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"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me; because He hath annointed Me to preach good tidings . . . Isaiah 61:1.

## God's Call To Literature Evangelism

By C. A. EDWARDS,

*Publishing Department Secretary, Northern Union Conference*

Even as in Bible times the Lord directed definite appeals to His Professed followers through prophets

and special messengers, so today through His chosen messenger for these latter days, pointed and specific appeals are made.



C. A. EDWARDS

Speaking of the literature ministry—and confining ourselves to only one statement from among a large number—the messenger of the Lord writes—"This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time." Yes, at this time when the attention of the universe will be focused more than ever and in a special sense, on our planet, the Lord appeals to those who profess to know Him, to sell our truth-filled publications, thus scattering truth like the leaves of autumn.

Between the dates of January 16 to 22, there will be held in the city of Minneapolis, a Northern Union Conference Literature Evangelist's Convention. Have you heard the voice of the Master inviting you with the words, "Son, Daughter, go work today in my vineyard," directing you into the work of literature evangelism? If not, listen carefully for that still small voice calling you into the very work the Lord would have his people do now. If you feel conscious

of this divine call, contact your publishing department secretary at once, and tell him that you want to attend this convention. He will then communicate with you and give you further particulars.

The instruction in the art of Christian salesmanship will be given by W. A. Higgins of the General Conference Publishing Department, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. Other instructors and counsellors from within the union and possibly outside, will also be there.

If you are from Iowa, write H. R. Trout, 540 42nd Street, Des Moines 6. From Minnesota, write H. F. Anderson, 1854 Roblyn Avenue, St. Paul 4. From North Dakota, write E. D. Sorensen, 213 2nd Street Southeast, Jamestown. And if you are from South Dakota, write H. E. Preston, 302 N. Broadway, Watertown.

Plan now to respond to God's special call for the hours of setting sun and attend this convention.

## Sacrifice Offering November 19

By R. H. NIGHTINGALE

At the recent Fall Council in Washington, D. C., the budget that was voted for 1956 was the largest ever voted for one single year for our world-wide work. It amounted to \$20,814,801.24. This of course did not meet the requests that came from many parts of the world field. However, it was over \$511,000.00 larger than the one voted last year.

In view of the tremendous needs of the mission fields we invite our members to bring a sacrificial offering November 19, which is the time for the annual Week of Prayer and Sacrifice Offering. This work was started in sacrifice and will be finished by the same spirit of sacrifice that dominated the lives of the pioneers.

## Christ Sacrificed for Us-Let Us Sacrifice for Him

By L. H. NETTEBURG

By the time this issue reaches the field the Week of Prayer will be nearly over. This week has been specially designated by the General Conference Committee to provide us with a time when we can draw closer to our Maker. Special articles have been prepared and printed in the *Review and Herald* to aid in the strengthening of our Christian experience. These articles have been written by the leaders in various responsibilities in our

denomination.

As we read these articles we are mindful of the signs of the nearness of Christ's return that are apparent everywhere. Just this week at the University of Minnesota, Dr. Arnold Toynbee, who is recognized as one of the greatest if not the greatest living historian, offered two prospects for the future of the world. He said that either we must learn to live in complete unity as a world people or we shall face



## Commit the Family to God Morning and Evening

"In a sense the father is the priest of the household, laying upon the family altar the morning and evening sacrifice. But the wife and children should unite in prayer, and join in the song of praise. In the morning before he leaves home for his daily labor, let the father gather his children about him, and, bowing before God, commit them to the care of the Father in heaven. When the cares of the day are past, let the family unite in offering grateful prayer and raising the song of praise, in acknowledgment of divine care during the day." *Ministry of Healing*, p. 392, 393.

total destruction. Such a statement brings to mind our church training relative to the prophecies of Daniel.

What a wonderful experience it is to have a knowledge of our future. Jesus paid the price for our salvation that we can understand and know that our future is secure.

This Sabbath as the offering is received let us be mindful of the love that Christ has for each one of us individually. Let us be mindful of the sacrifice which he has made for us. Let us make it evident that we reciprocate this wonderful act of God by giving a greater offering for our world-wide work than ever before. This offering will serve to hasten on this message and the larger the offering the more rapidly our wonderful message of salvation can be made to expand into the unentered portions of the world. May God bless the offering and keep us faithful and help us to do what we can to hasten the second coming of our Redeemer.

"Never can the cost of our redemption be realized until the redeemed shall stand with the Redeemer before the throne of God. Then as the glories of the eternal home burst upon our enraptured senses, we shall remember that Jesus left all this for us, that He not only became an exile from the heavenly courts, but for us took the risk of failure and eternal loss. Then we shall cast our crowns at His feet, and raise the song, 'Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.'" *Desire of Ages*, p. 131.

## A Great Thrill

Here is a brief testimony from Mrs. C. Hayden Mason of Birmingham, Alabama, who is rather new



Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mason and H. Fitzner in the faith. The accompanying pictures introduce Mr. and Mrs. Mason and literature evangelist H. Fitzner, who made the first contact with them concerning the third angel's message.

"Colporteur H. Fitzner came to my door and sold me two magazines, *These Times* and *Life and Health*. It was a great thrill to me to read those magazines. Mr. Fitzner invited me to the tent meetings and there I had another great thrill, when I heard Elder Heinrich's preaching. I accepted the truth and was baptized July 30. I am thankful this message came to me in time before it is too late. My husband is coming regularly to meetings on Sabbath."

From *Acts of the Apostles*, page 109, we quote: "There are many

who are reading the Scriptures who cannot understand their true import. All over the world men and women are looking wistfully to heaven. Prayers and tears and inquiries go up from souls longing for light, for grace, for the Holy Spirit. Many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in."

There are not enough ministers, literature evangelists, and other workers to gather them all in. Therefore every believer should be reaching out to help gather them in. To help reach these precious souls, *These Times*, is being offered at the very low missionary rate of only \$1.00 a year until November 30, 1955. Now is the time to turn in your list of names and addresses to your church missionary secretary or your Book and Bible House so that this attractive, interesting, and convincing soul-winning journal may be sent to those for whom you are burdened. God will bless your investment in *These Times*, for you will be investing in souls.

"Let us remember that somebody would be glad to read all the books and papers we can spare." *Review and Herald*, August 27, 1903.

Let us give them a chance before it is too late. Do your part here and enjoy a great thrill

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hereafter when you meet the souls you have helped to win.

I. H. IHRIG, *Manager, Periodical Department Southern Publishing Association*

## Let's Put Christ in Christmas!

Already there are hints of the holiday season in the air. Some of the stores are now displaying gift merchandise. Nearly every mail brings some reminder that Christmas will soon be upon us.

What will this Christmas mean in your home? Will it serve to draw your family closer to the One whose birth we will observe? Some of the most beautiful memories of childhood center around the activities of the Christmas holiday. There is much to be gained from a proper observance of Christmas. Danger lies not in the observance of this holiday, but in diverting our minds to selfish pursuits rather than to the high and holy significance of the event.

We sometimes despair that Christmas is becoming commercialized to the exclusion of any spiritual significance. But are the merchandisers wholly to blame for this condition? Perhaps it is we, who have neglected to emphasize the import of our Lord's lowly birth, who are in part responsible for the decline of spirituality in the holiday season.

In Christmas giving a great deal of money is wasted on trifles. Do we conclude then that there should be no interchange of gifts? Not at all! It is a wonderful thing. Such acts of love draw us closer together. We are admonished to give gifts of lasting value and as you think of those to whom you will give gifts this year don't overlook the good which may be done with good books. Available are books to help understand the Scriptures, books of inspiration, and stories of those whose lives exemplify Godly living.

As you plan for the youngsters, keep in mind the many beautiful and appealing volumes which build character and instill right principles in their minds.

This Christmas can be a real blessing in your home. While we attach no significance to the day

itself, this is a good time, with renewed consecration, to give attention to the deep and infinite themes of salvation. It is a time to point our children to Christ, the supreme object of Christmas, emphasizing the magnitude of His sacrifice in leaving the glories of heaven to come down to a world of iniquity to lift fallen man above the depths of sin. Let's put Christ back into Christmas!

For Counsel from the Spirit of prophecy regarding the observance of Christmas read chapter 77 in *The Adventist Home*. If you would like a list of books suitable as Christmas gifts, contact your Book and Bible House.

ORVAL L. DRISKELL,  
*Assistant Manager  
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## Church Leaders and False Economy

Some have suggested that a large amount of money might be saved by ordering Sabbath school quarterlies for the young people instead of *The Youth's Instructor*. Possibly they are right. Let me suggest, however, that while money might appear to be saved, it is quite likely that souls will be lost.

Before me is the November 8 issue of our youth paper. On the outside cover is a picture of a man who is torturing himself as he worships Subramaniam. You can't see it without wanting to read what's on the inside. That's the way it is every week. The cover gets one to turn the page and receive the help in what is written there. And every week there are articles which inspire and uplift the youth. Our young people need just what *The Youth's Instructor* offers. If they don't get it many will be lost.

Sabbath school councils and church boards may say, "Well, it's our business to run the Sabbath school. Let the parents and the young people buy their own *Youth's Instructors*." It is true that it is the business of our Sabbath school officers to run the Sabbath school. Remember this, however, it is also true that it is the business of

the Sabbath school, and the whole church for that matter, to win and hold young people for the Lord Jesus Christ. Many parents and young people are too immature spiritually to see the importance of subscribing for the *Instructor*. When *The Youth's Instructor* is ordered in clubs and placed in the hands of the young people at Sabbath school, it gets right in there and does evangelism. At the same time the weekly Sabbath school lessons are made available.

At this season leaders are deciding how many *Youth's Instructor* subscriptions to take for next year. This is no time to cut down. This is the time to increase the subscriptions. Let's make sure that every young person has the greatest of all youth papers placed in his hands every week. Order through your Book and Bible House. **KIMBER D. JOHNSON**



## School Spirit in Action

One of the most tangible examples of school spirit we have ever witnessed was demonstrated on our campus last week. The student body, staff, and faculty met the challenge of an appeal to be one of the three colleges in helping to raise \$400 to purchase a motorized wheel chair for Milton Corwin, one of our former graduates, who is now post-polio.

The Student Association was happy for the opportunity to lead out in such a worthy cause, and with well-laid plans and personal solicitation, gathered in nearly \$300.

May we ever be ready to share with others the material goods which the Lord has given us in exchange for His blessings which are too great to number.

**JOHN WESTERBERG,**  
*President, Student Association*



## Class Officers

On Tuesday, November 1, junior and senior class officers were elected. They are as follows:

### SENIOR CLASS

Faculty Sponsors ----- Robert Cleveland  
A. V. Wallenkampf  
President ----- Jay Sloop  
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Secretary ----- Sally Crozier  
Pastor ----- Franklin House  
Sergeant-at-Arms ----- Ernest Ziegenbalg

## News Notes

\* R. J. Device, superintendent of the college Furniture Manufacturers, reports that the October, 1955, sales amounted to \$54,063.45. This is the highest we have had in sales for any one month in the operation of our furniture factory. One hundred twenty-eight employees are being used in this department, 104 of whom are students attending Union College.

\* Dan Olderbak, superintendent of the Lincoln Broom Works, reports receiving an order for 60,000 brooms to be delivered by January, 1956. This is the largest single order ever received for brooms.

\* President and Mrs. Harvey C. Hartman recently visited Maplewood Academy, Hutchinson, Minnesota; Sheyenne River Academy, Harvey, North Dakota; and Plainview Academy, Redfield, South Dakota. At each of the academies the seniors were visited, and president Hartman spoke at the chapel convocation. A good school year is being experienced by each of these academies.

## IOWA

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## Are You in the Race?

As you well know, we are endeavoring to bring the INGATHERING CAMPAIGN to a climax by the end of the year. We are hopeful that all of our churches shall catch the vision of a completed task by December 31, 1955. I know that many feel that we should not go back to business man twice in the same year, but believe me, having done this type of work for many, many years, and particularly regarding the matter of returning twice in the same year, when I tell you that a very small percentage of the contacts made even think of the fact that we have returned twice in the same year. Now is the time to get the work done. Do your business soliciting first and then finish with the caroling. The race is not only to the swift and the strong but to the true and the faithful.

We are happy to report another church "over the top." Word comes to us that our church at Village Creek has gone well over the goal and more is coming in. Congratulations Village Creek. Things are moving up in A. H. Gerst's district for sure.

Let us hear from you so that we can pass on the good news to others of your accomplishments by the help of the Lord.

E. T. GACKENHEIMER

## "Notes from the Bookshelf"

From time to time requests arrive for information concerning bound volumes of our periodicals. We are happy to tell you that the beautiful journal *These Times*, a monthly magazine printed in an attractive way through the use of color on nearly every page, is now available as a bound volume. This volume includes 432 pages of the

1954 issues and will cost \$2.50.

The publishers state they have only a limited number of these volumes, so may we urge you to place your order now while stock is available.

IOWA BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE,  
P. O. Box 1475,  
DES MOINES 6, IOWA

## Last Call for "These Times"

Have you sent in your subscriptions for our monthly journal, *These Times*? When this month of November comes to an end the special of \$1.00 per subscription will be History. Thereafter you will have to pay at least \$1.50 per subscription.

You may have many friends who should be receiving this fine journal. Send for it now thru your church missionary secretary or to the Iowa Book and Bible House.

E. T. GACKENHEIMER

Let me no more my comfort draw  
From my frail grasp of Thee:  
In this alone rejoice with awe—  
Thy mighty grasp of me.

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## The Voice of Prophecy Mailbox Notes

"I am looking for the truth, and I am praying that I will find it. It is really hard when people try to influence you.

IOWA

"This Sabbath question certainly makes a person think. In my ignorance, I had never given it much thought before; but now that it is brought to my attention, I fully realize that the seventh day is the Sabbath."

MINNESOTA

"There have been a lot of things in your lessons that I am just commencing to know, including the truth about the Sabbath. One time I asked a minister about the Sabbath, but his reply wasn't very clear to me."

SOUTH DAKOTA

"When church members realize the importance of the circulation of our literature, they will devote more time to this work." *Colporteur Ministry*, p. 7.



# Literature Evangelism In The Northern Union

## Two Northern Union Conference Centenarians

A centenarian always receives more than ordinary attention, and often becomes the subject for articles in newspapers and magazines.

The two centenarians pictured on this page, are not such in the number of years attained during their earthly pilgrimage. Should the world stand during the length of time called for, however, these two brethren appear to be likely candidates for membership in the century club. In the work that they are doing they can claim the promise of Isaiah 58:8—"Thine health shall spring forth speedily."

More significantly, Brethren Shelton and Jones are centenarian in the sense that each has won more

than one hundred souls as a literature evangelist and in the words of the Scripture—"The end is not yet." Indeed the end is not yet because the literature that they have sold is as seed sown for eternity, and it will continue to bear fruit unto life eternal. Only eternity will reveal the ultimate accomplishments of our literature evangelists in the field of soul-winning.

At one time in their experience, these two men recognized the still small voice and followed its bidding. Heaven honors them as heaven will honor all faithful men and women who devote their lives to the dissemination of truth.

C. A. EDWARDS

### True Joy - Winning Souls

It was in the fall of 1907 that I was asked to enter the literature ministry. It seemed rather hard at the time, but I decided the place for me to begin was in my own neighborhood. I shall never forget my first exhibition but I got the order. Continuing in my home county I rolled up a \$300 order before the field secretary was able to come to my aid. Being able to place this amount of literature before getting help gave me great encouragement. Since I began my work my wife and I have moved twenty-six times seeking new canvassing territory, and I have walked the equivalent of several times around the world.



GLENN SHELTON

My health is excellent and I believe those many miles of walking have helped keep me fit.

One of my outstanding experiences was when I sold the wife of our governor some books. I have sold our literature to judges, lawyers, doctors, ministers, priests, Billy Sunday, and I rather believe I am the only one who has ever sold a *Bible Readings* to a Jewish Rabbi.

I was privileged to attend the first bookmen's convention which was held at Mountain View, California, at which time we were all invited to Sister White's home at St. Helena. She presented each one of us with a book of our choice which she autographed.

I believe the Lord called me to the Literature Evangelist Work. There is no happier experience anyone can have than to see souls come into the message. In this work it happens frequently if we will but follow up openings and leads. I know of over a hundred who have been baptized because of my literature ministry, and of course only eternity will determine the full number. No thrill can equal this. Why? Only people can be taken into heaven with us. Houses, lands, cars, all the new appliances must be left behind. The only true joy is one with a lasting flavor, and this I call winning souls. This is what has kept me in the work these many years. I intend to keep on with it to the best of my ability until I look up and see my Saviour. To young men wanting a career with all of the bene-

### The Joy Of Seeing Sinners Saved

When Christ called His disciples to follow Him, He offered them no flattering prospects in this life. He gave them no promise of gain or worldly honor, nor did they make any stipulations as to what they should receive. In like manner, the Lord today calls for sincere members of the remnant church, who are looking for their Master's appearing. He calls them from family ties and worldly occupations into His service, and promises to be to them a never failing refuge.



R. J. JONES

has persuaded many. A few years ago my daughter and I canvassed a district in the northern section of Minnesota with good success in the sale and delivery of both health and religious books. At the present time one of our ministers, holding an effort in that area, reports that there is a genuine interest with a number of families attending regularly. One ex-soldier has already decided to cast his lot with our people.

"The joy set before Christ, the joy that sustained Him through sacrifice and suffering, was the joy of seeing sinners saved. This should be the joy of every follower of His, the spur to his ambition. Those who realize, even in a limited degree, what redemption means to them and to their fellowmen, will comprehend in some measure the vast needs of humanity. Their hearts will be moved to compassion as they see the moral and spiritual destitution of thousands who are under the shadow of terrible doom, in comparison with which physical suffering fades into nothingness. Of families, as of individuals, the question is asked, 'What doest thou here?' " *Prophets and Kings* p. 172.

R. J. JONES

fits worthwhile, I would say consider the literature ministry.

"The book should be the means of quickly giving the sacred light of present truth to the world." *Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 69.

GLENN SHELTON



**"In a large degree through our publishing houses comes down from heaven with great power"**

## Wanted - More Young People

By H. R. TROUT

*Publishing Department Secretary,  
Iowa Conference*

During the past summer Jim Griffin and Maurice Bascom have done a most excellent work in the



H. R. TROUT

distribution of our books and journals. Jim Gariffin with no previous canvassing experience, delivered \$2671.54 in 362 hours, while Maurice Bascom, with previous experience, delivered \$3015.43 in 422 hours. Both exceeded the requirements for a scholarship. Now they are at Union College with all expenses paid. The scholarship is a plan devised by the General Conference to aid students in obtaining a Christian Education.

Would you believe that the bonus supplied on these two scholarships exceeds \$1200.00. Surely this is a great achievement for God's cause and a record for the Northern Union, a definite advantage to those who want to spend the summer in this important occupation.

For over fifty years hundreds and thousands of Adventist youths have had the wonderful privilege of canvassing for scholarships during their vacation. Many of them have earned their entire way thru college and academy by this plan. Truly it is an education in itself. Maurice Bascom says, "Canvassing in Iowa this summer has helped me to have more faith in God, has taught me to pray, and realize His power in reaching the hearts. In addition to earning expenses for school, it has also been a benefit to me in many other ways." The Spirit of prophecy says, "Let those who have been in school go

out into the field and put to a practical use the knowledge they have gained—The education obtained in this practical way may properly be termed higher education." *Colporteur Ministry* p. 32, 33.

In this day of fast living, it is inspiring to see Seventh-day Adventist youth visit the homes and talk to the people about spiritual values. The people are most favorably impressed, and it develops many desirable characteristics. Jim Griffin says, "When I entered the literature ministry, I was looking for true happiness and a good Christian experience, something I had figured, prior to entering the

work, couldn't be found, at least for me. After working for only three short months, I can say it is there for the literature evangelist, there in all its forms."

There are thousands of homes that need to be visited, homes that are waiting for the literature evangelist. Students, what are your plans for the future of God's work? The hour is growing very late. We need many more workers. If you are a student, you cannot do better by yourself than to lay plans now for next summer. Yes, parents, it is your blessed privilege to encourage your child to become a literature worker for the summer months. It will be a blessing to your home, and a blessing to your church.



Jim Griffin and Maurice Bascom

## Child Evangelists

By H. F. ANDERSON

*Publishing Department Secretary  
Minnesota Conference*

About one hundred years ago, we are told, many children in the Scandinavian countries between the ages of six and eight, were preachers of the Gospel.



H. F. ANDERSON

In our day, boys and girls from Seventh-day Adventist homes are carrying on a similar work. This is usually true

of those who attend our church schools. Many of them are literature evangelists, bringing the gospel of good health to people whose bodies carry the marks of nearly six thousand years of sin and violations of the laws of health.

The monthly visits of these boys and girls with *Life and Health* are making many people happy. The benefits which customers have received from reading this popular magazine, have inspired them to write in for books which they have seen advertised in this journal. As our boys and girls sow the seed in this humble way, we believe that many of those upon whom they



to be accomplished the work of that other angel who  
and who lightens the earth with his glory."

*Testimonies vol. 7, p. 140. See Revelation 18:1*

call, will be started on the way to the kingdom. It is good for our children to gain an early experience in working for their Saviour.

One little boy in Saint Paul, after asking for divine assistance, went from door to door with *Life and Health* and found a family who had at one time been members of the church. He readily sold them a copy of *Life and Health*. They then confessed to this Junior that they knew what was right and would like to start attending church again.

In addition to doing missionary work, these children are earning many desirable articles such as bicycles, cameras, camping equipment, pocket-knives, and similar items. Two boys from the Saint Paul church school earned new bicycles, enough to pay their tithe, and some spending money besides,



THE BOYS HAVE EARNED A SCHOLARSHIP DURING THE PAST SUMMER AT THE MINNEAPOLIS JUNIOR ACADEMY SELLING "LIFE AND HEALTH" IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS. WAYNE ANDERSON, 13, ON THE LEFT, TOMMY BAKER, 14, ON THE RIGHT.

Let me tell you of two boys from the Minneapolis Junior Academy

who have earned their respective church school scholarships in one-hundred hours, thus paying their church school tuition for the year the *Life and Health* way. Besides the regular 50 per cent commission on the sale of four-hundred magazines, they each received a \$21 scholarship bonus.

A twelve-year-old girl from the Hutchinson church school has also

earned a scholarship, and we believe that during the coming year, many more will avail themselves of these bonuses. A number of these boys and girls have found regular customers for this fine journal, and now enjoying this regular income throughout the year. Even more important, they are receiving training in future leadership of inestimable value.

## Full Time Literature Evangelism Pays

By E. D. SORENSEN,  
Publishing Department Secretary  
North Dakota Conference

"This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time." *Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 5.



This is the call of God to His people for full-time literature evangelists. I can personally testify that this call is very real and urgent when it comes. I attended a colporteur symposium back in 1942 right after my baptism, where I heard a young girl student-canvasser tell how God had blessed her with such good sales one week end and held back a terrible windstorm long enough for her to ride safely on her bicycle to her headquarters in the next town. She heard later of the terrible damage of the storm in the town she had just worked.

"How wonderful," I thought, "to be engaged in a work in which God takes a deep and guiding interest." And so it was that I dedicated my life in full-time service as a literature evangelist in 1944, and my dedication has paid me richly. In addition to delivering thousands of dollars worth of books for my Master, and making a comfortable living for my family, I can count six-

teen souls baptized as a result of my work; and that is not all, the Lord has led me to a place of leadership as publishing department secretary and last summer at camp-meeting time to be ordained to the ministry as well.

In our field for the past five years we have had two men whom we helped to succeed in the work and who decided to dedicate their full-time to this wonderful house-to-house soul-winning ministry. They are Dick Chapman and U. L. Litsey. Brother Litsey delivered more books during eight months of 1954 than any literature evangelist North Dakota has ever had with a delivery of \$7200. These two men were so successful here that other conferences solicited their services and now both have been called to California where they are continuing their life's work with excellent success. Both men say they may likely return here some day but we need men and women to take their places. Happily the need is being met and David Spaulding of California has already to become a full-time worker for us; also Paul Zabolotney of Russo and three other men are also thinking along these lines.

Read Brother Litsey's experience and if you feel an urge to do more for the Master why not try the literature evangelist work full time?



## Part-Time Literature Evangelism

By H. E. PRESTON,

*Publishing Department Secretary,  
South Dakota Conference*

Among our loyal church members are many who long for an experience in soul winning al-



though they have obligations which prevent them from devoting full time to active personal evangelism.

Some of these are women who can

H. E. PRESTON spare only 10 or 15 hours per week from their homes while their children are at school. Some are men who have full time employment with considerable time free in the late afternoon and evening.

Such individuals can exert a positive influence for God and bring to many the last gospel message for this world in printed form. Probably I appreciate this kind of work especially because it was a small book which I purchased in this way which brought me the Sabbath truth.

There is another group whom I must also mention. They are aging and otherwise physically handicapped. Often they are strong enough to work only a few hours a day but God sustains them with a special measure of strength. Through their ministry new interests are developing, backsliders are being brought into contact with the church and interested people are being instructed in the Bible.

No one class of workers alone nor all but one class of workers will fulfil God's design for His work. It will take all classes of workers and there is urgent and tremendous need for more part-time literature evangelists to carry the message quickly to the nooks and corners of the field where public evangelists and full-time literature evangelists can not go.

## A Personal Experience

I find that I have my best experience after I tell the people that

I am a Seventh-day Adventist. They bought books and gladly signed for the free Bible Course. I find that there are lots of people who are searching for truth. I said to one person that I was sorry to have kept him from eating his supper. He said, "That's all right. I could talk about Christian things all night." I am glad to be in such a good work.

I canvassed a lady who had been keeping the Sabbath for many years as a result of some of her relatives that are Seventh-day Adventists and also from reading the *Signs of the Times*. My wife canvassed her first and was able to leave with her *Bible Speaks* which she enjoyed very much. This time I left her the *Great Controversy*. This good lady needs to be encouraged and I am sure she will go all the way and be baptized. Let us pray for these honest in heart people. I am thankful to be used of the Lord to water the seed that has already been sown.

U. L. LITSEY

"Place in the homes of the people papers, tracts, and books that will preach the gospel in its several lines. There is no time to be lost." *Christian Service*, p. 147.

## Colporteur Group Week at Parshall

Pictured here are four workers who joined in canvassing the little town of Parshall and the surrounding area during the week of October 16 to 21. Hundreds of dollars worth of truth-filled books were placed in dozens of the homes of the fine people in this area. Many were enrolled in the Bible course. Free literature was placed everywhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jones who have recently moved to Parshall told us the cheering news that, "We will follow-up every good interest you can find for us with personal Bible studies." We were able to turn over the names of five or six families who were de-

sirious of having these studies.

On Sabbath, October 29, I met the Jones family in our Jamestown church and learned from them that they had already contacted one of these families and would start Bible studies with them, October 30, and other families will be coming in for the study too. Let us remember the Jones family as they follow up these interests, as at least two of these families already believe in the Seventh-day Sabbath.

In one of the homes visited and upon hearing of the Jones family moving to Parshall and ready to give Bible studies, the lady asked, "Are you going to start a church in Parshall?" Our worker replied, "Would you come if we did?" Quickly and positively came the answer from this mother of six children, "I certainly will!"



North Dakota Colporteurs who worked at Parshall

In the picture from left to right are Clinton Horob, E. D. Sorensen, David Olson, and David Spaulding. Some of the group visited the Minot church on the Sabbath following the week's work where many thrilling experiences of God's leading of his workers were related. Pray for these workers as they engage in "the very work the Lord would have His people to do at this time." *Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 5.

E. D. SORESENSEN



## MINNESOTA

Conference of Seventh-day Adventists  
1854 Roblyn Avenue, St. Paul 4, Minn.

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### Baptisms

The Minnesota Conference workers reported 3 baptisms for the month of October: J. M. Mershon 2, J. A. Nordstrom 1. This makes a total of 154 for 1955.

### Festival of Nations

The Minneapolis Junior Academy Home and School Association is well organized for another school year. The new officers are Mrs. Ruth Jones, president; Byron Lighthall, associate leader; and Mrs. Vernice Netteburg, treasurer.

One of the first Home and School activities of the year was the "Festival of Nations" program which was held in the Junior Academy auditorium Saturday night, October 1.

If you had been in attendance you would have seen many booths depicting different countries of the world. Such lands as India, Holland, Alaska, Mexico, Japan, Scandinavia, Germany, and Italy were represented. Food familiar to the country was served at these different booths. Following supper each country was represented in a musical program. At the close of the entertainment our six teachers and custodian were presented with beautiful potted plants as a token of appreciation for the fine work they are doing.

We are looking forward to a good school year and many more interesting activities.

MRS. BOYD E. OLSON  
Publicity Secretary

### Bemidji News Notes

Evangelistic meetings which began on October 9 are continuing three nights each week in the Bemidji church. Paul Cales, district superintendent, is conducting the campaign.

Elder Cales reports a good attendance from the very beginning of the campaign. The church seats about 80 people and it has been filled to capacity on several occasions. The lowest attendance has been on Thursday nights with about 50 attending. Half or more of those attending have been visitors not of our faith.

Testing truths will be presented about the time this item reaches the press and the meetings will close by the end of November just before the Christmas caroling season.

\* Elsewhere in the district the Northome church reports excellent progress in their building program. They have their new church enclosed against the weather and as soon as the furnace is installed they will be able to meet in the unfurnished auditorium.

\* The new church school in Bemidji is also moving along at a good rate. Plumbing, heating, roofing, and wiring contractors are now working and plans are being formed to occupy the building after the holidays. Warner Ewing and his 17 pupils are more than anxious to move into larger quarters.

### Iron Range District News

The members of the Blackberry Church have another fine church school this year. Mrs. Martinson, daughter of David Anderson, is the teacher. Practically every member of the church is backing this school with financial assistance even though many members do not have any children attending. The children of today will be the leaders of our church tomorrow if we provide them with a Christian education.

The faithful members who have been meeting together in the Lutheran church in Deer River are now looking forward to having a home of their own. Land has been secured and the basement dug. We pray that God will bless our loyal members who are interested in seeing that the work of God prospers.

The Iron Range district has greatly appreciated the visits and inspirational help given them by Elders Nightingale and Netteburg of the Northern Union Conference and by Elders Osmunson, Finck, and Olson, and Brethren Foss and Anderson of the Minnesota Conference. We pray that we may be inspired by these brethren to do greater service for the Master.

We greatly appreciate the good work done by Joan Fredrickson



Happy boys and girls of the St. Paul, Minnesota, church school who are successful little missionaries with Life and Health



in this district during the past summer. Miss Fredrickson not only sold enough books to make a scholarship at Union College but she made several excellent contacts and was an inspiration to all of us.

Mrs. Carl Evanson and Mrs. Gertrude Gorham are now using a projector and giving Bible Studies one night each week in Virginia, Minnesota. Our prayers go with them as they carry the gospel of a soon-coming Saviour.

VERNON W. EMMERSON

## Pathfinder Workshop

October 21 to 23 was the date for a successful Pathfinder Workshop held in Minneapolis. Eighteen Pathfinder clubs and potential organizations were represented with about fifty Pathfinder directors and deputy directors.

Pathfinder organization, activities, and special features were studied together. The group especially appreciated the leadership which K. D. Johnson of the Northern Union gave.

You will notice more news of the Pathfinder clubs as they develop in the Minnesota Conference.

## Wedding

Dale Lawrence Adams and Georgiana Vance were united in marriage at Berrien Springs, Michigan, on September 13, 1955. Dale will be remembered as a 1954 Maplewood Academy graduate. They are making their home at 66 Third Street, Berrien Springs. The ceremony was performed by R. U. Garrett.

## SOUTH DAKOTA

Conference of Seventh-day Adventists  
302 North Broadway, Watertown, S. Dak.

O. T. Garner, President

E. M. Hagele, Secretary

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## On the March

The Pathfinders of South Dakota are again on the march. Rapid City and Spearfish are joining in activities. Spearfish pathfinder club is being organized under the

direction of George Bisgaard with the help of Bill Logan of Rapid City.

The Black Hills pathfinders enjoyed a camporee in honor of the new Spearfish unit. Watertown had an all night camp out Saturday night October 8. Mobridge pathfinders learned how to make camp bread at a campfire Saturday, October 15.

M.V. achievement books are being ordered in large numbers. Book club certificates are being issued in quantities. Everywhere we turn there are signs of activity among the pathfinders of South Dakota.

Great things are being done for God this year. If you do not have a club in your church and would like one, write to your conference M.V. secretary.

M. L. SAMPLE

## Temperance Activity at Sioux Falls

The Sioux Falls congregation celebrated Temperance Sabbath by hearing an appropriate sermon on the regular preaching hour and returning in force for an 8 o'clock showing of the anti-cigarette film, "One in Twenty Thousand."

Gerald Hill, in the absence of Harley Schander, pointed out that true temperance living is not concerned alone with the problems related to narcotics, alcohol, and smoking but also to violations of any of the laws of health such as improper foods, inadequate rest, and overeating.

The film, "One in Twenty Thousand," was a shocker, as usual, as it presented that side of cigarette propaganda based on true medical research and never heard on radio or seen on television.

"One in Twenty Thousand" is to be previewed by R. A. Beck, principal of Washington High School, for possible showing to the entire high school body.

DONALD D. HAWLEY

"God calls for workers from every church among us to enter His service as canvasser-evangelists." *Colporteur Ministry*, p. 20.

## News Notes

\* Remember the Plainview Academy Relief Fund. We are coming up to the close of the year and hope that all the pledges and offerings for the Academy can be in before December 31. We appreciate what has been done and let us not leave anything undone that we might do for our school.

\* E. M. Hagele spoke in the Watertown church on Sabbath, November 5.

\* O. T. Garner visited the Whitsett evangelistic meetings in Duluth, Minnesota, on Sunday night, October 30. He also preached in Mitchell and Yankton on Sabbath, November 5.

\* J. N. Noble visited, in the interest of the Sabbath school and the Book and Bible House, at Lemmon, McLaughlin, Bison, and Camp Crook over the first week end in November.

\* On Saturday night, November 5, M. L. Sample conducted a service in which eight children were invested in pre-Friend classes. Five Busy Bees and three Builders marched into the church at the beginning of the program singing while holding lighted candles in their hands. After repeating the pledge and the law, the speakers presented a challenge on individual responsibility of letting ones light shine. After a demonstration by the children of many things that were learned in the M.V. classes, Elder Sample presented the charge and invested the candidates. The service closed with a prayer of dedication.

\* We are happy to report that the evangelistic effort in Alcester is continuing with a good attendance. This effort is being conducted by D. A. Copsey and A. H. Liebelt.

\* P. P. Kier, member of the South Dakota Conference Committee for a good many years, recently had a heart attack. We are delighted to report improvement in his condition. Hope and pray that it continues.





## Wedding

Beverly Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Thompson of Chadron, Nebraska, and Glenn Wheeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wheeler of Marsland, Nebraska, were united in marriage in the Chadron church, the afternoon of August 21.

"O Perfect Love" was sung by Leonard Suter and the groom sang "Because." Mrs. Karl Wheeler was at the piano. A violin solo, "Romance in A" was played by Elder Hickman, accompanied by Mrs. Hickman.

A reception for 140 guests was held at the Methodist church social hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler are seniors at Union College and are making their home at 4702 Bancroft, Lincoln, Nebraska. We wish them much of God's blessing as they take up life's work together.

JOHN HICKMAN

## Harvest News

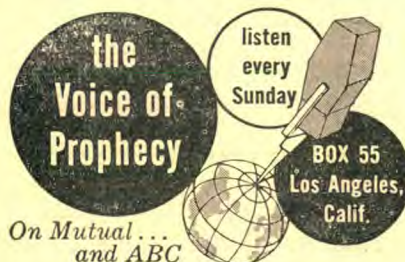
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"I remember well the call I made last week. In coming to this home I found the occupants quite rude. They talked harshly and even yelled at me. Nevertheless, I gave them my canvass on *Modern Medical Counselor*, *Bedtime Stories*, and *Life and Health*. I was about to close when the man said, much to my amazement, 'Here's what I want. This medical book, these five bedtime stories and one year's subscription to this magazine.' I was almost speechless to see the change which had come over him.

"I enrolled this family in the Bible course and had prayer with them. The lady thanked me so

kindly and told me to drop in again sometime. I forgot to leave the picture with them so went back the next day and took it to them. The good lady was so happy about the picture of Jesus that tears came to her eyes. She ran out to show it to her husband who was just as pleased at the unexpected gift. I know that I brought much happiness into this home, but it wasn't really me but God who brought His happiness through me to them. It's great to be in this work."

DENNIS SCHOCK,  
North Dakota



## Sermon Subjects

November 20—Confession

November 27—Obedience

## ADVERTISEMENTS

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H. S. girl wants room and board plus some compensation in exchange for baby sitting and housekeeping in New Brighton district, near Mound View High School. Telephone Su 4-3461 x11-15-55

Dates: New crop, delicious Zahedis. 15-pound box express prepaid \$4.98; 2 boxes \$9.30; 10 boxes prepaid by truck \$37.00. Free price list quotes regular and de luxe dried fruits, shelled nuts, ripe olives. Califruit, Calimesa, California. x12-13-55

Chinchillas—70 quality, with full equipment, only \$2,000 air express anywhere. Illness forces sale. Accept contract. H. Baierle, 14032 Ashworth Avenue, Seattle, Washington. x11-15-55

## PLAINVIEW ACADEMY RELIEF FUND \$20,000.00

Cash Donors:

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Essie Barber	30.00
Mrs. Elsie Dobberton	25.00
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Mrs. Charles M. Behr	15.00

"Papers and books are the Lord's means of keeping the message for this time continually before the people. In enlightening and confirming souls in the truth, the publications will do a far greater work than can be accomplished by the ministry of the word alone." *Testimonies*, vol. 6, pp. 315,316.

## OBITUARY

BAKKE.—Carl Bakke was born at Kie-ster, Minnesota, October 7, 1883, where he lived until he located on a ranch in Perkins county, South Dakota. He joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1919, and was a faithful and honored member, serving in various offices, being church treasurer at the time of his death. He passed to his rest at Bismarck on Tuesday, August 30. He leaves to mourn his faithful wife, Minnie, three children: Marvin, Alvin, Arnold, and their families, of Sandy, Oregon; two brothers; Lewis of Lignite, North Dakota, Martin, of Big Sandy, Montana; two sisters; Anna Wescott of California and Nellie Bendictson of Mason City, Iowa. He was laid to rest in the Bison cemetery, Bison, South Dakota, awaiting the call of the Life-giver on the resurrection morning. C. H. Turner and family assisted in music for the occasion.

C. A. Lindquist

## SUNSET CALENDAR

November 18

Des Moines, Iowa	4:51
St. Paul, Minnesota	4:41
Bismarck, North Dakota	5:05
Huron, South Dakota	5:05

November 25

Des Moines, Iowa	4:46
St. Paul, Minnesota	4:35
Bismarck, North Dakota	4:59
Huron, South Dakota	4:59





# HARVEST NEWS



of the Northern Union Conference

C. A. EDWARDS, SECRETARY Publishing Department "... for they are white already to harvest."—Jesus Christ.

## We Were There!

"This experience I had while canvassing and it really amazed and thrilled me. I knocked on the door of a Methodist minister's home and a lady answered my knock. She invited me in and we began conversing together. During our conversation she must have recognized that I was a Seventh-day Adventist. The part that was most thrilling to me was when she said, 'I am so happy that you came for I have been waiting for you. I have hoped and prayed that God would send someone like you to our home as there are a few things that have been troubling us. We have a Christian girl in our church who was just saved and she brought a book over entitled *Escape from Death*. She told us its teachings differ quite a bit, so I read the book. It mentions that Seventh-day Adventists don't wear jewelry, don't use lipstick and they keep the Seventh-day holy. The girl told us that if this book is true that is what she wants to do.'

"I had a Bible study with this lady and her husband on some things that were mentioned in the book and other points. It was a wonderful three hours that we spent that day. When we came to the close of our study she said, 'You have straightened me out on a lot of things that were confusing us and the young girl. We always thought the only difference between our religions was the day.'

"Before I left the home I asked them the question, 'Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could all attend the same church on the same day?' The husband answered, 'I pray and trust that God will help us to understand those things soon so that

we as a people will all be ready for Christ's coming which is very soon!' The Lord surely did bless us richly. I found out by my summer's work that only by help and trust in God can we have success in life."

ARLINE REILE,  
North Dakota

"As I was finishing up my deliveries this summer I had a wonderful visit with a lady I had canvassed earlier in the summer. She had Adventist relatives. In fact, I

had a class with one of her nieces at Union College. This good lady hoped that the *Bible Pageant* set I had left in her home would be a real blessing to her little girl. Before leaving we had prayer in her home and she also joined in praying and asking God's blessing on our work.

"Big tears were in her eyes as I left her home and as she shook hands she seemed reluctant to have me leave. I am praying that God may eventually bring this good lady and her family into His remnant church." GLADYS PRESTON,  
South Dakota

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### MONTHLY LITERATURE EVANGELISTS' REPORT

For month Ending October 29, 1955  
C. A. Edwards, Union Publishing  
Department Secretary

#### IOWA

H. R. TROUT, SECRETARY

Auxiliary Workers	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Del.
Bahr, Mrs. Elsie Mag.	RH	4	\$68.40	\$68.40
Bascom, Maurice	RH	21	130.00	130.00
Brady, Clarence	RH	164	169.95	169.95
Carter, Mrs. R.	RH	35	570.42	570.42
Crofoot, Erma	RH	120	47.85	47.85
Daniel, J. M.	RH	24	197.31	380.54
Dickerson, M's.	RH	82	49.15	49.15
Engstrom, Albert	RH	24	88.51	88.51
Evans, J. A.	RH	11	41.00	41.00
Evans, Phyllis	RH	11	133.50	133.50
Greer, W. J.	RH	30	80.85	80.85
Greer, Mrs. W. J.	RH	195	636.30	636.30
Giffin, Mrs. E.	RH	181	508.43	508.43
Hepker, Mrs. B.	RH	72	147.35	147.35
Hulin, Ralph	RH	22	38.75	19.25
Ishman, Mrs. J.	RH	92	649.27	649.27
Jennings, Mrs. E.	RH	66	132.75	105.50
Knowing, Mrs. D.	RH	140	335.15	248.56
Kulhvi, Mrs. E.	RH	46	288.20	69.75
Lamb, Mrs. E. Mag.	RH	5	34.26	32.76
Ludlow, Mrs. E.	RH	6	5.00	5.00
Parrott, Mrs. L.	RH	134	280.36	208.36
Rawson, Mrs. J.	RH	12	5.25	5.25
Schleif, Arthur	RH	16	51.50	28.25
Shelton, Glenn	RH	211	651.91	651.91
Sires, Roy	RH	20	51.25	51.25
Vaughn, Mrs. E.	RH	22	142.50	142.50
Wagness, Norman	RH	22	42.20	42.20
Magazine Workers	RH	31	\$93.75	\$93.75
	Mag.		99.25	99.25
Total		1762	\$5770.52	\$5505.11

#### MINNESOTA

H. F. Anderson, Secretary

Auxiliary Workers	RH	138	556.75	256.25
Barnhart, A.	RH	40	22.25	25.00
Church Schools	Mag.		141.75	141.75
Jonasson, S. E.	RH	228	920.25	920.25
Jones, D.	Mag.	21	13.00	13.00
Jones, R. J.	RH	138	211.33	234.33
Lee, K. L.	RH	146	908.50	385.25

Total 711 \$2773.83 \$1975.83

#### NORTH DAKOTA

E. D. SORENSEN, SECRETARY

Boulette, J.	RH	40	6.00	6.00
Haugen, Mrs. A.	RH	64	194.90	194.90
Horob, Clenton	RH	52	120.75	120.75
Lozensky, Mrs. J.	RH	21	65.25	65.25
Morford, Kenneth	RH	48	62.25	62.25
Olson, David	RH	3	44.00	44.00
Pt. Tm. Workers	RH	31	250.15	250.15
Sivertson, Joyce	RH	28	(Unreported hours)	
Spaulding, David	RH	34	71.80	71.80

Total 281 \$815.10 \$815.10

#### SOUTH DAKOTA

H. E. Preston, Secretary

Chase, Robert	RH			13.00
Getty, Harold	RH	12	2.50	2.50
Juniors			62.50	62.50
Larson, Mrs. Paul	RH		23.00	23.00
Meyer, Goldie	RH	3		29.75
Pt. Tm. Workers	Mag.		\$22.50	\$22.50
Peterson, Karen	BP		147.25	147.25
Picasso, Mrs. R.	R	3	2.00	2.00
Preston, Eugene	BP		33.75	33.75
Preston, Gladys	BP		32.50	32.50
Pt. Tm. Workers	Books		9.25	9.25
Stewart, Grace	R	72	566.25	239.55

Total 90 \$867.75 \$617.55

Total for the Union 2844 \$10,227.20 \$8,913.59

## When Will You Be There?