

Hope Reborn

By W. P. Bradley, Associate Secretary, General Conference

The most pitiful member of the human family is one who has no hope of life. Formerly the future of a leper was exceedingly hopeless; but now, with the advantage of current research and treatment, even the leper has a new expectation of longer life.

Think of the millions in our world, young and old, who have no lasting hope, no surety of eternal life. We who have had a taste of the goodness of God, having had a hope created in our heart of a place in Christ's eternal and beautiful kingdom, can think of no more desolate prospect than to be without that hope. In our smugness we may even be tempted to compare our good fortune with that of the millions out there who are without Christ, "strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope. . ." (Eph. 2:12)

But we must bring them God's hope, which is offered freely to all men. Their uncertainty must give place to confidence in God's complete redemption of this world through Christ from the awful dictatorship of sin.

The other day I was looking at a list of the leading Adventist evangelists and the number of converts to the faith they had baptized in 1964. Three had won over 300; eleven had baptized between 200 and 300; one hundred twenty-five had brought in from 100 to 199. What joy, what hope was generated in

the hearts of these thousands who received Jesus as Saviour, and with Him that precious hope of eternal life in heaven!

There are some other figures I have observed with great interest and enthusiasm. In the year 1964 the Missionary Volunteers of North America had set a target of 3,000 baptisms of those who would be led into conversion and baptism through their efforts. What a glorious goal, what an exalted ambition, to win 3,000 souls in one short year! What do the reports reveal that these dedicated MV's accomplished? The total was 3,166! Imagine the new experience, the precious expectations that have been created in the hearts of these 3,166 souls as the Holy Spirit has given birth to the hope of eternal life!

And now what will be the record for 1965? The goal is the same-3,000 to be won this year. Couldn't the results be even better for 1965 than in 1964? Isn't this what all MV's in North America will want to do in 1965, to make this the best soul-winning year of our experience? With the precious hopes that we cherish, with signs all around us that these hopes are finally to be realized soon, with the love of Jesus burning in our hearts, shall we not resolve that God will have our best, and that it will be more than 3,166 in 1965! May all our ministers and elders help our MV's to plan wisely and courageously so that this objective will be reached.

Barriers of Theology Do Not Stop Signs

By L. R. Hixson, Associate Manager Circulation Department Pacific Press Publishing Assn.

What do you do when your sonin-law is a minister in another denomination? Do you accept the inevitable or put forth efforts to win him? It is a challenge to say the least.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Phillis decided on a four-fold approach: be friendly, kind, send Signs Of The Times, and pray. Impressions from reading Signs were being made. Scripture was being compared with scripture. Then they made other periodicals and books available.

In due time a decision had to be made. After considerable study and prayer Brother Curl and his family decided to accept the new truths which they read in Signs Of The Times and the other literature. Elder Curl is now serving as pastor in the Texas Conference.

What message does Elder Curl have for each member considering the use of Signs to win souls? "May God bless your labors in spreading the precious truths of the Bible



Elder and Mrs. Harry E. Curl and family. Missing from the picture is an older daughter who is attending Union College.

through Signs Of The Times. The Signs definitely helped in leading me across the line to become a Seventh-day Adventist minister. I appreciate the kindly interest my wife's parents had in my family by sending us literature—especially Signs. I hope this magazine will reach an all-time high in distribution this year."

In recent years a number of ministers of other churches have accepted the truths we love by reading Signs Of The Times, combined with the influence of other missionary activities. Among them are the following: H. E. Curl in the Texas Conference, R. D. McIntyre in the Southeastern California Conference, Robert Green, a pastor in the Northern California Conference, and Bartholomew Brewer, who left the priesthood and is now a student at Andrews University.

A pastor of a large Protestant church recently told Ben Trout, president of the North Dakota Conference, that in his opinion the rapid growth of the Adventist church is due to two factors: "The public relations, and the circulation of Signs Of The Times."

Messages contained in Signs are finding their way into many sermons delivered on Sundays and in Sunday school Bible study.

Yes, the barriers of theology may be penetrated as the truth of God is presented through Signs Of The Times.

Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism

The National Association for the Prevention of Alcoholism will conduct an educational institute at Loma Linda University (Calif.) July 5 to 16.

The sixteenth annual Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism will feature some of the nation's foremost authorities on alcoholism, institute director, Winton H. Beaven, announced today. Institute enrollees will participate in seminars, field trips, lectures, and discussions, Dr. Beaven said.

Two such institutes are held each year, one in the Eastern United States and one in the West. This year's California program will carry graduate credit for qualified participants through Loma Linda University Graduate School.

Purpose of the institutes is to acquaint clergymen, teachers, health workers, law enforcement officers, and others with scientific information about alcoholism. Participants, who may include members of families faced with the problem of alcoholism, will explore the most effective ways of combating the disease, ranked third among national public health problems.

The institutes, like the sponsoring National Committee, are non-profit and non-sectarian. Further information and application forms are available from associate institute director Andrew G. Hanners, 427 West Fifth St., Suite 408, Los Angeles, California 90013

The Reviewer

An excellent addition to the Review and Herald's "Back to God" series is Armageddon, by Don F. Neufeld. Mr. Neufeld has given a concise, clearly documented discussion of what the Bible teaches about earth's final dramatic battle. Especially interesting is the chapter on how God reveals his love through Armageddon.

Several weeks ago we mentioned briefly the new *Headliner* series of paperbacks from Southern Publishing Association. The first two titles in this series are available now. *Wind High, Sand Deep,* by Herbert Ford, is the thrilling picture-text story of the Monument Valley Mission Hospital. *The Heart Menders,* by Arthur Sutton, gives the dramatic inside story of Loma Linda University's heart surgery team. These little 50 cent books will make excellent public relations gifts to non-church-member friends.

Church pastors and pastors' wives will welcome a new volume from Pacific Press entitled Success Secrets for Pastors. Author John Rhodes has done a tremendous amount of research among pastors in North America. The results of this research have been compiled into a book that should prove both

interesting and practical for ministers in every church in the country.

Your juniors and earliteens will enjoy Alice Bartlett's new book, Montana Meadow Star. The antics and adventures of two lively children in their new Montana ranch home will fascinate the whole family. Pet lambs, dogs and ponies add to the fun, and the strange, mysterious fire in the meadow keeps you

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wondering until the very last chap-

Adults in search of a real intellectual challenge should obtain copies of the two latest releases from Southern Publishing Association.

Rich Revelations of Jesus, by Daniel R. Guild, is an inspiring devotional study treatment of the Book of Revelation. The author himself declares: "In a unique way Revelation. . .reveals Christ to hungry human hearts."

We feel that Mind, Body and Religion, by Mable Gill is one of the most stimulating books that has appeared on the denominational market. A comparative analysis of modern psychiatric attitudes and practices with the concepts taught by Ellen G. White provides some thought-provoking reading.

In parting, we would like to mention briefly one of the hitherto unsung heroes in the periodical field.

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Read any good books lately?
PAULA BECKER, Editorial Assistant
Southern Publishing Association

The Happiest People on Earth

In his book, The 7th Day, Booton Herndon has considerable to say about Seventh-day Adventists being so liberal in their giving to their church. Indeed, he lists this as one of the five reasons why Seventh-day Adventists are the happiest people in the world, and points out that they give four times as much money to their church as the average church member.

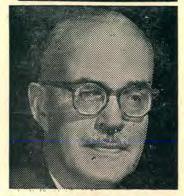
We do not give because we feel that we have to; we love to give. We look upon giving not as a great sacrifice, but a safe investment, recommended to us by Christ. He advised us to lay our treasures up in heaven. We would rather spend our money to relieve human suffering than spend it to bring suffering upon ourselves through indulgence in injurious habits.

A large portion of Mr. Herndon's book is devoted to the welfare work carried on by Seventh-day Adventists. He seems to feel that we find some or our greatest joy and happiness in being able to relieve the needs and sufferings of God's children here on earth. In this he is right. And as I read my Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy, I am convinced that no other type of service so touches God's great heart of love.

I can understand this. Suppose my children were in the hands of rebels, perhaps starving in a concentration camp. Or suppose a son was shot and stripped of all clothing and left to die on the frozen ground. What would my heart of love desire most? A sermon? No. A Bible study? No. A tract? No. A card of sympathy? No. A bouquet of lilies? No. Nothing would bring me more joy and comfort than to know that loving hands were placing a pillow under his aching head,

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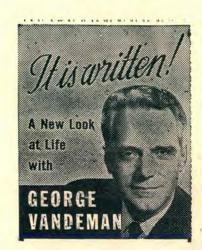
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Twin Cities-WTCN-Ch. 11 12:30 p.m

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a blanket over his chilled body.

God is a Father. His heart of love is touched as He sees His church here on earth ministering to the suffering. God shows His appreciation by reserving His greatest blessing for those who do this type of work-the welfare workers. Note the invitation extended through His Son, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me." Matt. 25:34, 35.

On May 8 you will have the joy of giving to this world-wide program of love sponsored by you and your church. Make this one of the most liberal offerings you have ever given and enjoy the happiness referred to by Mr. Herndon and the blessings promised here in God's Word.

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Maplewood's Alumni Home-coming

While the weather was somewhat uncooperative, the week end of April 23 and 24 was a success for the alumni who attended the annual home-coming at Maplewood Academy. V. G. Anderson, an alumnus of the class of 1920, was the speaker of the week end occasion and brought three fine messages on Friday night, Sabbath morning, and Sabbath afternoon to the alumni, student body, faculty, and friends.

Also present was one member of the first graduating class of Maplewood Academy, the class of 1910. Absent from the alumni meeting were Dr. and Mrs. Carl J. Martinson of the class of 1910 who usually atCapitol City Junior Academy is having a Country Fair at their new school on Boxwood and McKnight Road May 16, 4 to 8 p.m. There will be door prizes, Everyone welcome. Come and plan to eat your supper there.

tend these meetings. They are in the Holy Land area serving a short term of relief in the mission hospital there.

Louis Thayer of the class of 1932 was in charge of the Sabbath School and those who appeared with him were John Zollbrecht of the class of 1955, who brought a first-hand report from the mission field of Germany. Jack Zima, of the class of 1940, gave the lesson study. Mrs. Ed Kelly, of the class of 1950, served as secretary of the Sabbath School, and Elmer Merickel, of the class of 1950, offered the closing prayer.

During the 11 o'clock hour the alumni president, L. H. Netteburg, read various greetings from alumni scattered around the United States who desired to be there but because of distance and other interesting developments could not attend. These greetings were received and returned to those who were absent from the meeting.

The afternoon Missionary Volunteer program was conducted by the alumni and students of Maplewood Academy who presented several vocal and instrumental numbers which were followed by Elder Anderson's talk on the Christian and his education.

The Maplewood Alumni sponsored the Union College Concert Winds for the Saturday night program, which was conducted in the large auditorium of the downtown Hutchinson high school. The band presented this program under the direction of Dr. Melvin Hill, head of the music department at Union College. It was well received and closed out the alumni week end. In the midst of the band program Dr. Hill had a surprise for the alumni. The Union College Concert Winds had learned the Maplewood song and as they struck up the band all in

attendance joined their voices in singing the following words:

We're loyal to you, Maplewood, To the white and the blue we will be true,

With banner in hand, it's the best in the land

For you're really grand, Maplewood; Rah, rah, rah,

From these halls we travel along And singing our victory song. Oh, down through the years we saunter

All the while growing fonder Of dear old Maplewood,

After the band program was over all were invited to the alumni meeting in the cafeteria of the academy. This was a business session during which the alumni extended a welcome to the 1965 graduates of Maplewood. They also voted to approve the constitution and by-laws for the Alumni Association, which constitution and by-laws call for membership dues of \$1.00. So, dear reader, if you are an alumnus of Maplewood, send your \$1.00 to the Maplewood Academy Alumni Association in care of M.W.A., Hutchinson Minnesota.

Also voted was the establishment of a definite week end for the annual alumni meeting at Maplewood. This alumni meeting will be conducted the last week end of April each year.

Following are the elected officers for the next year:

President - Bruce McKellip, Hutchinson, Minnesota

President Elect - Don Burgeson, Brainerd, Minnesota

Secretary-Treasurer - Mrs. Lillian Nielsen, Minneapolis, Minnesota Publicity Secretary - Mrs. Alice Johnson, Hutchinson, Minnesota

One of the more important developments of the meeting was the establishment of an Alumni Worthy Student Fund at the academy. So, dear alumni, you will, no doubt, be hearing from the new president of the Maplewood Academy alumni relative to this Worthy Student Fund. It is being started in an interesting way which will be told later in a note in the Outlook. However, if you have funds or property to set up to benefit worthy students at Maplewood Academy, we suggest you

write to the principal at Maplewood Academy or your conference officers in St. Paul, Minnesota, for further details to help strengthen the work of Christian education in the state of Minnesota and throughout the world.

Tragedy Claims Three Lives

A triple tragedy claimed the lives of three members of the Merlin Pierson family of Greenbush, Minnesota, the evening of April 12. Death by drowning came to Merlin, age 44, his wife, Hulda, age 43, and little Gwen Del, age 9, when the canoe they were trying out on the flood swollen South Branch of the Two Rivers overturned and spilled all three into the icy waters.

As nearly as can be determined, the following is what happened: On the evening of April 12, father, mother, and Gwen planned to try out a sturdy wooden canoe that Merlin had built in his shop. On the east side of Highway 32 and on either side of the creek, there were flooded pasture lands where they intended to canoe. They evidently misjudged the force of the flood current in the center of the creek and were carried downstream to the highway bridge, which at flood stage had only about a foot of clearance. They attempted to stop themselves by holding on to the bridge, but the swift current overturned the canoe and carried it away from them. A neighboring family had been watching from their home about one hundred yards away, and went into action at once. The father and son ran with a rope while the mother called the emergency rescue branch of the Fire Department. The son waded into chest-deep icy water to throw the rope to Merlin who was the only one accessible by wading. On the third throw he got the end of the rope within three feet of Merlin, but he seemed to make no move to avail himself of help. In a few moments all three went down. Recovery operations were begun at once and carried on until darkness halted operations. The next morning the search began at 5 a.m. and lasted until 12:30 p.m. when the last of the bodies was recovered.

Several of the businesses in Greenbush closed in order to assist in the search. The promising business that Brother Pierson was building up, the Woodland Industries, will be missed in the community, but far more than that will be missed the presence of the Piersons themselves. Both in the Greenbush community and in the Middle River S. D. A. Church, where they held membership, their absence will be very keenly felt. The only survivor of the immediate family is the eldest son, Kenneth, a pre-dental student at Pacific Union College.

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Cancer Clinic

The Manfred Health and Welfare Society sponsored a cancer clinic in Fessenden on April 27 at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Hildor Deede, the Dorcas leader, was in charge of the evening program.

Approximately 80 people were present for the showing of two films. The film, The Million Club, showed seven types of cancers all of which had been cured. The other film was entitled Self Examination.

After the showing of the film Dr. Towarnicky, a local doctor from Fessenden, not a member of our church, presented a talk and conducted a question and answer period.

I feel that the program was a great success. Perhaps more of our health and welfare ladies could be thinking along the lines of doing a real health service for the community in which they live.

R. L. KRETZ, Secretary Home Missionary Department

New School Building for Jamestown

The counsel of God to step out in faith and accept His promises is being carried out in the Jamestown district as its members make plans for the erection of a new school



The first Junior Dorcas Society in North Dakota was started in Mc-Clusky just recently. On the left is the State Federation President, Mrs. Ben Lehmann; third from the left is Mrs. Edwin Vietz, the Junior Dorcas Leader; on the right is Mrs. John Docktor, Dorcas Leader. We know rich blessings are in store for the five junior girls pictured. They attended their first Dorcas Federation, Friday, April 16. Does your church have a Junior Dorcas Society? Maybe you could start one too. R. Lee Kretz

Home Missionary Secretary

building to serve the needs in this area. The school has functioned in its present quarters for many years but increased enrollment the last 3 years has shown that larger and better quarters must be provided. The enrollment is double what it was 3 years ago. We enrolled 42 students at the beginning of this school year. Funds are being raised and study to the needs of the school is currently being worked on. We are very happy for the progress in this direction. We know that this school, down through the years, has produced many workers for God's cause. And now, with a new school in the planning, many more students can be provided for and educated according to God's plan. The growth in attendance at the Jamestown Church School shows that our members really believe in the divine admonition, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Some of the highlights of the school year have been a field trip to Plowville last fall and the upper grade students made a trip to Bismarck to visit the Legislature and Museum.

> LEE STEELE, Principal Jamestown Church School

Central Dorcas Federation

The Central Dorcas Federation met April 15, at Jamestown, North Dakota. Mrs. Clarence Loewen, president, called the meeting to order. N. K. Harvey brought us our devotional thought for the day. He challenged us all to do our part even though it may seem small, and as a wedge the start is small but as it grows and finally gets bigger and bigger it will accomplish its pur-

Miss Ella May Stoneburner from the General Conference spoke to us about the health phase of the Health and Welfare Service, Only a small percentage of the population today is considered healthy, so we have a great challenge to bring the health message before the people in our communities. Some of the suggested programs that could be used to promote better health in

SUNSET CALENDAR

May 7	
Des Moines, Iowa St. Paul, Minnesota Bismarck, North Dakota Huron, South Dakota Rapid City, South Dakota	7:2 8:0 7:4
May 14	
Des Moines, Iowa St. Paul, Minnesota Bismarck, North Dakota Huron, South Dakota Rapid City, South Dakota	7:3 8:1 7:5

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our communities are: Home Nursing, First Aid, Cooking Schools, and the Health and Happiness Bible Correspondence Course.

The Ellendale Church served lunch for the guests and a hot drink for all. The afternoon program continued with Miss Stoneburner encouraging us to become more conscious of the physical fitness program. There are films available for those who would like to use them.

The Central Dorcas Federation voted to give \$25.00 to the Disaster and Famine Relief Offering this year.

P. F. Pedersen gave us a report on the flood conditions in Minnesota and what steps had been taken to give health and welfare service to those in need. Perhaps some day North Dakota can also have a state depot and be better prepared for emergencies that arise, for as the end of time draws closer we are sure to see more and more of these disasters.

Mrs. Ben Lehmann, State Federation President, spoke to us about getting the whole church interested in health and welfare work. One way might be to start a Junior Dorcas as they did in her church. The junior girls are very enthusiastic and eager to work out a program. She also reminded us to be sure to follow up our welfare work; many people also need spiritual help.

Elder Pedersen answered some questions for us concerning storage problems, getting help mending clothes and urged member solicitation rather than food or bake sales.

R. L. Kretz showed a film, Profiles of Promise, and each one could understand a little better the needs of people in other countries. May we never shirk from helping our brother in need, no matter what the color of his skin.

Mrs. Clifford G. Johnson Press Secretary Central Dorcas Federation

Union College Students to Seek Scholarships

Pictured above is the group of Union College students who will be seeking their scholarships in North Dakota this summer. We are very proud of these students. Many of them are veterans of last summer's



Union College students who will canvass in North Dakota



Ken Schelske

work and most of them have canvassed before in North Dakota.

Pictured from left to right the students are: Raymond Paulson, Bob Holbrook, Patsy Jones, Alvin Hensel, Carol McDaniel, Stanley Reiswig, and Lila Hensel. Norman and David Jarnes, who are coming to North Dakota, are not pictured.

The insert is a senior from Medina, North Dakota, whose name is Ken Schelske. Ken has been asked to be our summer assistant publishing secretary to work with the students. We believe that he will do a good job for us.

Please pray that these students will be enabled to further their Christian education as the result of their labors in our conference.

M. F. Kabool, Secretary Publishing Department

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Pennies, Pennies! How Much Are They Worth?

When I was a boy, a penny was worth a penny. There were a number of things one could purchase for a penny. The storekeeper would break a five-cent package of gum and sell one stick for a penny; one could buy several pieces of candy for a penny. A postcard could be mailed for a penny. The value of the penny has changed. If one accidentally drops a penny, one doesn't spend too much time looking for it. It is hardly worth picking up. But when many of these almost worthless pennies are gathered, the total can be worth a lot.

In the conference where I served as MV Secretary for several years prior to coming to the Northern Union, the MV Department set themselves a goal of raising two million pennies for camp development. The Wisconsin Conference purchased a camp site and is in the process of developing it. On April 4 of this month, the churches of the conference got together and brought their pennies and not only did they bring

Voice of Prophecy Change

STATION - KISD Sioux Falls, South Dakota NEW TIME - 8:00 A.M. SUNDAY - Thru October 24 two million pennies, but two and a half million pennies. Twenty-five thousand dollars worth of pennies. I would have liked to have seen that pile of pennies. I understand there were several tons of pennies.

Our South Dakota Conference has heard about a Penny Drive also. Our jar is filling up. I am sure the MV Department can count on 1,500 pennies from our family. How I wish that every family could make themselves responsible for at least that many pennies. These pennies will be used to help put up the lodge hall-kitchen, dining area, and assembly area on our new camp site. We would be most happy to raise several thousand dollars in pennies to help with this project which will begin soon. On Sunday, June 20, at camp meeting, we are asking all of our churches to have representatives bring their pennies. I am anxious to see the pile of pennies.

Yesterday I was in the Black Hills on business. While there I heard of a man who has just purchased some land similar to our camp site property. He paid right around \$1,000.00 an acre for this land. If you are one of the very few who has questioned the wisdom of the South Dakota Conference spending a lot of money in developing our own camp site, just think of the size of the gift that was given to the conference by the Reynolds family. We would certainly have been most ungrateful and foolish if we had turned that gift down. No one would have wanted the Conference Committee to do that, I am sure. Now we are involved in developing this beautiful camp site. We must have a dining hall and kitchen before we do any more camping there. Through your generosity last year, we had a nice sum of money left which will go toward the lodge hall.

From other unforseen sources, funds have come in; so that with a nice response to our appeal for pennies, we believe we will have sufficient funds to put up a nice modest lodge hall of which our people will be proud. And I hope that many of our churches will want to reserve the camp site for church gatherings. This building project is for your boys and girls, and for all of our people who are interested in getting away into a quiet corner for a few

days of rest and relaxation.

Save your pennies; send them to camp meeting. Let's see if we, too, can't have a ton or more of pennies.

F. W. BIEBER, President

Instructional Methods in Church School

Public educators throughout the state recognize the over-all strength and tone of the educational process as it is going on in our South Dakota church schools. We can be pleased and happy for this acceptance.

All but one or two of the schools have purchased new sets of the encyclopedias in the past year or two. Most all of them have the very finest of desks and teaching equipment. Besides being certified according to state standards our teachers have the added qualifications that strong spiritual attitudes can give.

During the first week of March, the Batesland, Hot Springs, Spearfish, and Rapid City church schools were rated by their own boards and the assistance of the conference superintendent. Criteria as set up by the General Conference Department of Education were used. This was the first such evaluation of the Batesland School and a number of areas were noticed in which they hope to strengthen their school. The other three schools showed many gains as compared to the rating of the schools two years previously. Hot

Springs took its place among the schools with a standard rating and should probably be judged the mostimproved school in the conference. Pierre and Rapid City fell down in only an area or two that kept them from being rated as "Model", which is the best rating that can be given. The teachers and school boards worked hard to get their schools ready for this judging and they are to be commended for such diligent efforts. It is interesting to note that the Rapid City Board rated its school last year without any other need than to just find out what they should do better.

As superintendent, the educational work has been most pleasant because of the cooperation from all those involved.

NEVILLE GEORGE Educational Superintendent

New South Dakota Publishing Secretary

I am pleased to tell you that Waldo Alger of the Wisconsin Conference has accepted our call to be the Publishing Secretary of the South Dakota Conference.

Brother Alger has been an assistant in the Publishing Department in Wisconsin for about seven years. He has distinguished himself as a very able worker in this field. Prior to that he spent a number of years in the colporteur work.

Brother and Sister Alger will make a fine contribution to our work in South Dakota, I am sure. In addition



Mrs. Gladys Morton and her students at the Redfield church school take a few minutes to view an instructional film strip.



Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Alger

to his work as Publishing Secretary, we are asking him to pastor the Batesland Church. Brother Alger will be taking up his work here in South Dakota about the middle of May. Mrs. Alger will join him a bit later.

I know our people in South Dakota will welcome these fine workers into their churches. May God bless them as they join us in the finishing of the work in South Dakota. And we are praying that God might influence others of our men and women in South Dakota to take up the literature evangelism work.

F. W. BIEBER, President

Impressions of Flag Mountain MV Camp

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Surely we have all heard of "Flag Mountain MV Camp" in the beautiful Black Hills of South Dakota the Reynolds family's gift to the South Dakota Conference.

Well, there are just two kinds of people in our churches—those who have been out there and can't wait to go again, and those who will be along any time now for their first look. And mark my word, those of you who will see it for the first time, will fall in love with it—it will be your camp from then on.

Now, you might suspect that I am prejudiced—and you might be right. I have been going to the "Hills" for about a month each year for a long time and each visit seems more precious to me than the last. I have trudged by moonlight through deep snow up South Canyon from Black Fox Corner, crossed Little Rapid Creek and on up through spruce and

pine to White Tail Peak, there to see the first rays of the sun paint the rimrock with gold, I have explored the entire perimeter of famous Mud Lake and entirely on foot (it is at least an eighth of a mile around). The chipmunks are mighty sassy up there. I have watched the grazing Herfords up on Reynolds Prairie and dropped down over the ridge to see Mrs. Beaver frolicking with her little Kit in Castle Creek. These are among the fondest memories of my life, so you can believe me when I say I was excited about my first look at "Flag Mountain MV Camp."

There were four of us on that first day when I had my first look—L. H. Opp, D. G. Albertsen, Carl Wait from Sioux Falls, and myself. We didn't just take a look and say, "It'll do," We tramped up and down, over and across and you know, it seems like "The Master Hand" just did a little something extra on this gently winding and scenic part of Castle Creek and the hills surrounding it.

Certainly this is a place where our children are invited to come a little closer to heaven in their formative years. Now, it is true, that "Flag Mountain MV Camp" is primarily for our children and youth, but let's not stop there. We are advised that the closing moments of the "Drama of the Ages" are to be marked by a great surge of evangelistic effort with the clergy and laymen working together. If we are to work together, we must learn to know and understand each other better. What better way to do this than to attend family camps and planned retreats at "Flag Mountain MV Camp." These things are not improbable dreams of the future: this camp is in being now, ready to be developed into a living monument to a vibrant and active church. And then, before you know it, some young pastor or missionary will look back and remember that he took the right fork in the road through the Christian influence of "Flag Mountain MV Camp." A layman will rejoice in the renewed vigor of his home church and will date this change for the better from the time he and others attended their first planned retreat at "Flag Mountain MV Camp."

Right now, our children are engaged in a "Pennies for Flag Mountain MV Camp" campaign, and we can rest assured that they will do their part—they always do. So, how about you, Mr. Adult? Surely you welcome a chance to invest in something where you can be assured of a "Potential Unlimited." If you are a privileged one who knows "Flag Mountain MV Camp" first hand, you are in! If you haven't seen the camp yet, just ask the man who has been there and he will tell you there is a blessing there for everyone.

And now, here is the magic key, When your little girl or boy says, "Daddy, can I have some pennies for 'FMMVC'?' Just go ahead and do what we suspect you will do. And then, like a flash it will dawn on you—there are ten hundred pennies in a ten dollar bill! Think of it! It is thinking like this that begins to add up. And here is what it will add up to:

1. There is going to be a happy surprise that first Sunday at camp meeting when the penny campaign comes to a close and they total up the results. (It makes counting a lot easier ten dollars at a time.) 2. The grand total will be a positive mandate to the pastors and laymen just waiting to start on the new lodge hall and modern dining facilities. These men are real craftsmen and their labor is a labor of love. 3. Rumor has it that a minimum total has been suggested, but I am not going to tell you what it is. I suspect we will double it.

Then, when camp meeting is over and we have made our investment, how can we stay away? We'll just have to get out there real soon and look over our property.

Donald D. Hawley, D.D.S. Member of Sioux Falls Church

Introducing Ed Two Bulls, Jr.

Introducing Ed Two Bulls, Jr., of Red Shirt Table Village. Mr. Two Bulls is a full-blooded Sioux Indian, and has inherited many of the sterling qualities and leadership abilities of his tribal ancestors.

He has dedicated his life to the service of God in helping his own people and is to leave Red Shirt Village the first of June with his



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Two Bulls and Family

lovely wife, four children, and young nephew, for College Place, Washington, where he will spend the summer in full-time work, and enroll in the fall for classwork at Walla Walla College.

A hard-working man, Mr. Two Bulls is always busy at some worthwhile activity. He has been independent in providing for the needs of his young family and is conscientious in meeting his financial obligations. He was President of Red Shirt Village for two years. He owns a herd of horses, some of which are quite fine. A white man recently came with a truck to buy the horses, offering free beer, free lunch, and an unfairly low price. Some less educated and self-disciplined persons would have yielded to the temptation to indulge in the pleasures of the moment to the detriment of the future, but Mr. Two Bulls, being an abstainer, well-fed, and cautious in business dealings, did not yield. He needs very much to sell his horses at a fair price in order to finance his educational venture. Perhaps some of our good members who read this would like to buy some of these horses. One young mare has quite a bit of racing blood and runs like the wind.

Indians can work among Indians

better than white persons can. South Dakota has 38,000 Indians, many of whom desperately need help in learning a better way of life. Wouldn't you like to help this young man make use of his resources, enabling him to go to college to prepare for work among his own people? If you are interested in the horses, you may write:

Mr. Ed Two Bulls, Jr. % Mr. Merle Tiffany Red Shirt Mission Hermosa, South Dakota 57744

Thank You, South Dakota!

As the family and I look in retrospect at our efforts to serve these past four years, we can choose nothing better to say than: "Thank you, South Dakota Friends!!"

Thank you for the times you assisted in the Ingathering and Dorcas work, when we first came. Thank you for your continued support in the Temperance work, the Public Relations efforts, the program of Christian education, and the many calls for duty and service in the line of Missionary Volunteering. Thank you for your patience when things went hard; and thank you for your friendships, which garnished our service here in such a

pleasant way. Thank you for calling us and giving us the privilege of living among you!!

Physical things do not alone show the amount of success or failure, but they can be evidences. It has been a privilege to see the church schools grow in number from 8 to 10. The number of students enrolled has risen from 115 to 155. The Pathfinder Clubs from 2 to 8. The number of Bible studies and the amount of Missionary work reported has also shown some good gains. But then, if we consider what is to be done before Jesus comes, it hasn't been enough.

It really isn't necessary to say good-by for we will frequently be coming this way, as our new duties will lead us. Furthermore, some of you should consider bringing your young people to Sheyenne River Academy to finish their education. As your friends, we would love to be of service to you.

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I Heard My Name

A few days ago circumstances arose which made it necessary for me to make an unexpected trip to the northern part of the state. When I arrived at the home of the local elder, I found that the elder and his wife were attending prayer meeting.

Naturally, I drove to the church, anticipating the privilege of fellow-shipping with the members at the prayer meeting. Perhaps I should state that the local elder wasn't expecting me and that none of the members knew I was in the community.

When I entered the hall, I immediately became aware of the fact that the congregation was kneeling for a season of prayer. Very quietly I opened the door to the sanctuary and knelt just inside.

One by one the members of the church prayed. They prayed for the Signs crusade, for various members

of the congregation who were having various problems, for public evangelism, for our schools, and for personal victory in preparation for the coming of the Lord. I don't think that any of the members knew I was present.

I'll be frank to admit that there was one phase of the praying that deeply impressed me. They prayed for me. I heard them say, "Dear Lord, bless Elder Johnson, our conference president. Give him more than human wisdom as he serves here in our conference." Obviously they weren't doing it to make an impression on me for they didn't know I was present. The prayers were deep, earnest, sincere prayers, sent forth to heaven because of an understanding of the purpose, the meaning and the effectiveness of prayer and because of the seriousness of the hour to which we have come.

It gave me a real lift to think of God's people everywhere throughout the conference mentioning me and my work in prayer. This business of praying for one another is such an important business. It must never become just a mere form. It gives one a real lift to know his brothers and sisters of the Adventist family are praying for him. I was encouraged when I heard my name in prayer.

K. D. Johnson Iowa Conference President

Of Interest in New Iowa Faith For Today

An up-to-date report on the Faith for Today offering has just been received from New York. A 61% increase in funds for the denomination's telecast came in through the offering taken February 13. Last year Iowa gave \$3,197.96. This year we reached \$3,951.69.

Iowa City

Every home in Lisbon has been covered with an April Signs.

Liberty Center

Brother Trotter is saving Kennedy half-dollars for Investment.

Muscatine

The Dorcas society has been given the sole responsibility for distribution of clothing and blankets to flood victims.

Burlington

Sharon K. Samuelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stroud, became the bride of David A. Sherbondy, at 2 p.m., April 4 at the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Winterset

April Signs have been distributed to all the small towns where Ingathering was done. They covered just the business establishments.

Iowa Book and Bible House

For Sale—Our demonstrator monaural record player. Webcor, 2 speaker, leather covered case, new needle, 3 speed, automatic changer, only \$39.95.

Now Is the Time

The wise farmer does not wait until September to look for a harvest. Now is the time to plan, plant, and "push."

PLAN your V.B.S. and Branch S.S. now.

PLANT Christian ideas in the minds of children and their parents.

PUSH others into service. Assign them responsibility. Get the church involved in soul saving.

ATTEND the big one-day workshop at Nevada, Sunday, May 16. Full information will be given regarding Vacation Bible Schools and Branch Sabbath Schools. Guest speaker is Perry Pedersen.

SEE the exhibit of crafts and devices and charts for offerings, investment, and other visual aid incentives.

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All Adventist homes should have "Kitchen Cupboard Secrets Cookbook." The price is \$2.25 postpaid. Many prefer "Entrees Cookbook." \$1.10 postpaid. They can be obtained by writing Mrs. Raipn Wenzel, 4318 Harriet Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55409.

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May 9—What the Bible Says About Itself

May 16—Justification By Faith Alone

OBITUARIES

JOHNSON.—Mrs. Ioa Augusta Peterson Johnson was born August 15, 185*, and passed away at Hawaruen, 10wa, rebruary 20, 1955. On February 24, 1915, sne married Henry E. Johnson who passed away in 1936. For a number of years sne was employed as a nurse at the nawaruen hospital. Her passing orings to a close a pioneer family consisting of four sisters and one promer, at of whom have died within a short period of two years. Mrs. Johnson was a niemer of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Hawarden, 10wa. Sne is survived by 17 nieces, 2 nephews, and one sister-indaw, Mrs. J. L. Peterson of Alcester, south Dakota. Mrs. Johnson is resting in the blessed hope of the soon return of her Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

T. R. Neslund

JOHNSON.—Mrs. Joe Johnson, lifetime resident of Aliamakee Coulty, passed away at her nome near Waukon, 10wa, Wednesday, February 24th at 1:50 p.m., after a lingering inness of 1 ½ years. She was 8½ years, 9 months, and 9 days old at the time of her passing. Mrs. Eva (Aldrich) Johnson, born May 15, 1831, was one of ten children born to the union of James Aldrich and Idelia Bacon at Village Creek. Her school days were spent at Village Creek. She was married to Joseph Johnson. December 26, 1900. To this union were born 5 children, Aleta, Evalena, Lorraine, Alice and Aldrich, Mrs. Johnson was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist cnurch August 27th, 1910, at Village Creek. She was a member of the Waukon Seventh-day Adventist church at the time of her passing. Until the time of her illness she had been active as Dorcas Leader at the Waukon Church. Those left to mourn are her husband, Joe Johnson of near Waukon, three daughters, Mrs. Charles Evalena Sommers, Sr., Miss Alice Johnson, Mrs. Kenneth (Lorraine) Shogren, all of Waukon, and Aldrich Johnson of Rochester. Minnesota, nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, plus many nieces and nephews and a lifetime of friends. Funeral services were held at Martin Brothers Chapel in Waukon Sunday, February 28, at 2 p.m. with Richard L. Beerbower officiating. Interment was at the Oakland Cemetery of Waukon where she awaits the call of the Lifegiver. Received 3-11-65

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Northern Union Helps Send Missionaries Everywhere

A story is going around about a Texan who put a thousand dollar bill on the counter for an airline ticket. When asked by the attendant, "Where to?" the Texan said, "Anywhere, son, I've got business all over."

I think one could buy a ticket to most any place on earth and find that our church had an interest there. It is indeed a privilege to belong to a church that has a message to give to the world, and that is actively engaged in giving it.

At the recent Spring Council in Washington, D. C., which is actually a meeting of the General Conference Committee, some brief references were made to the advance of God's work. We learned that the world membership of the church now exceeds one and a half million, the latest figure being 1,508,056. This is an increase of about twelve hundred per cent during the last fifty years. The Northern Union has participated in this soul-winning work by evangelism at home and the support of missionaries abroad.

During the last year four hundred ninety-six workers left their homelands for service in foreign fields. The Mission and Sabbath School offerings from the Northern Union helped send these workers abroad. W. R. Beach, the secretary of the General Conference, told the Spring Council that there are one hundred fifty-eight mission calls in hand right now. Fifty-five of these calls are for physicians and dentists. To help fill these needs is one reason we are urged to increase our Sabbath School giving by fifty per cent. We are glad to report that for the first quarter of this year there has already been a twelve per cent increase in Sabbath School offerings in the Northern Union. Not only do we send our means to carry on the work, but during recent months four mission ary families were called from our union. Let us continue to do our part in supporting the great mission program of the church.

J. L. DITTBERNER