

## Anchored-Geared-Linked

H. K. CHRISTMAN, Periodical Manager, Pacific Press

Three magic words. No, they do not involve any mechanical arrangement, nor are they concerned with any special invention of human genius. During recent months these three words were used quite appropriately to visualize the place and function of our great "silent evangelist"—*Signs of the Times*.

Announcing its latest innovation as a beautiful four-color, 36-page monthly feature our people were assured that it "was ANCHORED to the historic past, GEARED to the tempo of a fast-moving world, and LINKED with the eternal future." We affirm unhesitatingly that *Signs* fits into this picture most admirably. The experience of the years, and its marvelous contribution to our program of literature evangelism throughout the world has endeared it to the hearts of our people everywhere.

March and April have been especially dedicated to *Signs* evangelism. Plans have fully matured to enlist every member of the church in the art of fishing for men, with *Signs* as the principle medium. Our great objective during this period is to secure at least 300,000 names and addresses where *Signs* can erect a silent pulpit for the presentation of a living message for a dying world. Every name will be considered a sacred trust as soon as it is entered on the *Signs* list, and during this subscription year a well-organized program of correspondence evangelism will operate in an endeavor to make the "silent pulpit" effective in the winning of souls.

Celebrating its eighty-fourth anniversary during 1958, *Signs* is appropriately ANCHORED to the historic past. Thousands have testified to its effective appeal to their hearts over the span of many years. True to the prophetic observation by Mrs. E. G. White, it has been "opening the way for the truth to

be more fully presented." It has attained a most enviable record over the years in sounding a faithful warning against satanic sophistries and delusions, and pointing judgment-bound souls to "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world."

In its new colorful format and content *Signs* is admirably GEARED to the tempo of a fast-moving world. Whether its editorial genius is focused on "sputniks," or other heavenly phenomena, or the mysteries of the deep, *Signs* builds its enduring structure on the foundation of eternal truth.

*Signs*—our great silent evangelist for all the years has envisioned to the millions the world of tomorrow when Jesus will reign as "King of kings and Lord of lords." It is thus LINKED with the eternal future, and is destined to occupy a large place in the missionary program of Seventh-day Adventists.

Remember, "every name a sacred trust" is our motto at the *Signs* office. May we urgently invite you into fellowship with us in the greatest program of soul winning of this passing year with *Signs*. Subscribe for your relatives and friends on your prayer list. Provision has been made whereby your missionary investment is only \$10.00 for five names, or six or more to single addresses or in clubs for only \$1.75 for each name.

MORE "SIGNS"—MORE HOMES—MORE SOULS.

### Sunday Law Ammunition

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1. A tract by A. W. Johnson, *Do We Want Sunday Laws?* This is a 24-page tract, telling fully why objectors are

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2. A new tract, *Let's Look at Sunday Laws*. This is a single folder, giving a half-dozen points of opposition to Sunday laws. It is brief, for quick reading, especially useful for massive distribution during Sunday law campaigns. The price is \$5.00 per thousand.

3. A new tract by Frank H. Yost, *Sunday Laws: What to Do About Them*. This gives in detail methods for meeting Sunday law issues, and should be in the hands of every pastor and evangelist, and each church religious liberty secretary. A supply is to be made available at each union conference office.

FRANK H. YOST, Associate Secretary  
General Conference  
Religious Liberty Department

### The Signs Is Making History!

The *Signs* magazine made a gain of 49% in 1957 over 1956. This has never been accomplished before in one single year. There must be reasons for such a grand upward swing, and we might mention some of these.

Our people accepted the challenge from their leaders and went out to do something really great. And what our people make up their minds to do, they can—and always will—do.

Our faithful conference workers and leaders set high goals, organized well, and put in a lot of hard work to bring about such a wonderful gain.

The publishing house spent large sums of money to effect the greatest change ever in the history of the *Signs*. They changed it from a weekly to a monthly magazine and from a periodical to a beautiful, many-colored magazine.

Such a beautiful magazine could again be offered for sale on the streets of our cities, could be used by our doctors in their offices, and could be sponsored by our people for all sorts of libraries in our cities, schools, and colleges.

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This magazine caught the eye and the interest of the reading public as they saw these magazines in our reading racks. New interest not only for the magazine but for the message it carried was manifested all over America by the reading public.

Put all these reasons together into one, and it is bound to make a great difference in the circulation of the Signs. And all of these things are still in our favor as we begin our great Signs campaign for 1958, beginning with the first week end in April! So, we are looking forward with courage and enthusiasm to another year of great success in behalf of the Signs and the salvation of souls. It is still true—more Signs, more souls!

D. E. REINER

## Old Nazareth Is Calling Again

Many long years ago Nazareth produced the most wonderful personality that the world has ever seen, and she heard the grandest voice that ever rang out on the streets of any of the ancient cities of the world. Many of those who saw and heard Him accepted the free offer of salvation and received peace and forgiveness in their hearts and be-

came members of that early apostolic church.

After these many centuries have rolled by, the citizens of old Nazareth who belong to the Adventist family of this day are now appealing to Christians of the same faith of all nations to come and help them in their great program of evangelism of that part of the world. From what our world leaders in that section of the field tell us, there is a great need for an evangelistic center from which they can teach all phases of the Advent message and carry the last message to the world. Could we think of any more worthy project than this? In what other way could we gladden the hearts of our faithful missionaries out there? We really owe something to old Nazareth—to that city which was the home town of Christ our Saviour. We must not fail our brethren who are out there nor those dear people who are seeking for the light.

So, brethren and sisters, let's remember old Nazareth this coming 13th Sabbath offering with large gifts, many prayers, and a worth-while sacrifice. Let every Sabbath school and every member work for a large overflow on this special occasion.

D. E. REINER

## General Conference Accommodations for Non-Delegates Announced

This is an official announcement concerning housing accommodations for the forthcoming Quadrennial session of the General Conference to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, June 19-28, 1958.

A preliminary notice in this union paper stated that housing was first being arranged for official delegates from overseas and North America. This has been nearly completed.

Beginning April 1, 1958 reservations will be accepted for non-delegates. All reservations must be made through the Hotel Reservation Bureau of the Cleveland Convention Bureau. *Do not make reservations directly with hotels or motels.* Blocks of rooms in Cleveland hotels are being reserved for us and it is necessary that we work through the Reservation Bureau.

On page three will be found an order blank which our members can use in reserving accommodations. The main Cleveland hotels are the Statler, Cleveland, Carter, Hollenden, Olmstead, and Manger. The YMCA and YWCA have limited accommodations. A limited number of private homes are being made available through the Housing Bureau.

The price range for hotel rooms are as follows: Single, \$5.00—\$13.00; double, \$7.00—\$16.50; twin beds, \$9.00—\$18.50. All are with bath.

Motels ranging from 1½ miles to 12 miles away from downtown Cleveland are also available. Rates range from \$7.00—\$9.00 for singles and \$9.00 up for doubles.

Note: You must state your exact arrival time on your reservation. If for any reason you change this time, notify your

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hotel immediately. Because of the heavy demand for reservations, the hotels will be obliged to cancel your entire reservation if you fail to arrive on the day specified. If for any reason you decide not to use your reservation, you should immediately notify the hotel concerned. Your committee has spent many hours securing these hotel accommodations. The hotels themselves will not accept advance deposits, but as Seventh-day Adventists we should strive to maintain our good reputation for honesty and integrity and not hold room reservations until the last minute and then cancel out. *This is important!*

Please send all reservations to:  
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### Broadview Academy (College) Alumni

Broadview Academy will soon conclude its final year at its present location. The Alumni Association is planning an all alumni week end, April 11-13, ending with a grand Banquet at 1:00 p.m., Sunday. Graduates and former teachers should write to Mrs. Lola Huffmaster Smith, Broadview Academy, Broadview, Illinois, for details, and to Elder Raymond Hoffmann for over-night accommodations.

Alumni Officers

### Notice

*Life and Health*, the National Health Journal, is making a very exceptional offer to the Seventh-day Adventists of the Central Union. As your leader, I want to heartily recommend the special at this time. It will come to you direct through

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the mails from the Review & Herald. It is nontransferable and applies to church members only. May I strongly urge that you watch for your letter from the office of *Life and Health* and recommend that you act on it promptly. Two outstanding premiums are being made available. "Remember you can be happier and live longer if you know how to care for your health."

THEODORE CARCICH

### Reservation Blank

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Beginning with April 1, 1958, rooms in the following hotels for non-delegates will be available: Carter, Cleveland, Hollenden, Manger, Olmstead, Statler. Also YMCA, YWCA, and a limited number of private homes in the Greater Cleveland area.

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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### Union College Nursing Students Teach Professional Nurses in Colorado

Union College Nursing Students were asked by the Colorado League for Nursing to present to the professional nurses of Denver a two-hour program on methods of caring for casualties and survivors of a disaster.

Sharon Dahse discussed shelter hygiene and methods of controlling the spread of epidemics that could develop when people are crowded together in shelters and the normal sanitary safeguards have been destroyed. She also demonstrated how to make use of tin cans and cardboard boxes to cook and serve food to refugees in shelters. Sharon continued her demonstration by showing how dressings and instruments could be sterilized by home pressure cookers if the usual hospital facilities had been destroyed. Her final presentation showed a small kit that a prospective mother could prepare and take with her if it seemed likely that her baby might be born in a shelter, a tent, or even by a roadside.



Phyllis Evens demonstrated how a shortage of beds for the sick and injured could be supplemented by pallets on the ground or floor and how a bed could be improvised for an adult by lashing auditorium-type straight chairs together. She made a crib for a child by tying living room chairs together. She also showed how newspapers and paper blankets could be used to supplement a shortage of blankets. Phyllis continued by exhibiting and showing methods of using a family survival kit to help a family to care for its own injured members until medical help could be obtained.

Martha Zimmerman demonstrated methods of caring for small babies in refugee shelters. She converted cardboard cartons, suitcases, and laundry baskets into bassinets. She demonstrated a method of preparing and storing infant feedings if there was no refrigeration and showed how mayonnaise jars and pop bottles could be used if no regular baby nursing bottles could be obtained.

In the final demonstration Marilyn Millard acted as a bed patient in a hospital fire. The other students demonstrated a variety of lifts and rescue techniques that could be used to carry her to safety and shelter.

The program was enthusiastically received by the nurses of the Colorado League for Nursing.

### News Notes

✓ Elder J. N. Anderson, often referred to as "Union's Grand Old Man," passed away February 23 in Lincoln at the age of 91. Born in Denmark, Professor Anderson was the first Seventh-day Adventist missionary to China. During his seven years in China he did much to lay the foundation of Adventist mission work there and to establish churches. From 1915 to 1924 and from 1934 to 1943 he was professor of Greek, Hebrew, and Missions at Union College. He was named Professor Emeritus in 1943. During his teaching years, he was named to "Who's Who in America," the only professor in a non-administrative position to receive that distinction.

✓ Academy seniors from the Central and Northern Unions will visit the college April 13 to 15 for the annual Senior Visitation Day. Activities planned include swimming, skating, an organ concert, a band concert, a senior-college freshmen basketball game, and a banquet. Open house in education, home economics, music, and secretarial departments. Time will be given for room,

job, and program arrangements, and a tour of the industries also will be conducted.

✓ President and Mrs. D. J. Bieber will hold a reception for the academy principals and their wives on Monday, April 14, at 11:45 a.m. in connection with the Senior Visitation Day.

✓ Southwestern Junior College seniors will visit Union's campus April 10 to 13 for their annual Visitation Day. Swimming, skating, sight-seeing, and a basketball game are some of the activities planned. On Saturday night a band concert also will be held.

✓ On March 23 the Union College Community Service Program, under the direction of Elder Sydney Allen, Jr., Miss Alice Smith, and Mrs. Anne Dunn, began in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Senior religion, home economics and nursing majors are assisting in this program to help the people of Council Bluffs to prepare successfully to meet the physical, mental, and spiritual dangers of the twentieth century. The speakers for these meetings will be Samuel Armstrong, Ronald Atkinson, David Copey, Norman French, Donald Hensel, Treaver Hoover, Sherwood Jones, Teddy Ramirez, and Kenneth Cox. The nursing students taking part are Delores Chapman, Joyce Huisman, Delila Rueb, Gweneth Anderson, LaVonne Finnell, LaVonne Blehm, Alma Helt, Phyllis Glantz, Verna Rae Johnson, Naomi Frederick, and Edith Whittemore.

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### Lay Meeting at St. Louis

Plans have been completed for a lay-workers meeting to be held for the eastern section of Missouri at the St. Louis Central church, Skinker at Wydown, on April 11 and 12.

Lay workers and those interested in lay work in Columbia, Kirksville, Moberly, Poplar Bluff, Rolla, St. Louis, Sikes-

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ton, Sunnydale and Willow Springs Districts are invited to attend this meeting.

The first service will begin at 7:30 Friday evening and will continue through to 9:00 p.m. Saturday night.

Elder T. L. Oswald of the General Conference home missionary department, Robert Christian of the Review and Herald, Elder D. E. Reiner of the Central Union home missionary department, Elder H. C. Klement, our conference president, and Elder E. Frank Sherrill of the MV department will assist us in making these meetings most helpful.

Plan to come, be on time, arrange to stay all the way through.

H. R. COATS  
*Home Missionary Secretary*

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### Investment

At a recent meeting of the Sunnydale Academy Board it was voted to allow one cent (1¢) for each label on Sunnydale Foods for Sabbath school Investment.

These labels are to be sent to the Sabbath school department at your conference office for redemption. May we suggest that every family carefully save these labels for this worthy project.

If you are not now a user of these fine foods you will find a new taste treat in this wide variety of excellent protein foods. Your purchasing will enable more fine young people to find employment in the food factory. These foods can be purchased from your Health and Welfare Society, your book and Bible house, or direct from Sunnydale Foods, Centralia, Missouri.

H. R. COATS  
*Sabbath School Secretary*



## Bible House News

The KINGS POCKET LEAGUE has been revived again. Many will be happy to know they can now get the *Pocket* and two each of four numbers of the *Know Your Bible Series* tracts, for only 50 cents. Always be prepared to give a friend a tract. It may be his last chance to learn the truth.

G. W. Sisson, *Manager*  
*Book and Bible House*

work so diligently to support through the missions offerings.

By Sabbath school time, representatives from every district and almost every church in the conference, had arrived and the Casper church was filled to overflowing. Elder Moffitt again addressed the group during the 11:00 service while Elder Carcich brought an inspiring message to the youth group assembled in the church school.

Sabbath afternoon found the session underway, as the chairman of the panel discussion, Elder P. F. Pedersen, guided the discussion through the many phases of Sabbath school evangelism, ever stressing the importance of the goal of winning souls.

In two of the meetings our conference president, Elder J. L. Dittberner, presented many helpful suggestions regarding the duties of the church elder in relationship to the entire church program to the local elders present.

The final session convened on Sunday morning, with many of the representatives casting rather concerned glances at the weather, which had placed a mantle of white over the landscape during the night. Regardless of this, however, the session continued with a full delegation until the adjournment shortly before noon.

Certainly this was one of the most inspirational meetings our local leaders have had the privilege of attending. It was evident from the many comments that much help was received and we left with the feeling that our churches will profit much as our leaders make plans for the future.

B. L. Cook

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## Omaha Dorcas Meeting

The meeting of the Eastern Dorcas Federation of Nebraska will be held in the Omaha Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, April 13. It will begin at 10:00 a.m. promptly. The church is located on the corner of 26th and St. Marys Avenue.

An interesting program has been planned. There will be a sharing of ideas, so come loaded with them. Our Nebraska Conference president, Elder N. C. Petersen will be the guest speaker.

Your presence and participation will help to make this day a good one. Bring a covered dish for lunch and plan to stay until it closes at 3:30 p.m. Come one, come all.

MRS. JOHN AITKEN, *President*  
*Eastern Dorcas Federation*

## Lincoln District Moves Ahead

**VISITATION PROGRAM:** The Lincoln City church has begun a visitation program that is proving to be a great blessing. Elder W. H. Elder launched the program on Sabbath, March 1. Cards were passed out on which the names of visitors and their associates had been written, also on each card there were four names of individuals or families to be visited. These cards were signed as a pledge by the visitors. A number of good reports have already come in as a result of the visitation. At the close of the visitation month a short series of meetings will be held.

**BAPTISMAL CLASS:** We are glad to report that several have decided to go forward with their Lord in baptism. A class has been organized, and these precious souls are preparing for that wonderful experience, which will come in the very near future.

**FIRST AID:** A class of 14 have just finished the Standard First Aid Course and are going right on into the advanced course. The class was organized and conducted by Brother and Sister Gordon Stout, who will continue the instruction, assisted by the pastors. It is gratifying to see such a good interest in the First Aid work.

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## Officers' Meetings a Success

"A branch Sabbath school is one of the finest ways of winning souls." So ran the discussion in the Sabbath school officers' and Church Elders' Meeting at the Casper church, March 8 and 9. Stressing the necessity of the Sabbath school being a soul-winning agency, Elder L. L. Moffitt, world leader of our Sabbath school program, set the tempo for the council. Our union president, Elder Theodore Carcich, brought much inspiration and instruction on how to carry on the Sabbath school in a practical, workable way.

Friday evening Elder Moffitt reported to those present the rapid advance of the Sabbath school program around the world field. It was most thrilling to receive firsthand reports from the lands across the sea which the Sabbath schools



The panel for the discussion of Sabbath school problems and how to better plan the Sabbath school for more soul winning were left to right: J. L. Dittberner, P. F. Pedersen, Howard Voss, Theodore Carcich and L. L. Moffitt.



**GROWTH:** By the good work of Brother Kenneth Cox and the addition of some families that have just moved in, the York church has become too small. The members are beginning to think of a building program to take care of the increase in membership. The establishment of a church school is also being considered.

**PRESSING ON:** The Seward church is also pressing on, and there are plans for a series of meetings there in the near future.

The Elders and the Hickmans are happy in their work in this fine district.

JOHN HICKMAN  
Associate Pastor

### More Than \$500 for Ingathering

Brother Joe H. Glantz has been a faithful Ingatherer in Hastings for many years. Making his contacts alone, he gathered in \$525 this year, besides another \$200 donation that was designated for Platte Valley Academy.

Brother and Sister Glantz came to Hastings 45 years ago and worked in the sanitarium operated by the denomination here at that time. For 40 years now they have operated their own treatment rooms, giving steam baths, massages, and hydrotherapy treatments. They are well known and liked in the community. It is partly because of his business contacts that Brother Glantz is able to gather in so much for the mission cause.

R. E. BROWNING  
District Pastor



Mr. J. H. Glantz is seen in his treatment rooms in Hastings. His 40 years of service in this town have built up good relationship for our church.

## COMING DORCAS FEDERATIONS

Guest Speaker—  
Elder N. C. Petersen, President Nebraska Conference

### MEETING SCHEDULE

Hemingford, S.D.A. Church . . . . . Monday, April 7  
McCook, S.D.A. Church (unless otherwise notified) . . . . . Tues., April 8  
Grand Island, S.D.A. Church . . . . . Wednesday, April 9  
Omaha, S.D.A. Church . . . . . Sunday, April 13

All Pastors, Dorcas officers and members are urged to attend the meeting for their area. Meetings all begin at 10:00 a.m. Bring a covered dish and sandwiches for lunch.  
C. R. French

### Evangelism in Fremont District

While attending an evangelistic meeting in the Sligo church, in Takoma Park, Maryland, some years ago, the writer listened with rapt attention as the evangelist stressed the shortness of time. In concluding his address on Daniel 2, the evangelist uttered a statement that made an indelible impression upon the writer's mind—"We are hanging by our fingertips to the toenails of time!"

How much more true is this today than it was when it was spoken that night. For this reason the church faces a greater challenge now than at any time in its existence. Here in time's last hour we must make one last great united effort to gather into the fold all who will be saved. Time is running out!

In keeping with the demands of these

tremendous times, the plans of the Fremont District for 1958 all revolve about the energizing, life-giving word *evangelism!* Evangelism is the one word which gives meaning to the church's existence. Some of the means whereby we will endeavor to execute "total evangelism" are as follows.

A series of Sunday night meetings is being held in the Fremont church, complemented by a Tuesday evening "Bible Marking Class." This series began on February 23 with an encouraging attendance, and we are trusting God to provide the conviction and conversion of several souls who are attending.

March 13 marked the opening of a second series of meetings in the Tekamah City Auditorium with several interested souls present. This campaign will occupy Monday and Thursday nights for two months. We are fortunate to have been able to team up with Pastor and Mrs. J. R. Bailey of South Sioux City in this effort.

The Fremont and Tekamah City believers mailed out 3300 invitations to enroll in the Bible Correspondence School. An encouraging number of persons have already sent in their first lesson and are on their way to studying the third angel's message.

The churches in the district are distributing over 3400 of the tracts entitled "That Ye May Live Also" with an equal number of Voice of Prophecy radio logs.

Nearly 100 copies of the book *Seventh-day Adventists Answer Questions on Doctrine* are being distributed to the Protestant ministers and interested persons.

Elder and Mrs. Hinton were requested by the Red Cross to teach a



class in First Aid which began March 19. This we trust will prove to be a means of reaching still more souls with the influence of the message.

During 1958 we will continue to operate our fine church school in an endeavor to save the church's most precious possession, its children.

And finally, our Welfare Center will continue to give assistance to all who are in need.

While there are other evangelistic activities being carried on this year, the foregoing will give to our fellow-believers an idea of our plans, with laymen and ministers united for evangelism in the Fremont District.

We ask an interest in your prayers for heaven's blessing on our plans.

W. C. HINTON  
District Pastor

## CENTRAL STATES

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### "Honored"

Brother John S. Pipes, member of our Omaha church was the recipient of a "Brotherhood Week" award from the National Conference of Christians and Jews. His selection was by a committee of leading citizens of Omaha. In reporting the occasion the *Omaha World-Herald* stated, "A deacon in the Sharon Seventh-day Adventist Church, Mr. Pipes,

adheres to a simple Christian philosophy: 'The Lord went about doing good and He tells us to help others.'"

Brother Pipes was nominated for the award by his pastor, Elder G. Herfin Taylor.  
H. T. SAULTER

### Ladies Day at Emmanuel

God is truly sending His blessings on us in St. Joseph. On Sabbath, March 8, the ladies of the church took charge of the services of the day. Visitors from Kansas City, Kansas, Leavenworth, Kansas, and from the city enjoyed the inspiring message brought by our guest speaker, Mrs. Mazie Mitchell of Kansas City, Kansas. She brought to our attention the fact that God is calling for true Christian women in this day, and that no matter how small our task might seem, do it as unto God.

In the afternoon a talent program was presented by the various churches represented. It was truly a high day in the various churches represented. It was truly a high day in zion.

We solicit the prayers of the readers around the field, that God may continually send His blessings upon us.

MRS. L. B. MITCHELL

### Looking Back

As we near the end of the first quarter of the year we look back over the weeks to see what God has done for us in Denver.

Our visit from Elder Bland, conference president, was a high light of the period. The report of funds in our build-

ing drive has been encouraging. Individual contributions and receipts from organizational activities have helped to swell the total. Impetus is being given to the drive by the pressing need for seating space in our already overcrowded church building.

A baptismal service by our pastor, Elder D. B. Reid, a visit and sermon from Elder H. E. Rice, administrator of Porter Sanitarium and the Faith for Today offering were each in their time and place well received by the members. God is blessing our church.

ESTHER T. MCMURRAY, *Press Secretary*  
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### There Was Joy in Heaven

Brother Vernon Zeller, our literature evangelist in Kansas City, Kansas, experienced the thrill of his life on March 1st. On that never-to-be-forgotten day he had the joy of seeing Mrs. Mae Haney baptized by the pastor of the Central church in Kansas City, Missouri. This was the harvest of a gospel seed sown by Colporteur Zeller some months before.

Last April just two months after Zeller entered the literature ministry, Mrs. Ralph Standcliff, the daughter of Mrs. Haney, purchased a set of *Bible Pageant*. Several weeks later, Zeller was impressed to go by to see how Mrs. Standcliff was enjoying her books. Mrs. Haney bought a set at that time and also enrolled in the Bible Correspondence School.

Mrs. Haney found the lessons so interesting that she started asking questions seeking more information on Bible subjects. Personal studies were given to her by members of the Central church. In time both she and her sister accepted the advent message.

Mrs. Standcliff and her family are receiving studies from Elder Fred Schultz and we trust that their baptism in the near future will be the source of another day of joy in heaven.

How many days of joy in heaven will you cause in 1958? Join now with Colporteur Zeller in sowing gospel seed the literature way. God's promise in Psalms 126:6 is surely for you, "He that goeth



These members of the recently organized church of Kinloch, Missouri, are working hard on their building fund. They feel that a new church home is imperative as they plan to enlarge their membership. The Central States Conference officers welcome this group into the circle of churches.



forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing sheaves with him."

D. L. CHAPPELL  
Publishing Secretary

## Kans-O-Graph

✓ Elder F. O. Sanders just returned to the office from Denver, Colorado, where he attended board meetings for the Porter and Boulder Sanitariums on March 3, 4, and 5.

✓ The Topeka church school's annual spring Week of Prayer was conducted by Elder E. E. Hagen, March 3 to 7. A good response was reported with a number of young people rededicating their lives to the Lord and to His service.

✓ Elder Harry Haas was guest speaker at the Wyandotte county church in Kansas City, March 1.

✓ The annual audit committee of the Kansas Conference met February 26 at Topeka. At this meeting the accomplishments of the past were reviewed and plans for future advance were made.

✓ Congratulations to the Maize and Opp families. Their homes have recently been blessed with the arrival of new baby boys.

✓ Elder H. E. Haas spent a recent week end at the Kansas City church, speaking at the eleven o'clock hour and presenting a Saturday night program of entertainment.

✓ The Student Colporteur Institute was held at Enterprise Academy, March 9

and 10, at which time Elder D. L. Chappell gave instruction in Christian salesmanship and enlisted recruits for the summer program.

✓ On Saturday night, March 8, the Temperance Oratorical Contest was held at Enterprise Academy. A winner was chosen at this time to enter the union-wide contest which will also be held at Enterprise on March 29.

✓ The Bible School reports that already several applications have been received for enrollment in the 20th Century Bible Course, as a result of a recent church participation in the spring visitation program.

✓ Elder H. K. Christman from the Pacific Press in Mt. View, California, visited our conference March 9, 10 and 11, in the interest of promoting the *Signs of the Times* magazine.



At a recent Federation appointment discussion was given our Health and Welfare Service First Aid Kit. More discussion will be given to this as we complete our program for '58. Left to right in the picture are Mrs. Ellis Pepper, Mrs. Ralph Wiseman, Elder J. R. McWilliam and Mrs. C. B. Stearns.

## Federation Appointments

The scheduled Spring Dorcas Federation appointments will be held April 6 through 10. The appointments are as follows:

Southeastern Federation at Fort Scott  
—Sunday, April 6

Northeastern Federation — Topeka  
—Monday, April 7

North Central Federation — Enterprise  
—Tuesday, April 8

South Central Federation — Wichita  
—Wednesday, April 9

Western (Sunflower) Federation —  
Dighton—Thursday, April 10

We are anxious that all Dorcas personnel plan to attend these respective Federation appointments in their area.

E. E. HAGEN

Home Missionary Secretary

✓ Elder D. L. Chappell conducted a Colporteur Rally at Wichita recently. Elder F. O. Sanders was the speaker for this occasion. A similar rally will be held in the Kansas City Johnson county church on April 4 and 5.

✓ Plans for a baptismal class for the juniors of the Goodland church, conducted by L. H. Opp, were expanded to include studies for 20 to 25 non-Adventist children. These meetings are enthusiastically attended week by week.

✓ Elder K. V. Eager informs us that he will hold an evangelistic meeting in the Kincaid church on Sunday and Wednesday nights, beginning March 16, and lasting through the month of April.

✓ Yes, the hour is late and Kansas is making definite plans to move forward in '58.

## COLORADO

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## President's Notes

✓ During the week end of March 1st, a very profitable Sabbath school institute was conducted by our conference Sabbath school secretary. Excellent counsel was given by Elder L. L. Moffitt, world Sabbath school secretary; Elder T. Carcich, Central Union president; and D. E. Reiner, Central Union Sabbath school secretary. Sabbath school officers attended from the far corners of the conference.

✓ On Sunday, March 9th, although the roads were slick and it was snowing, an amazing number of Sabbath school workers attended the eastern slope Sabbath School Exchange, under the direction of our conference Sabbath school secretary. Our book and Bible house manager attended to tell about Sabbath school supplies that are available in the book and Bible house. The western slope meeting was held March 16.

✓ Our literature evangelists' sales have doubled during the first two months of 1958, compared to the same period last year.

✓ During two months, our book and Bible house has sold, over the counter, as much as was sold in 12 months last year.

✓ The title shows an increase of \$8,378.78 for the first two months and



Here are shown a group of junior VSB children as they line up for morning refreshment. Plan now for your Vacation Bible School for 1958.





The new Colorado Conference office building was recently dedicated for service to God in these last days of earth's history.



The Colorado Workers attended the Workers' Meeting and dedication of the new office building.

mission offerings have increased by \$580.23.

✓ New elementary schools are being constructed in Cortez and Longmont. Negotiations have been started to secure land in Brighton for a new Fort Lupton-Brighton elementary school.

✓ Every district leader has been voted an evangelistic budget so that he can conduct a spring campaign. Some campaigns have already started. The remainder will commence in the near future. Let us pray especially for the success of our evangelists.

✓ The Colorado Conference is thrilled by what will be accomplished by the Million Dollar Offering for world evangelism and missions advance. Already the district leaders and church elders have organized for success.

✓ Two outstanding Weeks of Prayer have been held at Campion Academy this school year. Elder L. J. Ehrhardt brought great help to the school, although the special week of devotion was held during the height of the influenza epidemic and many students could not attend. Elder J. L. Everett, with a

full attendance inspired all to higher heights of Christian living.

✓ On Wednesday, March 5th, the members of the board visited Campion Academy. They inspected closely, the boys' and girls' dormitories, and expressed their approval. They also voiced appreciation of the new broom shop and dairy barn. They attended chapel, ate with the students, and joined in a meeting of the faculty and staff. Our union president gave two encouraging talks—one to the students and one to the faculty and staff. The day ended with a ride in the new bus which had just been purchased so that the student tours can be conducted more safely and economically.

R. S. JOYCE

### Open House for the Colorado Conference Office

Open house was held February 16th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. by the president of the Colorado Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and his office staff in their new office building at 2520 South Downing Street.

Although many members and non-

members showed a keen interest while the construction was in progress, hundreds were shown through the attractive, modest, but ample building of native stone and brick, which contains the book and Bible house, the Bible Correspondence School, offices, library, auditorium, committee room, sundry display and storage rooms, kitchen, and a work room for the office secretaries.

A bus shelter, of the same design as the office building, located at the far end of the large paved parking lot, attracted much attention and caused favorable comment.

All nonmembers, as they were leaving, were given a copy of *Your Friends the Adventists*.

The accompanying photographs show the exterior of the office building and the conference workers who attended the first workers' meeting held in the auditorium.

The many beautiful floral arrangements and good wishes sent by friends and co-workers were greatly appreciated.

The building has been dedicated to the finishing of the work of God on the earth. It is the desire of the staff members that they may continually be used of God to help spread the gospel to all people.

DELPHINE WATSON  
Elementary Supervisor

### "Like the Leaves of Autumn"

"If we can't do it by gentle persuasion, then we will try legal action and legislation." These were the thoughts expressed by the Denver Council of Churches in seeking to effect Sunday closing of the grocery stores in Denver.

The literature we have at our disposal is a means by which we can make known to all men the present truth and where we stand in the stream of time. Our district leaders here in Colorado and the church laity believe in this type of ministry and have done an excellent job in spreading our literature "like the leaves of autumn."

Every district has done fine work and an outstanding example is Elder Wing's district. These folk comprising the Loveland-Fort Collins area lead the nation in per capita purchases of *What Jesus Said* and so far as we are able to ascertain, the only district in North America to reach five per capita in purchases of *What Jesus Said*. Elder Wing's neighbor, Elder Ehrhardt, is currently conducting



# Central Union Literature Evangelists

J. F. KENT, Publishing Department Secretary

Report for Month Ending, February 22, 1958

**COLORADO**

A. L. Ingram, secretary

Scout	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
Bennett, James	157	318.88	297.44
Buck, Gene	136	1205.77	920.14
Conrad, G. L.	2	72.67	72.67
Fahl, Richard	142	419.20	225.05
Gibson, J. M.	130	410.95	274.95
Kyle, Tom	149	386.88	276.42
Miller, Raymond	161	908.30	825.60
Richey, Shirley	96	246.30	246.30
Schade, Mrs. Don	135	435.54	353.44
Swift, M. D.	162	578.73	500.68
Taylor, Kenneth	80	800.00	796.00
Willits, G. E.	158	978.25	1008.46
Wallace, H. E.	166	519.00	519.00
Beans, L. G.	75	83.00	83.00
Cleveland, Mrs. W.	5	81.00	67.50
Hafdel, Mrs. Wm.	1	19.50	19.50
Milliken, Mrs. Mary	17	65.50	65.50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1772</b>	<b>7529.47</b>	<b>6551.65</b>
Number of Colporteur Scouts			17

**NEBRASKA**

G. C. Wilson, secretary

R. H. Blessing, assistant

Erickson, Mrs. E.	7	52.15	52.15
Ernest, G. R.	140	426.30	426.30
Grace, Phil	133	373.73	373.73
Johnson, Leo	83	510.86	439.11
McKee, Bud	37	95.50	95.50
Meese, Mrs. Grace	133	611.75	764.60
Meyers, Garth	61	143.50	143.50
Opp, Richard	55	107.40	107.40
Nelsen, Rose	120	207.80	207.80
Sharp, John	4	13.25	13.25
Springsteen, J.	89	195.15	166.45
Wells, Lee	106	347.40	347.40
York Church	—	212.00	212.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>3296.79</b>	<b>3349.19</b>
Number of Colporteur Scouts			12

**WYOMING**

P. F. Pedersen, secretary

Scout	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
Anderson, Mel	8	71.75	71.75
Townsend, Don	2	23.50	23.50
Shaver, N. E.	104	274.94	274.94
Miscellaneous Sales	1	134.75	134.75
<b>Totals</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>504.94</b>	<b>504.94</b>
Number of Colporteur Scouts			3

**MISSOURI**

R. L. Chamberlain, secretary

Brandtatter, E. J.	141	1167.10	855.60
Guilliams, F. C.	155	561.15	396.03
Knight, Arthur L.	178	1008.75	713.80
Lile, W. E.	76	402.65	278.10
Reidel, Wm.	151	403.10	291.75
White, R. E.	185	2313.45	816.85
Chapman, Agnes	24	48.80	71.05
Kees, Marvin	73	62.85	
McGee, Dorothy	23	141.55	127.60
Clegg, F. E.	102	434.25	434.25
Foskett, Roy	145	657.65	657.65
Blackburn, B.	44	164.25	138.95
Foskett, Irene	4	13.00	13.00
Holmes, R. E.		29.50	28.35
Sheridan, Lydia			10.90
Shaw, Mrs. Charles	6	14.95	23.10
Smith, Mrs. Chas.	22	58.30	7.10
VanScoy, Ernest	98	255.05	164.45
Mahurin, Lucille	6	8.75	8.75
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1433</b>	<b>7745.10</b>	<b>5037.28</b>
Number of Colporteur Scouts			19

**KANSAS**

D. L. Chappell, secretary

Amos, Jean	22	50.50	33.35
Chrispens, Fred	102	384.15	223.00
Henderson, Newman	10	40.20	.35
Kline, Myron	26	3.50	3.50
Knowles, J. W.	10	40.40	40.40
Lumbert, Jerry	142	619.19	614.19
Mendell, Blanche	10	31.68	20.00
Morris, W. J.	10		
Schwab, Leland	82	239.45	121.45
Spearman, Cressie	116	611.91	429.20
Watts, Howard	28	156.80	157.50
Zeller, Vernon	146	492.27	386.89
Gaede, Mrs. G. P.	1	3.75	3.75
Harris, Marvel	4	14.20	14.20
Kelly, Cecile	39	86.35	86.35
Smith, Evelyn	6	25.25	25.25
Wiseman, Mrs. R. C.	2	10.50	10.50
Reed, Vern	54	25.25	25.25
<b>Totals</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>2835.35</b>	<b>2195.13</b>
Number of Colporteur Scouts			18
<b>Totals</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>504.94</b>	<b>504.94</b>

**CENTRAL STATES**

P. C. Winley, secretary

Scout	Hours	Orders	Deliveries
Wyatt, E.	50	52.50	52.50
Mallory, F. L.	15	35.00	35.00
King, John	10	26.25	26.25
Topeka Aux.	40	175.00	175.00
St. Louis Aux.	40	122.50	122.50
Denver Aux.	20	105.00	105.00
K.C. Mo. Aux.	20	105.00	105.00
K.C. Kansas Aux.	20	85.50	85.50
Wichita Aux.	15	67.00	67.00
St. Joseph Aux.	20	49.00	49.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>822.75</b>	<b>822.75</b>
Number of Colporteur Scouts			3

<b>UNION TOTALS</b>	<b>5340</b>	<b>22,734.40</b>	<b>18,460.94</b>
<b>Total Number of Colporteur Scouts</b>			<b>72</b>
<b>Average Delivery per hour</b>			<b>\$3.46</b>

**Sunset Calendar**

	Mar. 28	Apr. 4
Denver, Colorado	6:20	6:27
Grand Junction, Colo.	6:34	6:40
Topeka, Kansas	6:43	6:49
Kansas City, Missouri	6:38	6:44
St. Louis, Missouri	6:21	6:27
Lincoln, Nebraska	6:47	6:55
Casper, Wyoming	6:28	6:37

**Voice of Prophecy Sermons**

March 30: Where's Your Excuse  
April 6: The Life Everlasting

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**San Luis Valley News**

A joint English-Spanish effort is to be conducted in Jaroso, Colorado, near the border of New Mexico, by Brother Rafael A. Gonzales and the writer. If you have friends or relatives living in this area, please send their names and addresses to the writer at: Box 577, Alamosa, Colorado, letter or postcard, and they will receive a personal invitation to attend. Former residents of the San Luis Valley, including students away from home, will be mailed neat invitations on request to send to their acquaintances in Costillo County. Or we will arrange to deliver them for you.

Your prayers will be appreciated.

ERIC A. BEAVON

a house-to-house survey with this wonderful book and marvelous results are forthcoming. Elder Ehrhardt, Sister Ray Oster, and a group of laymen distributed 50 books to the homes in the little town of Fort Morgan. After a specified time was allowed for the people to read the books and give their opinion of what they read, 20 of these homes were contacted and 14 Bible studies resulted. In conducting her first Bible study from these contacts, Sister Ray Oster had 9 people present to study the Word of God with her.

Yes, the constituency of the Greeley and Fort Morgan churches are on their way to many interesting experiences in their soul-winning work for the Master.

If any are interested in the plan that Elder Ehrhardt is following in his home visitation I am sure that he would be happy to outline the details.

We are looking forward to a great soul-winning year in Colorado in 1958.

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**SIGNS read in doctor's reception room, results in baptism—**

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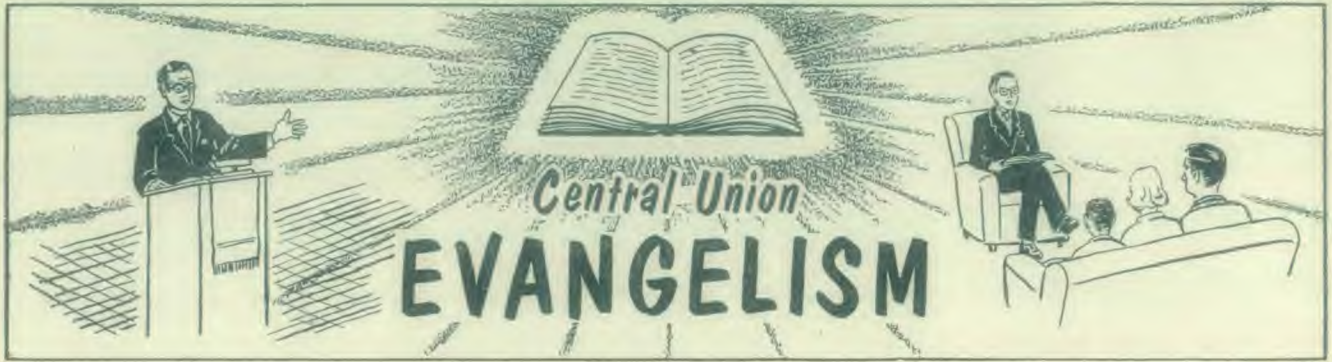
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## Your Church Building - How Does It Look to Others?

Would you give a big business order to a shoddy, slovenly, tattered, unkempt, ragged, untidy, messy, and dowdy individual who called at your door? Hardly, since appearance does make a difference.

Did you ever stop to think that the appearance of your church building keeps some folk from giving you their biggest order—the salvation of their souls?

Just how does your church look to others? Remember that the building is preaching a message whether it is open or not. Hundreds pass it every day. What do they think of when they look at it? Check this list over and you will have the answer.

1. Is the church sign up-to-date and readable?
2. Is the snow kept shoveled in the winter time?
3. Are the sidewalks in good repair?
4. Are the church steps in good condition?
5. Are broken window panes replaced?
6. Is the paint in good condition?
7. Are the downspouts fastened to the building or falling apart?
8. Is the shrubbery trimmed?
9. Are the weeds pulled and litter removed from the lawn?
10. Is the church lobby or foyer neat and attractive?
11. Are the church lights free of soot and dust?
12. Are the rest rooms clean and orderly?
13. Is the church interior warm and inspiring or dull and repressive?
14. Is the church ceiling cracked and ready to collapse?

15. Are the pews firmly fastened to the floor or do they squeak and squeal when people are seated?

These are small things, some say, and they should not keep people from accepting the truth. That is true; but the same individuals who say this would not suffer their own dwellings to fall apart, for fear it might reflect on their reputation.

Why then must we be so careless about God's house? Must not the place of worship rightly represent the exalted truth it professes? How can we impress men with the importance of keeping God's Commandments when they view our inability to keep God's house in order? How can we convince others that God is preparing a clean people for heaven when our church lawns, foyers, back rooms, et cetera, preach just the opposite?

What can we do about it? First of all, let the church deacons organize themselves and go to work. On pages 85 and 86 of the *Church Manual* we read:

"It is their duty to see that the building is kept clean and in repair, and that the grounds upon which the church stands are kept clean and attractive."

All churches can solve their appearance problem if the church leadership shows the way and the church membership co-operates by a good use of soap, water, paint, hammer, nails, rake, clippers, flowers, and anything else needed to improve the building's appearance.

Let us go to work, for people are not only listening, but also looking at our church buildings. What do they see?

THEODORE CARCICH

**"A Working Church Is A Growing Church"**