

## **Trade Union Leader Influenced** by SIGNS

We were quite thrilled a short time ago when Elder D. G. Fleagle, home missionary secretary of the Chesapeake Conference, reported how Signs was influencing the philosophy and leadership of a high officer in a trade union in a great eastern city. You will enjoy reading his personal report of a recent visit.

"Recently I was called to the office of the manager of a trade union with offices in Baltimore, Maryland, in the interest of one of our church members.

"As I walked into his office he greeted me by calling me Elder Fleagle. That, of course, made me aware of the fact that he must in some way have some knowledge of the way we at least address our ministers. Naturally, one is rather observant when going into the offices of these union leaders, because it is almost impossible to talk to some of them at all, for their language is not good.

"Almost as soon as I stepped inside of his office this gentleman said, 'I want you to know where I stand in my thinking in relation to your people.' He reached into his desk and pulled out a Signs of the Times, the latest issue, and said, "This comes to my desk weekly and has for a number of years. My mother and father are both good Seventh-day Adventists. It is my mother that sends me the Signs. Of course, my mother is trying to make me a good Seventh-day Adventist. She doesn't realize that the Signs is making me a good union leader, because I see and recognize the need of a reformation in our union. I believe that I am able to do a work in the union that is comparable to your work as missionaries in many of the mission fields. To me, union organization is a mission field, and I am running our union on principles that will make it possible for anyone to be a member of the union.

We open our meeting with prayer, we close it with prayer. There is nothing said at anytime during our meetings that would cause anyone, even a minister, to be embarrassed. We do not strike. Our union is carried forward on principles that, I believe, could be acceptable to any religious body. Again I want to say that much of our thinking is molded through the fine articles that we read in the Signs of the Times. So, Elder Fleagle, I want you to know that in our counseling and working together, that you are talking to one that is fully aware of the standards and principles of the Seventhday Adventist people, whom I admire and reverence actually because of my godly father and mother, and their influence in my life through the Signs of the Times."

Thus again Signs exerts a molding influence on men in positions of leadership in the economic life of the nation. It presents the only solution to the problems that beset this chaotic world, whether it be in the realm of religious, economics, science or philosophy.

JOIN the ranks of your fellow-believers in "erecting an Adventist pulpit" in the homes of those for whom your heart is burdened with the weekly visits of Signs during the coming year.

#### "I Have Been So Wonderfully Blessed"

"Our five children kept me busy every minute for many years. When some of them became older and required less attention, I took some of our good books to neighbors and sold them. It thrilled me to have a reason to call upon these people, and to be able to place our literature in their homes. Illness struck our

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family, and I had to stop. Then we moved to a farm and my husband had to have the car so I had no transportation.

Last summer the conference had a literature evangelist rally in our local church. The publishing secretary seemed to be looking right at me when he asked for any in the congregation who felt they should be in this great work to lift their hands. It seemed as though the Holy Spirit sent a conviction to my heart right then that if I did not obey this call, I would never have another chance to work in God's great cause. I put my hand up, but it left me weak and trembling. I started canvassing again, and I have been wonderfully blessed. I feel that I am truly doing the work that God wants me to do. I promised God that I would do this work if He would please heal my son who had a terrible affliction. After about six months of colporteur work this time, plus many, many prayers, our son is healed. I am thankful that God called me, and I cannot praise Him enough for his blessings.

From a sister who attended the quarterly training school in Omaha on April C. G. CROSS 2 to 4.

#### Sharing With Pleasure

This evening I want to share with you two letters that have come to my desk within the past few hours. One of these letters has been in less than six hours. They are from different parts of the country, but notice the tone.

"Dear Sir: Enclosed find check for a year's subscription to Life and Health. Incidentally, this March issue was my first time to see and read Life and Health. It was love at first sight. Here's wishing you all the best for this year." C. B.

Then the other letter. "Life and Health, Gentlemen: Why don't you put Life and Health on the newsstands through one of the big wholesale magazine companies? I, personally, am a

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Roman Catholic, and I see no religious material that could bother anyone not of your faith. The articles you select are excellent and helpful." W. J. G.

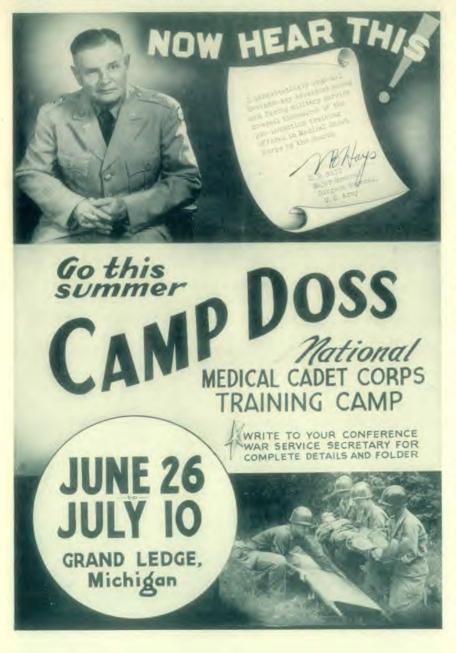
Yes, Life and Health makes a very gracious and well-received gift. May I recommend that Seventh-day Adventists. my fellow church members, take advantage of the opportunity of sending Life and Health as birthday presents, as little gifts for those special occasions, and then just as a sound, friendly, neighborly act. The regular yearly subscription rate is \$3.50. However, the special SDA missionary rate for personal or gift subscriptions is only \$2.25. Place your order with your church missionary secretary or book and Bible house, and let Life and Health demonstrate its ability to prove love at first sight.

R. I. CHRISTIAN

#### Science Institute to be Held on PUC Campus

A one-month institute, sponsored by the physical science division of Pacific Union College, including departments of chemistry, mathematics, and physics, will be held on the college campus at Angwin, California, July 8 to August 2.

This summer institute for advance work, the first of its kind ever planned by an Adventist college, and the only



such session available this year, will offer six hours of credit applicable toward the Master of Arts in Teaching degree

It will feature modern developments in the fields of science, this teaching to be done by lectures, discussions, and demonstrations of the phenomena under consideration. Seminar sessions will give opportunity to work on teaching methods and techniques. There will also be lectures on astronomy in connection with the use of the Newton Observatory, and field trips into nearby research establishments will supplement lectures and classroom studies.

While the program will be intensive, with emphasis on recent developments, the presentations will be on a readily understandable level, and every effort will be made to provide a relaxed and informal atmosphere.

Dr. I. R. Neilsen, chairman of the PUC physical science division, and head of the Physics Department, will direct in the general program of the institute, and serve as one of the instructors. Associated with him will be regular instructors in the division, supplemented by any others who may be added to the faculty. On the list now are: Dr. G. C. Jorgensen, formerly of Union College, recently called to be head of the PUC Chemistry Department; A. V. Winn, associate professor of chemistry; Dr. C. L. Woods, head of Mathematics Department; Walter Bolinger, instructor in electronics; Prof. R. L. Nutter, assistant professor of physics, and Miss Geneva Durham, assistant professor of astronomy and mathematics.

Science and mathematics teachers and others desiring further information may write to Dr. J. P. Stauffer, director of the PUC summer session, Angwin, Californía J. R. FERREN

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Pleasant View Nursing Home is located at 3220 South Ogden Street, Englewood, Colorado. Mrs. Laura Jones, owner and operator of this 22-bed unit, has been working very hard to make improvements, and it now meets the requirements of city nursing home standards, as well as the denominational standards. Sister Jones is standing, talking to Elder Wesley Amundsen, secretary of the General Conference A.S.I. This home is a member of the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventist Self-Supporting Institutions.



#### Wichita Health Food Center Relocated

Mr. M. L. Kostenko of the Boulder Sanitarium, supervisor of a number of denominationally owned Health Food Stores, was in Wichita recently to relocate the Wichita Store.

"Why spend your money for that which is not bread?" quotes Mr. Kostenko. "Our store offers many varieties of 'real food' to aid you in providing a nutritionally well-balanced diet for yourself and family." The new location is 137 North Market Street. Besides occupying larger quarters, there is now a reading room for the customers which is just one of several services that the store has to offer.

Those living near by who can come will be pleased to find a modern, wellequipped, air-conditioned store, as well W. B. Mohr, Secretary Central Union Conference A.S.I.

as more space. You will note among the many good things for your health we have soy butter, domestic and imported honey, natural cured fruits, whole grain flour and cereals, a full line of protein supplements, also a variety of vitamins and minerals. If you live outside the Wichita area and you know your needs, just send us the order and we will mail it to you. We will be happy to answer any inquires regarding foods that are carried at this store.

Your Wichita Health Food Store has been in operation for many years and its personnel is well qualified to counsel you on special diet problems, as diabetic, salt-free, reducing, allergy, etc. Our slogan is "Naturally yours—for better health."

#### Sunset Calendar

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#### The Chaplain Reports

Your Porter Sanitarium and Hospital, through the office of the chaplain, endeavors to provide a continuous evangelistic program. Personal spiritual contacts are made by various members of our personnel. We encourage our nurses, aides, technicians, and others to do their work with the spiritual in mind, and not merely just as a job. Many conversational openings for Christ and His message are made easier in this manner, and in a more natural way.

A broadcast program from our radio room is scheduled from eight in the morning until nine at night. About an hour's live broadcast time per day is carried on by the chaplain for the patients over their pillow speakers by our Morning Worship and Chaplain's Hour Broadcasts. Our health education department conducts a fifteen-minute program twice a week for our patients. To make this program more effective, pillow speakers are on order so that we can have one available for each bed in the hospital. The patient receives a broadcast program on his breakfast tray, calling attention to the various services provided by the hospital through the chaplain's office. As a regular weekly feature, the sanitarium has a direct telephone wire from our church to the hospital so that our Sabbath school and the preaching service can be heard. On Sabbath evening a sundown vesper service is broadcast from our auditorium, and chimes are played at the beginning and closing of the Sabbath. Chimes are also played Sabbath morning at about 9:15. This has a wonderful effect on the patients and workers alike and our friends in the neighborhood. Many from nearby who have come in as patients have remarked how they appreciate the chimes being played.

We feel that some of our aims may be summed up as follows: 1. To strengthen the overall ministry to those in special need of spiritual nurture, and their families. 2. To uplift the spiritual atmosphere of our sanitarium where we serve, particularly through the lives of our workers. 3. To foster a spirit of fellowship, good will and helpfulness within our group of doctors, nurses and other personnel.

With all our employees and families, staff doctors and families, patients and their families and friends, the chaplain in a modern hospital such as ours has a varied field of labor. Our total number of employees for 1955 was 360. Seventy per cent of that total were Seventh-day Adventists. Sixty per cent of our 210 nurses were Seventh-day Adventists. Of the 150 other employees, eighty-five per cent were Seventh-day Adventists. Of our twenty-six department heads and supervisors, twenty-two were Seventh-day Adventists. The greater part of our more than 200 physicians on the staff are non-Seventh-day Adventists. These, with the average of 170 hospital patients per day (which is our primary interest), gives us a church of not less than 750 members. This is a very highly specialized and professional group, and each has his particuproblems. These figures are given to emphasize that our field of interest and labor is not confined to the patients only. The management of the sanitarium makes every possible effort to have our institution manned with personnel from our own church. We wish that our people would take this burden to the Lord, that there might be sufficient laborers in His field that is "white already to harvest." Let us be loval to His cause.

From a doctor's call, "Please come up to the Recovery Room; a child has just expired and his parents need you," to a young man's plea, "One of the nurses will not talk to me because I am not a Seventh-day Adventist, and she thinks I am not sincere in wanting to study and be baptized; can you help me?" each day is filled with interests and problems, and is a challenge. A patient sends word that he wishes to see the chaplain. On going to visit him, I find that he would like to know what we believe and why. During his two-week stay many points of faith are discussed, and the young man invites the chaplain to visit him in his home after dismissal. One daughter writes after the death of her mother at the sanitarium, "No one in the world could have taken better care of her and have done the things that were not even necessary to make her comfortable and happy. I would especially like to thank the Chaplain, the Nurses in Medical II North, and Dr. Dunn, who helped us at the end so very much to speed her on to God's domain."

One of our staff doctors recently hos-

pitalized here wrote the following prayer and gave it to me, and which I wish to pass along to you:

"Eternal Father-Source of all love, all knowledge, all power, and all comfort.

We thank Thee for the many blessings that we have been privileged to enjoy.

We praise Thee for the wonder, splendor, and beauty of this world in which we live.

We are especially appreciative this day for health and strength, and for all of these children of

Thine whose privilege it is to assist Thee in mediating Thy healing, recreating, comforting love to those who are ill in body or spirit.

We thank Thee especially for the loving, comforting attitude which pervades all of the activities here at this institution, dedicated to the service of healing in Thy name.

We pray Thy continued rich blessing on the Christian ministry of healing here and in all places, wherever men and women are serving others in need.

May each one of Thy partners in the healing team be ever and again reminded of the sacred aspect of his daily work.

May the cup of cold water, given quietly, in Thy name and the splint, lovingly placed, and the transfusion, and the surgical suture, all carry with them the benediction of Thy healing presence.

May Thy Holy Spirit be so in evidence in the lives and work of all those who serve, and those who are in need of Thy loving comfort, that Thy healing ministry may proceed apace, and health, and joy, and radiance, and peace abound.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

That our hospital still remains our one major institution without a Bible worker disappoints us in no small way. It reminds us of the text in Leviticus 26:8, which we believe may have some application here, "And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight."

The spiritual needs of a suffering person are an integral part of his total need. We believe all at our sanitariums are interested in seeing this need taken care of in the proper manner.

Clear, wholesome mental attitudes based on an understanding of God's love and His power are one very practical way in which God heals. God heals through deliverance from fears, lonliness, selfishness, resentments, and guilt. He also heals through the touch of the Spirit. The development of a wholesome outlook on life, borne of tranquility, free from frustrations and undue fears, and nurtured in the calm belief that our times are in His hands—these are all ways of fulfilling God's plan for this, our institution of healing.

ALTEN A. BRINGLE, Chaplain



#### School of Nursing Given Recognition

In two different periodicals the Union College Department of Nursing has been given national recognition for its activities. The April issue of *The American Journal of Nursing* carries a story about "Disaster Day" which was designed to demonstrate the problems encountered in a major disaster. The report was written by three students who have since graduated: Laurene Cleveland, Lynelle King, and Mary Olson. Much community interest was aroused when the nursing students presented their plans to local authorities of the American Red Cross and the Civil Defense Organization,

Another story appears in the April issue of *Tell*, Seventh-day Adventist public relations journal. This article tells of the exhibits at the Colorado State Nurses' Convention. The nursing department has presented exhibits the past two years which have included a layout on medical missionary work and pictures of last fall's A-bomb medical-aid demonstration. A picture also appears with the story.

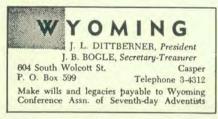
#### **News** Notes

✓ The Unionaires, directed by J. Wesley Rhodes, will tour the Northern Union, May 4-6. The tour will include two academies: Plainview and Sheyenne River.

✓ A statewide Nebraska youth rally was held in the Union College auditorium, April 13 and 14. The meetings, under the direction of G. C. Williamson of the Nebraska Conference, featured H. M. S. Richards and the Voice of Prophecy group. An investiture, Saturday night, climaxed the two days of meetings.

About 280 academy and high school

seniors visited the campus, April 15-17. The activities were designed to acquaint the seniors with college life as it is found at Union. Besides recreational programs the Union College band and the orchestra presented concerts. The visitation days were under the direction of Robert Cleveland, solicitations co-ordinator. In an open letter to the seniors, President Harvey C. Hartman expressed this thought: "It is our desire that you plan to continue your preparation for a life of service for God and humanity at Union College. With your youthful enthusiasm and a life dedicated to God, you will undoubtedly succeed."



#### **Report From Lander**

For the past year it has been my privilege to work in the beautiful little city of Lander, Wyoming; located in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. It was just one year ago that Elder D. H. Miller and I came here for a four-weeks meeting in which 12 were added to the church. Since that time 13 more souls have been baptized and another baptism is planned in the near future.

Brother Perry Pedersen has done an excellent job in this district of laying the groundwork for future evangelism, and also adding to the Lander church a fine group of people.



The Casper Kindergarten with their goal device for 13th Sabbath, March 31, 1956. Each youngster had a small pill box to take home and fill during the quarter for the 13th Sabbath offering. Each Sabbath when the division reached the weekly goal of \$5.00 the miniature hospital was equipped with one item from a toy doctor's kit. The 13th Sabbath offering amounted to \$28.13! What a wonderful job these youngsters are doing!

The ladies in charge of this division are: (left to right) Mrs. E. E. Brown; Mrs. Courtney, leader; Mrs. G. E. Barker; Mrs. Hanna Perchirt; and Mrs. H. C. Brooks.

One of the high lights of the year was the decision of an entire family to follow their Lord in baptism. Brother and Sister Clapp and their four children, Donald, Barbara, Beverly and Leona. The Clapps live on a farm near Riverton, Wyoming.

Truly it was an inspiration to baptize a fine family like this with four adult young people. We know that they will be a real blessing to the church as they take their part with God's remnant people in the finishing of the work.

EARL E. PATTON, Pastor



The Clapp family recently baptized.

#### A Last Appeal

As you read this, the official Signs campaign in Wyoming is drawing to a close. As you have listened to the appeal from the pulpit week after week, have you felt a little stirring inside that you ought to do something for that parent, that brother, that sister, that neighbor? Have you been impressed that giving the Signs would be just the thing to do? And then, perhaps, you have thought, "Well, I'll get the names ready first, and sign up for several copies next week?" If you have, next week is here . . . Have you done your share to win a soul in 1956?

As we see the Near East trouble mushroom and watch the increasing world tension over the small area of the world which contains the Valley of Armageddon, are you satisfied with your efforts to get the message to those so desperately in need of it?

If not, now is the time to take the Signs ... The Signs of the Times is the Adventist church in the home 48 times every year. How many of us Adventists get to go to church 48 times every year with illness and weather sometimes too severe to get out on Sabbath morning? Now is your chance to see to it that your part in presenting the Advent message to heaven-seeking souls is carried out.

When the appeal is presented for the

last time from the pulpit this week, will you respond? Better still, take out your checkbook and write out the amount necessary to send one Signs for 48 weeks to that one, or two, or five, or ten for whom you've been praying. It is only \$1.70 for a year's subscription, and then turn it in this Sabbath with those names. When you see them in the heavenly kingdom with you, you'll rejoice that you did. P. F. PEDERSEN Department Secretary

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#### Build Up the Work

I believe that all of our members want to be overcomers and thus have a part in God's Kingdom. It is the desire of the Captain of our salvation that we all be successful in this Christian race. There are obstacles along the pathway, but with our Helper we can become victorious.

Are we availing ourselves of all the means to improve our Christian living?, —the following are essential, prayer, study of the Word, attending services, if at all possible. It is with a degree of satisfaction that we prove our tenet of faith and it is right that we do so. There is one special thing that we need to be very cautious of, that we be not robbed of all the good blessings that can be showered on our pathway, and that is criticism.

It seems to be so easy to criticize our fellow church members and leaders in God's work. Can you think of anything that will injure your own soul or the lives of others more than to be critical of the

#### MISSOURI CAMP MEETING

We again call attention to the 1956 Missouri Camp Meeting.

The date: August 1-4.

The place: Sunnydale Academy. As you observe, the date is shorter this year than usually, but let all who possibly can be in attendance the full time. Excellent ministerial help is planned.

H. C. KLEMENT

program of the church? I speak of destructive criticism, not helpful constructive criticism.

In Volume 4, page 238, we read: "Some have been ready to say anything, to prefer any charge, against the servants of God, and to be jealous and fault-finding. And if they can find any instance where, in their zeal for the cause of God, they think ministers have spoken decidedly, and perhaps severely, they have been willing to make the most of their words, and have felt at liberty to cherish the most bitter, wicked spirit, and to charge the Lord's servants with wrong motives. Let these fault-finders ask what they would have done under similar circumstances, bearing similar burdens. Let them look and search and condemn their own wrong, overbearing course and their own impatience and fretfulness; and when without sin themselves, let them cast the first stone of censure at the brethren who are trying to get them into working order."

Let us pray for one another that we might mutually bear one anothers burdens. Let's pray for the workers and the work of the Lord. May we all take a kindly attitude toward our fellow church members. Much more could well be accomplished by encouragement than by discouragement. The work of the gospel is going to triumph in the earth and let us determine that we are going to triumph with it. H. C. KLEMENT

#### Desire of Ages -Dollar Edition

"It is in doing Christ's work that the church has the promise of His presence. Go teach all nations, He said; 'and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.' To take His yoke is one of the first conditions of receiving His power. The very life of the church depends upon her faithfulness in fulfilling the Lord's commission. To neglect this work is surely to invite spiritual feebleness and decay. Where there is no active labor for others, love wanes, and faith grows dim."

Thus reads a significant paragraph on page 82 from the book *The Desire of Ages*. This year we are privileged to offer this book in the Home Missionary Book of the Year edition at the special \$1.00 price. All about us are those who are yearning for a better way of life and for a fuller understanding of the Word of God and of the life and teachings of Jesus. From the same pages of inspiration from which we as church members derive so much guidance, those of our neighbors and friends who are seeking a deeper understanding of His life will find comfort and the true Way of Life. It is indeed a precious responsibility that we have. Now is the time. May we not shirk our duty to those about us.

Place your order with your missionary secretary. Ten copies or more will be sent direct to you postpaid. Less than ten copies to a single address, add postage at the rate of  $10\phi$  for the first book, plus  $5\phi$  for each additional volume.

> B. L. Coox Manager, Missouri Book and Bible House

#### Do Nothing!

This seemed to be the answer to our evangelistic program in Livonia, Missouri. We had done everything that we knew to do and still the outlook was dark. Several of our members had left for one reason or another. We asked ourselves, "What more can we do?" The answer seemed to be, "Do nothing."

And "Do nothing" we did, that is, nothing but have faith in God and His promises. And God rewarded us abundantly. On the opening Sunday night there were about 55 present. More than half of these were nonmembers. Through the rest of the week the attendance has held very steady, not dropping below 35, and Thursday night there were nearly 60 present.

Elder J. Howard Matthews is the guest speaker for this series of meetings. His unusual ability to present the messages without arousing antagonism and yet making them forceful and definite, has won many friends, even among those who do not agree with him.

Last Sunday night there were 65 present to hear the subject "The End of the World." When the appeal was made at the close of the service, there was a good response. We are currently engaged in visiting these folk and are finding some very good interests.

We solicit an interest in your prayers that God's Spirit may be poured out in an abundant way on these folk in the Livonia area. ORLIN R. MCLEAN District Leader

Voice of Prophecy Sermons April 29: Jesus Is Wonderful May 6: Truth For Today



#### Central States Workers' Meeting

It was a real pleasure for Elder Jere D. Smith, Mr. B. L. Schlotthauer and me to attend the Central States workers' meeting on April 4 in Kansas City. The whole working force of the conference was present on that occasion as the picture indicates. There was a wellprepared agenda covering most phases of their conference-wide evangelism and soul winning through public ministry, literature distribution and lay activities. The topics were presented by the conference workers in a very inspirational and enthusiastic fashion. Elder F. L. Bland gave opportunity after the close of each topic for questions and remarks. The discussions which followed were enjoyed by all present.

Great plans were laid for a strong evangelistic program in all the districts and churches. Reports on past achievements were made and plans were laid for greater baptism results in the days to come. The conference has already made a good start on baptism; and if they should keep progressing this way through the remaining months of the year, this could be one of the big years for the Central States.

One of the big events about to transpire is the finishing of building a beautiful tabernacle on their campground. This will add materially to the other buildings already erected. A call was made to all believers of the conference to quickly raise the necessary amount so that the tabernacle can be dedicated at camp meeting in August.

Eight years ago when the present administration took over, the membership was 1137 and now it stands at 1762. The tithe for 1948 was \$63,017,90 and at the end of 1955 it rose \$109,928.30. The Ingathering for 1948 was only \$5,583.60 but the figures for 1955 stand at \$14,165.25. Marvelous gains indeed! "What hath God wrought?" A banner could be placed somewhere over the toils and blessings of this consecrated, energetic and hard-working group of men and women comprising the working force of the conference. This progress could not have been made without all working together unitedly and wholeheartedly.

As you look at this picture and see these men with their companions, won't you send up earnest prayers for them that the Lord may continue to bless them and give them success in their labors, not only pray for them but join them in their mighty crusade for souls in the days which lie ahead.

D. E. REINER

#### Home Missionary Activities

During the first quarter of this year we have been able to discuss the missionary activities with the officers in every one of our churches. The response has been most gratifying and as the reports are compiled for the first quarter, we can see signs of improvement over the previous quarters.

We have received a large number of

enrollees for our Twentieth Century Bible School. The pastor, home missionary officers, and members of the church in the Wichita district conducted a Bible school for several weeks and at the end they awarded 33 certificates. At the close of the quarter there were four precious souls baptized.

A few days ago Elder Xavier Butler came into the office and informed us that he and the home missionary officers and members are getting ready to begin a Bible school here in Kansas City about the first week in May. We are asking that you remember them in your prayers.

The work of our Dorcas societies is progressing nicely. The first meeting of our Central Federation is called for May 13 at the Topeka College Avenue church.

The churches constituting this federation are the two churches in the Kansas City area, Sedalia, Leavenworth, Atchison, St. Joseph, Wellington, Independence and Wichita. We have invited the pastors to attend this meeting also. The president of the federation, Sister Carrie Woodson, and the members of the Topeka church are making plans for a goodly number to be present.

Let us continue to pray and work hard that many souls may be saved through our various home missionary activities. P. C. WINLEY

#### News Notes

✓ On Sabbath, April 7, members of the Topeka and Atchison churches, under the leadership of Pastor J. L. Butler visited the Omaha Sharon church and presented a program. The presentation, "The New Jerusalem Limited-Destination Heaven" was deeply inspirational and



The workers and families as they attend the Central States Workers' Meeting.

greatly enjoyed by the Omaha members and friends.

✓ Although delayed for two weeks because of high winds, the workmen have now completed the steel (sheet metal) roof on the camp pavilion. This roof which is well insulated should add much to the comfort of those using the pavilion.



#### **Enterprise** Fund

Pledges and cash continue to come to the office indicating that our believers are interested in seeing the boys' dormitory at Enterprise restored. If you have not made your pledge, plan to do so soon.

This Invitation Is to You -

## Come to the

# KANSAS LAYMAN'S CONGRESS

Wichita, May 4, 5, 6

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Jere D. Smith President Central



F. O. Sanders President Kansas Conference



D. E. Reiner H.M. Sec'y Central Union

#### CONGRESS BEGINS

May 4, 7:30 P.M., S.D.A. Church, 302 So. Dodge Sabbath, May 5, Morning Service at Baptist church one block east of S.D.A. church. Afternoon at church. Sunday, May 6 — 8:30-12:00 — S.D.A. Church

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The following pledges and cash reported since our last meeting:

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	Mr. and Mrs. Edward Coffman Mrs. G. P. Gaede F. A. Hallock A friend	\$50 35 25 10
	A friend John and Lydia Kuhn	$\frac{15}{27}$
	William and Doralee Murphy	33
	Ben Morlong	50
	Kathryn Miller	25
	Arnetta Nevins	2
	Mrs. T. L. Ortiz	10
	Elder and Mrs. M. E. Payne	20 3 5
	Portis church	5
	William Peter	25
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#### **Federation Appointments**

Come to the Federation meetings scheduled for the state May 6 through 10. All Dorcas workers are urged to come. Elder J. E. Edwards, Associate Secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department will be with us for these appointments. We are planning on seeing each one of you.

The Federation appointments will be as follows:

Sunday, May 6	Wichita
Monday, May 7	Nekoma
Tuesday, May 8	Enterprise
Wednesday, May 9	Chanute
Thursday, May 10	Kansas City
	E. E. HAGEN
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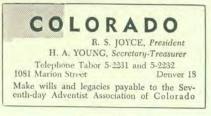


#### Enterprise Academy --Choir and Band Tours

April 28, 8:00 p.m.	Bison
April 29, 8:00 p.m	Durham
May 5, 11:00 a.m	
May 5, 2:00 p.m	
	Laymen's Congress
May 5, 8:00 p.m.	Yates Center
May 6, 2:00 p.m	Pittsburg
May 6, 8:00 p.m.	Parsons
May 12, 11:00 a.m	Topeka
May 12, 2:30 p.m.	
May 12, 8:00 p.m.	Kansas City
May 19, 8:00 p.m.	

"I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist but I cannot conceive how a man could look up into the heavens, and say there is no God."

ABRAHAM LINCOLN



#### Itinerating

On March 31, we had a wonderful laymen's rally at Nucla. The little church was packed not only for the morning meeting but also for the soul-winning problem clinic in the afternoon and for the showing of the laymen's films in the evening.

A company of our people who are in the lumbering business have recently moved to Norwood, which is some 20 miles from the Nucla church. Since there is no church at Norwood, they are attending at Nucla and it has certainly increased the attendance in that church to where there is hardly enough room to hold them. Elder L. A. Vixie, the district pastor, is giving strong stimulation to the laymen's work and the officers of the Nucla church are exercising strong promotion in soul winning. I think of Brother Gohde, who is the elder, and his wife, who is an officer of the church, and I think of Brother Reinoehl, the missionary leader. These folk, together with the other officers of the church, are certainly pressing on to win more souls.

Then I think of the Norwood company. The entire group down there is active in soul winning by Bible studies. They are anxious for meetings to follow and are, at this writing, in the testing truths

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with the folk who are attending the studies. We pray earnestly that the people who are now attending at Norwood will take their stand for the remnant people, so that actually a church might be established in the future in that wonderful little town. If such will be the case, once again, as in so many other cases, the credit will go largely to the faithful work of laymen who have within their souls the earnest desire to share their faith with others who know not this truth as yet.

In the evening after the showing of the films, a large number (by far the majority of these good people at Nucla) signed up for the training course, showing that they are in earnest in soul winning, so we earnestly pray that Nucla will continue in its wonderful activity of soul winning.

On the Sabbath of April 7, Elder D. E. Reiner and I had the privilege of being at an inter-district rally at Farmington. Elder W. A. Clarke, the pastor, and Brother Kenneth Richards, the Cortez district pastor, were there also. There was a capacity crowd. Brother Willitts, our good colporteur down in Farmington, was in charge of the Sabbath school which was interesting and very well conducted. Then Sister Willitts, church missionary leader, was in charge of the eleven o'clock hour since it was the first Sabbath of the month. We were all thrilled with the amiable, informal way that Sister Willitts called on different ones to report on their activities and to tell of their proposed activities for the future. She challenged them to greater activity in no uncertain terms and the people responded in a marvelous way. Elder Reiner and I remarked that we didn't know when we had seen anything quite like it. During this activity we saw that the Farmington people are working for the Navajos. They are working for the colored people and the Spanish. They are working for everybody they can possibly work for in the true spirit of the Adventist commission to warn every creature of the soon-coming of Christ.

The high light of the day, however, without exception, was Elder Reiner's stirring sermon entitled "New Discoveries in Soul Winning." It was one of the most powerful missionary sermons that I had ever heard and it was evident that the hearts of all present were moved. The response to the sermon was unanimous,

In the afternoon we had the soulwinning problem clinic once again with the ministers present as the panel. The films were shown in the evening and once again when Elder Reiner asked for a response from those who would like to join the training class within their own church after they had seen the "Living Link," there was an unusually good response of many, many hands that were raised. At the close of that meeting it seemed like it was the end of an almost perfect day with capacity crowds in every meeting and this unusually good spirit of soul winning and witnessing and activity prevalent on every side.

The citing of the churches are just examples of a wonderful spirit that is moving through the masses of the Colorado laymen to help finish the work very soon. There is a new tide of unity that seems to be prevailing among the laymen, the officers of the church, and the ministers as they are pressing together in working for souls. The results will obviously be a far greater harvest of souls than we have ever seen before, and so it is thrilling to watch Colorado laymen on the march. Let us keep praying for each other and pressing forward to the goal of a finished task. BEN J. LIEBELT Home Missionary Secretary

#### Progress in

#### the Alamosa District

The members of the San Luis Valley churches are busy and of good courage.

Members have been added to the Alamosa, Blanca and Jaroso churches, and although we have lost several by transfer of letter, the district still shows a small net gain. Among those baptized this year are two entire families of respected businessmen in the community. Their wholehearted and zealous help in the work of the church is greatly appreciated.

Three of the four churches have completed or are in the process of completing buildings or improvements to their church property.

In Alamosa, a temporary chapel and church school should be ready for occupancy before fall. This will provide us also with a building for a Dorcas Welfare Center which will be used as a center for the entire valley.

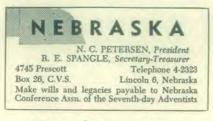
The Monte Vista members have decorated the interior of their church building and are now in the process of adding a room that will provide much-needed space for classrooms and rest rooms.

The members of the Jaroso church

have completed remodeling of their children's division building and have also installed a new gas furnace in their church.

Much more remains to be done. Among many other things, plans for our Vacation Bible School, revivals in all our churches, more organized and systematic work in giving Bible readings and conducting cottage meetings. May the Lord help us keep up with His providences and program for the finishing of His great work.

B. Y. BAUGHMAN, District Pastor



#### Note of Appreciation

As many of you know, Mrs. Petersen has been suffering for some time. On March 21 she went to the hospital for exploratory surgery to try and determine the cause of her discomfort. The doctor found a very serious situation and unless the Lord intervenes there seems no hope of her recovery.

Hundreds of cards and many letters of encouragement have come from our people from all over the field. These are very greatly appreciated by Mrs. Petersen and also by me. We will not be able to answer all of them personally so will you please accept this as an answer to your kind expressions of sympathy and encouragement. We trust that you will continue to pray that if it is the Lord's will for Mrs. Petersen to be restored to health that that may be done but if not, we trust and pray she may not have to endure too intense suffering for too long a time.

Mrs. Petersen is now at the Boulder Sanitarium at Boulder, Colorado, where everything that can be done to make her comfortable is being done.

N. C. PETERSEN

#### Visitor's Day

In every church all over the Nebraska Conference, Sabbath, May 5 is Visitor's Day. On this special high day all of our people are encouraged to bring a guest with them to enjoy the blessings of the Sabbath school and then to remain for a spiritual feast of good things during the 11:00 o'clock service that is to follow.

Special ribbons are to be provided for both the guest and for the member having brought a guest on this important day. The visitor ribbon declares "I Am A Visitor, Welcome." The ribbon for the member having brought a visitor reads "Congratulations, I Brought A Visitor." Please take special pains on this occasion to welcome warmly the visitor and to congratulate the member having brought a guest to the services.

We have invited all of our pastors and district leaders to preach a special welcoming sermon for this important occasion. You can count on a good sermon I am sure on Visitor's Day, Sabbath, May 5. Let us all endeavor to bring at least one guest to church on Visitor's Day. Who knows but that your guest on Visitor's Day, May 5, will prove to be a permanent resident of heaven some day. This we believe is a wonderful opportunity for all of our people in all of our churches to acquaint the community in which our churches are strategically placed with our faithful membership and to learn concerning our beliefs. Do your part on Visitor's Day by bringing a visitor to the services in your church.

> M. DONOVAN OSWALD Sabbath School Secretary

#### **Your Radio Doctor**

The right arm of the message is at work in the Broken Bow district by means of radio announced William C. Hinton, district pastor. On April 16 the first of a series of 40 transcribed programs titled YOUR RADIO DOCTOR was broadcast from station KCNI (1280 KC.)

YOUR RADIO DOCTOR will be aired daily, Monday through Friday, at 2:45 p.m. as an added service of the Health Welfare Center located in Broken Bow. Our people who can get KCNI will surely want to tune in and invite as many members as possible to listen also. Hearts once closed by prejudice can well be opened by these frank, helpful radio messages.

These quarter-hour broadcasts feature health talks by Clifford R. Anderson, M.D., on today's most important health problems. Dr. Anderson is a graduate of our own College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, California.

For some time it has been felt that a definite contribution in the field of



Top picture shows the cooking in action. Bottom picture shows school the group in attendance

healthful living should be made to the people of this area in co-operation with our Health and Welfare Center. YOUR RADIO DOCTOR, we believe, will fulfill this desire and gain many friends for the cause of God.

The wholehearted co-operation of our people in inviting friends or relatives who live in hearing distance of KCNI will be appreciated.

Our plan for these broadcasts is threefold. First we want to spread the gospel of good health and in so doing break down prejudice. Second, we plan to offer the Health Correspondence Course free to all who write in for it. Third, those who complete the course will be invited to enroll in the Bible Correspondence Course. In this way the health message can prepare hearts to receive the last warning message and thus serve as a soul-winning agency.

Your earnest prayers for the success of this venture of faith are coveted.

W. C. HINTON, District Leader

#### Ministerial Auxiliary **Cooking School**

On March 19 demonstrations on sandwich making and center pieces marked the close of the Vollmer Cooking School

sponsored by the Ministerial Auxiliary for the young married students of Union College at the College View church annex.

Mrs. M. S. Culver was co-ordinator of the school together with a group of faculty, community and auxiliary women assisting her as instructors and hostesses. Previous instruction periods included demonstrations on bread making, entrees, use of herbs, and menu planning. At the end of each session, hostesses served samples of the food demonstrated that evening.

Mrs. Ronald Atkinson, auxiliary president, was the devotional leader for the group of 40-50 people in attendance at each gathering.

Various persons received gifts for being present and free samples, furnished by health food companies, were available to all.

Mrs. Sherwood Jones, vice-president of the auxiliary, received a camera as a grand prize for trying out the largest number of recipes published by the school

> MRS. PHILIP GROCE publicity secretary

Truth is like the sun. It will melt the icy mountains of suspicion and distrust. Selected

### Obituaries

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CHRISMAN-William Mason Chrisman CHRISMAN-William Mason Chrisman was-born at Versailles, Mo., on Sept. 28, 1875. He passed away at the Coffman Nursing home in Enterprise, Kans., Feb. 17, 1956. He was married to Vergie Lore, July 28, 1919, to which union were born three sons. Surviving are two sons, four grandchildren, and three brothers. His wife died Feb. 4, 1955. He was laid to rest in the Abilene, Kans., cemetery. R. E. BROWNING

FRIESEN-Abe A. Friesen was born near Hillsboro, Kans., Jan. 10, 1881, He died Feb. 6, 1956 in Denver, Colo. In 1908 he was united in marriage with Katie Ortner in Hitchcock, Okla. To this union six children were born. Surviving are five children: Irvin, William, Harold, Mrs. Evelyn O'haver, and Franklin, two brothers and four sisters. Burial was in the Lehigh, Kans., cemetery where he awaits his Lord and Saviour. BYRON A. BLECHA

DOUGLAS-Martha Malster Douglas was born March 26, 1890, in Waterford, Ohio, and passed away Dec. 18, 1955 in Fremont, Neb. She joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in Zanesville, Ohio, in 1910 and was faithful to her Lord until death. Since 1925 she lived in Fremont with her two sisters, Mrs. Ray Ran-dall, and Miss Rowena Malster plus many friends. The service was conducted by the writer. A. R. LICKEY

A. K. LICKEY BRUNER-Jasper McGee Bruner, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bruner, was born on a farm near Swar's Prairie, Jan. 24, 1882. He passed away Dec. 30, 1955 at his home in Overland Park, Kans. In 1906 he was married to Miss Elsie Boyer, who survives. Of the two children born to them, a son died in infancy, and a daughter, Mrs. Verna Shelton survives. There are five grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two brothers, Jess and Robert. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, and we laid our brother to rest in the Swar's Prairie Cemetery. W. S. LAWRENCE

HUTCHESON-Mary Jane Hutcheson was born, Nov. 3, 1860 and passed to her rest in the "Blessed Hope," Jan. 13, 1956. She was a member of the Ft. Collins, Colo., church for many years. She was mother of 8 children and had 25 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. A very close friend, Pastor Chas. M. Tresner assisted the writer in the last rites. GEORGE T. VORE

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