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### The Sanitarium Matter is Settled.

The question of accepting the proposition of the Santa Fe Railway Company, to lease to us their Hospital in North Ottawa, has been very carefully considered. At the meeting previously referred to of 17 representatives from different parts of the State, held in that building Jan. 7, the final vote was to the effect that we favor locating there but that we should ask the Railway Company to give us ten days to make final answer as to whether the Board approves the proposition or not, was taken. This time was asked for, that we might make further investigations there and also to give time to hear from Wichita once more, as we learned that they were much stirred over the prospect of losing the institution.

In harmony with this action, Brother Emerson went to Ottawa last Friday, January 15, to investigate matters further and some things were discovered which had not come to the attention of those present at the meeting referred to above.

While the Hospital is large and well equipped with heating plant, water and sewer, there is much work to do and many changes to be made. The large wards to be cut up into rooms by halls and partitions which will cost much money; and then to place our appliances in the building and connect them with the plumbing and later to take them out, will entail much loss. If the surroundings were favorable for a permanent sanitarium to be located there we would feel free to accept it and arrange to begin work soon, but we do not feel that such is true, and following are some of the reasons:

Directly south-west and within 40 rods distance

are the Ottawa Stock Yards from which very unpleasant odors arise and fill the air. In the same general direction, but a little north of these and about as near the Hospital is a very large Brick factory from which much smoke is given off and in the burning of tens of thousands of bricks daily, there is an intense heat which being in direct line with the prevailing winds, it is feared would effect the hospital much during the hot portions of the year. Just to the south and still nearer is a large Fence factory being put up which will be very noisy and send off much smoke, and then the Hospital buildings stand within 300 feet of the railroad track and a small depot at the Junction where it is said trains pass on an average of one every hour, night and day. These with the large mills and the Santa Fe shops and the entire city directly south, and with the prevailing winds for most all the year from the south and south-west, we have been driven to the conclusion, much contrary to our natural desires, that it is impracticable to take up the work there and spend our money in fitting up in these buildings where we cannot think it would be proper to establish a permanent institution. Hence it was unanimously voted by a ballot taken in a meeting yesterday, January 19, to drop the consideration of the Ottawa Hospital.

In the meantime, while these matters were being investigated, the citizens of Wichita, thoroughly aroused to the situation, got a move on and raised \$3000 cash and bought the land which our Board had selected last November, a beautiful site of 20 acres two miles west of the center of the city and have gone to work energetically to raise \$7000 cash to be paid over to us as follows: \$3000 in May, at which time the deed for the land is also to be given to us and work to be commenced on the buildings; \$2000 Oct. 1st, and \$2000 Feb. 1st, 1905, with provision that we are to have on hand \$3000 by May, to put into the buildings and our further investment of \$7000 more, including what appliances we have in this sum, shall be put in as the needs of the work demands it, we should have at least \$2000 of this in the fall to help complete the buildings besides money to purchase appliances needed to start the

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work. In view of the amount thus contributed by these people, because of their interest in this work, and further considering the general interest in the work there, as demonstrated by the patronage of the small and poorly equipped plant which we have there which is doing \$7000 worth of business yearly as shown by the books it, become clear to us that it is time to say finally that we will locate there and go at it in good earnest.

Hence, it was voted to locate the Kansas Sanitarium on the site herein described, this vote was unanimous. Members of Board of Trustees and Conference Committee present, Henry Osterlob, I. A. Crane, J. R. Ogden, N. B. Emerson, Dr. Geo. A. Droll, L. C. Christofferson and C. McReynolds.

In taking this action it was with the certain knowledge on our part of the fact that at the Ottawa meeting no one felt that the hospital proposition was what we should have, but rather, that it was the only thing we could do, and we hoped it might prove to be better than we saw it to be then. But on learning of the nearness of the stockyards and some of the other features of the local surroundings we felt that we were deciding it as the whole Board and Committee, five being absent, would if they were present.

We are now sending out a personal call to each one who made a pledge last fall asking them to send in the portion (one-half,) which was to be paid in this month and asking also all who can to send in the entire amount of their pledges as you will see by this article that we will be compelled to have by May more than what half of the pledges taken last fall amounts to.

Again in view of this great opening and the the favorable time now in which to build, we earnestly solicit those who have not taken part in this enterprise by contributing to it, to send in money and pledges also. We find the citizens of Wichita so interested in this that a number of them are giving \$200 each and two or three men gave \$500 each.

What does this mean? Is it not a call to us to step in? We are called upon to meet really less than half of the whole cost to start it. When the small plant now running there was started, some of the people gave liberally, and that money was invested in appliances, and now we put in those appliances at first cost as a part of the value which we are called upon to invest, to secure the amount that the city will invest.

One thing more—and notice this with care and keep it on file for reference—we will not go in debt. We will have what we have without debt

and what we cannot get without debt we will not get.

Last fall at our camp-meeting at Newton, we called together over 40 of our ablest men who are responsible for the counsel which they give, and we asked them: If in building this institution we should find that we must have more money, and we could get \$2,000 or more without interest for a long time should we take it? Their unanimous answer was NO. Go to our people and raise it and be free of debt of any kind.

Hence we feel that we have the word of the Conference behind us in this position which we take on the question of debt.

Now is the time to rally to the call.

Kansas Conference,

PER C. McREYNOLDS,

President.



### February Second.

In view of the fact that there is a large number of "Christ's Object Lessons" remaining unsold in the Kansas Tract Society Office, and in many of our churches, and we lack about one and one half books per member yet of having our quota of books sold,

Therefore we recommend;—That Tuesday, Feb., 2nd. be set apart as an "Object Lesson" Day. We ask our brethren and sisters throughout the state to cooperate with us by praying earnestly for God to bless every one who attempts to sell "Object Lessons", also by sharing in the blessing by devoting that day to that special work.

You may say, "I sold my quota of books long ago." Good, you are the very one we need to help sell the remaining portion. You know, brethren, many small children and very aged persons were counted in the apportionment, who have not, and probably never will sell their full quota. Some one must make up their shortage. We should not complain at the blessing we received by selling as many books as we have. Shall we not bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ? We hope every one will plan to devote this entire day to selling "Christ's Object Lessons." Let us clear up our quota. There is no reason why it can not be done if all will co-operate.

If because of regular business or work you can not devote the entire day to this work, every one can at least devote the evening of Tuesday, February 2nd. to the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." Decide upon some few persons to whom you think you could sell the book, go and visit these persons, praying God to prepare the hearts of the people to buy the book. God will do his part if we will do ours. A large army, every Seventh Day Adventist in Kansas, (we trust all will take a part.) going out on a special day, giving the entire day or at least the evening of that day, can accomplish and finish a most important work. Brethren, we can do it. We will go and finish the work. Send in your order at once so

as to have the books on hand, that they be actually sold on the day or evening of Tuesday, February 2nd 1904.  
Conference Committee.



### Shall We Finish The Work.

"Ye have compassed this mountain long enough."

I have just recently returned from South America to Kansas, so, for the present at least, our lot is again cast with you in giving this great message of truth to the people.

On returning to Kansas I have learned that in many of our churches, as well as in the Kansas Tract Society office at Topeka, there remains unsold a large number of "Christ's Object Lessons."

Truly, brethren, have we not compassed this mountain long enough? To speak of the good that the book contains is useless, for we all who have read and reread it, know of its value and importance, so the question of its sale for the good that comes to those who purchase it, is unquestioned. But the fact remains that there is still a large number which remain unsold even before the full quota for Kansas is disposed of. Now, brethren, it is a small task to arise and quickly finish the work. We are able to do it. Will we not bestir ourselves and work energetically, each person making a special effort to sell additional copies? It has been further decided to urge that the day, February 2nd, be set apart as a special "Object Lesson" Day for finishing up the work. But do not wait until that day. Begin to canvass at the earliest possible date, securing orders for the book.

Send in to the State Tract Society and have the books on hand so as to deliver or actually sell as many copies as possible on February second. Truly, have we not compassed this mountain long enough?

A. R. Ogden.



### Special Collection, Sabbath, February Sixth

According to the recommendation of the recent General Conference Council, there is to be a collection taken up in all our churches Sabbath, February 6, for the benefit of the International Publishing Association.

This Association is a corporation formed for the printing and distributing of literature among the foreign speaking people of America. In many of the states, and also in our large cities, there are many foreigners, and comparatively little has been done in placing before them the saving truth for our time. This is the work that the International Publishing Association, with the blessing of God, expects to do. As it is a new corporation, without as large a patronage as the Pacific Press or the Review and Herald, it seems necessary for it to appeal to our people for means with which it may become fairly well established financially, in order to carry forward its work without embarrassment.

The Association has purchased a building and fitted up a neat printing plant at College View, Nebraska, at a cost of \$5,200, including furnace, engine, electric dynamo, a large cylinder press, etc. They have also purchased from the Review and Herald Publishing Co., at Battle Creek, Mich., its large stock of foreign books. They will now devote their attention to the publication and circulation of our denominational literature in the different foreign languages.

It has ever been a hard struggle to make our foreign publishing work self-supporting, owing to limited patronage. This has been especially true in respect to our foreign denominational papers published in America. And many of our foreign books and pamphlets have not paid the publishers initial expense of their publications. Yet books, tracts, and periodicals must be placed in the hands of the different nationalities in this country, as our message is to every nation, kindred, tongue and people.

The new corporation will need the help of our people in a financial way. We hope that our people generally will assist this enterprise for placing the light of truth before others by contributing liberally for its support, Sabbath, February 6.

E. T. Russell.

To the above article I will add a few lines. All that is stated is true, and this is certainly a good step in the onward march of the message. If these papers and this foreign publishing work had not been transferred to College View, it would have been necessary to take it all to Washington, D. C. But as Union College is where our students are taught in these foreign languages, more than at any other place in America, and hence it is the proper place for this publishing work to be done. This collection is not called a penny collection nor a nickle collection. It is the cherished hope of those who are called to lead out in this work, that fives and tens of dollars may be donated to this enterprise, and Kansas is seldom behind in such matters.

C. McReynolds.



### The Central Advance.

The Central Union Conference will convene March 4th and continue till the 13th. It will be a meeting of much importance to the interest of the cause in all of the conferences in its territory, and all of our people in these states will desire to have reports of the proceedings of the Conference. The Central Advance will contain these reports. It is supposed to be issued often, probably not daily, however, during the ten days of the Conference. We will tell you more definitely about this and also the price, in next issue. The regular price per year is 50 cents. All who desire the full reports will receive them by subscribing for the Advance.

Send to the Kansas Tract Society, 821 W 5th Street, Topeka, Kan., or to Central Advance, College View, Nebr.

C. McReynolds.



### A Strange Coincidence.

Strange coincidences occur along life's pathway. Here is one, not because there is any connection between the two in any way, but so it is. "Ground-hog" day is chosen and set apart for our special effort to close up the "Object Lesson" work, so far as our apportionment is concerned. We do not care whether the ground-hog sees his shadow or not that day, for we are more interested in the signs of the times than in discerning the face of the sky; and it will be our privilege that day to carry to the people, the pure truth of the Gospel, and to place in 5,000 homes that beautiful book, more beautiful inside than outside.

Dont forget the day, February 2nd.



### A Great Movement.

We are in the time of great developments. We should expect new methods to be devised and put into operation. Here is one of the latest and best. It is suited alike to city, town, and country, and from it, great results will be seen,

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How to use them. Go to a home, a neighbor, or to one with whom you are not acquainted. Show them the little leaflet and the way it is to be studied, noting that it is a nice lesson, all lined out with the Bible answers given, and text also located. Tell them if they would like to study that lesson, you will be pleased to leave it with them, and then in a few days, call again and take another to them, (give these to them.) If they are much interested and speak of desiring to have other neighbors study them, propose to take the first one and give it to another neighbor; or better if they will do this, say that you will furnish them the lessons to supply the neighbor. You will soon have a lot of people studying the message for our time. One brother in Kansas City, has over 260 families receiving and reading these lessons each week, and the work being done by the churches in this line is reaching over a thousand families. Think of it. An average of four or five to each family, and one church alone is placing a good solid sermon each week, before four or five thousand people. "Go thou and do likewise," and very soon the blaze of the loud cry will come. Come, brethren and sisters, we have been talking long enough now. The time has come to arise and give the message to all within our reach. Let us up and at it at once. This is absolutely the best thing that has come to us.

### THE EXPENSE

Well it is so small it can not stand in the way of many. Only 10 cents for a whole set of 28, and if you will use a little tact in your work, you can soon have ten or fifteen families reading on five sets. Send in your orders at once to the Kansas Tract Society. One of our churches has ordered 140 sets to start with. This is in a city.

C. McReynolds, for Conf. Com.



### Report of Labor

We first began our fall work in Paola, Nov. 24th, working with the special number of the Signs. Besides selling 140 copies of the paper, we held some Bible readings, and distributed some tracts, leaving the result with the Lord. We went from Paola to Osawatomie, placed about 250 copies in that place, held four meetings with a family of First Day Adventists, and enjoyed some good visits with others.

Lane and Greeley were the next places visited. At the latter place we visited two families of isolated Sabbath-keepers. After leaving Greeley we visited and did some work in the following places: Garnett, Elsmore, Humboldt, Chanutte, and Cherryvale, holding a meeting at the latter place Sunday night.

After spending a few days with relatives and friends in Moline and Lafontaine, we returned to Greeley and com-

menced meetings in a schoolhouse in the country near by, on Jan 5th closed the 17th, apparently without any interest manifested. But the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but God looketh on the heart, so we leave the result with Him. In all, we have handled 1100 copies of the Signs. We thank God for his blessings, and press on with renewed courage.

W. F. Surber.

V. W. Robb.

### Notice.

The publishers of Bibles have raised the prices on their Bibles so that from this time on we will not be able to fill orders at old catalog prices except it be such as we have already in stock. We can not furnish new catalogs just now but the old ones with what style we now have on hand will be sent out on application.

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