

# Central Union Reaper

Official Organ of the Central Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

## Fall Council, Battle Creek, Michigan

ALMOST three hundred of the leaders of our organized work were gathered in the historic place, Battle Creek, Mich. It was here where Elder Joseph Bates, on arriving in the city, called at the post office and asked to be directed to the most honest man in town. The postmaster guided him to a Mr. Huette, who in a short time learned the truth and became an ardent Seventh-day Adventist.

The third angel's message has a strong following here. The Battle Creek Tabernacle congregation is the largest of any in the denomination, having a Sabbath attendance of eight hundred to sometimes twelve or fifteen hundred.

The Council meetings were held almost continuously from eight-thirty in the morning until nine o'clock at night, with intermissions for eating and committee work.

It would have done our people good if they could have been present at some of the sessions and heard the earnest discussions given in the interest of the different phases of the work and showing how it can be carried to a perishing world. Truly the Spirit of God was present, and hearts were softened and subdued as the needs of an unconverted world were presented. The interest that is awakening, in the home field as well as in heathen lands, is indicative that the Spirit of God is going before and preparing the way for the truth to be presented.

Surely this must have been the time the Saviour had in mind when He said, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." John 4:35, 36.

The Harvest Ingathering is one way by which we can both sow and reap at the same time. While visiting those not of our faith we can often tell them of the miracles of modern missions and how we are working in 275 countries and

islands with 20,715 evangelists and institutional workers, using 485 languages and dialects, adding a net gain of 71 new believers every day during the past year. There were 41,629 who were baptized or united with our churches on profession of faith during 1932. This is an average of 114 new members a day, but by death and apostasy these figures were reduced to 71 a day, making a total of more than had been added during the

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### The God of the Harvest Ingathering

The God of the harvest is at the helm;  
The God of ingathering rules the realm;  
My father is rich in houses and lands,  
The wealth of the world obeys his commands.

But wealth is dead—inert, and cold;  
No heart, no soul is in your gold.  
If all your wealth is cash and lands,  
Your heart is empty—and your hands!

The first and mightiest wealth on earth  
Is the wealth of a heart of the Spirit's birth;  
Then, wealth of lands, of silver and gold,  
Is safe in the heart and the hands which hold.

God owns it all—from pole to pole;  
Along the equator, from goal to goal;  
The wealth of the world is in His hands;  
Then why should we falter and idly stand,

While souls are dying across the sea,  
For help withheld by you and me,  
Because we fear and fail to go  
For the gold that is owned by the God we know.

C. E. E. Sanborn.

Hill Crest, St. Louis, Mo.

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first 50 years of our organization.

The requests, as presented to the budget committee this year, call for \$3,413,262.26. While this may not all be allowed, yet the needs far exceed the expected income.

The Council is asking all our churches to use the week of November 4-11 or November 11-18 as Victory Week, and rally again to the Harvest Ingathering. If every Seventh-day Adventist in the Central Union Conference would put forth an extra effort during Victory Week and bring in on the Harvest Ingathering work from one to two dollars each, it would swell our missions gifts from

\$25,000 to \$40,000. It can be done if we catch the vision that the people did in the days of Nehemiah, for the scripture says of them: "The people had a mind to work."

Let us make Victory Week a victory in our own experience by turning in our part on the Harvest Ingathering.

J. F. PIPER.

### Why Call It Week of Sacrifice?

WHY we should refer to the act of depositing our means in the bank of heaven, "where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal," as a sacrifice on our part is certainly a mystery to me. I might rightly count it an act of sacrifice to deposit my money in an earthly bank, especially in these days of bankruptcy, robbery, and theft. But why should I call it sacrificing when depositing my money in a bank that is never broke, robbed, or off the gold standard? If we, as Seventh-day Adventists, had followed the good counsel of heaven and had put our money where we were advised by the Saviour to put it, many thousands of dollars that are now forever gone, never to do us any good here or hereafter, might have been used in the cause, and this earnest appeal for money that is now being made would be unnecessary. If our mission board had the money that has been lost by our people in the last three years, Adventist missions would not be suffering as they are today.

Withholding and not giving is what constitutes the real and eternal sacrifice, for the Lord says, "Give and it shall be given unto you." If we are faithful to the Lord in giving, as well as in other things, in exchange He will give us heavenly joy, peace, and happiness here on this earth, and at the end the words, "Well done," will be spoken and a starry crown given, also a home in a land where the mortgage will never come due, I am privileged to give Him this short life, which is so full of sorrow, pain, disappointments, and reversals, for an endless life of joy, peace, and happiness where I shall know no sorrow, pain, or disappointments.

I still fail to see why we should call exchanges like these sacrifices. When men of the world are able to deposit their money in a bank that knows no failure, they do not refer to that as a sacrifice, but good business and a privilege. Again, when they are able to make an exchange in which the value received exceeds many fold the value given, it is not referred to as a sacrifice. That is a bargain. These exchanges impress me as being some eternal bargains that the Lord is extending to us. However, giving must precede receiving.

So it seems to me that it is our withholding and not our giving that constitutes the real sacrifice, and perhaps it is in this sense that the term, "Week of Sacrifice" is used. If so, let us not make this a week of sacrifice, but a week of sound heavenly business.

M. H. JENSEN.

### Missouri Conference

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### Harvest Ingathering

A MOST encouraging letter has been received from Elder Garner, of Kansas City, relating to the Harvest Ingathering work. As in the past, Kansas City is taking the lead in the amount of Harvest Ingathering funds received. We are pleased to report that Sister Hester Kessler and Sister William Ramy have each raised over \$100. They are being presented with the special ribbon prepared for those worthy of such honors. These bookmarks indicate that those receiving them have raised over \$100 in the Harvest Ingathering.

A special appeal is being made to all our believers in Missouri to respond to the call of Victory Week, which has been designated by the General Conference as November 4-11. It is hoped that all who believe the message is due the world at this time will work hard during this week so that the necessary funds may be raised for maintaining the worldwide work. God is moving upon the hearts of those we visit, and the only pity is that many more have not been visited.

We appeal to each of our believers and all our churches to do their very best and work hard, as there are not many more weeks of Harvest Ingathering work. Let us all pray for the blessing of the Lord to be upon those who go

out calling upon their neighbors and friends and soliciting Harvest Ingathering funds.

MELVIN OSS.

### The New McGee Church School

THE location of the McGee church school is nearly twenty miles from the nearest railroad town, although there is a store within three miles of the school. There are scarcely any good roads, the other routes of travel being through the woods or across fields. There is no mail route. Mail is received but occasionally. Our work here is real pioneering. The call and demand for a school and teacher have been needy and sufficient for some time, but until now no definite plan has been launched. God is leading.

A good frame building, 20 x 30 feet, constructed from native sawed lumber, is being completed for both school and church purposes. Later a separate school building will be erected. Within a stone's cast of the church site is our cottage, 12 x 24 feet, a two-room structure, also from native lumber. The weatherboarding is hand planed and placed by myself.

Although the building was not completed, a group of eleven pupils gathered within its roofless walls on scheduled time September 5, with books, paper, and pencils ready for work. The enrolment showed four ready for the seventh grade, one for grade five, one for grade three, and five little beginners who are rapidly progressing. Our books are few, but we are making good use of what we have.

Six weeks of successful work have elapsed and we are joyfully progressing. We solicit the prayers of all God's people in behalf of the advancement of His work in this place.

MR. AND MRS. RUFUS BAKER.

### So. Dakota Conference

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### Elder Tait Will Visit Us

ELDER O. A. TAIT, senior editor of the *Signs of the Times*, will spend ten days in our field in November. He will devote himself largely to the relationship of the Spirit of prophecy to our work. Everyone should hear this timely subject, if possible. We have Elder Tait's word that it is proper and good to invite friends and neighbors in. Let all the church leaders unite in making a large hearing possible in every place visited.

The following schedule has been arranged: Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2:00 P. M., Elk Point; Tuesday, Oct. 31, evening, Sioux Falls; Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2:00 P. M., Madison; Wednesday, Nov. 1, evening, Colman; Thursday, Nov. 2, 2:00 P. M., Monroe; Thursday, Nov. 2, evening, Swan Lake; Friday, Nov. 3, 2:00 P. M., Olivet; Friday, Nov. 3, evening, Mitchell (Alexandria invited to join them); Sabbath, Nov. 4, Chamberlain; Sunday, Nov. 5, 2:00 P. M., Huron; Sunday, Nov. 5, evening, Redfield; Monday, Nov. 6, evening, Aberdeen; Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2:00 P. M., Tolstoy; Tuesday, Nov. 7, evening, Bowdle; Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2:00 P. M., Java; Wednesday, Nov. 8, evening, Mobridge; Thursday, Nov. 9, evening, Leola.

The writer plans to accompany Elder Tait in most of the above named places. No doubt the evening meetings will begin at 8:00 o'clock.

GORDEN OSS.

### "He That Winneth Souls is Wise"

WE read from Volume 1 of the "Testimonies," page 260: "Satan is now seeking to hold God's people in a state of inactivity, to keep them from acting their part in spreading the truth, that they may at last be weighed in the balance and found wanting." Let each of us ask himself the question, "Am I in this sense wise, or am I being kept in check by Satan?" We all have a definite work to do in winning souls or we are not on the Lord's side. We read, "Your voice, your influence, your time,—all these are gifts from God, and are to be used in winning souls to Christ."—*Testimonies*, Volume 2, page 38: Every Christian is to be a missionary. This does not leave me out, does it you?

Some say, "I cannot sell books and magazines, or give Bible studies," but

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that is all in the mind, put there by Satan himself to keep you in a state of inactivity. Let us turn to a better authority. "Let all who labor effectually in the canvassing field feel in their hearts that they are doing the work of the Lord in ministering to souls who know not the truth for this time. They are sounding the note of warning in the highways and byways to prepare a people for the great day of the Lord, which is soon to break upon the world. We have no time to lose. We must encourage this work. Who will go forth now with our publications? The Lord imparts a fitness for the work to every man and woman who will cooperate with divine power. All the requisite talent, courage, perseverance, faith, and tact will come as they put the armor on. A great work is to be done in our world, and human agencies will surely respond to the demand. The world must hear the warning. When the call comes, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' send back the answer clear and distinct, 'Here am I; send me.'" — "Testimonies," Vol. 6, pp. 329-333.

By October 16 I am going to be in Sioux Falls, where I plan to organize a missionary band that will do self-supporting work for God. Books and magazines will be our chief agencies in calling people out of darkness, for this is the best way. "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures." — C. E., p. 80.

This band will travel from city to city, putting in faithful time canvassing, besides spending time in organized study each day. We shall have one Bible class each day and a class in salesmanship. A regular college credit can be secured if desired in either of these classes. The object in having them is to make us more efficient workers for Christ.

The writer will spend most of his time with the band, helping each member in every possible way. We have at present several who have joined our band, and others who have a longing for souls and are willing to work, are invited to send applications to your field secretary at Watertown, or to General Delivery, Sioux Falls. Details concerning the organization upon inquiry. We have many young men and women who should do something for Christ, and whether you join the band or not you can sell books or magazines. Get in touch with us, and we will give you help in getting started. Christ is soon coming, and "we have no time to lose." M. A. WYMAN.

### South Dakota Sunbeams

SISTER Batson, of Clark, assisted in the school field-day and reports \$10 gathered since that time for the Ingathering.

Ten Friend pins and certificates have been ordered for the investiture service to be held in the Swan Lake church in November.

Remember Victory Week, November 4 to 11. Let all raise that \$1.00 or more that has been suggested.

Sister Ida Bovee, of Parker, who is 79 years old, has been working faithfully in the Ingathering work.

Many Reading Course books are being sent out from the circulating library to the young people throughout this state.

Sister Hibbison, of Canistota, has \$23.30 for the Ingathering this year.

Please send in the names of interested people with whom you have come in contact in your Ingathering work. Literature will be sent to these people in our follow-up campaign.

We find the new Reading Course books for church school teachers contain helpful material, as usual, and are glad to have them to place in the hands of the teachers early in the school year.

November 18 has been chosen as the day on which to carry out the Investment program in our conference. Material for this has been sent to the schools and isolated members, and we trust that every one will take hold in real earnest and endeavor to make this day one long to be remembered because of well-prepared exercises that will inspire all to greater service through this method of raising funds for the mission fields. Ask God to bless the efforts you have already made, and to help you find some way to increase your Investment offering for 1933. Let us make South Dakota 100 per cent in Investment returns this year.

### No. Dakota Conference

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### Larger Gifts

A PROMINENT business man asked one of our brethren why we go from place to place asking for donations to help along in the work we do. The brother gave him this answer: "I do this because I believe God is in the work I represent. If it were not for the fact that I know this is God's program, we would not be in your office now." The business man listened atten-

tively to every word and then said: "You ought to have bigger donations, I'll give you five dollars."

There are many who wonder why we take the time and effort to do this work. Brethren, let us tell them! We have no apologies to offer for the great movement which we represent. I am sure that all those who have been out in the Ingathering have had similar experiences. It is also true that we do not get as much as we ought to at times because we do not expect enough. The business man thought our donations ought to be bigger and he was right.

Brethren Christ Lang and Peter Beck came into the office the other day, and were they happy? They had reasons to be happy. They went out one fine day, from home to home, in the hills and gathered \$19. Others are doing the same. It can be done! Elder Gaede, who has had a hard territory this fall, sends in splendid reports. One little town where there were no crops and not even potatoes and other necessities, gave \$54. Every town that he has visited has given liberally. Elder Olson reports that Grand Forks has been worked and the success was good. Sister Sorenson and Brother Deming went out soliciting with Elder Oswald and the writer in Devils Lake and the response was good. Business men were friendly and inquisitive in regard to our work.

I am sure others have had good success and experiences. Send your experiences in and we will make a little experience booklet after the campaign is over.

Surely God is not only in the work but He is finishing it. Brethren, let us make use of our remaining time, and finish this campaign right.

"Go labor on; spend and be spent—

Thy joy to do the Father's will;

It is the way the Master went;

Should not the servant tread it still?"

R. R. BIETZ,

Home Missionary Secretary.

### Appreciation

SINCE coming to Iowa, I have been very busy in the Harvest Ingathering campaign and have not had the opportunity to send a word of thanks to my North Dakota friends. After spending ten years in the great state of North Dakota, and visiting in the many homes of our brethren, and having the cooperation of all the secretaries and elders, I feel that I owe them a great deal; and I want to take this opportunity for thanking them for all their good work for the Lord in

the Home Missionary and Sabbath school departments.

I am pleased to know that Brother Bietz is to be home missionary secretary and that Elder Oswald will take the Sabbath school work. I am sure that the state ought to prosper in the hands of these two efficient men.

I will always appreciate hearing from any of the brethren in North Dakota, and want you to feel that you have a friend down in Nevada, Iowa.

B. A. SCHEER.

### North Dakota Notes

ELDER E. H. OSWALD left the office October 10 to attend the Fall Council at Battle Creek, Mich. Sister Oswald accompanied him as far as Madison, Wis., where she is visiting friends. They expect to be back at Jamestown October 30.

Brother C. A. Edwards and Brother R. R. Bietz spent Sabbath, October 21, with the Bowdon church.

Orders are continuing to come in for the S. D. A. special of *Present Truth*. This is a fine little paper to distribute among our friends and neighbors that they may become acquainted with us, as a people, and learn what Seventh-day Adventists really believe. We have a large supply in stock and shall be glad to fill your order; 75 cents a hundred.

Brethren S. E. Ortner, R. R. Bietz, and C. A. Edwards are attending the secretaries' council at College View, Lincoln, Nebr., October 26-29.

Brother F. F. Schwindt is now holding a series of meetings at Robinson. Let our people remember these meetings before the Throne of Grace that many souls may be won for the Kingdom.

### Nebraska Conference

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### My Belief and Experience in the Harvest Ingathering

I BELIEVE that the Harvest Ingathering is one of the most vital agencies in the finishing of God's work in the earth. If all the church members would enter into it with the whole heart, we would not only secure the wealth of the Gentiles, but we would give to them our literature that would warn and prepare them for the coming of Christ. It is like going around the walls of Jericho seven times before they fall.

If we had the space we could cite many experiences of God's people in the past,

such as in the Exodus movement, or the work of Nehemiah, where the wealth of the Gentiles gathered in by the church completed the work of God for those times.

We have been admonished by the word of God and by the Spirit of prophecy that the Hand of Providence is back of the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Why do not all, in humility and with prayer, find their place in this work? They would receive a great blessing and the cause would receive inestimable assistance.

Pardon me if I relate a little of my experience in the Harvest Ingathering in the years that I have been in it. After we have made the canvass, of course we prefer to receive money as a donation, but if this is not attainable I often make an appeal for material gifts that can be used or sold and turned into money. In the country I often receive potatoes, butter, eggs, apples, chickens, flour, etc. One year I gathered in 500 dozen eggs. In the towns, the merchants often give me canned goods, canned milk, shoes, etc. One barber, in a small town near by, has given me a hair cut as his donation for two successive years, and then I place the price of the hair cut in the donations.

You would be surprised, no doubt, if I should tell you the amount collected in this way the past twenty years. This year I have my goal many times over. I know that I cannot do as well as some others along this line, but that does not give me a license to bury my one poor talent and do nothing. The curse of Meroz will fall upon those who are burying their one talent and doing nothing. May God help us to go forth in humility and with a prayer upon our lips, to do our part in God's great work today.

M. B. BUTTERFIELD.

### A New Sabbath School

A NEW Sabbath school of fifteen members was organized at Ulysses, Nebr., October 7. Nine of these were from the Seward Sabbath school and six from isolated families. We believe this Sabbath school has come as an answer to prayer, and are hoping and praying it may be a light in a dark place; also that it may grow to be a strong school.

We are giving a special invitation to any other isolated families within driving distance to attend the Sabbath school at Ulysses at 9:30 A. M. Preaching service follows. The meetings are held in the Odd Fellows' Hall.

Having served the Seward church eight years we felt it was time to move, so we have moved to Surprise, 27 miles northwest from Seward. This is a real missionary field, as there have never been any meetings held in the locality. We held a series of meetings last fall at Ulysses. Now we hope to see fruit from that effort. Literature will be distributed both in Ulysses and Surprise. Please remember us in your prayers.

B. M. GARTON.

### Minnesota Conference

V. J. Johns, President  
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### Middle River Union Meeting

THE churches of northwestern Minnesota assembled for a three-day convention Friday, September 23. They came expecting a spiritual feast and they were not disappointed. Surely the Spirit of God came in with great measure of power, hearts were converted and lives were surrendered, as Elder Louis Halswick spoke at the Sabbath afternoon meeting. Four meetings were held on Sabbath, two of which were in Norwegian. The people greatly appreciated the message of consecration and courage.

On the evening after the Sabbath two cars of singers went to Thief River Falls for Harvest Ingathering. The singing band stood on one of the prominent street corners of the business district. Between songs a talk was given on the signs of our times. This was my first experience in speaking on a street corner. It was thrilling. The people listened most intently. Unlimited possibilities for service were envisioned before me from this open-air meeting. Could we have such meetings every week hundreds of souls would be won. As we sang the songs of the kingdom, copies of the *Present Truth*, "Who are Seventh-day Adventists?" were given out and donations for the Ingathering received.

V. J. JOHNS.

### New Church Dedicated

ANOTHER memorial to the saving truths of this message was dedicated October 8. The Granite Falls church building, a beautiful structure, finished in stucco, attractively decorated, was dedicated to the Lord for the advancement of His message.

Two years ago a tent was pitched and a series of meetings held by Elders N. R. Nelson and David Gulbrandson. A little later Elder Edwardson entered into

the soul-saving work at Granite. Other workers who did faithful service were Brother Ingvald Johnson and Miss Sather. As a result of the effort a splendid company of loyal Seventh-day Adventists has been established in this city.

Then came the plans for a church building. The work was largely donated, and the ministers entered heartily into the effort. The total cost was about \$2,100 for a building worth double this amount. The building is entirely paid for.

A three-day spiritual feast marked the time of dedication. All of the workers who had a part in establishing the church were present. Sermons in English and in Norwegian were given, on Friday night by Elder Edwardson, and on Sabbath and Sunday by the other ministers. On Sunday afternoon visitors came from other neighboring cities, and crowded the little church to its capacity. A history of the church was given by Elder Nelson, the dedicatory prayer by Elder Gulbrandson.

The glory of the Granite Falls church is in its members, who have been consecrated to God and His service. The Holy Spirit dwells in the hearts of the believers; thus His presence is felt in the church itself. The dedication day of this church will long be remembered by our Minnesota believers. V. J. JOHNS.

### Another Effort

MINNESOTA observed Victory Week this month in the Harvest Ingathering. The object was to endeavor to surpass the amount raised by each church in 1932. The funds came in splendidly from most quarters and four churches have now made their entire church goal, while fourteen churches have made a gain over the entire amount they raised last year.

The churches which have gone "over the top" are Granite Falls, Litchfield, Willmar, and Hibbing. They invite the other churches to join them.

The churches which have already made more than last year are Bath, Granite Falls, Litchfield, Willmar, St. Paul Scandinavian, Hutchinson, Barnesville, Fergus Falls, Richville, Eagle Bend, Hewitt, Remer, Minneapolis Swedish, and Mora.

I just received word from our president, Elder Johns, from the Fall Council. This is his message: "The needs of renewed effort in Harvest Ingathering have been stressed at Fall Council. It was enthusiastically voted to make November 4-11 Victory Week in North America. Every church is to aim to surpass last year's record."

Our Victory Week in October was such a success in many of our churches, that we urge every church to plan to have a part in this greater Victory Week.

Some of the churches did not get their plans laid to join in the special effort in October, but we hope that you will all join us this time. Field days, singing bands, correspondence, and solicitation in business districts as well as rural territory should be a part of the program during the entire week.

The latest Harvest Ingathering bulletin shows several churches that can easily exceed their last year's attainment. Now let every one have a part in raising the funds to make this possible.

Members of the Conference church should send in their Harvest Ingathering funds direct to the office.

May God impress you to put forth a supreme effort to raise the Harvest Ingathering standing of your church during the week set apart by the Fall Council.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.

SABBATH afternoon, October 14, six dear souls were buried with their Lord in baptism by Elder O. W. Wolfe, who has been laboring for some time to prepare a class for this memorial. Next Sabbath they will be taken in as members of the Dodge Center church.

### Maplewood Notes

ELDER and Mrs. Gulbrandson made a tour of the conference in the interest of the school and secured a few more students for the school, and a few more cows for the farm.

Our new school nurse, Miss Greta Neher, and her brother, Lester, have arrived, so now it is not a serious matter to be sick at Maplewood.

The large crop of sugar beets, 40 acres all told, has been harvested. On account of the drouth the yield was only a little better than one-half of what we reap in a rainy season.

The whole student body looked forward to the Harvest Ingathering field day, and when the day dawned, Elder Shadel, our union home missionary secretary, and Brother Christenson, our local home missionary secretary, met with us to give us counsel and assistance. In spite of depression and hard times, we were blessed with success and our \$200 goal was reached.

Our bookbindery is running all the time that the NRA allows us. If we go down to the bindery we find books everywhere—in the sewing room, in the forwarding room, in the press room, in

the shipping room, and outside the door. We have nineteen large boxes filled with books that we have not touched yet, and a large number of schools inform us that more books are on their way. So it looks as though we are going to be able to give the students work all winter in that department.

### Colorado Conference

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### Field Gleanings

MR. W. F. FIELD, former secretary-treasurer of Colorado, is spending several days in Denver on business. While in Colorado he will also visit his brother, A. D. Field, at Rye.

Brethren Jay J. Nethery, G. M. Mathews, E. L. Pingenot, P. E. Shakespeare, and W. I. Montanye attended the secretaries' council in Lincoln, October 26-30.

Miss Carolyn Montanye, of Golden-dale, Wash., is visiting her brother, W. I. Montanye, and family in Denver.

The Denver M. V. societies participated in a union gymnasium meeting Saturday evening, October 21, at the Grace Community church. Music, games, and a grand march furnished the entertainment of the evening.

The new 1934 Reading Course books are now available. The sets are as follows:

#### SENIOR:

"Out of the Depths"	\$ 1.50
"The Fine Art of Living Together"	1.25
"Adventures in the Air"	1.00
"God's Out of Doors"	.50
Complete set	\$3.75

#### JUNIOR:

"Jungle Babies"	1.25
"Ukanya" (Life Story of an African Girl)	.75
"Boys' Stories of Great Men"	1.00
Complete set	\$2.75

#### PRIMARY:

"Little Folk of Garden and Wood"	1.25
"Bedtime Stories No. 9"	.25
Complete set	\$1.25

The publishers inform us that their supply of the Children's Color Sets for the fourth quarter is entirely exhausted. We will therefore be unable to fill any more orders for these sets for the fourth quarter of 1933.

ON a recent Sabbath there was a baptism of five in the Sterling church. Four

of this number were members of the Sabbath school class of Sister Alice Propst. A short part of the lesson each Sabbath was devoted to the training of these young people for this sacred rite.

### Iowa Conference

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J. H. Nies, Secretary  
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### No Depression

It was only a few weeks ago that we ordered 100 family sets, or 500 books, such as "Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing," "Steps to Christ," "Buried Treasure," "Hero Tales," and "Marked Bible," in the cloth bindings. Four or five new colporteurs were put out selling these books for cash or taking orders, and how they went! In the second home to which one colporteur went, the set of five books was left, the woman paying cash. In less than two weeks we found more books had been sold than we could supply, and five colporteurs were stopped. How these books sold—500 in two weeks! The world is hungering for something, they know not what. Since we know their need, there rests upon us a great responsibility in placing in their homes this great third angel's message.

I am glad our books are not all sold, and the colporteurs are now back to work. Knowing that there are over two million and a half people to warn in this great state and so few to do it, I appeal to you to listen to the still, small voice of God as He says, "This is the way, walk ye in it." God says, "Son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; . . . if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood will I require at thine hand." Can you not hear the cries of countless men and women who are going down to Christless graves? Christ says, "Son, go work today in my vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you." Are you His child? Is He your Father? If so, Christ says (John 17:18), "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." Our obedience to God determines our eternal destiny. "Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."

Address your correspondence to L. P. Knecht, 734 Main St., Nevada, Iowa.

L. P. KNECHT.

### Iowa Items

ELDER and Mrs. R. S. Fries returned from the Fall Council, which was held at Battle Creek, Mich., October 25. Elder Fries reports that the Council was well attended and that they had very profitable meetings.

Elders R. S. Fries, K. L. Gant, B. A. Scherr, and Brother J. H. Nies left Thursday morning for Lincoln, Nebr., where they will attend the Central Union departmental secretaries' convention. They expect to return the first of the week.

Elder K. L. Gant returned from the northwestern part of the state, where he assisted some of the churches in Harvest Ingathering. He reports that the Lake City church has raised more this year than they did a year ago. We appreciate reports of this kind, and we confidently believe that by the time the funds are all together we, as a conference, can say that we have raised more than a year ago.

Elder and Mrs. W. C. White, of St. Helena, Calif., and their son-in-law, Dr. G. J. Jaques, of Oakland, Calif., spent Tuesday night, October 24, at the Iowa Sanitarium. Elder White spoke at the Sanitarium prayer meeting Tuesday evening and also at Oak Park Academy.

Brother E. C. Fulton, manager of the Porter Sanitarium, with his wife spent a few days at the Iowa Sanitarium on the way home from the Fall Council. Brother Fulton's talks and counsel were appreciated by all.

The Davenport church appreciated Elder A. L. Miller's assistance in the Harvest Ingathering last week.

Elder Fries announces the following Sabbath appointments for the month of November: Des Moines, Sabbath and Sunday, Nov. 4 and 5; Cedar Rapids, Sabbath, Nov. 11; and Council Bluffs, Nov. 18. We trust that all our members will be present at these services to hear the story of the providences of God as related at the Fall Council.

### Kansas Conference

A. H. Rulkoetter, President  
T. C. Nethery, Secretary  
Box 605 Topeka

### Our Growing List

THE companies that already show a gain in Harvest Ingathering funds this year over last year's total are: Atchinson II, Durham, Emporia, Farlington, Fort Scott, Garden City, Girard, Glen Elder, Great Bend, Independence I, Leb-

anon, Liberal, McPherson, Ozawkie, Pleasanton, Portis, Smith Center, Spivey, Sunflower, Topeka I, Wichita, Humbolt, Minneapolis.

It should be borne in mind that some of the churches which do not yet show a gain may have actually done better work than some which show a gain. For instance, some had a very small report last year, which makes it easy to show a gain this year. Some groups which show a gain have worked long and diligently and we wish to commend them especially.

It is only fair also that special mention be made of churches which have without help from the outside faithfully carried forward the Harvest Ingathering work. In such a list are included: Atchinson II, Durham, Fort Scott, Great Bend, Lawrence, Liberal, Ozawkie, and Spivey. It is significant also that all but one in this list are included in the gain list above.

It is quite impossible for a mere man to give credit in an absolutely fair way. Only our heavenly Father sees and knows it all. In our calculations the commendable effort of some faithful ones is sure to be overlooked. I think just now of some of the singers who have gone out night after night for many weeks—many of whom are loaded with home cares during the day. In some places also we know that a very few have achieved the work for which the whole church receive credit. God and not man gives the reward.

With it all we are indeed glad for the growing gain list and trust that all groups will soon join in. Let us strive diligently toward the goal. E. H. MEYERS.

### Kansas Items

BROTHER M. W. SHIDLER, elder of the Garden City church, writes to Elder Rulkoetter as follows: "We have already exceeded what we did last year in Harvest Ingathering and expect to more than double what we have already done. We shall be glad for that visit from you, but wish to relieve you of the Harvest Ingathering burden, as we mean to do that ourselves."

Elder E. H. Meyers spent Sabbath, October 21, with the Lawrence church.

The Fort Scott members by themselves raised three times as much Harvest Ingathering as was raised there last year, yet the treasurer adds to her last card, "There will be some more to report yet. The school has gone out today."

Brother A. M. Ragsdale met with the Ottawa church Sabbath, October 21.

After sending in nearly enough for the General Conference goal for the church,

the Ozawkie treasurer says, "We are going to work a while longer to try to reach our goal."

Sabbath, October 21, Brother A. K. Phillips spoke at the Manhattan and Junction City churches.

Brother F. C. Clark says, "In this place [Farlington] I drove with those who could work 318 miles through the country soliciting farmers and the towns we had left." Well, we notice Farlington is in the gain list.

Elder A. H. Rulkoetter, Brother T. C. Nethery, Elder E. H. Meyers, Brother A. M. Ragsdale, and Brother A. K. Phillips attended the secretaries' council at Lincoln, October 26-30. Elder Meyer's family, Brother Nethery's family, and Brother Ragsdale's family accompanied them; also Sisters F. C. McElvain and Emma E. Wallace.

Miss Alice Harris sends in the Minneapolis Harvest Ingathering report with a total of \$42.24 to date. She adds, "We have gone almost over the town. We are almost through." Now that is fine. Only six members, so they have their goal.

The Liberal church school reports a Harvest Ingathering field day with a total of \$7.00 received. Miss Thelma Imler is the teacher. Miss Ardis Foster, teacher of the Sunflower school, reported a field day, but did not state the amount received.

he came to Douglas County, where he has continued to reside ever since.

Mr. Williams was a kind father and husband, a good neighbor and friend. He put a great deal into life and in consequence got much out of it. He is survived by three daughters, three sons, and a host of friends. Brother Williams died in the blessed hope.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.

**WATERHOUSE.**—Mrs. Anna Waterhouse was born at Tawas City, Mich., Dec. 22, 1880, and passed away at Duluth, Minn., Oct. 12, 1933.

She was married to Homar Waterhouse Nov. 4, 1904. To this happy union five children were born. They made their home at Duluth, Minn. In the year 1914, while Elder Stemple White was laboring in Duluth, Sister Waterhouse was baptized and became a member of the First Seventh-day Adventist church. She remained a faithful member until her death.

She leaves to mourn, her husband, four sons, one daughter, other relatives, and a host of friends.

Words of comfort were spoken at the First Church in Duluth by the writer.

AUGUST S. ANDERSON.

**FISCHER.**—Selma Marie Fischer was born in St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 25, 1890, and passed away Oct. 16, 1933. Her entire life was spent in St. Paul, where she met and married Howard L. Fischer. To this union one son, Milton, was born. Left to mourn their loss are her husband, son, two brothers, two sisters, two nieces, and other relatives and friends. The writer had charge of the funeral services, and burial was made in the new Memorial Cemetery, in Minneapolis.

L. E. NIERMEYER.

**COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 21, 1933**

	Book	Hours	Salaries
<b>MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, Secretary</b>			
B. O. Engen	Misc	42	15.50
H. A. Hanson	BPS	41	31.25
G. H. Boehrig	HW	39	43.50
Karl A. Evenson	BR	38	95.00
Francis Crofoot	HW	37	44.00
Phillip Mishler	HW	37	20.00
Ada Schornstein	RJ	33	16.25
Edna B. Schaefer	BR	32½	12.00
Clarice Rust	HW	31	21.55
Grace Shumway	RJ	27½	10.25
Mrs. F. W. Berg	RJ	18½	8.00
Bernita Rust	HW	22	10.50
Nina Magnuson	BR	15	24.25
Mrs. F. Pomeroy	RJ	14	3.25
Dorothy Boyko	RJ	7½	11.75
Lillian E. Merten	BR	5½	4.50
Mrs. M. Ludvigson	RJ	5	11.00
*Esther Dufstrom	Mag	57½	15.60
Mrs. Viola Boehrig	Ma	41½	11.80
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag	38½	11.70
Clara G. Rust	Mag	24	7.30
Miss Martha Nelson	Mag	16	7.50
Mrs. Ida Johnson	Mag	8	1.50
Mrs. Leah Strand	Mag	6	1.70
<b>Total</b>		<b>637</b>	<b>433.50</b>

<b>MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Secretary</b>			
E. C. Aaby	COL	42	36.25
W. A. Burton	BR		15.50
Eliz. Crawford	RJ	13	3.75

Henry C. Harlow	MH	14	3.50
W. E. Helt	BR	13	1.50
Sallie Holmes	RJ	33	26.25
Mrs. Geo. Kemp	HP	10	11.00
Alex Kohltfarber	OD	3	4.75
Mrs. W. A. Reid	HP		7.50
John Sessor	BR	23	26.25
Mrs. A. Snyder	RJ	33	18.00
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag	18	15.80
<b>Total</b>		<b>202</b>	<b>170.05</b>

<b>COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, Sec.</b>			
H. L. Canfield	BR	51	48.00
Ernest Harper	HP	40	2.25
Mrs. S. Mc Grew	BR	12	5.00
Albert Priest	HP	45	87.50
Mrs. L. Storey	HW	8	8.00
Greta Nelson	Mag	8	2.20
Karl Simon	Mag		14.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>144</b>	<b>166.95</b>

<b>IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Secretary</b>			
H. G. Biggers	Misc	32	41.75
Raymond Hircock	RJ	30	21.00
Florence Maurath	RJ	26	13.25
Ida Edgerton	Helps	14	8.75
Nathan Coffin	OT	36	8.50
Elva Wilcox	Mag	30	7.10
Rita Coffin	Helps	12	4.00
Florence Morey	Helps	11	3.75
<b>Total</b>		<b>191</b>	<b>108.10</b>

<b>NEBRASKA: R. J. Roy, Secretary</b>			
*Abel Larsen	RJ	58	32.10
*John Ogren	OD	61	16.50
F. C. Welter	BR	31	9.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>150</b>	<b>57.60</b>

<b>NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.</b>			
Frank M. Bagley	BR	21	18.00
Alice Gilbertson	RJ	10	16.00
S. A. Jacoshenk	RJ		.50
Philip Kabanuk	HP	11	1.10
Flora Peterson	RJ	16	5.00
F. Arthur Wheeler	RJ	20	9.25
<b>Total</b>		<b>78</b>	<b>49.85</b>

<b>KANSAS: A. K. Phillips, Secretary</b>			
E. L. Calkins	RJ	42	7.50
Mrs. J. W. Gardner	Mag	23	7.70
J. T. North	GC	31	6.75
Arthur L. Reed	RJ	45	14.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>141</b>	<b>36.45</b>

<b>WYOMING MISSION: H. E. Preston, Sec.</b>			
H. E. Preston	HW	5	9.25
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>1,548</b>	<b>1,031.75</b>

\*Two weeks

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**WANTED.**—Representatives for our health foods, used by Union College. Jern Nature Foods Co., 4800 Pioneer Boulevard, Lincoln Nebr. 32x

**WANTED.**—S. D. A. couple without children on farm. Will give shares in crop, calves, and turkeys. Mrs. E. Missall, c/o Mrs. J. L. Pratt, Averill, Minn.

**WANTED.**—To share a beautiful home with some woman that is able to help keep up the house work. Only two in family. Write to Mrs. Ira Tillotson, Hot Springs, S. Dak.

**Obituaries**

**JAMES.**—Miss Bessie Armita James was born in Daggett, Brooks Township, near Brainerd, Minn., Dec. 23, 1898, and died at the Norburys Sanitorium, Jacksonville, Ill. After completing her nurses' training course at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, she labored in different states, being employed at the Norburys Sanitorium during the past three and one-half years, where she suffered a stroke the 7th of October, from which she did not rally. Sister James was an earnest Christian and a faithful Adventist, and carried various responsibilities in the church. She leaves to mourn their loss, her aged father and mother, three sisters, and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at the Adventist church at Brainerd, Minn.

C. EDWARDSON.

**WILLIAMS.**—John A. Williams was born in Logan County, Arkansas, Aug. 24, 1869, and passed away at the Colorado General Hospital August 24, 1933.

In February, 1892, he was married in Heavener, Okla., to Miss Louisa Hunt. To this union were born nine children, three having preceded him in death. In 1928 he came to Colorado, and in 1931

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### Sunset Calendar

For Friday, November 3

Denver, Colorado .....	4:56
Des Moines, Iowa .....	5:06
Topeka, Kansas .....	5:20
St. Paul, Minnesota .....	4:59
Jefferson City, Missouri .....	5:06
Lincoln, Nebraska .....	5:21
Bismarck, North Dakota .....	5:24
Pierre, South Dakota .....	5:30
Casper, Wyoming .....	4:54

### Church Missionary Leader

THE time for the selection of church officers for the year 1934 is almost here. We have found a little confusion of thought regarding the church missionary leader and the secretary. A number of churches are making no distinction between these two officers. The General Conference has made a distinction and advises the election of two persons to fill the respective offices. Both are named as members of the church board and should be elected at the annual election, as the following recommendation indicates:

"We recommend, That the church board be made up as follows: The pastor, the elder or elders, the deacon or deacons, deaconess or deaconesses, the treasurer, the clerk, the Sabbath school superintendent, the missionary leader, the Missionary Volunteer leader, the church missionary secretary, and two or three other members who may be chosen by the church at the time of its annual election of officers, where it seems advisable.

"Whereas, The work of the church missionary leader calls for the fullest exercise of time, talent, and energy; therefore,

"We recommend, That in each church the most capable person available be elected missionary leader." (General Conference, 1930.)

We hope that in each church in the Central Union Conference, whether large or small, a suitable person be elected for this work (it may or may not be the elder), and that consideration also be given to the following:

"We recommend, That the church board constitute the missionary committee, provided, however, that in churches where it is necessary the church board appoint a sub-committee to lay definite plans for the missionary work of the whole church, this sub-committee to consist of the missionary leader, the church missionary secretary, Missionary Volunteer leader, junior Missionary Volunteer superintendent, and any other members of the church board thought best." (General Conference, 1930.)

S. T. SHADEL.

### Bible Stories for the Cradle Roll Book II

ALL who have been using the new book, "Bible Stories for the Cradle Roll," will be interested to know that the second book in this series is now ready. The

### Victory Week

THE General Conference is facing a most critical situation in financing foreign missions. Our work in mission fields has been reduced now to a minimum; a further reduction would be disastrous.

The Autumn Council sounds a rousing appeal to every Seventh-day Adventist in the Central Union to rally anew to finish the Harvest Ingathering work. Let us all respond to the present call for mission funds. Our missionaries are depending on us. We must not fail them now.

Victory Week for Harvest Ingathering is November 4-11 or November 11-18. Two dollars for each church member in the Central Union now for Harvest Ingathering would mean more than \$43,000 from our field.

J. F. PIPER.

series includes five books that will cover the Cradle Roll lessons for a period of five years: one volume for each year. The lessons in this particular book extend from the capture of Jericho to the time of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem by Nehemiah. The author, Miss Rosamond D. Ginther, in her characteristic style, portrays in very simple language these Bible stories in a way that the tiniest tots can easily understand them. Inasmuch as this book is the official lessons medium for the Cradle Roll and the younger Kindergarten children, it is vitally important that every teacher in these divisions be urged to secure a copy for

her own use. It is the only source these teachers will have for the lessons beginning with the new year.

Book II of "Bible Stories for the Cradle Roll" is profusely illustrated and includes a good assortment of finger plays. It contains 192 pages, plus four full-page pictures printed in offset colors; bound in non-fading, blue-purple, embossed cloth. Price \$1.25. Order from your Book and Bible House.

L. FLORA PLUMMER.

### "Watchman" Scholarship

It is too late now to go to school for the first semester. But the second half of the school year is several months off, and there is plenty of time in which to earn a half scholarship with the *Watchman* magazine. It will pay your board, room, and tuition for the entire last half of the school year.

A young woman said, "If I were going on to college I would do it the *Watchman* scholarship way. I believe it is the easiest way for a young woman to earn her expenses. Any student who wants to go to school can go. Just because your parents cannot send you to college is no reason why you should not get out and earn your own way. I would a lot rather sell magazines and earn an education than do housework all my life."

This young woman has the right philosophy. And now is the right time for you to start if you cannot go to school for the first semester. For details about the scholarship plan, write to your conference field missionary secretary.

L. L. SKINNER.

### Reading Course for 1934

WE are pleased to announce the Reading Course books for 1934:

SENIOR (Course price, \$3.75): "Out of the Depths," by C. W. Hall, price, \$1.50. "Adventures in the Air," by Archer Wallace, price \$1.00. "The Fine Art of Living Together," by A. W. Beavon, price, \$1.25. "God's Out-Of-Doors," by Marian M. Hay, price, 50 cents.

JUNIOR (Course price, \$2.75): "Jungle Babies," by Mrs. Martin Johnson, price \$1.25. "Ukanya," by A. M. Anderson, price, 75 cents. "Boys' Stories of Great Men," by Elsie E. Egermeier, price, \$1.00.

PRIMARY (Course price, 1.25): "Little Folk of Garden and Wood," by Inez Brasier, price, \$1.25. "Bed Time Stories, No. 9," by Arthur S. Maxwell, price 25 cents.

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