

Million-Dollar Offering

BY R. H. NIGHTINGALE

Perhaps you have already read or heard about the "Million-Dollar Offering for World Evangelism and Missions Advance." This will be what is hoped "our greatest sacrificial offering" in the history of our work and will be one in which our membership around the world will participate.

The members in all the churches in North America will have the privilege of giving to this Million-Dollar Offering June 7. At the time of the General Conference Session the amount raised in the Northern Union and other fields throughout the world will be reported and added to the offering taken at the General Conference Session on June 21. It is hoped that when all the reports are in that at least one million dollars will have been given for world evangelism and missions.

Our goal for this Million-Dollar Offering in the Northern Union has been set at \$26,097.88. Surely if all our members now start planning to bring a liberal offering June 7 this goal can be reached. The Lord has blessed many with means who can give \$100.00 or more. Others can give \$50.00, \$25.00, or \$10.00 each. We hope that this offering can average \$2.50 for our entire membership in the Northern Union Conference.

Now is the time to use your money for the work of the Lord. Mrs. E. G. White says, "The very means that is now so sparingly invested in the cause of God, and that is selfishly retained, will in a little while be cast with all idols to the moles and to the bats. Money will soon depreciate in value very suddenly when the reality of eternal scenes opens to the senses of man." Evangelism, p. 63.

When that day comes surely every member will want to make sure that (Continued on page 2)

OUR GREATEST SACRIFICIAL	1,000,000.00
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NAMEADDRESS	" Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." —Mark 16:15.
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Copy of envelope to be used for offering on June 7

Remember the Servicemen on May 10

By W. H. Bergherm, Associate Secretary War Service Commission

In the Armed Forces of the United States, there are on active duty more than 2,650,000 servicemen and women. This is a figure almost equal to the American youth in all schools of higher education. It is more than the combined population of the states of Maryland and Delaware.

Seventh-day Adventists claim twothousand of this number as those
who look to this church for their
spiritual guidance. The servicemen's
literature fund was set up seven
years ago by the General Conference
to place church missionary literature
in their hands and through them to
all we can reach in the Armed
Forces. This year, Sabbath May 10,
is designated as the day when our
people are asked to provide funds
for this important service.

Our boys in the service are actually in the far ends of the earth today. One serviceman writes, "I am 750 miles away from the nearest Adventist Church. Were it not for the Review and Herald and other papers you send it would be pretty hard. On Sabbath I take my papers and go over to the Chapel where I can be alone with God. I don't know who it is that is paying for these papers, but whoever it is, I want to thank them from the bottom of my heart." This young man was writing from the Wheelus Air Force Base in far away North Africa. To this letter we might add many expressions of gratitude from others in far away lands. Some would come from Greenland, others from Saudi Arabia, Korea, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and many other

God's Reason for Planning Tithing System

"God planned the system of beneficience, in order that man might become, like his Creator, benevolent and unselfish in character, and finally be a partaker with him of the eternal, glorious reward." Testimonies, vol. 4, p. 473.

places overseas where Seventh-day Adventist youth are now serving.

Some of these letters come from ships at sea like this one from the United States ship Forrester: "I am the only Adventist on this ship, but I am trying to share my faith with my shipmates in every way I can. We have no chaplain aboard although there are more than two hundred men in the ship's crew. The commanding officer likes to have religious services, especially when the ship is out at sea. They have appointed two laymen to take charge, and I am one of them. Once I spoke on the second coming of Christ and the Lord's blessing was surely with us. I give away a lot of literature, and I am surely grateful to you for sending it. One man came to me and said, 'You know, that literature you gave me got me to thinking. Who wrote those papers? They surely are good.' Well, I hope you won't forget to keep sending me this good reading matter."

It is not always from the more lonely places that the letters of appreciation came to us. Here is one from the world's largest city, London, England. Our brother writes: "The literature you sent to me I put in the religious literature holder here on the base, and it was gone the same day. I believe that all you could send me could be put to good use over here. Do you think you could keep me supplied? If you do, I in turn will keep the holder full. There are many airmen coming and going here, and it is surely a good opportunity to get our literature before them."

Perhaps no feature of our literature distribution has been more appreciated than the large circulation we have been able to give to the Alert temperance journal. Hundreds of thousands of these have gone out to chaplains everywhere during the past few years. Many letters of appreciation have been received. Here is one from a chaplain at Fort Hamilton, New York. He writes: "Send me 400 Alerts and we will see that they are distributed among the troops stationed here and those who are moving through on their way to and from Europe. We are glad to reach these men with the temperance message."

Many letters of this type from both Catholic and Protestant chaplains have come to our office. The extent to which we can further distribute literature among the millions in the Armed Forces will be measured entirely by your offering May 10. Much is expected of our young men in the Armed Forces in these days of pentomic armies and space planning. Please remember these lads of ours liberally on that day.

MILLION-DOLLAR OFFERING

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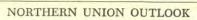
he has made the best use of the money that the Lord has entrusted him with. No doubt large plans will be made at the General Conference Session for a great missions advance and an unusual call to evangelism and soul-winning will be sounded so that the work can soon be finished and Christ come.

May your heart respond to this great appeal for funds to help finish the work by giving a liberal offering June 7.

*********** New Ellen G. White Books

Selected Messages, Books I and II, are brand-new Spirit of prophecy volumes. The work of compilation has been in progress in the offices of the Ellen G. White Publications in Washington, D. C., during the past two years. Here we have nearly a thousand pages of rare and out-ofprint pamphlets and brochures. They were written at different times by Sister White throughout the 70 years of her ministry, with the special objective of squarely meeting crucial issues that faced the church.

These counsels, accumulated in Selected Messages, Books I and II. are just as timely as when they first appeared. Here are scores of spirited testimonies that have a special meaning for the critical issues of these stirring times. History is repeating itself with vengeance. Seventh-day Adventists, looking for the Lord to come, will find in these



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Chaplain cari noiden and two servicemen who were converted by reading our literature in Korea

books messages of hope, warning, and enlightenment that will call forth profound gratitude and praise to God. We predict that these books will be read with greater intensity than any Ellen G. White compilations that have appeared during the past two decades.

Nearly all of the well-known Notebook Leaflets are included along with vital testimonies dealing with righteousness by faith. Christ as He is presented in the great doctrines of the message, and words of comfort to the bereaved are important features of these volumes.

Most forceful statements treating on the inspiration of the Bible and the Spirit of prophecy are included. Perhaps most startling of all will be the breadth of counsel found in the messages treating on fanaticism and subversive movements. The teaching

"Patriarchs and Prophets" —The Missionary Book

By R. H. NIGHTINGALE

The new missionary book of the year is *Patriarchs and Prophets*, and it is one of the greatest price bargains ever published by this denomination.

The scope of the material covered is outstanding, and the very things people need in this hour of unbelief and skepticism are made plain.

The story of creation and the flood is dealt with in such a way as to confound the evolutionist. The giving of the ten commandments and the lessons of the sanctuary are other vital parts of this book. The plan of redemption and many doctrines of the Bible are made plain as the story unfolds around "patriarchs and prophets" of old in 73 chapters.

You must plan to have this book not only for yourself but you must have a number of copies to give to your friends and acquaintances. The price will be \$1.00 during 1958, and you can order this through your Book and Bible House.

The Divine Blueprint

Church Officers—"Those who have the spiritual oversight of the church should devise ways and means by which an opportunity may be given to every member of the church to act some part in God's work." Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 116.

of extreme views is discouragd as well as the danger of unauthorized and unfair employment of the E. G. White writings by so-called reformers more interested in advancing pet theories and ideas than they are in the welfare of the church.

In Selected Messages, the reader will welcome the reappearance of the six original Ellen G. White pamphlets, dealing with "Disease and Its Causes" which first appeared in the publication, How to Live.

We have all heard at one time or another, during the prayer meeting or at the 11 o'clock Sabbath service, the reading of excellent Spirit of prophecy statements quoted from out-of-print sources. In the two volumes of Selected Messages, are gathered together a priceless treasury of these inspired materials.

You will do well to obtain a set of Selected Messages, I and II, for your own library. Begin reading on page 1 straight through. It will be one of the most thrilling adventures in reading that you have ever enjoyed.

D. A. DELAFIELD,
Associate Secretary
Ellen G. White Publications

Unexcelled Furniture

When a fine-appearing Seventh-day Adventist young man who was selling church furniture, one day met the Saviour of men face to face, he was surprised, to say the least. Even more surprised did he become when the Master, who had come down to this earth in search of last days' laborers invited, "Son, go work today in my vineyard."

Collecting his thoughts and in reply to the Master's invitation, the young man spoke, "In my work of selling church furniture, am I not working in Thy vineyard? Surely it is good to sell attractive furniture for the churches in which Thy name is worshipped."

"Indeed, Son," replied the Saviour, "my houses of worship should be made as attractive and representative as possible. It is becoming increasingly true, however, that in many churches of most modern design and interior furnishings, the members worship the God of heaven with their mouths while their hearts are far from him.

"To a higher work of furnishing man's spiritual temple, I am now calling you. By selling the literature published by the Seventh-day Adventist church, you will help to implant in the hearts and minds of men and women, noble thoughts, desires, and determinations, that will in many cases spring up unto eternal life, for as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. Many of the people to whom I am now asking you to minister with this service, will accept your ministry and eventually be numbered among my worshipers in the New Earth. Further, they will influence others and the publications you sell will also in many instances influence others, so that through the work I am now asking you to do, the number of my worshipers in the New Earth will be increased. As for you, even in this life you will be rewarded with supreme satisfaction over the work that you are doing, and your greatest reward will come as you meet those who were saved through your efforts in my kingdom."

The countenance of this sincere young man, registered serious reflection and thought. With reverence and bowed head, he replied to the Divine Visitor's statement, "I thank Thee, dear Saviour, for this invitation to a work which I am convinced is of a far higher nature than that in which I am now engaged. With humility, I accept Thine invitation."

"The humble will I teach my ways," climaxed the Saviour as He continued in search of additional workers.

C. A. EDWARDS

Meet Corporal Doss at Camp

For his outstanding service during World War II, Corporal Desmond T.



Heretofore unpublished a my photograph of Corporal Desmond T. Doss standing on the top of the cliff in Okinawa from which he lowered 75 men to safety.

Doss, working under fire, in lowering 75 wounded men to safety from a cliff in Okinawa, won the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Corporal Doss, our Seventh-day Adventist war hero for whom Camp Desmond T. Doss is named, will be present at camp this year to instruct and inspire those who attend. Will your boy be there?

The date is June 3-17; the place, C amp Desmond T. Doss, Grand Ledge, Michigan. Write to Boyd E. Olson, Northern Union War Service Commission Secretary, 501 Forest Avenue, Minneapolis 3, Minnesota, for an application blank.

EVERETT DICK, Colonel MCC General Conference War Service Commission

Toward Greater "Signs" Evangelism

It is a thrilling story that had its beginning when Mr. and Mrs. Ora Griffin and son, Paul, and his little family moved from Oklahoma to a lovely farm near Grand Junction, Colorado, a few short years ago. On a near-by farm lived the Franklins, an alert, missionary-minded couple.

And here is where Signs of the Times comes into the picture. As part of their get-acquainted program, they sponsored a missionary subscription, thus erecting an Adventist "silent" pulpit in the Griffin home. Through the passing weeks the usual results followed as members of the family continued to read each issue with intense interest. The message of Signs found lodgment in inquiring, longing hearts, and enrollment in the Bible correspondence course created another link in the chain of events.

And now C. S. Weist, the former pastor of the Grand Junction church, reports: "The Griffin family was referred to me for personal visitation from the Bible correspondence school. Through the intervening weeks, Signs, the Bible lesson, and my personal visits, brought light and conviction to the hearts of these two families, leading to final acceptance of the faith and baptism into the church.

"The Griffins have taken an active part in various lines of church work, and are now endeavoring to share with others the light of their new found faith." The Griffin families pictured below present another trophy of *Signs* evangelism that is gathering a healthy momentum as the days go by.

From January 29 to April 5 workers' meetings were conducted in eleven conferences, and twenty-nine regional meetings with pastors and evangelists in nine conferences. A carefully prepared agenda provided the background for intensive study on plans for larger evangelism with Signs. Every church and approximately 144,000 Adventists in the territory of the Pacific Press is being enlisted in this soul-winning adventure with our "silent evangelist" during 1958.

May we assure you, the reader of this story, that your investment of $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents per week for names of your relatives and friends during this Signs crusade will open doors for larger soul-winning returns that will brighten all eternity.

H. K. CHRISTMAN

Notice Vacationers at Yellowstone National Park

Word has been sent us by the Wyoming Conference that they are



The G-iffin families, products of "Signs" evangelism

planning to conduct Sabbath services each Sabbath during the months of June, July, and August in the Recreational Hall at Old Faithful. The services will convene at 10 a.m. each Sabbath morning, the first of these services to be on Sabbath, June 14.

Those of you who may be vacationing in Yellowstone this summer please take note. You may wish to take the opportunity of attending this Sabbath service.

Medical Students—and Doctors—May be Refused Recognition as Conscientious Objectors

Some months ago one of our students at C. M. E. learned that he could not receive a commission as a military officer unless he waived his rights as a conscientious objector. He wrote to me, asking for an explanation, because he knew that our medical men do receive commissions as officers in the various services without surrendering their noncombatant rights. I referred the question to the Department of Defense, asking for an explanation.

After some time had elapsed a reply from the Department of Defense stated that those students and medical men who accept military commissions under the pressure of a draft call may be recognized as conscientious objectors, but that those who accept commissions without being under such pressure will not be given such recognition. For that reason the medical student at C. M. E. had been refused a commission unless he surrendered his noncombatant rights.

George W. Chambers, Secretary, General Conference War Service Commission

Largest TV Mail Response

The largest weekly mail response since Faith for Today started telecasting in May, 1950, was received during the week ending March 14. Letters and cards from all over North America poured out of the mail pouches that week until 8,943 different pieces of viewer mail had been recorded.

Not only has this been the biggest week for mail, but the trend from the beginning of this year has been in that direction. Last year's average weekly response was 6,760 letters and cards. This year a steady growth has been observed, and mail during each of the last three weeks in March has totaled over 8,000.

What is the reason for this? A study shows no special drive, promotion, or campaign taking place. The mail has been greater only because Faith for Today is continuing to appeal to more and more people.

Your Adventist telecast presents an appealing and wholesome program for the entire family. It holds the viewer interest from week to week while Biblical truths are told in modern parable form. This type of format is enjoyed by all—the nonchurch-goer, the Protestant, and the Catholic—as proved by their many letters to the Faith for Today office.

Church members, invite your friends and neighbors to watch the program! Enroll them in the Bible Course and help swell the weekly mail even more! More mail means more Bible lessons. More lessons mailed means more study in the home. More study means more souls. Proclaim God's last warning message by promoting Faith for Today!

E. N. WENDTH, Public Relations

"Now I Understand the Bible Truth"

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Every day to the mail box of The Voice of Prophecy come many thrilling letters which endorse the power of God through radio. Here is one from the Northern Union:

"I want to thank you and all the staff of The Voice of Prophecy for the Bible lessons. I understand the Bible so much better now.

"One thing I have settled in my mind is which day is the true Sabbath. People have told me the calendar has been changed, and that just so we keep one day for the Lord it is all right. Now that I understand the Bible truth, I don't feel that way.

"I had quite a time proving this to my son. He too said the calendar had been changed. We have been reading in the book, Daniel and the Revelation, about the Sabbath's being changed by the Romans. I am so thankful for this book. May God bless your work."

Surely the Lord is reaching out

His hand to grasp the honest in hear:.

J. O. IVERSEN, Associate Speaker The Voice of Prophecy

C.M.E. News

One member of the College of Medical Evangelists School of Medicine graduating class of 1958 will serve his internship in the Northern Union Conference beginning in July. T. Walter Christiansen will be interning at the Minnesota University Hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The internships are determined by the National Intern Matching Program, which attempts to match the student's choice of internship with the needs of the hospital.

Forty of this year's graduating class have been assigned appointments in Seventh-day Adventist hospitals, twenty will be at the Los Angeles County Hospital, five will be interning in armed forces hospitals, and the remainder will be scattered across the nation in private and city hospitals.



News Notes

☼ "Holiday 1958," a musical production of masterpieces of art portrayed in living figures in full costume, will be presented in the Union College auditorium at 8:30 p.m. May 3. The design of the program is living pictures portrayed by the students of Union College and a guest

COMING!

Union College Annual

Alumni Homecoming

May 1-3

Guest Speakers
Special Activities
Honor Classes - 1908 and 1933
All Unionites and friends of
the College are cordially
invited.

artist, following appropriate scripts for the various masterpieces. The program will be directed by Eleanor Attarian of the music staff.

- Robert Firth and Paul Joice, professors of business administration at Union College, attended the 22nd annual meeting of the Midwest Economics Association at Des Moines, Iowa, recently. Discussed at the meeting were business problems pertinent in the U. S. economy and new teaching procedures in business and economics courses.
- The chemistry department has purchased a new chromotography chamber and a chromotography cabinet to aid in their research project on proteins. This new equipment will greatly aid in the research project and will make it possible to teach its desired aims.
- Additional senior placements are: Cleo Johnson, accounting department, Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium and Hospital, Boulder, Colorado; Evelyn Saulsbury, secretary, Chadron State Teachers' College, Chadron, Nebraska; Betty Engelkemier, secretary, Kansas Conference; Kathleen Prentice, bookkeeper, White Memorial Hospital, Los Angeles, California; George Fisher, '52, principal, Junior Academy, San Antonio, Texas; Orlando Peinado, graduate study, University of Nebraska.

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Evangelism at Council Bluffs

The Union College ministerial seniors led by Sidney Allen sponsored a two-week evangelistic series at Council Bluffs, March 23 to April 6.

So far, five have taken their stand and are in the church membership class. The first baptism is scheduled for April 26 when those who will be ready will unite with the Remnant Church.

A follow-up program is being carried on by the local pastor with the loyal support of the church members. This constitutes Sunday night evangelistic services and an evan-

From the Book And Bible House

Log Booms and Mountain
Trails - By George A. Graham
Two boys seek adventure, get
lost on a mountain. Have
many narrow escapes from
timber wolves, lynxes, get ice

timber wolves, lynxes, get ice bound; still find "mountains" all through life that have to be conquered.

Price \$2.50 plus handling

gelistic prayer meeting and church membership class on Wednesday nights.

Elder Allen, instructor in religion at Union College, presented the sermons, using the ten commandments as a basis for practical godliness subjects each night. This proved to be such an inspiration that the attendance not only held steady, but increased through the short series.

Each evening one of the theological students (seniors) presented a bird's-eye view of the Bible. In this manner all the books of the Bible were presented with their place and purpose in the sacred writings of Scripture. This was a ten-minute feature that all enjoyed.

The departments of nursing and home economics presented a thirty-minute health feature, including emergency First-aid, Disaster Training, how to build a storm or disaster shelter in your home, and since this is a relatively high tornado area, it appealed to those present as of immediate and practical value.

The home economics department presented discussions on the importance of proteins in the daily diet, the kind of fats to use, and then



Students of the Department of Nursing at Union College giving a Flrst Aid demonstration at Council Bluffs.

gave actual samples to everyone present of the different meat substitutes. Mr. MacIvor of Worthington Foods was present on two evenings and furnished delicious "patties" after telling the audience that it was a complete vegetable protein. One lady in the audience could hardly fathom the fact that there was no meat at all in the prepared protein foods.

Union College and Elder Allen are to be most highly commended for planning such an excellent series of evangelistic services, and though there will be some immediate results by the way of baptisms, that is only a small portion of the harvest from these meetings. Each church member from both the Council Bluffs and Glenwood Churches, and practically every one attending most of the meetings, received a new understanding of the present truth for these latter days. It was really encouraging that one could discover so much practical Christianity by a careful look at the eternal ten precepts given by the Lord on Mount Sinai.

Though Elder Allen has a heavy teaching load at Union, he came over and spent much time visiting in the homes of those interested. These visits were made with the local pastor who deeply appreciated the consecrated ministry demonstrated in this short campaign.

Your prayers are solicited that even greater results will be realized as all of this is being carefully followed with meetings and personal work by both the pastor and church members.

A. H. Gerst

District Pastor

Federation Meetings Successful

On April 13 we completed the last of the spring meetings of the Federations in the Iowa Conference. The attendance throughout the meetings was excellent, averaging 70 per Federation. The meetings were held at Council Bluffs, Ruthven, Waterloo, Des Moines, and Muscatine. The presidents of the Federations had the program well organized, including the noon meals. The reports from the local societies indicated that an enlarged vision has taken hold of our ladies and church members as was indicated by the report that 8000 people were assisted with \$100,000.00 worth of welfare service.



Group attending the Central Federation Meeting

The high light of the meetings was the presentation of healthful living by C. R. MacIvor of the Worthington Food Company. His rich background spanning some 40 years in health work supplemented by the inspired statements from the pen of Inspiration, made a lasting impression on all those present. The meat substitute served at each Federation was furnished through the courtesy of the Worthington Foods.

H. R. Trout, Book and Bible House manager for the Iowa Conference, traveled with the writer to represent and present the Worthington Foods. Our people took advantage of the display of products prepared to assist them in healthful living to the amount of about \$850.00.

The following officers were elected for a two-year term in the Federations. Mrs. Albert Gerst, Mrs. M. Dineson, and Mrs. Bessie Strickland, president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer respectively, for the Southwest Federation. Mrs. Howard Hansen, Mrs. Jake Spey, and Mrs. Bernie Nelsen for the Northwest Federation, Mrs. O. Huston, Mrs. L. Fox. and Mrs. C. Evans for the Northeast Federation. Mrs. DeEtta Mathias, Mrs. Hugh Coy, and Mrs. Dorothy Fredrigill for the Central Federation. Mrs. Al Ekstrom, Mrs. H. Palmer, Mrs. E. Peters, and Mrs. D. Hillar for the Southeast Federation.

E. T. GACKENHEIMER

We Were There

D. C. Butherus and his wife enjoyed worshipping with the church

members at Ute and Onawa on Sabbath, April 19. He reports the members of good courage and pressing forward in their Christian experience.

G. S. Culpepper conducted services at Glenwood and Council Bluffs. He reports that the afternoon was given to a colporteur symposium which was enjoyed by all. He attended a Colporteurs' Beginners School at Omaha. We are looking for a number of colporteurs doing valiantly for the Master as the result.

George Stone baptized his two children last Sabbath in connection with a baptism conducted by L. E. Rogers at Des Moines. Six were baptized and two added by profession of faith.

J. B. Bogle and family enjoyed worshipping with the Marshalltown church and E. T. Gackenheimer, who was accompanied by his son, Drew, had the services at Atlantic.

Public Relations Secretary

The "Signs" Moves Ahead

We are happy to report to the constituency of Iowa that over 6500 Signs have been pledged so far in the campaign. This is indeed wonderful. Nine of our 16 districts are reported over with two others almost over, just lacking a few subscriptions. We are looking forward to seeing every district over very shortly. Districts over their goal at this writing are: C. E. Larsen's, Norman Sharp's, E. F. Coy's, O. P. Jones', A. H. Gerst's, R. W. Leiske's, L. L. Dinwiddie's. J. D. Bolejack's and W.

J. Neptune's. May the good Lord bless our continued effort to reach the some 9300 Signs readers of 1957.

> E. T. GACKENHEIMER, Home Missionary Secretary

Southwest Dorcas

The Southwest Dorcas Federation met at the Federal Trust and Loan Company Building in Council Bluffs on April 7. A good representation was present from the various churches to receive counsel and participate in the program for the day. We were fortunate to have C. R. MacIvor and E. T. Gackenheimer with us. Mr. MacIvor gave an interesting lecture on health and also prepared and served a delicious main dish for the noon meal.

The reports were given and some very interesting activities from the different societies which showed they had not been idle in the vineyard of the Lord.

One society plans on visiting all who have once been Adventists inviting them back to church.

A barn had burned down in the vicinity of one of our churches. The church took up a donation, and \$25.00 from the Emergency Fund was added to this, and this purse of \$205.00 was given to this family.

Another one of our churches assisted with food, bedding, and clothing in a home where there were twelve children. Eight children were sleeping in one bed on very poor bedding. Surely the Lord records these deeds of mercy in the Book of Acts in heaven.

Many other discussions took place by Elder Gackenheimer and were voted upon by the societies. May the Lord bless us as we move forward in service for Him.

> MRS. ROBERT STRICKLAND Retiring President

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Notice of Coming Federation Meetings

So far we have had two Dorcas Federation meetings this spring in Don't Miss the 1958

Minnesota Pathfinder Fair

May 11, 1958 at 1:00 p.m. Minneapolis Junior Academy 22nd and Colfax Avenue South

FEATURING:

Union College Tumbling Team Maplewood Academy Band Pathfinder Competitions

Adults—50 cents Children—25 cents Pathfinders in uniform - free

Minnesota, namely, the Twin City Federation at Maple Plain and the Southwestern Federation at Hutchinson. In each place we can say these have been the best, most progressive meetings we have attended in each federation. At the three meetings yet to be held we will have O. R. Rees with us as he was at the first two. We will also show that new public relations film just recently released by the General Conference, "Ye Are My Witnesses."

The Arrowhead Federation will hold its meeting in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Hinckley on Thursday, May 1, starting at 10:00 a.m.

The Wing River Federation will meet in the Seventh-day Adventist church, corner of Willow and Lake, at Detroit Lakes on Sunday, May 4, opening at 10:00 a.m.

The Southeastern Federation will convene in the new Seventh-day Adventist church, 10th Street and 11th Avenue N. W., in Rochester on Wednesday, May 7, beginning 10:00 a.m.

We earnestly urge every society to be represented at these important, interesting, and most helpful gatherings.

E. F. FINCK

Notice to Church School-Minded Parents

The Wadena church school has room for several families to move into their area with the express purpose of sending their children to the school. They have a fine school with experienced teachers and a church membership of about 100 eager missionary-minded people. Contact Herman Guy, Box 345, Wadena, Minnesota, for further information.

One Hundred Per Cent Visitation Participation

The recent visitation program was the best the Wadena church has ever experienced. Under the able direction of the home missionary leader, Mrs. Raymond Ward, in conjunction with the pastor, G. Herman Guy, and a committee of three others, a program was worked out. Every church member was asked to help in some way. Some drove the ten cars that went out. Others acted as baby sitters and all the rest were organized two by two so that inexperienced members worked with those who had helped in a similar program.

Those living at a distance were informed beforehand of the program and all were invited to the homes of the near-by members for dinner that day. Only about six or seven members did not take some part and they were excused because of sickness.

A model canvass was drawn up and all felt that others were saying about the same words.

Between seven or eight hundred tracts were given out besides the Voice of Prophecy radio logs. All the members were enthusiastic about it and many found out for the first time the thrill of talking to others about the Saviour whom we all love.

Now we are praying that the Lord will give a harvest of souls by watering these seeds of truth.

> Mrs. Ralph Julius, Press Secretary

NORTH DAKOTA

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Biennial Report
To the Constituency

Continued from last week.

It has been a great struggle to increase the number of church schools in North Dakota, and to increase the enrollment in the schools that are operating. The September enrollment in 1956 was 100. The September enrollment in 1957 was 108.

About six years ago, the conference purchased approximately 50 acres of lakeshore property on beau-

tiful Metigoshe. One large building and four medium-sized buildings have been constructed on this site. In the summer of 1957 we used our own camp with 144 enjoying the camp facilities.

Two Youth Rallies and 27 other investitures involving literally scores of our young people, 675 Book Club Certificates, and 24 Bible Year or Character Classic Certificates issued are achievements and activities of our young people during the biennium.

The opening enrollment in 1956 was 91 at Sheyenne River Academy and in 1957 it was 118. Our school was rated as a minor accredited secondary institution in 1954. It maintained this standing; however, it was given probationary minor accredited standing in 1956. The past two years have been marked by increasingly good relationships with the State Department of Public Instruction. This year we applied for the highest status given to any secondary school in North Dakota. In February of 1958 our school was rated as a fully accredited school.

Last summer when the tornado struck Fargo, our people mobilized for action immediately. A plan of organization brought relief to the needy and at the same time brought favorable publicity to our church. During the biennial period under consideration, the total estimated cash value of the welfare work done was \$200,710.00. During the previous biennial period the total estimated cash value of the welfare work which was done was \$194,638.00. That's a gain of \$6,072.00

The success of one phase of the Public Relations program certainly should be noted. Before the beginning of the biennium, there were five church signs on display in the field. Now there are 33.

In 1957 we had 861 column inches of church news in the newspapers, or almost two times as much as in 1956.

The increase in memberships in the American Temperance Society was 146 per cent over the previous period and *Listen* subscriptions totalled 426 for a gain of 107.

As we think of the future, we think of our great need. These are indeed "perilous times." It's the "outer space age." We need the help that only heaven can give as we go about



The conference officers and departmental secretaries.

Left to right: A. F. Layman, publishing secretary; R. E. Hamilton, educational and MV secretary; K. D. Johnson, president; S. E. White, secretary-

treasurer; R. D. Steinke, home missionary and Sabbath school secretary.

The picture was taken at the close of the conference session which was held in Jamestown, April 1.

K. D. Johnson, President

our appointed work. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord." Zechariah 4:6.

A greater note of soul winning and evangelism must be sounded to rally all of our forces to the task still before us. What of our four largest cities? What of the many areas that have hardly been touched.

Senator Langer and Sunday Laws

R. D. Steinke received the following letter from Bill Langer a short time ago:

"It was like a breath of fresh air from the North Dakota prairies to get your letter today. It brought back memories of over 30 years ago when Mr. Roedel and I fought shoulder to shoulder in a terrific fight against the so-called Blue Laws.

At that time, I was a young fellow in my early 20's. I had been elected Attorney General with the help of Mr. Roedel at the summer encampment and we promptly proceeded to get rid of these Blue Laws fast. You can perhaps get a better estimate of that work by

reading Liberty Magazine which wrote up that fight in detail.

When I assumed office, they had laws which provided that theaters could not operate on Sunday nor bootblacks, hacks, telegraphers, or farmers operating threshing machines and doing other farm work, etc.

The Legislature took office the same day as I did as Attorney General and I enforced the laws so strictly that people in Fargo who wanted to buy a newspaper had to walk across the bridge to buy it. There was a pitiful case of a woman with three children coming in on the train at Bismarck in a blizzard at 11 o'clock at night and not being able to get a hack because that was unlawful. It took the Legislature just three weeks to repeal all these laws in a body. I have always considered that as one of the best jobs I ever did for the rank and file of the people of North Dakota.

Down here, in all modesty if I may say so, I have received awards from various organizations for leading the fight for civil liberty rights.

I want you to know that you can count on me all the way in

fighting H. R. 10329 and H. R. 11034. Lately, I have been getting letters from Beach and New Salem and one or two other places, along the same lines as your letter. I have written all of them similar to what I have written you.

With every good wish and thanking you again, I am

Sincerely, (Signed) WILLIAM LANGER

The above letter is of interest to us because of our interest in the Sunday law issue and because many of us are personally acquainted with Bill Langer.

A number of our people have written Senators and Representatives expressing opposition to Sunday laws. We appreciate what is being done.

K. D. Johnson, President

Manfred Rededication

Almost 200 persons attended the Manfred rededication service which was held April 12.

R. H. Nightingale, Northern Union Conference president, delivered the dedication sermon. Others who participated were Alex Miller, R. D. McCune, S. E. White, K. D. Johnson.

During the service it was reported by some of the older members of the church that the first church building ever built by Seventh-day Adventists in North Dakota was built near the present location of the Manfred Church. One of the brethren stated that when he was a small child, he attended that original church. Along with other things he



R. H. Nightingale giving the dedication sermon at Manfred. R. D. McCune is seated behind him.



The original Manfred church reported to be the first church built by Seventh-day Adventists in North Dakota



The present Manfred Church

reminded those who attended of the fact that in those early days folks did not travel to church by automobile.

"In those days," he said "we drove oxen."

Two of the accompanying pictures were taken the day of the dedication. The other is a picture of, what is reported to be, the first church built by Seventh-day Adventists in North Dakota.

Please pray that Manfred will continue to march forward under the leadership of R. D. McCune.

K. D. JOHNSON, President

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P.V.A. Board Meets

On Sunday, April 20, we held a meeting of the Plainview Academy board and the conference committee at P.V.A. We were happy to have with us R. H. Nightingale and Boyd Olson, from the Union Conference office. Far reaching plans were laid for the improvement of the school.

A new Bible teacher, Kenneth Allen, was elected to serve as Bible teacher and pastor of the Redfield church for next year. Brother Allen has a background of teaching and is a thorough Bible student, so we feel confident he will make a fine spiritual leader for our youth. His wife is a registered nurse and has offered her services as Academy nurse, as a missionary project. We are happy to announce that the school will have a nurse this coming year. We believe this is a wonderful offer on the part of Mrs. Allen and it is greatly appreciated.

It has been felt for a long time that we should have better homes for our faculty members. Some of the houses on the campus are really not fit places for homes. It was voted to take down some of the old frame buildings. We think that most of the lumber necessary to erect two new faculty homes can be obtained from the old buildings so that this project can be completed at very little expense.

The conference committee took some actions that are of importance. One of these was filling the vacancy left on the committee by Roy Wightman's leaving South Dakota. Brother Wightman did good work as a committee member for a number of years. He is, at the present time, attending Union College and he and his family have transferred their membership to the College View church at Lincoln. To fill this vacancy left on the committee, Walter Johnson, who has been on the Academy board and is a member of the Bowdle church, was elected to become a member of the South Dakota Conference committee. We were sorry to see Brother Wightman leave us. but we believe that Brother Johnson will do good work as a member of our conference committee,

Other plans were also laid that will be announced later. We want to ask again that everyone pray for our school. O. T. GARNER, President

A Plan for Action

The Southeastern Federation of Dorcas Welfare Societies met at the Madison church April 9 for its annual spring meeting. In the morning session the reports from the various societies were studied. The work they have been doing is highly commendable.

In the afternoon Mary Hoffman, the federation president, gave a report of her visits to Pierre in behalf of Civil Defense. Seventh-day Adventists are grateful that they have been able to get in on the ground floor of Civil Defense planning in the state. Mrs. Hoffman is a member of the State Advisory Committee on Civil Defense.

Following her report a film was shown describing the evacuation of the city of Portland, Oregon, under a simulated bombing attack. O. R. Rees, Northern Union home missionary secretary, presented the challenge of a need for preparedness in the event of disaster and made suggestions on what to do in the event of certain emergencies. He brought

out the fact that much talking has been done about doing something while there has been all too little action.

The following action was taken: "A survival kit is to be made by each Dorcas Society within thirty days. A report is to be submitted to the Federation Secretary by May 15. The kit is to be placed on display in the church and an appeal made to every family in the congregation to prepare a kit for its own personal use."

M. L. Sample Home Missionary Secretary

Bowdle Investiture

An outstanding Investiture service was held at the Bowdle church Friday night, April 18. The children presented a program of Bible verses, Bible stories, and other items learned in pursuit of the M. V. classwork. High lighting the evening were musical presentations by the children themselves.

The interest in M. V. classwork at Bowdle is encouraging. There were 5 Master Guides present who assisted in the presentation of the neckerchiefs. Altogether there were 15 invested; 9 of which received preparatory insignia and 6 were invested as Friends.

Already they are planning for the next Investiture service. A word of appreciation is in order for those who have led out in this fine program.

M. L. Sample, Missionary Volunteer Secretary

News Notes

♦ We were delighted to have R. H. Nightingale speak at Rapid City the 3rd Sabbath of this month.

O. T. Garner preached at Pierre on April 19.

② On Sabbath, April 19, E. M. Hagele met with the churches at Hurley and Yankton.

☼ J. N. Noble conducted the weekend services at Plainview Academy, beginning with the Friday evening meeting on April 18. He spoke on Sabbath for the church service and again at the M.V. meeting in the afternoon.

On the 3rd Sabbath in April, M. L. Sample spoke at Mobridge.

"Signs" Dividends

Among the dividends to be received from *The Signs of the Times* are the expressions of appreciation by those who receive them. One lady wrote the publishing house recently saying "Although I am a Baptist, I enjoy reading your magazine, especially the Bible Questions and Answers." Another lady writes "We are interested in every article in the *Signs*, plus the cover. I give them to my neighbor and she likes it and reads it." These are both South Dakota testimonials in behalf of our missionary paper.

Remember all orders must be in by May 31 in order to qualify for the special campaign price this year.

M. L. SAMPLE,

Home Missionary Secretary



Sermon Subjects

May 4—Christians Anonymous May 11—Praying Mothers

SUNSET CALENDAR

May 2 Des Moines, Iowa

7:13

St. Paul, Minnesota	1:18
Bismarck, North Dakota	7:54
Huron, South Dakota	7:37
Rapid City, South Dakota	
May 9	
Des Moines, Iowa	7:21
St Paul, Minnesota	7:27
Bismarck, North Dakota	8:03
Huron, South Dakota	7:45
Rapid City, South Dakota	7:05

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OBITUARIES

HAGELE.—Gottlieb G. Hagele, son of Adam and Rosena Hagele, was born in Gnadentahl, South Russia, on January 12, 1830, and passed away at Bowdle, South Dakota, on February 25 at the age of 78 years. When he was 7 years cld he came to America with his parents and sett.ed in Odessa Township south of Bowdle. On May 15, 1896 he was baptized and united with the Bowdle Seventn.aay Advendst church, of which he remained a faithful member all the days of his life. In 1901 he was united in marriage with Magdalena Dollinger to which union four children were born. Remaining to honor his memory are his wife, Magdalena; three daughters: Mrs. William D. Heinrich, Mrs. Walter F. Johnson, and Mrs. Arthur Holweger; and one son, Milton Hagele, all residing south of Bowd e. Also to mourn his death are three grand-daughters, seven grandsons, eight greatgrandsons, one brother, Ben Hagele of rairview, Montana, and a host of relatives and friends. Four brothers and one sister preceded him in death. Brother Hagele was a faithful member of the Bowdle Seventh-day Adventist church for over 62 years, serving as local elder for many years. He also served as a member of the Conference Committee and Plainview Academy Board. The inspiration and devotion of his life were a blessing and benediction to many. Brother Hagele now awaits the dawn of eternal day and the gloricus awakening by the Saviour. Interment was in the Seventh-day Adventist cemetery 7 mise touth of Bowdle. William D. Heinrich

CRANDALL.—Walter Jacob Crandall was born November 2, 1873, to William and Pauline Crandall at Perryvilie, Rhode Isiand; and passed away at Lake Preston, South Dakota, on March 3, 1958 at the age of 84 years. When Walter was nine the Crandall family moved from Rhode Island to South Dakota and homesteaded near Hetand. He attended General Beadle College at Madison and taught school for three years. He was united in marriage with Mary Rugh Dell of Rutland, South Dakota, on January 1, 1907. They made their home on his farm near Hetland. To this unnon were born three children, a daughter, Laura, and two sons, Raymond and Cecil. In 1919 the family left the farm and moved to Dodge Center, Minnesota, where they resided for one year. They then returned to South Dakota, living for one year in Arlington, and then moved back to the farm until the fall of 1947 when they again moved to Arlington, where they made their home until the death of his wife. Since that time he has made his home with his sons in Arlington. Mr. Crandall became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church at the age of 16 and remained faithful until his death. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Clark; two sisters, Ruth and Emma; his daughter, Laura; and his wife. He leaves to mourn his passing, two sons, Raymond, and Cecil, both of Arlington, South Dakota; two brothers, Lewis, of Hetland, South Dakota; and Frank, of Los Angeles, California; four grandchildren, and a host of friends. Funeral services were conducted by the writer and he was laid to rest to await the call of Him whom to know is Life Eternal.

CAVINESS.—Friend Caviness was born at Mount Ayr, Iowa, in 1868 and passed to his rest at Indianola, Iowa, on February 10, 1958 at the age of 69 years. At the age of 15 years he was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church, the faith of his parents. True to his name, he was a friend of everyone. He was known as a true friend and neighbor. Mourning his passing are his wife, Mrs. Zola Caviness; a daugnter, Mrs. Merle Trotter; two Sons, Loren and Gilbert all of Indianola, Iowa; three brothers, and one sister. Words of comfort were spoken by R. W. Leiske and G. P. Stone.



RECLAIMED BY LITERATURE

"I have been receiving all of the periodicals that you mentioned with the exception of *These Times*, which I would like to have.

"When I joined the Air Force I was not keeping the Sabbath and did not profess to be an Adventist. The MV department of my home State started sending me these papers shortly after my enlistment. It was through the reading of these fine papers and many prayers that I was brought to realize my waywardness, and I have fully rededicated my life to the Lord. I now know the true happiness that can be experienced by a follower of the Lord."

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Help us to help them by sending their names, their serial numbers, and their complete military addresses to your conference War Service Commission secretary as soon as the young men enter the service.

To assist us in maintaining a complete, up-to-date file of the names and addresses of our men *now* in uniform, will you please fill in completely the following questionnaire. Include names of all relatives in uniform who will appreciate our literature, even though they may not be members of the church.

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