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Let Us Go Forward

JERE D. SMITH, *president, Central Union Conference*

Another year will soon be in the past, and all of us are looking forward to the new year 1955. Naturally, if we could recall the past year there would be many changes in the things that we would do. We, of course, recognize that it is impossible to call back the time that is past, and the only thing we can do is to look forward to the future with faith and courage and resolve in our hearts to correct any mistakes that have been made in the past and accomplish more in the future than we ever have before.

During the past year the work has gone along very nicely in the Central Union Conference. Up to the time of the last report, which was at the end of the third quarter, we found that we had added by baptism and profession of faith 1,147 people. This is a little less than we did during a comparable period last year. However, this was to be expected inasmuch as a large number of our best producers were out of the field for a month or so during the time of the General Conference session. We had made a nice gain in net membership in the union, but not so large a gain as we made a year ago.

Our tithe in the field has held up nicely during the past year, and up until the time of the last report we had a gain of \$33,201.00 over the corresponding period last year. Some of our fields have had rather difficult circumstances to cope with because of drouth and other unexpected problems. But on the whole the income of our people has been very good indeed.

We believe that 1955 holds wonderful things in store for us. All of our evangelists and district leaders, as well as departmental men and others connected with the work are looking forward to greater things than we have had at any time in the past and this, of course, is as it should be. We must always look to the future for progress. If we ever come to the place as a people that we begin to live in the past, we have outgrown our usefulness.

It is our sincere wish and prayer from the union office that all of our people will receive the richest blessings of the Lord during the coming year, that they may be blessed in health and along spiritual lines. If at any time we can be of any help or assistance to any of our believers, we are happy to be at their call.

Operation Survival Makes Front Page News

As the Old Year tottered out Adventists could look back on recent major news breaks that were far-reaching in their impact on the public.

The story of Operation Survival, a bivouac by Washington Missionary College students and faculty families, hit front pages with pictures from coast to coast. A scientific attempt to live for three days under "bombed out" conditions in a Maryland woods ceased to be an isolated experiment as millions read about it in their newspapers.

At one time seven writers and photographers were observing, interviewing, and taking pictures in the bleak woods. A Washington, D.C., reporter camped out with the group, sleeping at night by an icy stream.

Civil defense officials, who visited the bivouac at the invitation of the church's public relations office, were loud in their praise. Wrote one after it was all over: "It is deeply felt that your efforts most certainly helped to bring to the attention of the general public, the great need for preparation for survival in the event we are attacked. . . ."

Life magazine gave the story a religious emphasis, pointed to a cardinal doctrine: "Adventists, who hold that the second coming of Christ is near, believe it will be preceded by apocalyptic troubles," then added, "They have accordingly been leaders in civil defense work."

Following closely on this burst of good news, the completion of Elder L. E. Froom's twenty-year research project caught the interest of the Associated Press and swept the country. So elated was a St. Louis press secretary when she saw the long story in her newspaper, she secured 100 copies and passed them out to fellow church members.

The monumental work of Elder Froom in writing the four "Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers" volumes is well known to theologians throughout the world. Now this remarkable story has been shared with the mass public.

What does all this mean? Once again countless persons have gained some new impressions of this denomination. If they didn't know it before, they must now realize that Adventists, for all their emphasis on a better world to come, are good citizens, interested in helping their government as it attempts to overcome apathy toward civil defense. If they didn't know it before, they must now realize that Adventist theology cannot be brushed aside lightly.

Without some effort by the denomination's Public Relations Bureau, Operation Survival and the Froom project would be little known. And the stories were told, not to boast, but simply to let our light shine, as Christ instructed us.

News of this kind lays a foundation for greater evangelism. Who will deny that the literature evangelist, ringing a doorbell in a little Ohio town, or the lady in Los Angeles inviting a neighbor to church, can expect a more receptive attitude toward the Adventist message because of what these people have read in newspapers and magazines?

DONN THOMAS

New Religious Liberty Recording

Another interesting and informative religious liberty program has been recorded on tape for use in our churches. The recording has been made by the personnel of the Religious Liberty department of the General Conference. One side discusses basic principles of religious liberty, and the other some of the current problems of the Sunday law issue. The tape provides excellent material for two separate services.

Orders may be sent with a remittance of \$2.00 direct to S.A.V.E., 2512 Bryant Ave., S., Minneapolis 5, Minnesota.

A. H. Rulkoetter, Associate Secretary
Religious Liberty Department
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Christian Record Announces Talking Magazine

As it begins its fifty-sixth year of service to the blind in the field of free inspirational literature, The Christian Record Benevolent Association of Lincoln, Nebraska, announces the publication of a quarterly two-record recorded journal for non-Braille readers. The first issue of the new publication, *The Christian Record Talking Magazine*, will be mailed out the 15th of February next and thereafter every three months.

Like the six monthly publications now issued by the association, the new recorded magazine will be mailed free to blind readers upon their personal request. While published primarily for non-Braille readers, its mailing list will be open to all blind interested in this type of literature. Sets of the records for lending purposes will also be placed in the regional

libraries for the blind for the convenience of non-subscribers.

The Christian Record Talking Magazine will be a non-sectarian religious journal featuring inspirational, devotional, educational, and health articles prepared especially for it and also drawn from a wide field of popular inkprint publications that have generously opened their files of manuscript to the association for re-print purposes.

All requests for subscriptions should be addressed to *The Christian Record Talking Magazine*, Lincoln 6, Nebraska and should be in the office of publication by February 1 next for the first number.

C. W. DEGERING, Editor-Manager
The Christian Record
Benevolent Association



Voice of Prophecy Sermons

January 9: Creation and the Creator

January 16: The Character of God

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Special Radio Announcement

We have received word that Elder J. L. Tucker, of Berrien Springs, Michigan, a popular and experienced radio speaker is on a radio hook-up over XEG Fort Worth, Texas. This station covers a wide territory in Missouri, Kansas, and south-eastern Colorado. The last few weeks we have received scores of Bible school enrollments from Elder Tucker which were mailed to him from the listeners in our territory. We hope our church members will invite their neighbors to listen in on these broadcasts. We will take care of the enrollments through our local conference schools. D. E. REINER

*Secretary of Radio and
Television Department*

Women's Club of CME

Mrs. Vivian Raitz is the wife of Robert Raitz, a senior in the School of Medicine on the Los Angeles campus of the College of Medical Evangelists. Mr. Raitz is from Denver, Colorado.

Vivian is an active member of the club for wives of medical students known



as the Junior Women's Auxiliary. As part of their annual activities, they conduct a Christmas sale to raise funds to help provide for personal needs of the wives and families of missionary physicians. In the picture, Vivian is filling a

customer's order for Christmas decorations.

The auxiliary membership this year numbers about 130 and according to the president the members hope to raise \$600 by means of several different projects including the Christmas sale.

One item already slated for overseas shipment is a complete flannelgraph sent to the Dr. Franklin Crider at the Bhuket Mission Clinic in West Thailand. Mrs. Crider will use it in local Sabbath school and mission work.

The wives of the present medical students at CME are looking forward to the time when they too can accompany their husbands to a place of mission service either overseas or back at home.

A Busy Mother's Preparation Day

Recently there came in the mail a very interesting letter—a letter from a Seventh-day Adventist mother, a mother much engaged in the daily activities, and especially on the preparation day. Let me share this with you just as it came in to the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

"Dear Brethren:

"From the enclosed account of happenings at our home last Friday morning, you will know how much we appreciate the *Review and Herald*.

"Very truly yours,
"Mrs. W. E. W."

Her account is as follows:

FRIDAY MORNING—Mother is eating breakfast after children have gone to school. (She was too busy to eat before.)

Baby, almost two, is having another drink of juice. Mailman arrives.

Mother glances quickly through the mail. In the *Review* she notices the third article on Palestine and Syria by S. Horn.

Answers telephone.

Starts breakfast dishes—keeping one eye on the open *Review* beside her. Baby needs constant supervision too.

Mother gets beans ready to cook. Baby helps sort them and keeps a small white bean for a pretending "egg" to feed her dolly.

Mother thinks, "Isn't it amazing that those pieces of manuscript and papyrus have been preserved so a person can see them there in Jerusalem, cleaned and under glass. How is 'papyrus' pronounced anyway—I forget. I must tell

"The Land of Beginning Again"

The poet who wrote longingly of "The Land of Beginning Again" expressed a universal sentiment. He voiced for millions of good people the deep desire for another opportunity, another chance to live and labor, with the hope, of course, of doing a better job of both. Most of us are aware of the fact that no one has ever lived up to his maximum possibilities.

Actually we live every day in "The Land of Beginning Again." Every morning is a fresh beginning. We should thrill with a feeling of glory at the dawn of each new day. It is great to be alive any day in these history-making days of our modern world.

However, in a special sense we should regard every New Year's Day as "The Land of Beginning Again." Our calendars are new, our goals are new. New campaigns are before us. New experiences are ahead. The records of the old year are completed. Nothing we do can change the record of the past. It is part of history. It is static. But the future is before us. It is dynamic. A new-year record book with 365 clean white pages is given each one of us. Everything we do will affect the record of the new year. It is the inescapable fact of life.

How important then that we think and plan well and wisely as we begin the record of the new year. It is truly "The Land of Beginning Again." There is still a need for pioneers with the pioneering spirit. There are still new worlds to conquer. There are new frontiers to cross. We must push back the horizons. There are new areas to explore, new problems to solve, new mountains to climb. There are new tasks to do. "The final movements will be rapid ones."—*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 11. Therefore we must find speedier methods to accomplish a greater work in a shorter period of time.

We must plan for greater things. We must pray for greater things. We must think of greater things. We cannot think in terms of failure and be successful. We cannot think in terms of defeat and be triumphant. We cannot think in terms of doubt and be strong in faith. We must think courageously, creatively, constructively. We must not think negatively, but positively. The challenge of the new year is before us. We live in "The Land of Beginning Again."

A. A. ESTEB

Taken from *Go* magazine, January, 1955

this story to the children tonight at bedtime."

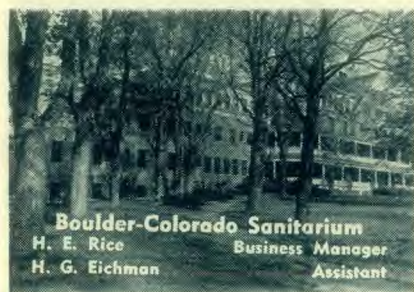
Mother looks up "papyrus" in the dictionary.

Mother puts more food on to cook as she says to herself, "I wonder how many years before Christ it was when Samuel and Eli lived." Looks it up in the Bible. "I must finish getting ready for Sabbath. My, I am so thankful for the *Review*! So many good articles. This one alone is worth a year's subscription to the *Review*."

There you have it, brethren and sisters. An Adventist home, a busy family, a busy preparation day, and the authentic voice of the church meeting first at the breakfast table, and then amidst the busy activities of the day, and again at bedtime, providing the story on which the children will go to sleep. And the mother well, in quiet meditation we leave her with the thought in her heart, "My, I am so thankful for the *Review*! So many good articles. This one alone is worth a year's subscription to the *Review*."

Yes, brethren and sisters. There you have it. Let the *Review* come into your home, or the homes of your loved ones or children. Cheer them on the way as they march toward the heavenly city. Order through your book and Bible house, remembering that the senior Sabbath School lesson helps appear only in the *Review and Herald* for 1955.

R. J. CHRISTIAN



Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium
H. E. Rice Business Manager
H. G. Eichman Assistant

News Notes

The Boulder Colorado Sanitarium and Hospital recently received word from the joint commission on accreditation of hospitals that it has been fully accredited. Several weeks ago Dr. Gaylord R. Hess, field representative of the joint commission came to the sanitarium to make the inspection. Dr. Hess spent several hours going through the physical plant, checking records and gathering pertinent information for the commission.

Dr. Young Ha Ro, who has just completed a year's residency in the general practice of medicine at the Boulder Colorado Sanitarium and Hospital and who left this week for Seoul, Korea, was the guest of honor at a farewell party Sunday night in the sanitarium gymnasium. Games were played and two vocal selections were presented. Dr. Ro was presented with an album containing pictures of the staff members and others with whom she has been associated since coming here. She was also given a gift of money to buy whatever suits her needs best as a gift from her Boulder friends.

Dr. Ro came to the United States in 1948, after being graduated from the University of Japan in Toyko in 1946 and spending one year of internship in Seoul. After coming to the United States she spent one year studying the English language, two years' residency in pediatrics in Kansas City, Missouri, one year in Children's hospital, Denver, and one year at the National Jewish Sanitarium, Denver, before coming to the local sanitarium to go into the general practice of medicine. She has no definite plans for her practice after returning to Seoul, but perhaps will be connected with the Seoul Sanitarium, a Seventh-day Adventist institution.

Dr. Ro's parents, two sisters and one brother live in Seoul. They escaped there from North Korea during the war. One of the sisters, Young Koo Ro, took postgraduate work in obstetrics in Kansas City, Missouri, three years ago. Another brother, Captain Young Suck Ro, is now in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, taking a six-months training course.

Dr. Ro is going by car to San Francisco then by plane to Seoul, accompanied by her fiancé, Mr. Ok Joon Kim, who recently completed his work for a Ph.D. in Geology at the University of Colorado.

Dr. Ro's cheerfulness and her willingness to serve will long be remembered by patients, friends, and the sanitarium staff.

The Physical Therapy Department of the sanitarium is being rearranged to include a gymnasium which will contain a number of pieces of equipment to aid in the rehabilitation of patients. This equipment consists of shoulder wheel, wall weights, floor matt for various exercises, exercise table, over pulley for arm exercises and a stair set for ambulation of patients.

The use of this equipment will be under the guidance of Dr. A. D. Baer, the consultant in Physical Medicine. Mr.

C. Parman, who is a registered Physical Therapist will continue his work in the physical therapy department also assisting Dr. Baer in the rehabilitation work.

The use of hydrotherapy, massage and electrotherapy of various kinds will still be emphasized in the prevention and treatment of many conditions as it has been in the past.

We sincerely hope to be of greater service to our many patients, many of whom are greatly benefited by these methods of treatment.



UNION COLLEGE
Harvey C. Hartman President

Union College Invites Second Semester Students

BY DEAN E. B. OGDEN

The time for the beginning of the second semester is rapidly approaching. No doubt you have been wondering about attending Union College this school year. Perhaps you want to improve yourself educationally and have the opportunity of association with Christian teachers and young people.

Naturally, you will wonder if you can enroll the second semester without too much difficulty? It is a bit harder than at the beginning of school, but many students successfully start college each year at this time. There are many classes available for beginning students or for one wanting to return after having some college work.

Listed below are several of the classes available second semester:

Open for Freshmen

General Biology 2
Anatomy and Physiology 11, 12
General Psychology 71
Freshman Orientation 11
Introduction to Education 4
Elementary School Music 8
Elementary School Art 5
American History 12
History of Civilization 4
Trigonometry 2
Business Mathematics 16
Choir 31 or 61
Band 31 or 61
Private music lessons
Class music lessons
Most P.E. Classes
Revelation 12
Bible Survey 2
Life and Teachings of Jesus 4

Health Principles 11
 Engineering Drawing 7 or 8
 Poultry Husbandry 4
 Surveying 10
 Art 61
 Sociology 18
Open to Other Students
 Secretarial Accounting 42
 Psychology of Personal Adjustment 72
 Child Psychology 130
 Introduction to Education 104
 Methods in Reading 80
 American Literature 72 and 128
 English Literature 94
 Advanced Composition 168
 Denominational Newswriting 111
 18th Century Europe 102
 American History 134
 Marriage and Family 102
 Social Work 104
 Essentials of Design 74
 Tailoring 132
 College Geometry 110
 Church Music 133
 Bible Doctrines 42
 Spirit of Prophecy 144
 Methods of Personal Evangelism 88
 Christian Beliefs 102
 Church Leadership 111
 Pastoral Work 186
 Care of Records 72
 Business Machines 64
 Public Speaking 105
 Art 70

Smith Receives Doctorate

Albert E. Smith, assistant professor of physics at Union College, has been granted a Ph.D. degree by Michigan State College, East Lansing, Michigan. Mr. Smith's thesis, "The Effects of the Source Aperture on Diffraction Grating Images," is a study of the effects of various means of diffraction grating illumination. The work will be of interest primarily to users of grating spectrographs.



Dr. A. E. Smith

Mr. Smith, who was born in Vermont, received his B.A. degree in physics from Atlantic Union College, South Lancaster, Mass., in 1949. A graduate assistant at the Michigan State College physics department for four years, Mr. Smith wrote his master's thesis there in 1951. During the 1953-54 school year he was an instructor in physics at Michigan State.

Since September, Mr. Smith, his wife, and two-year-old daughter Sandra have been residents of Lincoln.

News Note

◆ Elder R. H. Nightingale, president of the Northern Union, was the guest

The Union College Alumni Association will present the feature film, "The Jackie Robinson Story," Saturday night, January 8, in the auditorium. 8:15 p.m. Admission: Adults 50 cents. Children 35 cents.

speaker at the College View church on Sabbath, December 18.

Recently elected president of the Northern Union, Elder Nightingale has had experience as an evangelist and an administrator. He was formerly president of the Florida Conference. At the present time he is also vice-president of the Union College Board of Trustees.

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Do You Believe?

Do you believe what you profess to believe? If so, then it would be proper to act out that belief. We profess that we believe as men grow worse and worse, as the Bible predicts, they will also become more intolerant. Religious intolerance and persecution will spring up in unexpected ways and in various places. This is happening in many sections of the world today.

It can happen here! The January *Reader's Digest* contains an article urging a new "skip-day" calendar. Many cities have "Green-River" laws which threaten

to control distribution of truth-filled literature. Restrictions controlling or limiting Ingathering and similar campaigns are becoming more common. State legislation often includes Blue-laws attempting to control and enforce religion. These are but omens of dangers which face us unless we continue to inform those in high positions as to the true principles of religious freedom.

Why not plan now to give liberally for the cause of freedom? Sabbath, January 22, a special offering will be taken in all our churches for *Liberty*. One hundred dollars would send *Liberty* to 200 men in positions of trust. Five, ten, 25 or 50 dollars would not be too much to give to help provide a select group with the influence of *Liberty*. Give liberally.

F. O. SANDERS

Hutchinson School

Teachers LeAnn Rodie and Thelma Stienbarger worked with the Home and School leader, Mrs. Gordon Conrad, in Hutchinson and took orders for \$109 worth of candles. Of this amount they cleared \$84.05 which they will use for school equipment. A party climaxed the hard work, and Tarry Conrad with \$34 and Ricky Conrad with \$17 had the highest individual sales. E. S. REILE

DOLLARS FOR RECORD PLAYER

Sharon Buechner and Ellen Coachman of the Topeka church school distributing presents after their Christmas program conducted by their teachers, Misses Bartel and Lines. Over \$40 was pinned on the tree by parents and visitors to buy a phonograph for the school. E. S. Reile



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Missouri Ingathering

Ingathering is forward in Missouri. Fifteen churches have reached or exceeded their 1955 goals. A total of \$32,000.00 has already been reported to the conference.

The spirit of service has marked the workers and laymen during the whole caroling season. One can but praise the Lord for the self-sacrificing spirit which has caused so many to go every night with the caroling bands. The Lord has given evidence of His acceptance of this willing service by blessing with a large income for His work.

We are sure if the total funds in the bands of the churches were available this morning we would see many other churches over their goals.

We hear many say that now is the day of opportunity and we must seize upon it. This is very true. Surely at the coming of the Lord faithful ingatherers will rejoice over the souls won by their tireless efforts. If we have not been able to go Ingathering we could cheer those on who have done so by giving a liberal Ingathering contribution out of our own pockets. Let no man say of us that we did not care for his soul. H. R. COATS

Missouri Churches reaching 1955 Ingathering Goal

BERNIE
BETHANY-WINSTON
BUTLER
CALEDONIA
ENYART
FREDERICKTOWN
LEBANON
MACON
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Senator-Elect

Carl T. Curtis and Family Appreciate Good Books

About 17 years ago a young man purchased the Big Week book, *Our Changing World*, in his county attorney office. He questioned about the millenium and events clustering around it. I felt he and his wife should have the *Signs* and *Health* magazines, which were offered in combination, so I subscribed to these magazines for them. A year later he paid for their renewal and gave a donation for the circulation of the *Temperance Signs*.

For the past 16 years Mr. Curtis has served as Congressman in Washington, D.C. When home on brief visits I have called at his attorney office and he purchased the following books on successive calls by just calling attention to their titles, *Bible Readings*, *Great Controversy*, *Desire of Ages*, *Patriarchs and Prophets*, *Your Home and Health*, and the five *Children's Hour* books.

When I presented an advertisement of the HOME STUDY LIBRARY, containing four books he asked, "Desire of Ages, what is that?" I told him it was the most beautiful book ever written on the life of Christ. He immediately answered, "I want it!" Their adopted girl who had read books 1 and 2, of *Children's Hour*, stepped into his office as the three last books were presented. "*Children's Hour*, I love them, get them for me daddy!", she exclaimed; and he did. Their younger adopted boy has enjoyed them too. Mrs. Curtis says they have encouraged her children very much.

Last summer Mrs. Curtis called at our home twice, and when she saw *Bible Stories* on the table she purchased books 1, 2, 3, and 4. She also purchased *Highways to Happiness*, *Highways to Health*, *How to Keep Well*, and a renewal to *Life & Health*. Mrs. Curtis has also been a patient in the Takoma Park Sanitarium, and appreciated her stay very much.

About five years ago Congressman Curtis gave a brief talk at the Nebraska camp meeting before the evening service. Elder D. E. Venden then presented him

with *Daniel and Revelation*. I questioned him about his reading of *Great Controversy* and he said he had read it. He told me he understands the position of our faith about the Sabbath, and that he believes in a complete separation of church and state. He reiterated his stand on church and state in his opening words when he again briefly addressed the Nebraska camp meeting last August.

The Minden church has renewed his subscription to *Liberty* magazine from year to year. One time his picture and an article appeared in *Liberty* magazine through an invitation by the editor. When renewing for the *Signs* around 16 years ago he said, "I like what your papers say about government, they are so clear in their thinking."

Mrs. Curtis appreciated prayer during our two contacts last summer. She sensed the responsibilities of her husband's position and said they could only accept his election to the six year term in the Senate as the Lord's will.

Mr. Curtis and wife have yearly mailed their Ingathering donation to the Minden church.

For such a time as this, Mr. Curtis has been chosen for a high government position, and it is good to know he has our good literature. Let us pray for him and his family, for who knows God may have a special work for him there.

MISS ROSE NELSEN
Colporteur Evangelist
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Obituaries

... for so he giveth his beloved sleep

HAUGSTED—Hazel Berle Jordan Haugsted was born at Portland, Ore., May 4, 1912, and died on Aug. 26, 1954, en route to the hospital in Mansfield, Mo., for emergency treatment following the birth of a son in West Plains, Mo. Funeral services were conducted in the Seventh-day Adventist church at West Plains on Sunday, Aug. 29, when words of comfort were spoken by the writer, emphasizing the blessed hope.

Surviving are her husband, Arvid Haugsted; three sons, Gary 11, David 10, and the newborn son; her father, three sisters; one brother; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends.

Anticipating the resurrection and meeting with her loved ones when Jesus comes, we laid our sister to rest in the West Plains cemetery.

W. S. LAWRENCE

BRENING—Mary Boeckel Brening, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boeckel, was born in Kutter, Russia, on March 13, 1855, and departed this life after a lingering illness at her home in LaCrosse, Kansas, on June 19, 1954.

On April 25, 1907, she was united in marriage to Frederick Brening. Soon after their marriage they left their home country and came to the United States. They arrived at LaCrosse, Kansas, on August 5, 1907, and made this their home.

Her husband preceded her in death in 1932. Their oldest child, Mary, died in infancy. One son, Paul, after serving his country during World War II, while on his way home after an honorable discharge, was accidentally killed.

She leaves to mourn her passing two sons, one daughter, one granddaughter and one grandson besides many other relatives and friends.

HAROLD L. HAMPTON

LISTER—Mrs. Emma Lister, born July 24, 1877, at Jefferson City, Mo., passed away in Boulder, Colo., Aug. 19, 1954. She was used of God to bring many in her town of Lafayette, Colo., to the knowledge of this Truth. Her consistent life led to the conversion of her grandson, Elder Wilbur Alexander, while he was in the Navy in Guam. He is now Bible Instructor at La Sierra College. Her many devoted friends expect to see her at the resurrection of the just.

REUBEN G. JOHNSON

ELLIOTT—Ida May Elliott was born near Osceola, Mo., May 27, 1874 and passed away at Handley hospital in Springfield, Mo., Aug. 17, 1954 after a short illness at the age of 80 years. She joined the Seventh-day Adventist church 51 years ago.

In 1888 she was married to Abraham L. Elliott. To this union were born three daughters. Her husband and one daughter preceded her in death. Left to mourn are two daughters, a son, four grandchildren, six great grandchildren, two sisters, two brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

F. W. HUDGINS

DARLING—Mrs. Minnie Koch Darling was born in Wurttenberg, Germany, Nov. 23, 1870. She came to this country at an early age and worked at the Broadview Hotel in Colorado Springs. Also working there was William Darling who became her husband in 1895.

The Darlings were quite influential in the building and organizing of the Lebanon, Mo., church in 1928.

Mr. Darling preceded his wife in death by about eight years. Mrs. Darling's death occurred in a rest home at Elsworth, Kans., on July 17, 1954.

F. W. HUDGINS

MOORE—Samuel R. Moore was born in Davis County, Iowa, on Nov. 9, 1865, and passed away on Sept. 23, 1954 at his home in Florence, Mo., after a lingering illness.

On July 11, 1902 he was married to Augusta May Shultz. Surviving besides his wife are ten nephews and nieces. Brother Moore has been a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church for 62 years. He now rests awaiting the second coming of Jesus Christ.

J. HOWARD MATTHEWS

RIFFEL—Fred F. Riffel was born in Russia, April 22, 1870, and migrated with his parents to America in 1875. The family settled in Lehigh, Kans., where Brother Riffel grew to manhood.

In 1891 he was united in marriage with Mary Uhrich, and to this union were born four sons and three daughters. In 1894 Brother Riffel with his family moved from Kansas to Oklahoma where he lived near Carrier. His wife passed away in 1935. Two sons, Elder Carl Riffel and W. F. Riffel, preceded their father in death.

He was married to Miss Mary Swagler in 1936. They moved to Enid in 1949 where they resided until his death on Sept. 23, 1954.

Survivors include his wife, his children, brothers, sisters, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Brother Riffel was laid to rest in the Carrier cemetery to await the call of the Lifegiver.

G. I. GANTZ

LEACH—Robert Willen Leach, son of William and Elizabeth Kiser Leach, was born on a farm near Franklin, Ind., July 31, 1870, and died at his home in Lincoln, Nebr., on Sept. 15, 1954.

He was educated in the public schools of Franklin and the State University at Bloomington, Ind., He was looking forward to studying law when the Advent Message came to him through his brother who had just joined the Seventh-day Adventist church. For a short time he attended Battle Creek College. Because of his desire to be a self-supporting minister, he started holding gospel meetings in a schoolhouse near where he was farming. As a result of these meetings a church was organized and he was invited to join the organized work as a minister in the Indiana Conference, working at Peru and Terre Haute. He was ordained to

the gospel ministry while working in Ind. From Ind. he went to Mich., where he continued his labors. In 1913 he was called to the Texas Conference, and later to the Oklahoma Conference. He was pastor of the Muskogee, Okla. church when he retired in 1922 because of his health.

In 1926 he came to Union College for further study. On June 25, 1931, he was united in marriage to Miss Dena Nelson, who continued by his side until the time of his death.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons and a daughter by a former marriage, also one sister.

M. W. DEMING

BENSEL—Mrs. Martha Bensel was born in 1876, in Rock Hill, N.J., and passed away Aug. 26, 1954, at San Jose, Calif. Sister Bensel served in our health institutions as matron and for a while had her own establishments. The Bensel family lived near Lyons, Colo., for a number of years and then moved to Calif., where Mr. Bensel passed away in 1948.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Roy Bullock, of Longmont, Colo., two grandchildren, and other relatives and friends. She was laid to rest in the Longmont cemetery.

J. E. FRICK

TRITT—Dora Evans Tritt was born in White-water, Wis., on Nov. 28, 1864, and passed away on the way to the hospital in Denver, on Aug. 29, 1954.

She married Albert Tritt in 1887, who passed away nearly 50 years ago.

She leaves her four children to mourn, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. We believe she will respond to the call of Jesus whom she loved so fervently in this life.

SCOTT—Walter Russell Scott was born in Sac City, Iowa, on March 17, 1902 and passed away on Sept. 16, 1954. About two years ago Mr. Scott, his wife and family, moved on a farm in the vicinity of Clinton Hill, Mo., where he resided until his death. On Aug. 26, 1954 he was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church after a very remarkable conversion.

Surviving are his wife Merna, five sons, six daughters, four brothers, four sisters, and a host of friends. Brother William Garrison of Sunnydale Academy assisted the writer in the services.

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MYER—Bertha Lureen Martin Myer, was born April 16, 1883 at Ayr, Nebr., and passed away July 22, 1954 in Benkelman, Nebr.

Sr. Myer was baptized into this blessed truth Jan. 27, 1946, and although in much pain

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and suffering during the last year of her life, she remained uncomplaining and faithful until the end.

She leaves to mourn their loss, her husband, four daughters, three sons, five sisters and four brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

The services were conducted in Haigler, Nebr., by the writer.

L. O. BARNES

VAN HOOK—Maggie Frees Van Hook was born in Denmark on Nov. 21, 1865, and passed away at the home of one of her daughters on Sept. 6, 1954 at Neelyville, Mo.

In February 1890 she was united in marriage to S. T. Van Hook of Nevada, Iowa. Six children were born to this union.

Brother Samuel J. Elie, assisted by Brother W. H. Niswonger, conducted the funeral service in the Neelyville Methodist Church. Burial was at Pratt, Mo.

SAMUEL J. ELIE

WILLIAMS—Roy A. Williams was born Jan. 1, 1893, at Crown Point, Ind., and passed this life Aug. 24, 1954 at Denver, Colo. He was a faithful member of the Porter Sanitarium church at the time of his passing having recently moved from Delta. Brother Williams is survived by his wife Pearl Mae, sons Gerald R. Williams of Gary, Ind., and James W. Hamilton of Denver. He was laid to rest in the Littleton Cemetery. Words of comfort were spoken by Alten A. Bringle.

BAUMAN—Herman F. Bauman, son of Henrietta and Herman Bauman, was born in Dixon County, Nebr., on November 3, 1879, and died in Lincoln, Nebr., on Oct. 20, 1954. His death resulted from an automobile accident south of Lincoln.

He moved to College View 37 years ago and established a business that he maintained until the time of his death. Mr. Bauman accepted the Adventist faith in 1918, and was a member of the College View church at the time of his death.

He is survived by his wife, six sons, and one daughter.

Mr. Bauman's untimely death has been a considerable shock to this community, but he maintained a constant faith in the coming of Christ, and sleeps in the hope of the resurrection at that time.

M. W. DEMING

Sunset Calendar

	Jan. 7	Jan. 14
Denver, Colorado	4:51	4:58
Grand Junction, Colo.	5:08	5:15
Topeka, Kansas	5:17	5:24
Kansas City, Missouri	5:12	5:19
St. Louis, Missouri	4:55	5:02
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:15	5:22
Casper, Wyoming	4:41	4:49

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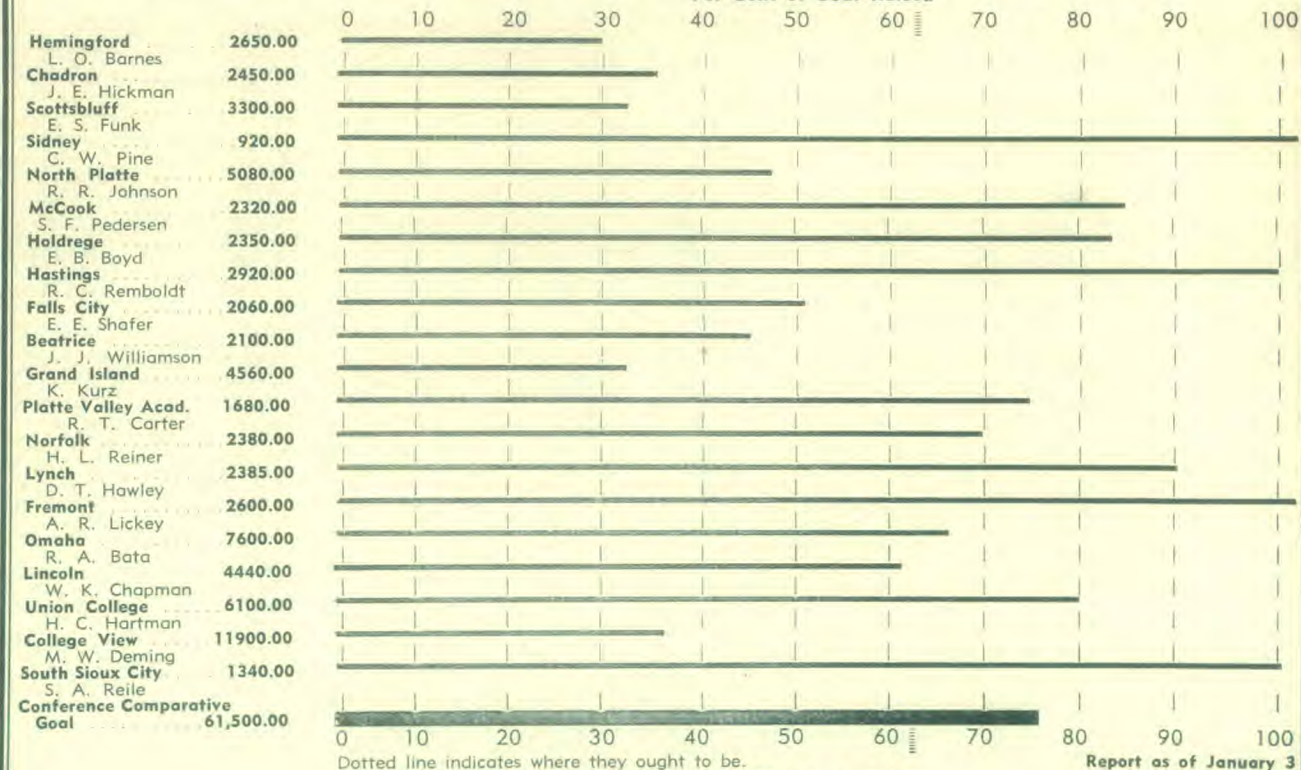
Left: Christmas baskets for the needy were provided by the College View, Lincoln City and University Place churches through their Dorcas societies in co-operation with the Health and Welfare Center.

Top left: The Pathfinders and their counselors delivered more than 60 baskets to those in need. Left to right, John Klaren, Tommy Thompson, John Deming, load up a car ready to take off.

Above: The academy Sabbath school under the direction of Mrs. M. S. Culver brought Christmas to the above family.

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