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"THE HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW"

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MAPLEWOOD ACADEMY

The members of the Maplewood board were called recently and we met at the Academy. We were pleased to note the good spirit that prevailed. So far as we could learn there is a spirit of unity and co-operation on the part of all. The faculty were cheerful and encouraged over the prospects and every student I saw was wearing a smile.

It gives one an inspiration to meet with a body of young men and women who are filled with vigor and strength, and whose hearts are set on receiving an education preparatory for more efficient Christian service.

All will be interested in another much needed improvement recently made: the room immediately back of the kitchen that was formerly occupied by the furnace and used for coal has been thoroughly renovated, well lighted, and a new floor put in, and now we have a new, up-to-date bake oven installed in this room. The matron informed me that it works splendidly and we were privileged to sample the first baking, and can testify that it was entirely satisfactory, and judging from frequent trips made to the kitchen with the bread plate at the time of the noonday meal, the students were likewise pleased.

Another matter of importance considered by the board was the high cost of living, and it seemed impera-

tive that some change in tuition be made. So, in view of the great advance on all foodstuffs and also in view of the fact that on the present basis, we will not be able to come out financially safe at the end of the year, the board decided that we would have to raise the tuition at least one dollar per month beginning with 1917.

I am sure that all the patrons of the school will see the consistency of this and will gladly cooperate.

G. W. WELLS.

Home Miss. Dept.

S. A. Ruskjer, Secretary

GEDDES

It was my privilege to meet with some of the isolated brethren at Geddes on Sabbath and two other families south of Platte. Arriving in Geddes Friday night, thankful indeed was I for the hospitality of Brother and Sister Will Sanders' home. Sabbath school was held at the home of Fred and Mrs. Rubel.

The brethren at this place subscribed for a club of the weekly *Signs* for one year. One hundred mission *Signs* were also taken for distribution, and Brother Sanders will place a reading rack in the railroad station to be supplied from time to time with literature.

To me this is a good showing for Home Missionary work. There are many other places in South Dakota

where the same move should be made. Would be glad to hear from churches or individuals wanting a neat reading rack.

W. B. PAYNE.

HOME MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS—SOUTH DAKOTA

Elk Point, South Church, January 5 to 8.

Chamberlain Church, January 12 to 15.

Huron Church, January 19 to 22.

Madison Church, January 26 to 28.

W. B. PAYNE, H. M. Sec.

Missionary Volunteer and Educational Dept.

M. B. Van Kirk, Secretary

THE COLOME CHURCH SCHOOL

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths," is the promise God has given to us all. We feel that God is directing our Church school. We have had four Junior meetings in which the children are taking very much interest.

We have a very nice church at Colome. We have organized a Young People's Society, and are determined to reach our goal this year.

During the Week of Prayer we had the privilege of having Brother Nott and Bro. Youngberg with us

and I am sure each one feels that he is on higher and holier ground. We are determined by the help of God to press onward and climb higher each day.

It is my only desire in teaching Church school that I may train every child placed under my care in the right way, and that I may be able to meet each one saved on the great day that is just before us.

ELIZABETH HARVEY.

DULUTH SCHOOL

The church school here opened September 11th with a good attendance. At the present time we have eleven students coming steadily. Two who enrolled at first contracted diphtheria and were obliged to give up school work, owing to failing sight after recovering.

This is nearing the close of our fourth month of school, and students as well as their teacher are looking forward with eager anticipations for a few days' vacation at the close of the old year, and beginning of the new.

We have a Junior Society organized and holding weekly meetings. Although our reports of missionary work are not large I find they implant a missionary zeal within each child and a desire to grow up a worker together with God.

Surely the elementary schools hold the key for the attendance of young people in the more advanced schools among our denomination, and when we know this is the fact, what a great opportunity is presented. A great responsibility rests upon each teacher as he stands before his classes for nine months, or less, in the year. It is needless for me to speak of my own inefficiency to do this work, and the problem is only solved by being in close touch with God day by day.

At the present time we have six grades represented, and as a teacher I find I am kept very busy. No doubt this school is similar to the others having boys and girls active

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and full of life. I can say that our students are striving to live such lives that Jesus can approve and claim them as his own.

ELIZABETH GOTT, Teacher.

From the Field

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MINNEAPOLIS SCANDINAVIAN CHURCH

The gospel warfare is still on in this part of the field, making some progress in spite of much opposition. To God belongs all the glory.

July 14th Eld. P. E. Broderson and the writer with Brother Alfons Lockert as tent master, Sisters Jensen and Hanson from the Danish-Norwegian Seminary helping with the music and singing, opened meetings on the corner of Franklin and 27th Aves. South.

At the first meeting we had a full tent, and the interest continued very gratifyingly throughout the effort. Some of our people belonging to the church from the time it was first organized thirty-two years ago have stated that, of all the tent efforts conducted in the city none has been better attended. The meetings in the tent closed Sept. 17th and were transferred to our church on Franklin Ave. as the evenings became cold. The good interest and attendance continued. The Lord blessed us in presenting the truth to the people. Personally I experienced many blessings. I enjoyed very much the association of my collaborators.

Over one hundred subscriptions for our Norwegian and Swedish periodicals were secured by the Bible workers and Brother Lockert. We used a large amount of other papers and tracts which I hope will in due time bring result.

December 9th it was the privilege of the writer to baptize six souls, and four others were baptized a few weeks ago. Two have been added to the church on profession of faith; and others are keeping the Sabbath, while a good number are much interested in the truth. We are hoping to have others ready for baptism very soon.

The expense during these meetings, such as rent of ground, equipments for the tent, and advertising of meetings amounted to \$196.34. Donations received during the same time came to \$157.37.

November 19th the church held its Harvest Ingathering. The offering amounted to \$32.00. The children took the leading part in the program and did well.

The Sabbath School, under the leadership of Mrs. P. E. Broderson, is doing very good work. Excellent interest is manifested in all the departments. The church is overcrowded on Sabbaths. We hope that by another year a new church can be built that will meet the demands of the work in a Scandinavian city like Minneapolis. May the Lord help us to consecrate all we have to this blessed cause and be found coming with many souls to the Kingdom of God.

N. R. NELSON.

DULUTH

The Week of Prayer meetings were held daily and proved to be a great blessing to all. On account of the writer's absence, the main burden fell upon our efficient Bible worker, Miss May Jenson. We are thankful for a newer spirit of fuller consecration which is taking hold of souls, and especially of our new members who are catching the old-time spirit of zeal and sacrifice. We expect to hold another baptismal service next Sabbath. The consecration service which followed the Eld. Daniells' reading, the last Sabbath

of the Week of Prayer will long be remembered by those present.

With Mrs. White, I spent the first Sabbath of the Week of Prayer at Brighton, Iowa, where Elders M. E. Cornell and R. M. Kilgore raised up a church in 1868, of which my parents were charter members. While the old building no more stands, yet members of the old Brighton church are nobly holding up the precious truths in various places far and wide. Father is at rest, and my aged mother still rejoices in the truth. It was my privilege to speak to a capacity house in the Brighton Club House on the "Seven Seals," all expenses of which were paid by outside friends without taking a collection. Quite a quantity of my new Sabbath tracts were given away, and over a column of the sermon appeared in the *Brighton Enterprise*.

The next evening, by special request of the wife of a leading banker who paid for all expenses, I spoke at the Graham Opera House at Washington, Iowa, on the "World War, Its Cause and Meaning." Representatives of the local press were present, and the next day very favorable comment with extended notice appeared in the *Evening Journal*. I greatly enjoyed watering the seed in the old county seat, and I never spoke to a more appreciative audience than in my old home town.

We expect to put forth most strenuous efforts in Duluth this winter to enlarge the work and endeavor to reach the honest in heart throughout the city. We solicit your prayers, and if you have any friends in the city please write them at once and urge them to attend the services at the church. The Misses Jenson are doing faithful service in Bible work from house to house.

STEMPLE WHITE.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Brother Grundset and wife spent the holiday at Hutchinson.

Brother Dittes of Monticello was a caller at the office last Tuesday.

Brother Anol Grundset cheered the office force with his presence Wednesday afternoon.

Brother Clarence Anderson is now located at Milaca, which will be the place of his labors for the future.

Brother Gulbrandson and wife were visitors at the home of his parents, and at other points at Christmastide.

The Stillwater Children's Mission Band gave a program in the church last Sabbath afternoon at which time \$11.25 was brought in by the children.

Word comes from Frazee that a new Sabbath school has been organized six miles from that point. The reports of advancement continue to come in.

Andrew Haynal and A. T. Babien-co, two of our Maplewood students, made a visit at the tract society Thursday. It is pleasant to have the young people drop in.

Brother H. J. Blain, who lives near Maple Plain, was a pleasant caller at the office Thursday afternoon. He took with him a number of our good books.

Elder E. L. Sheldon was a welcome visitor at the St. Paul English church last Sabbath, the 16th. He was there in the interest of the Missionary Volunteer department.

Elder Geo. Budd is conducting an effort at Frazee where there is a promising outlook, largely the result of faithful work on the part of Brother and Sister Fred Reitter.

Prof. Koehn of South Dakota called on friends in St. Paul Wednesday evening, and heard Elder G. B. Thompson's sermon. The professor was in the cities on Union Conference business.

Brother Delbert Henkes, formerly of Canada, was a caller at the office Thursday. He and his wife plan to take a course in nursing at Hastings, Neb., and called on friends on their way to that point.

It was a pleasure to see Elder Swenson at the office Thursday. He is recovering nicely from his recent severe illness, and is able to take hold of the work again. His little daughter is also well on the road to recovery.

The time for the "Present Truth" January List to close has been extended to February 1. Price 25 cents each subscription. Order of Minn. Tract Society. Review Extras can still be had, put up in any form that will be convenient for you.

It will be of interest to our people to know that twenty-one scholarships were distributed by the tract society during the past year: eleven to Maplewood, five to Hutchinson, three to Union and two to the Swedish seminary. This certainly speaks well for the work in this state.

St. Paul had the pleasure of listening to Elder Geo. B. Thompson at the English church Wednesday. Elder Thompson was in the city on Union business, and was pleased to meet with the believers at that time. He spoke of the necessity of believing more fully the word of God, and that this would strengthen the believers in the time of trouble. All were much impressed with the truths spoken.

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SHEYENNE RIVER ACADEMY

WEEK OF PRAYER

We are glad to report a good Week of Prayer at the Academy. The regular work of the school was to a considerable extent laid aside, especially during the first few days, which were devoted to the sessions of the Missionary Volunteer Convention conducted by Professor M. B. Van Kirk and Eld. J. J. Reiswig. These meetings were enjoyed by all notwithstanding the uncomfortable back-

less planks with which our chapel was seated.

We were also pleased to have with us for the first time Professor W. E. Howell, Educational Secretary of the North American Division Conference. His chapel and evening talks were listened to with interest and profit by the students and neighbors.

The spirit of the Lord came especially near during the latter part of the week. Teachers and students united in seeking God, and his presence was manifest in the yielding of hearts to his service and the renewal of consecration on the part of nearly all.

These are serious, solemn days and the most vital problem is that of our personal relation to God, the one thing needful.

W. A. ALWAY.

FARGO

Eld. S. A. Ruskjer, of Minneapolis, Secretary of the Home Missionary department of the Northern Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, occupied the pulpit in the S. D. A. church of Fargo on Sabbath and Sunday, December 16 and 17.

On Sabbath his text was Zech. 3:1-3, showing how Joshua, the High Priest, had to stand before the angel of the Lord alone and Satan trying to overthrow him. He brought out the thought that we must stand alone, not as churches or families, but as individuals before God, and we, each one, have that wily foe to resist.

He used other texts showing the importance of being well versed in the Scriptures so as to be able to stand alone before God.

On Sunday his subject was the Second Coming of Christ, using Amos 3:7 to show that the Lord doeth nothing without revealing his secrets unto his servants, the prophets, and as everything has come true so far that has been prophesied,

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we must expect the rest to come true also. He quoted John 14:1-3, showing Christ has promised to come again and take us to himself, also Rev. 22:12 that when he comes he brings his reward with him to give to every man as his works shall be. Many other texts were used to show the nearness of his coming, and the importance of our being ready for the great event.

The sermon was greatly enjoyed and was very impressive, and surely very instructive to us all.

FARGO CHURCH.

FIRE AT SHEYENNE RIVER ACADEMY

On Thursday, December 14, the ladies' dormitory was destroyed by fire. This is the new building which was constructed one year ago. The fire was started by the furnace. At one o'clock A. M. the boys rooming in the basement discovered it, and with difficulty made their escape. The flames were then pouring through the air shafts on the first floor, and the entire building was filled with smoke. The girls were aroused, and all but two succeeded in getting out through the door. The dense smoke prevented Miss Specht from seeing the ladder raised for her to a second-story window, but the fall resulted in no more serious injury than a broken collar bone. Forty-five minutes from the time the fire was discovered the building fell in ruins.

The boys removed the new piano through the window of the music room, and saved the clothing from three of the girls' rooms. The building and furniture was insured for \$5,500.

It was with feelings of deep gratitude to God that the students and teachers assembled in the chapel on the following morning to thank him that our lives had all been spared. It seemed necessary to dismiss school until after Christmas in order that

the girls might go home to prepare new wardrobes. School will open again December 27. The citizens and merchants of Harvey showed their sympathy in a substantial way by sending sufficient clothing to supply the immediate needs. Miss Specht is being cared for in the Harvey Hospital.

STUDENT.

GOAL PASSED

For the first time North Dakota has reached her Harvest Ingathering goal. For several years we have tried to reach the \$1,000.00 mark, but had never made it. This year we have passed it. To date the receipts are \$1,069.45, and this in a year when the crops are a failure. This is another evidence that the drouth does not retard God's work unless we let it get into our own hearts.

ANDREW ROEDEL.

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All office address.

WEDDING AT COLMAN

A very pretty wedding took place December 13 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Thompson, of Colman, South Dakota, when their daughter, Miss Katie Thompson, was united in marriage to Mr. Edward May, of Monroe. One corner of the parlor was neatly and appropriately decorated for the occasion. A large number of relatives were present to enjoy the service and the splendid dinner. Brother May and bride were two of our faithful colporteurs for two years. They expect to locate on a farm at Monroe. We are glad for such stable young people in our churches to help hold up the standard of truth before the people, and wish the future of their lives filled with sunshine and happiness.

D. F. WEATHERLY.

RHOADS-YOUNGBERG

On Christmas Eve at 7 o'clock, in the South Elk Point chapel, in the presence of about 150 well-wishing friends, occurred the happy marriage of Miss Norma Ione, daughter of Brother and Sister Bert Rhoads, to Brother Gustavas B. Youngberg, both being successful workers in the South Dakota Conference.

The service besides being witnessed by those of, and not of our faith, was also witnessed by Him who honored and beautified marriage by His presence and first miracle at Cana of Galilee. His presence made a deep impression on all our hearts.

Brother and Sister Youngberg are quite well known to most of our conference people, he being a graduate of Union College in 1915, and she of Plainview Academy in 1916. Since their respective graduations each has been actively engaged in conference work.

It was our privilege to be closely associated with both of them in a tent effort a year ago, at which time their entire consecration to the cause we all love was made very manifest. Having had quite an extended and intimate acquaintance with this worthy young pair we feel safe in bespeaking for them a life of happiness and success as together they toil in the highway and hedges, leading the wanderers to Jesus.

Never shall we forget the day that we knocked on the door of a public schoolhouse in Moody county, South Dakota, and the teacher, a young man, came to the door and granted us the privilege of beginning a series of meetings at his schoolhouse. At these meetings this teacher espoused the truth and became "Brother Youngberg" to us. He at once decided to prepare for some branch of God's work, and since has entered the ministry. The bride has been doing successful Bible work at Sioux Falls since campmeeting, and

it was not without a feeling of deep joy that we met them at the altar and conducted the service that made them life-long helpmates.

They will make their home in Sioux Falls for the present, awaiting in readiness to go whithersoever the Master calleth. We know God will bless their labors, and that our people will all wish them God's richest showers. C. W. RUBENDALL.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE IN
SOUTH DAKOTA SABBATH
SCHOOLS

For Third Quarter

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| 1. May Summey | 39. Oliver Warner |
| 2. Mrs. O. Engebretson | 40. Leo Oswald |
| 3. Alfred Jenson | 41. Laura May |
| 4. Mrs. Alfred Jenson | 42. Nettie May |
| 5. C. J. Ulstead | 43. Allen Cates |
| 6. Dave Levison | 44. Miss G. M. O. Bakke |
| 7. Mabel Levison | 45. Ruth Galbreath |
| 8. Hannah Larson | 46. Mrs. C. M. Babcock |
| 9. Howard Fogelsanger | 47. Florence Rushworth |
| 10. Mrs. Lulu Fogelsanger | 48. Mrs. Eva Thies |
| 11. Mrs. Maud Johnston | 49. Henrietta Thies |
| 12. Lester Johnston | 50. Russell Babcock |
| 13. Lowell Johnston | 51. Nettie Mason |
| 14. Alfretta Amburn | 52. Lula Mason |
| 15. Lizzie Amburn | 53. John Mason |
| 16. Mrs. C. M. Scriven | 54. Mrs. Mercy Bacon |
| 17. C. M. Scriven | 55. Mrs. M. A. Wilkinson |
| 18. Dora Thompson | 56. Lydia Hagele |
| 19. Nels Thompson | 57. Maggie Dollinger |
| 20. Alice Flatten | 58. John Dollinger |
| 21. Johnnie Flatten | 59. Gottlieb Dollinger |
| 22. Ethel Scriven | 60. Mrs. Chris Dollinger |
| 23. Jennie Thompson | 61. Mrs. John Dollinger |
| 24. Tina Thompson | 62. Otto A. Bowen |
| 25. Grace Flatten | 63. James Oss |
| 26. Russell Flatten | 64. Bertha Oss |
| 27. Violet Scriven | 65. W. H. Powell |
| 28. Johnnie Scriven | 66. Sr. Fuller |
| 29. Mabel Flatten | 67. Mrs. L. W. Jones |
| 30. E. I. Hood | 68. Sister Bowen |
| 31. Marshal Dukes | 69. Sister Shanks |
| 32. P. H. Christenson | 70. Bro. Rogness |
| 33. Mrs. Mary Simmons | 71. Sister Bowes |
| 34. Loran Simmons | 72. Mrs. Effie Jones |
| 35. Bessie Dukes | 73. Sister Nash |
| 36. Bertha Wernli | 74. Miss Ruth Ostrom |
| 37. Ethel Nelson | 75. Miss Myrtle Ostrom |
| 38. Lucile Webb | 76. Miss Minnie Ericson |
| | 77. Miss Mamie Flyte |
| | 78. Miss Lula Jones |
| | 79. Gene Shonsbye |
| | 80. Harold Jones |
| | 81. Mrs. Mabel Jones |
| | 82. Jennette Hawley |
| | 83. Ella Ostrom |
| | 84. Hilda Ostrom |
| | 85. Veda Jones |
| | 86. Charles Kennedy |
| | 87. Adaline Kennedy |
| | 88. G. W. Tucker |
| | 89. Mrs. G. W. Tucker |
| | 90. Mrs. Madeline Albersworth |
| | 91. Edith Hilliard |
| | 92. Calleen Hilliard |
| | 93. Harry Hilliard |

The Book Work

Colporteurs' Report for Week Ending Dec. 16, 1916

MINNESOTA—

Agent	Hours	Ord.	Book	Helps	Value
J. Borresen	10	7	M. H.	\$1.50	\$12.00
Mrs. J. Green		10	H. W.	....	7.25
Albert G. Guy		5	H. W.	....	2.50
Miss M. Goodman		10	H. W.	....	11.50
Theo. Mueller	15	3	D. R.	.75	10.75
Mrs. J. T. Morency	6	15	H. W.	....	11.10
Vera B. Morlock		6	H. W.	....	3.70
O. R. Osman	30	7	P. G.	1.00	28.50
Alfred Olson		50	H. W.	....	35.25
I. Wilcox	11	5	B. R.	....	15.00
Totals, 10 Agents	72	118		\$3.25	\$137.55

IOWA S. D. A., DECEMBER 16, 1916.

E. A. Markley	13	3	B. R.	\$1.75	\$11.75
Wm. Howell	31	8	B. R.	4.75	26.75
L. L. GrandPre	21	19	B. R.	6.75	72.75
Myrtle Owen			H. W.	....	6.75
C. E. Johnson	15	11	B. R.	....	47.00
*Hannah Mott	5	4		1.50	12.50
**Elva Wilcox	21	21		2.00	21.75
**H. A. Rentfro	53	22		14.75	67.75
Totals, 8 Agents	159	88		\$31.50	\$267.00

*Three weeks.

**Two weeks.

Agents	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total Value
18	231	206	\$34.75	\$404.55

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

F. J. Nesmith of Florence was a caller at the office last week.

Elder Russell spent Sabbath December 23 with the church at Florence.

A Sabbath school of six members was organized at Conde, S. D., this past quarter.

Mrs. Edward Schmidt is spending a few weeks with relatives and friends in College View, Nebraska.

Brother Koehn spent a few days in Minneapolis last week, attending a meeting called by Prof. Van Kirk.

Brother M. E. Anderson has gone to Pierre, where he and Brother T. L. Oswald will soon begin a series of meetings.

A very interesting Home Missionary program was held at the Water-

town church Sabbath, December 23, Sister Koehn having charge.

Brother Koehn visited the people at Clear Lake Sabbath and reports an interesting time.

Elder J. T. Boettcher spent part of the Week of Prayer at Bowdle. His visit was much appreciated by our German brethren.

Elder W. L. Nott of the Western Kansas conference recently visited his relatives and members of the Colome church while having a vacation.

Elder Russell went to Minneapolis Monday to attend the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Northern Union Conference, of which he is a member.

Brother L. N. Olson had a sale three miles south of Colome on De-

cember 5. He is moving to College View this week. His son Clarence and daughter Luella are attending Union College.

The Tolstoy brethren authorized Brother Koehn to purchase an organ for their church, as a result of the good singing they had at Bowdle during the Week of Prayer. The organ was sent last week.

Brother H. S. Long of Creighton, Neb., visited our Bonesteel company over Sabbath on December 9. Brother Long is a live wire and receives a hearty welcome whenever he visits the Rosebud churches and brethren.

The following goal was adopted by the Bonesteel Sabbath school: All here every Sabbath; Be Prompt; Continually praying for others; Daily Study of Sabbath school lesson; Every member a working member.

Brother Youngberg visited the Church school at Colome and held a special Week of Prayer meeting for the Church school-children on December 8. He was very favorably impressed with the work that is being accomplished in our Church school at that place.

Elder Russell spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Brookfield church. He also visited the Plainview Academy Monday and reports that many of the students were busy preparing to return home for a short period during the holiday season. He stated that the Academy stock were looking fine.

OBITUARY

JACKSON—The little five weeks' old baby boy of Sister Jackson, of Madison, was laid to rest December 10th after a short illness of pneumonia. These sad experiences will soon be over.

D. F. WEATHERLY.

PHINNEY—Lizzie Bossert was born at Cassville, Grant Co., Wisconsin, October 17, 1860, and fell asleep in Jesus at Bismarck, North Dakota, December 7, 1916.

She united with the Seventh-day Adventist church when a young girl, and always tried to rightly represent her Master. Her five children, mother, two brothers, three sisters and four grandchildren are left to mourn their loss. "Be faithful" were her last words to her children.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Hosea 13:14, to the mourning relatives and friends. She was laid to rest at Hartford, S. D., to await the call of the Lifegiver.

S. A. RUSKJE.



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DONALDSON.—Wesley Donaldson was born
in Ohio, Feb. 17, 1827, and died suddenly in
St. Paul, Minn., while seated at the
breakfast table, Nov. 22, 1916, aged 89 years,
9 months and 5 days. In 1849 he was mar-
ried to Catharine Miller. Four sons were
born to them; one died in Ohio; Chas. F. re-
sides in Nevada; and J. W. and Emmanuel
reside in St. Paul. In 1878 he came to St.
Paul, and for twenty years was employed
in the shops of the Great Northern Railway.
In 1897 his wife died in her 74th year. The
next year he and his two sons in St. Paul
identified themselves with the Seventh-day
Adventist people. His faith ever remained
strong in the coming of the Lord and the
other truths of this message. The funeral
was held in the English church in St. Paul
Sabbath Nov. 25, conducted by Elders P. G.
Stanley and S. D. Hartwell. The sympathy
of all goes out to the bereaved family.
G. L. GULBRANDSON.

LONGE.—Mrs. Maude Olbreck Lange died at
the Flasher hospital December 14, 1916, of
gangrenous appendicitis. Sister Lange was
about 42 years of age, and was born in Chi-
cago; moved to North Dakota about the year
1900. Was married to Mr. J. P. Lange in
1907, and became a Seventh-day Adventist in
1914. Sister Lange had been in the hospi-
tal for about two weeks, and was quite
a sufferer, but the doctor told us that she
bore it very patiently. None of our brethren
or sisters was with her, but Mrs. Shortridge,
the doctor's wife, told us that if anyone
was ever prepared to die, she was. How
good it is when one can be laid to rest in
this way!

Words of comfort were spoken to the
relatives, and a goodly number of friends,
from the pulpit of the Congregational church,
which had been kindly opened to them for
the occasion. Interment was made in the
little Flasher cemetery, where the remains
of our beloved sister await the call of the
Life Giver.

S. E. JACKSON.

DOWNES.—Died at her home in Bondurant,
Iowa, November 21, 1916, Anna Downes, aged
40 years and 2 days. She was born in In-
diana November 19, 1876. The following
was read at the funeral: "In spite of the
intense suffering which accompanied the disease
from which she died, Mrs. Downes was always
full of good cheer, and those who ministered
unto her will long remember the patience with
which she bore her suffering. She was constantly
reminding those about her of the God-given
blessings which she enjoyed, and how she was
ready to take her leave when the Master
called. Mrs. Downes was converted when
young and became a member of the Adventist
church. To her, religion was a matter of
living every day for some purpose which
represented that of her Master. She leaves
to mourn their loss, a kind and loving com-
panion, an aged mother, three brothers, three
sisters, and a host of friends." This was
written and read by the resident minister
of the Christian church, who assisted the
writer at the funeral service, which was
held in the church of which he was pastor.
It is not so hard to officiate at a funeral
where the life that has gone out was lived in
a way that reflects honor back to God.

WM. OSTRANDER.

LUND.—Aron Lund was born in Ostervals-
skog, Sweden, September 2, 1845, and died
at his home December 1, 1916, aged 71
years, 2 months and 29 days. In 1874 he
was united in marriage to Miss Anna Olson.
They came to America in 1881, and set-
tled near Dassel, Minnesota, and in 1888 they
moved to Artichoke Lake.

In the year 1880 while yet in Sweden,
Brother Lund, through the writings of Eld.
Matteson, embraced present truth, that was
so dear to him. He was baptized by Brother
Velin.

Our dear brother was a faithful member of
the Artichoke church. His beloved wife was
laid to rest about five years before him.
Seven children were born to this home. Five
remain to mourn the loss of a good father.
They sorrow not as those that have no hope,
for we believe that Brother Lund was a
man of God. He loved God and the blessed
truth. His Bible was very dear to him.

The end came very suddenly, and unex-
pectedly, yet we have the firm belief that our
brother was prepared and will come forth in
the first resurrection.

The writer spoke to the largest gathering
ever seen in the church, from Job 14:14.
Two of the Baptist ministers assisted in the
services. Brother Lund was widely known
by his kind and peaceful ways.

N. R. NELSON.

HOME MISSIONARY WORK

Home missionary work begins at
home. Many who have a burden to
work for God in fields beyond, whose
sympathy has been awakened by lis-
tening to the relation of touching
missionary incidents, or who are at-
tracted by the halo and romance
which in their minds surround work-

ing in a foreign land, need to begin
working for the Master in their own
homes.

A man who will sit in the house
and let his wife bring in the wood
and water, who grumbles if his
meals are not ready, who chafes un-
der his wife's reasonable requests for
money with which to buy the neces-
sities of life, or the woman who has
no time to instruct her children, but
sends them out with evil companions
on the street in order to be rid of
them, hardly measures up to the
standard of those who should be lic-
ensed by conferences to preach or do
Bible work, or to the standard of
those who should be sent out as mis-
sionaries to foreign lands.

The true missionary will wait
neither for a more opportune time
nor for a more favorable place in
which to begin work for God. He
will seek to represent his Master
right where he is. In the home, in
the church, in his own neighborhood,
he will manifest that spirit which
will gather with Christ and not scat-
ter abroad. He is a poor candidate
for a larger field who cannot obtain
the witness of his own family and
brethren and sisters regarding his
missionary spirit.—*Selected.*

A SPOTLESS NEW YEAR.

Another year has come and gone,
A record has been written
By angels up in heaven,
Of deeds both good and bad we've done.

How sad! that sin should mar that page,
In the fair book above;
Since we through God's great love
'Gainst wrong might winning warfare
wage.

This New Year's Day let each again
A consecration bring.
Of life and all to Him
Who keeps the yielded soul from sin.

May we each day of this new year
In full submission live
To the dear Father's love.
Thus ours will be a record clear.

RAY E. HENDRICKS.

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Give strength, give thought, give
deeds, give pelf,

Give love, give tears and give thy-
self;

Give, give, be always giving,
Who gives not is not living.

The more you give, the more you
live.

—*Missionary Review of the World.*

A THRUST

"Editor Northern Union Reaper:

"I regret that it's mighty rare
anything is to be found in the
REAPER about the Hutchinson, S. D.
A. Seminary.

"Don't you know it's on the map?

"Please spotlight our splendid
School now and then!

—*Hutchinson Leader.*"

Where is "R. R. R." who prom-
ised long ago to make weekly con-
tributions to the REAPER, and forgot
it after doing it once or twice?—
EDITOR REAPER.

NORTHERN UNION REAPER

WORD FROM ELDER BROWN

In letters to different members of
the Minneapolis church from Elder
George M. Brown, the recent pas-
tor, written from Dugger, Arkansas,
he states that he is gradually im-
proving in health, is sleeping in a
tent, spends much time in the open
air, and is doing just work enough
to give him plenty of exercise. He
expresses gratitude to the Heavenly
Father, and to the brethren, that it
has been made possible for him to
take this rest.

If you wish to write to him, re-
member his address.

REAPER.

SEMINARY NOTES

The program given Christmas eve
was enjoyed by all. Vocal and in-
strumental music was rendered. Sev-
eral good readings were also given.

A fire department was organized
at the Seminary last week. N. C.
Nelson was elected "captain." The
boys will prepare to be called upon
at any time. Fire drills will be had
from time to time.

Our mail carrier, Arthur Axelsen,
has been unusually busy for the last
week. He has found it necessary to
make use of a horse and buggy to
haul the many packages that have
been received here.

On Monday evening the students
and teachers gathered in the Semi-
nary dining room and spent a very
enjoyable evening. After a short
program had been rendered, the time
was spent in playing games. Every-
one reported a pleasant time.

A number of teachers and students
visited friends and relatives during
the holidays. Among others can be
mentioned: Miss Dagmar Chris-
tianson, Miss Caroline Hopkins, Miss
Betsy Jensen, Miss Alice Mikkelsen
and Mr. Charley Dammen.

The following persons visited
friends and relatives at the Seminary
and in Hutchinson during the holi-
days: Alfons Lockert, Alfred Sand

and Ellen Nelson from Minneapo-
lis; Mrs. Henrickson and daughter
Bianca, Marie Vixie, Eva Heinel and
Della Thompson from Maplewood
Academy; Mr. and Mrs. B. L.
Grundset and Mrs. J. Grundset from
St. Paul and Alden Thompson from
College View.

—*Hutchinson Leader.*

AN IMPORTANT DECISION

The Supreme Court of the State
of Oklahoma has recently handed
down a decision in the case of J. G.
Kreiger et al. vs. the State of Okla-
homa. This was the case which our
brethren, convicted in the lower
courts of merchandising on Sunday,
appealed.

This decision reversed the findings
of the lower court, and grants relig-
ious liberty to our people. This is
the first State Supreme Court deci-
sion favorable to Sabbatarians.

The decision of the Oklahoma Su-
preme Court with arguments of at-
torneys before the court, is given in
the first quarter issue of LIBERTY
for 1917. Also in this number is a
write-up of the campaign in Oregon
in which the electorate of the State
wiped the blue laws from the statute
books.

This issue of LIBERTY is one of
the best educational numbers ever is-
sued. It would be well if it were
placed in the hands of every leading
man in any community that these
men may know the principles in-
volved in this kind of legislation and
that there is a case on record grant-
ing religious freedom to our people.

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