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Easy Plan For Selling Literature

Fifty Cents a Week For Missions

MISSIONS goals in giving have for many years helpfully influenced our church membership. We rejoice in seeing a tremendous increase in mission funds, as by faith we have reached and advanced these goals, and we note with interest the development of this plan through the years.

Forty-three years ago the General Conference Committee voted "that plans be immediately set on foot to arouse the denomination to united action, in raising for foreign missions an amount averaging not less than ten cents a week for each church member."—*Action of Foreign Mission Board, New York City, July 31, 1889.*

This goal was kept before our membership until 1911, when in July of that year the following action was taken:

"That beginning with January 1, 1912, the rate of ten cents a week per member for missions, be raised to fifteen cents per week per member."

This was maintained until 1917, when the rate was advanced to twenty cents per week, per member, then to twenty-five cents for 1918, to fifty cents for 1920, and to sixty cents for 1921. Rapid indeed were the actions taken to increase the goal from fifteen cents to sixty cents per week, per member. The sixty cent goal was maintained for 13 years. Through the depression and the greatly decreased earning power of our people, this goal was reduced to forty cents. It has remained there for nine years, that is from 1934 to 1942.

Financial conditions in recent years have greatly improved, and at the Autumn Council held in Cincinnati in October last, the following action was taken:

"That beginning with January, 1943, the missions goal for the North American Division be increased from forty to fifty cents per week, per member."

We are very happy to pass this word on to our people, for we know that any

advance in service or in giving, is of encouragement to them.

Several of our conferences for some time have been reaching the forty cents per week, per member for missions. A number have actually reached the fifty cents per week per member goal during 1942.

With money now circulating freely, and with the consciousness that this is the day of our opportunity to further the work of God, both by giving of our tithes for the needs at home, and the giving of our missions offerings for the needs abroad, shall we not see in this added goal a further incentive to more liberal and systematic giving?

TO SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRANTS

1. DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO IF WRONGLY CLASSIFIED? "INFORMATION & INSTRUCTION," pp. 32-33.

Leaflet giving answers to above question may be secured through your church missionary secretary or from your local M. V. secretary, whose address was given on the front page of the REAPER dated November 17.

Our work abroad is moving onward under the blessing of God in a remarkable way. The war, while to our minds possibly hindering, has by no means stopped the work of God, who overrules all the affairs of the nations. He has promised to finish His work, and cut it short in righteousness. He asks us to do our part in the accomplishment of this purpose. As we raise our giving to missions to 50 cents per week, per member, we shall not fail.

W. G. TURNER

S. S. Reading Circle

THE purpose of the Sabbath School Reading Circle is to stimulate interest in becoming better Sabbath school officers and teachers, by reading the Sabbath school reading course books for 1943. Beginning with January and con-

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IT HAS been estimated that 75% of all goods sold to consumers in the United States during the last 20 years has been sold on the installment or easy payment plan. The public has been educated to this system of buying. Considerable experimenting has been done on installment selling of our literature in many parts of the United States during the last few years. A few changes were suggested to those who pioneered in this experiment. Recently a fine working plan was adopted throughout North America and was labeled the "Easy Payment Plan."

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There is much room for more Easy Payment Plan workers. Inquire of your field missionary secretary today.

C. G. CROSS

Reading Course . . .

During the next three months, the Sabbath School Reading Course should be carried on in all schools, by organizing Sabbath school reading course circles. All officers and teachers are urged to join the circle, choose a sponsor, select a convenient time and place to meet, preferably an evening during the week. If that is not possible, take some of the time of the teachers' meeting each week. For further information write your conference secretary.

The books for the 1943 reading course are: *Laws of the Mind*, by S. A. Wellman; *The Teacher and the Pupil*. Both books for only \$1.00.

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Bible Correspondence Course

A GOODLY number of the students who are enrolled in the Bible Study Correspondence Course over the state are now keeping the Sabbath. It is truly interesting to read the fine lessons that come in from day to day and to learn that those who are studying the course are convinced of our truth point after point.

About one hundred new enrollments have been received recently from *Signs of the Times* readers. Others are being invited to enroll through the card that is being placed in the booklet "Belief and Work of Seventh-day Adventists", which is being handed to Ingathering donors. We trust that all will make a special endeavor to get these fine booklets into the hands of those who have been contributing to our work from year to year. These books have not been made available at 5c for the purpose of placing them in the homes of Seventh-day Adventists, but for missionary work in bringing our truth to non-believers. Pray that souls may find their way into the kingdom through this missionary endeavor.

W. I. UNTERSEHER

Newsletters

ELDER UNTERSEHER and family visited at Parsons Sabbath school and church on Sabbath, November 21. A goodly number were present in spite of the rain. In the afternoon Elder Coy came over from Oswego and brought Brother Harrison along for baptism in the afternoon. It was a full day, and the blessings of the Lord were evident.

● Elder C. G. Cross from the Central Union Conference office, and Brother Carl Watts, visited the Lawrence Church on Sabbath, November 21.

● Elder Unterseher spoke in the tabernacle at Oswego Friday evening, and he reports a good interest in the meetings now in progress there.

● Mr. Ochs met with the Farlington Church Sunday for a business meeting.

● Elder Unterseher assisted in the radio program conducted by Elder Coy over KGGF Sunday evening. This program is heard regularly by a great many people over a large portion of Kansas.

● Mrs. Martin Thompson of Colman, South Dakota, visited her daughter. Other callers at the office have been Elder and Mrs. Aalborg of Fort Scott, and Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Cronk of Emporia.

● Elder Unterseher, home missionary secretary, has been appointed Radio and Temperance Secretary of Kansas. All correspondence to these two departments should be addressed to him.

● At a recent committee meeting, it was voted to grant Elder Roth a leave of absence for three months. During Elder Roth's absence, all correspondence should be addressed to P. W. Ochs, secretary-treasurer. I am sure that our members will miss Elder Roth while he is out of the field, and we wish him God's blessings while he is gone.

Call for E. R. Osmunson

AT A recent meeting of the Kansas Conference committee, it was voted to invite Elder E. R. Osmunson to come to Kansas as a district leader and evangelist. We have just had word from Elder Osmunson that he is accepting this call. He is to locate in Wellington, and have charge of the Wellington, Du-

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quoin, and Medicine Lodge churches. Elder Osmunson has just recently returned from India, and at the time he was called to Kansas was located in Redlands, California.

We welcome Elder and Mrs. Osmunson and their family to Kansas, and wish them the Lord's richest blessings as they take up the work in their district.

P. W. OCHS

"Review & Herald"

THE month of December marks the beginning of another *Review and Herald* special subscription price. Most readers of the *Review* will find their subscription expiring soon and will want to renew. The yearly subscription price is reduced from \$2.75 to \$2.50 during December and until January 16, 1943. The "Big Four" will be available for \$3.50 and the "Family Group" for \$5.95.

Since the *Review and Herald* carries so many items of interest concerning our work in all parts of the world in these critical times, there are many who will want to subscribe for the first time, and surely all old readers will want to send renewals. Plan to have your subscription turned in to the Book and Bible House early.

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Enyart and Bethany

On Sabbath November 14 a joint meeting of the brethren of the Enyart and Bethany churches was held in the Baptist church of Stanberry. The weather was nice, and the roads were good, thus making it possible for these country brethren to get together for this enjoyable joint meeting. At the conclusion of the service, seven souls went forward in the sacred rite of baptism. These seven are fruits of the combination of our radio efforts, the meeting that we held for two weeks this fall, in the Enyart Church, and the personal work done by some of the members of the church. One of these, a middle-aged lady was brought to the knowledge of the advent message almost entirely through the efforts of a member of the new church at Bethany. She heard several sermons which merely helped to bring her to a decision. God blesses

the efforts of our laymen, and many sheaves will be in the kingdom as the result of humble, consecrated and active lay folk of the church.

The radio work over KFEQ is meeting with good response. The listening audience is building steadily, and the mail indicates that many people are being deeply stirred by the message for these latter days. Many have and are enrolling in the Bible Study Correspondence Course which is being conducted in connection with the radio broadcast. People throughout this entire section of the country are coming to the testing truths of the law and the Sabbath in their study, and are taking their stand and becoming Seventh-day Adventists. Not long ago, we received word from Elder Numbers, superintendent of the Kansas City district that he has baptised a lady who has accepted the truth entirely through the Bible correspondence school. For this, we give glory to God who is showing us ways and means of finishing the gospel work in the earth. We appreciate hearing from our brethren throughout the Central Union who are tuning in regularly at 8:45 a.m. Sunday over station KFEQ, 680 kc. We appreciate the financial help that comes in, and we feel certain that you are remembering our efforts before the throne of grace.

HAROLD H. SCHMIDT

Central District

SINCE we moved to the central district in the middle of September our work among the churches of this field has been limited due to an evangelistic campaign we are conducting in Columbia.

The churches are active and all earnestly desire to win souls. I have been greatly impressed by the many urgent calls for evangelistic meetings that are constantly being made. God's people are alert to the nearness of the approaching end.

In Jefferson City the members have met loss with courage. Last summer in the heavy rains they had a series of floods which filled the basement rooms of the church to the ceiling and did much damage. They have repaired the loss and greatly improved the building, protecting it against a recurrence of the same trouble. They are also supporting a strong church school.

Brother Edwin Gibb is assisting in our evangelistic campaign in Columbia which started on October 18. We are conducting this effort in our own new-

ly remodeled and enlarged church building. Prejudice aroused by knowing what denomination is holding the meetings has greatly curtailed the attendance. Our opening night's attendance was rather discouraging, but the interest has been increasing. Last Sunday night, November 15, we had a full house when I spoke on, "Who Changed the Sabbath to Sunday".

At the first afternoon service on Sabbath at the end of four weeks of lectures when I made the first call for surrender and church membership, ten came forward. The interest is growing and we earnestly pray that the Lord may continue to bless. The Columbia Church has been faithfully cooperating and is happy in service.

E. F. FINCK

Farewell, Missouri

A LITTLE more than two years ago we took up the work as pastor-evangelist for the Central Church in St. Louis. These two years have been very happy years for us. Never have we found in our work for God such a loyal, faithful, liberal constituency as in the St. Louis churches. If any good has come from our short ministry there, the glory must first be given to God, who has manifestly blessed our efforts, and secondly, to the members for their loyal, faithful support.

As we humbly recount the blessings of God upon the work in St. Louis for the past two years, we must recognize His guiding hand in the various phases of the work. The debt on the church building was liquidated, and the church dedicated in October of 1941. During this time more than two thousand dollars has been spent on church repair and up-keep, aside from the regular monthly maintenance expense. At the time of this writing, the large, beautiful organ has just been completely rebuilt with modern electrification at a cost of more than \$1,200. While this instrument is the third largest in the city, it is now rated as the finest, most modern organ in St. Louis. The Central Church can rightfully be proud of this wonderful instrument.

All financial aspects of the church work show a strong gain, and at present there are substantial reserves in all local funds. Truly the Lord has blessed the church as it has gone forward by faith to do greater things for God in the various lines of endeavor. Harvest Ingathering, tithe, Sabbath school of-

ferings have reached an all-time high. God has truly prospered the church in all its financial obligations.

The St. Louis Junior Academy now has the largest enrollment in years. The building has just been completely repainted and repaired throughout. Brother and Sister Lee Taylor and Miss Joyce Gunderson, are doing splendid work, and this promises to be the best year in the history of the school.

The Lord has manifestly blessed the program of evangelism during the past two years. A radio broadcast has been conducted by the writer for nearly two years. This program, known as the Bible Auditorium of the Air, has been broadcast over the large Blue-Network Station, KXOK, 630 kilocycles. Along with the broadcast, a large Radio Bible Correspondence School has been carried on. This school has been productive of souls. During the large effort conducted by the writer and Brother Charles W. Teel, in the fall of 1941, almost forty precious souls were baptised from our Bible School of the Air. As a result of this and smaller efforts, nearly eighty precious souls have been baptised, largely due to the radio broadcast. At the present time the broadcast is heard daily at 9:15 a.m. Sunday through Friday. More than seventy-five hundred people are now enrolled in the Radio Bible School. Miss LaVerne Turner is efficiently carrying the work of the Bible school. The receipts in offerings from the radio audience and our members is now averaging more than one thousand dollars a month.

As a result of the radio program and the Bible school, many hundreds of people are studying this message, and have indicated a definite interest in it. The interest in the city of St. Louis is so large that it is impossible for the conference workers to follow it up adequately, so to meet the need for more workers a radio seminar, consisting of our faithful lay members in the church, has been organized and trained to assist in following up the interests in the city of St. Louis. As these workers go from door to door, they are finding many precious souls ready to unite with the remnant church. We believe there is now a tremendous harvest of souls waiting to be garnered in.

Responding to the call of the General Conference to take up the work as Radio Secretary for the South American Division, we must now bid farewell to St. Louis and the Missouri Con-

ference. This is not easy. Our hearts are bound closely to the work in St. Louis, and to leave now is a difficult experience. However, as we take up a larger work in South America, we do so with the assurance that the work will be carried forward strongly by our successors. We are happy to know that Elder and Sister C. R. Harrison, formerly pastor of the large Broadway Church in San Diego, California, have responded to the call of the Missouri Conference to take up the work in St. Louis. They are faithful and strong workers, and for them we ask the same cooperation, help and loyal support that have been afforded us. We feel confident that the work will go forward in a much stronger way under their leadership. Pray for them and the work in St. Louis. Also remember the work to which we are going in South America.

L. H. LINDBECK, and family

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Week of Prayer Appointments

BECAUSE of the threatened gas rationing it will be impossible to cover as many churches this year as we did last year, but we have worked out a schedule for the office workers with the exception of Brother Konzack, and his program cannot be passed on until after the REAPER goes to press. We will contact the churches involved as soon as we make up his itinerary.

Brother L. W. Pettis will be working under the direction of Elder Dirksen, who will notify the churches involved.

The writer will make the following appointments for the Week of Prayer: Kearney, Sabbath, December 5; Grand Island, Sunday, December 6; York, Monday, December 7; Omaha, Tuesday, December 8; Tekamah, Wednesday, December 9; Columbus, Thursday, December 10; Scottsbluff, Sabbath, December 12.

Elder M. H. Jensen will meet the following appointments: Hastings, Sabbath, December 5; Hastings, Sunday, December 6; Minden, Monday, December 7; Holdrege, Tuesday, December 8; Bartley, Wednesday, December 9; McCook, Thursday, December 10; Culbertson, Friday, December 11; Haigler, Sabbath, December 12.

Brother L. R. Alexander will meet with the following: Nebraska City, Sab-

bath, December 5; Auburn, Sabbath, December 12.

Brother H. D. Johnson will meet with the following churches: Wahoo, Sabbath, December 5; Seward, Wednesday, December 9; Wahoo, Sabbath, December 12.

Miss Addie Mae Kalar will work under the direction of Elder M. A. Wyman and he will send out the necessary notices to the churches involved.

The Sabbath appointments will be at the regular hour for the Sabbath service and the week night meetings will be at 7:45.

We will also supply help for Beatrice, Fairbury, Weeping Water, Nebraska City, Falls City, and Seward for both Sabbaths.

Those who lead out in these services may make other appointments for later meetings.

The district superintendents will make their own appointments for the districts involved.

We trust that the different churches and companies will endeavor to have meetings each day during the Week of Prayer. Make it a time of special seeking after the Lord and coming up on higher ground.

W. H. HOWARD

Institute In January

THE colporteur work offers a real opportunity for these tremendous times. Here is a good way to earn a living, to deepen your own Christian experience and to win souls for Christ. You can engage in no other work which will give you these three remunerations so thrillingly.

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W. W. KONZACK

Effort in Lincoln

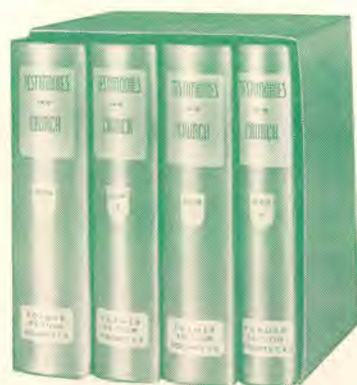
DURING the winter of 1941-1942 the students of Union College distributed tracts in a section of Lincoln and secured about forty names who wished more reading. When school was out they gave these names to the College View Church Society of Missionary Men to follow up. On October 18 an effort was opened in a store building at 27th and Vine Streets by the society. The evening services were held by the writer, assisted by members of the so-

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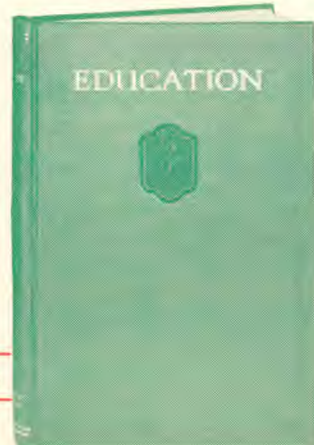
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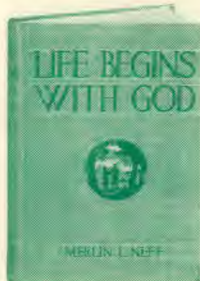
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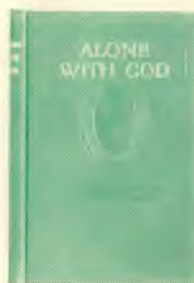
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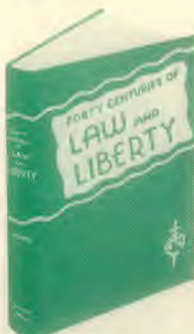
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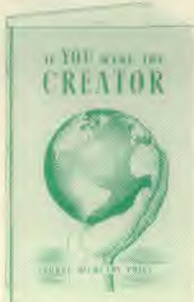
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E. W. WOLFE

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—John Wesley

Northern District

The northern district was happy to have Elders Howard and Jensen, respectfully president of the conference and home missionary secretary, with us for an all day meeting on Sabbath, November 14, in the Methodist church in Meadow Grove.

In the morning Elder Howard gave an excellent sermon presenting the needs and work of the time. Our members were delighted to meet our new conference president and a spirit of confidence and cooperation was inspired.

In the afternoon Elder Jensen presented constructive plans for a forward move on the part of the entire membership. He stressed the Bible school plan whereby neighbors and friends can be led to engage in systematic Bible study. He gave many interesting experiences in connection with the Home Missionary work in Nebraska that convinced us that God's work is being blessed in Nebraska and that the hour has arrived to finish the work.

We welcome our conference workers to our district and desire to cooperate in the work and share in the blessings and victory.

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Week of Prayer

BY THE time this issue of the REAPER reaches its readers the first Sabbath of the Week of Prayer has arrived. As many of you know the official date is December 5-12, time set aside for the definite purpose of seeking God earnestly and setting our house in order. We

are living in solemn days and the end of all things is right upon us. Time is short and we must do all we can in our missionary endeavors to save souls from ruin. The servant of the Lord declared, "I saw the last-day signs should be brought out clearly, for the manifestations of Satan are on the increase. The publications of Satan and his agents are increasing, their power is growing; and what we do to get the truth before others, must be done quickly." EW 96.

When the Saviour was upon the earth he taught His disciples how to pray. He realized that they were directly dependent upon God for strength and grace to carry on the work He had assigned to them. Their efforts would be of no avail unless the power of God was present to bring conviction to the hearts of men and women as the gospel was being proclaimed by the faithful messengers. Not only did the Saviour teach His disciples to pray but he was also an example to them. In studying His life we see that He led a life of prayer. He spent hours with His heavenly Father pleading for strength and virtue to carry on His work as he expounded to the people of the Kingdom of Heaven.

The servant of the Lord declares, "Prayer is the opening of the heart to God as to a friend. Not that it is necessary, in order to make known to God what we are, but in order to enable us to receive Him. Prayer does not bring God down to us but brings us up to him." SC 93.

Truly we stand in need of communion with God and I trust that every member of the remnant church throughout the Wyoming Mission will make it a point to set aside some hours of the day during the week of prayer to commune with God for we are to open our hearts to Him and cast all our care upon Him.

We are told that prayer is the breath of the soul, and whenever we cease to breathe that spiritual prayer our soul withers away. It is of great importance that we spend time daily communing with God, so that we may become the recipients of the strength and power He has in store for us. All who are located near a church will be benefited by the services of the worker who is to be assigned to your church for at least sometime during the Week of Prayer. If you are isolated I would suggest that you avail yourself of the *Review and Herald* containing the messages for the week appointed. They are timely, they are inspirational. Every reader will

realize a power coming into his life that will help him to meet the adversary in all its subtle attacks. I appeal to you, dear brethren throughout the Wyoming Mission, to plan definitely to spend time with God during this forthcoming Week of Prayer.

E. H. OSWALD

Southeastern District

EVERY week we become more convinced that the radio is an important aid in spreading the gospel message. Notice the following letter which we received from a man in Torrington:

"I want to thank you for your radio message of this date. It was a message of hope and comfort, who like Paul, suffer infirmities. God grant that His grace shall be sufficient for me. Feeling that your Bible course would be of inestimable help in my search for the truth, I ask that you please forward such details as are necessary to take the same. Also I wonder if you can find time to pray that God will cast out the doubt and evil from my heart and send His grace and love to dwell therein."

Many such interesting and encouraging letters come to us, so we urge our people to pray that the earnest seeker for truth will learn to know God through the Bible study correspondence course. We also urge our people to share in the winning of souls by sending in offerings. All mail should be sent to the writer in care of station KFBC, Cheyenne.

It has been our privilege since the first Sunday in October to hold meetings in a country Methodist church near Burns. Last night, November 15, the change of the Sabbath was presented to an interested group. Mrs. Nora Hatcher who has lived in the Burns community for years has tried to stir up an interest by passing out a large amount of literature. We are simply endeavoring by the help of God to develop this interest. Pray that souls will be won for the truth in this rural community.

K. D. JOHNSON

Review Promotion

THE *Review and Herald* has been appreciated by its faithful readers ever since the time it was first published because it serves a purpose for which there is no substitute. All other periodicals published by our publishing houses are of great interest and serve in missionary activities to lead people to a knowledge of the present truth, but the *Review and Herald* keeps its read-

ers informed regarding the progress of the message in all the world. It also establishes its readers in the third angel's message and fortifies them against apostasy.

Past experiences have clearly demonstrated that the faithful readers of the *Review* are hardly ever affected by a so-called new light. They realize the tune of the voice and detect the deceiver in his disguise. Mrs. Oswald and the writer have been faithful readers of the dear church paper for twenty-five years and we find it indispensable. We really feel lost without it. May I appeal most earnestly to the constituency of Wyoming who do not have the *Review* to subscribe for it before the present campaign closes. The campaign promotion is scheduled for December but the special prices will be in effect until January 16, 1943. During this time the price will be reduced from \$2.75 to \$2.50. The "Big Four" from \$3.75 to \$3.50 and the "Family Group" from \$6.50 to \$5.95. These prices have been made possible to help our believers avail themselves of the truth-filled messengers that mean so much to the members of the remnant church. Just send your order to the Book and Bible House of the Wyoming Mission and the paper will be forthcoming.

E. H. OSWALD

Budd—Moon

AMIDST beautiful golden chrysanthemums with background of green foliage, a quiet home wedding took place on the eve of November 9, 1942, when Miss Gladys Budd and Mr. Arthur Moon, both of the Minden Church, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

We wish them health, happiness and God's richest blessing as they enter the service of their Lord and Master and begin to establish their own little home.

M. A. WYMAN

Colorado . . .

Men," which should be in the hands of every young registrant.

Your membership affidavit card, and the leaflet "Seventh-day Adventists and Civil Government," should be attached to your conscientious objectors blank form No. 47. See your church missionary secretary for these leaflets, or write to the M.V. Department at 1081 Marion Street, Denver, Colorado. It is very important that our young men at this time acquaint themselves with this very important topic in order to get the proper classification upon induction.

D. C. BOTHERUS

Colorado Schools

IN ORDER to familiarize the constituency in Colorado with all of our schools and teachers, we are submitting the names of churches that are conducting church schools and also the teachers located in them.

COLORADO TEACHERS 1942-43

Alamosa	Mr. Oliver Coombs
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Denver Jr. Academy	Miss Helen Swenson
Durango	Miss Bernice Craig
Farmington	
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Fort	Miss Natalie Olson
Fruita	Mrs. Gertie Jones
Golden	Miss Ellen Pearson
Grand Junction	Miss Delphine Watson
Grand Junction	Miss Stayce Moseanko
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Fort Lupton	Mrs. Blanche Adamson
Nucla	Mrs. Mary H. Lloyd
Nucla	Mrs. Zilpha Hammond

We greatly appreciate the cooperation of the entire constituency in the support of our church schools, as well as Campion Academy. We recognize that all of these institutions have been ordained by God to train boys and girls for His service. We hope that others who do not have church schools will be encouraged by the list that is given here and endeavor to organize one for next year. We will cooperate with you in every way we know to make such an institution possible in your church.

D. C. BOTHERUS

City	Call Letters	Time	Day	Rate
Albuquerque, New Mex.	KOB	10:00	a.m.	770
Coffeyville, Kansas	KGFF	6:00	p.m.	690
Denver, Colorado	KFEL	5:00	p.m.	950
Des Moines, Iowa	KRNT	7:00	p.m.	1350
Emporia, Kansas	KTSW	6:00	p.m.	1400
Grand Junction, Colo.	KFXJ	5:00	p.m.	920
Great Bend, Kansas	KVGB	6:00	p.m.	1400
Greeley, Colorado	KFKA	5:00	p.m.	910
Jefferson City, Mo.	KWOS	6:00	p.m.	1240
Joplin, Missouri	WMBH	6:30	p.m.	1450
Kansas City, Mo.	WHB	2:30	p.m.	880
Lincoln, Nebr.	KFOR	6:00	p.m.	1240
Ogden-Salt Lake City,	KLO	5:00	p.m.	1430
Omaha, Nebr.	KBON	6:00	p.m.	1490
Sioux City, Iowa	KTRI	6:00	p.m.	1450
St. Louis, Mo.	KWK	6:00	p.m.	1380
Springfield, Mo.	KTTS	6:00	p.m.	1400
Wichita, Kansas	KFBI	10:00	p.m.	1070

Union College Gymnasium

THE opening of Union College's recreation hall has been set for Saturday night, December 5, at which time the first lyceum course number will be held. The construction of this building was begun early in the spring, and it is now on its final completion stretch. An average crew of twenty men, mostly students of the college, have worked continually since the foundation was laid.

Strictly modern, with lamella trussed roof, the new building was erected with a view of eliminating all obstructions such as posts or supports in the auditorium. The roof is supported by eighteen concrete pilasters in the walls of brick.

The gymnasium provides 122 feet by 87 feet floor space for skating, basket ball, and other recreations. One hundred twenty pairs of skates have been secured in readiness for the opening date. The building has a seating capacity of 2000 people. The platform will hold a chorus of 125 persons. In addition there are three storage places, a kitchen and dressing rooms.

Funds for this gymnasium were received from persons throughout the Midwest. Much of it was received from the city of Lincoln alone. The liberality of those who gave will be greatly appreciated by the students in the pleasant months to come. The total cost according to H. C. Hartman business manager and treasurer of the college, was \$36,000.

Attention! Prospective Dental Students

BECAUSE of the war emergency the Atlanta-Southern Dental College is on an accelerated program, and the next date for the admission of freshmen is March 17, 1943. Any students who will be prepared to enter at that time should make application at once as applications are received from many more individuals than the school is able to admit. The next date of admission following the one given above will be November, 1943.

HARVEY A. MORRISON, Secretary
Department of Education

Sabbath Begins

Friday, December 4

Colorado, Denver	5:35
Kansas, Topeka	6:01
Missouri, Kansas City	5:56
Nebraska, Lincoln	5:59
Wyoming, Casper	5:25

Scharffenberg Visits

ELDER SCHARFFENBERG, associate secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, spent two weeks in the Central Union Conference promoting the new plans for the Societies of Missionary Men. Five societies, were visited,—St. Louis, Kansas City, Wichita, Denver, and Lincoln.

We appreciated Elder Scharffenberg's being with us and shall look forward to his visits from time to time in the future.

From November 21 to December 1, Elder Scharffenberg acted as president of the Lay Workers' School at Kansas City, Missouri. The secretary of the school will give a full report soon. The school was a success from beginning to end.

L. G. JORGENSEN

Porter Sanitarium and Church

AS WE see the Bible prophecies unfolding before our very eyes, we realize as never before that the "time of trouble such as never was" is soon to break upon us. We know that we need an experience such as we have never possessed, therefore we are striving each day to have a closer walk with our God.

We are indeed thankful for the love that the members of our church and sanitarium family have toward God and toward each other. It is a real joy and privilege to be connected with such a loyal company of God's children. In the past few months we have had a splendid increase in church membership and according to the Colorado tithe and missions statement for September 1942, we have an increase in tithe, and in offerings to missions.

As members of the sanitarium family and church we are striving to restore to physical and spiritual health those who come to the Porter. Many are being led to realize their need of spiritual help as well as physical restoration.

We thank God for the Christian doctors and nurses connected with this company of God's children, and for precious souls being won for the kingdom of our God. As we see the patients take their stand for the Lord Jesus, it helps us to realize that our sanitarium is accomplishing the purpose for which it was established. On Sabbath, October 31, five precious souls were united with the church and witnessed to the work of grace in their hearts by following their Lord in baptism.

We realize that we are living in stirring times and it is our determination to

do all we can to win souls for the heavenly kingdom. Remember us in your prayers.

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Are You Drafted?

THIS is a question many young men throughout the nation are facing at this very hour. Within a very short time many of our boys eighteen, nineteen, and twenty years of age, will be drafted into the armed service of our country. A large number are getting into serious difficulty because they have not been classified properly to begin with. Further, they have not been classified properly because they have not filled out their questionnaire correctly.

I call attention to five items: (1) affidavit of membership cards, (2) how to fill out your classification blank, (3) how to make appeals, (4) a statement of our denominational position, (5) explanation of the difference between volunteering and being drafted. We have a supply of leaflets in our office that will help you to answer some of these questions and to deal with the above problems. The leaflets are: (1) "Information and Instruction for Seventh-day Adventist Noncombatant Selective Service Registrants," (2) "Filling out the Special Form for Conscientious Objectors," (3) "Seventh-day Adventists and Civil Government," Then we have two other leaflets, "Sabbath Rulings in Army Camp," and "Quit Yourselves Like

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GEM THOUGHT

I saw that they were correct in their reckoning of the prophetic periods; prophetic time closed in 1844, and Jesus entered the most holy place to cleanse the sanctuary at the ending of the days. E. W. 24.3

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