



A GOOD REPORT

"A good report maketh the bones fat," says Solomon.

Miss Bessie Nordstrom, Minnesota colporteur, sends in the following good report as culled from L. G. Grand Pre's "Encourager," of April 15.

"I've just done some figuring which I thought may interest you. My book sales have at last climbed over the \$5,000 mark. The following is a list of the books delivered up to date:

858 Our Day

368 Bible Readings

29 Bible Footlights

51 Bibles

11 Miscellaneous

431 Best Stories

3,300 Crisis Books

\$5,048 Books sold

\$6612 Selling Price

1,189,000 approximate number of pages.

These books have been sold to people of the following religious denominations and nationalities:

Religious Denominations

1. Adventist (7th Day)
2. Adventist (1st Day)
3. Baptist
4. Catholic (Greek)
5. Catholic (Reformed)
6. Catholic (Roman)
7. Christian Science
8. Congregationalist
9. Disciples of Christ
10. Episcopalian
11. Evangelical
12. International Bible Students
13. Jewish
14. Lutheran
15. Methodist
16. Mission
17. Mormon
18. Pentacostal
19. Presbyterian

20. Salvation Army

21. Spiritualist

22. Unity

23. Universalist

Nationalities

1. Bohemian
2. Chinese
3. Croatian
4. Danish
5. Dutch
6. English
7. Finish
8. French
9. German
10. Greek
11. Hungarian
12. Indian
13. Italian
14. Irish
15. Japanese
16. Jews
17. Negro
18. Norwegian
19. Polish
20. Roumanian
21. Russian
22. Ruthenian
23. Scotch
24. Servian
25. Slovak
26. Swedish
27. Swiss
28. Syrian

"I long to see the day when the message shall have gone to every kindred, tongue and people so we can go home."

To talk to Miss Nordstrom regarding her work is to know there is entire satisfaction in working for others. There ought to be many more colporteurs like Miss Nordstrom here in the Northern Union doing a like work, going from house to house, selling soul-saving literature.

G. A. Campbell.

ANOTHER GOAL REACHED

Recently I came to a church with a membership of 38 who had only taken 2 Big Week sets and some Little Friends.

A service was held with these believers and though it was a wet and stormy day with some absent and others of its membership having moved to other places, transfers not having yet been effected, these believers in the one meeting, responded to the call of Big Week most liberally and reached and passed its church goal, of an average of \$2.00 for its full membership.

What has your church accomplished? What part have you personally contributed to Big Week?

Anol Grundset.

"MORE CHURCHES REACH THEIR BIG WEEK GOALS"

In meeting with the believers at Beach, I found that they were \$28 short of their goal. In taking the matter up with them, a widow sister, after toiling at day labor for support, led out with \$5. A young daughter brought four silver dollars for herself and a crippled sister. These are worthy examples of co-operation and sacrifice and are what makes the work go, though many better able hold back and do little or nothing. Others with donations and by taking Big Week book sets cleared the full goal of an average of \$2 for the entire membership both present and absent.

I next went to Belfield according to appointment, but as it had rained there for two days, and it was still raining on my arrival there, the roads were impassible and no meeting was held.

The next meeting was with the Taylor church, which under the leadership of Bro. R. C. Wettenbaugh is prospering and growing in membership. Several reading racks are operated; clubs of periodicals are taken and faithfully distributed, and through literature and personal efforts of church members, some have recently begun keeping the Sabbath and await further instruction and baptism. This church has reached its full Big Week goal, also.

This will be my last plea for the 1923 effort. Let those who have not yet acted a part, remember that angels still wait on you to record your faithfulness during the Big Week. Let all funds be turned in to your church treasurer, plainly marked "Big Week."

Anol Grundset.

TEACHERS' SUMMER SCHOOL

On account of the somewhat earlier closing of the college year, the teachers' phase of the Union College Summer School will open this year on June 15th. While this will deprive the teachers of the three northern conferences of the camp-meeting privilege this year, the teachers will appreciate the earlier closing of the Summer School on August 9th. This will give the teachers almost a full month of vacation between the Summer School and the opening of their church schools.

Every teacher and prospective teacher who does not hold a professional certificate should attend every Summer School. No certificate is renewable without Summer School attendance as specified in the Instruction Leaflet. Moreover, it is the privilege of every teacher to attend Summer School, and receive its benefits. To the Normal graduate other college classes are available, so that the teacher may continue to make progress toward the completion of a college course.

Those who are accredited teachers have all expenses, except books, paid by their respective conferences and the Union Conference.

Write to your local superintendent for further information and Summer School announcements.

Remember the date, June 15th.

H. J. Sheldon.

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THE FIRST THIRD

During the first one-third of the year, we made up as a conference, 38.1 % of our share of mission funds for that period, or an average of 22.89 cents a week per member. While this is far short of what we should have given, it is a gain of 3.4% over the same period of last year and amounts to an average of about 2 cents a week more per member. This increase in offerings is very much appreciated and I trust it will be still greater during the remaining two-thirds of the year.

The much more liberal response this year to the Big Week appeals, is also greatly appreciated, and when these funds come in with the May church treasurers' remittances, they should show a very encouraging increase over the receipts of last year. The mission fund receipts for April were \$3148.04 compared with \$2895.81 for April last year, bringing the gain in mission offerings up to \$1000.73 over the first four months of last year. The mission offerings have shown a gain every month so far this year except February when there was a small loss; but for some reason the tithe has fallen off somewhat every month since January, offsetting entirely the excellent gain made that month, and leaving the tithe receipts for the first four months of the year \$638.19 less than a year ago. If this indicates an actual reduction of income on the part of our people, there is nothing particularly wrong in the relationship between the tithe and offerings, for the mission offerings have increased more than the tithe has fallen off, and that would indicate increased liberality. I trust, however, that this decrease in the tithe is only temporary and that both it and the mission offerings will increase during the remainder of the year.

Please note these statements from "Acts of the Apostles," pages 338-40. "As God's work extends, calls for help

will come more and more frequently. That these calls may be answered, Christians should heed the command, 'Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house.' If professing Christians would faithfully bring to God their tithes and offerings, His treasury would be FULL." "Not until God ceases to bless His children will they cease to be under bonds to return to Him the portion that He claims. Not only should they render the Lord the portion that belongs to Him, but they should bring also to His treasury, as a gratitude-offering, a liberal tribute. With joyful hearts they should dedicate to the Creator the first-fruits of their bounties,—their choicest possessions, their best and holiest service. Thus they will gain rich blessings. God Himself will make their souls like a watered garden, whose waters fail not. And when the last great harvest is gathered in, the sheaves that they are enabled to bring to the Master will be the recompense of their unselfish use of the talents lent them."

A. R. Smouse, Treasurer.

MINNESOTA SABBATH-SCHOOL NEWS

There are eleven Sabbath-schools in our conference to receive pennants for having reached the 30 cents-a-week-per-church-member goal and dollar day on the thirteenth Sabbath. They are as follows: Austin, Deer River, Ft. Ridley, Hibbing, Hinckley, Hutchinson English, Litchfield, Montevideo, Mountain Lake, Pipestone, and St. Paul Scandinavian. Offerings given by the Home Departments of local schools, Investment funds, and Birthday Offerings for the first quarter are given below. These offerings will augment the funds to be sent to advance the work of God in foreign fields, and we trust that as we realize how much small sums help, more may be given through these channels.

Home Department

Anoka	\$13.05
Austin	31.91
Bemidji	12.87
Blackberry	9.40
Deer River	4.85
Dodge Center	1.45
Hibbing	2.00
Houston	9.35
Middle River .....	.60

Minneapolis Eng.	50.00
Minneapolis Swed.	24.60
Mankato	13.20
Moose Lake	5.85
Owatonna	7.55
Remer	1.00
St. Paul E.	4.25
St. Paul S.	7.75
Stillwater	4.90
Winona .....	.72
Wright	2.30

Total 207.60

Investment Fund

Brainerd	\$6.00
Middle River	6.35
Mankato	15.45
Mountain Lake	1.00
St. Paul Eng.	7.40
Sherburn	1.48
Wells	6.50

Total \$44.18

Birthday Offerings

Alexandria	\$2.24
Anoka	2.77
Artichoke	12.95
Austin	5.06
Barnesville .....	.81
Bemidji	3.12
Blackberry	2.45
Brainerd	1.70
Deer River .....	.51
Detroit .....	.93
Dodge Center .....	.56
First Duluth	11.39
Duluth Scand. ....	.39
Eagle Bend	1.16
Fergus Falls	1.99
Ft. Ridley .....	.58
Hancock	1.20
Hewitt	1.25
Hibbing	1.91
Hutchinson Eng.	3.94
Lake Eunice	1.34
Mahtowa .....	.84
Maplewood	8.00
Mineral Center .....	.64
Minneapolis Eng.	12.88
Minneapolis Nor. Dan.	9.94
Minneapolis Swed.	3.61
Mankato	11.94
Montevideo	1.21
Moose Lake .....	.78
Morgan	1.45
Owatonna	2.56
Remer	1.44
Richville .....	.34
St. Paul Eng.	5.24
St. Paul Scand.	8.92
Sherburn .....	.97
Stillwater	1.50

Winona	2.22
Total	\$132.73

Mary D. Hopkins.

CAMP-MEETING MUSIC

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvelous things, His right hand and His holy arm hath gotten Him the victory." Ps. 98:1.

In this verse we are told to "Sing unto the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvelous things." Who then can sing with more spirit and understanding than the Seventh-day Adventists, as God has done wonderful things for this people during the past year.

Certainly we have a message for this day and music suited to this message, so we are asking you to come to camp-meeting with your "Christ in Song" and your "Hymns and Tunes." We are planning to use the large copy of "Hymns and Tunes" in connection with the choir work.

"Praise ye the Lord with harp; sing unto Him with the psaltry and an instrument of ten strings, sing unto Him a new song, play skilfully with a loud noise." Ps. 33:2, 3.

These words remind us that the Lord is well pleased when His people use the talent He has given them to sing praises and "Play upon an instrument . . . with a solemn sound." Ps. 92:3. We believe that the instrumental phase of our music at camp-meeting may inspire us to nobler and higher ideals and we are urging all of our people who play on an instrument, whether it be violin or cello, cornet or trombone, saxophone or flute; if you can play hymns well on your string, wind or reed instrument, bring it along to camp-meeting and when you arrive on the grounds, please don't be backward about handing your name to me.

L. S. Melendy.

MINNESOTA ITEMS

Next Sabbath, May 22, is the regular fourth Sabbath offering in Minnesota, for the Educational Fund.

Brother Rudolph Burgeson, who has been attending the Seminary at Hutchinson, made a brief call at the office on Monday of last week while in the cities on a business trip.

Elder Schacht plans for a baptismal service at the Minneapolis English church next Sabbath, May 22.

Elder Andreassen spoke at the church service in the Minneapolis English church last Sabbath and Brother Yost in the St. Paul English church.

Elder August S. Anderson reports having baptized seven at the St. Paul Scandinavian church on Sabbath, May 15.

Elder Johnston reports eleven more baptized at Duluth on Sabbath, May 8, making a total of sixty-nine baptisms so far as the result of the effort conducted there.

The report comes from Barnesville that the attendance is holding up well in the meetings conducted there by Elders Haysmer and Aalborg, so we hope for some fruit as the result of the effort at that place.

It is desired to find a place on a farm with a good family of our people, for a boy about 16 years of age to work during the summer. If interested, please write to Brother Smouse for further particulars.

Brother Otto Christensen also planned on a baptismal service at Brainerd last Sabbath, in which he expected about eight to participate. We can probably give the exact number in next week's Reaper.

The class night program of the Maplewood Academy class of 1926, was presented last Thursday night at the academy chapel, which was filled to overflowing with relatives and friends of the graduates. The program was an excellent one and very well rendered. As a gift from the class the school was presented with a beautiful United States flag for the chapel.

On Wednesday of last week we were favored with a call at the office, from Elder G. E. Nord, the president of the Scandinavian Union Conference and Elder Chr. Resen, the president of the Denmark Conference. These brethren are spending a few days in Minnesota prior to the General Conference. Elder Resen went to Hutchinson the latter part of the week and planned to spend Sabbath with the Scandinavian churches in the cities. Elder Nord also expected to visit the Scandinavian church at Duluth.

Elder A. V. Olson, president of the Latin Union Conference, has been visiting relatives and friends in Minnesota for a short time before the General Conference. He, with Elder N. R. Nelson, called at the office on Monday of last week, after which Elder Olson went to Correll to visit his parents, Brother and Sister Carl Olson of the Artichoke church, and the other members of the family who live in that vicinity. He planned to meet with the Artichoke church last Sabbath and then with the Good Thunder church next Sabbath, May 22, before going to the General Conference.

The following little story with an excellent moral is told by a writer in "The Expositor." "When I was a boy I always patronized the little candy store that stood in the middle of the square, and was owned by an Irishman with a heart bubbling over with generosity. I used to watch the 'sour balls' and 'mints' drop into the bag, and then, when the balance was well down on the side of my two-cent purchase, he would drop a 'bit more.' All the boys knew the place as the 'bit more' store. It is this 'bit more' quantity that counts in friendship, social and business life, and in fact in everything we do. Giving the 'bit more' develops the generous soul."

ANOTHER BAPTISM AT DULUTH MINNESOTA

Another baptism took place on Sabbath, May 8, in the church at Duluth, Minnesota, when eleven more were immersed in addition to the fifty-eight that were baptized, March 27, making in all sixty-nine that have followed their master as a result of 100 lectures that were given by the writer in this city during the winter and spring. We regret that some few others were not able to be baptized now on account of sickness, and other good reasons. We expect they will follow in the not far distant future. Besides this there are also about 30 children that have come into the Sabbath-school which means about 100 coming to Sabbath services as a result of the meetings. We wish to thank the Lord for this number of accessions to the truth and sincerely hope that all will continue faithful till the Lord comes to gather them into his eternal kingdom.

F. W. Johnston.

MAPLEWOOD NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fritz from Eau Claire, Wisconsin, were guests of Leroy Hill on Sabbath, May 8.

Mrs. Peterson from St. Louis, Missouri, arrived at Maplewood, May 10, to visit her daughter Kathryn till the close of school.

Mrs. H. F. Halenz left Tuesday afternoon for her home in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Prof. Halenz accompanied her to the city.

The Turnham road grading crew has been grading the road from the main highway to the grove on the Maplewood farm. Since this improvement has been needed for years, we shall appreciate it.

Brother and Sister Amiel Iverson and their sons, also Sister Peterson, the primary teacher in the St. Paul church school and her daughter were present at our Sabbath services, May 8.

The Missionary Volunteer Society gave an impressive Mother's Day program Friday evening. The vocal solos by Velvah Smouse and Ermina Powell were good. Mr. Gunderson, the principal speaker, in his talk laid special stress on the thought that children owed respect and love to their mothers.

Elder Rulkoetter preached at the 11:15 a. m. service, a sermon on the importance of decision in our lives. After the sermon three candidates, Adrian Lauritzen, Albert Peterson, and Kenneth Nelson were received into church membership subject to baptism. In the afternoon at 3:30 he baptized them in Lake Independence. The school as a whole attended the service.

The school's annual picnic was held on the campus, Sunday, May 9. Fortunately we were at home, for during the dinner a sudden shower drove us from the lawn to the main building. The rain, however, didn't spoil the enjoyment, for the afternoon was spent in playing games despite the wet. We are thankful for the rain because on account of the dry weather the grass had begun to turn color.

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IOWA NOTES

Miss Edna Knudsen, came to the sanitarium last week, with her sister, Mrs. John Larson.

Elder H. A. Fish was in Nevada a few days last week, looking up tent

Elder S. B. Wight, president of the Central Union Conference, stopped over night at the sanitarium, when passing through Nevada last week.

"Sister Mary and Elizabeth" of the Catholic hospital at Marshalltown, spent two days at the sanitarium last week, to learn something of hydrotherapy methods.

Our members throughout the state are responding well to the Big Week call wherever our workers have been and they still anticipate additional funds from those who have not yet had a part in it.

David Madsen, of Spirit Lake, came to Nevada to accompany his sister home from the sanitarium on the evening of April 8, she having recovered very nicely from her recent illness.

Elder Hicks and Nixon returned last Wednesday evening from visiting several churches in the south and southwestern part of the state. Friday afternoon, May 7, they were at Winterset, Friday evening a meeting was held at Creston and on Sabbath a service was held at Sharpsburg, and the evening following they were with the church at Ladoga. They plowed through the mud on Sunday to hold a meeting at Clarinda on that evening. Monday night they were at Red Oak and Tuesday night at Atlantic.

Professor T. W. Steen, Director of the Collegio Adventista, Sao Paulo, Brazil, South America, stopped in Nevada a few hours on Tuesday of last week, when on his way to Wisconsin where he is to purchase highest grade

cattle for some of the Government officials of Brazil, who own large ranches, and will receive enough commission on these to make it possible for him to purchase several for the school. Mrs. Steen, formerly Miss Margaret Mallory, with their two little girls, is with Professor Steen's mother at Knoxville. The family will attend the General Conference at Milwaukee.

Professor C. N. Olesen of Waterloo died at the home of his son Albert Olesen in Nevada, Monday evening, May 10, after several weeks' illness, during which time everything possible was done for his relief. He had been at the head of the Science Department of the Waterloo High School for the past fourteen years and for fifteen years previous to that he was engaged in the same work at Charles City. For a number of years he had been a teacher in the Iowa State Teachers' College at Cedar Falls, and he was also at the head of the Science Department of the Iowa State Teachers' Association. Superintendent Kline of the Waterloo High School with which Professor Olesen was connected through the same period of years in Waterloo, paid touching tribute to his memory at the funeral service, expressing the high regard in which the deceased was held by students and faculty. One of the teachers and four of the students were also present and these school associates acted as pall-bearers. The floral offerings were very beautiful. His wife, Susie M. Olesen, son and his family, and an adopted daughter, now the wife of Dr. G. L. Kay of Los Angeles, Cal., with other relatives and many friends, are left to mourn. He was laid to rest in the Nevada cemetery. Elder Scriven conducted the service, assisted by Elder Hicks and Doctor Morse.

The sanitarium continues to be well filled. Since last week's report, the following are listed as patients there: Ross Rice of Grinnell, who had serious trouble with his ears, following measles, is having treatment for the same; Mrs. Anna Fenberg, Des Moines; Earnest Culver, son of A. A. Culver of Yale, was brought to the sanitarium, Friday, May 7, suffering excruciatingly with inflammatory rheumatism, it even taking three or

four to move him on account of the pain, after having treatments until Wednesday, he was able to walk around; Lorraine Ames, small son of F. S. McHone of Ames, had his tonsils removed; Mrs. Nickelson, Cambridge; Mrs. Lon Haynes, Farnhamville; Mrs. E. A. Brownfield, Nevada, spent two days at the sanitarium, taking treatment for gripe and is now coming for treatment regularly; A. L. Lundquist, Jewell, underwent tonsilectomy operation and is also taking treatment; Mrs. Rhea McConnell, Nevada; Miss Geneva Erler, Cresco; Mrs. C. Leazer, who was traveling by auto with her husband and daughter, being taken very ill near Marshalltown, was brought here, where she is taking treatment for gall stones; Mrs. R. H. Ames, Nevada, tonsilectomy operation; Mr. John Larson of Exira, brought Mrs. Larson to the sanitarium for treatment, as she is recovering from a recent operation at a hospital; Joe Gerbracht, Ames, had tonsils removed.

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CAMP-MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The South Dakota camp-meeting will be held on the State Fair Grounds at Huron, June 17-27. The Fair Board has generously granted the use of the same grounds and buildings as a year ago. With the granting of these buildings, the Board has definitely requested that there shall be no cooking, et cetera, within them. We must observe this requirement. Anyone wishing to do their own cooking, should plan on tents.

The General meetings will again be held in the large Horticulture building; the German meetings in the Public Health building, and the Missionary Volunteers will have a new 40 x 60 tent. Following is the price schedule which will govern your requirements:

40 steel beds have been purchased to replace the old springs.

Choice rooms in the School Exhibit

building or Public Health building, \$5.00.

Outer rooms	4.00
Tent with fly	3.50
Half floor for above	1.50
Full floor	3.00
Chair	.15
Table	.25
Shelf 1 x 4	.15
Straw for tick	.25
¾ steel beds and new beds	1.00
Single steel cot	.50
Double spring	.50
Single wooden cot	.35
Plan to be there.	

Gordon Oss, Camp Sup't.

HELP YOUR CATHOLIC NEIGHBOR

I have met brethren who have argued against distributing Catholic Bibles, which I am a firm believer in, not only a believer, but a doer; and for the benefit of all, but especially for these brethren, I will relate this colporteur experience:

Last year one of my colporteurs sold a lady a Douay Version Bible. This lady is a strong believer in the Catholic faith. Last winter I had a week to spare from the ordinary work, which is helping others to sell books; so I spent that week in selling books by myself. At that time I met this lady, and I approached her as a man selling Bibles. She told me she had a Bible, and out of the ordinary for a Catholic, she had it on the library table. I asked her how she liked it, and she said, "fine, I read it whenever I have any time but some is hard to understand." I then told her that I also had a book that would help her to understand those hard things in the Bible, gave her a canvass for "Daniel and Revelation" and got her order.

A field secretary sometimes has duties more pressing before him than to deliver the books he himself takes orders for, and that being the case this time, I was about two weeks late in delivering the book. When I came there to deliver, she said, "I have no money now; I had it and was waiting for you to come, but you did not come so I spent it for something else." I told her it was all my fault and asked her when I could come back to deliver the book. She said I could leave the book and she would leave the money for it at the bank,

but as that was not in harmony with my plans, I told her I would take the book along and come back again. She told me when to come and I was back on time; but as I handed her the book, she examined it very suspiciously and asked, "Where is this book printed?" I replied, "at the Pacific Press Publishing Association, Mountain View, California," and kept telling her about points in the Bible and showing how the book would help her understand, but she was not satisfied. Finally she asked if this was a Catholic book. I said, "No, it is not printed by a Catholic publishing house." Then she said, "I would not be allowed to read it." I said, "If you are a slave, you probably would not be allowed to, but the Bible says we are free and exhorts us to search for the truth." She asked, "Are you a Catholic?" "No," I replied. She said, "I thought you were a Catholic when I ordered the book." I said, "I did not tell you that I was, did I?" She replied, "no." (She had previously told me that a Catholic missionary had been in town in their church and he had told them that everyone ought to have a Bible, but he wanted \$5.00 for a Bible so she could not buy any at that time; but she said when this man came around and she could buy one cheaper, she was glad to get one.) I then said to her, "The missionary was the one that told you to buy and read the Bible?" She said, "Yes." Then I said, "Have you ever heard the priest tell anyone to read the Bible?" She thought for a while, then answered, "no," and I asked her if she knew the reason why. She again said, "no." I said, "I can show you from your own Bible why he does not care to have you read it, if you will go and get your Bible." She very readily responded, and I turned to I Timothy, the third chapter, and read to her how the priest is expected to live to please God. As I finished I said to her, "This is just one of the reasons why a priest does not exhort you to read the Bible; he does not want you to find out how he is requested to live because he does not want to obey God on that point." She then reached over and doubled up the leaf in the Bible, so she would be able to turn to it again, paid for the book without saying a word; but I could see that she was doing a lot of thinking, and her closed lips spelled deter-

mination. Her whole face seemed to say, "I will not let that old priest fool me."

Now brethren, what would you have been able to do in this case without the Catholic Bible? Let me answer for you, "nothing." Remember, the Douay Version is the Word of God the same as the other versions.

Karl A. Evenson.

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the South Dakota Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation of the State of South Dakota, will convene in connection with the Annual Conference and camp-meeting at Huron, South Dakota, on Tuesday, June 22, 1926, at 11:00 a. m., at which time trustees for the coming term will be elected. 4t.

E. H. Oswald, President.

J. H. Nies, Secretary.

NOTICE

The forty-fifth annual Conference and camp-meeting of the Seventh-day Adventists of South Dakota, will be held at Huron, South Dakota, from June 17 to 27, 1926. The first meeting of the conference session is hereby called to convene, Friday, June 18, 1926, at 9:15 a. m. At this time the conference will be organized and every delegate should be in his seat. Aside from other regular business to come before the delegates, the election of the officers for the coming year will be held. 4t.

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Buddhism or Christianity. The "Light of Asia," long a glimmer to the Western world, now sheds ever-increasing beams across the Pacific. It promises to out-shine the "Light of the world." Some startling developments in the mid-Pacific are revealed in this article by Francis E. Stafford, of Honolulu, in the WATCHMAN for May. Has your subscription expired? Your Bible House secretary will be pleased to receive your renewal for a year at \$1.75, in clubs of five or more, \$1.05 each.

In the June WATCHMAN Harold W. Clark makes it plain that Christianity is A CREDITOR, NOT A

DEBTOR. The religion of the Bible is no hand-me-down affair, borrowed from Greek and other myths and philosophy. It is first, and has ever been highest. If your subscription has expired, send your renewal at once to your Book and Bible House, and it will receive our prompt attention.

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HOW TO REACH THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

Thinking that perhaps some of our brethren who are planning on attending the General Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, would appreciate some information on the best way to reach that point, we are herewith submitting the following information regarding train service from different points.

Milwaukee is reached by either the Soo line, the Chicago Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, or the Chicago and Northwestern Railway. Those of our people who live near points served by the Soo Line in North Dakota, would do well to purchase their ticket straight through from their station to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Those who live near points served by the Chicago Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, may do the same and buy tickets direct to Milwaukee without change. Those who live live at points served by the Northern Pacific or Great Northern Railway, should buy tickets to either Minneapolis or St. Paul over that line, and then over either the Soo Line, the Milwaukee, or the Northwestern, to Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

There is one important thing to remember no matter what line you go over. The railroads have all agreed to make a special price of one and one-half times the regular one-way fare for the round trip. You buy your ticket from your station to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and pay the regular fare and ask the station agent for a certificate, not a receipt. You keep this certificate, and upon reaching Milwaukee this should be given to Brother Ortnier, the Union Conference Transportation Secretary. If 250 certi-

ificates are presented, the railway company will allow the holders of these certificates to purchase a return ticket to their home station at one-half the regular price. So be sure in all cases if you go by train, to ask for a certificate when you buy a ticket.

The following information will also be of value to those who are going on trains:

The Soo Line trains arrive at Milwaukee at 5:55 a. m., at 11:15 a. m., at 6:00 p. m., and 7:35 p. m.

The Milwaukee trains arrive at Milwaukee at 7:15 a. m., 9:25 a. m., and 6:50 p. m. and 10:20 p. m.

The Northwestern Line trains arrive at Milwaukee at 4:35 a. m., 5:50 a. m., 10:40 a. m., 5:55 p. m., and 8:15 p. m.

Those of our brethren wishing additional information not given herewith, may write to the undersigned or to Brother I. G. Ortner, 2718 3rd Ave. South, Minneapolis, Minn., and further information will be gladly given.

W. I. Montanye.

NOTES FROM NORTH DAKOTA

The new 1926 year book is now ready, containing all the official directories. Paper bound, only 50 cents.

One lady writes: "Bedtime Stories sell like hot cakes." We know that at the office. We have to keep ordering every week to keep the people supplied. If you haven't the two books, No. 1 and No. 2, you are missing a good thing for the children. Only 50 cents for the set.

Peter The Fisherman. This is the book that the children have been waiting for. This is the 1926 Primary Reading Course. There is only one book this year. Get the book early and read it through and get your 1926 certificate. Fully illustrated with many pictures. Price \$1.25.

Midget Pictures of Bible Stories. Many Sabbath-School, Kindergarten and Primary teachers have been made happy by the new book. Just think! 242 pictures, each picture a Bible story in itself, on the Old Testament, the Life of Christ, the Acts of the Apostles, and topical studies, such as the "Signs of the Coming of Christ." Mothers, do you want to make the

Bible stories easy for your children? Order one of these splendid new helps for the children. Beautifully bound in cloth, with attractive gold stamp. Only \$1.25. It makes a beautiful gift.

A very popular book and one that will be used in every home for years to come is Mrs. Andross' new book, **STORY OF THE ADVENT MESSAGE**. This is a history of our work from the time of Wm. Miller up to the present time. It is our history written in story form. It is one of the **Senior Reading Course Books for 1926**. It will also be used in our Standard of Attainment work. You will enjoy this book. 352 pages, cloth binding, price \$1.75.

Gospel In Song. Nearly 300 of the best songs ever published gathered into one book. A special committee, appointed by the General Conference has been working for four years to select and arrange these songs. They are not designed for church or Sabbath-school use alone, but for evangelistic meetings, Missionary services, meetings, Home Missionary services, and revivals, and the songs have been carefully selected with these needs in mind. The price in tough-manila cover is only 35 cents. Order at once. If you want a real artistic songbook, we have another edition in maroon or green imitation leather with gold stamp and tinted edges for only \$1.00.

A word to the wise is sufficient. Here is a set of books that sells as soon as you show it to the people. A set for one dollar. Try it in your neighborhood. It is interesting how eager people are to get good children's books. Try this set. It costs you only fifty cents and you sell it for a dollar. Story of Jesus, Story of Moses, Story of Daniel, and Steps to Christ. Another good combination for a dollar is the two Bedtime Stories and one of the three, Story of Jesus, Story of Moses, or Story of Daniel. A good medical set for a dollar is Contagious Diseases, Keeping Well, Epidemics and Food Question. Sell them in sets.

The conference workers were busy in the Big Week campaign the past week. Elder Carscallen sends in for a number of the large subscription book, "World's Hope" which he has sold.

Brother Sibel reports sales of \$30.00 in one day. Brother Michalenko reports he sold fifty Bohemian and many English sets. Brother Engevik orders fifty Big Week sets. Brother Rentfro and Rankin Wentland have been busy on the firing line. Brother Montanye and Scherr were out for a few days and sold fifty dollars worth of books. Elder Meyer and Brother Wentland and Brother Samuel Reile are still at the work and their amounts will be reported later. They are all rejoicing in having a part in this Big Week. \$1000.00 are already in the office with a number of churches still to be heard from. It looks like Big Week will be big in North Dakota.

S. R. A. NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Voth visited their daughter Adeline last Sabbath.

The juniors and seniors had their picnic, May 2, at Buffalo Lake. They reported an enjoyable time.

Elder Meyer took a number of group pictures of the students and faculty last week.

Lillian Schumacher spent the past week-end at her aunt's home in Hurdsfield.

Mary M. Miller was happily surprised by her parents and some friends from Lincoln Valley. They spent the Sabbath with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Axt, David Schwartz, Emil Buchmiller, and Ida and Bertha Krien were here last Sabbath.

Last Sunday evening Elder Meyer gave us an interesting stereopticon lecture on the book, "Pilgrims Progress."

"The biggest Sunday law issue that has ever been waged in Congress" is the way that keen and gifted opponent of iniquitous and oppressive religious legislation, Charles S. Longacre, describes the present fight for a District of Columbia "blue law." We are referred to as an "insignificant and ignorant" little sect by the leaders of the "reform" associations, yet it is our privilege—and our duty too—to arouse ourselves and successfully combat these insidious intrusions on the liberties of the American people.

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ENCOURAGING WORDS FROM
THE FIELD

There is nothing aside from person-
al blessings received from the Lord
that so cheers the heart of the believ-
ers, as does the consciousness of the
onward work of the message. This
has ever been so. In the vision of the
Ancient Seer, when the church ap-
peared before him in vision going
forth conquering and to conquer, the
symbol used was "the white horse"
denoting purity of life and enthusiasm
in action.

The first four months of 1926 are in
the past. The reports that have come
to our office have much to encourage
us. A few of the items we will men-
tion here. Two hundred-fifteen pre-
cious souls have been baptized by our
various workers throughout the Union
Conference, and a number of success-
ful efforts are in progress with favor-
able prospects of yielding an addition-
al harvest of souls for the kingdom.

Our mission offerings for the sup-
port and advancement of the message
throughout the world show an in-
crease over the corresponding four
months of last year of \$1,423.85. The
missionary activities of our people
as revealed in the BIG WEEK returns
are very encouraging. Up to April 30
the amount received was \$1,951.86.
Much more will come in the May re-
port as the campaign extended into
this month.

From Brother G. A. Campbell's
recent report we note a prospective
army of one hundred canvassers in
the field, which looks like former days
in the colporteur evangelist work in
the Northern Union. The future pros-
pects for this department were never
more encouraging. There is, however,
a desire to see this army greatly in-
creased. We want one hundred more
all the year around, permanent col-
porteurs who know how to work
twelve months per year to join our
present force. There is nothing the
people need so much as the gospel.
There is no better way to give it to
them than through our message filled
literature. The third angel's message
is God's answer to present day con-
ditions.

Very cheering and encouraging re-
ports come to us as our training
schools are closing another successful
year's work. Each of them is contrib-
uting a class of young people who
know their Lord, who love this truth,
and who are prepared to do service at
the front.

Union College has made definite
plans to strengthen her Bible Depart-
ment the coming year. Four full-time
instructors will be employed with
Professor Prescott as head of the
department. We would urge all our
English academic graduates who are
planning for further education and
preparation, to consider favorably the
advantages of Union College.

Upon the whole, we can say at the
beginning, the work is onward and we
have cause for rejoicing and renewed
consecration to the finishing of the
Gospel first in our own hearts, then
in the uttermost parts of the earth.

Charles Thompson.

ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale.—A well established treat-
ment room in a city of ten thousand
population. For particulars write Mrs.
Louise Peterson, R. N., Mitchell, S.
Dakota, Box 573. 4t.

Wanted.—Watch repairing. I am
doing watch repairing at home and am
prepared to give prompt service and
low prices, postpaid. Professor Lam-
son given as reference. J. O. Myhre,
735, 28 St., Des Moines, Iowa. 3t.

Wanted.—Work for boy 17 years
old, steady and experienced. With
strict Sabbath-keepers. \$20.00 a
month. Mrs. Jennie Wiserman, Owa-
tonna, Minn. 1t.

Wanted.—Young strong man at
once for general farm work. S. D. A.
preferred. State experience and
wages wanted, in first letter. Char-
ley Carlson, Rt. 1, Cooperstown, N.
Dak. 2t.

OBITUARY

Simmons.—Lucy Tietjens Simmon
was born August 24, 1867, at Lyons,
Iowa, and died April 12, 1926, at
Chamberlain, South Dakota. In 1904
she came to Chamberlain, S. Dak.,
where she was married to Michael
Simmon in 1926. It was in 1907
that she first heard the three-
fold message of Rev. 14, and became
one of the charter members of the
Chamberlain S. D. A. church. She was
58 years, 7 months, 18 days old. She
is survived by her husband, a foster
daughter, three sisters and two broth-
ers. The funeral services were con-
ducted by the writer.

I. V. Minner.

STATEMENT OF SIXTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

January 1 to April 30, 1926

Conference	Membership	Quota	Received	Short	Per Week
					Per Member
Iowa	2865	28,223.00	9,808.02	18,414.98	.201
Minnesota	3316	33,823.20	12,907.42	20,915.78	.228
N. Dakota	1652	16,850.40	5,881.48	10,968.92	.208
S. Dakota	1315	13,413.00	8,384.46	5,028.54	.375
Union	9148	92,309.60	36,981.38	55,328.22	.237

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SABBATH SCHOOL OFFERINGS

January 1 to April 30, 1926

Conference	Membership	Am't. Rec'd. 1925	Am't. Rec'd. 1926	Per Capita
				Per Week
Iowa	2865	8,731.66	8,075.30	.166
Minnesota	3316	9,495.60	10,068.80	.178
N. Dakota	1652	4,035.80	4,151.40	.147
S. Dakota	1315	4,771.20	4,747.32	.212
Union	9148	27,034.23	27,042.82	.173

I. G. Ortner, Treas.