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American Chautauquas

If you can take a summer outing, by all means choose first your state campmeeting. Choose as second your local chautauqua. Hearing America's best speakers and entertainers, who appear annually at such gatherings, is in itself a broadening education. It is a place where one may hear a great amount of good at a small cost. Not only may we hear good things; we may also do good. Chautauqua audiences are the most intelligent found anywhere or anytime, and are, therefore, excellent places to sow seeds of Truth. A greater effort should be made to place our literature at such places. Roosevelt says, "The chautauqua is the most American thing in America;" so, if we want to give our ideas of religious liberty and the Message to the American people, the chautauqua is certainly a good place to do it.

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Open the Exhaust Valve

How much our lives are like steamengines! No power comes from either if the exhaust valve is closed. Open the throttle wide and close the exhaust, the engine will not move in the least. The steam in the cylinder at first heats the engine, then condenses, turns from hot water to cold, and eventually prevents the entrance of any more steam. We may hear a good sermon, it heats us to a working point; but the exhaust is not opened and the good thoughts remain in the cylinders of our own lives to condense, grow cold, and eventually prevent the passage of other good thoughts, which would work upon our lives, keeping them at a working temperature.

D. E. P.

The following is copied from "The Christian Life Card," published by the Bible Institute Colportage Association, Chicago, and is a most excellent pledge for one beginning his Christian life:—

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In obedience to God's command, I do here and now turn from every known sin and believe the gospel that Christ died for my sins, was buried, and rose again. I receive lesus as my redeemer, who bore my sins in His own body on the cross (2 Cor. 5:21; Gal. 3:13; 1 Peter 2: 24), and who has power to forgive my sins (Mark 2:10; Acts 5:31), and as my teacher to whom I will submit all of my thoughts (John 6:68), as my guide to whom I will commit the direction of my life (Acts 9: 6), as my risen Saviour whom I will trust to keep me from falling (Jude 24), and save me to the uttermost (Heb. 7:25); and resting upon the assurance of God, I believe all my sins are forgiven and 1 have eternal life,

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At Camp-meeting

Now is the time when Union College students and teachers are enjoying great privileges at the different state campmeetings. Let no one who goes, fail to work for the MESSENGER while there.

Many of the towns where the students are living, contain few or no other Ad-

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ventists, and it has probably been difficult to get subscriptions from people who do not know the College, and are not interested in College View as a place to go or to send their children. But on the camp-ground, where every one is, or at least should be, interested in Union, excellent opportunity is afforded for obtaining subscriptions for her publications.

At those meetings where there are a good many Union College students, such as Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Missouri, a special Union College meeting is held. Now this is the time for you to make a special effort to show personal appreciation toward the staff for their efforts to give you a good college paper. There is an opportunity to get hundreds of subscriptions from the different states during camp-meeting time. Take some copies with you and do some earnest "canvassing" for the MESSENGER.

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The Handbook

The Union College Handbook, which has just been published under date of September, 'og, was joyfully received by the subscribers. This is the first publication of the Handbook, and there is, of course, room for improvement in detail of arrangement and in edition. The editors, Earl Rentfro and L. F. Thiel, ask for remarks and suggestions, and as the book was gotten up particularly for vou, we would suggest that vou help them to increase the value and helpfulness of the next volume.

The book contains information valuable to students, new and old, concerning the departments and organizations of the College, and a complete directory of the students of '08—'09. The editors deserve much credit for the excellency of their work. The MESSENGER force is especially obliged to them for the appreciation and recommendation they give to our publication.

General Articles

Stepping in Your Tracks Somebody's always following. Following in my track; If I lead him out of the pathway. Have I skill to bring him back? Watching where I was watchful, Sleeping where I have slept: Somebody's always following, Stepping where I have stept. If my feet faint and falter Climbing up Difficult Hill, I shall leave devious footmarks That will serve my brother ill. And down Humility's Valley, Slipping where I have slipt, Somebody's always following, Stepping where I have stept. Faithful be 1 or faithless, Feeble or slow to see, Always a somebody, weaker, Is following after me,-Falling where I have fallen, Creeping where I have crept, Somebody's always following, Stepping where I have stept. Loving the world and its pleasures, Or turning away from sin: Pressing toward the kingdom, Seeking to enter in. O, in the day that is coming, God will refuse or accept

Me, and the somebody following-Stepping where I have stept. -Elizabeth Rosser.

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Echoes from Alumni Number

[The following letters were received too late to be included in the Alumni Number,-Ep.]

Your kind letter of March 5th reached me last evening, and it recalled many happy remembrances and acquaintances. Following the motto of our class, "Do the next thing," has led me almost around the world. Seven years were spent in Australia, and I am now in the Philippine Islands. The initiative work of planting "Present Truth" in these islands has fallen to my lot. It means much to get our literature translated into eighteen or twenty languages with about one hundred dialects. We are studying one of the languages (the Tagalog) with the hope of soon being able to speak to the people in their native tongue. The Filipino learns very quickly, and the American system of public schools has done much in the uplifting of the rising generation. Some of the teachers here tell me that a Filipino child will compete very favorably with the average American child. We find the climate here not more trying than many places in Australia. The days are very warm, but the nights are lovely. It would indeed be a treat to again meet with the classmates of Union. Yours truly, L. V. Finster.

390 Nozaleda, Manila, P. I.

I am engaged in Evangelistic work. I have opened two chapels, and have three evangelists and three canvassers to help me. Yesterday I opened a school for boys. There is more to be done than I can find time for. I am very tired tonight as the result of a twenty-mile walk over the mountains. Wish I could step into old Union again, but can find plenty to do in giving the Gospel to ten million Hakas before the Lord comes. Wishing you many of God's rich blessings, I remain, Sincerely your brother,

Wai Chun Fu, J. P. Anderson.

Kwang-Tung, China.

Via Canton.

Your kind favor and cordial invitation for the annual meeting was received the other day and I will hasten to send a few words in reply from this far distant land. I fear this will not reach you in time for your meeting, as a great distance lies between us; but we assure you that we are still at our post of duty where the Lord has placed us, and by His daily aid we will remain there until His glorious appearing. Tell the dear friends that we are standing firm for the principles of the Third Angel's Message, firm on the side of the people of God, and firm to give this Message to the world in this generation. However, we are not free from temptations, perplexities, self-denial, and selfsacrificing efforts which encounter us in our daily life, but with the grace of our kind heavenly Father we have been enabled to overcome all obstacles thus far. Healthwise Mrs. Lude is getting along better now since the cooler weather set in than in the past and is able to perform her daily duties. We trust by the grace of our heavenly Father she will improve from day to day.

In regard to your questions would say that our address is the same, Diamante, E. Rios. Our present occupation is in connection as matron, preceptor, and teacher with our mission school, which has a good attendance this year. Among us is our dear Brother Pedro Kalbermatten, who took such a noble stand in the army for the Truth.

Mrs. Lude graduated in 1899 and the writer is a member of the class of 1902. Hoping this will reach you in the same spirit and mind for the advancement of the cause and for the welfare of 'Old Union' and our dear fellow students as it leaves us, and with the tenderest regards to all and God's richest blessing to you and all dear friends, I remain,

Yours in the closing work, '

C. D. Lude,

Kindly Silence

The kindness of silence is something we might all bestow much oftener than we do. Granted that we do not indulge in scandal, that when we know of the distress and humiliation that has befallen a friend's household in the wrong doing of one of its members, we tell the tale only pityingly and with every extenuating circumstance, yet why tell it at all? If it were one of our beloved that had stumbled into sin and disgrace, if one dear to us had vielded to sudden temptation, if our home had been rent with bitterness and dissension, would not the first impulse, a right and natural impulse be to hide the hurt and stain from every human eye? Should we not bless the friendship that so far as possible closed its eyes and sealed its lips, and that could be trusted not to repeat what it perforce had seen and heard? Surely this is a place where the golden rule might have much wider practice than it has the shielding of others by silence as we would have our own shielded!

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Hearts Aglow

Genuine enthusiasm is the result of unconditional surrender to some great truth. Such men "can not but speak the things which they have seen and heard." And this is the type of manhood the world needs to-day.

There are throngs of men who try to get along on half-beliefs, and the chill of their partial acceptance of truth benumbs all their energies. The men who count in any sphere of life are the men who yield themselves unreservedly to some great truth, and permit it to dominate all their thinking.

There is a distinct difference between the crank and the real enthusiast. The former enthrones some mere fancy, some unimportant fragment or phase of truth, and then he launches a fad or rides a hobby. The true enthusiast surrenders only to some great, well-rounded truth, fresh from God, and this man becomes a host. When Lord Lansdowne asked what he could do to reform the profligate people of a certain community, he was answered, "Send them an enthusiast." It is this enthusiasm which makes sustained action in the work of soul-winning possible in the face of discouragements and obstacles.

An explosion from fire-damp took place in a coal mine in Pennsylvania, by which four men were buried in one of the remote tunnels. The work of excavation was carried on vigorously for three days, but no sign from the buried men was heard. Nobody knew how many tons of rock and debris still shut them into their living grave.

A private letter thus describes the scene:---

"The work of rescue was thoroughly planned, the digging being by gangs of miners, who relieved each other at regular intervals. But a hopeless apathy seemed to have fallen on the men. They muttered to each other as they slowly shovelled out the earth, that the men were dead long ago. The wives and children of the victims hung around them with white, hopeless faces, crying and praying. The owners of the mine stood apart and whispered with gloomy shakes of the head. Everything and everybody was covered with grime; and when the sun set, employers and workmen concluded, in a feeling of despair, that it was at last time to give up the effort.

"Just then a buggy was driven up, and a young man leaped out of it. He was the youngest member of the firm, who had been absent at the time of the accident. He was very pale, but his eyes were shining. The women crowded around him.

"'Dead? Not a bit of it!' he cried, cheerily. 'They had food enough to keep them alive longer than this. Hello, boys! Why, you have made tremendous headway! You must be near the men. Give me a pick. Come along! We'll have them out in no time."

"He had thrown off his coat, and was dealing muscular blows at the barrier. "Give them a cheer to let them know we're coming. Now all together! Women and all! One—two—three—hurrah!"

"He had put new life into them all. A rousing cheer rang out, and every man worked with a will. Hours passed. His energy did not flag. The women ran for food or stimulants. The gangs eagerly relieved each other, digging with new zeal, and at intervals the cheery shout went up from many voices.

"At the last shout the leader threw up his hand for silence. A feeble cry was heard. The men were saved. They owed their lives to the enthusiasm of that young man."

And so the man who, supported by a divinely kindled enthusiasm, can keep up heart in the face of depressing circumstances and seeming failure is the man who will win the day and save the soul.

The Scotch engineer, asked by an impatient passenger whether the train was delayed in starting by lack of water for the engine responded, "There is abundance of water, but it's no 'bilin."

Our churches and societies need more boiling water, more aglow with love to Christ and man, more members who can say with Zinzendorf, "I have but one passion, and that is Jesus."—Rev. J. A.Bomberger, in the Golden Rule.

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The Difference

Take church-going and office-going. Every morning the man is at his business; nothing keeps him from it but the grip of some disease which will not let him out of the house. He may feel inert, but he goes. He may have headache, but off he starts; and when he is there, how interested he is—how absorbed, how alert, how devoted! That is office-going.

And now take the same man and look at his church-going. What a contrast! "I have a headache; I do not think I will go to church." "It rains hard, and it is so cold; I will not venture out." "I feel tired; I will stay home and rest." And often when he goes, how he lolls about and looks around and lets his mind wander.

Yes, you say but one is business which we must attend; we shall lose our place or our money; and the other is—well, what is it? Is it an important thing? Is it not God's business? Is it not a very holy, a very solemn, a very urgent affair? Does not the welfare of the soul depend upon it? Can it be neglected with impunity?

Think of your Master's words in Malachi: "A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a Father, where is Mine honour? and if I be a Master, where is My fear?"—Selected.

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Christian life is action; not a speculating, not a debating, but a doing. One thing, and only one, in this world has eternity stamped upon it. Feelings pass; resolves and thoughts pass; opinions change. What you have done lasts—in you. Through ages, through eternity, what you have done for Christ, that, and only that, you are.—F. W. Robertson.

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Advice to Correspondents

If you've got a thing that's happy, Boil it down;

Make it short and crisp and snappy, Boil it down;

When your brain its coin has minted,

Down the page your pen has sprinted, If you want your effort printed,

Boil it down.

Take out every surplus letter, Boil it down;

Fewer syllables, the better, Boil it down;

Make your meaning plain—express it So we'll know, not merely guess it:

Then my friend, ere you address it,

- Boil it down.
- Cut out all the extra trimmings, Boil it down;

Skim it well, then skim the skimmings, Boil it down;

When you're sure 'twould be a sin to Cut another sentence in two.

Send it on and we'll begin to

Boil it down.

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Sabbath Meeting, July 10th

On the first Sabbath of the summer school, the students were favored with an address by Prof. J. G. Lamson, upon the subject "Faith in Education." Beginning with the text that says it is impossible to please God without faith, he proceeded to show the influence of faith upon Christian education. In contrast with this, secular teachers and even theological instructors advance the principle of doubting everything and believing nothing until it has been demonstrated. The speaker then contrasted the great difference between these two plans of teaching. He maintained that the great need of the world is a system of education based upon the word of God.

Eld. A. T. Robinson, president of the Nebraska Conference, followed making application of the truths presented to the educational plans and conditions in College View. He referred especially to a recommendation adopted at a meeting held the preceding day by a joint committee of Church Officers, Church-school Board, and College Board. This recommendation was to the effect that in order to provide room for the church-school, and to co-operate with the Normal Department of the College, the present church-school building be placed just east of the College building. A general meeting of the church was announced for eight o'clock in the evening for considering the advisability of the recommendation. At this meeting the conditions were carefully studied. This question has been before the church for two years. A year ago it was voted to place the school just east of South Hall, but this plan was discarded as it would cost more than it was thought best to raise at that time. At the recent meeting it was decided to station the school east of South Hall, because the noise would doubtless disturb the Sanitarium patients if placed nearer. With this amendment the recommendation was adopted, and a building committee, consisting of E. Jenkins, A. C. Hamilton, and F. F. Byington, was appointed to co-operate with the churchschool board in carrying out the details, provided the plans be ratified by the Executive Board of the College at their next meeting, about the middle of July.

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Opening of the Summer School

C. C. LEWIS

The Union College summer school began Wednesday, July 7 th, with an enrolment of fifty students, which had increased to sixty-five the following Fri-Twenty-five classes have been day. organized, and distributed among the teachers as follows: H. U. Stevens, Physics, Botany, Astronomy; H. R. Johnson, Bible Doctrines, and the Sanctuary: J. G. Lamson, Teachers' Reviews, Advanced Methods, and Penmanship: Miss Edna Schee, Primary Methods, Manual Training, and Drawing: S. A. Smith, Agriculture and School Gardening: Mrs. C. C. Lewis, Testimonies: J. L. Crouse, Singing: Miss Elsie Andrews, Grammar I. Grammar II, Rhetoric; Lawrence Anderson, General History and History of Missions; B. E. Huffman, School Management, Civil Government; W. H. Buxton, Eighth Grade Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry; D. E. Huffman, Physiology, Elocution.

The organization of the school was completed on Wednesday, and regular recitation work was taken up the following day. The school is in perfect running order, and excellent work is being done. Miss Lillie George is acting as librarian, and preceptress of South Hall. She is assisted in the library by Misses Bertha Lewis, Melissa Beeson, Anna Olson, May Surber, and Hannah Reinhardt. Prof. Roberts gives private instruction on piano, and Miss Irma Lewis on the organ. Chapel talks for current week, beginning July 12th, are as follows: Monday, "How did Solomon Obtain his Wisdom," H. R. Johnson; Tuesday, "With all thy Getting, Get Understanding," J.G. Lamson; Wednesday, "The Wicked shall be Holden with the Cords of his Sins," W. H. Buxton; Thursday, "Character Building," Lawrence Anderson; Friday, "Relation of Teachers to the Development of our Educational System," B. E. Huffman.

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The Building of Character

LAWRENCE ANDERSON How to Study the Child

How shall the children be studied? In genenal, sympathetically, lovingly, intelligently, thoughtfully. If this spirit does not characterize all the teacher's work she has evidently mistaken her calling.

The children in the schoolroom should be studied as individuals, not *en masse*. It is the study of each pupil's idiosyncrasies that is so much needed and which gained, has given such an impulse to better teaching in recent years.

I remember, when a boy, of undertaking to find upon a certain tree, two leaves that were exactly alike. There were hundreds of leaves growing on the tree, all fed from the same roots, moistened by the refreshing rains, invigorated by the same sunshine and the same delightful breezes, yet I could not find two leaves alike. Each had some peculiarity, some characteristic wherein it differed from all the others. We see peculiar differences of individuality upon everything, and the human soul, created with God-like powers, manifests in the most striking manner this law of individuality. But what a contrast between the plant and the child. The plant has choice, in a certain sense, but the child has choice in a larger and infinitely more dangerous sense. He realizes that he lives. It is his privilege to have a purpose, to plan, and to work out his own destiny. This is not true of anything found in other than human nature. "The force of gravitation that holds the stars in their courses, the fervent heat that melts down mountains and tosses them into the sky, the bolt of lightning that shivers the towering monarch of the forest, powerful though they be, know not themselves, nor direct a single one of their myriad activities. The strange and wonderful attribute, conscious life, is reserved for the child, the man." Children must be studied as individuals because no two of them are alike. Some are apt, others are dull, some are quick, others are sluggish. Some have defective senses, others merely phlegmatic; some are docile, others intractable; some are angelic, others depraved; but let us remember that all are created in the image of God, and there is therefore hope that the training given by a wise, skillful, intelligent, loving, and consecrated teacher may be the means of lifting each to a higher plane of living, and nearer to God.

Manner of Character Building

To form right habits of thinking, feeling, and acting is the practical side of character building. Right thinking, right feeling, and right conduct can not be successfully fostered in an unsympathetic atmosphere. Interest, enthusiasm, sympathy, and good cheer, emanating from the real teacher, filling the schoolroom with their exhilarating influence, and spurring the pupil on to his noblest efforts, are a great deal more potent to mold and fashion character than iron-clad rules and a stern countenance. Doctor Kratz says: "The teacher who exercises the most helpful influence over the lives of each of us, the one to whom we are most deeply indebted, the one whom we hold in most grateful remembrance, is the teacher who manifests the deepest personal interest in our welfare, comes into closest sympathy with us, believes in us and has great faith in us and in our possibilities of growth." Why should not each of us make up his mind to become such a teacher? By the help of the great Teacher of Galilee we may attain to such heights. Why do we admire such a teacher? Because she showed loving sympathy with our hardships, because she spoke a word of cheer to us when the gathering clouds of discouragement were about to overwhelm us, because she taught us to have confidence in ourselves and by word and action helped us to surmount difficulties.

No doubt many of us have had the opposite experience. We can recall some other teacher, who perhaps was faithful, sincere, and conscientious, but who unwittingly manifested by her attitude that she had lost faith in our ability to master a certain subject, and who instead of being an encouragement to us, so surrounded us with the atmosphere of doubt and distrust that we gave up in despair, for the time being at least. Many failures of this kind occur daily in schoolrooms. Perhaps many of the wrecks along life's shore may be traced back to experiences of this kind in the schoolroom. Fortunately, in recent years our teachers and educators are becoming more fully aware of the tremendous responsibilities that rest upon those who train the young.

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The man that makes a character makes foes. — Young.

Leaves from Students' Note-books

THE JUNIOR AGE

By the junior age is meant the period between childhood and young manhood -the time when childish things lose their charm, and yet the boy is not developed enough to take an interest in the things which interest men. This period comes earlier with some than with others, but the usual age is from twelve to sixteen. All agree that this is the most critical time in a boy's life. Marvelous physical changes are taking place, life habits are being formed, and character is being made. If the boy comes safely through this period, little anxiety is felt for his future, but if he fails at this time his future is regarded with the gravest concern, because a large per cent never recover from the blight of early transgressions. If there is any time during life that a boy needs instructions, needs a friend, needs the help which comes from depending upon divine strength it is during this age. The duty of senior young people is to see that he has a friend, and that he knows how to depend upon God.

DISGUISED BLESSINGS

"Say not this or that thing came to thwart you; it came only to test you."-Muriel Strode

The truth that the ugly, weak, hard things in our characters and those that we meet in life may actually be transformed into blessings and helpful companions is one of the most courage-giving facts I know of. It is true the change can come about only by long, desperately hard, determined struggles, but when the victory is complete, the hardships of the conquest are forgotten. Wrestling is the condition of the blessing and the strength we gain in the very effort is worth almost as much as the final victory. It is not a small thing to be able to see in the unpleasant thing an opportunity to grow strong and sympathetic. Like the nettle, if grasped quickly and firmly, they do not sting.

GOOD AND PLEASURE

There have come to be in the world two classes of people-seekers of good and seekers of pleasure. Their ways, like the branches of a tree, go the same way for a time, but they soon divide and the more they grow, the farther they are apart. But it is not meant to be so. In the first beautiful Eden home, one was the natural outgrowth of the other. Pleasure was the child born of Good. But sin has so changed man's outlook on life that he no longer recognizes pleasure in its true form. That which delights the senses or the mind and at the same time gives satisfaction, is real pleasure. The pleasures of sin do not satisfy but call continually for more and stronger excitement. Even pure pleasure, sought for the sake of pleasure, is perverted. This, then, is where the ways of Good and Pleasure separate-when they can no longer be parent and child; when Pleasure is sought for as the only object in life.

THE SMILING FACE

It is difficult to become angry with one who is always good-natured. We can not be out-of-sorts with the man who greets us with a sunny face. "If you bring a smiling visage to the glass, you will meet a smile." It requires a hardhearted man to frown at a laughing baby. When we go home feeling cross with the world in general, and meet happy faces, they act as the sun driving away the clouds. A good thing to remember is-"It takes two to make a quarrel."

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Relation of our Colleges to the Gospel Message

C. C. LEWIS

The colleges of Seventh-day Adventists differ from other colleges, first, in the fact that Bible study is pursued to an extent unknown in other colleges. There is little or no Bible study in the

ordinary college course. If the student obtains any instruction at all he must get it through the Sunday-school or in classes conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association, which is encouraged to operate in connection with the college. But such opportunities are inadequate, and they are offered to students already overburdened with other regular, required studies. Again, Bible courses are sometimes offered by universities, especially as departments of philosophical study. But, even in denominational colleges, Bible study is often held but one or two hours per week. In our own schools the case is different. Bible study is pursued in nearly all grades as daily, required work throughout the year for all who expect to graduate.

Correlation of Bible and History

Again, history is correlated with Bible in a manner unknown in ordinary colleges. The subject is studied in its relation to prophecy and to the work of God as it has gone forward in all ages.

A Prevailing Christian Spirit

Again, Seventh-day Adventist colleges differ from others in the spirit which prevails. The teachers are all Christains, who pray and labor for the salvation of their students. All their teaching is from a Christian standpoint. They keep God's Sabbath, and reverence His law. They are looking for the coming of His Son. Evolution, Higher Criticism, and New Thought (being only ancient pantheism and mysticism, revived), which permeate other colleges, find no standing place in Seventh-day Adventist colleges. If they creep in, there is still spiritual vigor in the church to cast them out, or " to cut off the members incurably affected with these malignant spiritual cancers, which destroy all Christian life and growth. When the church loses this power to purge herself (which,

please God, shall never be), it will be time for God to raise up another people to proclaim the Third Angel's Message to a perishing world.

Object of our Colleges

Our colleges exist solely to save our youth from the corrupting, contaminating influences of modern worldly society. and to serve as training-schools for a vast army of workers to carry the gospel of the soon-coming kingdom of Christ to the ends of the earth in the present When they cease to generation. accomplish these two objects with at least a reasonable measure of success. it will be time to turn back entirely the saving of our children to our homes and our churches (where without doubt it chiefly belongs), and train our laborers in the field. But I believe our schools and colleges are succeeding and will succeed more and more in doing the work for which they were ordained of God, that of preparing laborers of whom He will not be ashamed. They will, no doubt, be sorely tried. The enemy of all righteousness will press in his evil influences. The church itself will be tempted to make them the dumping ground for moral lepers, in the hope that lost sons and daughters may be reclaimed. And our schools must struggle mightily to regenerate these corrupt souls, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Nothing but the new birth can ever save them. But if they can not be quickly reclaimed, they must be cast off before they contaminate other sons and daughters now comparatively pure,

The Devil to be Resisted

Our schools must not sit idly by and see the work of Satan go on without making heroic efforts to check his evil career. They must resist him with a faith that will not shrink in the presence of danger, if they expect to see him flee from them. And in this work they must have the united support of our people, our churches, and our homes, no matter how much it may at times wound our personal feelings.

General Advantages

To the young men and women of this denomination our colleges offer no special advantages, if they desire to train themselves for the service of the world. We can not compete with worldly colleges in equipment nor in the worldly learning of our teachers. We can, however, give them good, sound, substantial instruction in the foundation subjects of human knowledge. We can offer them instruction in the principles industry, integrity, and morality, of qualities which even the world still recognizes as necessary to success. If these young people, or young people outside the denomination, have not yet settled upon their life work and are not fully confirmed in their Christian experience, but are earnest and honest in their purpose to do right, and on general principles desire a liberal education no matter what their future work may be, our denominational colleges welcome them to useful courses of study and to superior moral advantages.

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Men Compared with Verbs

JESSIE B. SEAWARD

The term "verb" is derived from the Latin verbum, meaning "the word" because early grammarians found the verb to be the essential word in the sentence. Just so man has been considered, during most of the earth's history, the essential element in every condition and rank in life.

Verbs are classified according to use this is just as it is with men. Some have more important offices than others. A transitive verb is one which must have an object to complete its meaning. This is the case with every man who does anything worth while. He must have an object in view to make his life mean something. This is the only way he can keep from that, to other people, most deplorable condition, "being complete in himself"—the intransitive condition.

Verbs are either strong or weak, again resembling men.

Then there are defective verbs, which are deficient in mode or tense. Every man may be compared with this kind of verb, since each is lacking along some line. His lack may be with reference to the present tense-not living in the present, but always thinking "there's a good time coming'' instead of "there's a good time going." Or it may be with reference to any of the other tenses. Or he may be lacking in potentiality. Perhaps he does not know how to command, has no inner force, must always be dictated to and led by others. Such a man corresponds to a defective verb lacking in imperative mode.

Then there are the active and passive verbs. The terms do not need explanation. They at once make one think of different kinds of men. Some are active, at the head of any affair with which they are connected, others are always waiting for someone else to take the initiative. Which is the more admirable?

Let each of us try to be a transitive verb, present, active, and with as few defects as possible.

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- If any little word of ours can make one life the brighter;
- If any little song of ours can make one heart the lighter;
- God help us speak that little word,
- And take our bit of singing,
- And drop it in some lonely vale
- And set the echoes ringing.

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Let none falter who thinks he is right, and we may succeed.



Sermonette No. 2

F. M. BURG

Text: "All ye are brethren." Matt. 23:8.

Unity among Christians does not grow out of their names being enrolled on the record of the church. They are bound together by the strongest tie that is known. Christ said, "Whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother." Mark 3:35. In the nature of the case no stronger or closer tie could exist than that between the followers of Christ. First they are, with him, given up-soul, body, and all-to do the will of God; whether by pain, sacrifice, life, or death, anxious for one thing only: to know and do the things that will please and honor their heavenly Father. They are ostracized by the world, hated (1 John 3:13), unknown (1 John 3:1), persecuted (2 Tim. 3:12).

Disowned by the world, persecuted and hated, they naturally press together (Zeph. 2:1); and one in the all-absorbing desire and purpose to do God's will, they are in the truest sense brethren. And so Christ, who was despised and rejected of men (Isa. 53:3), and whose meat it was to do his Father's will (John 4:34), who took the cup in the garden of suffering and drank it to its bitter dregs, saying, "Thy will be done," is pleased to call them brethren (Heb. 2:11).

Is it necessary that young people who enter our college be less intimately related in Christ than they were before?

How we all recall the nearness to each which we felt when we first embraced the Truth and associated together in a little covenant band to keep the commandments of God! Who was more welcome in our homes than another of "like precious faith?" When such a one became known to us as a Seventhday Adventist, we called him "Brother ______," and not as a form, but because he was one with us in spirit and purpose to honor and serve God and in the hope of Jesus' soon coming.

Again the question: Is it necessary that on entering our college we drift apart and succumb to a tendency toward a cold and stiff formalism, until we are almost surprised if called "brother" or "sister"? I am persuaded that it is not an index to a state of spiritual fervor or warmth that we become so stiff and distant. I am afraid the chilling breezes of the world are blowing upon us.

It is granted that "Mr.," "Mrs.," or "Miss" is proper when speaking to or of one who is not a Christian, or even one who may be a member of some other church and would not appreciate a more intimate address; but in the relations existing among Seventh-day Adventists would it not be well to cherish a spirit of brotherly warmth and tenderness? Would not such a spirit warm up the atmosphere in the class room and in the students' halls? And teachers, would it not warm up our atmosphere when we come together in faculty meeting or associate in other capacity?

Not only do we observe the "Mr.," "Mrs.," or "Miss" address; but how does it sound (as I have heard), when a young man meets a minister on the street and, if he speaks at all, says, "Hello, sir," or uses some other form of address equally unbecoming and discourteous?

Shall we not recover ourselves from every worldly tendency and press together in our work till such a united front is presented to the world that will mean defeat to the enemy and victory for Union College?



Miss Jessica Backus is working in the hygienic cafe at Los Angeles, Cal.

Edna Bronson and Edith Hochschoerner are canvassing in Loveland, Colo.

Godfred Ruff is working on his father's farm near Shattuck, Oklahoma.

Hazel Harvey is canvassing in her home city, Pueblo, Colo., and is doing very well.

Clay W. Trusty and wife are living in Los Angeles, Cal., where he is collecting for a local firm.

B. E. Beddoe, who is located in Nevada, spoke in the church at Oakland, Cal., Sabbath, July 3d.

Miss Carrie M. Wallace was married to Mr. J. W. Russell, Monday, July 5th, at her home, in Ladoga, Iowa.

Arthur Smith writes from Chico, Cal., that he is going to the Alaskan Exposition at Seattle. At date of writing, he was visiting his brother, Merrill, who is a barber at Chico.

W. H. Teesdale, who is canvassing for "Great Controversy" at Lewistown, Illinois, is spending a week with home folks, at Pontoosuc, Ill. He says they have some beautiful country in and about where he is working, and he is having success, and enjoys the work. He wishes success to other canvassers.

Bro. J. W. Field is working with Elder B. E. Miller in Texas. He writes, "I have been much pleased with the last few numbers of the MESSENGER. Let the success continue." An attractive hand-bill, announcing a Seventh day Adventist meeting in the "Old Union Church", at Greenvine, was enclosed. Blanche Canfield is taking a rest at her home, in St. Louis, Missouri.

Miss Emma Neuman and John Simon were married, July 13th, at College View.

Miss Joelle Long is nursing in Des Moines at present. She expects to soon return to her home, in Grand Jct., Colo.

Edith Hostetler, who has been canvassing in Kansas, is visiting Grace Aul before returning home to Battle Creek.

Marie and Christian Eden, from Talmage, and Clarence Smith, of Dunbar, were recent visitors at the College.

Isaac Schmidt is working in the harvest field at Bison, Kansas. In about three weeks he will leave for Berlin, where he will continue his studies.

Mrs. Iza E. Clement is engaged in the Bible work in Thorbury, Arkansas. She writes that four of her readers have recently taken a stand for the Truth.

C. W. Larson and wife are spending the summer on a farm near Breen, Colo. Mrs. Larson was formerly Lillie Preston and Mr. Larson was one of the first students at Union.

Wesley Beard has opened a real estate office in Des Moines. He sold the old sanitarium building there at a very good figure. The new building, at Nevada, Iowa, will be ready for dedication during camp-meeting in August.

We note that V. E. Toppenberg, class of '09, has been recommended by the General Conference Committee to Abyssinia. Mr. Toppenberg is at present in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he is preparing to leave shortly for his field of labor.

Dr. B. E. Fullmer, formerly in charge of the Witchita Sanitarium, is now doing ministerial work at Los Angeles. His medical work enables him to make the ministerial work self-supporting. Dr. Evans, formerly of Boulder, is also at Los Angeles.

Elder Luther Warren is at his home, in Pamona, Cal.

Mabel Mc Moran is nursing at San Bernardino, Cal.

Mrs. Alice Kieler, nee Brown, is living in Monte Vista, Colo.

Hugh Jones is canvassing for Practical Guide in Missouri.

J. I. Beardsley was visiting his relatives and friends in the View, from July 10th to the 18th.

Carlos Rozelle is practicing medicine in Illinois, and his sister, Edith, is on her claim in South Dakota.

Miss Cora Morgan, of the Nebraska Sanitarium, has gone to her home in Iowa for a few weeks vacation.

Helene, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schopbach died suddenly July 21st. The MESSENGER extends sympathy.

Miss Gretta Bowes and Ray Jenkins were married Sunday afternoon, July 11th. Mrs. Jenkins was a student at the College last year.

D. Claude Robertson is again with the Southern Railway Company, in Atlanta, Ga. Much success to Mr. Robertson, and we hope to see him in school again next year.

"I have now taken five weeks training in the Takoma Park Sanitarium and I have enjoyed my work very much. Next week I will meet Doctor Habernicht in New York and we make the trip to Buenos Ayres, South America, together. The steamer leaves New York, July 20th, and we arrive at our destination, Aug. 14th. I am anxious to be in my new field of labor as I have been rather unsettled ever siuce I left Union in May. Mv courage in the Lord's work was never better. I will gladly correspond with any who wish to know anything about South America." Maximo Trummer. Florida F. C. R., Buenos Ayres, S. A.

Miss Stout is still at the Loma Linda Sanitarium.

Prof. B. R. Shrvock is now located at Redlands, Cal.

Miss Florence Peterson is located in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is acting as stenographer for the Northern Union Conference.

Announcement is out for the wedding of Miss Emma Schmidt and Mr. I. G. Ortner, which is to take place Monday, July 26th.

Miss Vesta Field is enjoying her vacation at her home in Kansas City, Missouri. She is attending the Kansas City Conservatory of Music.

Miss Inez Hoiland and Miss Tuley are enjoying themselves immensely at the latter's home in Palmyra, Mo. Both expect to be in Union this fall.

Mrs. Ruth Knudson Silsbee, and two little girls, are living at Oakland, where her husband is connected with the Pacific Manifolding Book Company.

Doctor John, of Mexico, father of Otto John, visited friends in the View a few days past. He was returning from the recent conference at Washington.

"I took up the MESSENGER to-day for the first time in six weeks, and read the entire copy before I laid it down. It was like a big letter from home. However I am glad to be in Northwestern Nebraska, even though it has beautiful sand hills, for some of the people here want doctor books." Fred Herzer.

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One of the most successful churchschool teachers in our denomination was recently heard to say that three things particularly needed to advance our work are: the reading of helpful interesting books, more home study on the part of the students, and the cultivation of the social side of the young people's natures.

Financial Statement of Union College from June 14, 1908 to June 16, 1909

Present Worth, June 14, 1908......\$166,827.77 Loss for the year Broom Shop.....\$ 6.14 Buildings 1,027.62 Boiler House 697.95 Chemistry 61.15 Commencement Address 60.00 Canning Factory 94.15 Cleaning 206.35 Educational Messenger 230.00 Furnishings 565.35 Fuel 5,574.92 Floriculture 202.33 General Expense 3,865.47 Ice 280.11 Insurance 333.84 690.15 Interest 73.76 Janitors Library 73.91 719.74 Laundry Machinery 310,10 Poultry 73.56 208.60 Physics 193.40 Repairs Scholarship..... 190,00 Sewing Department..... 66.70 South Hall Labor..... 1,797.25 152.81 Taxes..... Biological Science 1.16 Personal Accounts 88.47 TOTAL \$43,755.90 Gains for the year Book Store \$ 442.49 627.35 Bakery Drayage Diplomas 700.51 13.15 Donations by Germans 36.00 Elocution 71.10 Farm 1,234,17 Keys Manual Training..... 2.75 72.15 Music 198,93 Carpenter Shop 27.83 Photography Department19 50.00 Pledges Rent 111.65 Summer Board 1,818.31 Typewriting 71,50 Treatments Personal Accounts 441.48 Net Loss for the year 7.13

Present Worth, June 16, 1909......\$166,820.64

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Inventories\$192,948.20
Accounts Receivable 1,925.26
Notes Receivable
Cash 1,240.27
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Accounts Payable\$ 1,868.09
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Present Worth
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Furnishings						4			285.35
Machinery .		,			+				310.10
Laundry		*		*					15.00
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N. B. EMERSON, Business Manager.

I have examined the books of Union College from June 14, 1908 to June 16, 1909 and have counted the cash, and I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

> C. T. CAVANESS, Auditor of Central Union Conference.

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L. Johnson, Rudolf Nelson , and Miss Ellen V. Nelson are in the tent work at Fergus Falls, N. Dak.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Riffel June 14th. Mrs. Riffel was formerly Miss Hannah Hanson.

Howel Brooke has returned to his home in Alpharetta, Ga. He stopped at Lane, Tenn. to see Leslie Wade.

Miss Inez Shultz and her sister, Mrs. Pearson, left last week for Pitkin, Colo., where Miss Shultz will spend two months in visiting.

Mr. J. A. Warren received a telegram last Friday announcing the death of his nephew, Clyde Kunce, of St. Louis, Mo. The deceased was fishing and died suddenly of heart failure. He was twentythree years of age and had been a boyhood companion of Mr. Warren. Mrs. Warren left immediately for the young man's home. Graves and Odren Barber Shop Agents for Merchants Laundry

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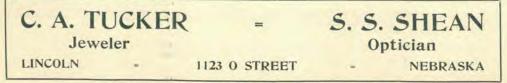
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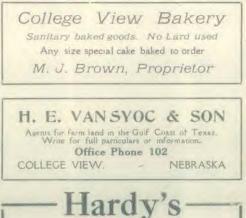
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