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### A Mid-Century Revival

The year 1950 constitutes the mid-century year of the twentieth century. Some are indicating that this new year must be a mighty year for Christ, that it must witness the rebirth of a crusade that will reach deep into the hearts and lives of all Christian people.

It is expected that more than a quarter million Catholics will, during this mid-century year, make pilgrimages to the Holy Land and to famous Catholic retreats. Protestant leaders are calling for a revival in the hearts and lives of all Protestants.

The recent Autumn Council took note of the mid-century year by sending forth a call for a great revival of missionary activity. We, here at the denomination's oldest publishing house, are calling for the mid-century year to witness a great revival on the part of our

There are those among us who feel that there is little need to study the temperance problem from the standpoint of our own people. They say, "We do not drink." We are very happy that this is true. But we are faced with other questions. that are not so easily answered. Our children are exposed to all the temptations that the liquor

By R. J. CHRISTIAN

people in behalf of *The Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*. We believe that this is the year when our brethren and sisters ought to subscribe to our official church journal and then read its pages so that a fire similar to that of the early Protestant Reformation may be rekindled.

Elder Theodore Carcich, the president of the Illinois Conference, has expressed it like this: "In modern warfare an army can succeed only as it maintains intelligent contact between headquarters and its smallest units. This contact is maintained by the various communication methods known to all. In the great controversy in which the remnant church is engaged, the medium of communication between the world field and the individual church member is *The Advent Re-*

view and Sabbath Herald. For the remnant church to succeed it is necessary that the individual member be intelligently informed of the progress of the church and the needs and dangers facing it. This intelligent contact is especially necessary in these days of earth's history."

Speaking of the Review and Herald, Mrs. White stated that "all should feel as deep an interest (in it) as they would an only son." The price is most reasonable, only \$3.75 a year, and less if taken in combination with other periodicals. Let us take advantage of the present moment to save a dollar by securing the special General Conference bulletins with our subscriptions that are placed at this time. All orders should be placed through the church missionary secretary or Book and Bible House.

### We Do Not Drink

By H. R. COATS

manufacturers can devise. The bill-boards, with their malicious advertising, reach the eyes of our boys and girls exactly the same as they do our neighbors' children. The argument is that our boys and girls are Christians and they do not drink. Let us all beware. We

lose far too many of our youth, and liquor and tobacco take their toll every year. The magazines, newspapers, radio, and television programs are contaminated with liquor advertising. Our children see and hear these and some are surely affected thereby. Yes, we have a battle on our hands, and for years we have neglected to take it

## Remember the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for Missions

seriously. We must strike as hard at the liquor problem as we can. We owe this much service to our community and our neighbors. We must not walk in the footsteps of Cain and be found answering the Lord presumptuously, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

The liquor industry exposes all of us to the results of drinking. In the world we see every form of accident, with sudden death on every hand. How many of these cases are to be laid at the door of liquor? Sheer gratefulness to God for continuous protection from injury or death at the hands of a drinking driver should inspire us to move forward with a powerful temperance movement not only in Iowa but in all of North America.

We should let everybody know that we have no compromise with liquor or tobacco. With voice, pen, and vote, we should labor untiringly to rid our nation of this monster of vice and iniquity. The liquor industry is beginning to talk moderation and to police itself. This is not the answer to the liquor question. The traffic in liquor must be put out of business. This cannot be accomplished over night. A long difficult fight for the right lies ahead.

### Place in the Country

The demand for listings homes, opportunities, jobs and work in the country has become so large and widespread that the supply of our periodical listings gotten out several times a year is exhausted much more quickly now than when the listings began. Between one thousand and twelve hundred requests for this listing are now being received with each issue.

The Commission on Rural Living is now gathering information from our people living in the country regarding other places not yet listed. Any of our people who know of advantageous openings in the country for Adventists, whether a farm, or house, or job, or business opportunity, please send the information and get it in before January 10, 1950, the date when the tenth listing will go to press.

We definitely ask that no colonization programs be included and no real estate promotion, just genuine opportunities which may enable the city dweller to answer the urgent call to "get out of the large cities as fast as possible."

And be brief. Do not write long, detailed descriptions as to how long you have lived in this place, and the reasons why you must leave it. Leave out the adjectives. Just tell us what you have or know about, the address, how much land tillable, the location, the number rooms, conveniences, proximity to church and school, or what kind of job or opening. Make it short and, most important, print the address so that it is legible and accurate.

Send all information to: Carlyle B. Haynes, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Washington 12, D. C.

### No "Outlook" December 27

Inasmuch as fifty issues of the Outlook are published each year, it has been customary to omit one issue at camp meeting time and the other at the time of Christmas holidays, as usually the students who help with the mailing and other work at the Oak Park Press desire to go home for the holidays, so there is generally a shortage of help at that time. Hence the issue of December 27 will be ommitted this year and we give this advance notice so that our contributors and those who prepare the copy at the local conference offices may plan accordingly and not be inconvenienced. A. R. SMOUSE, Editor.

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### Faithful Stewards

"God has made man His stewards. The property which He has placed in their hands is the means that He has provided for the spread of the gospel. To those who prove themselves faithful stewards He will commit greater trusts. Saith the Lord, 'Them that honor Me, I will honor." - Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 529.

"The message of the third chapter of Malachi comes to us, holding up before us the need of honesty in our relations to the Lord and His work. My brethren, the money that you use to buy and sell and get gain will be a curse to you if you withhold from the Lord that which is His." - Testimonies, Vol. 9, p. 53.

The year 1949 will soon be history. Before we come to the close of this year shall we not pause a moment and look back? Have we fulfilled all that we have promised? Have we been faithful in our tithes and offerings? Is there an unpaid pledge? These are individual questions that you and I must answer. May God help us to be faithful stewards of that which He has intrusted to us.

D. C. BUTHERUS.

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### **News Notes**

We were happy to have Dr. Melvin Beltz, from Wahpeton, visit us and remain with us during the Lay Workers' Institute. We were also pleased that Elder Buckman brought a number of laymen from his district to the institute to enjoy the blessings and inspiration that come to us at such meetings. It is obvious that Elder Buckman knows the value of the laymen. The district leaders and pastors who harness the latent talent forces in their churches will be those who will cause a real revival in their communities.

A church officers' institute is baing held at Minot, December 17 and 18. The three districts in the northwestern part of the state are included. We are confident that we shall have a very good institute and that the work will be strengthened as a result. D. C. Butherus, Wilbur Chapman, R. D. Steinke, I. E. Anunsen, and A. H. Liebelt will be present to give instruction to the various officers chosen for 1950.

### Wedding

Evelyn Schwartz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Schwartz of Belfield, became the bride of Wallace R. Carlson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carlson, of Buchanan, North Dakota, in a candle-light service on September 4, at the Belfield Lutheran church. Elder G. D. O'Brien performed the ceremony. H. J. Stebner, of Williston, accompanied by Shirley Hinger, sang, "I Love You Truly," "Because," and "Always."

Carol Carlson was maid of honor, with Elaine Carlson and Ruth Schwartz as bridesmaids. Attendants of the groom were Ray Pfaff and Ronald Carlson with Darrel Lang serving as best man. Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Belfield Memorial Hall. Both the bride and groom are graduates of Sheyenne River Academy and are now attending Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska.

May the blessing of heaven rest upon this newly established home as these young people journey life's pathway together.

W. M. BUCKMAN.

### Lay Workers' Institute At Jamestown

A successful Lay Workers' Institute was held in the Jamestown church December 9-12. We all feel that it is only the beginning of greater things to come in the cause of God when the laymen will become a mighty power to give this message as they go forth endowed with the Spirit of God.

Elder Henry Brown, from the General Conference Home Missionary Department, and Elder C. E. Guenther, from the Northern Union Conference, gave valuable help. Elder D. C. Butherus and others contributed to the program. The Northern Heralds quartet and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Knopp, from Kulm, rendered very helpful messages in song. It was said by many that this is just what we need. It has been felt that we must begin working with the Lord in our sphere of influence,-our home, our community, and where we do business.

R. H. Zima, from Minneapolis, consented to come all the way to Jamestown to demonstrate his method of giving Bible studies in the homes of the people. If we have had an excuse not to labor with God, he showed us that the last excuse can be removed. His demonstration with projector and recorder proved very helpful. His experience with this equipment has been successful in his lay ministry. We also appreciate his story on the blessing of giving, and the lesson study during Sabbath school.

Joe Vixie, a layman, told us how he went out and gathered over \$1100.00 in the Ingathering from the farmers in his community. As a result his business increased and he brought two souls to Christ. What a glorious experience it is to work with God!

We were sorry that the weather on the last day of the institute treated us rather roughly, but we were very pleased to see a large number present and that they remained with us until the very last meeting.

These laymen pledged themselves to win 97 souls during 1950. We hope that every laymen will pledge himself to win at least one soul for God during 1950. Heaven's richest blessings will attend our humble efforts as we shall labor for souls.

R. D. STEINKE.

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### Greetings from District 6

A word of appreciation is in order to our conference for making it possible for us to hold gospel meetings in Miller, South Dakota. Immediately following our camp meeting, we were able to locate a store building and started to decorate it for "The Bible Speaks," the name of our series. Mrs. Stewart came from Hot Springs and gave excellent help. We were sorry when she was taken ill and had to return home. Bonnie Lou Wilson rendered good help with the music and stayed until college opened. Besides holding three meetings each week the town was divided for systematic distribution of our literature. This was done by Dwight and Bonnie Lou Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wilson, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Lindquist. The attendance at the meetings was not large, but was very regular. Two have been received into membership in the Miller church with more to follow.

The Week of Prayer has been encouraging. Decisions have been made that will count for eternity. Elder Kehney visited in our district at Pierre, Murdo, and White River.

The remodeling of the Pierre church is completed. Ed. Archambeau, assisted by Walter Schiechoff, and as many of the members as their time permitted, repaired walls, ceiling, furnace, and chimney. This has added much to the comfort and ease of the speakers as well as the listeners.

As the year closes, we wish to thank our brethren and sisters for their liberality in tithes and offerings as well as service rendered. The Lord knows and counts the faithfulness of each one where man's eye might fail to see.

The 20th Century Bible Corre-

spondence Course is being sent to the rural districts again. This has proved a worth-while soul-winning project.

We are asking an interest in your prayers for continual growth and advancement in the cause we love, until it is completed.

C. A. LINDQUIST.

### Watertown Investment

The Watertown Sabbath school members reached an all-time high in Investment enthusiasm on Sabbath. November 26. Each member in the Sabbath school had some definite part in the Investment. At the time of launching the spring program, a goal was set for each class in the senior division, with a separate goal for the junior and kindergarten departments. Each teacher served as the sponsor for his or her class, and the members cooperated to the fullest extent. The Investment idea was kept before the Sabbath school by various members relating interesting Investment experiences from time to time.

A keen interest was exhibited by the juniors: some of whom made belts and sold them, while others sold greeting cards. Some of the boys cut lawns and raked leaves; others sold garden vegetables. The little folks in the kindergarten department ran errands and saved money given to them for sweets. In the senior department many interesting ideas for Investment were discovered. Some members saved pennies given to them in change; some saved nickels; one family gave money from eggs laid on the Sabbath; one member who owns a garage and filling station sold scrap iron. Some members gave one dollar each month, while some contributed money from the sale of baked goods. One member brought a three-pound Crisco jar full of pennies received in change when selling chickens and garden vegetables. A very unusual way to earn Investment money was reported by one member who substituted for the regular organist in playing the Hammond organ at a local mortu-

The Watertown Sabbath school membership is 56, with a church membership of 51, and as they worked together in unity for Investment, each soul was blessed, as was evidenced by the Investment offering received after the program, which amounted to \$323.52. The members are sill working, and by the end of the year more will be added to this liberal amount already raised.

Superintendent
WATERTOWN SABBATH SCHOOL.

### News from Your Book and Bible House

Word has just been received that the special offer including the General Conference bulletins with your renewal or new subscription to the Review and Herald, Big Three, or the Family Group has been extended to December 31. We urge you to order your periodicals now and take advantage of this opportunity to receive the reports on the General Conference session when it convenes in July.

Don't forget, you still have a few days more to shop for those fine gifts for Christmas, so why not send us your order for the Morning Watch at 10 cents in the plain cover, and 15 cents in the de luxe; the wonderful book, With God at Dawn," in cloth at \$1.00, special holiday price 90 cents; or de luxe binding \$1.50 regular price, but special holiday price \$1.35; Christian Home Calendar 35 cents each; Children's Hour, Volumes 1 to 5, in cloth, regular price \$3.50, special holiday price \$2.10 each. We have many other books, too numerous to mention here, that will make wonderful gifts for friends, and relatives.

May we remind you to get your orders in early for the Sabbath school quarterlies. We have a supply on hand now, but they will not last long. Price 10 cents a single copy, and 35 cents a copy for a period of one year.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE

"Let all cultivate their physical and mental powers to the utmost of their ability that they may work for God where His providence shall call them."—M. H., p. 149.

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## Press Work in the lowa Conference

As I write this article there are thirty-four pages of clippings before me on my desk. These newspaper clippings represent the work of at least thirty-four faithful press secretaries who have sounded the trumpet in their communities, and the local press heard, and printed the good news. And it is good news, for anything reported by Seventh-day Adventists is always progressive, beneficial, and wholesome. Our conference owes a vote of thanks to these faithful secretaries. It has been only two years at the most that our larger churches have been appointing press secretaries as church officers. The results have been most gratifying. Scores and hundreds of items, well written and pointed, have found their way in Iowa's local newspapers, large and small. The journals like the news items, and the public is better informed about the work and program of our churches as a result of this state-wide endeavor. These hundreds of column inches of free publicity are reacting most favorably upon the public in behalf of our work and beliefs.

Of course, behind this achievement there is a tremendous amount of work. As Mrs. Lowell Estes, our conference press secretary says, "Church press secretaries, to be successful, need not only to be interested in press work, but they must be willing to work at it." I would like to urge each of the sixty-five churches in Iowa to appoint a press secretary for the year 1950. They in turn will render the denomination invaluable service. Missions giving, incoming pastors, youth movements, Dorcas welfare work, temperance, and a score of other items are valuable to the local press if the material is rightly handled.

W. A. DESSAIN.

### Free Training Course

Are you interested in becoming a regular conference worker? Are you interested in becoming a missionary? Are you interested in doing work that is equal to the gospel ministry? If you are, please read all of this article.

Fellow-believers, I am sure all of you will agree with me that this old world will not stand much longer. Thousands upon thousands are going to perish without hope or without Christ. According to Ezekiel 33:7, 8, 9, someone is going to stand responsible for these lost souls. Will you and I have their blood upon our garments? Mrs. White says on page 7 of Colporteur Evangelist: "From the light given me I know that where there is one canvasser in the field, there should be one hundred." Could this by any chance mean you? If so, why not plan now to attend this free training course, January 2 to 8, at the Norman Wiles Junior Academy in Des Moines? This course will be free to all who will deliver \$500.00 worth of our books or canvass three months or 360 hours. Your publishing department will aid you in starting and help you to succeed in this work.

We are told on page 5 of Colporteur Evangelist: "The canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order." On page 15 of the same book, we are told: "The intelligent, Godfearing, truth-loving canvasser should be respected, for he occupies a position equal to that of the gospel minister." Also, on page 5 it says: "This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time."

May we expect success in the canvassing work? Yes! On page 13 of Colporteur Evangelist, we are told that, "Imbued with the Spirit of God, he will gain a deep, rich experience, and heavenly angels will give him success in the work."

Write today to your publishing department secretary.

L. G. WHITTEN.

"Every church - member should be engaged in some line of service for the Master."—M. H., p. 149.

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### An Open Letter

This is an open letter to all the workers in Minnesota. As you are looking forward to your work in 1950, I know everyone is anxious to get the very best kind of tools he can to help him in his work. The pastors and district leaders need the Review, the Outlook, the Church Officer's Gazette, as well as our other papers, but so far as the minister's tools are concerned, the Gazette and the Ministry are specialized papers which help him in his work. Every worker should have these two.

Now, it is important that you use your influence in each church in your district. Make sure that every church elder, missionary leader. young people's secretary, as well as the leader of the junior department, has the Gazette. Of course, it goes without saying, that you will use your influence to see that the Sabbath school teachers and officers are supplied with the Worker. but the other church officers and you, yourself, should have the Gazette. In it you will find the programs for the Missionary Volunteer society, for the junior group, the home missionary program, and much helpful material of a general nature. The worker who takes and uses the Gazette is usually able to keep abreast of his work.

The Church Officer's Gazette is a wonderful source-material magazine. It has excellent quotations, which, if cut out and classified, soon enables a worker to build up a reference library of great value. So let me urge every worker in Minnesota to supply himself with the Church Officer's Gazette.

F. E. THOMPSON, President.

### **News Notes**

Our Twin City pastors attended the meetings sponsored by the United Temperance Society of Minnesota, held in Minneapolis, December 6 and 7. When Elder C. E. Guenther stopped in he was immediately called to the front and asked by the director of the society to tell what temperance literature he had brought along. One of the leading men made the remark, "Everybody ought to have the Listen Magazine." The Minnesota Conference Temperance Department furnished a copy of the current Listen magazine and the quarterly Temperance Bulletin free of charge to all who attended those meetings. Elders F. E. Thompson, C. E. Guenther, and T. S. Hill, were appointed as members of the board of directors, for 1950.

The circulation of Listen as a missionary periodical should be listed as one of the major projects in every church. Twenty-five per cent of the temperance offering received in our churches on Sabbath, December 10, is to be retained by the local church for local temperance work. If the church desires to use a portion of this amount to sponsor a club of Listen subscriptions, they may send Listen to ten individuals for only \$5.00 a year. Send your list of names and addresses, and the money to cover the order, to the Minnesota Book and Bible House. This price is available only for missionary subscriptions. It does not apply to Seventh-day Adventist subscribers. Our people may become members of our American Temperance Association and receive the Listen magazine for one year for only \$1.00. S. D. A. membership should be given to your church temperance secretary or church treasurer, and they will be sent on to the temperance department of the Minnesota Conference.

Pastor Vernon Emmerson will conduct the morning devotional period over station KBUN in Bemidji each morning from 8:45 to 9:00, beginning January 2 through January 6. If you reside within range of station KBUN, you will have opportunity to join in the morning devotions with Pastor Emmerson.

The most of our Dorcas societies are now busy preparing food and clothing for their Christmas baskets. Word from Pastor Emmerson informs us that the societies at Bemidji, Guthrie, and Hackensack,

are unusually busy. Sacks of potatoes, squash, etc., are ready to be delivered, and the women are busy sewing garments and making quilts. Sister Gunderson, of the Gilchrist church, writes that their society has recently packed and shipped six boxes of clothes, each weighing 22 pounds, to east Germany. They have also given food and clothing to local needy families recently.

### Between the Book Ends

With God at Dawn.-Here is a book of "vitamins of spiritual health" for each day of the year 1950. Selected quotations from the Spirit of prophecy amplify the thought of the Morning Watch text and give new inspiration to your morning devotions. Makes an excellent gift. Cloth, \$1.00. De luxe binding, packed in gift box, \$1.50. Special price until December 31, 90 cents in cloth and \$1.35 in the de luxe binding.

The Perfect Prayer, by Taylor of the Lord's prayer remains as powerful as when it was first given by the Master to His disciples; yet, woven into its beatiful simplicity may also be found practically all the cardinal teachings of the gospel. stimulating aspects are These brought out by a book that you will find an invaluable aid in the study of your Sabbath school lessons beginning January 1. Paper, 60 cents; cloth, \$1.00. Special price until December 31, 90 cents in cloth, or 55 cents for paper.

MINNESOTA BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE

### God's Call to the Church to Awake!

"What shall I say to arouse the remnant people of God? I was shown that dreadful scenes are before us; Satan and his angels are bringing all their power to bear upon God's people. He knows that if they sleep a little longer he is sure of them, for their destruction is certain."-"Testimonies, Vol. 1, p. 263. This statement from the messenger of God represents an earnest appeal to the sleeping church. Here we are in the year 1949, nearing the close of human

probation, and so many in the church are asleep. No, they are not asleep physically but spiritually. They are not fully aware of the fact that some of the events that are taking place today are those spoken of that were to be just prior to the coming of Christ.

In Great Controversy, page 464. we read of a great revival that is to come among the churches of the world. "The enemy of souls desires to hinder this work; and before the time for such a movement shall come, he will endeavor to prevent it by introducing a counterfeit. In those churches which he can bring under his deceptive power, he will make it appear that God's special blessing is poured out; there will be manifest what is thought to be great religious interest. Multitudes will exult that God is working marvelously for them, when the work is that of another spirit. Under a religious guise, Satan will seek to extend his influence over the Christian world."

We are seeing such a revival begun in a remarkable way. A few days ago I was reading of the great evangelistic meetings held in Hollywood, California, by Billy Graham, president of the Northwestern Schools in Minneapolis. Over 350,000 people attended his meetings and several movie stars were converted. As a result of these meetings, he is being hailed as another Billy Sunday and requests are coming in from various parts of the world for him to hold meetings. Yes, this is in harmony with the plans of the Protestant churches to make 1950 the greatest soul-winning year. The Catholic church will begin their endeavor January 1, 1950. They plan to visit and place some Catholic literature in every home in the United States. Yes, Satan and his forces of evil are awake. They are determined. Should not the church of God awake? Her time for working is short. The following quotation from Great Controversy, page 464, should bring much courage to our hearts: "Notwithstanding the wide-spread declension of faith and piety, there are true followers of Christ in these churches. Before the final visitation of God's judgments upon the earth, there will be, among the people of the Lord, such a revival of primitive godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times. The Spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children. At that time many will separate themselves from those churches in which the love of this world has supplanted love for God and His word. Many, both of ministers and people, will gladly accept those great truths which God has caused to be proclaimed at this time, to prepare a people for the Lord's second coming."

We have seen evidences of the fulfillment of a portion of this statement. Just recently two ministers of some of the large churches of the world have taken their stand for the third angel's message, and our literature played a large part in causing them to take such a stand. When there is a revival of primitive goodliness among the people of the Lord, we will see many marvelous things take place. What God is waiting for, is the remnant to awake and have just such an experience. Then and only then will we see thousands converted in a day as spoken of by the messenger of the Lord, most of whom will trace their first convictions to the literature they have read.

Yes, the colporteur is to play a large part in finishing the work. Would you like to have a part in this important work? The annual institute will be held January 9 to 15, at the St. Paul Seventh-day Adventist church, Mackubin and Ashland Streets. These meetings are being held to give definite instruction in the art of soul-winning. If you desire to attend these meetings, please write to me.

JAMES E. CURRY,

Publishing Department Secretary Minnesota Conference S. D. A., 1854 Roblyn Avenue, St. Paul 4, Minnesota.

### **Church Dedication** At Basswood

Sabbath, October 8, 1949, was a joyful day for the members of the Basswood church, near Richville, Minnesota. It was the day when their new church building was dedicated to the worship of God.

The light of present truth was



NEW BASSWOOD, MINNESOTA CHURCH

first carried into this community about 1885, by a Seventh-day Adventist family who moved into this neighborhood. Later several of the early Minnesota workers held series of meetings in log schoolhouses, and even under the canopy of trees. As a result several other families accepted the message. But it was not until 1918 that a church was organized. As the years passed, some of the members moved away; others were added; some entered different phases of the organized work; some fell asleep in Jesus. The group always remained small. Until 1944 they held their meetings in the Basswood Community church. It became more and more evident that they needed their own church building. Under the blessing of God a neat little building was erected in a quiet restful grove.

Many neighbors and friends attended the dedication service. Elder F. E. Thompson, president of the Minnesota Conference, was present and gave the dedicatory sermon. Elder P. C. Jarnes, educational and Missionary Volunteer secretary, gave the dedicatory prayer. It was a blessed and solemn occasion.

We believe that this new monument to the message will result in souls saved for the Master, and will have a definite bearing on the

progress and the finishing of the cause of God in this corner of the world field.

J. C. HARDER, District Leader.

### St. Cloud District News

The lectures which L. E. Abelson has been giving in the local church during the past month will close on December 11. The interest and attendance have been good all through the meetings. It is expected there will be a number of baptisms in the near future as the result. The community singing, led by Don Burgeson, special songs by our local talent, duets by Mesdames Hiatt and Eccles from Clearwater, and sound motion pictures shown by Dr. Guy, contributed much to the success of the lectures.

The Latvian family of D. P.'s that the church has been expecting for some time has arrived from Europe. This family, which has been separated for years, is overjoyed to be together again. Pastor L. E. Abelson, Dr. and Mrs. Guy, and several other members of the church met them in St. Paul. Then they were taken to the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peterson, of Foley. The accompanying pic-See NEWS NOTES page 8



LATVIAN D, P. FAMILY WELCOMED IN MINNESOTA

#### SUNSET CALENDAR

December 23, 1949	
Des Moines, Iowa	4:47
St. Paul, Minnesota	
Bismarck, North Dakota	4:57
Huron, South Dakota	4:59
December 30, 1949	
Des Moines, Iowa	4:52
St. Paul. Minnesota	
Bismarck, North Dakota	
Huron, South Dakota	
January 6, 1950	
Des Moines, Iowa	4:58
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NEWS NOTES (Cont'd from p. 7) ture shows this family being welcomed by the Petersons. From left to right they are: Mrs. Anna Palulis, grandmother; Mrs. Lucy Sparins, mother; Mr. Andrew Sparins, father; Lydia Sparins, daughter; Velta Sparins, daughter (seated); Mr. Albert Peterson and Mrs. Albert Peterson. This family will have a separate house as soon as it can be prepared and the father and other members of the family will be furnished employment by Mr. Peterson, who has a feed mill and farm to manage. The Dorcas society has supplied their needs in the way of clothing, but when they move into their house they will need practically everything in the way of household goods. Friends and neighbors are helping the ladies collect the necessary arti-MRS. PETER SCHECTER

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