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ATTENTION ADVENTIST YOUTH IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

If you would like to attend one of our denominational academies or colleges next September and do not know how you can afford it, write a letter to your publishing department secretary at your local conference office. He will tell you how some 75 young people in the Central Union Conference are selling our wonderful books and magazines this summer and earning all or part of their school expenses for the next school year.

In addition to earning a regular commission, you may receive a bonus up to \$246.90—that is a gift equal to \$4.11 each day if you work five days per week for only twelve weeks and meet the other qualifications. Inquire today! Don't put it off. Join 75 other young people and earn your way through our own schools by selling our literature. That is the way many do it. But start now! We will help you learn to be successful.

C. G. CROSS

Rural and Urban Living

Are you thinking of leaving the city for life in the country? Do you believe that you could make a success at country living? Would you like to know more about the question of rural living? If so, do you suppose it might be possible for you to get away from your work and home long enough to attend the annual meeting of the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions, which is the General Conference organization that sponsors the rural living program?

We invite you to come and be with us, August 13-16, at Campion Academy, Loveland, Colorado.

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Stepping Along with Our Colporteur Evangelists

As we drive up to Brother and Sister G. R. Ernest's home, we see a man carefully putting books into a case in the back seat. "That's a good looking new Ford, friend," we say greeting him. He is happy with his new car. Regular colporteur evangelists who work full time are granted up to \$25 per month assistance in meeting their transportation expenses. This certainly is helpful.

Our brother is full of joy. The Lord is blessing his work. Several people are studying the Bible truths in the books they have bought from him. It looks as if some will be joining the church soon. He has been working in Omaha for about six or seven years and has built up a very large list of customers.

Here is an experience he recently wrote to his publishing department secretary, J. N. Hunt. It gives evidence that Brother Ernest is seeking to win souls while he earns a decent living in the canvassing work: "I met a Catholic lady at the home of one of my customers who had been sick for several days. I suggested prayer which they gladly accepted. The Catholic lady said she was impressed with the books she had seen in the home and said

she wanted to know more about the Bible. She asked if I would come to her home to talk to her, her husband, and their 13-year-old boy. I gladly accepted the invitation and found it to be a heart-touching experience. They all three kept asking me questions about the Bible and then ordered a religious library. They asked me if I would come back to explain more of the Bible to them. After prayer the lady said she knew God had sent me to her home.

One of the things that impressed me most was to know that had I stopped a moment sooner or a moment later I would not have met this Catholic lady at my customer's home. It is a great comfort and inspiration to know that angels are guiding us colporteur evangelists. Please remember this family in prayer."

Wouldn't you like to be in this type of missionary service and have someone tell you, too, "I know God sent you to my home." If so, write to your publishing department secretary at your conference office. He will gladly discuss this with you. Maybe you can soon have experiences like those Brother Ernest enjoys every week.

C. G. CROSS

NOTICE TO INDUCTEES

Quite a few of our young men immediately following induction are being sent to Camp Crowder in southern Missouri for a few days before being sent to their basic training camps. Our nearest church to Camp Crowder is at Joplin where Elder J. Howard Matthews is pastor. His address is 810 West Second Street, Joplin, Missouri, and his telephone number is 2647.

It is possible to secure leave for Sabbath from Camp Crowder to attend the church at Joplin. The church will arrange for a car to pick up any Adventist soldiers at the camp Sabbath morning. It would be prudent for young men who are to be sent to this camp to drop a line to Elder Matthews in advance or to phone him shortly after arrival. This will facilitate obtaining Sabbath privileges and getting transportation to our church.

M. V. Campbell

Attention Please

Your General Conference publishing house for Braille literature and all denominational eye-services to the sightless was established in 1899. The services are comprised of: five monthly journals, a lending library of hundreds of volumes, religious correspondence school courses, talking books, scholarship assistance to worthy blind students, assistance on medical eye-service expense, Braille slates, stylus, and paper, Braille primers, as well as personal visitation, consultation, and guidance by field representatives.

These field representatives who call upon the sightless to offer help likewise call upon the charitable minded and receive contributions for the furtherance of this humanitarian work. Some of these field representatives have been with the Christian Record consistently for 34, 32, 26, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 16, 14 and 12 years respectively. They are adequately remunerated for their services.

Right now there is an immediate need for two representatives in each of the following states: Kansas, Colorado, and Nebraska. The territory to be served is strictly rural; therefore a car will be needed. Consideration is given for expenses while in the field of service.

Those interested and over 35 years of age, please mail application together with a recommendation, to this office at once. We do not solicit or accept applications from colporteurs or other conference employed workers.

Address all communications, together with recommendations, to P. D. Gerrard, 3705 South 48th St., Lincoln 6, Nebraska.

Wanted: Access to Copy of 1863 Prophetic Chart

The manuscript of Volume IV of *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* is now in completed form, and the illustrations are being prepared. One outstanding illustration not yet available is the James White prophetic chart of "1863," pictured in M. E. Olsen's *Origin and Progress of Seventh-day Adventists*, page 234. We have the pamphlet, *Key to the Prophetic Chart* (1864), but need access to a clear copy of an original chart for the wording and for the photographing—hence this appeal. Colleges, churches, publishing houses, retired workers, and pioneer workers' descendants, will you not make search to see if you have it?

Here is a description: The symbols of Daniel are at the upper left, and the 2300 year diagram on the upper right. The three angels, followed by the coming of Christ on the clouds, appear at the lower left; while the prophetic symbols of Revelation are on the right. The sanctuary, with its two apartments, is at the lower center, and the inscription or title of the chart is in the lower right corner. This apparently reads, "A Pictorial _____ of the Visions of Daniel and John," with the remaining information about the publisher or lithographer at Boston, and the date, not legible on the photograph in our possession.

If you have a copy of this chart, kindly communicate at once with L. E. Froom, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Takoma Park, D.C., and arrangement will be made for its safe transmission and return, or for a local photographer to make a good negative for us. Your help in locating a copy will be greatly appreciated.

LEROY EDWIN FROM

'Go' Price Change

This is authoritative. After careful study by a special committee and during the 1952 Spring Council, an official action was taken establishing the subscription rate for *Go* at \$1.25 a year (\$1.35 in Canada), effective with the July, 1952, issue.

Rising production and material costs have made this small increase in price necessary. *Go*, however, is still a real value and offers ideas, help, counsel, and inspiration that is actually priceless. No missionary minded individual can afford to be without it.

Be a regular subscriber and reader of *Go*.

I. H. IBRIC, *Manager*
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Sunset Calendar

| | June 6 | June 13 |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|
| Denver, Colorado | 7:36 | 7:29 |
| Grand Junction, Colorado | 7:37 | 7:40 |
| Topeka, Kansas | 7:46 | 7:49 |
| Kansas City, Missouri | 7:41 | 7:44 |
| St. Louis, Missouri | 7:24 | 7:27 |
| Lincoln, Nebraska | 7:56 | 8:00 |
| Casper, Wyoming | 7:49 | 7:53 |

Rural Living

(Continued from page 1, Column 1)

To those families who have successfully left the cities for rural life, would you be so kind as to send us a sketch of your experiences? Tell us what prompted you to leave the city, how you found your present place, what success you have had in maintaining a livelihood, what suggestions you would care to give to others who may be contemplating leaving the city for the country. Tell us your story; it may help others.

A sample copy of our monthly paper, *News and Views*, and a new pamphlet, *Agriculture, A Way of Life*, is yours for the asking.

Write to Wesley Amundsen, Secretary-Treasurer, A.S.I., General Conference of S.D.A., Takoma Park 12, D.C.

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Commencement Exercises at Union College

Union College granted 112 degrees at the commencement exercises Sunday, May 25. Elder J. D. Smith, president of the Northern Union, gave the commencement address.

Elder Louis K. Dickson, vice-president of the General Conference, spoke at the baccalaureate service Sabbath, May 24. Moral heroes, men and women who cannot be bought or sold, men and women who know their God, is the need of the world and the church today, stated Elder Dickson.

Friday, May 23, the consecration service was held. "Learning to know God" was the poem given by Marie Downey. Don Carney and Bobby Roberts were the speakers for the evening. Velma Johnson Woodruff accompanied by Gwynneth Lingenfelter played a violin solo. A quartet composed of William Murphy, Richard Randolph, Fredrick Lorenz, and Lyle Anderson sang "Remember Me, O Mighty Man." At the close of the consecration prayer by Reuben Beck, Justine Friedrich and Hartley Berlin sang, "Hold Thou My Hand."

News Notes

Miss Goldie Schander and Mr. Robert Wagner will be the new teachers in the church school next year.

Mr. George Lewis from Walla Walla will be the superintendent of the laundry.

Mr. D. K. Brown has been granted leave of absence to complete his study for his Ph.D. in chemistry.

Mr. Milo Anderson will be the new assistant in the physics department.

Alumni Home-Coming

Thursday, May 22, the alumni of Union College met for the home-coming fathering at Union College. The honor classes were those of 1902 and 1927. A tour of the campus, reunion of honor classes, a buffet supper, a business meeting, and a pantomime entitled "From Generation to Generation," written by Opal Wheeler Dick, were the activities participated in during the afternoon and evening. A brass ensemble conducted by Clifton Cowles and the Ambassadors Quartet provided the music for the occasion.

The activities were scheduled to take place on the campus, but because of the weather they were held in the new church building.

Class of '52 Presents Gift

The Senior Class of '52 voted to leave their Alma Mater a directory to be installed in the Administration building. A directory giving information regarding the location of all faculty and administrative offices is a much appreciated gift.

WYOMING

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Legal Notices

Wyoming Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
Notice is hereby given that the regular business session of the Wyoming Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, 1203 South Oak St., Casper, Wyoming, on Sunday, June 29, 1952. The first meeting is called to convene at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the ensuing biennial term and to transact such other business as may possibly come before the delegates.

E. R. OSMUNSON, *President*
H. L. HAAS, *Secretary-Treasurer*

Wyoming Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists

Notice is hereby given that the next regular session of the Wyoming Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church, 1203 South Oak St., Casper, Natrona County, Wyoming, in connection with the regular session of the Wyoming Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

The first meeting of the association is called to convene at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, June 29, 1952. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing a board of trustees for the ensuing biennial term and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may properly come before the session. All delegates to the regular session of the Wyoming Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are also delegates to the regular session of the Wyoming Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

E. R. OSMUNSON, *President*
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The Green River Law in Wyoming

One gets the idea in conversing with non-Wyomingites that the state is ruled by the Green River law and that all canvassing and other forms of house-to-house missionary work is taboo. To set the record straight and to correct misinformation, these paragraphs are dedicated.

First of all, looking at the situation as a whole, there is no restriction to our colporteurs or to home missionary work except in Laramie, where it has been felt prudent not to press the issue until court cases are settled.

Practically every city in Wyoming has some form of the Green River law, which originated in the city of the same name in the early 1930's. This law has served as a model for similar ordinances throughout the nation, and its purpose is to control door-to-door peddling.

The fact that the purpose of the law has been construed by city authorities to include the dissemination of religious books and magazines, has caused this law to be tested in various courts.

About two years ago Matt Greenley, then a colporteur and church elder, was arrested in Laramie for violating the Green River ordinance, was found guilty, and fined in police court. An appeal was made to the district court, and the judge upheld the decision of the lower court. Further appeal was made to the state supreme court, and after being shunted about as long as possible, arguments will be heard on the case early next month.

In the meantime there have been two other cases of note, both involving Jehovah's Witnesses. Last summer in Cheyenne two members of this group were found guilty in police court on the charge of violating the Green River ordinance, and appeal was made to the district court. Surprisingly, the district judge reversed the decision of the police court and upheld the Jehovah's Witnesses. Further appeal was anticipated by the city, but thus far, perhaps due to a change in city administration, no appeal has been made.

Another case, also involving Jehovah's Witnesses, is being carried to the state supreme court. In a test case in Green River, a man was arrested and found guilty in police court. Consideration of the case by the district court resulted in the law being upheld.

Undoubtedly these cases will bear watching because, in any event, the U-

nited States Supreme Court will have to give a decision which may have far-reaching effects.

In the meantime, what happens in Wyoming? Except in Laramie, colporteurs have been free to carry on their work, and no hinderance is made to any type of house-to-house visitation. The general purpose of the law is for a propaganda of fear. In this it has been successful, because the reputation of the law has been noised far and wide.

Enforcement of the law is dependent on local complaints. A courteous colporteur, as a general rule, has nothing to fear. Now and then there are people who delight in causing trouble, as was the case in Laramie.

It can be readily seen that the Green River law, while its intent may be valid, in its restriction of religious liberty is a gross violation of one of the basic freedoms guaranteed by the constitution. This law with other rumblings on the religious liberty front can well be portents of events to come.

MORTEN JUBERG

Music at Buffalo

"Say, your youngsters really stole the show at that musical program the other day. Did you know that? Everybody is saying so. They ask me how youngsters can learn to sing like that, and I just tell them" So ran the comments of a neighbor that I called so see a few days ago.

Our church had been asked to provide some special music for an all-church music week program. The children's leader, Mrs. William Ross, had responded by training our Sabbath school youngsters to sing a group of choruses. Mrs. Mildred Songer ably assisted in this training.

The children are very enthusiastic about their singing, and now welcome every opportunity to appear in public. Once a month they go to Sheridan to sing for the church services at Ft. McKenzie. Twice they have sung over the radio when Brother Furst conducted the devotional program over KWYO.

Singing at the Soldiers' Home at Buffalo and in the homes of shut-ins is no new experience for this group, either. They often sing specials for Sabbath school and church. And we expect to use them to help the boys and girls in a branch Sunday school learn to sing these songs, too.

There is almost no limit to the good that can be done when we dedicate our talents to the Lord. How good it is for our youngsters to be learning to serve in this way. It helps to keep them interested in Sabbath school. The church, too, can not help reaping a harvest from any good activity that binds our young people closer to us in interest and service.

VERA BEALL

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Hemingford Investiture

At a recent investiture service in Hemingford, 22 young people were invested in eight progressive classes, and four others received vocational honors. There were over 200 honor tokens distributed by Elder R. L. Osmunson, who took charge of the investiture. Leading out in the program were Dr. Wendell Ford and Mrs. Evelyn Herrmann, who directed the progressive classwork.

Besides special music and memory work given by the candidates, four demonstrations of various types of achievement were presented. They included star study, wild flowers, first aid, and home nursing.

Those invested or receiving honors were: Duane Wells, Ronald Christenson, Gary Reece, Patty Jensen, Bronwyn Reece, Warren Rogers, Betsy Jensen, Edythe Criffitts, Howard Wells, Nancy Lee Jensen, Richard Criffitts, Connie Wells, Beth Wells, Mary Alice Wheeler, Marjorie Wells, Carole Ford, Darlene Finnell, Charles Hucke, Dorothy Christenson, Dr. Wendell Ford, Dr. Charles Herrmann, Evelyn Herrmann, Hazel Laeger, and John Laeger.

Master Guides who were present participating in the investiture service were Elder and Mrs. M. E. Payne, Blanche Schick Wheeler, and Evelyn Herrmann.

M. V. DEPARTMENT

News Notes

● During the first four months of 1952, Nebraska colporteurs delivered \$27,389.23 worth of literature. This is \$10,601.08 more than the corresponding months of 1951.

● Another unentered town in Nebraska heard its first Seventh-day Adventist sermon on Sunday evening, May 25, when Elder S. A. Reile began a series of evangelistic meetings in the Community Bible Auditorium at Thurston, Nebraska. Elder Reile's subject was "Will Russia Rule the World?" Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Boyd are assisting with the music.

● Recently at Chadron, Nebraska, Colporteur-Evangelist Vivian L. Johnson found an elderly couple keeping the Sabbath through the study of a *Bible Readings for the Home Circle*.

These Modern Times

In the good old days, it was the fashion for the whole family to be present and on time at Sabbath school and church every Sabbath. Now, however, since we have been modernized, the theme of this poem is altogether too true.

A Mile and a Half from Church

George C. Degen
Sunshine Magazine

We're a mile and a half from church, you know,
And it rains today, so we can't go.

We'd go ten miles to a party or show though
The rains should fall the winds should blow.

But the church is different, we'd have you know;
That's why, when it rains, we just can't go.

But we always go to things we like, and we ride
If we can; if we can't we'll hike.

We're a mile and a half from church, you know,
And the tire is flat, so we can't go.

We'd fix it twice to make a visit, and if there's
A ball game, we wouldn't miss it!

We'd mend the tire if at all we could,
And if we couldn't, we go afoot.

For the hunting pleasure is all the style,
So the church will have to wait awhile.

We're a mile and a half from church, you know,
And our friends are coming, so we can't go.

To disappoint our friends would seem unkind,
But to neglect church, we don't mind.

We want to please our friends on earth, and
Spend a day in feasting and mirth.

But sometime, when we come near the end of
our days!

We'll go to church, and mend our ways!

Come sleet or snow, wind and rain, or oceans of mud, make this most important decision for Survival Through Faith in these strenuous times: "I will be a faithful member to my Sabbath school; I will actively participate in all of its activities; I will not miss the blessing God has in store for me at our weekly Sabbath school."

M. D. OSWALD

20 Seniors Graduate from Platte Valley Academy

At 11 o'clock Sunday, May 18, the 1951-52 school year at Platte Valley Academy officially came to a close as 20 seniors marched out of the auditorium with diplomas tucked safely under their arms.



Principal Curry congratulates a graduate.

As the seniors leave us to go out into wider fields of service, we wish for them every blessing of God. We fondly hope that each of them may fulfill his heaven-appointed place here on earth, so that in the earth made new, there might be a great class reunion.

This has been a good year at Platte Valley Academy. The last few weeks have been crowded with the activities that add much to the joy of school experience. There have been the usual picnics, class functions, spring ball games, campus-day contests, and classes on the lawn—activities that add to the spirit of the school and write chapters in the memories of the students.

We look forward to the beginning of school this fall, fondly hoping that the wonderful youth of the Nebraska Conference will crowd our dormitories and classrooms to capacity and beyond. As you make plans for next year, include Platte Valley Academy in them. You will enjoy your school work here. For information, write to us. We will be glad to be of service to you.

D. W. CURRY, *Principal*

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Farewell

About four years ago Elder and Mrs. C. E. Smith, with their two little girls, joined the working force of the Colorado Conference. Since that time Elder Smith has been pastor of the Boulder church. During his service a beautiful new church building was constructed and recently dedicated free from debt.

Elder Smith has recently accepted an invitation from the Central California Conference, to become pastor of the Bakersfield church. They will be leaving in the very near future to fill this new appointment.

We have greatly appreciated Elder Smith's service in our field and dread to see them leave our conference. But, we do wish for them much success and an abundance of the Lord's blessings as they take up work in a new field.

We are asking Elder F. W. Avery to carry the responsibility of the Boulder church as well as being in charge of the chaplain's work at the sanitarium. Brother Reuben Johnson will assist with the chaplain's work there and also at the Porter Sanitarium, and Sister Grace Schultz will assist with the Bible work in Boulder.

N. C. PETERSEN

News Items

● Dr. William Brown has just completed his internship in California and is taking a residency in surgery at Fitzsimonds Army Hospital. We are happy welcome the Browns to Colorado.

● Elder N. C. Petersen and Brother H. A. Young recently made a trip to Kansas to look at the tabernacle being used by Elders Kearbey and Patton. From there they went to Lincoln, where Elder Petersen attended a meeting of the Central Union Conference Committee, and the Union College Board, and the Porter and Boulder Sanitarium Boards. On their return trip they met with the Wray church on Friday evening, presenting the film "All That I Have." On Sabbath morning Brother Young spoke at Holyoke and Elder Petersen spoke at Sterling.

● On Sabbath, May 24, Elder O. J. Dahl baptized 5; Elder A. A. Bringle,

4; and Elder R. E. Kepkey, 6. We are happy for these new additions to our church membership.

● Word has just been received from Elder W. A. Fagal that he and the Faith for Today quartet will be at the Colorado camp meeting on August 22 and 23. Since last reporting, we have also received word that Elder T. L. Oswald, Home Missionary Secretary of the General Conference, will be with us during camp meeting. Elder Oswald recently made a trip through Korea and Japan and will doubtless have many interesting things to tell.

C. A. Graduates Its Largest Class

The largest senior class in the history of Champion Academy graduated in royalty in the 46th annual commencement exercises which were held May 16-18.

Nearly 1000 guests were present to witness the ceremonies of the 55 graduates. The large auditorium, constructed during the past fiscal school year provided ample facilities to accommodate the attendance. Rainy and inclement weather prevailed throughout the week end, but this did not affect the crowds of friends who had planned many months for the memorable occasion.

Incorporated into the decorations of the stage were the class aim—"Aim High and Keep Your Aim," and the motto—"The Best Today Must Be Improved for Tomorrow." The white rose, which was the class flower, and the colors of maroon and gray were also used effectively along with palms and baskets of flowers.

Many of these graduates are formulating definite plans to attend Union College this fall. We wish for each of them the blessing and guidance of God as they make their decisions and plans for their future.

OSCAR L. HEINRICH, *Superintendent*

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News Notes

● The Kansas City church school reports four eighth grade graduates this year.

● We welcome Mrs. Muriel Hutchins to Kansas City and to the Central States Conference office family. Mrs. Hutchins is a graduate of Oakwood College and will serve as an office secretary.

● Pastor and Mrs. C. R. Craig and family of Leavenworth, Kansas, are now vacationing. Oakwood College commencement time is included in their schedule.

● The home missionary department of this conference states that a goodly number of Central States laymen are now equipped or being equipped with projectors and films for better missionary work.

● Our office secretary, Miss Thelma Greene, has returned from Riverside and will soon be again at her desk in the office.

Kansas City, Kansas— St. Joseph District Report

We are happy to report that the work of God in the Kansas City, Kansas—St. Joseph District is going forward. The large number of people living in the confines of our territory, who yet have not heard of the soon return of Jesus, brings to us the realization that our task of hearing the last message of mercy has but begun.

We are not in the least satisfied with present or past achievements. Our paramount objective is to reap a large harvest of souls during the remaining months of 1952.

Two evangelistic efforts are planned for the district, and every department of the church is being geared toward evangelism. A large class of laymen have been organized to study more effective methods of winning souls for Christ. Several have already begun giving Bible studies, and we believe that good results will be accomplished. One couple has already been baptized this year as the result of the work of a layman.

The leaders in the home missionary department are becoming more and more enthusiastic, and we are happy to report that the Sabbath school is progressing along all lines. We regret that our superintendent will soon be moving to California; however, our able assistant superintendent is leading out in a strong way. This department hopes soon to establish a branch Sabbath school.

The St. Joseph, Missouri, Sabbath school has made wonderful progress in membership increase, and with it comes a greater desire to do still more for the Master this year.

The MV societies of both the above churches, active with inspired youth, are sharing their faith, and gratifying results are being obtained. We trust that all our members will catch the zeal and arise quickly to finish the task.

R. L. WOODFORK, *District Leader*

De Shay Presents Colorful Recital

On Sunday evening, May 18, Samuel De Shay of Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, was presented in a colorful piano recital at the Bethel church, Kansas City, Kansas. It was indeed a genuine treat and left a near capacity audience in fervent hope that he would soon return.

The recital was well attended by many non-Adventists, as well as by church members. Among the visitors was a well-known music critic of Kansas City who made the following comment: "Mr. De Shay has unusual refinement for such a youthful musician. He adequately got across to his listeners the meaning of the sonata he played. There was not a vestige of doubt as to his love and reverence for the great masters of music."

The program was filled with versatility. The Bethel choir sang beautifully to this appreciative audience, and a visiting soloist sang several selections.

We were given good publicity by two city newspapers and one radio station. We are thankful to all who helped to make this endeavor a success and grateful to know that it helped further to create good-will among the citizens of Kansas City, Kansas.

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Items of Interest

● Orlin McLean has been invited by the conference committee to intern in the ministry as of June 1. He will assist Elder W. S. Lawrence in evangelistic work this summer in the Poplar Bluff region.

● Before leaving South St. Louis, F. W. Hudgins baptized seven into church membership.

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Rolla Church Organized

Sabbath, May 3, dawned bright and sunny, and for the group of believers at Rolla, the fine weather was indicative of a happy day long to be remembered in their experience. The group there have been meeting in a fine stone chapel erected in 1941 by Dr. B. E. C. Slawson, but to this date a church had not been organized. Elder W. K. Smith of Bourbon has been pastoring the group, and Franklin W. Hudgins was the district leader.

In accordance with their request to the Missouri Conference committee for organization, the Rolla group were organized that afternoon at the two o'clock hour, 18 members forming the original group. Six or seven more will be joining shortly, making a church of 25 or 26 members. Elder W. A. Dessain, president of the conference, conducted the organization.

Dr. B. E. C. Slawson was elected first elder; Dr. Thomas Cummings, second elder; and Dr. F. D. Nelson, head of the board of deacons. Mrs. Alma Campbell was asked to act as treasurer of the church, and Mrs. J. W. Foree remained the superintendent of the Sabbath school. Mrs. B. E. C. Slawson will be clerk of the church.

It is hoped that at our next camp meeting session, August 14-23, the Rolla church will be received into the sisterhood of churches in our Missouri Conference.

W. A. DESSAIN, *President*

Are You "Signs" Conscious?

Our hats are off to Elder George Freeman and the Kansas City Central church for the fine work done in the recent *Signs*

Report of Central Union Literature Ministry

C. G. CROSS, Secretary

WEEK ENDING MAY 17, 1952

campaign. Under the energetic leadership of Elder Freeman the church raised some 640 subscriptions in a very short time. They are definitely planning to make this journal a real soul-winning agency in their church.

Other churches are also reporting fine returns. The Armstrong church more than tripled their goal of *Signs*. This is truly wonderful, and God will bless the earnest efforts of this church to accomplish greater things for the Lord in their community.

Your opportunity to place the *Signs* in the hands of your friends and neighbors for the special campaign price is limited. The special offer of \$1.85 for single subscriptions and \$1.60 in club subscriptions will not be continued much longer. Now is your opportunity! Will you not take advantage of the same and as individuals and churches place this fine prophetic weekly in the hands of neighbors and friends, clergymen and leaders of your community? Remember the *Signs of the Times* wins souls.

E. T. GACKENHEIMER

Vice-President of the General Conference Speaks

Thursday evening, May 22, the city of Columbia had the privilege of hearing Elder L. K. Dickson, vice-president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, give a stirring address on the subject, "God's Answer for These Troublous Times," to a large and attentive audience. He graphically pointed out world conditions and then brought the attention of the audience to the solution of the ills of the world, the return of our Lord. Mr. Dickson urged every one present to make a full surrender of their lives to the principles of God's kingdom. A goodly number raised their hands to the invitation of the speaker to be remembered in special prayer. The meeting was further highlighted by special music.

We were glad to find that many of our audience came in response to the letters sent them by the Voice of Prophecy and the 20th Century Bible correspondence schools. Quite a few were readers of the *Signs* also. We trust that this was a means whereby many become favorable to the Adventist message and that some day they will be numbered among the remnant church.

E. T. GACKENHEIMER

Kansas Conference

B. Y. Baughman, Secretary

| Colporteur | Book | Hours | Orders | Deliv. |
|-------------------|------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| Agnew, H. W. | H&R | 6 | 10.50 | 10.50 |
| Amos, Jean | H&R | 26 | 16.50 | 16.50 |
| *Eager, K. | H&R | 71 | 95.25 | 95.25 |
| Griffith, B. | H&R | 4 | 10.75 | 4.50 |
| Hadel, Mrs. H. W. | H&R | 18 | 51.00 | 53.75 |
| Kelly, C. | H&R | 7 | 26.10 | 2.00 |
| Wendt, R. J. | H&R | 30 | 85.25 | 85.25 |
| Weller, Mrs. Judd | H&R | 2 | 4.50 | 3.50 |
| Gaede, Mrs. G. P. | Mag. | 9 | 14.50 | 14.50 |
| *Gleason, E. | Mag. | 4 | 8.25 | 9.25 |
| Harris, M. | Mag. | 3 | 7.75 | 7.75 |
| Wiseman, B. | Mag. | 2 | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| TOTALS | | 182 | 334.35 | 306.75 |

Nebraska Conference

J. N. Hunt, Secretary
Gerald Wilson, Assistant

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|-----------------|------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| Aitken, J. B. | H&R | 35 | 59.25 | 41.50 |
| *Coley, E. | H&R | 50 | 52.50 | 54.75 |
| Ernest, G. R. | H&R | 36 | 280.85 | 280.85 |
| Gustin, F. | H&R | 22 | 76.25 | 53.50 |
| Hunt, D. W. | H&R | 20 | 130.50 | 130.50 |
| Ingram, A. | H&R | 22 | 149.75 | 67.25 |
| Johnson, V. | H&R | 47 | 233.00 | 170.00 |
| Meese, Mrs. G. | H&R | 27 | 107.00 | 69.50 |
| *Mead, C. | H&R | 53 | 100.50 | 100.50 |
| Nelsen, R. | H&R | 35 | 80.75 | 80.75 |
| Riedel, Wm. | H&R | 40 | 51.00 | 51.00 |
| Schultz, E. | H&R | 29 | 233.00 | 233.00 |
| Springsteen, J. | H&R | 18 | 62.75 | 49.50 |
| Erickson, E. | H&R | 15 | 59.35 | 31.85 |
| Ogden, E. | Mag. | 20 | 28.75 | 28.75 |
| *Puels, E. | Mag. | 18 | 38.85 | 37.85 |
| 2 Mag. Colps. | | | 88 | 66.60 |
| TOTALS | | 487 | 1745.30 | 1481.05 |

Colorado Conference

J. B. Bogle, Secretary

| Colporteur | Book | Hours | Orders | Deliv. |
|-----------------|------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cleveland, Mrs. | H&R | 8 | 122.25 | 75.25 |
| Gibson, J. M. | H&R | 39 | 64.50 | 43.00 |
| Hopping, Lucile | H&R | 31 | 65.75 | 50.00 |
| Nelson, E. E. | H&R | 40 | 79.75 | 62.75 |
| Storey, Mrs. B. | H&R | 24 | 53.25 | 53.25 |
| Curtis, Paul | H&R | 66 | 46.50 | 46.50 |
| Goodman, March | H&R | 21 | 5.00 | 6.50 |
| Jones, Neil | H&R | 2 | | 34.50 |
| Aux. Wkrs. | Mag. | | 31.25 | 31.25 |
| TOTALS | | 231 | 468.25 | 403.00 |

Wyoming Conference

Morten Juberg, Secretary

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| Kenneth Wenberg, Assistant | | | | |
| Dobson, Mrs. S. | H&R | 74 | 369.00 | 140.00 |
| Sackett, Zella | H&R | 82 | 43.25 | 72.00 |
| TOTALS | | 156 | 412.25 | 212.00 |

Missouri Conference

Carl B. Watts, Secretary

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|---------------|------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| Dion, Alice | H&R | 33 | 92.50 | 97.25 |
| *Slater, Mrs. | H&R | 157 | 152.50 | 143.50 |
| White, Robt. | H&R | 40 | 101.00 | 141.30 |
| Darrough, L. | R | | | 7.50 |
| Foskett, Roy | Mag. | 41 | 165.25 | 165.25 |
| TOTALS | | 271 | 511.25 | 544.80 |

UNION TOTALS 1327 3471.40 2957.60

Average Deliveries per hour 2.22

* Accumulative

News Items

(Continued)

● Elder Glenn Millard, who is retiring, will be moving from his present appointment in Davenport, Iowa, to a location near Bourbon, Missouri, about June 15. His daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Levisen, live in Rolla, Missouri, and are members of the church there.

● Elder and Mrs. W. A. Dessain, and their son Warren, returned from Sunnydale Academy, where Elder Dessain gave the Baccalaureate sermon on Sabbath, May 24. Elder Glenmore Carter was the commencement speaker on Sunday morning, and Elder C. L. Powers gave the consecration sermon Friday evening.

BUSINESS NOTICES

WANTED—An S.D.A. housekeeper-companion, unincumbered. Age 45-60. To live in home. One in household. Half mile from Campion Academy. Permanent situation for right person. Wanted by June 15. Rt. 2, Box 217, Loveland, Colo. Phone 088T2. 20-4

NEEDED—Consecrated, missionary-minded graduate nurses in self-supporting hospital. Wages good. Living conditions pleasant. Tempe Clinic-Hospital, 25 W. 8th St., Tempe, Arizona

CALLING—ALL ADVENTISTS! When traveling thru Springfield, Mo., you are invited to stop at the TRAIL'S END MOTOR COURT located just west of the junction of US Highways 66 and 65 on 66 by-pass. Owned by an Adventist and is one of the best motels to be found. Rates to Adventists. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Curtiss, 1534 E. Karney, Springfield, Mo. 19-4

FURNITURE MOVING—S.D.A.'s—conference workers, students, graduates, teachers, and others. Our sixth year. Discount on long distance jobs. Daniel Gerst. 3927 So. 47th, Lincoln 6, Nebr. Phone 4-3893 23-1

COMBINING—Wish to contact at once farmers in Kan. and Nebr. who wish combining done. Please state acreage and probable date of harvest. Write Willard Peterson, 4425 Calvert, Lincoln 6, Nebr. Phone 4-6276 23-1

FOR SALE OR RENT—320 acres of improved land in Wallace County. S.D.A. preferred. Contact A. L. Brady, Carneiro, Kan. Phone Ellsworth 755W2 23-1

FOR SALE—New 2 bedroom, modern home. Close to college, grade school, academy. 2200 sq. ft. building in rear with bath and 2 extra rooms suitable for rental or guest house. Suitable for cabinet shop, plumbing, electrical, machine shop, or other home business. Furnished \$11,950. \$6,000 down. J. R. Kilburn, 4932 Rose Ave., Arlington, Calif. 23-1

WANTED—S.D.A. man with family to work on farm year around. Good wages, plus house, cow and chickens furnished, garden space. Church and church school short distance from dwelling. R. E. Ferrin, Rt. 1, Ethel, Mo. 23-2

WANTED—married SDA radio sales and service man, willing to go into television soon. Should have own radio repair equipment. Opportunity to learn sewing machine sales and service, bicycle repair, locksmithing, and lawnmower sharpening service. Adventist employer. Good wages. Church and church school. Possibility of eventually buying into this 12 year established business. References exchanged. State qualifications. Write immediately to Curtiss Anderson, Fix-It-Shop, Thief River Falls, Minn. 21-2

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Conference Association

Layman-Church Officer- Minister Evangelistic Crusade

Another active evangelistic group is located in the Hutchinson district. Following the evangelistic meeting by Elder Kearbey, the laymen were inspired to go out and win more souls. Elder Hoffman in his organization planned that the laymen should purchase projectors and film strips. The members of the Hutchinson church secured 16 projectors, and you can see by the happy expressions they are interested in doing their part in the laymen-pastor evangelism. We are looking forward to good reports and a great deal of activity from this group.

Another phase of their church evangelism is to foster Pathfinder clubs with the children. We have pictured the Master Guides with the boys and girls of the church in their uniforms. These are the ones who were invested recently under the direction of the Hutchinson teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Perrin. Plans are that they will carry this aggressive program on through the summer.

We are happy for the hearty response of our laymen to a soul-winning program. Besides their soul-winning work, the Hutchinson church is in the process of building a new house of worship. The lots have

been purchased, the plans have been approved, and they will start construction immediately. We are praying that many more souls will be won to this message through the active ministrations of this church.

DON R. REES

"Signs" Impacts

Recently two good *Signs* experiences have come to us. A few weeks ago it was the pleasure of Elder H. K. Christman and myself to show the *Signs of the Times* picture, *Winning Men for God*, in Liberal, Kansas. A lady and her husband, not members of this church, saw the picture. They wrote to the Pacific Press Publishing Association asking to be enrolled in the senior Bible correspondence course. They became interested in it as a result of the motion picture shown in the church.

The second experience comes to us from Leavenworth, Kansas. This individual has been receiving *Signs* sent to him by Earl Clark of Sedgwick, Kansas. This man attended a field day at Clark's farm and became impressed with Brother Clark's earnestness. As a result of their conversation the *Signs* was sent to this individual. Today he is ordering the *Signs* on his own; and not only that, but he has arranged to send the *Signs* to a contracting partner of his. Brother B. Y. Baughman contacted this man a few days ago and states that he is showing great readiness to accept the truth. He states the only difference now is the Sabbath.

We are rapidly coming close to the end of this year's *Signs* campaign. Gather in your names. More *Signs* win more souls.

E. E. HAGEN

Church Building Evangelism

The members of the Oberlin church had been actively engaged in giving Bible studies to their friends and neighbors for some time. Because of the interest that had been created, we decided to hold a series of Sunday night meetings in the church.

However, on reviewing the condition of the church building, we became aware that it was not a place where we could expect non-Adventists to attend. So an improvement program was begun. A new ceiling of Celotex tile was installed, and sheetrock was applied to the walls and plastered. It was found that the electrical wiring was not safe, so it was replaced. The shingles were in bad condition, so the roof was resingled. After having the floor sanded, the foundation stuccoed, and new double doors installed outside and inside, we felt the program was nearing completion. One other item—and one of great importance: a new pulpit was installed.

The total value of the improvements was about \$1500, and the project was finished in four weeks. The members joined heartily in the work, giving generously of their time and means. Many favorable comments have come from those attending the evangelistic meetings, and we are looking forward to a good harvest of souls. Church building evangelism is worthwhile.

W. J. CHRISTENSEN

