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Union President to Visit Foreign Lands

M. V. CAMPBELL

The General Conference has asked me to make a trip abroad to attend the division councils in Southern and Northern Europe, as well as the Middle East Union meeting at Baghdad, Iraq. I am also to visit the conferences and institutions in Europe, the Middle East, and England. During the month of February I will accompany Elder W. R. Beach, president of the Southern European Division, to the French Cameroons in West Africa.

During this trip, on which I will make contact with our believers and leaders in fields across the sea, I plan to write an account each week for the CENTRAL UNION REAPER so that all members in this field can in that way have at least a little part in the journey. At the present time I am in the midst of a series of shots or injections against typhoid, paratyphoid,

typhus, yellow fever, bubonic plague, cholera, and smallpox. This is not a very pleasant experience, but undoubtedly I will be very happy to have immunization against these diseases, particularly while traveling in West Africa where they are rife.

By the time this article appears in print I will probably be in Berne, Switzerland, attending the Southern European Division meeting. While there I will meet our old friends, Elder C. G. Cross and his family, who used to be associated with us here in the Central Union.

I ask an interest in your prayers for a safe journey as I make this extensive trip, which will last about four and one-half months, and I can assure you that it will be a happy day for me when I am with you again on American soil.

A MIRACLE OF HEALING ALONG THE RIVER

LEO B. HALLIWELL

The city of Manaus is located on the left bank of the Negro River and there are several little streams, called igarapés, that wind around through the city. One evening our boat, *Luzeiro II*, tied up alongside the bank of one of these streams, together with several other small boats. We were sitting out on the bow of the boat awaiting the hour to go to meeting when from the boat on our right we heard someone whistling one of our good old Adventist songs. I spoke to the man and inquired if he were a believer and invited him to sit with us on our boat.

He told us his father had been a believer for many years and many times before he died had tried to convert him, but as yet he had not been able to give up the things of this world to accept Christ as his Saviour. He lived about 200 miles down the Amazon out in a small side stream and a few days before a

boat just like ours had passed by their home.

"Why," he said, "the man that runs that boat is the best doctor we have ever seen. The night he arrived at our place one of the neighbors was almost dead with fever (malaria). She had been in bed for days and was getting worse and worse until she was so weak she could not talk or eat, and we were all sure she would not live through the night. We took this doctor to her home and he gave her just one dose of medicine. In a few hours the fever had gone. The following day she was able to sit up, and in a short time she was completely well. We have never seen a miracle like that on our river. The doctor promised to stop and have some meetings with us on his way back down the river, and we are all waiting for him!"

Yes, the medical work touches hearts

and opens the door for the gospel message. The boat was our newest boat, the *Luzeiro P*, and the wonderful doctor was Walkirio Lima, one of our boys from the college in Sao Paulo, who runs the boat, and the medicine that wrought the miracle was none other than Camaquin, the medicine that was developed since the war to combat malaria.

The man bought a Bible and we gave him some tracts; and he went back down the river to await the return of the *Luzeiro P* and to learn more of the wonderful gospel message.

Voice of Experience

I recently sat in a private room in a penitentiary and spent ten days interviewing a number of the inmates, securing their home background and religious convictions, their education and employment history, their marital problems, and the history of their drinking. Over and over again as these men opened up their life story they told how they were under the influence of alcohol at the time they committed the offense that sent them behind the bars.

Of the 200 men who told me their life stories, only 11 were teetotlers; 98 were moderate drinkers; the rest were excessive drinkers. One hundred seventeen of these men were actually under the influence of alcohol or a hangover at the time they committed the offense that sent them to the penitentiary.

It is not much wonder that Captain Ferguson, of the police department of one of our great western states, has stated that in his opinion "95 per cent of the unpremeditated crimes spring spontaneously out of circumstances in which drinking is involved.

Many of these prisoners released statements for publication relative to the influence of alcohol upon their lives and actions. Here is a message from a 27-year-old murderer. His appeal to youth is: "I would tell young fellows to stay away from liquor because it can ruin them. . . .

I started to drink when I was sixteen. . . . I can trace most of my troubles to drink, and especially the one that sent me away for life."

The consumption of alcoholic beverages is one of the greatest enemies to the advancement of the third angel's message. Satan has never invented a stronger weapon to gain control of human thinking and lead the youth astray. The call of the Spirit of prophecy is for Adventist people everywhere to arouse to action and do all in their power to rescue thousands from ruin. Truly, the honor of God, the stability of our nation, and the future of our youth depend upon our response to this appeal.

J. A. BUCKWALTER

Fun with Plastics

Church leaders, young people's directors, women's organizations and teenagers of the Central Union Conference have always been among the most progressive, and the announcement that a denominational institution can make available to them a new world of service and education comes as a further challenge to their ingenuity and ability.

Connected with the College of Medical Evangelists and the School of Tropical and Preventive Medicine is the Educational Plastic Company, which has just put on the market a plastic kit for embedding in crystal-clear blocks, photographs, seashells, leaves, minerals, starfish, flowers, and whatever else suits your fancy. Church young people can spend endless profitable hours with this educational hobby. Ladies' organizations wanting to raise money for church projects can make an endless number of utility and decorative items for their own home or for money-raising sales for their organization.

The kit, with a complete instruction manual and all the equipment necessary to start embedding your baby's hospital beads, comes in an attractive box that will decorate many Christmas trees this December. You will enjoy the art of making your own paper weights, castings, insect preservatives and flower embeddings after you have acquired the Edu-Plast unit. Write to Educational Plastic Company, Loma Linda, California, for full details, or order now. Get your kit postpaid by enclosing \$4.50 with your order.

Special rates for quantities ordered by Missionary Volunteer societies, churches, conferences.

FOR MEDITATION

"To every nation, kindred, tongue and people the tidings of pardon through Christ are to be carried. From door to door His servants are to proclaim the message of salvation.

"Not with tame, lifeless utterance is the message to be given, but with clear, decided stirring utterance. The words, 'Go, ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature' are spoken to each one of Christ's followers. All who are ordained unto the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow men."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 8, p. 16.

The Master has called laborers all through the ages, and He is calling today for consecrated men and women who will take the tidings of pardon through Christ to the many who have not received the invitation. Time is short. Do you hear the urgent call for laborers in the field of colporteur evangelism?

P. D. GERRARD

UNION COLLEGE

Lincoln, Nebraska

R. W. Woods

President

Dr. Neff Speaks at Chapel

Dr. Merlin L. Neff, book editor of the Pacific Press, was recently on the Union College campus and was the speaker for the chapel hour on Friday, November 18.

Speaking to the students of the college, Dr. Neff said, "More than 70 scholarships have been won by students who are attending this college through the selling of Christian literature. The qualifications needed to earn a scholarship are: a torch of faith, courage, love for the lost, fire and ardor for service. The secret of success is your dependence on God. Colporteur evangelism is one of the most important phases of the ministry."

Commenting on the importance of Christian literature, Dr. Neff said, "There are sixty million citizens in the United States who have no religious affiliation. Over 40 per cent of the elementary school children do not attend church. At the high school level, 80 percent, and at col-

lege level 90 per cent of the students do not attend religious services. These people may be contacted through Christian literature."

School of Nursing Program

Miss Alice Smith, clinic supervisor of the Union College school of nursing at the Boulder Sanitarium, Boulder, Colorado, was the leader of Tuesday and Wednesday morning chapel periods at Union College.

Picture slides portrayed the Boulder campus and other features of the clinical division. Miss Smith served as the narrator for the pictures.

Two student nurses also spoke at the meetings. The first speaker, Wayne A. Dunks, spoke on the opportunity for men in the field of nursing. He said, "There are many opportunities for advancement for the male nurse in administrative capacities, and there is an acute shortage of laboratory and x-ray technicians.

Miss Ellen McCormick, the second speaker, spoke on the subject, "Why I Chose the Union College School of Nursing." "In the Union College course the curriculum is so designed that a student is permitted to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing, and has a choice of 30 fields for minors. In addition to this, graduates have the privilege of reciprocity in all of the states," Miss McCormick said.

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Temperance Offering, December 10

A special temperance offering is to be received in all S.D.A. churches in North America on December 10. The offering will be divided as follows: 25 per cent to stay with the local church; 25 per cent to stay with the local conference; and 50 per cent to go to the American Temperance Society for the placing of *Listen* in the hands of hundreds of thousands of influential American citizens. We feel confident that Colorado Seventh-day Adventists will respond well to this offering.

It should be remembered that the purpose of this offering is not the placing of *Listen* in the homes of Seventh-day Adventists. Those who give to this offering should not expect to receive *Listen* as a result of their gift. This offering is for the promotion of the magazine on a nation-wide basis.

COLORADO AMERICAN
TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

Why I Like the Review and Herald

Forty-three years ago I became a reader of the *Review and Herald*. During these years the personnel of the *Review* and the appearance of the paper have changed. Nevertheless, the policies, the objectives, and the spiritual tone of the paper remain the same.

As the heartbeat is to the body, so is the *Review and Herald* the pulse of the remnant church.

To me it has become a precious friend and equally necessary as the food I eat. It keeps me informed of the church's activities throughout the world. It sounds the alarm against any inroads by the enemy. It has a spiritual atmosphere and tone that lifts me nearer to my Lord, and guides me in my spiritual thinking. It feeds my soul and keeps me in tune with the third angel's message. It is a spiritual voice speaking to the remnant believers.

I love the *Review and Herald*.

C. S. WIEST

Review and Herald Special Rates

Those who have not yet taken advantage of the special *Review and Herald* campaign offer have through December to do so. The rate of \$3.75 for the year will yet apply, and the subscriber will receive without extra cost the ten telegraphic General Conference reports. This offer is too good to miss. Place your order with your church missionary secretary or send order with money direct to the Colorado Book and Bible House, 1081 Marion Street, Denver 3, Colorado.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Report on Week of Evangelism

Over one thousand Seventh-day Adventists participated in the Colorado Week of Evangelism program conducted during the annual Week of Prayer, November 12-19. As yet we have no idea how many thousand missionary contacts were made, but we do know that well over a thousand people have been enrolled in the Bible correspondence course and hundreds of non-Adventists have asked for other literature on subjects we hold as cardinal doctrines.

At Loveland, Colorado, Dr. A. N. Grosboll made it possible for Sister Knight to devote her full time to house-to-house visitation work. Sister Knight alone enrolled nearly 150 people in the Bible course. Dr. Grosboll is now arranging for her to devote one day a week to following up the interest created. Another sister of the Loveland church enrolled 40 people during the time she rode the busses to and from work. Night meetings were conducted and interested people attended. On Friday night, November 18, when I spoke at the Loveland church, I was happy to see the church filled, a large number in attendance being non-Adventists.

The Loveland experience is only one of many thrilling stories that could be told. In every place where the plan was given a fair trial, the results were the same; namely, interest was discovered, and the spirituality of each participating member was strengthened.

It is also encouraging to know that in most cases the work is continuing to go on. It is felt by many that the plan should be carried on for a period longer than one week. It is also planned that those

who enrolled people in the Bible course will call back on them from time to time to see how they are progressing with their studies, and to perhaps arrange with them for Bible studies. Those who arranged to loan books are, of course, to call back to pick up the book and to leave one of a different kind.

The hour is late. The need for consecrated workers is great. The number of interested people is legion. Let us work the works of Him who sent us while it is yet day.

JAMES E. CHASE

A Letter You Should Write

In a recent issue of *Allegiance*, the following appeared:

"No matter what your political affiliation, if you are in the least concerned with opposing liquor advertising on the radio and in magazines and newspapers carrying liquor ads across state lines, **YOU SHOULD WRITE TO SENATOR JOHNSON** expressing yourself favorable to the passage of the 'Langer Bill'—Senate Bill 1847. Senator Johnson is chairman of the Senate committee on interstate and foreign commerce before which hearings will be held on this bill early in January. Please write a personal note to Senator Johnson, chairman, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., urging favorable consideration of this bill. **DO IT NOW.**"

Seventh-day Adventists should be the first to support such a measure.

COLORADO AMERICAN
TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

News Notes

Elders James E. Chase and N. C. Petersen conducted meetings for a short time at Campo recently. The interest proved to be so great that they are returning for 11 more evening meetings and hope to bind off some of the interest developed during their previous meetings.

Elders Petersen and Chase visited most of the pastors and district leaders during the week of November 20-26 in the interest of the coming Ingathering program. They report that all of the pastors and district leaders seem courageous and are planning to do their best to reach the Minute Man goal in their district.

Elder Petersen spoke at the Fort Collins church on November 26. He gave them a report of the Fall Council.

Elder J. L. Dittberner baptized a group of 12 people at the Denver Central church on Sabbath, November 26. This was his first baptism as a result of the meetings he and Brother Howard Matthews are conducting in the Denver Central church.

Brother B. L. Schlotthauer recently audited the books of all the church treasurers in the Durango district.

CAMPION ACADEMY

Loveland, Colorado

Music Program

Saturday night, December 17, is the date of the annual pre-Christmas music program given by the music department of Campion Academy. Main features of the program will be the large mixed chorus and the band. To add interest and variety to the program, several solo and ensemble numbers will also be presented.

We hope that many parents and friends of the school will be with us at that time to observe and appreciate the training that is being given our young people in the field of music.

C. L. WESTERMEYER

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Have You Been Faithful?

The year 1949 will soon be gone and a new year will have begun. As we near the close of the year, we should take time for retrospection. Have we paid all our obligations to the Lord?

God tests our honesty and sincerity, and when we prove faithful He will do His full share by pouring out His blessings upon those who bring to Him a faithful tithe.

"The message of the third chapter of Malachi comes to us, holding up before us the need of honesty in our relations to the Lord and His work. My brethren, the money that you use to buy and sell and get gain will be a curse to you if you withhold from the Lord that which is His."—*Testimonies*, Vol. IX, p. 53.

"Upon many God has bestowed His gifts with a lavish hand. . . . Will they make corresponding returns? . . . Strict honesty toward God . . . will meet the divine requirements. . . . Remember that

OFFERING SCHEDULE

December 3 Week of Sacrifice
December 10 Temperance
December 17 Sunnysdale Academy
December 24 Church Expense
December 31 Elementary Schools

if you have robbed God in tithes and offerings, it is all registered in the books of heaven.

"Let those who have committed wrong give proof of their repentance by seeking to make full restitution. Let them in their after life give evidence of genuine reformation, and they will assuredly enjoy the peace of heaven."—*Eastern Tidings*, December, 1916. CARL SUNDIN

Get the Spirit of the Season

Since our 1950 Ingathering campaign is to open the first of the new year, we suggest that you make a good beginning by taking advantage of this season of the year when everyone has the spirit of giving. This is the time of the year when there is a very liberal spirit among the people. It is not too early for carol singing. Other groups have already started.

If there are not enough to form a group of singers, simply go and solicit without singing. Tell them that you are asking for a liberal thank offering to be used in relieving sorrow and distress and in helping to bring peace on earth. If you live in the country, do not fail to ask your neighbors and friends to help with their dollars.

Let everyone endeavor to raise \$18.23 and sustain the world-wide work for at least one minute. May we count on you? And remember, there are only 14 caroling days until Christmas. W. S. JESSE

Report of the Autumn Council

The Missouri Conference was happy to act as host to the 1949 session of the Autumn Council, November 7-16 at St. Louis, Missouri. The council was held at the newly acquired church property at Spring and Lindell.

As a result of the careful preparation and hard work by the members of the church, under the leadership of Brethren Whitsett, Keymer, and Braley and their associates, the church had been completely

redecorated and remodeled for the occasion. A feature much appreciated by the visiting brethren was the cafeteria efficiently operated by the women of the church. Elder Whitsett was also given the responsibility of arranging hotel facilities for the delegates.

Over 2000 were present for the week-end meetings, which were held in the large auditorium of the Shrine Cathedral, across the street from the church building. Elder J. L. McElhany, president of the General Conference, brought the message Friday evening. Elder H. W. Lowe, associate secretary of the Sabbath school department of the General Conference, led out in the Sabbath school. Elder L. L. Moffitt and Elder E. B. Hare, both associate secretaries of the Sabbath school department of the General Conference, brought an unusual report of the Sabbath school offerings throughout the history of the denomination. Elder W. R. Beach told a very stirring mission story from Africa. The ministers' chorus provided special music.

Elder W. A. Spicer, one of our veteran workers and a former General Conference president, spoke at the 11 o'clock service. His subject was "God's Wonderful Work."

In the afternoon the Union College Golden Cords Chorale, under the direction of Harlyn Abel, presented a beautiful concert of sacred music. Elder E. D. Dick, secretary of the General Conference, conducted a symposium in which Elder G. A. Lindsey, president of the Northern European Division; Elder W. R. Beach, president of the Southern European Division; and Elder E. F. Hackman, president of the Inter-American Division, brought stirring reports of the progress of God's work in these fields. Associated with these men on the platform were men whose total years of service as leaders in foreign fields numbered over 600 years.

In the evening, following another concert by the Union College group, Elder A. W. Cornack, associate secretary of the General Conference, and Elder J. D. Smith, president of the Northern Union, gave reports of their recent visits in India and Africa, respectively.

Tuesday afternoon the budget committee reported. Over \$15,900,000 was set aside for the 1950 budget. This is the largest budget to be voted by the denomination since its inception. Despite this large budget there were a large number of calls that cannot be filled because of the lack of funds.

The Missouri workers gathered for a workers' meeting over the week end when

plans were perfected for the 1950 In-gathering program. Due to the great need for more funds, and the challenge of the hour, the Missouri Conference joins its sister conferences in enlarging the objective for 1950. Every member of the church is called upon to participate in making possible the largest achievement in the history of the Missouri Conference. The times demand our fullest measure of devotion and service.

The Missouri Conference appreciates having had the privilege and honor of having the Autumn Council within its borders, and invites the General Conference officers to return again for this important meeting.

CARL SUNDIN

New Radio Program at St. Louis

A new radio program originates from the St. Louis Central church chancel each Sunday morning at 10:30 over WIL, 1430 on your dial. Elder R. M. Whitsett and the St. Louis evangelistic team is conducting this program in connection with the evangelistic meetings held Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday nights at the Central church, and Tuesday night at the South Side church.

I am glad to say that this program is being identified with the Seventh-day Adventist church. Featured on the program is a Bible quiz in which the children take part. Also participating in the program is the Central church choir, Elder C. I. Keymer as soloist, Brother Bradford Bralley as organist, and Elder Whitsett as master of ceremonies and speaker.

Your prayers and support are solicited in behalf of this program. Letters of appreciation to the station will be very much appreciated.

CARL SUNDIN

Northeast Dorcas Federation

The Dorcas societies of the northeast district met at the Livonia church, November 9, for their federation meeting. Mrs. R. B. Wing was in charge of the meeting, at which there was a full attendance. Macon, Fairmont, Marceline, and Livonia were represented, and there were visitors from Iowa.

We sang our federation rally song to open the meeting. After we were led in prayer by Elder Jesske, Elder Wing read Isaiah 58:5 and James 1:27 as his texts for his devotional on Dorcas work.

Mrs. Carl Sundin also gave a very interesting talk on Dorcas work, and Mrs. Jesske presented a brief report on state federation activities.

After a bountiful luncheon, our afternoon meeting was opened with prayer by Brother Sanders of the Livonia church and a special song by Mrs. Sundin and Elder Jesske.

After more good talks on Dorcas work, Brother Jesske offered the benediction, and all departed feeling that they had profited much by the meeting.

MRS. R. B. WING, *President*

MRS. NEWTON V. BROWN, *Secretary*

Dorcas Group Hears Speaker from Tokyo

Kansas City Dorcas III, with Mrs. M. L. Fletcher as leader, had as a recent guest speaker Miss Tomiko Takagi of Tokyo, Japan, daughter of the first Seventh-day Adventist native worker in that country. It was an inspiration to hear of the joy she receives from her work of distributing Dorcas packages, and of the surprise and appreciation of those who benefit by our giving. Miss Takagi, writer for three Japanese magazines for women, is now in America collecting material for future articles.

The interest in decorum that pushed the Emily Post books into the best-seller bracket is growing rapidly in Japan, now interested in the American way of doing things. Since Japan has no Emily Post to arbitrate etiquette, Miss Takagi is going to do something about it. At a recent dinner engagement at Mrs. Post's home in Edgartown, Massachusetts, the conversation resulted in plans for an adaptation for the Japanese of the Emily Post book on manners. Miss Takagi and a girl assistant will do the editing, omitting or minimizing sections that would be of little interest to their countrymen.

In excellent English this cultured lady told of how she battled against becoming a Seventh-day Adventist. Her profession she loved. Her home life was ideal. There came a time during the war, however, when she had to flee from her comfortable home in Tokyo and seek refuge in the Seventh-day Adventist Mission where her sister served as a teacher. Although everyone was most kind at the mission, she hesitated to attend Sabbath services even when urged to do so by the American G.I.'s who came on Sabbath afternoons to sing hymns around her sister's piano. By and by, at their suggestion, she de-

cided to try paying tithe just to see if a blessing might be poured out in connection with it. At once new and different magazines began to write for her articles. Her good income increased remarkably. She was greatly impressed, and after a period of careful study she became a believer.

Returning to her undamaged properties in Tokyo at the close of the war, she built for herself a comfortable cottage on a portion of the grounds, and converted one of her two large houses into a rest home for Seventh-day Adventist workers and their wives, and the other into a home for aged widows.

Each Sabbath afternoon she visits needy believers, distributing wrapped gifts from American Dorcas boxes. In detail she described the beaming faces of the recipients as parents offer to pay for the articles. When assured that the gifts have been sent free by the Seventh-day Adventist Christians in America, expressions of thanks are most touching.

No longer are the needy Japanese like a list of names in a genealogy to the ladies of Kansas City Dorcas III. Each is a real person, with not only a name but also a definite need of the things we have in abundance. Our group will soon be sending boxes to Miss Takagi at the S.D.A. rest home in Tokyo.

OLIVE MARSH

President, Kansas City Dorcas Federation

SUNNYDALE ACADEMY

Centralia, Missouri

News Notes

Elder R. L. Benton of Portland, Oregon, was the speaker for the Sabbath services at the academy on November 12. In the afternoon during the Missionary Volunteer hour, he related a number of interesting experiences as a result of his work as camp pastor in England during the war. Elder Benton is now serving as religious liberty secretary for the North Pacific Union.

Mr. Alvin Ortner, a member of the Sunnydale Academy board, was a visitor on the campus Friday, November 11. Brother Ortner was interested in the progress of the administration building and other improvements about the school.

A recital sponsored by the music department was given Saturday evening, November 12. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McManaman are to be commended for the excellent work done by the music students.

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Church Officers' Meetings

A large representation of our people have been present at the officers' meetings held in Ness City and Parsons. We urge that all officers attend the Topeka and Wichita meetings. Our program for 1950 is so far-reaching that it takes the co-operation of every officer of each church.

The meeting in Topeka is scheduled for Sabbath, December 10, and in Wichita for Sabbath, December 17.

DON R. REES

Federation Meetings

The benevolent society federations of the Kansas Conference held a series of very profitable meetings recently. Mrs. H. Kleist was present to give invaluable help and inspiration. These meetings were held at Topeka, Emporia, Pittsburg, Wichita, and Garden City. Three new societies were voted into the Emporia federation, namely, Ottawa, Hillsboro, and Florence. Nearly 100 were present at the Garden City meeting. Presidents of the various federations are: Mrs. G. E.

Stacey, Mrs. Judd Weller, Mrs. E. B. Shawver, Mrs. Dan Frick, and Mrs. B. A. Scherr.

One interesting feature was the display of articles entered in a contest by all the federations in the state, listing such items as cost of material, length of time for making, ready salability, and profit to the society.

Elder W. S. Jesske, home missionary secretary of the Missouri Conference, related some of his experiences while in Siberian exile. In telling of conditions existing then, he compared them with conditions prevalent in European countries at the present time and urged our Dorcas societies everywhere to do their utmost for these suffering people.

Mrs. Kleist read some stirring paragraphs from the Spirit of prophecy show-

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- 3 Home Missions
- 10 Foreign Missions
- 17 REAPER
- 24 Kansas Evangelism
- 31 Church Expense

ing how every phase of Dorcas ministry is blessed and giving personal experiences of how these blessings have been realized by those who gave as well as those who received. Mrs. Kleist had a well-planned display of articles that can be made and used for raising funds for the Dorcas societies.



Attendants at the Central Federation in Emporia

TEMPERANCE OFFERING December 10

Give—to help counteract the flood of liquor propaganda defiling our land.

OBITUARIES

REES.—David Dee Rees, son of Elder and Mrs. J. M. Rees, was born in Indiana, May 4, 1871, and fell asleep in Jesus in Lincoln, Nebr., Oct. 4, 1949.

At an early age he gave his heart to God, and when a boy was his father's tentmaster while efforts were being conducted in the South. After finishing high school, he attended Battle Creek College and was graduated in 1895.

His first position was as secretary-treasurer of the Oklahoma Conference, which position he held until called to serve as head of the department of English in Union College in 1897. He remained there until 1905, when he accepted a similar position in our college at Mount Vernon, Ohio. From Ohio he went to the state of Washington, where he was principal of the Forest Home Academy. From 1915 to 1917 he was in Walla Walla College, Walla Walla, Wash., where he again headed the English department. Following his services there he moved to Campion Academy as principal until called to the Central Union Conference in 1919 as educational secretary, which position he held until 1927. Because of a serious illness he became partially deaf, which necessitated a change of endeavor. When he was asked to accept the management of the Christian Record, he at once caught a vision of what could be done for the sightless. As he continued to work for these people, his love for them increased to the extent that he was unusually successful in sending the "Rays of Light" to the blind, which brought happiness not only to those in this country, but to many in other lands. During his management the institution enjoyed continuous prosperity.

It was while secretary of the Oklahoma Conference that he was married in 1896 to Anna Miller of Nashville, Tenn. To this union were born four children: Mrs. E. B. Ogden, Lincoln, Nebr.; Dr. D. M. Rees, Monterey Park, Calif.; Dr. Edda Larimore, Washington, D.C.; and Dr. Conrad N. Rees, also of Washington, D.C. There are six grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. A. W. Smith of Reno, Nev., and Miss Pearl L. Rees of Glendale, Calif.

Professor Rees was the author of two books, and another one, *Hilltop Vistas*, is now in the hands of the publishers.

Always faithful to duty, his years of service are credited to his name in the record books of heaven. He rests, asleep in Jesus, but his works do follow him.

Services were held in the College View Seventh-day Adventist church, Lincoln, Nebr., and interment was in the College View cemetery. Officiating in the services were Elders M. V. Campbell, A. J. Wearner, R. S. Joyce, and D. E. Venden.

GASTON.—Mrs. Maude Clappitt Gaston was born at Fairbury, Nebr., on Nov. 14, 1887, and passed away Sept. 17, 1949, in Gillette, Wyo. All of her girlhood was spent in Beatrice, Nebr., until 1916 when the family homesteaded near what is now Recluse, Wyo. The remainder of her life was spent in this vicinity. She was united in marriage to Lloyd Gaston on Nov. 10, 1922.

Mrs. Gaston was a sincere Christian wife and mother, having accepted Christ as her Saviour in early girlhood. She joined the Adventist Church in 1947 and was faithful to her belief till her death. Her friends cannot be numbered, because her constant sunny disposition and kind manner made her beloved by all who knew her.

Those left to mourn her death are her husband; one son, Forrest Long; her mother, Mrs. Ella Clappitt; one sister, Mrs. Fred Oedekoven; and three nephews, all of Recluse, Wyo.

Services were conducted by the writer in the Christian church at Gillette, and she was tenderly placed in the municipal cemetery, there to rest until the resurrection morn.

BYRON K. CHALKER

Report of Central Union Literature Ministry

P. D. GERRARD, Secretary

WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 26, 1949

Colorado Conference

B. Y. Baughman, Secretary
Kenneth Wenberg, Assistant

Colporteur	Bk.	Hrs.	Ords.	Deliv.
Simon, W. P.	H&R	30	58.40	
Gordon, Mrs. Nora	H&R	9	51.25	25.75
Hayer, Mrs. A. S.	H&R	10	31.00	31.00
Nelson, E. E.	H&R	36	34.75	34.75
*Orr, Mrs. V. D.	H&R	47	4.50	6.00
Reynolds, Ellen	H&R	18	26.90	4.00
Shultz, Alfred	H&R	6		13.50
Getts, Mrs. Jessie	Mag.	12	16.00	16.00
Auxiliary Workers				370.00
TOTALS		168	222.80	501.00

Missouri Conference

J. B. Bogle, Secretary

*Dion, Alice	R	67	48.90	86.70
White, Robt.	H&R	26	99.10	118.40
Birch, Howard	H&R	23	32.95	25.20
Saxon, D. D.	H&R	40	184.25	184.25
Rhodes, L. D.	H&R	27	17.50	8.75
*Blackburn, Mrs.	H&R	24	31.75	32.75
Foskett, Roy	Mag.	32	103.75	103.75
Corley, Mrs. L.	Mag.		140.50	140.50
TOTALS		239	664.60	700.30

Nebraska Conference

J. N. Hunt, Secretary
Mrs. K. Randolph, Assistant
Week Ending November 19

Aitken, J.	H	37	66.50	76.50
Riedel, Wm.	R	36	161.50	161.50
Ernest, G. R.	H&R	36	130.25	130.25
Cole, Mrs. J.	H&R	33	46.95	44.95
Sherrill, E.	H&R	31	14.75	14.95
Mead, Miss C.	R	25	32.00	18.25
Coley, Miss E.	R	25	28.50	28.50
Jun, E.	R	21	103.50	64.00
Brady, H.	R	19	88.75	89.25
Meese, Mrs. G.	R	8	39.75	39.75
Erickson, Mrs. E.	R	5	19.50	7.50
*Washington, Mrs. J.	R	11	111.10	
Nelsen, Miss R.	H&R	33	80.00	68.30
Warner, Miss R.	H&R	21	16.55	16.55
Springsteen, J.	H&R	15	54.50	

married to Lydia Gerhold at Burlington, Colo., Aug. 29, 1897.

At the time of his death he was serving as both deacon and church treasurer. He loved the Lord and His truth, and had his hope centered in the soon coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Besides his wife, Brother Penfold is survived by two sons, LeRoy of Ft. Morgan, and Dr. C. James of Kansas City, Mo.; two daughters, Mrs. Mildred Buck of Lincoln, Neb., and Mrs. Zelma Frazier of Denver; three brothers, three sisters, other relatives, and friends. They all mourn his departure, but not as those who have no hope.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer from Jelliffe funeral chapel, and he was laid to rest in Riverside cemetery.

O. J. DAHL

Business Notices

Advertisements and business notices are not solicited but are published only as an accommodation. They must be sent to the local conference office to be approved by the conference president before being published in the CENTRAL UNION REAPER. For each insertion the rate is three cents a word with a minimum charge of \$1.00. Cash should accompany advertisement.

WE PLAN to start a church school next year and would like to hear from anyone interested in moving to our community. We are located in a good farming district, and there are other opportunities for employment. David Hoeft, M.D., Sharon, N. Dak. 47-4

NEW CROP ALMONDS: 25 lbs., \$6.25; 50 lbs., \$12.00; 100 lbs. \$23.00, F.O.B. Angwin. Nueharth Ranch, Angwin, Calif. 48-1

Colporteur	Bk.	Hrs.	Ords.	Deliv.
Leaf, Mrs. Geo.	H&R	12	17.50	31.25
Engelkemier, J.	H&R	8	49.50	25.50
Lee, K.	H&R	3	2.75	2.75

TOTALS		379	1073.85	819.75
Riedel, Wm.	R	35	73.75	73.75
Roberts, Mrs. S.	R	30	53.75	62.75
Aitken, J. B.	H	29	58.50	29.65
Roberts, Mrs. S.	R	27	39.35	47.85
Ernest, G.	R	26	98.20	98.20
Mead, Miss C.	R	25	6.25	6.25
Coley, Miss E.	R	25	14.50	14.50
Cole, Mrs. J.	R	24	15.20	15.20
Sharp, H.	R	23	53.50	53.50
Pitchford, N.	R	12		140.00
Jun, Emil	R	12	16.50	19.75
Brady, H.	R	10	61.00	47.00
Erickson, Mrs. E.	R	5	20.00	
Leaf, Mrs. Geo.	H&R	4	42.10	48.00
Laue, Mrs. R.	R		12.75	12.75
Hunt, J. N.	R	40	323.75	323.75
Nelsen, Miss R.	R	29	50.35	49.85
Warner, Miss R.	R	21	11.00	11.00
Auxiliary Workers	R		100.00	100.00
Green, Mr. W.	H	5	3.25	3.25
TOTALS		382	1053.70	1157.00

Kansas Conference

L. E. Loomer, Secretary

Jean Amos	R	12		60.00
J. Harsany	H&R	35	56.25	119.75
B. Griffith	R	11	34.25	11.25
A. J. Potter	R	17		19.50
Mrs. Conrad	R	13	5.50	11.25
A. Jones	R	5	44.00	44.00
L. Jones	R			97.50
C. Kelly	R	6	8.00	2.50
V. Speer	R	10	34.50	11.00
TOTALS		109	182.50	376.75

Wyoming Conference

W. F. Hadel, Secretary

Greenley, Matt	H&R	12	34.65	34.65
TOTALS		12	34.65	34.65
UNION TOTALS		1289	3232.10	3589.45

*Two weeks.

BAKERY.—An established location, open Sunday through Friday. Opportunities here we cannot take advantage of. Need to get away from this work. Price is low. 708 East Wall, Fort Scott, Kans. 48-1

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CALIFORNIA FRUIT. Delivered price, Central Union. Dates: 15 lb. standard, \$4.35; select, \$4.85; pitted, \$4.85. Other fruit and nuts, 10 lb. lots: Black figs, \$2.75; Calimyma figs, \$4.65; large prunes, \$3.95; date-nut confection, \$3.95; fancy mixed nuts, \$3.95; 5 lb. assorted nut meats, \$4.95. CALIFRUIT, Calimesa, Calif. 48-2

Sunset Table

Friday	Dec. 9	Dec. 16
Denver, Colorado	4:35	4:36
Grand Junction, Colo.	4:52	4:53
Topeka, Kansas	5:01	5:02
Kansas City, Missouri	4:56	4:57
St. Louis, Missouri	4:39	4:40
Lincoln, Nebraska	4:59	5:00
Casper, Wyoming	4:24	4:25

PARKER.—Mrs. Mattie Parker was born in Henry County, Iowa, May 9, 1870. At the age of eight years she, with her parents, went to Graham County, Kans., and located on a homestead northeast of Hill City, where she grew to womanhood, braving the hardships of pioneer life and helping to make Kansas what it is today.

On June 19, 1887, she was united in marriage to George Wheeler at Mill Brook, Kans. To this union were born three daughters and one son. Mr. Wheeler died in 1905, leaving the widow to carry on until in 1917 she was married to F. R. Parker. Again sorrow invaded her life when this happy union was dissolved by the death of Mr. Parker in 1939. She was also preceded in death by three daughters: Georgia Mae, Marie, and Mabel Wheeler.

She joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1913 and remained a happy and loyal member and worker until her death on Oct. 26, 1949.

She is survived by four daughters: Miss Bertha F. Parker of the Florida Sanitarium; Mrs. Glenn Houck of Costa Rica; Mrs. Bessie Weir of Woodbury, Tenn.; and Mrs. Henry Baerg of Buenos Aires, South America; five sons, Harry J. Wheeler, Kansas City, Mo.; Roy L. Parker, Kansas City, Mo.; Felix R. Parker, Merriam, Kans.; Adolphus H. Parker, Arlington, Calif.; and Nathaniel Parker of Glendale, Calif.; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A. D. KAELEN

McBROOM.—Joseph D. McBroom was born in Hocking County, Ohio, Aug. 25, 1858, and died at his home in Wichita, Kans., on Oct. 6, 1949.

He was married to Miss Edna Hastings on Oct. 10, 1890, and to this union was born one child, Mrs. Agnes Chewning of Hutchinson, Kans. The couple moved to Wichita, Kans., in 1892. He was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1897 and remained a faithful and loyal member until the time of his death. Mrs. Edna McBroom died in 1901.

On Nov. 25, 1903, he was married to Miss Jessie Roberts. To this union were born two daughters, Mrs. Glenna Asher of Wichita, and Miss Thelma McBroom of St. Louis, Mo., and one son, Joseph Bertram of Washington, D.C.

Brother McBroom took an active part in church work, serving as a member of the conference committee for many years, and a member of the Wichita Sanitarium board. He also served as an elder and deacon, and for 23 years was local church treasurer.

He is survived by his companion, Jessie, three daughters, one son, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandson. He sleeps in Jesus and awaits the call of the Lifegiver.

E. R. OSMUNSON

HARRIS.—William Lloyd Harris was born in Kentucky in 1859, and died in Lincoln, Neb., on Oct. 5, 1949. He became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1881 and was a member of the College View church at the time of his death. In 1885 he went to Battle Creek, Mich., where he was employed in the sanitarium. While in Battle Creek he met Leah Faucher, whom he married in 1886. He led an eventful life as bellboy, hydrotherapy nurse, farmer, baker, and decorator. One daughter preceded him in death. The surviving members of his immediate family are his wife, and son, Lloyd, both of Lincoln; a daughter, Mrs. Annie Robertson, of Scottsbluff; nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

R. S. JOYCE

O'FARRELL.—Mrs. Arthur O'Farrell of Sedalia, Mo., was born Oct. 23, 1871, and passed from this life on Oct. 2, 1949.

On Oct. 23, 1895, she was united in marriage to Arthur O'Farrell and together they established their home on a farm 12 miles south of Sedalia, where they lived for 49 years. They moved to Sedalia in 1944.

In 1905 she and Mr. O'Farrell joined the Seventh-day Adventist church at Cole Camp, Mo. Later they moved their membership to Sedalia, Mo., where she was an active member, holding the office of general superintendent for 12 years.

Her Christian graces were well known. Her charity and loving ministry to the sick will ever be remembered by her neighbors and many friends.

Those surviving are her husband, three sisters, five great-nieces and one great-nephew.

The large attendance at the funeral service, conducted by the writer, is evidence of the esteem in which she was held in her community.

W. H. KRUSE

PENFOLD.—J. W. Penfold was born in Corn- ing, Iowa, on July 18, 1878, and died Sabbath morning, Oct. 1, 1949, after suffering a severe heart attack while in church. He had lived in Colorado most of his life and for the last five years had made his home in Ft. Morgan. He was

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Colporteur Rally in Grand Island

Sabbath, November 26, was greatly appreciated by the church members and colporteurs alike who gathered at our new church in Grand Island. On Sabbath morning Elder A. V. Wallenkampf, instructor of religion at Union College, gave an inspiring message in which he stressed the vital need for the power of the Holy Spirit today.

After a delicious lunch in the church basement, everyone returned to the main church auditorium, where it was my privilege to introduce our faithful colporteur evangelists. The experiences related were heart-warming, revealing the sincere purpose of each to win souls for Christ through truth-filled publications. Elder R. M. Mote, principal of Platte Valley Academy, related how his family received a knowledge of the truth through the efforts of a colporteur. Elder Wallenkampf also related some very interesting facts about his literature work in Sweden.

At sundown Brother Gerald Williams gave a brief devotional message. Following supper, Brother Sumner showed some beautiful nature scenes and other interesting pictures.

Elder Dirksen and the ladies of the church made our day in Grand Island a pleasant one, and upon returning to our labors we felt refreshed in spirit for greater activity in the Lord's vineyard.

J. N. HUNT

Temperance Offering

December 10 has been set aside as the day for the annual temperance offering throughout the North American Division. Our crusade against the evil results of the liquor traffic needs the wholehearted support of every true Christian. We must not be fence-straddlers, nor middle-of-the-road walkers when it comes to the church's fight against this sinister evil.

Our great objective is to circulate *Listen* by the millions in these United States. Your help is needed. The funds secured in this offering will be used to

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We trust all will contribute liberally, that a wider circulation of *Listen* may be reached. This is our job!

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DECEMBER 10

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By the hundreds of thousands our literature has been finding its way into the counties of Nebraska. But our work is not finished for there are yet 52 counties in the state that have received no truth-filled Prediction Series tracts. We cannot count our task complete until every home in each county has received a series of message-filled tracts.

We are urgent in our appeal that each church help in finishing this task. Our Book and Bible House has on hand many tracts that can be put to use. Why not use them now? Write for your church's share in some unfinished county.

E. E. HAGEN

Why I Like the Sabbath School

Number 14

It is with a grateful heart that I look back upon the years of Sabbath school attendance. It was not my privilege to attend church school as a child; therefore, it was through the Sabbath school lessons that I learned the fundamental Bible doctrines of the Advent movement. It was through its influence that I learned to make investments for God and to give liberally to the world mission program. Not only does the Sabbath school teach these important truths to our youth, but it is a real means of establishing new members in Bible truths and inspiring them to greater missionary zeal.

Yes, the Sabbath school has been a real blessing in my experience, and by taking an active part from Sabbath to Sabbath, every member will enjoy and appreciate it more.

J. N. Hunt

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Progress in the Cheyenne District

It is always a source of joy to the people of God to see men and women accept Christ and prepare for heaven. Some day very soon we shall all see these material things of earth go up in smoke in the fires of the last day. If we could only realize that we cannot take a single earthly possession from this world to the next! When we stand on the brink of eternity and view the things of this present life in comparison to eternal life, how little, how worthless, will the things of this world seem to us. After all, the most valuable thing on earth is our life. If we can so live that we "may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man," that will be the highest accomplishment of our earthly life.

On Sabbath, November 19, members of the Pine Bluffs and the Laramie churches met with us for the day's meetings here in Cheyenne. We were very fortunate to have as our guests Brethren C. L. Westermeyer, William Van Ornam, and Clyde Van Scoy, all connected with the music department of Campion Academy. Brethren Westermeyer and Van Scoy led in the congregational singing, and Brother Van Ornam, instructor in piano and organ, thrilled the congregation with his talent. Brother Van Scoy's solo, "The Pharisee and the Publican," was well received.

My subject at the 11 o'clock meeting was "Prepare to Meet Thy God, O Israel," and many renewed their consecration to God and indicated their desire to be ready when Jesus comes.

Brother Matt Greenley from the Laramie church spoke at the 2:30 meeting in the afternoon on "The Meaning of Baptism." During this meeting seven persons went forward to receive the rite of baptism.

Brother Llewellyn Smith from Wheatland was also present and assisted in the day's meetings. Those present agreed that this day was indeed blessed of God. We are looking forward to another baptism in the near future.

J. E. FRICK
District Leader