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## New Year Greetings

I take this occasion to wish each conference worker and church member a happy New Year. Your prayers and faithful support have meant much to God's cause during the past year. I am confident that it will be equally so in 1959. May God's richest blessing attend each believer as we come one year nearer to the coming of our blessed Lord. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Theodore Carcich

### Nearing Home!

Our 1959 Ingathering campaign is drawing to a close. Every conference, as well as the union, has gone over its goal set by the General Conference with but one exception, and that one too will be over by the time this will be read.

It is simply marvelous how our workers in conferences and institutions and our dear people, old and young, have co-operated, worked, and sacrificed to raise these large amounts for missions. May the good Lord bless every soul who helped in this campaign.

The totals reported on New Year's day are as given below:

Central States	\$16,800
Colorado	83,470
Kansas	58,750
Missouri	62,300
Nebraska	56,625
Wyoming	22,100

This puts the union over the General Conference assigned goal by some \$20,000. Our grand objective goal is \$320,000.

We are calling on all our people to make the Sabbath of January 10 a high day for world missions. We plead for 100 per cent participation on the part of all our church members and their children. Bring it into your church on that day. Happy New Year.

D. E. REINER

### Oakwood College Now Accredited

Oakwood College has been granted full accreditation status by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Announcement of the accreditation was received by the college Friday, December 5, from Mr. Garland Millet, president, who had attended the annual meeting of the association in Louisville, Kentucky.

Elder Frank L. Peterson, former president of Oakwood and now Associate Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, launched a program in 1951 to bring the college up to the association standards. In 1954, Mr. Millet took over the direction of the college, laid plans, and carried them out thoughtfully and carefully in developing a college which has matured from a junior to a senior college status.

Special credit also goes to the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the College Board, the 22 full-time teachers, the non-teaching staff of 28, the constituency of the Regional Conferences, and the students—all of whom have been active in the educational arena—and who have made definite contributions to this crowning act in Oakwood's academic history.

Accreditation was the result of a multi-million dollar investment which

included an improvement of the school's educational facilities, a \$300,000 endowment, advanced training for teachers, thousands of books for the library, special teaching aids for every department, and a number of additional buildings to meet the needs of the institution.

The recent achievement reflects a high quality of statesmanship and helpful co-operation among the administration, the members of the staff, and the student body.

### Treasure Quiz Winners

In a recent Treasure Quiz conducted by *Primary Treasure* in the pages of *Primary Lesson Exercises*, the following were declared winners from the Central Union: Gordon Glass, Eileen Rees, and Gerald Wagner.

Gordon, Eileen, and Gerald were alert to watch the pages of *Primary Lesson Exercises*, and they responded to the quiz, answered all the questions correctly, and were proclaimed the winners from the Central Union. An appropriate award has been mailed to each.

This is an opportune time to inquire whether your Sabbath school is receiving a sufficient supply of the following: *Our Little Friend* for the cradle roll and kindergarten divisions; *Primary Treasure*, *Primary Lesson Exercises*, and *Primary Quarterly* for the primary division. If you do not have an adequate supply, now is the time to increase your order.

May we further suggest that since so many subscriptions expire at this time of the year that you SEND YOUR ORDER FOR RENEWAL IMMEDIATELY. This is very important. We don't want to disappoint our boys and girls, do we? If perchance, you do not have opportunity to attend Sabbath school regularly, you may wish to order a subscription to the above periodicals to be mailed to your home. Place your order either through your church mis-

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## Sunset Calendar

	Jan. 9	Jan. 16
Denver, Colorado	4:53	5:00
Grand Junction, Colo.	5:09	5:17
Topeka, Kansas	5:18	5:26
Kansas City, Missouri	5:13	5:21
St. Louis, Missouri	4:56	5:04
Lincoln, Nebraska	5:17	5:25
Casper, Wyoming	4:43	4:52

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## Bible Lands Tour

A few places are still available for  
the Guided Tour to Western Europe

## Report on the Open House Ceremonies

## for the Boulder Sanitarium and Hospital

An estimated one-thousand persons  
attended the opening of the rebuilt  
Boulder Colorado Sanitarium and Hos-  
pital, December 14, 1958.

Dr. Godfrey T. Anderson, president  
of the College of Medical Evangelists,  
was main speaker in ceremonies officially  
opening the new hospital plant. In his  
address "To Make Man Whole," he  
stated: "With our concept of ministry  
to the whole man, we are gratified to  
observe that today medicine and religion  
are drawing together closer than ever  
before. . . . Healing is in God's hands.  
All we do is dress the wounds."

Harvey C. Hartman, sanitarium ad-  
ministrator and director of the program,  
made the introductory remarks and in-  
troduced guests. Ralph C. Hines, presi-  
dent of the Ministerial Association, gave  
the invocation, and the benediction was  
offered by Elder R. S. Joyce, vice-presi-  
dent of the Board of Trustees.

Elder Theodore Carcich, chairman of  
the Board of Trustees, outlined the  
purposes and objectives of the institu-  
tion and the mayor of Boulder, Leo C.  
Riethmayer, responded with praise and  
appreciation of the \$1,350,000 project  
as a community service. Due to the  
unavoidable absence of the Governor  
of Colorado, his administrative assistant,  
L. D. Daily, spoke briefly in his behalf.

Musical high light of the ceremonies  
was a series of choral numbers sung  
by the Boulder High School concert  
choir under the direction of Eva M.

and the Bible Lands to be conducted  
by the Potomac University in the sum-  
mer of 1959.

This tour will be under the direction  
of the Professor of Archaeology and  
History of Antiquity. Four semester  
hours of academic credit will be given.  
The following countries will be visited:  
England, France, Italy, Greece, Egypt,  
Sinai, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Jordan and  
Palestine.

The total price (everything included)  
for the 9-weeks tour from New York  
back to New York is \$1850.00 Date of  
departure is June 14.

Ministers, teachers, and others in-  
terested should write for information to:

S. H. HORN

Potomac University

Washington 12, D.C.

Musil with Mrs. Maudie Hartman as  
organist.

The guided tours through the new  
facilities, which followed the program  
were under the direction of M. L. Kos-  
tenko, assistant administrator. Here  
guests viewed one of the most advanced  
X-ray departments in the state of Colo-  
rado, according to Public Health offi-  
cials, new surgery department with the  
most modern equipment, a psychiatric  
unit, new self-service units in medical  
floor rooms, modern nursery and ob-  
stetrical units, a well-equipped physical  
therapy department and a well-planned  
spiritual program—all add up to one  
of the most efficient hospitals in the  
Rocky Mountain states, equipped to  
do its work in "Making Man Whole."

Well ahead of its day, the new  
Boulder Sanitarium has features not yet  
found in any other hospital, and ser-  
vices and equipment usually found only  
in institutions much larger than its  
89-bed capacity. That these features  
are appreciated is revealed by the fact  
that while only a part of the new facili-  
ties were put into use in November  
patronage increased that month more  
than 76 per cent over the same month  
a year ago!

The sanitarium has always given ex-  
tra attention to nursing service, realizing  
that constant alertness and response to  
patients' needs are of utmost import-  
ance to peace of mind and prompt re-  
covery. This policy is considerably en-



# CENTRAL UNION REAPER



1. Sanitarium administrator Harvey C. Hartman views the new ceiling light and Surg-a-matic pushbutton operating table, the first in Colorado. 2. Newly elected officers of the medical staff of the sanitarium are, left to right: Dr. D. J. Plazak, secretary; Dr. Jerry Smith, president; Dr. C. J. Ghicadus, vice-president; and sanitarium administrator, Harvey C. Hartman. 3. Flanking the front entrance lobby is the main reception and information desk, nerve center of the hospital. 4. Four members of the nursing staff at the new medical floor nursing station. 5. New medical floor room showing self-service

unit and automatic bed. 6. Pleasantly decorated parlor which accommodates 80 to 100 persons has a lovely mountain view. 7. X-ray Technician Carroll Rushold uses new \$26,000 X-ray diagnostic machine. 8. The record office features finest available devices for accurate and efficient record keeping. 9. New stainless steel equipment and trained professional personnel aid in assuring nourishing, delicious meals in the new kitchen. 10. Dr. G. T. Anderson speaks at Open House Ceremonies in the Boulder Seventh-day Adventist church.



hanced by the latest improvements, and it will continue to be the sanitarium's aim to keep its nursing service on a level that is second to none.

To combine the best of medical science with sacrificing, unselfish service for the healing of body, mind, and spirit—this is our purpose. To follow the steps of the Great Physician with energy, wisdom, compassion, and faith—this is our ideal. CLEO JOHNSON

## Union College

### History Tour

A history tour of the northeastern portion of the United States and Canada is being planned for next summer. This will be the sixth Union College history tour.

This three-hour upper-division college course will consist of lectures, reading, and discussion about places of significance in the colonial and early national period of American history. These places will be seen on a guided bus tour from Lincoln to Detroit, Michigan; Niagara Falls; Quebec, Canada; Portland, Maine; Boston, Massachusetts; New York City; Washington, D.C.; and back to Nebraska. The college bus is equipped with a loud-speaker system which makes it possible to conduct schoolwork while the bus rolls across the United States and Canada.

Sites of special interest to Seventh-day Adventists which will be visited include William Miller's home; the first Seventh-day Adventist church in Washington, New Hampshire; the house in Gorham, Maine, where Ellen G. White was born; the room in Portland, Maine, where she had her first vision; and General Conference headquarters in Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.

A few of the other places of general interest to be included are the St. Lawrence Deep-Sea Waterway, Canadian Capitol at Ottawa, Bunker Hill, "Old Ironsides," Plymouth Rock, Lexington and Concord, the Statue of Liberty, Independence Hall, Gettysburg, and the United States Capitol.

Expenses are kept at a minimum by traveling in the college bus and staying nights at Seventh-day Adventist academies and colleges whenever possible. The total expense for rooms for the eighteen nights on the last New England tour was only \$16.50 per person. Charges

for transportation are less than one cent a mile.

The number of people who can go on a history tour is limited by the size of the bus. Last summer several students who wanted to go were unable to do so because of lack of room. Fifteen students already have signed up for the tour, which will be conducted during the three-week session of summer school, August 7 to 27, 1959.

Tours are not all work. Plans include swimming in the Atlantic, staying overnight by a beautiful lake in the mountains, and perhaps a boat ride on an underground river. Those who have gone on previous history tours say it is one of the best ways possible to combine education and recreation.

The tour is under the direction of Dr. Russell K. Nelson, chairman of the Union College history department. For additional information or for reservations, write directly to him in care of the History Department, Union College, Lincoln 6, Nebraska.

### Religion Department News

The Union College Ministerial Association has elected Lewis Anderson, senior theology major from Minnesota, as new president for the second semester. Elected with him were Marvin Moore, vice-president; Harold Cornell, secretary-treasurer; Richard Stenbakken, assistant secretary-treasurer; Eugene Hermanson, chorister; Loron Wade, pianist; Robert Potter, publicity secretary; Kenneth Morford, chief usher; and Benjamin Steiner, auditor.

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Lewis Anderson, a graduate of Maplewood Academy and this year a Union College ministerial senior, will be the Sabbath morning speaker at Maplewood Academy, Hutchinson, Minnesota, on January 17. Benjamin Steiner, a theology senior from Minnesota and also a graduate of Maplewood Academy, will be the Friday evening vesper speaker on January 16.

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The Union College Department of Religion reports 65 majors in the department during the 1958-1959 school year. These majors include 17 seniors, 16 juniors, and 32 in the lower divisions. Five of these majors are women pursuing the Bible Instructor curriculum: Genevieve Dickerson, Maria Archuleta, Arlene Trumbo, Evelyn Martinez, and Lolita Clements.

### Student Conference News

Second semester election for the Union College Student Conference included the re-election of Helton Fisher as president, and Richard Hammond as secretary-treasurer. Other officers elected were Gustav Tobler as auditor, and Lewis Anderson, George Sharpe, Gordon Kainer, Robert Hyde, and Richard Jewett, as members of the executive committee.

Six new pastoral assistants have been selected. These are George Sharpe, Nebraska City, Nebraska; Marshall Chase, Glenwood, Iowa; Norman Wagness, Hamburg, Iowa; David Sharpe, Falls City, Nebraska; Max Singhurst, University Place church, Lincoln, Nebraska; and Harold Cornell, Seward, Nebraska.

Besides these assistants who help in their appointed churches, twenty other ministerial students will participate in an alternating speaking program and will aid in nine two-week evangelistic efforts to be held during the spring months.

## Missouri

### Religious Liberty Day

Sabbath, January 17 is Religious Liberty Day and the offering to be received in our churches on that day is for the purpose of supplying the *Liberty Magazine* to as many public officials as possible. There is no other magazine which has done so much in acquainting the public with the principles of Religious Liberty. Many in public life are sincere in their attitudes and they take the right position when they have the information as to the true principles of separation of church and state.

As a people we are known for our vigilance in promotion of these fundamental principles. Let us make the offering for this day a very liberal one.

H. C. KLEMENT, President

### Willow Springs Church

We are always pleased when we can get buildings for our congregations to worship in. We have not had a church building of our own in Willow Springs, but just a few months ago we purchased one in a good location in the city, and now our members are very happy with having a suitable place of their own in which to meet.





This church was recently purchased by the Willow Springs, Missouri, members for their church home.

The membership of our church is twenty-two, and we can all look forward to greater things ahead for this church. The district leader, H. B. Petry, lives in Willow Springs. The church members have done very well in their Ingathering this year.

I am sure the sister churches will join with Willow Springs in praying that the work of God will advance in this area. 1959 should prove to be an outstanding year for all of our churches.

H. C. KLEMENT, *President*

## Again Kansas City Central Stands Out

Once more the Kansas City Central church has demonstrated that where there is unity and loyalty in launching out to accomplish an objective, it is bound to be a success. The church Ingathering goal was \$12,100. The amounts for the last two years have been the largest ever solicited.

Ingathering was launched on Sabbath night, November 29, and the goal was reached, December 24. It was a strenuous effort to accomplish this task, especially to do it within four weeks. Greater Kansas City Charity had a drive for five million dollars which was completed just prior to our campaign.

Elder R. E. Brewer and Brother Earnest D. Clark formed bands. Our membership, old and young, together with several from the conference office went out night after night soliciting. It is with pleasure we mention the students of our school in Kansas City. Under the able leadership of Brother

Wm. McGinnis, they played an outstanding part in helping to reach the church goal. The goal for the school was \$3600 and they raised \$4800, the highest in the history of the school. Every student, teacher, and staff member reached the senior Minute Man Goal, and several of the students reached more than \$150.00 each. The largest amount brought in from one night's solicitation was \$1189.00.

Much might be said regarding the good work that everyone did. A debt of gratitude to our heavenly Father was expressed by the leaders for the Lord's blessing and for the faithfulness and willingness of the church members.

So once again the Christmas caroling for INGATHERING in Kansas City Central came to a beautiful ending—one of rejoicing and one long to be remembered. There are still pledges and more funds to come in for the Ingathering. When this comes in the amount should be between \$13,000 and \$14,000.

It can well be said—the harder the task the sweeter the joy of succeeding.

AL COSSETTA

## The Gate of the Year

I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:

"Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown!"

And he replied: "Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way."

*Selected*

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January 18: The Teaching Earth

## Kansas

## STATE-WIDE LAY WORKERS INSTITUTE

Wichita SDA Church

January 30 through February 1

Elder J. Ernest Edwards, world secretary of our laymen's activities, will be the featured guest speaker.

D. E. Reiner from the Central Union Conference will also be with us.

Make your plans now to attend this important meeting.



# ALL KANSAS W

## Evangelists

# FIFTY-NINE



A. R. Hogen  
Wichita



F. O. Sanders  
Junction City



S. W. English  
Manhattan



Paul Kemper  
Lawrence



H. L. Hampton  
Hepher



Clark Dilts  
Independence



Marion Lockwood  
Junction City



Dale Chaffee



W. J. Christensen  
Hutchinson

"Recently all the Kansas Workers voted to launch an all-out Evangelistic drive for 1959 with as their aim fifty-nine revival and evangelistic meetings for the year. Plans are being laid out to utilize active lay preachers. Will you pray for the first united effort beginning January 18, 1959."

- \* Fifty-nine Efforts in 1959
- \* Publicly proclaiming this message
- \* Sharing our Faith



# WORKERS LAUNCH

## Program

# ME IN '59

"Finances are necessary for soul winning. Remember more souls mean more dollars and more dollars mean more souls. We are praying for success in soul winning for Kansas in 1959."

**H. L. Haas, Treasurer**

als

Baptizing Souls into  
the kingdom

Reclaiming those who  
have grown cold

Strengthening our  
churches



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**Fred Schultz**  
Troy



# Wyoming

## Over the Top

With a great burst of energy the workers and laymen of the Wyoming Conference labored mightily to finish the task of Ingathering for 1958. On December 22 the grand total from around the state showed we had exceeded our goal! In the experience of this writer this is the shortest campaign in Wyoming's history. But only so because "many hands make light work." When everyone rallies around the cause, as our good laymen did, soon the job is done and victory can be shouted. Thanks to everyone who did so much to make this work a short, quick, successful one!

It would be difficult to single out the best solicitors from the scores that labored so untiringly during this campaign. However, two of our young workers surely bear the first prize. In one evening's caroling Pastors Allen Iseminger and Harold Burden brought in the grand total of over \$130.00! That's right, just the two of them! Pastor Iseminger gathered in over \$70.00 and Pastor Burden over \$60.00. Wyoming challenges the world to produce the equal in this type of solicitation!

Now that the task is done every worker and layman in Wyoming can rest secure in the knowledge that another great milestone has been set up in the finishing of God's work. May the Lord bless each one of us as we go into a New Year of service for Him.

PERRY F. PEDERSEN, H. M. Sec'y

## Wyoming Laymen's Rally

January 24, 25, and 26 will be the scene of a great laymen's gathering to be held in the Casper Seventh-day Adventist church for the state of Wyoming. It is often said that a good start is the job half done. . . . So, we are planning to start off the New Year with an inspirational rally to do great things for God's work in 1959. The meeting will be for everyone and for every church in the Wyoming Conference.

The main speaker will be Elder C. E. Guenther of the General Conference Home Missionary Department. Elder D. E. Reiner will be present to give his good counsel and friendly advice. Reports from the current television pro-

gram in the Central Union will be given. The main point of the training during this meeting will be this new television venture, IT IS WRITTEN. As you know Wyoming is now on two stations with this new series, KFBC Cheyenne, and KTWO Casper. Together with these outlets nearly two-thirds of Wyoming is able to receive God's last-day message via this wonderfully effective medium.

Everyone will be made welcome to this meeting to be held in the Casper church at 12th and Oak Streets. However, special delegations will be chosen from each church by the pastor in counsel with the church board. The delegates will receive certain allowances to assist them in their expenses. These details are in the hands of the pastors and he will explain them to the churches.

An enlightening, profitable and inspirational time can be expected by all who can attend. Plan your program so that you can be there for the opening meeting Friday evening at 7:30, January 23, and stay until the closing session Sunday noon, January 25.

PERRY F. PEDERSEN, H. M. Sec'y

# Nebraska

## College View Investment

Sabbath, December 13, was College View church Investment Day and it was a day of rejoicing. Each month during the year our "Investment Baby," little Brad Lee Christensen, was officially weighed in the presence of the Sabbath school members, and those who participated in this particular project gave a specified sum for each ounce gained.

A revolving thirty-inch globe was electrically lighted and registered each \$10.00 amount as it was turned in to the treasurer. New red or white lights were added each month to record the progress. White lights designated the senior department while the red ones represented all the other departments combined. Special commendation goes to the kindergarten and primary departments for having raised approximately \$500.00 together. The children usually work hard on such a project and set a good example for adults.

Some of the senior members had such interesting projects as giving all silver dollars and lead pennies, a percentage on sale of doughnuts and in-



Elder French, Sabbath school secretary of the Nebraska Conference, and Brother Blessing, College View church secretary, look at the Investment goal device used in the College View senior division Sabbath school this past year.

surance, selling African violets, and home baked goods, etc.

Brother Don Oxley, who gets about in a wheel chair, gave a penny for each time he could wheel around the block in Lincoln's nice fall weather. He gave an additional one cent for each gospel tract he gave to others. What an example of faithfulness for those of us who enjoy good health!

We set our Investment goal at \$2,000.00 which was above the year before, and were very happy to have reached \$2,200.00 on our Investment Day. The total to date is \$2,537.91. More will be coming in during the remainder of the year as food labels and some cash are still expected.

A hearty thanks to God and each member who has taken part. We fully believe that even greater goals can and should be attained in the future years so that more funds can flow into God's treasury and thus be a means of winning more souls for the kingdom.

R. H. BLESSING, Investment Leader  
College View Church

## Scottsbluff Meeting

"The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones." *Testimonies*, Vol. 9, p. 11.

The officers of the Scottsbluff church called an impromptu board meeting



Friday evening, December 5. Elder C. R. French of the Nebraska Conference helped us realize just how rapidly events are moving. He stated, "We used to be able to plan ahead and count the cost but now it is impossible. We just found out that the IT IS WRITTEN television program featuring Elder Vandeman will be on the Scottsbluff-Cheyenne stations, January 4. Two weeks ago we didn't realize that the Omaha television stations would carry IT IS WRITTEN, but it will be there on December 21. The Lord is working ahead of us," He added, "We are just His instruments."

The meeting was called to determine whether the local churches would be willing to sponsor the new television program IT IS WRITTEN, which will appear in this area January 4. It will cover the Nebraska panhandle. With the addition of this station all but a few isolated portions of the Nebraska sandhills will be covered by IT IS WRITTEN.

Twenty-five cents a week from each member of the church in this area (Scottsbluff, Minatare, Northport, Bridgeport, Sidney and Kimball) will pay for the half-hour program. Elder French pointed out that this is equivalent to the price of a loaf of bread, but this will be the "Spiritual Bread," the bread of life.

In the six months that IT IS WRITTEN has been on the Holdrege station, over 100,000 people have viewed this program. (This is by actual survey.) A survey program will also be followed in the Scottsbluff area after the program has been on the air three to four months.

Elder French mentioned to the large afternoon meeting which represented handpicked candidates from all the churches in the Scottsbluff area, that the local churches would be paying for about one-third of the cost of the program. The actual cost runs much higher than just the time. The conference pays for the record files, and the printing, etc. It also pays for the wages of the people who handle this increased number of Bible courses and the extra help involved. It is figured that it costs \$3.00 to handle each name that is sent in for TAKE HIS WORD, the course that is offered by IT IS WRITTEN.

"We are talking about your next door neighbor now," Elder French said to the people at the Scottsbluff church. "Our message will get to the people and each individual will be expected to help follow-up with the personal effort—even

if this participation is only through prayer."

At 8:00 o'clock Saturday evening a special film, "Ye Are My Witness," was shown by Elder French, pointing out the importance of each individual in public relations. Each individual must be aware that what he does, and what he says is a part of public relations. The film revealed by a simple story of a young couple's life, that each individual must be prepared to combat prejudices, not only by his life but by his words.

"We should all become witnesses for Jesus. . . . Let the world see that we are not selfishly absorbed in our own interests, but that we desire others to share blessings and privileges." *Messages to Young People*, pp. 403, 404.

MRS. ELVIN SPRINGER  
Press Secretary, Scottsbluff Church

## Report From Broken Bow District

We bring our fellow believers in Nebraska greetings from the Loup City and Broken Bow churches. We sincerely hope that the Lord has smiled down upon your efforts during this past year as he has on ours.

The big news from our district is the purchase of a new church in Broken Bow (new to us anyway). If any of you have ever visited the church in Broken Bow, you know what I mean when I say that we needed a different building. In the first place, it was getting in bad need of repair; and secondly, we were outgrowing it.

The Presbyterians are building a new church so they approached our congregation and urged us to purchase their old building. After much deliberation and prayerful consideration, our congregation decided to buy it. The pen of inspiration tells us that we will be able to buy churches at a fraction of their original cost and this is just what we did.

For several years these faithful people have been hit by drought, but by faith they stepped out and took advantage of this bargain, and God willing, it will be free of debt when we get full possession of the building.

For approximately a year, or until such time as the new Presbyterian church will be completed, both congregations will be worshiping in the same church, we on Sabbath, and they on Sunday. A very satisfactory arrangement has been

worked out between us on the use and upkeep of the building.

New pews, carpeting, and furnace were installed just six years ago, so the sanctuary is beautiful. Adjoining the sanctuary is a large fellowship hall, 30 ft. x 45 ft. This would serve beautifully as a church school in the event that it is possible for us to have one. There is also a fully equipped kitchen that goes with it.

We are very happy with our purchase and invite all of our friends to come visit us sometime in our new church. We are worshiping in it now. The location is 10th and D Streets.

The new television program, IT IS WRITTEN is gaining great impetus in our district. Each day finds some more good folks signing up for the "Take His Word" course. It is hoped that after a while we will hold a short series of decision meetings in our new church.

May God's richest blessings rest upon each of you during this new year, and let's all work hard, so that we can see our Saviour coming in the clouds, shall we?

E. E. JOHNSON

## Colorado

### Campion Church Reports

The Campion church took a long step forward this fall by moving into a new, modern, three-room, elementary school building. Built by volunteer labor, the building is not yet complete, but is giving comfortable and efficient service. At the same time, a third teacher was added. Mrs. Nellie Jensen is principal and teaches grades 7 and 8; Mrs. Barbara Weng, grades 4 to 6; Mrs. Dorothy Myers, grades 1 to 3. Brother C. M. Underhill, chairman of the church school board, is giving strong leadership to the school program as well as superintending the construction work. Morale is running high in the Campion elementary school.

November 22 was Investment Day for the Campion Sabbath school. Divisions brought in their reports, and totals were added and illustrated on a roll of adding machine tape. Dollar bills were measured out on the tape as it was unrolled to keep pace with the Investment totals coming in. Adults reported their amounts and even dormitory students had a part,



though their opportunities were limited. The enthusiastic faith of the Investment secretary, Sister W. J. Durham, was insufficient to anticipate the nearly \$300 that was reported that day. Since then, this figure has become obsolete, as further Investment projects are paying off.

The crying need of the Champion church is a church building of our own. We are grateful that the facilities of the academy are available to the church, but these are inadequate for the increased number of worshipers on Sabbath morning. A sanctuary dedicated to the worship of God would not only serve the needs of the church, but would also provide a more spiritual atmosphere for worship for the academy student body.

A. F. STORZ, *Bible teacher and Pastor*

### News From Las Animas District

Season's greetings from the Las Animas church and Lamar Company to all the churches in the union. We are entering into the Ingathering campaign with "E.G." (Enthusiastic Energy) at this writing and hope to be over our goal by the time this article appears in print. In our early contacts in the business areas we have found new friends who not only have contributed, but who manifest interest in the Adventist program in its diversified style of activities. We can say "Praise God" for religious freedom and for His love-borne instincts in man in spite of the terrific swing that the adversary of mankind has thrown human activities into. In our search for new contacts we find a keen interest among some who are willing to go the extra mile in helping in our humanitarian uplift endeavor.

We are thankful to our merciful God for the marvelous way in which He has opened to us the opportunities to serve Him through radio evangelism. We began a new radio program on September 28, 1958, at the KAVI radio station in Rocky Ford, Colorado, at 9:15 a.m. The name of our program is the "Sword of Truth." In just two months and a half of radio evangelism we are learning of a growing audience and several letters from various places in the Arkansas Valley reveal people listening over a radius of 200 miles, from Trinidad on the southwest to Kit Carson on the northeast and Pueblo area on the west to the Kansas border on the east. The KAVI Station manager expresses his appreciation for our program on his sta-

tion for it has enlightened him in regard to the interests of the audience scattered over the Arkansas Valley, for spiritual sermons and the King's Herald's music are especially accepted by those who express appreciation for our program, both by verbal and written communication.

Today we enrolled two in the Bible Correspondence Course through our radio evangelism endeavor.

We have just begun a concerted church advertisement census. We have made a goal device wherein each lady of the church appears responsible for telephone communication about our program. Each lady has been assigned an alphabetical section of the directory, hence every name will be notified and reminded about our program in a two-month period. Then a four-week period will be devoted to recalls or reminders and a definite ascertainment of listeners, occasional or otherwise. Columns are also provided for each lady that designates how many of those assigned to them will enroll in the various Bible courses also columns for Bible studies given by each and the last column is the "soul" column. It will be interesting how many souls may be won by a united church effort and follow up in a year's time.

We firmly believe that an organized church membership all working together for the radio audience, will come nearer to success than by mere preaching of the Word.

Please pray for our humble effort for we have so much to learn and so much to do. Don't forget, dear brethren and

sisters, we need to pray for faith, greater faith, and for a desire to work today for we know not the hour of His coming.

F. BARGAS

### News from the La Junta District

Sabbath, December 13 was a day of rejoicing for the members of the Rocky Ford church for we were blessed with a baptism of four. It was an especially happy day for Brother and Sister John Venavides who were baptized a few weeks ago, since Brother Venavides' mother and Sister Venavides' brother and his wife, Brother and Sister Johnson, were united with God's remnant church through baptism.

As the pastor stopped by the next morning at the Venavides home, he found Brother and Sister Johnson and their six children there; also, another young couple with their three children. Brother Venavides said, "Pastor, we have someone who wants to talk to you." The next two hours were spent in answering questions and making arrangements for a Bible study in their home. The Johnsons and Venavides had left the Catholic church and had explained enough to the other family that they had destroyed their images the night before and were eager to learn more truth.

Two members of the Rocky Ford church, Sister Vera Campbell and Brother Wilker, have just purchased Bible study sets and are making plans to put them into use.

The writer is holding cottage meet-



These individuals standing with their pastor, L. Austin, were recently baptized at Rocky Ford, Colorado. Left to right: L. Austin, Brother and Sister Johnson, Sister Venavides, and Brother and Sister John Venavides.



ings Tuesday and Wednesday nights in Trinidad and there is wonderful interest with as many as 24 present at each meeting. We also have a cottage meeting in La Junta on Thursday night with as many as 16 present.

A meeting is being held in the church in Rocky Ford on Friday night. We are so thankful for the interest of the children and teenagers in wanting to study God's Word in both the cottage meetings and the church meeting.

Although we have been in the district only four months, it seems we have always lived here and we feel that it is because of the friendliness and co-operation of the members. Almost all have had a part in the Ingathering and this is evidenced by the fact that we launched our campaign on the 29th of November and had the district goal in hand by the 16th of December, with still a little territory yet to be covered.

We know that 1959 will be a wonderful year for the La Junta-Rocky Ford-Trinidad District with God's blessing.

L. AUSTIN

## Delta District Reporting

The three churches of the Delta District have enjoyed the blessing of God throughout the year 1958 and have some encouraging progress and accomplishments to report. The revival meetings held at Cedaredge in the spring proved again that the Cedaredge church is a strong laymen's church. The members responded with loyal attendance and worked earnestly to bring many not of our faith to the meetings, and this was in a very real measure respon-

sible for the success of the meetings and the baptism of eight souls on May 31.

During October and the first part of November, revival meetings were held in the Delta church and so far three have been baptized and there are several others in the baptismal class who will be baptized soon. This effort also was a pastor-layman effort.

The Paonia church has worked hard to build an addition to their church and add new rest room facilities. None have been added to the Paonia church by baptism this year, but some are looking forward to baptism soon and we are also planning for a full series of revival meetings in Paonia in the spring.

The Cedaredge and Delta Dorcas Societies have carried on an active local program this year besides sending three truck loads of provisions to the Navajo Mission, which included 400 bushels of apples, 200 bushels of peaches, 30 sacks of beans, 30 sacks of onions, 35 sacks of potatoes, 2000 quarts of canned fruit and 800 garments. The total estimated cash value of this help was \$3180.00 and most of it was contributed by business men and friends not of our faith. This project has brought us much favorable publicity in the local papers and also appeared in the Denver Post twice this year.

The Cedaredge and Delta churches support a combined church school with Miss Saba Swayze teaching the 15 pupils. Both the Cedaredge and Delta churches have voted to build a new school building this year, and now have a good part of the material for the building on hand.

Paonia and Delta churches are com-

pleting building improvements in preparation for the dedication of their church buildings early in the year.

We desire to be faithful with our brethren of all lands so that when the work is finished in all the earth we too shall be found faithful and ready.

B. Y. BAUGHMAN, District Pastor



PERKINS—Nellie C. Perkins was born in Minn., Nov. 12, 1888, and passed away at Mammoth Spring, Ark., Oct. 24, 1958. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Callarman. On Dec. 3, 1908 she was united in marriage to Walter E. Perkins of Buffalo, Kans., and to this union three children were born. Her husband and two children preceded her in death. Surviving is one son, six grandchildren, mother and two brothers. Funeral services were held by the writer in Thayer, Mo. Interment in Buffalo, Kans.

H. B. PETRY

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The Cedaredge and Delta, Colorado, Dorcas Societies project was a load of provisions for the Navajo Mission.



# The Last Act in the Drama

The last act in the tragic drama of sin is about to take place. The stage is set and the actors are ready. Men and women living today will witness the scenes that ring down the curtain on human civilization. What is this last act? We read:

"The substitution of the laws of men for the law of God, the exaltation, by merely human authority, of Sunday in the place of the Bible Sabbath, is the last act in the drama."—Vol. 7, p. 141.

How may we know that the end is near? We read:

"By the decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, . . . and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan, *and that the end is near.*"—Vol. 5, p. 451. (Italics supplied.)

Is it true that Catholics and Protestants are working closer together in this country, and if so, in what way?

Some time ago Dr. Liston Pope, dean of the Yale Divinity School, made the following statement: "The day when the Roman Catholic and Protestant churches will work together officially, in matters of social reform and in promoting Christian faith, is coming surely. Catholics and Protestants have a lot more in common than they have things that divide them."—*Seattle Times*, January 25, 1955.

Here you have a prominent Protestant, not Catholic, spokesman stating that the day of united action on the part of the two bodies "is coming surely." This statement is indicative of the Protestants stretching their hands "across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power."

When it comes to matters of social reform and promoting the Christian faith, Protestantism and Catholicism are definitely united in the matter of Sunday observance and seeking civil penalties for violations of Sunday closing laws. Here is a common meeting point for these formerly antagonistic bodies that will result in persecution for God's remnant church. We read:

"Not having a 'Thus saith the Scriptures' to bring against the advocates of the Bible Sabbath, they will resort to oppressive enactments to supply the lack. To secure popularity and patronage, legislators will yield to the demand for a Sunday law. . . . On this battlefield comes the last great conflict of the controversy between truth and error."—Vol. 5, pp. 450, 451.

In view of this onrushing danger, what should we as church members do? Here is the answer:

"It is our duty to do all in our power to avert the threatened danger. We should endeavor to disarm prejudice by placing ourselves in a proper light before the people. We should bring before them the real question at issue, thus interposing the most effectual protest against measures to restrict liberty of conscience."—Vol. 5, p. 452.

You can help us to do this by giving \$5.00, \$10.00 or any larger amount to the Religious Liberty Offering on Sabbath, January 17. This offering makes possible the sending of the *Liberty* magazine to men of influence in every walk of life. Time is short. Please do your best.

THEODORE CARCICH

## MANY WITH BLINDED EYES

"There are many, even of those engaged in this movement for Sunday enforcement, who are blinded to the results which will follow this action. They do not see that they are striking directly against religious liberty. There are many who have never understood the claims of the Bible Sabbath and the false foundation upon which the Sunday institution rests."—Vol. 5, p. 711.