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And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them,

"Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:8-11.

"I Can Never Be The Same Again"

During the recent General Conference, at San Francisco, I sat beside a local conference president as one of our divisions gave their report. The program was beautifully presented. There was a lot of fine music, color and drama, and the natives marched in with their native dress. Their speeches and happy expression of their faces revealed that God had done great things for them. As they made their appeal for help to carry the good news of Christ to the millions in darkness in their homeland, our hearts were strangely moved, and our voices choked. This president sitting beside me said something that is still ringing in my ears—"I can never be the same after listening to this program tonight." And by that saying he expressed the feelings of all of us who were sitting in the meeting that night.

Those meetings really did something to our hearts and souls. We were not only stirred to rejoicing in hearing what God and His church are accomplishing in faraway lands, but stirred to holy emotion, and holy excitement, and holy action. It is unthinkable that the 25,000 church members, who sat in the meetings for those many days listening to the advancement of God's program of the soul-stirring Macedonian call from the many lands, would not go home and lay greater plans for God, and bring larger sacrifices in the coming years than we have done in the past.

Heart-breaking stories came in from large continents which tell how the doors open for so many years to our missionaries are now closing. But we especially rejoiced to hear reports that other continents are opening doors and their millions begging for light. We were impressed with the fact that this is no time to weep over the losses in our territory, and mission opportunities, but it is a time to break through into lands with larger forces than ever in the history of the remnant church. The responses given

to the calls of God presented to us by our world leaders were wonderfully refreshing. The spirit that gripped every soul was the spirit of advancement for new explorations and greater conquests for Christ and His kingdom. Together we pledged greater loyalty to the call of the church for greater work and sacrifices so that His work might be finished in our day.

We were impressed with the fact that two strong organizations of our church today in every land for raising greater funds for God's work are the Sabbath school and our Ingathering program. About 90 per cent, we were told, of all of our mission funds raised in the homeland for world missions comes through the Sabbath school and the Ingathering drives. Therefore, newer and higher goals were set for the Sabbath school and the Ingathering. It is through the Sabbath school giving week by week that our church members bring in their millions, and it is through the Ingathering crusade that the public is given an opportunity to contribute to the work of our church. Both are divine agencies in the hands of God for the speedy finishing of this work.

Over a million dollars was raised in the Ingathering drive in 1954 through the caroling program. As you read these lines you may be aware that the caroling program has already begun. The average church member has discovered that this is the easiest method of raising funds. The public responds well to this sort of appeal and seems to enjoy our caroling. This phase of our work can be greatly strengthened.

We need 100-per cent participation on the part of our members in this crusade to make it a success. Some of our members are carrying heavy loads and doing more than their share, and some are even impairing their health because they are eager to see the work finished. Others are sitting idly by and watching the procession go by without joining this important program. May we call on those who do not participate in this program to give of their own funds, thus share in carrying the load, and in the end all rejoice together as the work of God advances. Since we have the courage to approach those not of our faith to give to our world missions, why should not we also feel free to ask our church members to do their part toward reaching these high goals.

As our Ingathering forces are moving out, let us join in united prayer that



Pictured is the mail for one day leaving the Pacific Press.

Publications Multiplied

Many years ago Ellen G. White said, "Publications must be multiplied, and scattered like the leaves of autumn. These silent messengers are enlightening and moulding the minds of thousands in every country and in every clime." *Review and Herald*, Nov. 21, 1878.

The multiplying of our truth-filled literature was forcibly proven recently as we walked through the periodical mailing room at the Pacific Press. There were stacks of United States mail bags ready for shipping. It was only a one day's mailing of *Signs of the Times*, *Present Truth*, *Our Little Friend*, and *Sabbath School Quarterlies*.

The accompanying picture will help you to understand the thrill we had as we were told that stacked here were nine tons (250,000 pieces) of message-filled literature being mailed to the world field. It was the outgoing mail for Monday, November 1, and had required the labor of 20 persons for ten hours to pack-age and wrap for shipment.

What a contrast to the mailing of the first edition of the *Signs of the Times*, which was carried to the post office in one wheelbarrow. Surely it is a fulfill-

God may abundantly bless the work this year. Let us make the 1955 drive the most successful Ingathering crusade in all of our experience. Yes, taking part in the work of God does something for us, individually as well as the church as a whole. We expect each church to reach its goal; each conference to go over the top; and we hope we can take care of this work quickly so that all these forces can go out into the field of our great soul-winning program of our ministers and consecrated God-fearing laymen.

"If God be for us, who can be against us?"

D. E. REINER

ment of divine predictions. Especially when we know that on that same day other publishing houses were doing a similar work. And this in addition to the thousands of books going out. The multiplying of our literature work is an evidence that God is moving to make a quick work in the earth.

"Our literature is to be distributed everywhere. The truth is to be sown beside all waters; for we know not which will prosper, this, or that. We know not what may be the results of giving away a leaflet containing present truth." *Colporteur Ministry*, pp. 4, 5.

Let us scatter our literature as never before!

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"Harvest Time"

IN HONGKONG

by E. L. LONGWAY

A hundred mile an hour gale of wind, with rain falling in torrents, could not hinder 76 out of the 77 candidates who had prepared for baptism at the joint baptismal service in the Boundary Road church, Kowloon, Hongkong, on November 6, 1954. These weather conditions did delay the opening of the meeting that afternoon, but before Pastor W. L. Pascoe, the treasurer of the Far Eastern Division, had finished his sermon, four of the five candidates who had been unable to reach the church because of the storm, arrived at the church and joined in the ceremony.

This baptism rates special attention for a number of reasons. It is the largest baptism ever held in the Hongkong area, and also the largest anywhere in the whole of China since before the war with Japan, which began in 1937. It is remarkable also because those baptized were almost exactly evenly divided as to sex. Another feature is the great majority of youth in the group. The youngest was a little girl of 11, and the oldest a lady of about 70, with bound feet.

Fully 75% of this group have been students of the Voice of Prophecy Bible School in Hongkong. All of them have

been through the series of evangelistic efforts that were conducted in the Hongkong and Kowloon churches during the last summer, and have had from two to four months of Bible studies in their homes. All of them have been keeping the Sabbath and paying tithe for some time.

To this time 157 have been baptized in the Hongkong-Macao Mission since the first of the year, and candidates now preparing for the baptism scheduled for Christmas day will bring the total for the year well over 200, the largest number for any year in the history of the work in that mission.

I've just glanced at the statistical report for the Taiwan Mission, covering the first three quarters of this year. One hundred sixty-five baptized thus far this year! For this little union we will likely have over 400 baptisms this year. And these dear people are but the first fruits of the great harvest waiting to be gathered home. The new Taiwan Sanitarium-Hospital will help to establish our work on a firmer basis. We need your best gifts this Christmas time, and know that we can depend on you. Thank you!

Help for Our Men in Uniform

Forward steps in binding our young men in uniform closer to their home churches were taken at the recent Fall Council. Two of the important actions were as follows:

ELECTION OF SERVICEMEN'S SECRETARIES IN CHURCHES IN NORTH AMERICA

WHEREAS, It is most important that there be a closer and more regular contact between our young men who are called into military service and their home churches,

We recommend, That a servicemen's secretary be elected in all local churches in the North American Division.

DUTIES OF CHURCH SERVICEMEN'S SECRETARY

We recommend, That the duties of the church servicemen's secretary shall be as follows:

1. To keep an active list of the names of all selective service registrants from the local church and ascertain their date of induction.
2. To keep a personal record file of each draftee which shall contain information concerning parents' names and addresses, the draftee's church membership record, service address, etc.
3. To keep the local conference War Service Commission Secretary informed as to each draftee's induction, new service address, discharge, or other vital information, in order that proper follow-up work may be carried on by the local, union and General Conference.
4. To see that a supply of War Service leaflets, servicemen's kits, etc., are kept on hand at the church.
5. To arrange with the pastor and the MV leader of the local church for a servicemen's kit presentation service prior to the date of the draftee's induction.
6. To organize letter writing among church members to servicemen and see that the local church bulletin, union paper, and other periodicals of interest are sent to men in the service.
7. To see that a welcome is afforded returning servicemen.
8. To make arrangements for the entertainment of visiting servicemen in the homes of church members.
9. To keep the church servicemen's honor roll up to date.
10. To send to the local conference War Service Commission Secretary the names of all eligible young men who should take Medical Cadet Corps Training.

We hope that every church in the North American Division will elect a



These individuals were baptized in Hongkong, on November 6, 1954.

servicemen's secretary for 1955, and that this secretary will begin work at once by sending to the conference office a list of the names and addresses of those young men who are now in uniform. As soon as the conference War Service Commission Secretaries send these names and addresses to the General Conference War Service Commission we will place the men thus named on the mailing list for the *Review and Herald*, *Youth's Instructor*, and the servicemen's *News Letter*. Let's get into action for our boys!

G. W. CHAMBERS

Voice of Prophecy Changes

Those in and near Garden City, Kansas, doubtless have discovered that radio station KIUL, in Garden City, does not now carry the Voice of Prophecy broadcast.

We wish to notify all our listeners there that Garden City and vicinity is nevertheless well covered by Station KXXX, Colby, Kansas.

Station KIUL dropped its Mutual Net-

work affiliation July 31, 1954, thus automatically eliminating the Voice of Prophecy broadcast from its Sunday schedule. We were sorry to lose KIUL; however, KXXX covers the same area on 790 kc. at 8:30 a.m., one hour earlier than Garden City formerly carried it.

A new supply of radio logs will be coming off our Voice of Prophecy presses in a few days. Much good could be accomplished in the Garden City area by home to home distribution of these logs, and by telephone messages, to make known the time of the broadcast and kilocycles of Station KXXX.

Address your request for radio logs to the writer at Box 1511, Glendale 5, Calif. The Voice of Prophecy thanks you in advance for your good help in this way.

D. V. POND

Voice of Prophecy Radio Log

COLORADO			
Alamosa	KGIW	1450	8:30 a.m.
Denver	KIMN	950	9:30 a.m.
Glenwood Springs			
(Sat.)	KGLN	1340	9:30 a.m.
Grd. Junction	KFXJ	920	10:30 a.m.
La Junta	KBNZ	1400	8:30 a.m.
Pueblo	KCSJ	590	9:30 a.m.

KANSAS			
Coffeyville	KGGF	690	9:30 p.m.
Colby	KXXX	790	8:30 a.m.
Emporia	KTSW	1400	10:30 a.m.
Topeka	KTOP	1490	9:30 a.m.
Wichita	KFBI	1070	10:00 a.m.

MISSOURI			
Columbia	KFRU	1400	10:00 a.m.
Hannibal			
Quincy	KHMO	1070	9:30 a.m.
Jefferson City	KWOS	1240	9:30 a.m.
Joplin	WMBH	1450	9:30 a.m.
Kansas City	KCMO	810	9:30 a.m.
Mexico	KXEO	1340	9:30 a.m.
St. Joseph	KFEQ	680	9:30 a.m.
St. Louis	KXOK	630	10:00 a.m.
Sedalia	KDRO	1490	9:30 a.m.
Springfield	KWTO	560	10:00 a.m.

NEBRASKA			
Hastings	KHAS	1230	9:30 a.m.
Kearney	KGFV	1340	9:30 a.m.
Lincoln	KOLN	1400	9:30 a.m.
McCook	KBRN	1450	9:30 a.m.
North Platte	KNBR	970	10:15 a.m.
Omaha	KBON	1490	9:30 a.m.
Omaha	KOIL	1290	10:00 a.m.
Scottsbluff	KNEB	960	10:00 a.m.
Sidney	KSID	1340	9:30 p.m.

WYOMING			
Casper	KVOC	1230	9:00 a.m.
Cheyenne	KFBC	1240	10:30 a.m.
Cody	KODI	1400	9:30 a.m.
Lander	KOVE	1330	8:30 a.m.
Newcastle	KASL	1240	10:30 a.m.
Powell	KPOW	1260	8:30 a.m.
Rawlins	KRAL	1240	10:30 a.m.
Riverton	KWRL	1450	9:30 p.m.
Rock Spr.	KVRS	1360	8:30 a.m.
Sheridan	KWYO	1410	8:30 a.m.



LoVon and DeVon Loevell

A Gift That Wins Souls

The brother and sister in the accompanying picture are members of the church largely as a result of the influence of *These Times*. They were baptized this spring and are hoping their mother will soon be with them in the faith. Let us join them in praying for her.

A gift subscription to *These Times* could be the means of winning those loved ones and friends for whom you are burdened. While the low gift rate of only \$1.00 a year is available, secure an order form from your church missionary secretary and turn in your gift list. Upon request, which should be indicated when your list is sent in, an attractive Christmas gift notice will be sent to convey the season's greetings to all who are to receive *These Times* gift subscriptions.

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Times may mean someone will accept the gift of salvation and life eternal. Give *These Times* subscriptions this Christmas, a gift that wins souls.

I. H. IHRIG
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A Boon to Every Alert Adventist

That Volume IV of *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* has just been released by the publishers will be hailed as good news by a large number of our laymen, as well as by all workers. It is now available. The production of this four-volume set constitutes the most extensive research project in our denominational history. It required twenty years to complete it, and necessitated three extensive trips to Europe to compass the Old World archives and great book collections, as well as combing all the leading libraries of North America. Even Mexico and South America yielded their quota.

Many thousands of dollars were invested by the General Conference in securing the seven or eight thousand "source" documents — originals, photostats, and microfilm copies — which constitute the matchless Advent Source Collection. These are the priceless documents upon which the *Prophetic Faith* set is based. And many additional thousands of dollars were added by the publishers, and the General Conference, in order to bring this great project to completion. But the results to date have already fully justified the investment.

These volumes correct popular misconceptions concerning Adventism. They lift our whole movement — and its fundamental teachings on the second advent, eschatology, the prophecies, the Sabbath and Sanctuary truths, and the Spirit of prophecy — to a new level, and establish their historic soundness and certainty as never before. They remove us from the category of the cults, and establish us as the continuators and champions of the soundest and most orthodox interpretations of the Early Church and Protestant Reformation expositors. They show that we are their spiritual descendants, and constitute the present-day heralds of the truths they once held.

They provide the appealing approach to each leading religious group — Protestant, Catholic, and Jew — for all major contributions in our interpretation were anticipated and introduced by former leaders in these categories.

They provide a particularly favorable approach to all Protestant bodies, for each major group—Lutheran, Reformed, Anglican, Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, Methodist, Christian, Disciple—once held what we now hold on many vital interpretations. We are thus able to emphasize points of agreement with their spiritual forefathers, before noting present-day differences caused by modern departures.

They are already in the hands of hundreds of key non-Adventist religious and educational leaders, both in the Old World and in the New, and are now in over 1,000 of the leading university, seminary, college, public, and special private libraries of North America, Great Britain, Europe, and other lands.

They are impressively illustrated with facsimile reproductions of title pages and key extracts from these older expositors, with original portraits of famous interpreters, scenes of historic episodes and dramatic movements specifically painted for this set. They are also an ornament to any library, as they are attractively bound in green Fabrikoid. Every progressive Adventist needs them.

Putting Christ in Christmas

All too often Christ is left out of Christmas. Although Christmas is supposed to be observed in commemoration of the birth of Christ, and the day is ostensibly dedicated to Christ, yet on that day many entirely forget Him, and others pay little more than brief and shallow lip service.

With many, everybody is remembered except Christ—grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, son, daughter, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, cousin, friend, are on our Christmas lists for greeting cards and presents. If Christ has been left off your list there is still time to put Him on.

As the Christmas season approaches, millions of dollars will be spent on Christmas presents for friends and relatives in a sort of mutual exchange. It may be well for us to remember our friends in moderation, provided we do not forget our best Friend, and Elder Brother.

As Christmas day falls again upon the Sabbath, let us make it a very special day. Surely if any people should place Christ in Christmas this year it should be Seventh-day Adventists. The messenger of the Lord has admonished us to "celebrate Christmas by remembering God." And further, we are counseled to devise "ways and means to show true respect to

Jesus by bringing to Him gifts and offerings. Let every one remember the claims of God."—*Review and Herald*, Dec. 9, 1884.

On November 4 the General Conference committee took action to make this coming thirteenth Sabbath, which falls on Christmas day, a very special day in all our Sabbath schools for the raising of a very generous offering for missions. Shall we not take as our Christmas motto this year, LESS FOR SELF AND FRIENDS, AND MORE FOR CHRIST AND MISSIONS. This will be one of the most effective ways of putting Christ in Christmas.

L. L. MOFFITT

General Conference Sabbath
School Secretary



Thirteen Seniors Elected To Who's Who

Thirteen seniors at Union College have been elected to be honored in *Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges* for 1955.

These students, from the Lincoln campus and the School of Nursing campus at Denver, were chosen by students and faculty on the basis of character, leadership, scholarship, and potential usefulness to business and society.

The 13 students are Ray Bailey, Kansas City, Missouri; William Bassham, Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Doris Dygert-Bietz, Cleveland, North Dakota; Sylvester Bietz, Cleveland, North Dakota; Don Dick, Lincoln, Nebraska; Elaine Evankenko, Butte, North Dakota; Don Gilbert, Hutchinson, Minnesota; Martha Rose Gist, El Paso, Texas; Alberta Greene, Diagonal, Iowa; Vincent Mitselfelt, Madison, Tennessee; Virginia Randall, Ottumwa, Iowa; Althea Rae, Hopkins, Minnesota; and Joyce Zummach, Hutchinson, Minnesota.

News Notes

◆ Students and faculty at Union College have been planning for the Week of Sacrifice, December 5 to 12, at Union College.

Elder A. V. Wallenkampf is in charge of the week's activities, and a special offering was taken on Friday night, December 10. The amount received will be announced later.

◆ The women's dormitory club, Kappa Theta, and the Women's village club, Alpha Rho Gamma, entertained the men of South Hall and the village at a banquet the night of December 13.

◆ Mr. J. A. Mayer, manager of Union's Capital City Bookbindery, recently attended a regional convention of the Library Binders Institute at Chicago. The convention members discussed future prospects of business in the industry, improvements in plants, and certification of binderies. The Library Binders Institute works in conjunction with the American Library Association.

◆ The night of December 14, Union College students and staff members participated in an Omaha Ingathering drive. The amount ingathered will be announced at a later date.

◆ President Harvey C. Hartman is on an extended trip for the college during which he will visit academies in the Northern Union, Walla Walla College, Pacific Union College, La Sierra College, and Southwestern Junior College.

◆ Elder A. V. Wallenkampf presented "The Key to Victory" to nursing students and staff at Porter Sanitarium, Denver, Colorado, from November 12 to 20. Elder Wallenkampf is head of the department of religion at Union College.

The nurses' special Week of Prayer was attended and participated in by nurses, students, staff, and Denver youth. Song services were led by Althea Rea, of Hopkins, Minnesota, who was assisted by Elsie Schlup, of Lincoln, Nebraska, at the organ, and Lorraine Kostenko, of Butte, North Dakota, at the piano.

◆ Recently the courtesy committee announced plans for a spring coronation of the King and Queen of Courtesy. This event will take place some time in May when the royal pair will be recognized at a formal ceremony.

The candidates for this affair will be chosen each month by a group of five scouts who work secretly. These scouts will be a different group each month. They will select ten names, and out of the ten names two people will be voted in as candidates for the month. The final vote in the spring will be decided by the student body.

The two candidates for the month of November are Neva Seamans, Enterprise, Kansas, and William Bassham, Denver, Colorado.

"The Lord will withdraw His blessing where selfish interests are indulged in any phase of His work; but He will put His people in possession of good throughout the whole world, if they will use it for the uplifting of humanity."—Testimonies, vol. 7, p. 146.

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This quarter the thirteenth Sabbath falls on Christmas Day. What an appropriate time for us all to bring Our Best Gift to Jesus. The spirit of sacrifice must ever be predominant in the lives of the people of the Advent Movement. We are told, "All who follow Christ will wear the crown of sacrifice."—"The Desire of Ages," p. 223.

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e small share in His generous provision for us.

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Caroling Underway

The 1954 caroling program is off to a big start. Many thousands of dollars have already been gathered in—thanks to our faithful Ingathering carolers. As I write this article the date is December 6, and we are just at the beginning of

our caroling program. Everywhere the response has been equal to last year or better. In some locations we have had a little trouble getting permits, but we are confident that everything will work out all right before our caroling season is completed.

Following the church officers' meeting at Ness City this past week end the office personnel were helpful in getting Elder H. L. Hampton's caroling program under way. The accompanying picture shows a group of Elder Hampton's carolers as they stand by their car. The whole caroling group are shown with their smiles of victory after they counted their money in the Great Bend church.

Wichita in their first eight nights of caroling have more than \$2,000 cash. Brother LaVern Opp is leading them to victory.

Elder E. H. Meyers of Kansas City reports that their church is rapidly approaching the \$1,000 mark.

Elder Byron Blecha called and stated that caroling is going better than ever.

I talked with Brother J. R. McWilliam Sunday, December 5, and learned that they had finished caroling in Arkansas City. They have something over \$466 caroling.

All districts are meeting with success and we are thankful to the Lord for His blessing upon our work.

We have a task to do, we must do it now. Thanks for your help.

E. E. HAGEN

Closing the Year

Once again we have come to the time when we stop to give thanks to God for His ever care and love for us during the past year. The Lord has greatly blessed our work here in the KANSAS CONFERENCE. It has been a good year in soul winning and our people have supported the cause very liberally.

We wish at this time to encourage each one to check up on their unpaid pledges, tithe, and offerings. It will be good to close the year with all obligations paid in full.

Wishing each of you the season's best wishes.

H. L. HAAS



Senior Class Organizes

On Sunday, November 14, 24 students of Enterprise Academy received letters from the graduation committee which said in part: "The graduation committee of Enterprise Academy takes pleasure in welcoming you into the Senior class of 1955. We recognize this as no small achievement and want to extend our congratulations to you on your attainment." Enclosed in each envelope was also a slip of paper on which the time and place of meeting for their organi-

zation was to take place. After meeting in the Bible room the group went to the city park where the business of organization was completed. Officers chosen were: Marlyn Cline, *president*; Barbara Krajefski, *vice-president*; Shirley White, *secretary*; Larry Secrist, *treasurer*; Harold Hampton, *class pastor* and Jim Moore, *sargeant-at-arms*.

Other members of the class are: Richard Avery, Daryl Brown, Phyllis Bullard, Gloria Clegg, Joan Dirksen, Arlene Gardner, Don Hornbeck, Marilyn Howald, Rosemarie Kraus, Anita Mittman, Phyllis Roberts, Alex Schnell, Opal Schnell, Gary Shane, Deronda Simpson, Marylou Synder, Mary Waldron and Christine Walker.

WYOMING

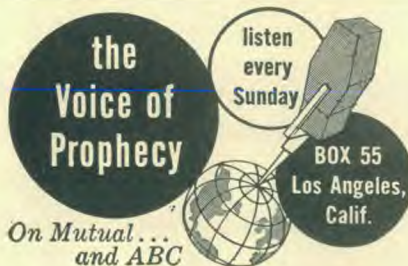
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You Can Help Win Souls by Giving

To the close of November 149 people have united with our churches in Wyoming either by baptism or profession of faith. By the end of December there will be a number more baptized. This will be the best year in Wyoming's history for the number of new members uniting with our churches.

The work of evangelism is made possible through the united efforts of the ministers and the church members. The ministers preach the messages from night to night. The church members support the meetings with their attendance and by bringing others.



Voice of Prophecy Sermons

December 19: Seven Glories of the Holy City

December 26: Seven Witnesses of the Holy Child

Attention!!

All Church, Sabbath School, and MV Officers

If you have been chosen to serve in any of the above offices for 1955 it is important that you attend the officers meeting held in your district. These meetings will be of special interest and will be most helpful to you in your church work.

Please plan to attend the officers meeting in your district. Each meeting will be on Sabbath and divided into two sessions 9:30-12:00 a.m. 2:30-5:00 p.m.

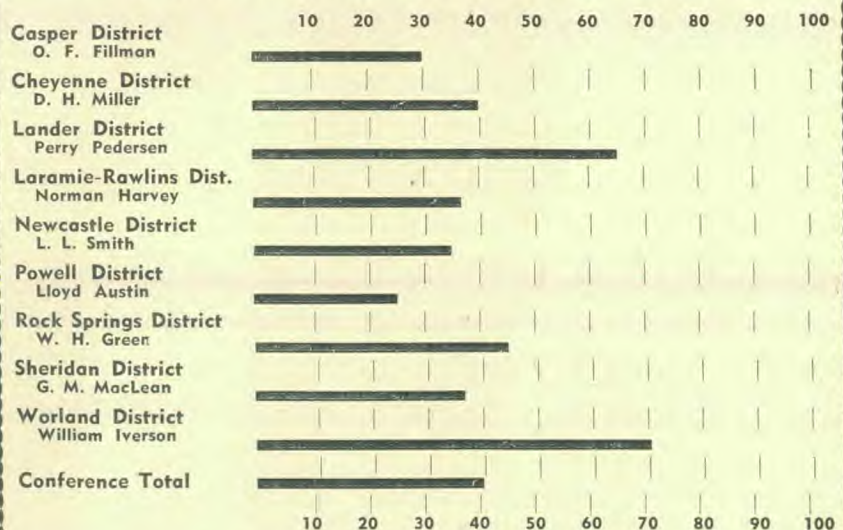
Place	Time	Churches
Rawlins	December 18	Rawlins, Laramie, Encampment, Dixon, Rock Springs
Casper	December 25	Casper, Douglas
Lander	January 1	Lander, Pavillion
Newcastle	January 8	Newcastle, Upton

There is still another way in which we support the program of evangelism. There is a certain amount of expense involved in a soul-winning program. There is hall rent, literature expense, advertising and many other things necessary in connection with soulwinning. Occasionally the Sabbath morning offering is designated for evangelism. It is these offerings that help keep the program of soul winning going. Our next regular offering for this purpose will be taken Sabbath, December 25. We trust that you will support this offering well.

Our ministers will be meeting January 2-4 at which time they will outline their plans for the coming year. There will be requests coming for evangelistic budgets. Won't you set aside a special Christmas gift offering for conference evangelism, Sabbath, December 25. We want to have the necessary funds to give our district leaders the financial help they will need to carry on their evangelistic work for the coming year.

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Report No. 2

Week Ending December 11

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Why don't you give yourself a Christmas gift this year. More than that give yourself a gift that will last all year. Yes, more than that, give yourself a gift that will be new every week. In fact this is a family gift that every member will enjoy. What could this be? The *Review and Herald*, of course.

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In addition to these many things there will be questions and answers about difficult Bible texts. The *Review* will also contain the Sabbath school helps which are so necessary for a proper study of the weeks' lessons.

I hope that every family in this conference will present themselves with this wonderful, weekly gift. To maintain spiritual strength, to keep informed about the advance of God's work, to keep aware of the times in which we live, the *Review* is a "must" in every home.

If you haven't already subscribed or renewed your subscription, please put aside \$4.40 right now and put it in an envelope with your name and address and hand it to the church home missionary secretary this Sabbath.

J. L. DITTBERNER

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"The canvassing work properly conducted is missionary work of the highest order." *Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 103.

"This is the very work God would have His people do at this time." *Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 5.

In order that you might be prepared for evangelistic canvassing, a six-day colporteur institute is being held in Boulder, Colorado, from December 28 to January 1. For information write J. T. Welch, Publishing Secretary, Nebraska Conference, Box 26, C. V. Station, Lincoln 6, Nebraska.

Lincoln City Church Will Present Christmas Contata

The Lincoln City church senior and junior choirs will present Joseph Clokey's and Hazel Kirk's famous Christmas Contata, "Childe Jesus," at the Lincoln City church on Friday evening, December 17, at 8:00 o'clock, and again at the Omaha church on Sabbath afternoon, December 18, at 3:30 o'clock. Also featured will be an instrumental ensemble.



The senior choir and instrumental ensemble of the Lincoln City church.



Junior choir of the Lincoln City church.

All living in and near the Lincoln and Omaha areas are cordially invited to attend this special program.

W. K. CHAPMAN, Pastor



PLATTE VALLEY ACADEMY
SHELTON, NEBRASKA
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P.V.A. Will Present Seasonal Program

The students and faculty of Platte Valley Academy wish to send the season's greetings and best wishes to all patrons of the school. We pray for each of you the richest of the Master's blessings throughout the coming new year. May you prosper and have good success as you continue to sacrifice in order that your children may receive a Christian education.

God's messenger has told us in *Messages to Young People*, p. 392, that the



Orchestra of Platte Valley Academy



Platte Valley Academy Keynotes

holidays should not be passed by unnoticed. Although we are not in harmony with the worldly revelry that occurs during the holiday season, we do believe that on these occasions something special should be provided for the youth.

Sister White has said, "On Christmas, so soon to come, let not the parents take the position that an evergreen placed in the church for the amusement of the Sabbath school scholars is a sin, for it may be made a great blessing." *Review & Herald*, December 8, 1884.

On Tuesday evening, December 21, at 7:30 p.m. a Christmas program will be presented in the academy auditorium. The sponsors of this program will be the three teachers of the music department, Miss Frances Chamberlain, Miss Merlene Ogden, and Mrs. Robert Gunst.

The Keynotes, under the direction of Miss Chamberlain, will present several vocal numbers on the Christmas and winter theme. Miss Merlene Ogden will direct the band in the rendition of several seasonal numbers. Instrumental specials will be given by the brass trio and the clarinet quintet. The piano students of Mrs. Gunst will also assist in promoting the spirit of the occasion.

At vespers Friday evening, December 17, prior to the program of Tuesday night, there will be several Christmas sacred numbers given by the academy choir.

We hope that many of the parents and friends will be able to be with us to enjoy both of these programs.

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Denver Central Sabbath School Home-coming And Investment

Sabbath, November 6, was a special day for the Denver Central church. Traditionally this church, once a year, has a special Sabbath school home-coming day, and they link with it and emphasize the Sabbath school Investment program. This was my first privilege to witness this yearly high light and I was thrilled with what I saw and heard.

Upon entrance into the church this Sabbath, everyone was met by very friendly receptionists, who pinned on each one a special "home-coming" ribbon. This ribbon had been especially printed with appropriate wording for this occasion.

One could sense the special atmosphere and inspiration everywhere. There was no doubt that this was a special day. Looking over the audience I could see many visitors who had responded to the special invitation for this "home-coming." It also seemed to me that everyone was wearing a special smile this day.

During the Sabbath school program the children's divisions were high lighted as a special feature. As each division took a small part in the program, it was always reported what the individual division had been or was doing towards the 1954 Sabbath school Investment. The report was wonderful. Cradle Roll No. 1 had raised \$226.00; Cradle Roll No. 2, \$108.66; Kindergarten \$350.00; Primary \$167.69; Junior \$300.00; Youth \$241.60. Already the Denver Central Sabbath school has approximately \$2,300.00 for 1954 Sabbath school Investment, with more to come. Certainly that is a wonderful total and the members of the Central Sabbath

Sunset Calendar

	Dec. 17	Dec. 24
Denver, Colorado	4:36	4:40
Grand Junction, Colo.	4:53	4:57
Topeka, Kansas	5:02	5:06
Kansas City, Missouri	4:57	5:01
St. Louis, Missouri	4:40	4:44
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:00	5:04
Casper, Wyoming	4:25	4:29

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school, Dr. Dahl, the general superintendent, his staff of officers and division leaders, are to be congratulated. As our largest Sabbath school in our conference, they are setting a good example.

Very fittingly, after the Sabbath school closed, the pastor, Elder F. W. Avery, continued on the same theme by stressing the importance of Bible study. He emphasized that one of the main objectives of the Sabbath school was to get its members to daily and habitually study their Bibles, and forcefully pointed out how necessary this was in view of the lateness of the hour and the seriousness of the times in which we live.

I feel sure that everyone who attended must have felt when they left the church, "it was good to be there today."

BEN J. LIEBELT

Wedding

Miss Margaret Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Clark of Denver, Colorado, became the bride of Mr. Jack Hill, son of Mrs. Alex Hill Johnson of Longmont, Colorado, at four o'clock Sunday afternoon, October 10, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Huffer of Englewood, Colorado, with Elder R. E. Kepkey officiating. A reception was held in the Huffer home after the wedding. The newlyweds are making their home at Longmont, Colorado. R. E. KEPKEY

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Greetings to the Members of The Missouri Conference

I take this opportunity of sending a word of greeting through the REAPER to the membership of the Missouri Conference. Mrs. Klement and I esteem it a privilege to work with you. As opportunity affords itself I hope to visit each church in the conference and in that way become better acquainted with you. At this season we have the privilege of engaging in the greatest single missionary endeavor of the year;—I refer to the INGATHERING. Let us all do our very best in this important missionary program. I want to thank you in advance for what you are doing and will be doing.

As the year 1954 will soon draw to a close may we each one make an examination of our own lives to be sure that we are right with the Lord in every particular. Truly we need to have the spirit of the Master in all that we do and say. The Lord is counting on each one of us to be faithful and we must not disappoint Him. May the Lord bless each member of our conference.

H. C. KLEMENT, *President*

Missouri Holds Annual Teachers' Institute

Monday morning, November 22, the teachers of the Missouri Conference met at the Pickwick Hotel in Kansas City for their annual teachers' institute. Elder H. R. Coats, our home missionary and Sabbath school secretary for the conference, addressed the teachers on their great responsibility as they teach the students who will form the church of tomorrow. Mrs. E. M. Cadwallader and Miss Iris Donaly, both of Union College, instructed the teachers in arts and crafts on Monday and Tuesday morning. Monday afternoon an industrial tour to the Ford Plant in Kansas City impressed upon the teachers the importance of showing boys and girls by actual field trips the many things that can be learned outside the classroom.

Tuesday morning Elder H. C. Klement, newly elected president of the Missouri Conference, was present at our devotional hour, and indicated by his friendly and understanding manner that he was indeed a man of experience in

school administration, and a friend to teachers and students.

On Tuesday evening a banquet was held in the cafeteria of the Kansas City Junior Academy, and was enjoyed by all the teachers and conference staff.

It is the aim of the conference educational department to so conduct these institutes, that teachers and students of the Missouri Conference may benefit in a marked degree, and that our educational system become better fitted to meet the standard set for us by our Heavenly Pattern—Jesus.

WINSTON R. DENNIS
Educational Superintendent

Holiday Discounts Available

Holiday discounts are now in effect at your book and Bible house. Include worth-while literature in your gift lists this year. It is especially important that children be provided with the right type of reading material. *The Bible Story* by A. S. Maxwell is now available in the first three volumes at \$2.97 per volume postpaid. *Golden Treasury of Bible Stories* by Arthur Spaulding, covering the entire Bible in one volume, will delight your children. The price is \$6.07 postpaid.

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Missouri teachers in attendance at the annual teacher's institute.