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

Our Responsibility to Faith for Today

BY ORDELL R. REES

One of the greatest blessings that can come to God's people is through the avenue of giving. Simply to attend church, sing the songs, join in prayer, and listen to a well-prepared sermon is not worship in its fullest degree. When we as Christ's people can enter the church with a thought of giving as well as receiving, our worship is much more complete.

Seventh-day Adventists above all people are willing givers. Statistics will bear this out. Our tithes and regular offerings are given but there are times in the course of our worship when special offerings are also to be given for the purpose of evangelism and other worthy projects.

We are constantly on the alert for better methods of evangelism and methods that will be far-reaching, right into the homes of the people. With the growth of television throughout the United States, the entrance into the homes with our message has been made easier.

Pastor Fagal and his staff enter several million homes. This is a type of evangelism that is growing in its effect and at the present time offers a great challenge to this people. With the cost of commodities going higher and higher, the cost of television and other types of evangelism has also increased. Faith for Today is now facing a financial crisis and we are called upon to uphold the hands of this ministry in a very definite way. On January 25 all of the churches in North America will be receiving an offering for the Faith for Today ministry.

Because of the effectiveness of this program we must not allow it
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TV Progress Through Fasting

Prayer, and Sacrifice

BY W. A. FAGAL

The heart of every loyal Seventh-day Adventist is warmed as he sees a soul find Jesus Christ and His message for these last days. Each soul is precious in our sight and the story of what brought him to Jesus and the third angel's message always awakens our interest. At the Faith for Today office since the beginning of our denominational television program we have had the joy of hearing of approximately 2000 wonderful people who have been baptized into the Remnant Church whose first contact with the truth was through Faith for Today. No one can ever know the joy that

these stories have brought to our hearts for after all, it is because we want to see results like this that we as a people carry on the television program.

If all of these believers could be gathered together in one area, they would now make up an entire new conference equal in size to any one of ten existing conferences. The thing which pleases us even more is the fact that half of this number have come into the truth in just the last two years indicating the accelerated pace of soul winning which is coming to this phase of our denomination.

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R. R. Figuhr, president of the General Conference, W. B. Ochs, vice-president of the General Conference, and W. A. Fagal, director of the Faith for Today telecast, counsel together on plans for the Faith for Today Offering.

God Is Proving You

"God is proving you, and it is for you to determine whether you will come out gold or valueless dross. Should your probation close tonight, how would your life-record stand? Not a dollar of what you have gained could you take with you." *Testimonies*, vol. 3, p. 250.

Our TV Soul-winning Program—Faith for Today

The following report of the soul-winning activities of Faith for Today speaks for itself. We earnestly urge all the members in the Northern Union to support the Faith for Today television program with a liberal offering January 25.—R. H. NIGHTINGALE.

Over seven years ago Seventh-day Adventists ventured into TV evangelism. According to professional surveys, an estimated three million viewers watch each week's Faith for Today telecast in the United States alone—making the staggering total of 1,092,000,000, or over one thousand million viewer contacts in the past seven years. And because each program is announced as a presentation of Seventh-day Adventists, these viewers know that they are receiving Adventist doctrine.

The impact of the telecast is also felt in 18 overseas countries. From a citizen of Ghana, the world's newest nation, comes the word, "Your work is spread all over our country." From Jamaica, "Faith for Today is doing a magnificent work. Its influence is felt far and wide."

Baptisms of Faith for Today viewers increase every year, and thousands yet unbaptized are at this moment enrolled in the Bible courses.

TV viewers contribute liberally to the program. The General Conference makes an annual appropriation for the work. But this is not enough to balance the budget. Advancing production costs, inflation, and the very success of the program bringing a mounting volume of new interests, imperil the future of Faith for Today. The General Conference has designated Sabbath, January 25, 1958, as TV Offering Day when our people can share the expenses of keeping Faith for Today on the airwaves.

Won't you sacrifice that the Faith

for Today television ministry may continue to go forward, remember that your investment in soul-winning now will mean souls saved in the kingdom and stars to shine in your crown throughout eternity.

TV PROGRESS THROUGH FASTING, PRAYER, AND SACRIFICE

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inational endeavor. God has given us these modern means of mass communication to use for His honor and glory. And thank God, Seventh-day Adventists are using them through Faith for Today and the Voice of Prophecy.

1958, however, is a year of crisis for Faith for Today. Recently at the Autumn Council when the Faith for Today budget was studied we were \$64,000 short of having adequate funds to carry on our work for this year. It looked for a time as if the work might be immediately curtailed in order to bring about a balanced budget, but our leaders are men of faith. They had faith in God and they also have faith in the Advent people who always respond generously when they know of a need. The decision was made not to curtail the work of Faith for Today just yet, but rather to give our people an opportunity to give generously in the annual offering which is to be received in all of the churches on January 25. After this offering is received another meeting will be held at which time the financial situation will be re-evaluated. We do not believe that it would be pleasing to God to see the work of our denominational telecast reduced in any way. Rather as we see the nearness of the end we believe that the work should expand.

The accelerated pace in soul winning must be continued. Last year

our people gave \$95,000 in the Faith for Today offering. This year the need is for almost twice that amount. The goal has been set at \$150,000 by the Autumn Council. Even more than this is needed. Recently when the Faith for Today workers gathered to discuss this crisis situation and to pray earnestly about the matter, we decided that we as a group could do two things. One, we have set aside January 25 as a day of special fasting and prayer for our office family. Others have joined with us in beseeching God for His help on this day. Second, we decided that we would take up our offering a bit early. The sixty workers in our office indicated their gifts on little pieces of paper. They gave more than \$3,000 which is better than a full week's salary for every worker in the organization.

The Radio and Television Department workers of the General Conference have joined us in sacrificing an equal amount and others of our leaders have indicated their desire to do the same. These who are closest to Faith for Today and who know what it is accomplishing believe in it so thoroughly that they are gladly making this personal sacrifice for its continuance.

Now we invite our people all over North America to join us on January 25 with the most liberal offering you have ever given to this work of faith. You will see souls in the kingdom who have been won as the result of your sacrifice.

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Five Per Cent to Go

The Ingathering Crusade is nearing completion. The two remaining conferences yet to go "over the top" have given a very optimistic report. Minnesota has done especially well when we consider that their 1957 Crusade was not completed until May of last year, and then to go back into the field and raise another goal so soon, is indeed marvelous. It is just another evidence that God is in the program.

South Dakota started a little later but has done equally well in the work.

There are a great many of our people who have not had a part in the solicitation program and would, no doubt, be willing to make a personal donation to this most important work in all the

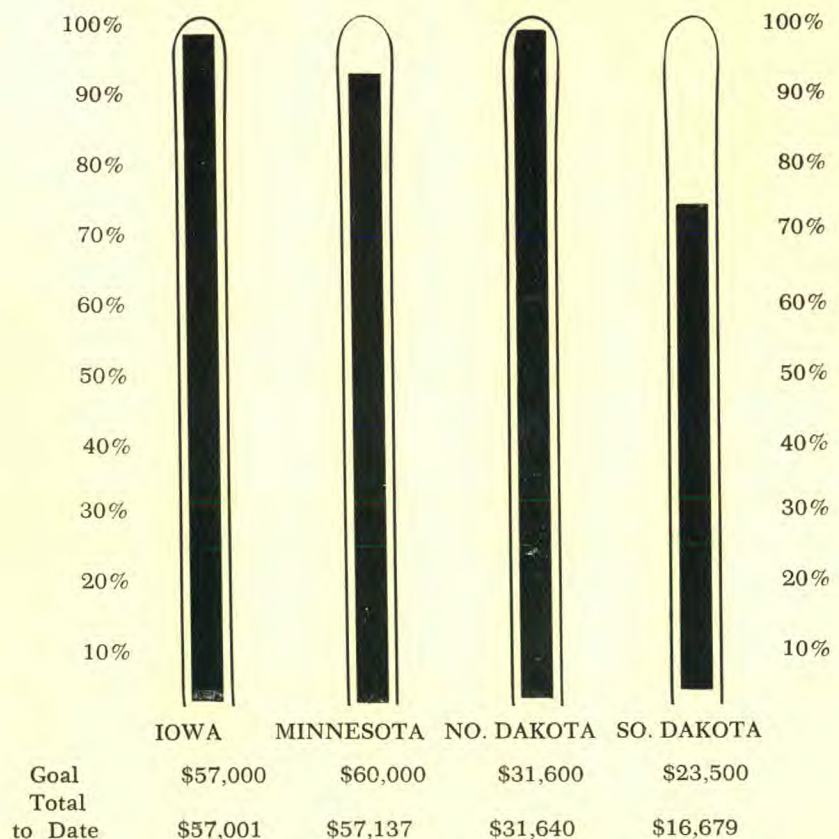
world. God has impressed those not of our faith to give generously; could we of the household of faith do any less? Your help is needed now to swell the overflow for the cause of God.

"The home missionary work will be farther advanced in every way when a more liberal, self-denying, self-sacrificing spirit is manifested for the prosperity of foreign missions; for the prosperity of the home work depends largely, under God, upon the reflex influence of the evangelical work done in countries afar off. It is in working actively to supply the necessities of the cause of God that we bring our souls in touch with the Source of all power." *Testimonies*, vol. 6, p. 27.

O. R. REES



Ingathering Report to January 11, 1958



Names of Your Friends and Relatives, Please

The Detamore Evangelistic Team is coming to New Jersey.

The Evangelistic Committee wishes to secure names of individuals who are relatives or friends of members living in other sections of the country. Please address a postcard to Thomas P. Ipes, First Seventh-day Adventist Church, 202 Norman Road, Newark, New Jersey, stating the name and address of the person or persons to whom you want invitations sent. This information is urgently requested. Please help!

Then, you pray, pray for your relatives, pray for the Evangelistic team, pray for New Jersey members,—pray with us at the noon day hour daily that God will pour out His Spirit on the millions of New Jersey.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FAITH FOR TODAY

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to be taken off the air. While the offering goal is set for North America at 150,000, much more is urgently needed. The lack of funds has made operational planning for 1958 extremely difficult. Your support in the offering is vital to the success of this ministry during this coming year. The offering that was received in 1957 in the Northern Union amounted to \$3,625.71, or a per capita of 29 cents. Surely the members of the churches in the Northern Union are well able to raise that per capita to at least 50 cents. If this were done, the offering on January 25 would amount to \$6,248.

God is looking to each one of us to do his faithful part in upholding every line of ministry including the Faith for Today telecast. We trust that the Lord will lay it upon your hearts to do something great for God in this time of crisis.

The goal for each conference in the Northern Union, as based upon a 50 cents per capita goal, is as follows:

Iowa	\$1863.50
Minnesota	2227.00
North Dakota	1304.50
South Dakota	853.00

Physical Therapy Tour

Members at all academies in the Northern Union are to have a first-hand account of recent denominational advances in Physical Therapy as part of the tour being sponsored by the Birtcher Corporation, manufacturers of medical electronic equipment.

G. T. Anderson, president of the College of Medical Evangelists, states, "We think it especially fitting that the Adventist constituency be made more aware of CME's emphasis on Physical Therapy at this time, and that Mr. Birtcher, who has done so much for CME, has the satisfaction of bringing this to the attention of so large a group of Adventist youth."

An increasing number of our young people are choosing Physical Therapy careers because of the opportunities for spiritually strengthening their patients while aiding them physically. We feel sure that members throughout the Northern Union will be thrilled to hear the soul-stirring experiences of our Physical Therapists.

Physical Therapy, which was stressed by Ellen G. White from the time of her first health counsels, is receiving renewed emphasis at the

College of Medical Evangelists and our other educational centers.

We hope that many young people from the Northern Union prepare themselves in this field of medical evangelism and return to add strength to the soul-winning work here.

May Mr. Birtcher be blessed for his part in alerting us to this vital phase of our medical work.

Sweepers or Reapers

It was morning somewhere in the Northern Union territory when the Stranger of Galilee approached a Seventh-day Adventist brother who was getting ready to leave for his work, with the invitation, "Son, go work today in my vineyard."

The Master had come down to this earth in the end of time to point out to His professed followers that He had one particular work for them to accomplish, before the final culmination of all things.

"If I were not selling electric vacuum cleaners," replied the brother, "I would be willing to devote some time, at least, to any particular work that Thou mightest want me to do. It has taken me some time to work up this business, however, and I really don't see how I can even think of giving it up at this time."

Immediately and with clearness came the answer: "The machines you are now selling will help people sweep away dirt and dust from



One of the two members of the School of Physical Therapy tour, Charles Thomas, points out to Ronald He'shey, SPT Educational Director, the route he and Dr. Russell Youngberg will follow during their 89-day visit with SDA youth throughout the nation.

their homes, automobiles, and possibly other places. Now I am asking you to sell the publications printed by the remnant church, designed to sweep away the refuge of lies erected by the enemy of souls. It will sweep away evil thoughts and lies from the hearts of men and women, these having been planted in their hearts by the great adversary, whom I once referred to as the father of lies.

"When you place this literature in the homes of the people, you are supplanting falsehood and cunningly devised fables with eternal truth. To this type of constructive work I am now calling you. Are you willing to discontinue selling electric vacuum cleaners, and concentrate your efforts on selling literature, the object of which is to cleanse the hearts of men and women?"

Before the brother made his reply, a text which he had read in his Bible and which he had often heard read from the pulpit, flashed through his mind: "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Guided by this text of Scripture, and confident that this call was of divine origin, he replied, "Dear Master, I accept thy call."

"You have made a decision, the wisdom of which can never be questioned," climaxed Jesus as He went to search for additional laborers.

Has He spoken to you, my Brother, my Sister, in these latter days? If you feel that He has, it will be the part of wisdom for you to contact your publishing department secretary, before the cares of this world are permitted to crowd out a divine impression. Your publishing department secretary will be happy to tell you how you may enjoy this great work. Why not get in touch with him at once?

C. A. EDWARDS

Ellen G. White as a Speaker

"A study is being made of Mrs. E. G. White as a speaker. In addition to available source materials it is hoped that observations and comments concerning Mrs. White as a speaker may be secured from those who heard her. Some of our workers heard her in person while others may know of lay members or

non-Adventists who had acquaintance with her speaking. We wish to make contact with them and secure their observations. While primary interest is in Mrs. White's platform and pulpit endeavors, it is hoped that any who observed her in conversation or in informal speaking situations will send their names and addresses to: Ellen G. White Publications, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Takoma Park, Washington 12, D. C."

Many of the readers of this union paper may not have seen this note in the *Review and Herald* of November 28, 1957. If you can provide information about Mrs. White as a speaker, please write at once.

A. L. WHITE

"One in 20,000"

This film increases in popularity each day. Let's capitalize on this hour when others are talking and writing about tobacco.

We can furnish film repair footage at reasonable cost. We suggest you repair your old film, if need be, or purchase a new one and *meet the challenge of the hour.*

Always use *Smoke Signals* and other tobacco literature with the film, of course.

JESSE O. GIBSON.

Director of Promotion

Union Literature Evangelists Institute

An encouraging number of literature evangelists with their leaders, met in a Northern Union Conference Convention at the downtown Minneapolis Y.W.C.A., January 8 to 11. Present during part of the time also were conference presidents from within the union territory, and other conference officials.

Visiting speakers from without the Northern Union Conference territory, were B. E. Wagner of the General Conference Publishing Department; R. J. Christian, circulation manager for the *Review and Herald* Periodical Department; C. L. Paddock, Jr., manager of the Omaha Branch of the Pacific Press; and D. C. Duffield, treasurer of the *Christian Record*, publishers of many periodicals in Braille for the blind.

On Sabbath, January 11, B. E. Wagner gave a stirring message in

the St. Paul First Seventh-day Adventist Church. In the afternoon, the literature evangelists related stirring experiences enjoyed in their work of seed-sowing. The morning devotionals by R. H. Nightingale, R. J. Christian, and C. L. Paddock, Jr., were deeply spiritual in tone and added decided strength to the meetings.

When the goals set by these modern seed-sowers are met, the Northern Union Conference Publishing Department will experience its most successful year. This will be in harmony with the divine blueprint for the publishing program, which is "Forward with Increasing Success."

C. A. EDWARDS



News Notes

✪ The Serenaders Male Quartet of Chicago presented the third Lyceum program of the year in the college auditorium Saturday night, January 18. Although each man was outstanding as a soloist, the evening's program was highlighted by the ensemble singing of areas in the field of grand and light opera.

✪ The mimeograph and accounting offices have an "after-vacation" new look. New lights, partitions of corrugated glass, and a new stand for the mimeograph are among the changes in the mimeograph office. The entrance to the accounting office has been moved from the main entrance to the basement hall, and a glass-enclosed office, new lights, and accounting machines have been installed.

✪ Sophomore class officers are headed by Dick Jewett, president. Other officers are vice-president, Velma Jean Knauss; Secretary, Carolyn Smith; treasurer, Janice Schmierer; pastor, James Heinrich; sergeant-at-arms, Thomas Bringle; and parliamentarian, David Priest. Sponsors are Milo Anderson and Sydney Allen, Jr.

✪ Freshman officers are: president, Larry Kroll; vice-president, Lora Wood; secretary, Rose Chaney; treas-

urer, June Roberts; sergeant-at-arms, Duane Ytredal; pastor, Edward Lamb; and parliamentarian, David Grayson. Sponsors are Walter Page and Robert Reynolds.

Three of Union's administrators, D. J. Bieber, E. B. Ogden, and Alice Smith, attended a council meeting held for the directors and other representatives of schools of nursing, representatives of general education of senior colleges, and representatives of hospitals associated with schools of nursing. The purpose of this meeting, held at Glendale, California, December 29 to 31, was to discuss the general problems of nursing education.

1958 Summer School

The question of summer school in 1958 and General Conference attendance has received considerable consideration. It recently was voted to change the order of the three-weeks and nine-weeks terms of the 1958 summer school in order to make it possible for more students and teachers to attend at least a part of the General Conference session at Cleveland, Ohio, June 19-28.

The three-week term will begin Sunday, June 8, with registration at 8:30 a.m. and first classes at 2 p.m. The three-weeks term will close Thursday p.m., June 26.

The nine weeks term will begin Sunday, June 29, with registration at 8:00 a.m. and the first classes at 7:30 p.m. The nine-weeks term will close with the evening examinations on Tuesday, August 26. The day classes will meet on Sunday, August 24, to help make up for closing early.

E. B. OGDEN,
Academic Dean

Evangelistic Series at York, Nebraska

A successful series of evangelistic meetings has been concluded in York, Nebraska, a thriving city about 50 miles from Lincoln, by Kenneth Cox, a senior ministerial student at Union College. Mr. Cox prepared and preached all the sermons for the campaign, did all the visiting and made the appeals. At the present time a fine baptismal class is meeting in the church every

Friday evening under his direction.

Jackie Schimke was the enthusiastic song leader. Marilyn Wheeler was the pianist for the series. Darwin Helmer and Caesar Nawalkowski were ushers. These young people made the nightly trip to the meetings for three weeks, in addition to carrying heavy school programs.

Mention also should be made of the students quartets and the male chorus, under the direction of William Haynes, which assisted in the music during the series.

If the desire to be of service in winning souls is an indication of a healthy atmosphere on a college campus, then such an atmosphere certainly prevails on the campus of "Old Union" this year.

SYDNEY ALLEN, Jr.
Department of Religion

Student Week of Prayer

The student Week of Prayer, sponsored by the Senior MV Society, was held January 5 to 11. The meetings, conducted entirely by the students, were each concluded with prayer bands with students in charge. The theme was "Steps to Christ," and the theme song was "Christ Above All." The speakers during the week were Max Singhurst, Anne Whitsett, Matthew McKinney, Jerry McManus, George Sharpe, Patricia Petersen, Laurell Peterson, David Copsey, Bud Siebenlist, Melvin Campbell, Robert Beck, Nathan Sims, and Sherwood Jones.

Civil Defense Alert

At 6:05 a.m. Wednesday morning, December 18, a Civil Defense alert was sounded by Robert Reynolds, Civil Defense director of Union College. By 6:40 a.m. 104 men of the Union College Civil Defense Corps of 125 men, had assembled in the school gymnasium ready for any emergency for which they might be needed. Of the five sections of twenty-five men each, the two sections directed by Earl Leonhardt and Neil Rowland were at peak strength. The three remaining sections, under the direction of Milo Anderson, R. J. DeVice, and Robert Firth, were very nearly full strength, lacking only 8, 7, and 10 men each, respectively. George Lewis, Civil De-

fense co-ordinator for the College View Seventh-day Adventist Church and the college, expressed his satisfaction with the prompt response to the alert, particularly in view of the early morning hour and the fact that the drill was not announced previously.

Following the organization of the corps, the group was fed an early breakfast, consisting of pancakes and hot chocolate, in the college cafeteria. Additional unannounced drills will be held throughout the year to keep the company alert and ready for any emergency, Mr. Reynolds stated.

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An Ingathering Note

Mrs. Emma Schacht of Bismarck wrote the following letter:

"Thank you for your letter about the Ingathering. I don't know what I enjoy more than this great work. I hope I can be of greater help in the future. I am grateful to God for His goodness. I enjoyed the mission story of your brother in India."

It is encouraging to hear of those who enjoy working for the Lord. May the Lord bless Sister Schacht and all others like her.

K. D. JOHNSON, President

Ingathering Honor Roll

For January 13, 1958

Roger Olson	\$130.82
Reuben Olson	109.00
Elwood Anderson (Jr.)	25.00
Lonnie Anderson (Jr.)	25.00
Larry Bird (Jr.)	25.00
Jimmie Bird (Jr.)	25.00
Vincent Melashenko (Jr.)	25.00
Eugene Panasuk (Jr.)	25.00
Eunice Panasuk	25.00
LeRoy Panasuk (Jr.)	25.00
Calvin Tininenko (Jr.)	25.00
Mary Tininenko (Jr.)	25.00
Martha Tininenko (Jr.)	25.00
Dale Zapara (Jr.)	25.00
Jerry Zapara (Jr.)	25.00
Karen Zapara (Jr.)	25.00
Ronnie Zapara (Jr.)	25.00
Henry Eichele	23.92

Mrs. Verna Eichele	23.92
Elmer Hauck	23.92
Mrs. Hubbard	23.92
Alfred Schrenk	23.92
Jacob Schumacher	23.92
Dennis Horob (Jr.)	11.96
Larene Horob (Jr.)	11.96
Jo Ann Horob (Jr.)	11.96
Patsy Jones (Jr.)	11.96
Darlene Horob (Pr.)	5.98
Ruthie Panasuk (Pr.)	5.98
John Zapara (Pr.)	5.98
Randy Zapara (Pr.)	5.98

"The people had a mind to work."
Nehemiah 4:6

A Word of Appreciation

The year 1957 was indeed a most wonderful year. It marked a definite forward march in the work in the South-Central District, as well as throughout the entire conference. The new year is well under way and is showing every prospect of being another outstanding year for God's Cause in this part of the Lord's vineyard.

For the many accomplishments in our district this past year, and for the measure of success that has attended our efforts, we wish, first of all, to give glory and praise to our heavenly Father. Since God has no other plan except the plan to use His chosen people as instruments in His hands to accomplish His work on earth, He depends upon all who name the Name of Jesus to put every nerve to the stretch to help finish His great work in this generation. That being true, whatever each member of God's remnant church has again done this past year in faithful financial support and other personal help, has certainly been highly significant and most important. Thus, many thanks go to the people in our district, as well as to all our other faithful members in this great state, for what has been accomplished for God in North Dakota during 1957.

May the Lord so possess every single member of His church in this wonderful Northland, with His Spirit so that the work in 1958 will make even much greater strides forward than we have ever before hoped or dreamed. Remember—live, work, and pray as if this were our only year left to live and work for Him. As we look about us today, we

see the signs of the times fast fulfilling everywhere all around us. Jesus is coming! To top it all, He is coming sooner than we think. We should each one, therefore, live, every single day wholly in reference to the coming of Jesus in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. If Jesus were on earth in person today, to look on the great unfinished task in the world, He would no doubt repeat in clarion tones the message He gave almost two thousand years ago when He said, Work "while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." John 9:4. May every one of us do just that, with the help of God, and stand together in perfect unity, as one man, so that the work of God may very soon be finished, and then all of us, without the loss of one, can be taken home to glory.

THEO. FISCHER, *Pastor*
South-Central District

1958 and the Right Use of Time

A new year lies before us—days of mystery, days of joy, and days of sadness. Some one has pictured the days as coming to us with their faces veiled, bearing only the commonest gifts in their hands; but when they have passed beyond our recall the draped figures become radiant, and the gifts we rejected are treasures fit for kings.

Everybody makes mistakes, but the wise man is he who seizes the new knowledge which his errors have taught him and carries it forward, applying it to the life of the future. "The oyster mends its shell with a pearl," so even the wounds which last year's follies and sin have made in us may, through the grace of God, become pearls in our characters preparing us to stand the trials in the days ahead. A verse from Tennyson says: "Men may rise on stepping stones of their dead selves to higher things."

One precaution that is given on climbing a high ladder is "Never look back." It frightens a timid climber, and may cause him to fall. Our motto should be "Press Forward." The Bible admonishes us, "Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith." Hebrews 12:2. Let us not look back on failures,

but look up to Him who has never failed.

"The shadow by my finger cast
Divides the future from the past;
Before it stands the unborn hour
In darkness, and beyond, the
power

Behind its unreturning line,
The vanished hour, no longer
thine.

One hour alone is in thy hands,
The *now* on which the shadow
stands."

FROM A SUNDIAL INSCRIPTION.

The messenger of the Lord wrote:
"Our time belongs to God. Every moment is His, and we are under the most solemn obligation to improve it to His glory. Of no talent He has given will He require a more strict account than of our time." *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 342.

"I have just a little minute
Only sixty seconds in it,
Forced upon me, can't refuse it,
Didn't seek it, didn't choose it
But it's up to me to use it.
I must suffer if I lose it,
Give account if I abuse it,
Just a tiny little minute—
But eternity is in it."

AUTHOR UNKNOWN
GERALD D. BRAS, *Pastor*,
Grand Forks District

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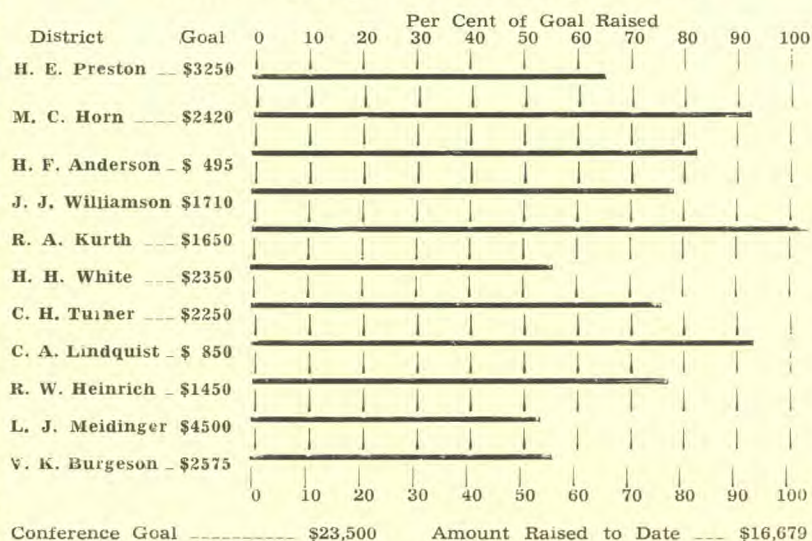
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A Lesson

Following the miraculous deliverance of the city of Jericho into the hands of the people of Israel the leadership of the nation grew overconfident and proceeded to attempt to take Ai with a small force of men so that all the men of war need not labor thither. The disastrous results that followed as recorded in Joshua 7 were not only the results of Achan's hidden sin but also of the failure of the leaders to consult the Lord and proceed according to His plans. The instruction given to Joshua after the sin of Achan had been removed shows that this is true. God said to Joshua in Joshua 8:1, "Take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai. . . ." Their failure to move as

DISTRICT COMPARISONS
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a united army with everyone who expected to share in the reward sharing in the burdens had been in a large measure responsible for their initial defeat.

This is a lesson the Israel of God need to learn and practice with increasing faithfulness as we near the end. The Ingathering program is one part of the church's work where this is especially true. The blessing of God through His messenger was placed on this program in its infancy because of its possibilities in helping the laymen to witness for the Truth. God is not dependent on our money nor on that of any other group of people, but He is dependent on us to be His witnesses. (Isaiah 43:10) It is also very true that unless we are willing to dedicate all that we are and have to the Master we are not worthy of His name. The Ingathering has been used of God to make the witness of the church more effective in the community. Are the laymen in your church utilizing this method to the full? Have they contacted every home in the community leaving the wonderful literature prepared this year to tell of Seventh-day Adventist mission and welfare work? Are "all the men of war" active in this campaign? What about the homes

in the rural areas? Admittedly it is hard to contact them in many parts of the Midwest because of the distances involved. I wonder, however, if this excuse will stand in the judgment?

The caroling during the Christmas season has proved a wonderfully easy way to reach every home in the cities. At this writing the church at Pierre has been working five nights with two sound cars and four teams of faithful solicitors. Only one night's work remains. So far \$383 has been gathered in. This is probably no record, but it is the best we have done in Pierre and Fort Pierre so far. We are happy to think of the 1500-2000 homes contacted and the Singing Band Leaflet with a Voice of Prophecy log and enrollment card left at each home. On the material was also stamped an announcement of the Faith for Today television program. Surely the Lord will add His blessing as our faithful laymen witness for Him in every way that He has ordained. Even if you receive no offering you have witnessed by leaving this literature. Only a few decline to take it. Let us organize "all the men of war" and go forth to do the Lord's work in the Lord's way.

H. H. WHITE

Ingathering News Notes

Another wonderful report:—Watertown is over its Ingathering goal, having raised \$1,350.00.

Good news also from Batesland. They have exceeded their Ingathering goal. They report \$717.00.

Our appreciation to M. C. Horn and C. A. Lindquist and the churches.

We are happy to get word from R. A. Kurth of Aberdeen that he is continuing to carry forward the Ingathering program. They are now \$200.00 over their district goal.

We hope everyone will work hard to put the Conference goal of \$23,500.00 "over the top" soon.

IOWA

Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
P.O. Box 1475 (540 42nd Street)
Des Moines, Iowa
D. C. Butherus, President
J. B. Bogle, Secretary
Make wills and legacies to
Iowa Seventh-day Adventist Association

Wedding

On Thursday evening, December 26, relatives and friends gathered in the Mount Tabor Seventh-day Adventist church in Portland, Oregon, to witness the sacred occasion when Helen Litvin and Oscar Gerst pledged their vows to each other with George Liscombe officiating. The bride is an alumna of Walla Walla College, and the groom an alumnus of Union College. The couple will reside in Florence, Oregon, where Mr. Gerst teaches. May God richly bless this newly established Christian home.

GEORGE W. LISCOMBE

Wedding

Enid Wilson, a former teacher at Oak Park Academy, and Grayson Sweeley were united in marriage at Glendale, California, on December 28, 1957. M. L. Wilson, father of the bride, read the wedding vows. Wayne Hooper of the Voice of Prophecy was soloist. The couple will make their home at Merced, California.

**Faith For Today
Needs Your Cooperation.
Remember the Offering
On January 25.**

MINNESOTA

Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
1854 Roblyn Avenue, St. Paul 4, Minn.
C. H. Lauda, President
T. I. Rush, Secretary
Make wills and legacies to
Minnesota Conference Association
of Seventh-day Adventists

Farewell to our Secretary-Treasurer

Harold L. Maddox, who has been our conference secretary-treasurer for over five years, recently ac-

cepted a call to labor in the Southern California Conference.

The Minnesota ministers and their families gave a farewell on Brother Maddox and his family Sunday afternoon, December 1. We have all appreciated the friendly, helpful way in which Brother Maddox has carried on his secretary-treasurer's work here in the conference and we will certainly miss him and his family.

I am sure all of you join me in wishing Brother and Sister Maddox,



C. H. Lauda and H. L. Maddox

DISTRICT COMPARISONS 1958 MINNESOTA INGATHERING

Ingathering Report to January 11, 1958

Goal District	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
Anoka \$1782											
J. C. Zollbrecht											
Austin \$3511											
A. C. Woods											
Bemidji \$1485											
Paul Secfield											
Brainerd \$1596											
J. W. Wolter											
Cambridge \$1663											
H. M. Dukes											
Duluth \$3047											
Nevins Harlan											
Glenwood \$1840											
E. R. Colson											
Hinckley \$ 831											
C. E. Felton											
Hutchinson \$3049											
L. L. Murphy											
International											
Falls \$ 484											
G. D. Simmons											
Iron Range \$1872											
Vernon Emmersen											
Lake \$1636											
P. W. Lamb											
Mankato \$2662											
R. L. Warner											
Maple Plain \$ 847											
K. M. Nelson											
Minneapolis											
Emmanuel \$3003											
G. R. Elstrom											
Minneapolis First											
E. E. Perry & \$7159											
R. W. Link											
Minneapolis Glendale											
F. B. Slater \$ 953											
Minneapolis North											
T. I. Rush \$3190											
Northwest \$2034											
J. H. Turner											
St. Cloud \$ 880											
T. P. Misenko											
St. Paul First \$4994											
E. W. Amundson											
St. Paul Md. Ave.											
Jerry Coyle \$ 785											
Southeast \$1650											
N. W. Baker											
Southwest \$1594											
J. A. Nordstrom											
Wadena \$1462											
Herman Guy											
Willmar \$1254											
L. L. Murphy											
Conference Goal											
Amount Raised to Date											

Sharen and Steven, the Lord's blessings as they enter this new field of labor. In the accompanying picture I am wishing Brother Maddox the Lord's blessing for you and for all of us here in Minnesota.

Your conference committee has met and given prayerful, serious consideration to the appointment of a new secretary-treasurer. T. Irville Rush, who has been serving as pastor of our Auditorium church, was unanimously appointed our new secretary-treasurer. A word of welcome with his picture will appear later in the OUTLOOK.

We know you will give Brother Rush your hearty cooperation in the important work that he has to do and we solicit your prayers that our work here in the office will be efficient and profitable in advancing the work of the Lord.

C. H. LAUDA

Sowing Seed in the Minnesota Valley

"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy." Psalms 126:5.

With this precious promise running through my mind, I was driving along a gravel road in the Minnesota valley. I had not been meeting with much success in the valley since the floods had destroyed most of the crops there.

Minnesota Conference 1958 Church Officers' Councils

"We should not let slip even one opportunity of qualifying ourselves intellectually to work for God." *Christ's Object Lessons*, p. 334.

OFFICERS INVITED—District pastors, first elders, church elders, head deacons and deaconesses (others as can be arranged), church clerks, treasurers, missionary leaders and secretaries, Sabbath school superintendents and secretaries, press secretaries, Dorcas leaders, MV leaders, sponsors, and secretaries, church school teachers, JMV leaders, civil defense and first aid secretaries.

SCHEDULE OF OFFICERS' MEETINGS

JANUARY 25—MIDDLE RIVER—ALL DAY MEETING—SABBATH SCHOOL 10 A.M.

Fertile—Red Lake Falls

Middle River

Thief River Falls

Williams

Roseau

Bring your lunch and plan to enjoy the full Sabbath day services.

FEBRUARY 1—ROCHESTER—3 P.M.—OFFICERS' MEETING

Morning Services Speakers

Rochester

Faribault

Austin

Winona

C. H. Lauda

E. D. Clifford

E. F. Finck

T. I. Rush

Attending Churches

Albert Lea

Austin

Bath

Dodge Center

Faribault

Owatonna

Red Wing

Rochester

Winona

FEBRUARY 8—MORGAN—3 P.M.—OFFICERS' MEETING

Morning Services Speakers

Morgan

Mankato

Hutchinson

Willmar

C. H. Lauda

T. I. Rush

E. F. Finck

E. D. Clifford

Churches Attending

Granite Falls

Heron Lake

Hutchinson

Lamberton

Litchfield

Mankato

Morgan

Montevideo

Pipestone

Willmar

FEBRUARY 15—DULUTH—ALL DAY MEETING—SABBATH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

Blackberry

Cloquet

Duluth

Hibbing

Hinckley

Isle

Moose Lake

Tamarack

Virginia

Bring your lunch and plan to enjoy the full Sabbath day services.

FEBRUARY 22—MINNEAPOLIS JUNIOR ACADEMY—3 P.M.—OFFICERS' MEETING

Services—Speakers

St. Paul First

E. D. Clifford

Minneapolis First

C. H. Lauda

Auditorium

E. F. Finck

Emmanuel

T. I. Rush

Churches Attending

Anoka

Cambridge

Maple Plain

Brooklyn Center

Minneapolis First

Minneapolis Glendale

Mora

Princeton

Rock Creek

Minneapolis Auditorium

Minneapolis Emmanuel

St. Paul Maryland Ave.

St. Cloud

St. Paul First

Stillwater

MARCH—BEMIDJI—ALL DAY MEETING—SABBATH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

Bemidji

Cass Lake

Northome

International Falls

Hackensack

Bring your lunch and plan to enjoy the full Sabbath day services.

Church officers, may we urge you now to plan to attend this special council meeting and learn how to more effectively carry on the program of your church in 1958. We will be expecting you. Please do not disappoint us.

C. H. LAUDA, President

The next place was a rather run-down looking house with a couple of sheds and an old barn set in the side of the valley. Something told me to drive on in search of a more promising prospect—so I did.

A quarter of a mile later I applied my brakes and stopped. My

conscience was troubling me. It seemed to say "Go back and show your books, for you don't know what will prosper, either this or that." I turned around and soon drove up the steep, rocky, driveway and stopped in the middle of a tiny yard.

A lean, elderly man stepped out

and invited me in. In conversation with him and his kindly wife I learned that they owned four acres of valley edge and were sustained largely by a small pension.

When they found out what I was doing, they showed me a large, old Bible in the German language. However they told me they had often wished for one in English. The nearest I had was *Bible Readings for the Home*. To buy it would leave them only fifty cents until their next check. Demonstrating faith in God, they took the book for cash. After a word of prayer I was on my way again, thanking the Lord for guiding me to that home.

This was one of many experiences that filled me with joy as I canvassed for God last summer. Of course, not all my experiences were as pleasant as this one. Satan is ever at work, bringing trials and difficulties to bear upon God's faithful workers, seeking to overwhelm them with discouragement. But through God's power, we are able to scorn trials and triumph over all difficulties.

I am convinced that the literature work is a means by which God's people in this crucial hour can effectively speed the Advent message to the sincere to help them to be ready to greet their King with joy when He comes in glory.

One afternoon, I asked about the next farm up the road.

"Don't go there," I was told, "they never go to church and wouldn't be interested."

However, I soon stopped the car in front of a small house in need of paint. Toys near the door indicated children. I noticed a figure down by the barn unloading hay onto a huge bale pile.

I soon joined him on top of the stack and learned that he had a small crop this year and had gone in debt to buy this hay for his cows over the winter.

When I showed him the children's Bible story book he confessed that he used to attend the Catholic church, but now had not done so for several years. He invited me in to the house where he endorsed his cream check and handed it to me as down payment on the book. When I suggested the Bible course, he readily agreed.

My prayer today is that the seed

sown will take root and bring him and his family to stand for truth in the time of crisis.

The hour is late, the workers are few. There is much yet to be done. The call of the moment is for more laborers to take to the field and work for souls. It involves self-sacrifice but God calls us to sacrifice self. "He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." Matthew 10: 39.

LEWIS ANDERSON, JR.,
Student at Union College

Twin City Crusade Report

The readers of the OUTLOOK will be very happy to know that the opening night of the Twin City Evangelistic Crusade was a success and evidenced the blessings of God and the cooperation of the workers and laity of this area.

The manager of the Lyceum Theater stated that between 1300 and 1400 were in the building that night.

R. M. Whitsett presented the subject, "Will the World Disarm or Demolish Mankind?" The crowd stayed right through to the close of the meeting and many hands were raised on the opening night in response to the call.

Many hundreds of names were taken at the door and hundreds of attendance cards were passed out.

We request the readers of the OUTLOOK to continue to pray for the success of these meetings in this large center. Many are coming and under the blessings of God many will be reaped. L. H. NETTEBURG

That Blinded Eyes May See

All about us men and women, with eyes blinded to truth, are marching toward the tomb, unprepared for eternity. In the providence of God the television program, Faith for Today, well known to Seventh-day Adventists, goes out over many stations each Sunday. Eyes that have never before caught a true glimpse of the soon-coming Saviour and the saving message, behold for the first time the blessed hope. Many feel constrained to write in and enroll in the Bible Course that is offered free. As a result of this program we have those in Minnesota who are members of the remnant church.

In order that blinded eyes may continue to see Faith for Today in Minnesota and all over North America we earnestly invite you to be most liberal in your offering for Faith for Today to be received in every church on Sabbath, January 25. Never before has this telecast been in such urgent need of a sacrificial offering. We would invite the isolated members who do not have the privilege of regular church attendance to send in their offering to the conference marked "Faith for Today."

E. F. FINCK

Why Many Are Powerless

Why is it that so often we seem powerless in our battle with sin? The answer is clear, positive, and shocking as we read the following quotation from the pen of Inspiration taken from *Acts of the Apostles*, p. 206.

"It is a universal principle that whenever one refuses to use his God-given powers, these powers decay and perish. Truth that is not lived, that is not imparted to others, loses its life-giving power, its healing virtue."

Too often, knowing that we have the truth we complacently settle down in our pews, satisfied that we are ready for heaven. We cease to be active in Christian service and we cease to be careful in our walk with God. We even feel irked if some new convert, filled with the first love and with zeal, urges us to participate in church activities, little realizing that we have lost ground and are nearing the danger line.

Two things we must do if we would gain heaven and see Jesus: (1) we must live the truth; (2) we must impart it to others. These are not counsels given us by man, but they come from God. More than believing the truth we must live it, really we must be a living epistle of the Holy Word. Then we must go one step further—we must give it to others.

Have you tried it, friend? When you live the message and give it to others you will find a new spring in your walk, new life in your body, a new twinkle in your eye. Happy is the Christian who follows this counsel.

E. F. FINCK

Advertisements

For Sale:— New duplex at Nevada, Iowa, located at 1004 C Avenue, 4 blocks from the Academy, 1 block from church school. This property has separate heat and utilities paid by renters. Now rented for \$150.00 per month. I will receive sealed bids for my equity between now and Sunday, January 26, 1958. Terms, cash or large down-payment and contract. Present loan is \$6,300.00 - \$50.00 per month 5 1/2 per cent. Property shown only on Sundays 2-4 P. M. Carl Cornell, Box 223, Nevada, Iowa. Phone 323. x1-21-58

Wanted.—Married man for general farm work on grain and stock farm. Year round job. Must be able to handle modern farm machinery and livestock. Top wages paid. Herman Widicker, Bowdon, North Dakota. x1-21-58

SUNSET CALENDAR

January 24	
Des Moines, Iowa	5:19
St. Paul, Minnesota	5:08
Bismarck, North Dakota	5:33
Huron, South Dakota	5:32
Rapid City, South Dakota	4:50
January 31	
Des Moines, Iowa	5:27
St. Paul, Minnesota	5:18
Bismarck, North Dakota	5:44
Huron, South Dakota	5:42
Rapid City, South Dakota	5:00



Pictured is a part of the crowd at the Sunday night opening meeting in the Lyceum Theater listening to the sermon delivered by R. M. Whitsett.



HARVEST NEWS

of the Northern Union Conference Publishing Department

C. A. EDWARDS, SECRETARY



"... for they are white already to harvest."—Jesus Christ.

We Were There!

"We stopped to pray before we drove into the yard. Then as we drove in Mr. ... came out to meet us and to keep us from going in. He said: 'Are you collecting—how much do you want?' We told him that we were making Christian calls on families with regard to delinquency and other related subjects. He suddenly changed his whole attitude and said: 'Now, before you go in, I want to tell you something, but don't let on that you know or that I said anything to you. Our home is going on the rocks. I have my car packed and am leaving tonight. Maybe you can say something to help us.' Here was an answer to prayer, an opportunity to help that doesn't come along every day.

"Brother Layman and I went into the house and spoke to the family about the necessity of Bible study and prayer in the home. We talked about the crime that is becoming such a problem to children and young people, and how the seeds of crime are planted by radio and television. We then introduced the answer to this problem—*The Bible Story*. The whole family drank in every word. The children stood around looking at the pictures. Both the father and mother decided between them to pay for the books. We had prayer with them and more than one pair of eyes were moist. It was a blessed experience to them and to us as well."

G. N. MILLER,

North Dakota Conference

"I came to a trailer home and it had all of the playthings that children could possibly have around it. I knocked and a young lady came to the door. I made my introduction and she invited me to come in. I canvassed her for *The Bible Story*. She was very much interested and said that she taught a Sunday school class. I tried to close the sale but she said that I would have to

come back at noon and see her husband. I had some homes to call on in the vicinity after which I returned to the home.

"When I returned the husband let me know that he was going to be a Holiness preacher. I canvassed him for *Bible Speaks* and then showed him *Drama of the Ages*. He wanted the big book but could not afford it. I used some reserve selling points and his wife said that she wanted *The Bible Story*. Things looked good and I was able to leave the complete plan. The husband didn't want to go into debt, but the wife assured him that they had to have faith and that I had something they needed. I explained how the plan would help them in their ministry. He said: 'What do you think, honey?' She then told him that she had the down payment. He had the *Drama of the Ages* in his hand all of the time and when I was leaving, he said that he had a Baptist book in his home that was a good one. He said that this book, too, must have been written by a Baptist and I didn't say a word. The book is in the home and the Lord will use it."

CLARENCE BRADY, Iowa Conference

HAS THE LORD WHISPERED TO YOU THAT YOU SHOULD BE THERE?

MONTHLY LITERATURE EVANGELISTS' REPORT

For Month Ending December 31, 1957

C. A. Edwards, Union Publishing
Department Secretary

IOWA				
G. S. Culpepper, Secretary				
	Bk.	Hr.	Ord.	Del.
Ballew, Christine	RH	20	\$153.40	\$153.40
Brady, Clarence	RH	74	128.08	128.08
Dunkin, Richard	RH	65	103.20	103.20
Hyze, Dave	RH	108	323.88	323.88
Schleif, Arthur	RH	140	160.00	160.00
Brown, Julia	RH	7	20.95	13.50
Culpepper, Hazel	RH	3	37.85	37.85
Knowing, Dorothy	RH	7	31.50	90.45
Ludlow, Mrs. Earl	RH	62	23.52	62.42

Trout, H. R.	RH	34	564.50	564.50
Barr, Eisie	Mag.		109.50	109.50
Gackenneimer, Drew	Mag.		3.50	3.50
Noble, Mrs.	Mag.		11.50	11.90
Parrott, Lura	Mag.	3	7.80	7.80
Price, Karen	Mag.		5.25	5.25
School Program	Mag.		14.20	14.20
Magazine Workers	Mag.		5.25	5.25
Milburn, Dixie	RH	33	123.30	123.30
Holman, Charles	RH		34.60	34.60
Westerberg, John	RH	56	689.45	689.45
Ni-wonger, H. W.	RH	1800	25,281.80	25,281.80
Total		2433	27,833.43	27,923.83

SOUTH DAKOTA

H. F. Anderson, Secretary

Adams, Gwen	RH			75.00
Anderson, Wayne	RH	2	280.50	679.00
Auxiliary Workers	RH	316	2505.37	2505.37
Barrow, Mrs. Joe				128.75
Boer, Mrs. George	RH	12	44.95	44.95
Bjornson, Loring				\$16.75
Brugman, William	RH	12	63.00	63.00
Case, Ronald				59.00
Chase, Mrs. Gladys	RH			92.75
Hardin, Helen	RH	36	59.00	59.00
Heinoaugn, Mrs. Elmer	RH	30	142.00	142.00
Hensel, Donald				41.25
Jensen, John	RH	30	190.50	39.50
Kampen, Harry	RH	38	242.00	192.00
Kinsey, Leslie				58.25
Komoi, Miss B.	RH	48	77.70	98.25
Lieske, Herman				33.75
Colporteur M.			106.37	276.13
Magazine Workers	Mag.	9	18.90	18.90
Nielsen, Mrs. Vernon	RH	20	90.50	90.50
Rishor, Mrs. George	RH	7	77.50	77.50
Schlisner, Everett				7.75
Stewart, Mrs. Grace	RH	1	5.57	21.00
Stotz, Carolyn			10.75	10.75
Strub, Mrs. Earl	RH	30	188.75	188.75
Whitsett, Bob				95.25
Total		591	3982.05	5206.35

NORTH DAKOTA

A. F. Layman, Secretary

Fischer, L. L.	RH	177	890.44	890.44
Dovich, J. A.	RH	2	26.46	26.46
James, Mrs. Ida	RH	3	41.25	41.25
Johnson, Mrs. I. O.	RH	179	674.38	674.38
Lang, Kathryn	RH	33	37.50	37.50
Miller, G. N.	RH	228	767.62	767.62
Perekrestenko, Mrs. O.	RH	2	32.10	32.10
Rexinger, M. L.	RH	12	314.75	314.75
Weis, Janice	RH	2	71.75	71.75
Pt. Tm. Workers	RH	75	193.50	193.50
Layman, LeRoy	RH	9	12.30	12.30
Layman, Paul	RH	7	7.25	7.25
Total		659	\$3069.30	\$3069.30

MINNESOTA

A. R. Klein, Secretary

Auxiliary Workers	RH	43	1213.10	1188.10
Jones, R. J.	RH	132	537.60	548.10
Lee, K. L.	RH	138	1027.20	981.55
Robinson, J.	RH	84	240.07	238.51
Bergquist, C.	RH		8.50	8.50
Total		397	\$3026.47	\$2964.76
Total for Union			4080	\$37,911.25
				\$39,164.24