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### WORK FOR ALL

We cannot all be preachers, and sway with voice and pen, As strong winds sway the forest, the minds and hearts of men, But we can be evangels to souls within our reach; There's always love's own gospel for loving hearts to preach.

We cannot all be heroes, and thrill a hemisphere

With some great, daring venture, some deed that mocks at fear;

But we can fill a lifetime with kindly acts and true; There's always noble service for noble souls to do.

# ACTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Northern Union Conference, held at Minneapolis November 10-12, 1908, the following business was transacted:

- Recommended, That the dates for the camp meetings in the Northern Union Conference be fixed as follows: Minnesota, June 17-27; North Dakota, June 21-27; South Dakota, June 24-July 4; Iowa, August 19-29.
- 2. In consideration of the help to be given those of foreign tongues, it was voted that Elder Boettcher, of Russia, be invited to attend the early meetings in the Northern Union Conference; that Elder O. A. Johnson be invited to attend the Minnesota and North Dakota meetings, and that Elder Louis Johnson be invited to attend the meeting in South Dakota.
- Recommended, That the plan pursued last year, to look after the students at Union College who wish to canvass, having proved satisfactory, that the same plan be advocated for next year, and that Brother Manfull be requested to represent the union at the students' canvassers' institute at Union College.
- 4. Recommended, That a committee, consisting of

R. A. Underwood, S. E. Jackson and J. G. Lamson, be appointed to investigate and arrange for the incorporation of the Northern Union Conference.

- Recommended, That W. L. Manfull and T. D. Gibson attend the bookmen's convention at Kansas City, January 11-18, and that the conferences be recommended to send their state agents and missionary secretaries.
- Recommended, 'That the dates for canvassers' institutes in the Northern Union be fixed as follows: Iowa, January 25-February 9; Minnesota, February 26-March 14; South Dakota, March 15-25; North Dakota, March 25-April 5.
- Recommended, That the various conferences be asked to name delegates to the General Conference as follows: Minnesota, 3; Iowa, 3; North Dakota, 2; South Dakota, 2, and that we hereby ratify the nominations made.
- 8. It was voted that Dr. C. P. Farnsworth and Prof. J. G. Lamson be elected delegates to the General Conference from the union; that the secretary of the union conference be asked to attend the General Conference.
- Recommended, That the presidents of the conferences meet with Prof. Kern and other educational men at the Union College board meeting.
- 10. Recommended, That the Northern Union Conference concur in the petition presented by the South Dakota conference to the Wyoming conference asking for the return of the six western counties of South Dakota to become again a part of the South Dakota conference territory.
- 11. Recommended, That Prof. Lamson and the presidents of the conferences be appointed a

committee, with power to act, to take up the matter of summer schools for the union.

- 12. Recommended, That Prof. Lamson be given authority to arrange for special examinations of teachers in each conference, in counsel with the local superintendent of schools in that conference.
- 13. Recommended, That the NORTHERN UNION REAPER be sent to missionaries who have gone from the Northern Union Conference to foreign fields, the conference presidents to furnish the names to whom the paper is to be sent.

# NEWS FROM ACROSS THE LINE

By request of the General Conference men at Washington I attended the council of the Western Canadian Union Conference Committee at Regina, Sask., November 25-29. The members of the executive committee met to consider the various questions demanding attention in the union. The reports of the presidents of the conferences showed some progress in each conference, also in the mission field of Saskatchewan. The question of appropriations required for the field, the book work, the coming camp meetings, the next union conference, delegates to the General Conference and the aggressive work in the field were the subjects that received attention. Elder Shaw and family, as well as the other brethren, wish to be remembered to the REAPER family here in Minnesota.

Elder Sulzle, a German laborer in Saskatchewan, is at Chamberlain with his wife, as it became necessary for her to undergo a severe operation. The brethren were all happy to know that she is doing well, and that these workers would soon be back in the field at work.

There have been some drawbacks during the past two years in Canada owing to frosts, which, in certain localities, have materially injured the crops. I was glad to meet the brethren in that field with whom I had labored in past years, and trust the meeting was one of material profit to that field. The brethren in the Northern Union will always have a very warm place in their hearts for the Western Canadian Union Conference, and will pray that God's special blessing will rest upon, not only the laborers, but all the efforts of the believers to push forward the work in that field.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

# TO WHOM TO SEND PETITIONS

All petitions to Congress against Sunday legislation should, as far as possible, be sent to the Congressman representing the district in which the petitions have been circulated. The states embraced in the Northern Union Conference are Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. The various congressional districts, and the representatives from these districts are as follows:

#### IOWA

First—Hon. Charles A. Kennedy—Montrose. Second—Hon. Albert F. Dawson—Preston. Third—Hon. Benjamin P. Birdsall—Clarion. Fourth—Hon. Gilbert N. Haugen—Northwood. Fifth—Hon. Robert G. Cousins—Tipton. Sixth—Hon. Daniel W. Hamilton—Sigourney. Seventh—Hon. John A. T. Hull—Des Moines. Eighth—Hon. William P. Hepburn—Clarinda. Ninth—Hon. Walter I. Smith—Council Bluffs. Tenth—Hon. James P. Conner—Denison. Eleventh—Hon. Elbert Hamilton Hubbard—Sioux City.

#### MINNESOTA

First—Hon. A. J. Tawney—Winona. Second—Hon. W. S. Hammond—St. James. Third—Hon. Chas. R. Davis—St. Peter. Fourth—Hon. F. S. Stevens—St. Paul. Fifth—Hon. Frank M, Nye—Minneapolis. Sixth—Hon. Chas, A. Lindberg—Little Falls. Seventh—Hon. A. J. Volstead—Granite Falls. Eighth—Hon. J. Adam Bede—Pine City. Ninth—Hon. Halvor Stenerson—Crookston.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA

Representatives at Large-Hon. Philo Hall-Brookings, and Hon. Eben W. Martin-Deadwood.

#### NORTH DAKOTA

Representatives at Large-Hon. Thomas Frank Marshall-Oakes, and Hon. Asle J. Gronna-Lakota.

We suggest that the petitions be accompanied by brief, courteous letters of explanation, expressing the hope that no such legislation pass, but that the blessing of religious freedom, as guaranteed by the Constitution, be maintained and preserved to the people as long as possible. Send to the proper Congressman, care Capitol Building, Washington, D. C. W. A. COLCORD,

Secretary Religious Liberty Bureau.

# \* From the Field \*

# Iowa Conference

#### CHURCH CONVENTIONS

It is planned to hold church conventions in different districts of the conterence this winter at which the various departments of our work will be represented. At least two of these conventions will be conducted in each of the conference districts and the churches nearest the places appointed are invited to participate. The first two conventions will be held as follows: Exira, December 10-13; Sharpsburg, December 17-20, commencing on Thursday evening with preaching service. Friday, Sabbath and Sunday will be spent in considering the work of each department of the conference the work of church, the Sabbath school the young people's society, and duties of officers and members.

While the invitation is extended to all our people from the nearby churches, we trust the officers of these churches will make an especial effort to be present as the subjects presented will be of especial importance to them. A question box will be a feature of each day's program, and will furnish opportunity for the discussion of a wide range of subjects. Sister Dorcas, Brethren Wilbur, Hollingsworth and the writer, and possibly Professor Lamson will attend the appointments at Exira and Sharpsburg. Dr. J. H. Heald will be at the last-named place in the interests of health and temperance. Announcements for other conventions will be made later. M. N. CAMPBELL.

#### IOWA NOTES

As a means of aiding in the completion of the sanitarium, and to place it on a sound financial basis, the members of our churches are urged to enter upon a holiday campaign with "Ministry of Healing." The book sells for \$1.50, and under a new arrangement the sanitarium receives one dollar from every book sold in the conference. These can either be used as gifts by the individuals, or sold to others who desire to give presents, and a good sum will thus accrue to the sanitarium fund.

Mrs. Minnie Syp visited her sons at the academy, intending to remain but one night, but in the chapel exercises, which she conducted the next morning, such an interest was developed that it was thought best for Sister Syp to remain with the school and the church at Stuart for two weeks. Almost the entire academy family made a fresh start for the kingdom,

The Iowa conference committee has been called to meet at Camanche December 8. Many matters of importance demand attention at this time, and plans will no doubt be laid which will have a strong bearing on the advancement of the work.

Brother W. E. Perrin, formerly editor of the Bulletin, is in Washington taking some special instruction in the Review and Herald press room before going on to India, to take charge of the printing office in that field.

The academy family distributed 1,000 copies of the Thanksgiving Review, and a report during the week says that "Stuart is hustling the Review distribution and the people are having fine experiences."

The Iowa Sanitarium Training School for Nurses now has the recognition of the state Board of Health, having been placed in the list of schools that are considered in good standing.

Brother Glen Shelton delivered \$259.25 worth of books

last week. If we had twenty men doing the same amount of work what a record it would make.

#### CHURCH SCHOOL NOTES

Miss Emily Stanfield is teaching church school at Hawkeye, school commencing November 24. At the same time the Decatur school was opened by Miss Minnie Woolford, of Pilot Mound.

Mr. A. Ray Smouse sends a very encouraging report of the progress of his school at Sioux Rapids.

Miss Ruth McWilliams, of Stuart, has accepted a call to teach a family school at Adel.

Miss Ethel Barber, of Rodney, has accepted a church school at Monroe, S. D.

Miss Gertrude Hunt is teaching a family school in the country near Ames.

Mrs. Ella Gilchrist is teaching this term in the school at Spencer.

# South Dakota Conference

### THE WEEK OF PRAYER

We are just coming out of a most precious missionary campaign for the financial support of the great work God is carrying forward in the earth. Many are the blessings that have come to us as we have met with the people in their homes and presented this message to them. What the result will be eternity alone can reveal. What could be more appropriate than to follow this work with prayer and heart searching? Such a week is just before us in the annual Week of Prayer.

Another year full of wonderful fulfilments of prophecy is nearly in the past. A year of probation passed into eternity, but, brethren it is also one year nearer to our home. The work is rapidly closing up in the earth, and soon our Jesus will come. May we hasten the day by entering into the battle fully strengthened for the struggle. Let us plan, brethren, to meet each day of this special season, and seek God with all our hearts. As we draw near to the close of time how much more we need to come close to God and to each other. A definite time should be set so that there may be no misunderstanding, and someone fail to meet with God's people.

It has been our plan in former years to have some one of the workers meet with each church and company, but inasmuch as all our churches have had help in the special campaign, and some of our workers have interests that demand their attention, it will not be possible to follow this plan this year as fully as in former years. Let us draw near to God in full of assurance of faith by confession and prayer. J. W. CHRISTIAN.

### A GOOD EXPERIENCE

For about two weeks before the time set for the opening of the campaign with the *Review* many of the students of the Elk Point Industrial Academy were planning to take an active part in it. Several meetings were held for the purpose of discussing methods of work, and also for drill in presenting the paper. The interest was such that it was thought best to dismiss school for two days to give all an opportunity to have a part in this important work.

On account of inclement weather the work could not begin until Wednesday. On the forenoon of that day the two lady teachers of the academy, with the writer and the students, boarded the train for Vermillion and Yankton; the ladies of the party and one boy stopped at the former place, while the writer with four boys proceeded to the latter.

Both parties, before separating for work, sought the Lord for wisdom and guidance. The time for work was short, especially for those who went to Yankton. Each went forth with a determination to do his best. In the evening when we gathered to relate experiences the reports of donations varied, some receiving more and some less; but all testifying that the Lord had greatly blessed them. All had met those who loved God's work in the earth, and were glad to contribute to its support. The donations received amounted to twenty-one dollars and forty-eight cents. All received a new inspiration to work, and all are eager for another opportunity. The next day being Thanksgiving it was not thought best to continue the work that day, so both parties took the morning train for Elk Point.

What will not God do for his people when all will work unitedly? Eternity alone will reveal the sults of this work. M. J. Low.

### A BRIEF REPORT

I remained at Wallace a short time after the tent was taken down, holding a few meetings in Brother Jensen's home and visiting the people. Sister Lena Jensen remained here until the time of our workers' meeting at Sioux Falls. The work here has moved somewhat slowly, but still we are thankful that one person has taken a firm stand for the truth, and that there are others whom we hope will take a stand.

After attending the committee meeting held at Chamberlain in the interest of the school proposition, I went west of the Missouri river and visited some of our scattered Sabbath-keepers. We have quite a large number of people scattered throughout that territory, and it was indeed a privilege for me to visit and to hold meetings with some of them, for they seemed to appreciate a visit so much. Some of these families had not met any of our people for a long time. I found a number of these isolated ones somewhat discouraged; but others were of good courage and were doing all they could to spread the light of this glorious truth. Some individuals have recently accepted the truth out there. We feel that it is time for some of our workers to enter this large field.

After attending our good workers' meeting I visited our people at Willow Lake and Lake Preston in the interest of the special *Review* work. At these places the territory had been districted, and the people showed a deep interest in this good work. May the Lord bless the efforts put forth.

I am now at Wallace again for a short time. Remember us in your prayers, that the Lord may prosper the work here. N. P. NEILSEN.

#### A CHANGE

A change in field agent for South Dakota has been made necessary by the call for Brother G. W. Miller to go to the Maritime conference to take charge of the work in that field. Brother Miller has rendered very acceptable service to this conference in the canvassing work, and we shall miss his labors; but another needy field will gain what we lose. Brother Miller is of Canadian birth, and has a burden to labor for his own people. I am sure our prayers will follow our fellow-laborer to his new field.

Brother F. L. Limerick, for four years field agent of the Kansas conference, has been secured for this field, and is now on the ground getting acquainted with the people. I am sure our people will give him a hearty welcome, and that we shall witness a mighty work done in this line of gospel work. All communications relating to the canvassing work should be sent to him at the office address.

J. W. CHRISTIAN.

#### LANGFORD

Some time ago I wrote concerning an old man who for years had been an infidel, and who was considered by the whole community as beyond help. For the past year he has been afflicted with a cancer. He attended a few of the meetings held here this summer, and when no longer able to attend we visited him at his home, going again and again, until at last our efforts were rewarded in seeing him accept the truth. He died Thanks-

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giving day. Before his death he asked me to preach his funeral sermon, which I did, the service being held in the Methodist church of this place. The attendance was large, and the spirit of God witnessed to the word presented.

R. E. HARTER.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Brother F. L. Limerick is visiting our churches in the interest of the canvassing work. He will be at Swan Lake Sabbath, December 12, and Elk Point December 19.

The conference laborers report very encouragingly of the work with the special Review. We shall know soon just how many papers we have used in this small conference.

Prof. J. I. Beardsley, educational superintendent of South Dakota, is visiting in the northern part of the state in the interest of the school work.

The Week of Prayer this year comes December 12–19. Let all our brethren plan their work so that much time may be given to heart searching.

The general meeting at Bowdle was well attended, many persons coming from Long Lake, Sutley and Glenham.

# North Dakota Conference

### FROM THE FIELD

After our appointed Union Conference Committee meeting at Minneapolis, of which no doubt others will report, I went to the northern part of the state to fill an appointment, to which I came three days late. I reached Rosehill on Monday, and we had meetings every day. The Lord gave us beautiful weather. I found the brethren, as usual, hungry to learn more of the message, so it was a pleasure to break the bread of life to them. I stayed with them a full week.

There are many souls in this neighborhood who are seeking after a deeper life in Christ, and are looking towards our people with their hearts troubled and wondering if these things are so. The devil knows it better than our brethren here, and he has tried to hinder the good work; but, thank God, the greatest danger point has been passed, and we have reason to believe that a good lesson has been learned. This company of twentyfive members will soon be organized.

One encouraging feature at this place is the financial standing of these brethren. They are not rich in this world's goods, but they have a heart for the work. Their tithe so far this fall has been \$865, and offerings for foreign missions, \$911. Best of all, they have enjoyed giving it. May this example be a provocation to good work to other bodies.

One of their young men is at the academy. It

would do you good to read the letters that come home from him. The whole church reads them, and they have an influence. Pray God to continue to keep this company loyal to the message, and that other souls may be gathered to them in the near future.

Yesterday one of these brethren took me over to visit some of our isolated people, with whom we had a short but pleasant visit. It was so foggy that it was not safe to be out in the night, and on account of another appointment I could not stay longer. C. J. KUNKEL.

# SHEYENNE RIVER ACADEMY

As this is the week set apart by the General Conference brethren to solicit means for our mission work in the foreign fields, the teachers and students felt it a privilege to take part in this work, so we voted to take Tuesday and Wednesday for that purpose.

If you could have looked into our chapel at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, you would have seen a sight that the angels surely enjoyed beholding, a company of students and teachers bowed before God, pleading with him that the Angel of his Presence might go before them and prepare the hearts of the people to respond to the invitation that would be given them to contribute for the extension of the gospel, and to give them opportunity to sow some seeds of truth that would spring up and bear fruit to life eternal.

Nine of our students, in company with two of the teachers, visited the town of Harvey, four of the young men visited the surrounding country; and three two of our neighboring towns. If you could have seen this same company when they returned at the close of the day, and as we assembled in the chapel for evening worship, you could have read from their countenances that God had been true to his promise, and had surely gone before. When opportunity was given to relate the experiences of the day, all were ready to respond most heartily with experiences that no money could buy, and when each one reported the amount of money received the total was over \$62. Some of us had experiences that were worth even more than money in giving us a preparation for future work.

Such are the experiences of our students and if any who read these lines desire such a fitting for service, we invite you most heartily to come and join us. MRS. N. W. LAWRENCE.

#### HARVEY

Though the weather was cold and there was

snow all last week, I enjoyed my work delivering books. The pleasure of getting the blessed truth into so many homes warmed me through and through. I delivered books in four different languages. Most of the people seemed glad to get their books.

After the five days of stormy driving it did me good to meet such a cordial welcome at the cosy and pleasant home of Brother Joseph Fleck, near Goodrich. We canvassers have as many homes as anyone, though some of us have none of our own. On Sabbath I attended the German meeting at Goodrich, and though I could not understand all that was said, yet I enjoyed the meeting very much. I was very much pleased to see an excellent interest in the Sabbath school, there being five classes in all. I hope to hear from some men and women who will help vs in the book work in North Dakota towns this winter.

W. B. PAYNE.

# A WORD CONCERNING OUR COMING CON-FERENCE MEETING

Our conference will convene December 27. It will be held at the academy. Those who have been at Harvey in former years know that it means a great deal to have such a large meeting in connection with an already crowded school, but the board, faculty and students are willing to undergo the strain, because it offers an opportunity for the students to become acquainted with the work of the conference, as well as the work in general.

Prof. P. T. Magan and Elder G. F. Haffner are expected from outside, and Elder R. A. Underwood and Prof. J. G. Lamson from the union.

Many items of interest and importance will be considered, therefore it is important that a full representation of delegates from all our churches be present. I wish we could ask a large number of our brethren and sisters to attend the conference, but we cannot do it because of lack of room; but we assure you that Mother Shephard and all connected with the academy will do their very best to provide the accommodation at our disposal.

It is necessary for all to bring bedding sufficient for cold weather. Meals will be served for twenty cents each. Let us come praying that the Lord may preside over all of our minds and hearts, and that he may have the uppermost seat in all of our meetings. C. J. KUNKEL.

# NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE MEETING

The annual meeting of the North Dakota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held

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C. F. Cole	56	12	11	55	48	3 55		
Totals,	131	24	\$35	60	\$109	60		
U. C. Totals,	212	41	\$46	35	\$157	35	\$13	75

THE BOOK WORK

December 27-31, at the Sheyenne River Academy, Harvey, N. D., for the purpose of electing conference officers for the coming year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the conference.

The first meeting will be held Sunday, December 27, at 7:30 p. m. Let all our churches be sure to send a list of delegates and alternates at once to the conference secretary Elder F. G. Specht, Harvey, N. D. C. J. KUNKEL, President.

# NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE ASSOCIA-TION MEETING

The annual meeting of the North Dakota Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the annual meeting of the conference. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a new board of trustees, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the association. The first meeting will be held December 31, at 10 A. M. C. J. KUNKEL, President.

# Minnesota Conference

#### ALEXANDRIA

An elders' and missionary secretaries' institute was held at Alexandria Sabbath and Sunday, November 28-29. The program arranged was a good one, and was appreciated by those in attendance. Elders Jackson, Lamson, Pedicord and Brother T. D. Gibson gave assistance in the exercises, and it is believed the meeting will be of benefit to the church.

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### THE NORTHERN UNION REAPER

Besides the members of the Alexandria church, there were representatives from Fergus Falls and Henning. Some disappointment was expressed that there was not a larger attendance from other nearby churches, as it is one purpose of the missionary institute to bring about a revival of interest in home missionary work if possible.

The Alexandria church and Miss Katie Adams, the teacher, are to be commended for the neat and comfortable appearance of the church school room. There is an attendance of twentytwo pupils. T. D. G.

### BRAINERD

The Brainerd church school opened October 12, with seven pupils enrolled. The attendance has been gradually increasing until there are now thirteen, and we expect a few more in the near future. We already have the first six grades represented, and expect to take up the eighth grade work the coming week.

It is quite a sacrifice for the brethren and sisters to maintain a school, but they have the salvation of their children at heart, and not these only, but also those whom they have taken to care for, and others in the school who are not of our faith. The Lord is richly blessing the earnest efforts put forth here, and we are daily hoping and praying that the school may be what God has ordained the church schools to be—a means of saving souls.

I am glad to report the hearty co-operation of the brethren and sisters in the work of educating the children to stand amid the dangers and trials of these closing days. Now is the time to work for the children and young people among us. Let it not be said of us that we have neglected our opportunities, and as a result some sculs are lost.

EUGENE A. CHRISTENSON.

### APPOINTMENT

There will be a general meeting at Brainerd, commencing Wednesday evening, December 23, and closing Sunday evening, December 27. Elder Babcock and Brother T. D. Gibson are expected to help with this meeting. We desire all of the brethren and sisters in that section of the country to attend the meeting, and they are invited to do so.

ANDREW MEAD.

#### MINNESOTA NOTES

Mrs. J. G. Lamson left last night for Cedar Rapids, Mich., where she will spend a month or six weeks with her parents. Prof. Lamson left at the same time to attend a

meeting of the Iowa conference committee at Comanche December 8.

An ingathering service was held in the Minneapolis (English) church on Sabbath. A very interesting program had been prepared, and each number was rendered in an acceptable manner. The offering amounted to over \$32.

Elder Jackson went from Alexandria to Fergus Falls after the institute at the former place last week. Matters of importance connected with the locating of the new church required his presence.

Elder L. H. Christian came from Fergus Falls to Alexandria to consult with Elder Jackson last Sunday. Brother Christian took part in the work of the missionary institute.

Attention is called to Elder Jackson's article in last week's REAPER, which provides leaders for the Week of Prayer meetings.

The Sabbath school lesson quarterlies for the first quarter of 1909 are in stock at the tract society. Send in orders .early.

A general meeting will be held at Anoka December 11-13. A good attendance is desired.

Elder A. W. Kuehl is conducting a series of meetings in the German language at Winona,

Dr. Alexander, of Henning, attended the meeting at Alexandria last week.

Elders Budd and Chapman are engaged in meetings at Bruno.

### THE LIFE BOAT

The December *Life Boat* contains a stirring article on "Good Samaritan Work" which gives the trumpet a certain sound concerning what should be done. United States Attorney Sims, who secured the twenty-nine million dollar fine against the Standard Oil Company, has recently, at the request of the government, been investigating the white slave traffic, and he found a condition that seems unthinkable, namely, that tens of thousands of innocent girls are each year bought and sold like cattle. The essential facts are presented in this *Life Boat*.

Two and one-half cents each. Order copies for your neighbors. Dr. David Paulson, Editor, Hinsdale, Ill.

BROTHER J. H. SCHMIDT and wife, nee Miss Millie M. Johnson, of Ft. Pierre, S. D., are engaged in the German work in Chicago. Brother, and Sister Schmidt were married November 26. We extend the congratulations of the REAPER family to these young people, and hope that their labors will be made much more effective by this union.

THE Morning Watch Calendar for 1909 is ready for distribution, and may be ordered from the conference Missionary Volunteer secretary. Single copies, postpaid, 6 cents. Five or more copies, 5 cents each.

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Sun sets Friday, December 11, at 4:28

THE Week of Prayer commences next Sabbath, December 12, and closes December 19. The readings will be found in the Review of November 19. All preparations should be made so that where possible meetings can be held each day of the week during the period. Where this is not possible the articles provided should be given a thorough reading in the home. Everyone should plan to take part in the service of the week, and it is hoped there will be such a spirit of consecration that "he who ever liveth to make intercession for us will give to each of us an earnest spirit of intercession during this week of prayer." The regular envelopes will be used for the annual offering-giving them out the first Sabbath and taking them up the following one. The church treasurer should send the cash offering to the conference office at once and collect pledges later. The funds are needed.

IMPORTANT measures will be considered at the book and missionary convention to be held at Kansas City January 11-18. The reorganization of the home missionary work is one of the most important problems confronting the churches just now, and it is believed something definite will come from this convention of missionary workers. Besides this, the book work will receive proper consideration, and a number of new state agents will be brought in contact with others of long experience, thus giving them the opportunity to imbibe some of the principles which have been a means to success of our best field workers. This convention is considered an important one by the publishers, who have provided the best help obtainable.

Ar the close of the work day Thanksgiving eve five hundred ninety thousand copies of the special *Review* had been sent out, and there were orders on the books for almost one hundred thou. sand more. One good feature of the ingathering work is that the Thanksgiving number will not be out of date for some time to come, and it has been decided to extend the Thanksgiving Ingathering for two full weeks. All orders for papers will be filled, and our people are earnestly requested to continue the good work. No one can estimate the amount of good this work will do.

THE management of the Southern Publishing Association announce that with the beginning of the new year the Watchman will be changed from a weekly to a forty-eight page monthly, with the cover printed in colors. Some important phase of the advent message will constitute the leading feature of each issue, the January number dealing with the United States in prophecy. The retail price of this magazine will be ten cents a copy, with the same rates to agents as on other magazines.

VERY encouraging reports are coming from those who have been and are now circula ing the special *Review*. This good work has not yet stopped, and a large sum will doubtless be collected for the maintainance of the work of the gospel in other lands. Many of the workers have had experiences which will be worth a great deal to them, and which will possibly give them a desire to connect more fully with the work of giving the message.

In this issue we give the names and addresses of the congressmen from Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. Those who have been circulating petitions against the passage of the Jchnston Sunday bill may readily ascertain from this list the name of the corgressman who represents the district they live in, and will know where to send the letter and petition.

ELDER G. B. THOMPSON, who visited the camp meetings of the Northern Union last summer, and who is well known to many persons in this field, has been elected to the presidency of the Columbia Union Conference. Elder Thompson entered upon his work immediately.

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