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#### WHO WILL BE TRUE?

Dear Brethren and Sisters: It has been said that there are blessings in crises, as they develop true friends to the cause, also revealing those who are not true friends. We are now living in a time when changes will come in most unexpected ways. And each change will be more extreme and sudden. Who then will stand firm and true? is a question more solemn now than it has ever been before. Lives may be saved or lost as the result of a single decision.

First, we must remember that God's Spirit has told us that this church is the true church, and that it is going through. When crises come, notice carefully who stands the most closely with the body. Note those who are submissive to authority, and those who override it. The person who overrides it will often claim to believe the Testimonies of the Spirit of God, and will use them; but as soon as they conflict with his ideas, he will ignore them. Self is the Spirit that must provail. Thus the counsels of the Spirit of God are put secondary to selfwill, and human planning. In such a time as this, where is there safety?-In drawing closely together, and with singleness of heart seeking God.

Changes have come to the work in Iowa; but he who stands close to the Conference will receive depths of blessing, such as only those who are

approved as true can ever enjoy. Eld. Gardner now has heavy burdens placed upon him. But he must remember that there is one all-sufficient Helper, who has promised, "As thy days, so shall thy strength be." But now, brethren, comes the part God expects of us. He imparts strength largely through human channels. The faithful souls will stand the most closely by, to strengthen the hands of the one who leads out in the burdens of the Conference; and in doing so they will be a means in the hand of God of bringing the strength for each day. He who allows his mind to be filled with criticisms and critical questions, has no room for the seal of God. It can not be placed in such a setting. Such an one, after seeing his own aims fail, will generally study methods to embarrass the Conference be once loved, hoping thus to clear self, and rise through the failures of others. Does that person think that he is taking this ground?-Never. He always believes that he loves the truth as well as ever, but that those who are officers are in the wrong. It is ever thus. This is the most fatal position that I have ever met. Generally, if at times light comes in, it will again become as dark as before. But have we no right to independent opinions?-Certainly. Every Christian must be entirely independent. But the true Christian will see only the worst bondage in the lines spoken of. His freedom will not be implicated by wanting to do or think in that way.

Then, brethren and sisters in Iowa, you who have borne the heat and burden of the day, let it be known that you are still at your post, while the sun of the harvest day is almost beyond the western horizon. Stand by the Conference. Lift the banner still higher in the sight of the millions who com-

pose your great State. Conference laborers, if you stand shoulder to shoulder with your President, your Committee, and your comrades in public work, you will see the work growing and enlarging until the "loud cry" has passed in its power, and the end has come. You may be wearied, but the rest will be the sweeter. Stand firm and true, and God will give you "places to walk among these that stand by." I must be with you then. I am laying all my plans to be there and walk with those who have so faithfully walked with me here.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AND SANITARIUM BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

IMMEDIATELY following the Ames camp-meeting, the Sanitarium Board and Conference Committee met in joint session at Des Moines, to consider important matters relating to the new Sanitarium and Conference interests centering here.

Although the Sanitarium is Conference property, it was deemed fitting that it be kept separate, in account, from other Conference property. Several rooms of what has been called our Conference home, are used by the Sanitarium; on the other hand, two large rooms in the Sanitarium proper. are used as Conference offices and a book depository. The Sanitarium furnishes the meals and lodging for the Conference home, charging 15 cents per meal, and the same for a night's lodging. A proper balance of accounts between the different branches of Conference work was considered. new bakery and health food addition was taken by the Conference, the net gains for the year to be appropriated to the Sanitarium for services rendered and offered.

There were some matters connected with the pratical work of the Sanitarium that were of such a character that the Board felt unwilling to undertake adjustment without the counsel of the District Superintendent, Eld. J. H. Morrison, who complied with a request to be present, rendering valnable assistance. Some dissatisfaction had arisen affecting both the management and the work of the physician. The business manager, Bro. T. S. Jackson, tendered his resignation, as he felt unwilling to longer hold his position without the full endorsement of the Board of Trustees and the new Conference Committee. After full investigation of what was accessible, the Committee did not see their way clear to accept this resignation, but asked Bro. Jackson to resume responsibilities, and undertake improvements in certain particulars recommended by the Committee. This action was fully concurred in by each member of the joint Committee. A lack of sympathy and confidence between the training class and the Medical Superintendent tended to retard progress in this department of the institution. The principles involved here were carefully set forth and considered. The real causes of grievance were soon discerned, and a hopeful spirit manifested to correct existing evils and to work together for the advancement of right principles.

It was voted by the joint Committee, that a trained nurse and matron be provided who can give efficient instruction in bathroom treatment and nursing; that text-books on specific subjects be provided the training class; that care be exercised in receiving new members to the training class, as regards previous education, natural adaptability, soundness in the faith, and strength of constitution; and that the power to receive or dismiss members from the training class be vested in the Board of Trustees.

Our Sanitarium has been in operation less than a year. The enemy's eye is no doubt upon it, but it has not surrendered to him, we trust. It remains for the people to whom it is entrusted, to so relate themselves to its work that its noble mission may be fully accomplished among us; and to this end your Committee earnestly invite every Conference worker, every brother and sister in our beloved State, to co-operate in prayer, in word, and in work, to build up and advance the righteous principles to which this

institution is dedicated. As a Board of Trustees and Conference Committee, we expect to faithfully conserve the Interests of the Master's cause in this department by attending to the needs of this institution, enabling it to do creditably its divinely appointed work.

C. F. STRVENS, Sec.

[Those present at the joint Committee meeting, and participating in its deliberations, were the Conference Committee, E. E. Gardner, P. A. Hansen, C. A. Washburn, J. W. Adams, J. W. Dorcas, and L. F. Starr; and of the Board of Trustees, C. F. Stevens, Wm. Guthrie, T. S. Jackson, and J. M. Whitney, Eld. Hansen and Bro. Dorcas being members of both bodies.]

"THERE can be no peace in the heart while we are fighting against the will of God."

### FIELD REPORTS.

#### SIBLEY.

Our tent is pitched in the central part of the city, one block from the postoffice. We began meetings June 26. The attendance was not very good, though we had printed invitations, and had made a careful canvass of the town, putting an invitation into every home. However, the interest has somewhat increased, so that at present we have a fair hearing. Have now held five meetings. Those who come give a respectful attention, and some have invited us to visit them at their homes. We feel sure that God has directed in the location of the work here, and desire to be used by him for the salvation of souls. We are anxiously looking for Bro. Chas. Adams to join us.

THOS. H. JEYS, ARTHUR MCCLINTOCK,

### MALVERN.

WE are nicely located in this place of about fifteen hundred inhabitants. It was with some difficulty that we found a location for the tent, but at last we secured the most desirable place in town. We have held two meetings, with a fair attendance for the first. The people are friendly, and the Lord is with us. We hope for some souls in this place. The little company at North Grove is still faithful. They are carrying on a nice Sabbath-school. Brethren, pray for us, that we may succeed in doing the Lord's work here. P. PARK ADAMS.

C. A. HANSEN.

#### RUTHVEN.

THE Lord has greatly blessed us here at Ruthven. First, he caused us to see that it was time to have a church school for our children. There were some obstacles in the way, and we did not see how we could get it started; but finally we began with a family school, which by the Lord's help, developed into a church school, and proved a success. We have had evening meetings for the youth and children twice a month, and God has blessed the efforts put forth in their behalf. After camp-meeting the Lord sent Bro. C. T. Adams up here. He held a few meetings with the young people. and after he had set before them the blessings there are in a Christian life. and the dangers to those not aboard the heavenbound train, six of them came out and nobly took their stand for the Lord. It was a great joy to us to see our children decide so firmly on the Lord's side, and our hearts were filled with praise to God. Monday, June 25, these six dear young people and one aged sister were baptized in Lost Island Lake. At this place we have witnessed many burials with the Saviour, but this seemed to be the dearest one. The Lord has been leading us on step by step, all the time, and we praise his holy name for all his blessings.

We feel to say to all parents who read this: Cease not to pray for the young people in your church; it is high time for them to come nearer to the Lord. And do all you can to get church schools started; if they are conducted in the right way, they prove a blessing. But they require consecrated parents as well as consecrated teachers. All must work in harmony. There is danger in delay. The time is short, and the road grows more difficult all the time; but our God is a mighty God, and is able to guide us home safely, if we will only trust in him.

MRS. MARY B. HANSEN.

## WEST UNION.

The quarterly meeting of the West Union church was held June 30, 1900. It was thought best to hold it at this time because our church elder, Bro. F. H. Chapman, could be with us then. Our members are so scattered that it is almost impossible for us to get together; but we are glad to say that we have some excellent meetings, and enjoy much of the blessing of God when we meet on these quarterly occasions.

There were about thirty present at this meeting, and the morning was spent in listening to testimonies and in reading reports from the absent ones. The testimonies were all encouraging, and we could only thank God for the way in which he has led his people, and pray for strength to go forward and live such lives that the Spirit can dwell with us continually. In the afternoon we celebrated the Lord's Supper, and then repaired to the river, where two were buried with their Lord in the watery grave. Pray for this church, that in our scattered condition we may not lose that Christian love that binds us together.

MRS. LIBBIE EARLE.

### THE BOOK WORK.

#### EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.

Pearl D. Bascom, Council Bluffs: "This has been a blessed week for me. Not a day passes but I have the privilege of helping to satisfy some longing soul or comfort the troubled and distressed. The people are so kind to us. One Episcopal lady deems it a privilege to supply us with vegetables from her garden all summer. The Lord is providing for us bountifully. As I receive these blessings, I want to be a blessing to others."

PAUL CURTIS, ADEL: "The Lord is giving me some rich blessings and good experiences. Although the way has seemed hedged up at times, I realize that the barriers are only to try us and perfect us for the time of trouble. We have been promised the victory by One who never lost a battle. Let us be of good courage."

MR. AND MRS. C. E. VOSBURG, DEN-ISON: "Our reports of orders are small, as more than half of the people are Catholics. But we believe that God has a people among them who will accept his truth. We are of good courage, knowing that Christ is our leader."

J. P. GAEDE, WAVERLY: "The Lord has blessed me wonderfully in my delivery. I was glad to find many auxious to get their books. I do praise the Lord for the privilege I have of carrying the truth to all. My only desire is to be faithful until Jesus comes."

CORA M. DAVIS, ICONIUM: "I enjoy the work, and want to be a true disciple of Jesus, and go forward telling the people of his soon coming."

Lewis Hilliard, Algona: "Another good week. To the Lord be all the praise. He has given me success in delivering my books. I did not lose an order."

The work of translating "Coming King" into the Danish and Swedish languages has been undertaken, and it is expected that this book in these languages will be ready for delivery by next September.

"Ir we knew the gift of God, its preciousness, its exhaustlessness, its freeness, its adaptability to our need, how earnestly and how abundantly we would ask of God that we might receive it in all its fullness."

#### CANVASSING REPORT FOR TWO WEEKS ENDING JUNE 29, 1900.

Hrs. Ord. Val. Helps. THE COMING KING. Susan Haskell..........46 18 \$18.00 \$2.25 20.00 1.70 20 Carrie Wallace..........20 6.00 1.50 Nelle Schoberg......31 8.00 Mrs. C. E. Vosburg......32 H. B. Tilden ......44 27,00 Mrs. H. B. Tilden ......14 6.00 3.00

 Mrs. H. B. Tilden
 .14
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 L. Alton June
 .51
 27
 27.00

 Ohristine Henricksen
 .16
 8
 8.00

 DESIRE OF AGES AND COMING KING.

 Mary L. Haskell
 .30
 4
 \$5.50
 \$5.25

 O. C. Markel
 .31
 12
 29.50
 6.00

 Coming King and Bible Readings

 C. L. Van Schoick
 4
 \$4.00
 \$1.00

 Pearl D. Bascom
 43
 8
 \$27.00
 \$1.75

 Harriet C. Fuller
 53
 2
 6.00
 1.00

 Elbridge Adams
 22
 4
 16.50
 2.55

 PROPHECIES OF JESUS

J. P. Gaede ...........26 9 8 8.75 82.25
PROPHECIES OF JESUS AND COMING KING.

Henry Baetke ...........29 6 \$ 7.00 \$ .70 DELIVERIES.

Books. Value. Helps. Lost, Elsie Fulton ..... 6 \$ 7.75 1.25 Louis Manfull..... 52 52.00 \$ 1.25 61.30 9.00 26.00 Edward Everett..... 1 2.50 Henry Baetke ...... 1 J. P. Gnede . 88.10 Lewis Hilliard ......27 50,99 Mrs. H. B. Tilden ..... 3 3.00 1.00 2.00 20.50 Phebe Vosburg ........62

SUMMARY.	
No. of agents	. 27
" " orders	240
Value of "	.8338.00
" " helps sold	\$ 89.20
Total value	.8427.2
Value of deliveries	. \$358.3

## THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

## THE QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE IOWA SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

The following is the report for quarter ending March 31, 1900:—

No. of schools	200
" reporting	198
Present membership	3.784
Average attendance	2,573
Total contributions,	822,26
Donations to missions	
" Oakwood School	\$18.10

During the quarter four schools have been added and two discontinued. The Lord has blessed the work, and for this we are thankful.

Although the work I have been doing will now be carried on by another, I shall not forget the different schools and their officers, and I pray that God will bless you in all your work for him. I trust you will do all you can to assist Sister Wilcox in her work. You can do this by careful and prompt reporting and by encouraging words.

Yours for our Master's work, Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

#### FONTANELLE CONVENTION.

THE Sabbath-school at Fontanelle held a convention May 6. The program sent us was fully carried out. Each paper was freely discussed; and if our school will profit by the thoughts presented, we can not but be better fitted for the work of saving those whom God has placed in our school to be fitted for a place in his kingdom. Eld. L. F. Starr was with us, and his help added much to the interest in the discussion of the different topics. The children took part by assisting in the singing. A children's meeting was held as a part of the program, and was enjoyed by all. We trust God to bless our school, that all our members may be truly converted, and each one become a worker together with God.

MRS. A. T. JACOBS.

# BIRTHDAY OFFERINGS TO OAKWOOD SCHOOL,

Frankie Percival, 30 cents; Worth Percival, 25 cents; Audubon, 79 cents; Sioux City, \$5.46; Jennie Joy, 30 cents; Pearl Joy, 7 cents; Myrtle Larson, 11 cents; Waukon, 10 cents; Spring Branch, 67 cents; Marshalltown, 46 cents; Mrs. Austin, 33 cents; Harry Austin, 14 cents; Babe Austin, 3 cents; Smithland, \$4.40; Parkersburg, 81 cents; Nevada, \$1.76; Libertyville, \$2.12.

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- -Volume 12, Number 1.
- -Bro. AND SISTER J. C. VAN SYOC, of Sandyville, met with the Des Moines church last Sabbath.
- —Eld, J. W. Adams and his son Bro. Charles Adams spent last Sabbath with the Russell church.
- —Miss A. Helen Wilcox, of Onawa, has entered upon her duties as secretary of the State Sabbath-school Association, and will make Des Moines her home.
- -Bro. C. H. Parsons, of Des Moines, went Sunday evening, July 1, to attend the remaining sessions of the Teachers' Conference at Battle Creek, Mich.
- -Miss Della Wallace went to Grinnell last Thursday for a short stay with home friends, expecting to go from there to visit with relatives in Northern Iowa and Minnesota.
- —It has been decided that Bro, and Sister B. E. Fullmer connect with the tent company at Ottumwa, Dr. R. H. Habenicht having chosen to engage in medical work.
- —Many subscriptions to the Bulle-Tinexpired with the last number of Volume 11. Will all who wish the paper for another year kindly renew at once? The subscription price, twenty-five cents, may be sent in postage stamps.
- —Bro. Henry Eide has spent the most of the time since camp-meeting visiting among the Scandinavian people of Des Moines, distributing papers and tracts, also holding some meetings. He will be at Colfax for a while, but expects to take up the work again in this city next fall.
- —MRS. LINNIE CLEMENS has come to Des Moines for medical aid, and with her mother is a guest at the home of Sister Sarah Kane. She is very much afflicted, having been deprived for several weeks of the use of her left foot and limb. May she have the prayers of all the workers.
- -MRS. D. A. FITCH, in obedience to a call from the Medical Missionary Board, is on her way to connect with the Sanitarium at Guadalajara, Mexico. She is in Des Moines en route visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. W. Snyder. She leaves the health-food work at Burlington in the hands of Bro. and Sister A. E. Whittemore.

- —How many copies of the Independence Signs will you distribute in your locality? The people are anxiously noting the ominous changes in the social and political world. Will you withhold the light which this paper contains, revealing the meaning of these things? Thousands of them ought to be circulated in Iowa. Price, 5 cents per single copy; in lots of five or more, 2 cents each.
- -On account of her removal from the city we are now deprived of the association of Sister Adella Habenicht in the editorial work of the BULLETIN. While this is to be regretted, we are pleased, in entering upon the new volume, to be assured of the benefit of the experience which Bro. W. E. Perrin has had in newspaper work.
- —On account of a delay in filling our orders at the Review and Herald office, we have not been able to respond to the late calls for the tract "Open Letter." We understand that the second edition will soon be off the press, when we hope to fill all back orders.
- —WE again call attention to the pamphlet entitled "The Glad Tidings", by Eld. E. J. Waggoner. This is a commentary on the book of Galatians, and will be especially helpful in the study of the Sabbath-school lessons.
- —Mrs. H. G. WASHBURN wishes clean, late papers for the rack in her city. She can use quite a number, and would like them right away. Please send postpaid to her at Waterloo.
- -ELD. E. E. GARDNER and family have located at Des Moines, and all mail for Eld. Gardner should be addressed to 603 E. 12th St.
- -Bro, W. A. TRIMBLE and Sister Ella Young were married at Tipton, Iowa, July 3. Their many friends extend congratulations.
- -Miss Martha Lenz made a short stay at the Sanitarium last week, inreturning from Oelwein to the work in Sioux City.
- -Eld. J. W. Adams held quarterly meeting with the church at Monroe, Sabbath, June 30.
- -Mrs. Resecca Adams is visiting at the home of her son, Eld. J. W. Adams.
- —Bro. W. E. Perrin and family visited friends at Boone and vicinity last week.
- -Bro. F. L. Moody was in Des Moines last Tuesday on business.

#### SANITARIUM NOTES.

THOS. F. MYERS, an attorney of Audubon, is numbered among the patients.

SISTER IVA J. TURNER, of Moravia, is enjoying the benefits to be derived by a stay here.

MRS. J. C. QUINN, of Shellsburg, brought her little son Russell for treatment, last week.

Bro. Ed Swap is taking a few days' rest from Sanitarium duties, in a visit with his parents at Bedford.

MRS. C. TUTTLE, of Mt. Etna, came last week, accompanied by a friend, Mrs. C. Jones, who is also here for medical aid.

Miss Cora Quinn, having had the benefit of several weeks' treatment, has gone to visit friends at Boone. Her throat is not quite strong enough yet for her to take up the canvassing work again.

THE members of the nurses' class have organized a missionary society; and are doing much earnest work, holding cottage meetings, distributing literature, also giving aid to the sick and destitute where needed.

#### AN INTERESTING OCCASION.

On the evening of May 17, 1900, in the heart of busy Denver, a dialogue was recited by three Iowa people,—Miss Emma J. Marshall, of Monroe, Iowa, Mr. James L. Barry, of Keokuk. Iowa, and the writer. The recital was one of those that had such an effect on the lady actor as to change her name. Mr. Barry is one of Colorado's gold diggers, residing at Neitherlands. The evening passed off pleasantly, and the guests were bountifully served with refreshments. I am sure that their many Iowa friends will wish for Mr. and Mrs. Barry a happy future. G. F. Watson.

## APPOINTMENTS.

SUMNER, July 9, 10, 1900.
Winthrop, "11, 12, "
Dubuque, "13, 14, "
Fayette, Hawkeye, and West Union, "16—19, "
Wadena, "20—22, "
Waukon and Village

Creek, 24-29, Opportunity will be given for baptism at any of these places, if desired.

H. NICOLA.

### QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

CLARINDA, July 13—15, 1900,
Meetings will begin Friday at 8 p.
M. On Sabbath and Sunday services
will be at 11 A. M. and 3 and 8 p. M.
Quarterly services will be held on
Sabbath, and opportunity for baptism
extended.

E. E. GARDNER,
C. W. NEAL.

QUARTERLY meeting will be held at Burlington, July 14 and 15. All members are requested to be present. CARL JENSEN.