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Special Form for Conscientious Objectors

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The Special Form for Conscientious Objectors that all noncombatant Seventh-day Adventists will be required to fill out in order to obtain their noncombatant classification and status, contains five series of questions.

Series I is your Claim for Exemption. Paragraph (A) under this series is to be signed by Seventh-day Adventist noncombatants. Paragraph (b) is to be struck out and not signed.

Series II is entitled Religious Training and Beliefs and contains seven questions. They are in order:

1. "Do you believe in a supreme being?" Boxes for checking "yes" or "no" are supplied.

2. "Describe the nature of your belief, which is the basis of your claim made in Series I above, and state whether or not your belief in a supreme being involves duties which to you are superior to those arising from any human relation."

To this you may write in: "I am a Seventh-day Adventist Christian, and as such accept and believe and endeavor to practice the teachings of Jesus and of my church, and therefore cannot engage in violence and the taking of human life. I am willing, however, to serve in noncombatant lines and especially where I can serve to minister to human welfare and the preservation of life. My belief in a supreme being does involve duties which to me are superior to those arising from any human relation."

3. "Explain how, when, and from whom or from what source you received the training and acquired the belief which is the basis of your claim made in Series I above."

No doubt it will serve here to make an explanation of the manner, the time, and the person or persons from whom

you learned the Seventh-day Adventist way of life, whether from parents, preacher, at school, from books, from colporteur, Bible worker, Sabbath school teacher, or lay worker.

4. "Give the name and present address of the individual upon whom you rely most for religious guidance."

Give here the name of your pastor, or parent, or Sabbath school teacher, or conference president, or college president, or academy principal, or school teacher, or other person who meets the specifications.

5. "Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe in the use of force?"

You may write in here: "I believe that the civil government is justified in using force, but that I as an individual Christian responsible to God cannot engage in violence or the taking of human life."

6. "Describe the actions and behavior in your life which in your opinion most conspicuously demonstrate the consistency and depth of your religious convictions."

You may reply: "My uniting with the Seventh-day Adventist Church and my endeavor since that time to carry out its teachings in my personal experience, particularly in sacrificing economic opportunity and convenience to keep the seventh-day Sabbath."

7. "Have you ever given public expression, written or oral, to the views herein expressed as the basis for your claims made in Series I above? If so, specify when and where."

If you have engaged in a discussion of noncombatant principles in student bands or seminars, in young people's social meetings, or elsewhere in public, tell when and where. It will probably be sufficient to state: "I have on many occasions, such as prayer meeting, stu-

dents' meetings, camp meeting, Sabbath school, youth's meetings, and in personal conversation; expressed my happiness and gratitude for accepting the teachings of my church."

Series III is entitled General Background. It requires the name and address of each school and college you have attended, together with the dates of your attendance, and in each instance the type of school, whether private, public, church, military, commercial, etc.; a chronological list of all occupations, positions, jobs, or types of work, other than as a student in school or college, in which you have at any time been engaged, together with the name of your employer, his address, and the exact time you have worked for him; the addresses and dates of residence where you have formerly lived, in city, town, or village, state or foreign country, street address or R.F.D. route, and the dates of residence in each place; the name, address of your parents, and whether they are living or not; the name of the religious denomination or sect of your father and of your mother.

Series IV is entitled Participation in Organizations. It contains three questions, the second of which is subdivided into (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e). The first question requires information as to whether you have ever been the member of any military organization and establishment. Question 2 is: "Are you a member of a religious sect or organization?" If your answer to this is yes, the following five questions must be answered:

"(a) State the name of the sect, and the name and location of its governing body or head if known to you." To this reply: "Seventh-day Adventists, Washington 12, D.C."

"(b) When, where and how did you become a member of said sect or organization?" Here give the date, or year, location, and manner (baptism or profession of faith) of your uniting with the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

"(c) State the name and location of the church, congregation, or meeting where you customarily attend." In answering this give the name and address of your local church where you have your membership, such as First Seventh-day Adventist, or Bethel, Ephesus, East Side, Field Avenue.

"(d) Give the name, title, and present address of the pastor or leader of such church, congregation, or meeting." In answering this give the name of your pastor, church elder, or company leader. In the case of membership in a conference church, give name and address of the conference president.

"(e) Describe carefully the creed or official statements of said religious sect or organization in relation to participation in war." To this you may reply: "Since the time of the Civil War the Seventh-day Adventist denomination has been on record with the United States Government as being noncombatant and has been so recognized. I attach hereto a copy of an official statement of the denomination, entitled, 'Seventh-day Adventists and Civil Government,' for the additional information it will supply." And be sure to obtain from your local church or conference headquarters, or from the War Service Commission of the General Conference, Washington 12, D.C., a copy of this leaflet. Clip this to the Special Form for Conscientious Objectors when you return it to your local board.

Question 3 in Series IV requires you to "describe your relationships with and activities in all organizations with which you are or have been affiliated, other than military, political, or labor organizations.

Series V of the special form requires the names, addresses, occupations or positions, and relationship to you of persons who could supply information as to the sincerity of your professed convictions against participation in war.

Lastly, the special form requires your personal affidavit to the accuracy of the answers you have given.

Sunset Table

Friday	Oct. 15	Oct. 22
Denver, Colorado	5:21	5:11
Grand Junction, Colo.	5:36	5:26
Topeka, Kansas	5:45	5:35
Kansas City, Missouri	5:40	5:30
St. Louis, Missouri	5:23	5:13
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:47	5:37
Casper, Wyoming	5:24	5:10

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Famine Relief

Once more it is to be our opportunity and privilege to come to the assistance of our fellow-believers in the war- and famine-stricken parts of this troubled world. While the gifts of the past have done much, there is still a great deal of want, privation, and suffering on the part of those of our people in other parts of the world field. While our Dorcas societies have faithfully carried on a very fine program of relief through the months past, something very much out of the ordinary is called for in the offering set for Sabbath, October 23.

Last year when this appeal came to our people in Wyoming, the Lord moved upon our hearts to give a total of \$4,045.58. As the call comes to us once more in the midst of the abundance that we are sharing in this favored land and state, may the Lord give us very liberal hearts again to share in a large way.

C. W. DEGERING

Evangelism

Always the personal and home contact has had a very large place in the program of soul-winning. In a way this is true to a much larger degree at the present time. While interests may be aroused through various means, the real winning of souls, the leading of them to a decision for Christ, is more and more the result of personal evangelism. It seems the Lord is bringing the finishing of His work more than ever before within the reach of our people as a whole. Not all can preach eloquent sermons from the pulpit, but all can work in some way or other along personal lines.

Wishing to let all our people share in a larger way in the work now in progress and planned for the immediate future, we wrote out to our workers a short time ago asking them for their winter evangelism plans, also a list of the names of those to whom they are actually giving studies now or plan to do so within the very near future. We have

been very happy for the replies received thus far.

Elder L. G. Beans, working in the Powell district, sends us the names of 14 families with whom he is studying or plans to study and whom he is hoping and praying may accept Christ. Some of these have been contacted through other church members in the district, some by his own personal efforts, and others through the conference Bible school and the Voice of Prophecy.

Farther down in the Big Horn basin Brother Stanley Kannenberg is working in the Worland-Ten Sleep-Thermopolis district. While Brother Kannenberg has been working there only a few weeks, he has made many contacts and sends a list of 19 families with whom he is already working or plans to study with very shortly. In addition to this, two junior story hours are being conducted, one at Thermopolis and another at Worland, and a branch Sunday school is planned for the Big Trails road.

Reports from our other workers will be given later. In the meantime, I trust every believer in the Wyoming Conference will join with these two workers in your daily devotions, that God will make the ministry of His word effective through the labors of these and the other brethren. I want to suggest that during the morning and evening worship periods we remember our workers by

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name before the Lord in our petitions, also these whose names have been sent in to the office. Working definitely, unitedly, and devotedly, let us make these coming months the most fruitful yet in winning souls for the kingdom.

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Visit at Rifle

On Sabbath, October 2, it was my privilege to meet with the Rifle church for services in the forenoon and afternoon. Brother J. Howard Matthews, assisted by Forrest Chaffee and the membership of the Rifle and Rulison churches, is conducting a successful evangelistic campaign at Rifle.

Sabbath afternoon we had the joy of baptizing ten souls as the first fruits of the effort being held there. Prospects are bright for a number more accepting the message and uniting with the remnant church in the near future. Of those baptized on October 2, four united with the Rulison church and six with the Rifle church.

We would solicit an interest in the prayers of God's people in behalf of all of the efforts that are being held in the Colorado Conference.

N. C. PETERSEN

Call to Action

Seventh-day Adventists in Colorado will have an opportunity in a few days to make their influence felt by precept and example, by voice, by pen, and by vote in favor of prohibition and total abstinence. From the very beginning of our history we have taken the position that total abstinence is the only platform on which Christians can conscientiously stand. It is the only solution to the liquor problem. Any other effort or attempt to solve the problem will be futile. The liquor interests have done all in their power to confuse the issues. Every Seventh-day Adventist should turn out to the polls and vote "yes" in favor of local option amendment ballot No. 3.

I cannot overemphasize the importance of everyone's going to the polls. In a number of local option elections we lost

by two votes. On making inquiries as to the number of Seventh-day Adventists who went to the polls that day, we found that approximately 75 who were qualified voters failed to cast their ballot in favor of prohibition and total abstinence, with the result that we lost the contest. If three Adventists had turned out we would have won. This is happening over and over again. In another particular case we lost by 75 votes. I had the privilege of visiting our church a few weeks later, and asked all who voted on the issue to stand. Approximately 125 people stood. Then I asked all those to stand who did not vote, and over 150 people stood. If the Adventists in that particular community had turned out in mass, we would have won the issue. The honor of God, the stability of the nation, the welfare of the community, of the home and the individual, demands that every one of us go to the polls and vote for amendment No. 3 at the opening election on Tuesday, November 2, 1948. Let us make our influence felt by voice and pen and vote in favor of this amendment.

W. A. SCHARFFENBERG

News Notes

Elder J. H. McEachern conducted an all-day service for the Alamosa District on Sabbath, October 2. In the afternoon the believers from Jaroso, Blanca, and Monte Vista united in a consecration and praise service. Elder McEachern reports an excellent missionary spirit among the members. That field is ripe for a short, intensive evangelistic effort. Several are now awaiting baptism.

Elder James Chase attended a temperance rally in Colorado Springs Sunday afternoon. Mr. Sam Morris, of national fame as a champion of the temperance cause, was guest speaker.

Elder N. C. Petersen left Denver on Sunday night, October 3, for Lincoln, Nebraska, to attend a union committee meeting. On the same trip he plans to visit the lay preachers' institute at Topeka, returning to Colorado in time to speak Sabbath, October 9, in Alamosa.

Returning from Alamosa, Elder McEachern contacted Elder L. G. Jorgensen in Pueblo and Elder O. H. Bentzinger in Colorado Springs. Both these ministers spoke encouragingly of the work in their districts. Elder Bentzinger in particular assured him that the Colorado Springs church would reach its full goal on the Campion \$50,000 fund on the fourth Sabbath of October.

Elder W. C. Loveless, Missionary Volunteer and educational secretary, and Elder Charles I. Keymer, pastor of the Denver York Street church, left Denver on October 1 to conduct the fall Week of Prayer at Campion Academy. Word comes from the principal of the academy, Elder V. W. Becker, that a spiritual uplift is being felt at the school.

Kearbey-Patton Radio Broadcast

Thousands of Coloradans have heard Evangelists Kearbey and Patton in person and on various radio stations. It will be their privilege again to hear them over the air. Their program is heard at 1:30 p.m. on Sundays over KCOL, Fort Collins, 1400 k.c.

Let us remember this new broadcast in our prayers, and with our loyal financial support.

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Welcome to Union Home Missionary Secretaries

Again the Kansas Conference is happy to have Topeka as the host to one of our conventions. The union secretaries of the home missionary department of the North American Division will meet here from October 12-14.

Elder T. L. Oswald, secretary of the home missionary department of the General Conference, will be chairman of the convention.

We extend a most hearty welcome to these brethren as they come to our conference for these few days.

DON R. REES

More Temperance Rallies

Following the Fall Council in Denver, October 18-28, the Kansas Conference will have the services of Elder W. A. Scharffenberg and Elder J. A. Buckwalter of the General Conference as speakers for temperance rallies throughout the state. We have appreciated the interest which our people have shown in the support of those rallies that have

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Save for FAMINE RELIEF

By W. E.

Treasurer of the



Misery, fear, hunger, and want of the people in war-torn Europe are beyond description. They must be seen to be even partially understood. In countries where the people were once prosperous, well fed, well clothed, having good health, good homes well furnished—everything to make life enjoyable—today we see fear, undernourished bodies

thinly clad, subject to disease, and homes destroyed. Everywhere are children with pinched faces, undersized, barefooted, with few clothes even in cold weather. Large cities, once great industrial centers, have been as much as 90 per cent destroyed. This applies to all large cities in Germany, the Netherlands, parts of France, Italy, and other places.

Before the war many countries of Europe were industrial centers, and had to import foods for the people. This they could do because they were then exporting their manufactured products. Today the situation is completely changed. Only a small amount of manufacturing is being done. Factories were destroyed by bombs and there is no money coming in with which to buy raw material to be made into finished goods. This makes it impossible for these countries to import food.

To meet the shortage of food, the people are planting in gardens every available foot of ground. The parkways between the sidewalks and the streets are planted. The parkways between the two lanes of travel on the wide avenues are planted. At our hospital in Zehlendorf, near Berlin, the beautiful campus has been dug up and planted with beans, peas, lettuce, tomatoes, carrots, beets, and parsley. We saw people living in bombed buildings in which a room or two could be cleared. There amid terrible ruins they were using washtubs, boilers, and mended bathtubs for vegetable gardens.

In several European countries no new clothing has been available for five to eight years. The need of clothing, such as shoes, stockings, and underwear, especially for children, is very great.

The crops in Germany this year are good, much better than last year. However, in normal times before the war, Germany was able to produce only about 75 per cent of the food needed to sustain the health of her people. The best agricultural section of Germany is in the Russian zone. In the other zones, in addition to the normal population, there are now 14,000,000 refugees and displaced persons who also must be fed, clothed, and housed. In our Seventh-day Adventist churches there are about nine thousand of these refugees; that is, there are about nine thousand refugee members with their small children whom our people must care for. These refugees came from various countries, without clothing or food. With this situation confronting the church in Germany it is absolutely necessary that continued help be provided by our believers in America and other lands.

While in Berlin during June I observed scores of children on their way to school carrying little pails or cans. These contained small amounts of gruel made of corn meal and other cereals. About a cup and a half constituted each child's full food allowance for the day. Some of the children already were eating their daily allowance, even though it was only about nine o'clock in the morning. These little bodies were thin and their faces hollow, all showing that they were greatly undernourished—candidates for rickets, tuberculosis, and other diseases that hinder body development and function. The present diet in war-torn Europe is very deficient in fats and milk, as well as being inadequate in quantity.

1. Tuberculosis Has Stricken Multitudes of Undernourished Children
2. Thousands Search Garbage Cans Daily for Food
3. Wife of Conference President Gives Food to Refugee Woman
4. Our Welfare Center in Warsaw, Poland, Serves Hot Soup
5. Food Packages Delivered to One of Our Churches

OFFERING, October 23

ference

Thousands of our fellow believers are still alive today because they received food and clothing generously given by our church members in the United States and other lands not devastated by war. Everywhere we met with our believers in Europe we were told over and over again to greet the brethren in America and tell them "thank you" for their loving kindness and unselfishness in rendering help in this time of great need.

The distribution of food and clothing is well organized in all the famine countries in Europe. Food is purchased in the United States, Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, Australia, and sent by truck, train, or boat direct to our various conference headquarters, from which distribution is made to the churches, and then to the members who are in direst need.

Let us all begin early to save for a liberal 1948 Famine Relief Offering, to be received by our churches in many lands. REMEMBER THE DATE, in North America, OCTOBER 23 of this year.

CHILDREN BARTER FOR FOOD

At a small railway station in the Harz Mountains. A boy is sitting on a bench. He may be ten years old. He looks intelligent and is decently dressed. He has a rucksack on his back and is holding a heavy bag. He is from Leipzig, and has two sisters. His father is in captivity yet, and his mother has no possibility of getting on any longer with her three children. They have nothing to eat, and the mother has been ill for a long time. So she has decided to give away her last possessions in order to get some food in exchange. The boy must try to do it. Perhaps in the British zone a farmer will give him some bread or potatoes for the wool or the linen. He is proud of his work, but he is just a child, and so much afraid of being sent away by the farmers without getting anything. His precious goods may be robbed while he falls asleep. What are they to do if he does not bring some food? At home they are waiting anxiously for him. Will his journey be a success?

EATING THE LAST PIECE

In the south of Germany lives a sister with her three children. She is a refugee from the east. From her husband, who has been a soldier during the war, she has still no word. She does not know if he is alive. In her present residence she was a stranger and had nobody to help her. She had less to eat, and often she did not know how to feed her children. Thus she sold one thing after the other from her saved goods in order to buy food for high prices. At last only her winter coat was left. She knew that she would urgently want it in wintertime. But she sold it for bread. Until this time she had not found any connection with our church. Just when they were eating the last piece of bread, our preacher, working in this territory, found her. He visited her and brought her food from the charity gifts of our European relief work. This was help in the greatest need. Regarding this experience our sister writes: "The destroying angel of famine has passed over."



6. Undernourished Children Easy Prey to Tuberculosis, Rickets, and Other Diseases
7. Typical Case of Hunger Edema—Slow Starvation
8. As Women Outnumber Men Four to One, Two Women Carry Food for Their Church
9. A One-Room Cellar Dwelling Houses Family of Nine
10. Food Packages Received by Church in Czechoslovakia



been held. Just keep up this good work and continue to bring your friends and neighbors as opportunity permits. Continuing these meetings will be Elder Scharffenberg, Elder D. E. Reiner and Elder Rees in one group, and in the other will be Elder J. A. Buckwalter, Elder LeRoy J. Leiske and Brother Earl J. Gregg. Their itineraries are as follows:

Elder Scharffenberg:

Oct. 28—Great Bend

Oct. 29—Enterprise

Oct. 30—Sabbath morning—Topeka

Oct. 30—Saturday night—Manhattan

Oct. 31—Kansas City

Elder Buckwalter:

Oct. 28—Hutchinson

Oct. 29—Emporia

Oct. 30—Wichita

Oct. 31—Pittsburg

News Notes

Elder R. J. Christian of the Review and Herald office will speak at the Kansas City church on Sabbath, October 16.

The Goodland church has mailed the fourth series of their dark county tracts. Brother Marion Lockwood, their district pastor, plans to start meetings in the church on October 17. He asks that we remember these meetings in our prayers.

On Sunday morning, October 3, Elder J. R. McWilliam spoke in the Girard Methodist church, at the request of the local pastor, on the subject "Why I Am a Seventh-day Adventist."

On Sabbath, October 16, Dr. Merlin Neff of the Pacific Press will speak in the Wichita church. We are pleased that some of these brethren can spend the Sabbath with us following the close of the home missionary council.

Elder Don R. Rees attended the temperance rally in Chanute Wednesday evening. Here he interviewed Miss Dorothy J. Scifers of Independence, who has consented to accept employment as one of the conference office secretaries. She will begin her service on October 17.

The Kansas City church was privileged to have Elder P. D. Gerrard as speaker for their Sabbath services. Elder Loomer accompanied Elder Gerrard.

Elder G. R. Fattic recently visited the church schools in the western part of the state. Our teachers are glad for the help and counsel that he gives.

Elder H. H. Cobban of the General Conference spoke at the Topeka church Sabbath. He was en route to Denver for a council preliminary to the Fall Coun-

cil. Accompanying him were Mrs. Cobban and Misses Louise Surface and Mary Paul, General Conference secretaries.

The temperance rally in Hillsboro was held in the high school auditorium on Sunday night, October 3, with 250 people in attendance. On Friday night and Sabbath Elder Longacre and Elder Leiske were in Hutchinson. On Saturday night a rally, under the direction of Elder E. R. Osmunson, was held in the Twentieth Century Club in Wichita.

Brother A. D. Kaelin reports that six of the seven Bible correspondence students on which he called recently are definitely interested in this message.

The Medicine Lodge church is raising \$750 for new church pews.

Recently Elder L. E. Loomer made an extensive trip in the northwestern part of Kansas, where he started two new colporteurs, Mrs. Lila Y. Middleton of Ruleton and Brother Derral Prowant of Lebanon. He reports that God blessed with good success. Please remember these new colporteurs in your prayers.

On Sabbath, September 18, Elder Loomer visited the believers of the Goodland church. He found the members of good courage and the work moving forward under the leadership of Brother Marion Lockwood.

Elder Loomer was in Garden City and Hutchinson recently looking after the colporteur work there. On Sabbath, September 25, he and his family visited the believers of the Manhattan church, where he spoke at the 11 o'clock hour.

On Sunday evening, September 26, Elder C. S. Longacre conducted a temperance rally at Oswego. There was a good representation of visitors, including the mayor. Monday evening the same program was presented at Parsons, where it was estimated that 50 per cent of the audience were visitors from the city. About the same number of those present at this meeting enrolled as members of the American Temperance Society.

The church effort at Livonia, conducted by Brother W. C. Anderson and Elder R. B. Wing is being well attended. The meeting opened on "E" Day (September 19) with 90 people present. The average attendance thus far has been 75, the large majority being non-Adventists. An unusual interest and attention has been shown by those in attendance. The readers of the REAPER are being asked to remember this meeting in their prayers, that the honest in heart may be

gathered out, and united with those who are looking for the soon return of Jesus.

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Itinerary Announced

For some time Brother Bogle and I have been looking forward to meeting our people throughout the state. It is our personal desire to become better acquainted with you and to have you become better acquainted with our publications.

This trip, beginning October 17, will take us to the southwestern part of the state. Each evening there will be a short sermon, a motion picture, and a book display. Please notice the following schedule carefully:

Oct. 17 Joplin, 8 p.m.

Oct. 18 Carthage, 8 p.m.

Oct. 19 Taneyville, 8 p.m.

Oct. 20 Springfield, 8 p.m.

Oct. 21 Oak Grove, 8 p.m.

We ask you all to come out for a pleasant evening. H. L. HAAS

"Inasmuch"

I wish that it could have been possible for every one of you to have been present in the Kansas City churches last Sabbath to listen to direct reports brought to us by two of our leading workers from the Central European Division. They arrived in the United States only a few days ago from Berlin, Germany. The congregations to which they spoke were deeply impressed by personal experiences of the horror of the last great war and of the progress of our work in Europe. Their own dwellings were struck by the most powerful bombs, while their families were trapped in the basements. Fire broke out in the rubble above them, and every avenue of escape seemed insurmountable. But in the very moment when death seemed certain, God opened a way to safety for them in answer to their earnest prayers for protection and deliverance.

I wish that every Dorcas lady would read the following report:

One of these brethren asked me: "Do you have Dorcas societies here in Kansas City?"

I told him that we did.

He continued: "Your Dorcas societies have saved our lives. They have been so gracious and so kind in sending food and clothing that people outside of our members are praising them. We marvel that a victorious nation in war, even before a peace treaty has been signed, is sending so much help to us. Never before have the German people as a whole thought so much of the Americans as they do now."

We were told that in the German public announcements, by some of the largest church group leaders, it was stated that no one church organization has done more for their members, as well as those not of their faith, as the Seventh-day Adventist denomination in America. It was made clear to us that our members overseas, as a whole, are not selfish. When they receive the gift packages from America and find that others not of our faith are in greater need of food or clothing than they are themselves, they share these packages gladly. These kind acts have opened many a door for Bible study. Thousands have already been baptized this year, many of whom first became interested when some Seventh-day Adventist gave them food or clothing that had just arrived from the Dorcas societies of America. Thousands more are preparing for baptism before this year draws to an end.

My dear Dorcas ladies, and all who are taking part in this continued relief drive for suffering humanity, you are engaged in one of the world's greatest evangelistic campaigns ever undertaken by mankind. You may not read the scriptures directly into the ears as others do, but your actions of love toward your fellow men in helping to save their lives means more than mere words are able to express. You indeed have become a "living sermon!"

Remember, Sabbath, October 23, has been set aside for you to bring a special relief offering. Do not disappoint the suffering. While feeding the hungry you are also saving souls for the kingdom of God and will be blessed, for "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40.

May God continue to give you strength to carry on this great soul-saving work until He comes.

W. S. JESSE

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Fuller, R. E.	H&R	20	12.25	68.25
Griffith, Blanche	R	6	9.20	18.80
Harsany, James G.	H&R	47	127.00	127.00
Northern, Mrs. G.	H&R	31	88.25	24.25
TOTALS		131	260.67	247.80

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Gordon, Nora	H&R	21	38.75	39.75
Gilkeson, F. C.	H&R	11	11.00	11.00
*Harter, L. G.	H&R	51	340.00	282.50
Kramer, A. O.	H&R	25	201.20	44.75
Larson, Fred	H&R	40	315.70	290.75
*McCulloch, F.	H&R	16	73.00	
Nelson, E. E.	H&R	40	197.75	197.75
Cleveland, L.	H&R	15	96.75	67.50
*Curtis, Frances	H&R	147	481.00	407.00
TOTALS		366	1755.15	1341.00

Central States Mission

Robert White, Secretary

Foley, Mrs. I.	Misc.	15	8.25	6.10
Gordon, C.	H&R	43	62.85	62.85
Harper, Mrs. L.	H&R	28	35.85	
Leggs, G.	H&R	30	57.60	74.05
*Lindsay, F.	H&R	80	131.76	119.16
Snyder, Mrs. A.	H&R	2	9.75	9.75
Jones, Mrs. E.	Mag.	7	3.90	3.90
Madison, Mrs. M.	Mag.	6	2.65	2.65
TOTALS		211	312.61	278.46

Wyoming Conference

W. F. Hadel, Secretary

Colporteur	Bk.	Hrs.	Ords.	Del.
Hadel, Mrs. W. F.	R	16	69.20	52.85
LeBard, Ned	R	30	54.00	27.00
Pickett, Mrs. M.	H&R	6	11.00	
Tolar, Mrs. E.	Mag.	8	17.25	17.25
TOTALS		60	151.45	97.10

Missouri Conference

J. B. Bogle, Secretary

Brauss, H. D.	H&R	28	85.25	85.25
Bunton, Harry	H&R	40	46.00	46.00
*Christian, Mrs.	H&R	32	45.85	270.00
Dion, Alice	H&R	29	64.45	65.95
Rowe, L. F.	H&R	26	13.95	13.95
Bias, Lucille	H&R	20	51.05	51.05
*Blackburn, Mrs.	H&R	32	91.50	43.25
Foskett, Roy	Mag.	37	107.55	107.55
TOTALS		226	505.60	440.00

Nebraska Conference

W. C. Whitten, Secretary

Aitken, J. B.	H	36	80.90	93.65
Ernest, G. R.	R	40	130.25	130.25
Clark, C.	H&R	44	54.75	54.75
Cole, Mrs. J.	H&R	37	56.35	56.35
Coley, Miss E.	H&R	33	40.00	40.00
Mead, Miss C.	H&R	33	110.40	110.40
Nelsen, Miss R.	H&R	27	40.00	31.70
Springsteen, J.	H&R	25	55.00	32.50
Stewart, Mrs. N.	H&R	32	34.25	21.25
*Babcock, Mrs. F.	R	8	18.75	16.00
Binderup, Miss M.	Mag.	8	4.55	4.55
TOTALS		323	625.20	591.40
UNION TOTALS		1317	3610.68	2995.76
*Two weeks.				

News Notes

On Sabbath, October 2, the members of the Kansas City churches were privileged to hear two very distinguished guests, Elders Adolph Minck, president of the Central European Division, and Otto Schildhauer, secretary of the division, both from Berlin, Germany. Elder Schildhauer spoke at the Kansas City Park Memorial church in the morning service, with Elder Jesske translating for him, while Elder Minck had the service at the Kansas City Central, with Elder Ochs interpreting. In the afternoon both men spoke at the Kansas City Central church. Everyone felt the touch of brotherly love from across the ocean directly manifest through their thanks to us for the help we have given them.

Elder A. S. Zytoskee met with the believers in the Poplar Bluff church on Sabbath, October 2, and spoke during the 11 o'clock service. In the afternoon he met with the faithful believers at Bern.

Brother Harry L. Haas, Book and Bible House manager, met with the church at Clinton on Sabbath, October 2.

Correction: Mrs. Delbert Turner is the assistant secretary-treasurer of the Northeast Dorcas Federation instead of S. Turner as formerly announced.

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You will agree, I am sure, that during the coming months of this prophetic year the *Message* will be more valuable to the public than ever before. The writers for the October issue have brought you such vivid articles and stories of current importance it seems that you are listening to your radio newscast. Moreover, it is filled with candid pictures which have a striking appeal to the eyes of all ages. The Bible school, another special feature, has a complete questionnaire of that important last-day prophecy, the 2300 days, by John L. Shuler. The health message, home canning, and doctor's page make it one of the most outstanding issues of the year.

You have done well with all other campaigns this year, and you are to be praised for your efforts, but why not resolve before you stop reading these lines to place the *Message* campaign on top. "If you will to do, you're practically through." J. NORMAN PORTER

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Plans for the Scottsbluff District

Everywhere Seventh-day Adventists are alike—they are eager to do something in a definite way to promote the third angel's message in all the world. The members in the Scottsbluff district are no exception. Last year the members in the southern part of the panhandle mailed dark county literature to two counties. One lady is already keeping

the Sabbath as a result of this endeavor. Plans are underway to mail the Prediction Series tracts to two more counties. After this second project is completed all of the counties in this district will have been covered with some kind of literature.

The Scottsbluff and Gering churches are again conducting a church school in Scottsbluff. Miss Dorothy Clark is serving faithfully as the teacher for the second year. Nine students are enrolled.

Plans for evangelism in every church are being formulated. There are twelve organized churches out here in western Nebraska, and it is planned to have a ten-day series of meetings in each place just as soon as possible. The first ten-day series will start in the Potter-Dalton church on October 10. Elder and Mrs. Wayne Baysinger and my wife and I will work together in each place.

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Beginners' Institute

Omaha Memorial Church

OCTOBER 15-19

The radio program which has been conducted over station KOLT in Scottsbluff for several years is still being faithfully sponsored by the people of the churches out here. During the last two years four individuals have been baptized as a direct result of this program. At the present time the program is presented on Sabbath afternoon at 5:15 and on Sunday morning at 9:15. Before the end of the year the 500th program will have been presented.

We are very thankful for the three baptisms which have been conducted in this district so far this year. Eleven adults and three juniors have participated in this sacred rite. We feel that the work is onward out in western Nebraska because of the outstanding faithfulness of our people.

Please remember us in your prayers, that we may be instrumental in winning many souls for the kingdom.

G. A. HAAS

News Notes

A number of the members from Nebraska attended the lay preachers' institute which was held in Topeka, Kansas, October 6-10.

Brother W. C. Whitten and Brother D. H. Madison spent a number of days last week visiting churches in the western part of the state in the interest of the publishing work.

Five persons were baptized at the Lincoln church on September 25 by Elder Leslie Hardinge.

Weddings

ELLERMAN-NULL

Charlotte Louise Ellerman and Donald L. Null were united in marriage Saturday night, July 10, in a beautiful formal ceremony at the Central Seventh-day Adventist church of Denver, Colorado. The service was read by the pastor, Elder George E. Taylor.

After a wedding trip to the west coast, the couple returned to Denver to make their home.

JOHNSON-BARTLING

On Sunday morning, August 29, Miss Virginia Johnson and Mr. Floyd Bartling exchanged marriage vows in the Loveland, Colorado, church. The attendants were Phyllis and Pat Hedlund of Loveland. Music was given by Mr. Earl Patton and Mrs. Eldon Seamount.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartling will make their home in Lincoln, Nebraska, where Mr. Bartling is attending college. May God's richest blessings go with this Christian couple as they journey through life together.

CLAUDE L. TURNER

TAYLOR-BENNETT

A beautiful wedding took place at Mosca, Colorado, the evening of September 11 in the home of Brother and Sister Leo Taylor, when their daughter, Evelyn, and James Bennett of Eland, Wisconsin, were joined in holy wedlock in the presence of a host of relatives and friends.

The couple will make their home at Hylandale Academy, Rockland, Wisconsin, where Mr. Bennett will continue his education and Mrs. Bennett will assume the supervision of the academy laundry. May God richly bless this newly founded home.

W. O. LENZ