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Great Things He Has Done

A BRIEF summary of what was accomplished in soul winning in the Central Union during 1932 will be of interest, I am sure, to the readers of the REAPER.

First, let me say that God blessed the work of our ministers, Bible workers, and people, adding 3,199 souls to the churches. Of this number, 1,236 were baptized; 483 were received on profession of faith; and 1,480 were received by letter. There were 1,433 transferred by letter; 263 deaths reported; 488 whose names were removed from the church records as being unfaithful to the truth; and 96 reported missing. Thus we have 919 as a net gain for all the conferences of the union for the year. Our largest gains were during the two summer quarters. The second quarter showed a net gain of 571, and the third quarter a net gain of 307.

The Colorado Conference showed the largest numbers of baptisms, reporting 236. This conference has the largest membership in the union, with the largest number of employed laborers, or a total of 24, composed of 15 ordained ministers, 5 licensed ministers, and 4 licensed missionary workers.

The second highest conference in converts baptized was Kansas. They reported 201. This conference has 8 ordained ministers, 4 licensed, and 2 missionary licensed workers, or a total of 14.

Minnesota is third in line of baptized converts, reporting 188, with 21 workers. The Minnesota Conference is second in membership, having 3,425 at the close of the year.

In several conferences of the union there are baptismal classes in which candidates are being prepared, and some have been baptized since the new year began.

The membership of the union stands at the beginning of the year at 21,624, having 77 ordained ministers, 23 licensed ministers, and 27 licensed missionaries, or a total of 127 employed workers drawing salary from the conference treasury.

But this does not begin to tell the story of our people in all the churches in the union who are serving and sacrificing for

the advancement of the cause; of the faithful services of our doctors, nurses, church school teachers, and instructors in our academies; the faithful workers in the sanitariums and in our college; nor of the sincere and earnest work of church elders, deacons, treasurers, clerks, and other church and Sabbath school officers, and laymen. All these will have their just rewards in God's final reckoning; for shall not they who stay by the staff share equally with those who go forth to the battle? And surely in a little while we are going home.

J. F. PIPER.

Union College Week

FOR some time we have had under consideration inviting the seniors of our academies and others to spend a week-

We Do Not Lessen Our Own by Paying Tithe

SOME think they cannot afford to pay tithe, that they have so little (or so much) that if they should give a tenth of their gain they could not support their family.

"It is a heaven-appointed plan that men should return to the Lord His own; and this is so plainly stated that men and women have no excuse for misunderstanding or evading the duties and responsibilities God has laid upon them. Those who claim that they cannot see this to be their duty, reveal to the heavenly universe, to the church, and to the world, that they do not want to see this plainly stated requirement. They think that by following the Lord's plan, they would detract from their own possessions. In the covetousness of the selfish souls, they desire to have the whole capital, both principal and interest, to use for their own benefit."—*Vol. 6, p. 387.*

The one who withholds the tithe is the one who suffers the loss.

J. F. PIPER.

end with us. It has now been decided that the time shall be the week-end of April 15. Then seniors will arrive Friday before sunset, and spend Sabbath and Sunday with us as our guests. They will pay their own transportation, but their entertainment here will be free. An interesting and helpful program has been arranged that will occupy every moment of the time.

The college board at a recent meeting heartily endorsed this plan. The visit will acquaint prospective students with the college, so that they will know what Union College is like, and so that they will not be entire strangers when they come next year. It will serve to interest our young people in education and establish a firmer bond between the college and the field. In each case the principal of the academy concerned is invited to accompany and, perhaps, to chaperon the group.

We are also inviting other young people of college age, perhaps seniors in high schools, who are prospective Union College material, to come. Will not such please write me, that definite arrangements can be made and accommodations supplied? This applies to such as do not belong to an academy group.

We trust and believe that Union College Week will be a success, and that it will be helpful in every way. A most hearty welcome is extended to all concerned. Let me hear soon from all non-academy students.

M. L. ANDREASEN, *President.*

Missouri Conference

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Kansas City and Kingsville

ON February 5, Elder O. T. Garner, pastor of the Kansas City church, began a series of Sunday night meetings in the Memorial church, corner of Linwood Boulevard and Charlotte Street. Elder Garner writes that he has been well pleased with their crowds on Sunday evenings at the church.

They have been laboring under some difficulty in Kansas City because a recent

ordinance has been passed prohibiting the use of hand bills of any kind. Just before the law was passed, 5,000 hand bills were printed to advertise the meetings, but before they could be distributed, the ordinance went into effect, so they have had to depend upon a very small newspaper announcement. We are glad to mention here that in spite of this handicap, the Lord has blessed with a good attendance, and we trust that this effort will result in a good substantial number of new members being added to the church.

Before the meetings in Kansas City began, Elder Garner held a number of meetings at the church at Kingsville. This little church is about 40 miles from Kansas City right out in the country. In a letter which brother Garner wrote regarding this meeting, he states the church was so packed that they had to put in extra benches. On account of road conditions and bad weather, the meetings have been temporarily discontinued at Kingsville, but will be resumed a little later when the weather is more settled and favorable.

The Effort at Sedalia

BEGINNING Sabbath morning, March 4, Elder Crosier began to make his series of call meetings. Our hearts were made glad as we saw ten come forward with the desire to unite with the church. Sunday evening by seven o'clock the Assembly Hall of the court house was filled to capacity. The first to arrive came about 6:15. Chairs had to be carried from the third floor to accommodate some of those standing in the isles. "The Sin Against the Holy Ghost" was Elder Crosier's subject, and about thirty or more people answered the call to come forward and keep God's law, a large percentage of whom were young people. It is difficult to make calls with such a large crowd with every available piece of space occupied, however, it is evident that the Lord is blessing our effort here in Sedalia.

Sabbath morning a large company assembled for Sabbath school, many of whom were visitors, some from Florence and Clinton. In the afternoon a well attended young people's meeting was conducted.

The little Adventist church continues to be packed every night. "Predestination," "Baptism," and "The Spirit of Prophecy" are among the subjects which Elder Crosier will discuss this week. A baptismal service will also be held in Flat Creek Sabbath morning, March 11.

JAMES GAITENS.

Missouri News Notes

ON February 27 a beautiful church wedding took place at Ava in which Miss Lois Vera Lucas and Mr. Fred Torkelson were united in marriage. Mrs. Torkelson was one of our church school teachers last year. Brother Torkelson moved to our conference from Kansas. Miss Thelma Lucas, who teaches at Poplar Bluff, came to Ava with a car of our believers so as to be present for her sister's wedding.

Elder Melvin Oss and Brother James Gaitens started an evangelistic effort in the Springfield church on March 12th. Let us pray for the success of the meetings.

Elder H. C. Hartwell and Brother R. M. Carter started a series of ten-day meetings at our Flat River church on Sunday night, March 5. They have reported that they had an excellent attendance for the first night's meeting. We solicit the prayers of our people in behalf of this territory.

A Sabbath school convention will be held in the St. Louis Central church, located at 618 North Newstead Avenue, on April 1. Elder S. A. Wellman, of the General Conference, and Miss Morey, of the Illinois Conference, will attend. Five or six Sabbath schools from the southern part of the Illinois Conference will be represented also. All our believers near St. Louis should remember and plan for this important convention. Several of our local Sabbath school workers will take part in the discussions also.

Thus far five whole families have taken their stand for the Sabbath truth as the result of the work of our faithful colporteurs this year, about eighteen souls in all. This should encourage many others to enter the literature ministry and help bring in the precious sheaves of ripening grain before the harvest is past and many are left to regret the years they have wasted which might have been spent in saving souls through our good books and magazines.

HELP WANTED

WE want 25 men and women in the Missouri Conference to engage in full time work with the new low priced 10 cent *Watchman* magazine. We have lots of territory and lots of magazines, but only a few workers. So please answer this Macedonian call by writing your field missionary secretary today. Address your letter to Field Missionary Secretary, 616 South Second St., Clinton, Mo. Thank you.

R. G. CAMPBELL,

Field Missionary Secretary.

Minnesota Conference

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Austin, Bemidji, Hackensack, and Pequot

WHILE recently meeting with the Austin church it was an inspiration to see how the members so enthusiastically took the copies of *Present Truth* to be distributed. The church is putting on an extensive *Present Truth* campaign, with the hope of following up the interest that develops.

The Missionary Volunteer Society is becoming active under the leadership of Dr. Nana Rosenthal. Careful study is being given to plans that will be of interest to seniors and other arrangements that will occupy the energies of the juniors.

The severe weather during February has prevented all of the members of the Bemidji church from gathering on Sabbath. Road conditions have been unfavorable, and this too has made it impossible for the entire congregation to meet. However, since the weather has moderated, the families are gradually being able to return, and we hope that soon the entire congregation can assemble in their Sabbath worship.

The severe weather conditions during the past month have also prevented the members of the Hackensack company from meeting as a full group. However, on Monday evening, March 6, about thirty gathered for a study. At least half of those present were strangers from the village. There seems to be an interest in this village to know the truth of God. Openings for Bible readings have appeared; in fact, one woman made a specific request that one of our sisters study

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with her, explaining the truths of God's word.

The seriousness of the times are causing many to give thought to the future. We trust that all of our churches will be awake to any opportunities that might appear during these days of perplexity.

As soon as road conditions permit the members at Pequot hope to meet again in regular assembly. Even though death has taken from them one of their beloved members, yet the believers are of good courage in the Lord.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

Maplewood Notes

PRESIDENT Stein, of Broadview College, and Professor A. W. Johnson, of Union College, were with us on Friday and Sabbath. In chapel Friday, President Stein spoke to us about "Adjustment." In the Sabbath service he spoke on "Fire" and in the M. V. meeting he spoke on "Growth." Professor Johnson spoke to us in the Friday evening service on the life of Helen Keller.

Last Wednesday Professors McComb, Hein, Van de Vere, Gulbrandson, and Fowler went to Minneapolis to attend a session of the National Educational Association convention.

The commercial department has acquired three rebuilt typewriters, which go to make up a total of thirteen typewriters in the commercial department.

Beatrice Knutson, one of our students, is in a favorable way recovering from a recent appendicitis operation.

A multiple drill, capable of drilling four holes at a time, has recently been added to the craftshop.

News Notes

ELDER ANDREASEN, Professor Johnson, and Miss Rees, all from Union College, were in the Twin Cities recently attending the meetings of the National Educational Association.

Elder Rulkoetter was recently called to Pequot to conduct the funeral of Brother Isaac Gott. Our sympathies are extended to the bereaved family in their loss.

Brother G. W. Johnson and Brother Amundson passed through the cities recently on their way to Duluth, where they will be located in doing colporteur work. Miss Hazel Johnson will also be engaged in this line of work. Let us remember these people as they start in this new territory.

Elder N. R. Nelson, who has been in the East conducting an effort in Brooklyn, was in the office recently.

Elder M. L. Andreasen spoke Sabbath, the 4th, in the Minneapolis English church. We are always glad to have Elder Andreasen visit our field.

Elder Dirksen spoke in the Minneapolis Norwegian-Danish church Sabbath morning, the 4th, and in the afternoon at the St. Paul Scandinavian church. He reports a very ready response to the *Signs* campaign, and the clubs were very materially increased.

Brother and Sister Melendy report that their attendance at Windom is increasing, and it has become necessary to plan for more chairs to seat the congregation.

Be sure and order your *Sabbath School Quarterly* for the second quarter in time so you will not lose out on your daily study.

Nebraska Conference

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Nebraska News Notes

ELDERS WESTBROOK and Langberg are spending about ten days in a series of revival and reformation meetings with the church at Nebraska City.

Mrs. Taylor spent Sabbath, March 4, in College View where a very enthusiastic Missionary Volunteer rally was held. Representatives from several other churches were in attendance.

Elder Butterfield reports a splendid interest in his evangelistic effort at McCook. He states that the ministers of the town are becoming quite agitated, which always indicates something is happening. He expects a number to take their stand for the truth soon.

Elder Baer reports continued progress in his evangelistic effort at Scottsbluff. He is getting a Bible readers band organized, which is what we would like to see in every church in the conference.

The lesson help for this next quarter is entitled "The Bible, Book Divine." It sells for only 15 cents, so order one from your missionary secretary or direct from the Book and Bible House.

Another good book for next quarter's lessons is "Experiences of David Dare." It is a composite of true experiences of the author written in story form. It meets the arguments commonly put up by infidels and higher critics of the Bible, and it is intensely interesting. The author is a converted infidel and so has a thorough knowledge concerning what he writes. It is a good book to loan to non-believers in the divinity of the Bible. It sells for only 50 cents.

A letter from the publishers tells us that there are only a few days left in which to avail yourself of the special 25% discount on sets of the "Testimonies" and the "Conflict of the Ages" series. The special price ends March 31, and we have no assurance that it will ever be made again. If you do not have the full amount at present, write us about our partial payment plan.

F. W. SCHNEPPER.

No. Dakota Conference

E. H. Oswald, President
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North Dakota News Items

ELDER OSWALD spoke to the Jamestown English church at the eleven o'clock hour, Sabbath, March 4.

Brother S. E. Ortner recently made a trip to Oklahoma to attend his father's funeral. Brother Ortner's absence from the office accounts for the delay in the reply of some letters and other business pertaining to the office.

It is reported that the meetings which Elder J. H. Seibel has been conducting at Medina are growing in interest. The church is filled to capacity every night, and the meetings are proving a great benefit to old believers who are being reclaimed, as well as those who are accepting the third angel's message for the first time. Elder Oswald has spoken there several times and says that prospects are good for a rich harvest of souls.

Elder Charles Thompson met his appointment in North Dakota and traveled with Brother Scherr in the interest of the *Signs* campaign. *Signs* clubs received far exceed their fondest expectations in the churches they visited, including Fargo, Valley City, Harvey, and the church at the academy.

Brother R. R. Bietz, our educational secretary, met with the Kulm church Sabbath, March 4, and found the brethren there of good courage.

Word received from Brother Edwards, our new field missionary secretary, informs us that he is having splendid success in the sale of our good books at Grand Forks. He took \$25 worth of orders in one day, and did almost as well another day of the same week, and sent in a report of \$71 for the week. This is splendid work for a time like this, and we hope our people will remember the colporteur work in their prayers, that a large work may be done in this conference in the literature ministry this year.

A number of orders have been received for the new book, "Bible, Book Divine," which is the Sabbath school lesson help for the second quarter. It costs only 15 cents, and it contains a great deal of information that will help us to appreciate our Bibles more and assist us in the study of our Sabbath school lessons during the next quarter.

We will only have one book for our Big Week campaign this year, which is entitled, "Our Changing World." This book retails for 50 cents, but will be sold on a subscription basis which will make it cost our people 25 cents plus postage, or a total of 30 cents. Where larger quantities are ordered the postage rate will not be so high proportionately.

At this writing Elders Oswald, Sherr, and Brother Bietz are conducting a convention at Gackle. It is expected that they will conduct a similar meeting at Medina over the coming week-end. We trust all our people who are within driving distance of places where conventions are held will avail themselves of the benefits derived from attending such meetings.

Miss Agnes Harchenko and Mr. Fred Evanenko were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Harchenko, of Butte, N. Dakota, Elder George G. Hmelevsky officiating.

At our Sheyenne church Elder Thompson gave a sermon on the great need of giving the message to the people at this time of depression, and after explaining the plan they subscribed for 28 copies of the *Signs*, or double their goal. The Harvey German church also fell in line and subscribed for forty-eight *Signs*, which is their goal for this work. Our loyal teachers at Sheyenne River Academy subscribed for 28 *Signs* for one year. The students gave of their sacrifice money in twenty-five and fifty cent pieces. It was interesting to note that the girls led the boys in this missionary endeavor.

Iowa Conference

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Exira District Meeting

ELDER S. T. SHADEL, from the union, and Elder J. C. Christenson will hold a three-day institute in the new Exira country church, beginning Friday, March 17, at 7:30 p. m., and ending Sunday night. The unusual events of the recent past are a challenge to the responsibility of God's people. The sole purpose of this series

of meetings at Exira is to reveal the meaning of the march of world events, to instruct those who have the responsibility in directing the local churches, to formulate definite plans for action on the part of the churches, and to preach the word.

The institute is to be held in the interests of the whole district, the Exira church being selected as the place of meeting because of its accommodations, and also because it is within driving distance of the churches of the district. An invitation is extended to the members and particularly the officers of the Harlan, Exira, East Exira, Audubon, Guthrie Center, Elkhorn, Jacksonville, and Atlantic churches to attend if possible. All are invited to the Friday and Sunday night services. Plan on attending the Sabbath school and after-service in your own church. It is not intended that the institute should draw from the regular Sabbath services of your home church.

The meetings from Sunday, 10:00 a. m., will be especially for church officers. Bring your problems before the convention for solution. Bring your lunch and stay all day to enjoy the help and association of the brethren.

Bible House Notes

Just a few more days remain in which to take advantage of the 25% discount on sets of "Testimonies for the Church" and "Conflict of the Ages" series. This offer expires March 31. Many have taken advantage of this special offer, but surely there are others who will want to procure a set of these before this offer expires.

We still have a few Home Missionary Calendars left. Every home should have a copy of this beautiful calendar.

Have you sent in your order for *Sabbath School Lesson Quarterlies*, Memory Verse Cards, and Picture Rolls? If not, you should do so at once in order to be sure to have them before the new quarter begins.

The Sabbath school lesson help for next quarter is the new booklet, "The Bible, Book Divine." We have these in stock. Get your copy so as to have it to use with your Sabbath school lessons at the beginning of the quarter. Price 15 cents.

IOWA BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE.

Cedar Rapids News Notes

Two hundred each of ten special numbers of "Good News" are being personally placed in as many homes by faithful members each week, and each paper is stamped with a personal invita-

tion to attend the Sunday evening meetings and hear the illustrated sermons on the Revelation prophecy.

On account of the church being to one side of the city, the Y. P. M. V. meetings are held in different homes on Sabbath afternoon. Since Oak Park Academy Day, January 28, when Professor Ford brought four faculty members and eight students and spent the Sabbath with us, holding three inspirational and much appreciated services in the church, some of our youth have been planning to attend Oak Park Academy next year.

We have a real live Sabbath school, and the missions offerings are keeping up well. Every phase is being emphasized, and the Teachers' Training Course is held on a week night in various homes. The lay members are being trained in Sabbath school work, and the missions talks each week by various members are especially impressive.

Elder D. E. Collins and Brother Knecht were with us Friday night and Sabbath morning, March 3 and 4, and visited the Urbana church on Sabbath afternoon.

STEMPLE WHITE.

Iowa Notes

MR. AND MRS. W. E. BATES, of Keokuk, and their granddaughter, Mrs. Velvah Smouse Smith, came to the sanitarium on Friday, March 3. Mr. Bates will be taking treatment for ten days or more.

Elder and Mrs. Fries and the children, Robert and Betty, reached Nevada on Thursday, March 2, where they are at home in the conference property on C Avenue. They attended the services in Des Moines on Sabbath, March 4, where Elder Fries had an appointment. He went to Council Bluffs on Wednesday of the following week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Smouse returned to their home in Nebraska on Monday, March 6. They were accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Smith, who had been visiting her grandparents at Keokuk.

Colorado Conference

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Special Bargain Set

OUR people will be interested in knowing that we have prepared a special package containing 25 copies of assorted numbers of the crisis books. The price of this package is \$1.00 over the counter, or \$1.10 postpaid to anyone, anywhere. The assortment of books is not the same in each package, but will run as follows:

"Steps to Christ," "Wet or Dry?" "Journey to Happy Healthland," "Challenge of the Twentieth Century," "Hero Tales," "Life's Greatest Things," "Wonder Tales of the Bible," etc. The books are all new and in good condition, and at this special price make a wonderful bargain for our people to use in missionary work. This way, the books cost only 4 cents each, while the regular retail price is 25 cents. As the supply is limited, orders will be filled as they are received, so order early.

COLORADO BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE.

Last Call

As most of our readers already know, the publishers and the Book and Bible Houses have been cooperating and making a special discount of 25 per cent on complete sets of the "Conflict of the Ages" series and "Testimonies for the Church." This offer has now been in force for about three months, and quite a number have taken advantage of it. We feel, however, that not as many have ordered as should take advantage of this liberal offer to stock up these valuable books of Sister White's. The month of March is the last month in which this special offer can be secured. We are inserting this notice to remind our people, and if you have not already ordered these books, you should do so at once. If you do not have the special coupons which entitle you to this discount, a post-card mailed to the Book and Bible House will bring one by return mail.

COLORADO BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE.

News Notes

MEMBERS of the York Street Young People's society and friends met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lovell, Thursday evening, March 2, for a very pleasant social evening. There were about thirty present. The evening was spent playing games.

Mr. Albert Priest, one of our faithful colporteurs, has been working in Denver the past few days.

Have you ordered your bargain set yet? Twenty-five crisis books for \$1.10.

Mrs. George T. Vore is suffering from an attack of scarlet fever, but is reported as getting along nicely.

Twenty-five per cent discount on "Testimonies" and "Conflict of the Ages" series for the month of March only. Order now!

Elder Jay J. Nethery left Denver Friday morning for the Western Slope where he will join Elder B. M. Grandy in a ten-day series of meetings.

Elder and Mrs. Nordstrom, of Rock-

ford, Ill., arrived in Denver March 6, to take up work among the Swedish people of the city. We extend to these workers a hearty welcome to our conference, and wish them God's richest blessing in their endeavors.

Miss Anna Mae Thorp, who has been quite ill for the past week, is reported as much improved at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lickey, of Colorado Springs, were in Denver Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, having been called here on conference business.

Have you ordered your set of the "Testimonies" yet? Remember 25 per cent discount during the month of March.

Elder J. F. Piper and Brother S. J. Lashier met with the conference committee Wednesday, March 8.

It is reported that the patronage at the Porter Sanitarium is quite encouraging at the present time.

A good representation of the patrons of D. J. A. was in evidence at the Parent-Teachers' meeting Tuesday night, March 7.

Order a bargain set today. \$1.10 for twenty-five books. Our supply is limited.

Elder and Mrs. V. A. Lidner, who have been in Denver for the past several months in the interests of the Swedish work, have gone to Minneapolis, Minn., where they expect to hold an effort for the Swedish people of that city.

Miss Olive Rice substituted for Miss Caroline Thorp at D. J. A. a few days last week.

Elder B. M. Grandy, of Grand Junction, attended the conference committee meeting in Denver, March 8.

Kansas Conference

C. S. Wiest, President

J. H. Nies, Secretary

Box 605 - - - - - Topeka

Union Meeting

ELDER C. S. WIEST will meet with the churches in this section for a union meeting as follows:

Iola, March 17 for an evening service at 7:45.

Chanute, March 18 for an all-day service.

Thayer, March 19, Sunday, at 2:30 p. m., and 7:30 p. m. in the City Hall. Two union rally services.

All churches in this section and nearby churches are invited to attend all these services. Elder Wiest has expressed his desire for this union meeting, and we trust there will be a good support as far as possible.

N. J. AALBORG.

News Notes

ELDER E. H. MEYERS, our field missionary secretary, spent several days at the academy last week in the interest of the colporteur work. Sabbath, March 4, he spoke at the Herington church in the morning and at the Junction City church in the afternoon. Brother Meyers is busy recruiting colporteurs for the institute that will be held at Enterprise April 13-21.

The *Sabbath School Quarterlies*, Memory Verse Cards, Color Sets, and Picture Rolls are now in stock. We would suggest to our Sabbath schools that they order their supplies soon in order that they will have everything on hand when the new quarter begins.

Elder T. H. Allison, pastor of the Kansas City colored church and field secretary for the colored work in the Central Union, called at our office while in Topeka visiting the colored church.

We have had several requests for a catalog of our publications. We are sorry that we cannot supply all our members with a copy of the new catalog. The publishers have put out only a limited supply on account of financial conditions, just enough for the home missionary secretaries and colporteurs. They have put out a book price list of all our publications, which we are enclosing with the *Sabbath School Quarterlies* for the second quarter. We would suggest that you keep this list, as it is even more complete than the new catalog.

Word has recently come to us of the death of two of our pioneers, Sister Laura E. Charlton, of Ellsworth, and Sister Julia B. Storey, of Columbus. Both of these sisters were very active in working for the Master and will be greatly missed. Our sympathies are extended to the bereaved.

Brother A. M. Ragsdale returned from the southeastern part of the state Thursday, March 9. He spoke at the Topeka young people's meeting Friday evening, March 10.

We have just received a copy of the new book, "Our Changing World." This is a full-message book, and is put out in a cheap binding so that it can be used for missionary work. The retail price is 50 cents, less the regular subscription-book discount to our people. Price post-paid, 25 cents plus postage, or four copies for \$1.13.

Elder A. C. Griffin, pastor of the Topeka church, started a series of Sunday-night meetings in the church for the general public. His first meeting was Sunday night, March 12.

A conference committee meeting was held in Topeka Monday, March 6. Those

attending from outside the city were F. S. Chollar and S. S. Mohr from Wichita; Elder H. H. Humann, Hillsboro; Professor E. D. Kirk, Enterprise; Brother C. A. Jones, of Kansas City; and Elder J. F. Piper, president of the Central Union Conference.

The book by Elder Stahl, apostle to the South American Indians, entitled "In the Amazon Jungles," is having a splendid sale. We are confident that those who have heard of Elder Stahl's mission stories will want to read this book. The price is 50 cents postpaid.

Brother M. H. Jenses was called to Portis to conduct the funeral of the daughter of Brother and Sister Grounds. We sympathize with Brother and Sister Grounds during this time of sorrow.

We have already had communications from twelve, in addition to the students, who are trying to arrange to attend the gospel canvassers' institute at Enterprise, Kans. There will no doubt be a number of others deciding soon. Remember the institute will be held here in just a short time, so do not delay in writing us. Elder D. E. Collins, our union field missionary secretary, will give the instruction, so do not miss it. The date is April 13-21.

So. Dakota Conference

Gorden Oss, President
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Drawer 586 Watertown

Plainview Academy

MR. AND MRS. SETH DA LA MATER and Bonita Long, of White Lake, visited at the home of Professor and Mrs. A. L. Watt, March 4 to 6. Bonita, who is Mrs. Watt's sister, remained and will assist in the laundry work at the school.

There are about 25 of our Friends class who are now starting their work as Companions. This class will meet every Wednesday at 5 p. m.

Our farm superintendent, Mr. L. W. Taft, reports that at present the average milk production of our dairy herd is 157 gallons per day.

For the past thirty days our dairy has been furnishing five gallons of milk each day to the Red Cross, which makes up a part of the lunch for the needy children of our city.

South Dakota Notes

MARCH is the last month for our special offer making it possible for you to secure complete sets of the "Conflict of the Ages" series and the "Testimonies for the Church" at the special discount of 25

per cent. The publishers tell us that since this special campaign has been running, nearly 600 sets of the "Conflict of the Ages" series and about 400 sets of the "Testimonies" have been sold. Possibly you have been intending to secure a set of these books but for some reason or other have been putting it off. This is your last opportunity to place your order during the month of March. You still have the coupon no doubt that was mailed you when the campaign first opened.

Elder Gorden Oss spent Sabbath, the 4th, with the church at Aberdeen.

Brother J. A. Estey writes that his meetings are still well attended.

Elder C. D. Hein held a series of meetings in the Java church during the week closing Sabbath, March 11.

Elder Charles Thompson was in our conference during the week ending March 11, visiting several of our churches in the interest of the Signs campaign.

In our last week's news items we stated that Brother Wyman sold over \$50 worth of books in 30 hours. This should have been 20 hours.

We are nearing the close of the first quarter, and your orders for the second quarter's supplies should be placed so they will reach you in ample time for the opening of the quarter.

Obituaries

GOTT.—Isaac Gott was born at Deer Isle, Maine, Oct. 15, 1859; and died at Pequot, Minn., March 1, 1933. In 1888

he married Ellen R. Hosford in Minneapolis, and to the union were born four children. His wife died in September, 1929. In 1916 he became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist faith, remaining true to his vows until death. He is survived by three of his children, Mrs. Wm. J. Heming, Mrs. Julius P. Stowell, and James E. Gott, at Pequot.

A. H. RULKOTTER.

OTTO.—Fred Otto was born May 8, 1851, at Sheboygan, Wis.; and passed away March 2, 1933, at the General Hospital in Minneapolis after an illness of three weeks. He was united in marriage to Miss Mary Ann Nelson, of Green Bay, Wis., in 1882. To this union nine children were born, three of whom survive. There are also 13 grandchildren.

Brother Fred Otto has been a devoted and faithful Christian and a member of the First Seventh-day Adventist church of Minneapolis for a number of years, having embraced this message in 1894. Funeral services were held from the Earl Undertaking Parlors with the writer officiating. We laid our brother to rest in Oak Hill cemetery.

THURE F. WIJK.

BYERS.—Mrs. Katie Byers was born in Russia, July 16, 1863, and died in Denver, Colo., February 9, 1933. She came to America in 1876, and in 1879 was married to Thos. J. Donaldson. To this union were born ten children, two of whom survive her. She was married to Mr. Chas. E. Byers in 1904. She accepted the teachings of Seventh-day Adventists in 1889, and united with the West Denver church in 1916. She was a loved and loyal member to the day of her death.

She leaves to mourn their loss, her devoted husband, two daughters, four brothers, one sister, and other relatives and friends.

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

A. J. MEIKLEJOHN.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 4, 1933

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
MISSOURI: R. F. Campbell, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i>							
E. C. Aaby	OD	30	—	—	.50	.50	—
Athena Baker	BR	11	1	4.50	—	4.50	—
Mrs. M. Blackburn	HP	21	5	27.50	—	27.50	—
W. A. Burton	DR	14	8	27.00	8.50	35.50	27.25
Marguerite DesMukes	OT	17	2	8.00	—	8.00	4.50
Harry Duff	OD	40	6	17.00	6.25	23.25	.25
Mrs. L. Erickson	HP	21	—	—	4.75	4.75	—
Frances Flournoy	DA	77	12	69.00	—	69.00	2.45
W. E. Helt	PP	22	2	9.00	3.25	12.25	—
Sallie Holmes	HW	11	7	21.00	5.00	26.00	—
Georgia J. Kemp	HP	12	4	22.00	—	22.00	—
Mrs. Orphia Klaus	OD	19	—	—	.55	.55	.55
Alex Kohlfarber	OT	37	1	3.50	1.75	5.25	1.40
Luvada Lockhart	HP	5	—	—	—	—	4.00
Lola Love	BR	6	2	10.50	—	10.50	—
Mrs. J. E. McKelley	BS	25	—	—	.10	.10	.10
Arthur Richards	DR	—	—	—	—	—	6.25
Ruby Sexton	DR	26	—	—	—	—	—
Mrs. A. Snyder	RJ	34	18	58.00	7.50	65.50	—
E. P. Spence	OD	21	2	5.00	4.50	9.50	2.00
W. M. Thomas	DR	12	4	12.00	—	12.00	3.00
Lonnie Thompson	GC	22	9	42.00	—	42.00	4.50
W. L. Vickers	RJ	27	2	7.00	1.25	8.25	1.25
Total		524	85	343.00	43.90	386.90	70.00
MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i>							
Karl A. Evenson	BR	36	6	36.50	79.25	115.75	16.50

B. O. Engen	GC	42	1	4.00	10.35	14.35	4.25
P. M. Vixie	HW	39	7	23.00	4.75	27.75	58.25
Ada Schornstein	RJ	33	2	6.00	11.75	17.75	4.00
Eric S. Anderson	RJ	27	10	31.00	2.50	33.50	3.00
Mrs. Fred Anderson	RJ	25	4	13.00	1.75	14.75	.....
J. C. Bohdan	RJ	21	3	10.00	1.25	11.25	1.25
Mrs. L. Ludvigson	RJ	19	4	12.00	.50	12.50	2.08
F. W. Lequier	RJ	14	5	15.00	1.00	16.00	.....
Mrs. Bohdan	BR	11	.....	.....	.50	.50	.50
Mrs. F. Pomeroy	RJ	7	1	3.00	.....	3.00	.....
Jacob Skadsheim	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....
Mrs. V. Boehrig	Mag.	38	.....	.....	13.80	13.80	13.80
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	36	.....	.....	12.40	12.40	12.40
C. E. Powers	Mag.	33	.....	.....	5.70	5.70	5.70
Leah Strand	Mag.	18	.....	.....	2.80	2.80	2.80
Mrs. Ida Johnson	Mag.	17	.....	.....	3.90	3.90	3.90
Mrs. John Green	Mag.	14	.....	.....	3.60	3.60	3.60
Total		430	43	153.50	160.80	314.30	132.03
IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary							
Raymond Hircock	OT	31	4	10.00	23.75	33.75	2.75
Robert L. Garber	RJ	19	3	9.00	22.00	31.00	9.75
Mrs. A. S novel	BR	22	4	19.50	4.00	23.50	.....
Florence Maurath	RJ	36	5	17.00	6.00	23.00	.50
H. G. Biggers	Crisis	30	7	.....	22.85	22.85	30.75
G. A. Shelton	BR	24	4	18.00	4.50	22.50	28.50
Elmer Cox	OD	44	5	13.75	8.00	21.75	12.00
Elva G. Wilcox	OD	31	4	11.75	7.80	19.65	3.55
H. L. Lincoln	RJ	24	2	6.00	4.50	10.50	.....
Anna Hanson	BR	28	.....	.....	2.50	2.50	2.50
Total		289	38	105.00	105.90	210.90	90.30
COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, Field Missionary Secretary							
H. L. Canfield	BR	12	1	1.50	.25	1.75	9.85
Mrs. Ellison	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	4.00	4.00	4.00
Orval Gans	HW	10	1	3.00	1.25	4.25	11.80
Mrs. M. George	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	6.50	6.50	6.50
Miss Halvorsen	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	7.50	7.50	7.50
Ernest Harper	HP	48	1	5.50	2.25	7.75	20.75
Anna Hayer	HP	10	1	5.50	.50	6.00	12.50
Mrs. P. Jenkins	HP	28	1	5.50	2.00	7.50	.50
Mrs. V. Martin	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	3.20	3.20	3.20
Mrs. S. McGrew	HW	24	4	12.00	5.25	17.25	1.50
H. R. Prentice	HW	35	4	10.35	5.50	15.85	10.00
Albert Priest	HP	25	11	56.50	.....	56.50	6.50
Jacob Reuber	DR	29	1	2.75	19.50	22.25	3.25
P. Shakespeare	.....	10	.....	.....	12.00	12.00	12.00
Mrs. G. Smith	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	2.50	2.50	2.50
Mrs. R. Spoden	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	4.10	4.10	4.10
Mrs. Willett	HW	27	3	4.50	.....	4.50	2.90
Hubert Young	HW	27	3	8.10	4.25	12.35	2.00
W. R. Zellinger	HW	10	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00
Total		295	31	115.20	82.55	197.75	123.35
SOUTH DAKOTA: M. A. Wyman, Field Missionary Secretary							
M. A. Wyman	BR	45	.....	71.80	10.00	81.80	1.25
*W. H. Stroup	DA	98	.....	9.00	16.00	25.00	13.00
Total		143	.....	80.80	26.00	106.80	14.25
NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Field Missionary Secretary							
Carl Edwards	BR	37	8	36.00	35.00	71.00	.75
Joe Meyer	BR	27	.....	.....	3.50	3.50	2.25
Total		64	8	36.00	38.50	74.50	3.00
KANSAS: E. H. Meyers, Field Missionary Secretary							
A Colporteur	RJ	.....	.....	16.00	.....	16.00	13.50
A. O. Kramer	OD	36	3	8.75	2.00	10.75	.....
Mrs. L. M. Ratliff	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	.50	.50	.50
Mrs. C. L. McManaman	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	5.00	5.00
J. T. North	HW, GC	27	6	28.00	8.00	36.00	.....
Mrs. Ina White	Mag.	.....	.....	2.50	.....	2.50	2.50
Total		63	9	60.25	10.50	70.75	21.50
NEBRASKA: R. J. Roy, Field Missionary Secretary							
C. E. Jorstad	DR	48	1	3.75	9.30	13.05	7.05
Abel Larson	RJ	28	2	6.00	2.45	8.45	.75
*John Ogren	.....	50	3	10.50	3.50	14.00	12.00
Rhoda Pederson	RJ	30	5	15.00	1.40	16.40	1.00
Lucille Wallace	RJ	29	1	.....	3.85	3.85	.60
Total		185	12	35.25	20.50	55.75	21.40
WYOMING: Henry Preston, Field Missionary Secretary							
H. E. Preston	DR	15	8	27.50	4.05	31.55	5.85
M. Pitchford	DR	26	4	13.50	5.55	19.05	32.55
Total		41	12	41.00	9.60	50.60	38.40
Grand Total		2,034	238	970.00	498.25	1,468.25	514.23
*Two Weeks.							

BURKHARD.—Josephine Lentze Burkhard was born in Indiana, Mar. 23, 1849; and died in Independence, Kans., Feb. 23, 1933. In 1880 she and her husband and three small children came to Montgomery Co., Kansas. Mr. Burkhard died July 1921. Mrs. Burkhard was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church of Independence. She was an earnest Christian. The funeral service was held in Independence on Sabbath, Feb. 25, and she was laid to rest beside her husband. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

N. J. AALBORG.

BEVILHYMER.—Clara Jane Bevilhymer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Grounds, of Portis, Kans., was born April 22, 1910, at Coffeyville, Kans.; and departed this life March 4, 1933.

She was married to Clare Bevilhymer, April 27, 1927, at Burlington, Kans. They went immediately to Battle Creek, Mich., where they lived until 1930, when they came to Portis.

To this union were born two children. Earl, the eldest, died five days before his mother's death.

Left to mourn are her husband, one daughter 18 months old, father, mother, three brothers, and one sister.

She united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1926, at Battle Creek, Mich., and remained faithful until the last.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Brother Albert Bullock, elder of the Portis church, and the body was laid to rest beside her little son.

FARREL TRUEBLOOD.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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WANTED.—Two graduate nurses, eight-hour floor duty. Crestone Heights Sanitarium, Colorado Springs, Colo., 11

WANTED.—To correspond with elderly lady that would like a good home in exchange for a small amount of work. Mrs. George McNeilus, 345-1st-Ave. S. W., Clarion, Iowa. 11

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Sunset Calendar

For Friday, March 17, 1933

Des Moines, Iowa	6:22
Denver, Colo	6:09
Topeka, Kans.	6:32
Lincoln, Nebr.	6:36
Bismarck, N. Dak.	6:51
Minneapolis, Minn.	6:21

"Our Changing World—Whither Bound?"

THE title of a new book just from the press is "Our Changing World—Whither Bound?" A more comprehensive title might be, "A Full-Message Book"; for a glance at the contents page indicates that the principal Bible subjects as taught and practiced by Seventh-day Adventists are presented.

The book is very timely, for in these days of world-wide perplexity, mankind instinctively turns from the teaching and philosophy of men to a higher source for knowledge and a correct understanding of present-day conditions.

Beginning with the second paragraph of the very first chapter, the book places before the reader the following pertinent questions:

"Are we who live in this troubled twentieth century when war and rumors of wars are all about us, when revolution and Communism undermine governments and nations, when our much-vaunted financial structures have collapsed, when tens of millions are unemployed and hungry, when our machine civilization is all askew, when moral standards accepted for ages are cast aside with abandon, when faith in God seems going into dark eclipse,—are we witnessing the sunset of civilization?"

"Are the present tragic experiences through which our world is passing the omens of dissolution and disintegration, or are they the portents of a new day?"

"Are we in the death agony of one epoch or the birth pangs of another?"

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After a close study of "Our Changing World," no question will remain in the mind of the reader as to the final out-

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It contains 144 pages printed on egg-shell paper, bound in heavy paper cover with title embossed, and the price is only 50 cents, postpaid. A 50 per cent discount will be allowed to those who sell, or who order in quantity lots of ten or more copies. When discount is given, the transportation charge is extra. This will be an excellent book with which to raise funds for the Mission Extension (Big Week) offering. The Book and Bible House in each conference is now ready to handle all orders promptly.

S. T. SHADEL.

The New "Watchman" Winning Hearty Support

CIRCULATION of *The Watchman* has sky-rocketed from only 10,150 copies distributed of the December issue, at the old price of 25 cents a copy, to 48,789 copies of the February issue, at the new low price of 10 cents a copy. The entire edition of the March issue is sold out.

Sabbath, January 14, was set aside by the General Conference for presenting the new *Watchman* home missionary endeavor in our churches. The entire month of January was designated as *Watchman* month. During this time publishing house representatives, as well as General, union, and local conference workers, visited scores of our churches to lay this new plan before our people. As a result or-

ders have been placed for thousands of copies of *The Watchman* each month to be sold by our people among their neighbors and friends. With the continued cooperation of our conference workers, and the faithful support of our people everywhere, we believe that this goal of 100,000 copies a month for 1933, assigned to us by the General Conference Committee, can be reached.

Many churches have placed standing orders with the publishers, so that they will be sure to get the new issues of the magazine just as soon as they come from the press. For example, the new April issue is ready for mailing this month on March 2. The magazine is always ready by the 5th of the month preceding the date of issue. Those having standing orders will receive their copies in time to distribute them to their members the following Sabbath. Those failing to place standing orders will have to wait until a new order can be put through the Bible House, which will mean a delay for 10 days to two weeks before they receive their copies.

The April *Watchman* is a very attractive one. The picture on the cover is suitable for framing. The articles and editorials are brief and pointed, showing the meaning of present events, as seen from the light of Bible prophecy. Be sure to read the article, "The Forgotten Man and the Forgotten Way." Much has been said in recent months about the "forgotten man," but our greatest concern should be for the "forgotten way."

Another important feature of the April *Watchman* is the report of a debate held in Pittsburgh recently between Clarence Darrow, the nationally famous atheist and criminal lawyer, and Judge M. A. Musmanne, of Pittsburgh, on the question of the immortality of the soul. This is reported by Capt. Arthur L. Smith, U. S. A., retired, especially for *Watchman* readers.

Young people considering ways to earn their way to academy or college next fall, should investigate *The Watchman's* liberal scholarship plan. All who wish to engage in missionary work may seriously consider selling *The Watchman* each month, and it is an excellent way to earn extra money for Sabbath school offerings, church expense, etc.

The Watchman is now only 10 cents a copy, \$1.00 a year. In lots of ten or more copies coming to one address the price is only four cents each. There is six cents profit from the sale of each magazine. Place all orders for the April *Watchman* with your Book and Bible House immediately. It will win souls.

L. L. SKINNER.