint convention to be held at Mason City, March 10-12. Others

from Nevada who will be present to have a part in this series of meetings are Elder J. C. Christenson, Mrs. Dorcas, and G. A. Nystrom. The first meeting will open at 7:45 on Friday evening, and the convention will close with a sermon by Elder Fries on Sunday evening. The members of all churches within driving distance are invited to attend. We are especially anxious to have every officer of the surrounding churches present for special meetings for their instruction on Sabbath and Sunday. This convention is a district meeting, and is not for Mason City alone. Come and enjoy these meetings. Bring your lunch and be prepared to stay all day.

### Iowa Notes

G. A. NYSTROM, conference secretary-treasure, was in Marshalltown on Thursday, February 23, auditing the church treasurer's books. He was assisted by Miss Gladys Searle of the conference office.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Smouse came to Nevada, February 28, to attend to the regular auditing work in the Iowa Conference.

Elder J. C. Nixon went to Humboldt on Tuesday of last week in the interests of his departmental work.

Elder D. E. Collins, of the union office, spent about ten days with Brother Knecht in the Iowa Conference, beginning the evening of February 24 at Council Bluffs. They also visited Ute, Sioux City, Ft. Dodge, Oak Park Academy, Des Moines, Marshalltown, and Cedar Rapids. From the spirit manifested in these meetings, and the cooperation of both ministers and laity, they are thoroughly convinced that God has set His hand for the finishing of His work. Brother Knecht states that the first two months of this year show a good gain over 1932. They ask each to join in praying for the success of our consecrated colporteurs. The help given by Elder Collins was greatly appreciated and he will always receive a warm welcome in this conference.

### CENTRAL UNION CONFERENCE STATEMENT FOR ONE MONTH (FOUR WEEKS) ENDING JANUARY 31, 1933

	Member- ship	Amt. \$2.40 Per Memb.	Amount Received	Amount Short	Per Member 1932	1931
Colorado	3399	8157.60	1863.70	6293.90	.137	.364
Iowa	2577	6184.80	1032.63	5152.17	.100	.144
Kansas	2584	6201.60	858.37	5343.23	.083	.097
Minnesota	3365	8076.00	1259.05	6816.95	.094	.120
Missouri	2119	5085.60	635.67	4449.93	.075	.101
Nebraska	2528	6067.20	1421.74	4645.46	.141	.178
North Dakota	2265	5436.00	.....	5436.00	.....	.065
South Dakota	1518	3643.20	630.29	3012.91	.104	.099
Wyoming	350	840.00	231.97	608.03	.166	.190
Union	20,705	49,692.00	7933.42	41,758.58	.096	.158