

Harvest Ingathering

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"Every one said to his brother, Be of good courage." Isa. XLI. 6.

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that is a great home missionary work. Think of what it means to place 500,000 copies (over two carloads) of a large, well-illustrated number of the *Signs* into so many homes in the United States. A few years ago such an effort would have been considered a sure evidence of drops of the latter rain—an evidence of the loud cry—and the hasty completion of this work in the earth.

By distributing these 500,000 copies of this paper, not only will so many homes have placed in them a witness that this gospel of the kingdom is being preached in all the earth, as an evidence of the soon-coming of our

Lord and Saviour, but from \$30,000 to \$50,000 will be gathered in as a help in the carrying forward of this work into the uttermost parts of the earth. The amounts gathered by the masses of our people may not each in themselves be large, but when thousands of others are each doing the same good work, a large stream comes flowing into the ocean of God's great world for the carrying forward of this work. So let each do his part, that all together may hear the "well done." If every one who believes this message will take hold and do what he can, we are sure that the blessings of heaven will attend our united efforts.

A. R. Ogden.

The Harvest Ingathering for Foreign Missions

This is the fourth annual effort in behalf of our foreign mission work through the medium of a special missions number of one of our papers. The three former efforts have been through the medium of the denominational church paper, the *Review and Herald*. This year the medium is the denominational missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, and it is an excellent number, as all know who have seen it.

Not only is the effort one that results in great blessing to our ever increasing and rapidly developing foreign mission endeavor, but also one



Be Ready

All should bear in mind that the Harvest Ingathering campaign of 1911 begins October 30. Shall we not enter this campaign with greater enthusiasm and more earnest effort than ever before? As conference and church officers, we should plan for a thorough and systematic effort. All should be prepared with much of God's grace, and with the necessary number of papers, so that at the opportune time we can spring into action. Shall we not spend as much time as possible in soliciting donations from our neighbors and friends and from the general public? Let us make the very best of this occasion, and may God grant as the result of the campaign this year, more money may be gleaned for our missionary work in other lands than has been realized in any other similar effort.

E. T. Russell.

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign

If it were possible for the hand of time to turn backward to the days of the children of Israel, we would doubtless find them interested in the Harvest Ingathering. It was a time when they acknowledged God's bounty in the products of the orchard, the olive grove, and the vineyard. The land had yielded its increase, the harvest had been gathered into the granaries, the fruit, the oil, and the wine had been stored, and the people came with their tributes of thanksgiving to God.

We have come up to another Harvest Ingathering, and as we retrospect, we are led to acknowledge that God is still on the giving hand. As we look upon the great harvest fields, and view the orchards laden with their timely fruits, we are constrained to show our appreciation in a tangible way. As we behold the harvest ripening, we rejoice to know that there is another ripening harvest in the world. Soon there will come a day of final gathering of the fruits of the earth. Still there are those in whom the seeds of truth have never been planted. Thousands there be who have never heard of the coming of the reapers of earth's harvest. Only a short time remains to finish this work. Another opportunity has been granted us when each of us may have a definite part in the carrying of the gospel to the world. We can take the beautiful Mission number of the *Signs of the Times* to our friends and neighbors, which will give them the progress of

the gospel of the kingdom in the world. We can invite them to be workers together with God in reconciling men to Himself, by giving of their means for the support of those who have left their homes, their loved ones, and all that is dear to them to carry the last message of mercy to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

We confidently expect that this will be the best campaign in which we have ever engaged. Already over five times as many papers have been ordered for this year's campaign as were ordered last year, and a spirit of earnestness seems to characterize the movement. I trust that each of our churches have all their plans arranged for a systematic effort, and that the brethren and sisters who are isolated will feel that much depends upon them. We are sure that all heaven is interested in the part we will have in this, and let us each pray during the remaining days that the Captain of the Lord's host may direct this great army of men, women, and children as they go forth in the strength of their God to engage in another campaign.

L. W. Terry.

A Missionary Prayer

One field, the wheeling world,
Vast furrows open lie;
Broadcast let seed be hurled
By us both far and nigh.
Winds, east or west,
Let no tares fall;
Wide waft the best;
God winnow all.

Heaven hath a single sun,
All gates swing open wide;
All lands must now be one,
Let seas no more divide.
In every zone,
Arise and shine;
Earth's only throne,
Our God be thine.

On every desert rain,
Make green earth's flintiest sands;
Above the land and main
Reveal Thy pierced hands.
Thy cross heaven wins;
Lift it on high;
And in his sins
Let no man die.

Rev. Joseph Cook.

The soul may ascend nearer heaven
on the wings of praise.—Mrs. E. G.
White.

To the People of the Wyoming Conference

Dear Brethren: I will once more write a few lines to you. Perhaps many of you already know that, in the providence of God, I have been called to take up work in another conference. I wish to say to you that this change has come to me unsolicited. My relations with you have been pleasant, and it is with feelings of regret that I sever my connection with you and with the work in this field. I have felt a sincere love for all the people, and a deep interest in the work in all its parts. I have not been able to accomplish all that I wished, but have tried to do the best I could under the existing conditions.

The conference committee, at a recent meeting, accepted my resignation and by vote asked the Central Union Conference Committee to select a man to take up the work of president of this conference. In accordance with this request, Elder D. U. Hale, formerly of the South Missouri Conference, has been chosen for this position, and ere you read these lines will be in the conference at work. As I turn the responsibilities of this work over to him, it is with the hope that they are falling into more able hands, and that through the blessing of God the cause will be benefitted by the change.

I thank you for the sympathy and hearty co-operation that you have given me during the two years and four months of my sojourn in this conference. The third angel's message continues to be the most important and most precious truth and work in all this world. I earnestly hope that every one of you will be loyal and true, and will do your best in every way to help finish the work and hasten the return of our Lord and the complete establishment of His kingdom of glory.

I am aware that this year many of us are surrounded by conditions not the most favorable, but this calls, not for a slackening of our efforts, but for a redoubling of our diligence and an increase of our consecration and sacrifice.

There is now just before us a time and an opportunity to show our zeal for God and our love for His work. The Harvest Ingathering, which has become an established custom, is about to begin. Its success or failure depends upon the loyalty of this dear people. If earnest, faithful, work is done, in the fear of God, it will no doubt be a success. The conference

office has been sending out instruction literature and appeals in regard to this work for some time, and I am glad to say that quite an encouraging number of orders have been received. One brother, I think, has asked for two thousand copies of the missionary *Signs* to be used. I hope that all who have not already done so, will give this matter prayerful consideration, and decide to have an active part in this work. Send in orders for papers to Brother Asa Smith, Crawford, Nebr. I especially urge that when papers have been ordered, that a faithful effort will be made to use them all judiciously. Others will write fuller instructions.

I expect to leave in a few days for Western Colorado, my future field of labor. I pray the blessing of God to rest upon you all.

I hope that those brethren in Western Colorado who read these lines will also accept and act upon this appeal the same as though I had addressed it to them personally.

With kindest regards to all, I am,
Your brother in the work,
E. A. Curtis.

Have You?

Near the close of the earthly ministration of our Lord, a poor woman, for whom much had been done by the Saviour, came to anoint Him with very precious ointment. To make this possible, all her earthly possessions had been sacrificed. Some found fault with this "waste," and suggested that it might better have "been sold and the money given to the poor." These words pierced like a sword the heart of the dear, appreciative woman, and the Master, quick to discern an injury to His child, said, "Let her alone." Then turning with a look of approval, He said, "She hath done what she could." Sweet were the words as they fell upon poor Mary's ears. "Done what she could"! Others might have done more, but she had "done what she could." Such workers can be called "good and faithful servants," and to them the joy of entering into their reward will be given.

Before us lies the opportunity of having a part in the blessed work of dealing out to others the ointment of the gospel. The Harvest Ingathering effort is just such a privilege. Every Seventh-day Adventist in Nebraska should have a part in this work. It will not only aid in gathering funds for our work in distant lands, but a knowledge of what we as a denomination are doing in evangelistic work will help remove prejudice from the

minds of our neighbors and friends.

The special *Signs* for this work will be furnished to all our people upon application, on the promise that faithful work will be done with them.

Already many of our churches and companies have sent in their orders for larger and smaller lots. We urge that all take a part in this movement. Some may say it is a "waste," but it is not so accounted in heaven. Every unselfish deed is recognized by the eyes of Him who "never slumbers nor sleeps," and may we have so done our part in this work that the Lord may be able to say, "She (or he) hath done what she could." J. W. Christian.

Harvest Ingathering Campaign

What is this campaign? Who may have a part in it? When does it begin? What is the object in view?

These are some of the questions that will no doubt come to your mind as you read the heading of this article.

Answering the first question, we will say that at a meeting of the General Conference committee held at Washington, D. C., Nov. 30, 1910, it was voted to use the weekly *Signs of the Times* as the paper for the missionary Harvest Ingathering for 1911. This action was taken in view of the fact that the *Signs* is recognized as our pioneer missionary paper.

Have you seen this missions number? It contains thirty-two pages, profusely illustrated. It has a beautiful cover design, especially prepared. Some of the special features are a map locating our missionaries and mission stations throughout the world; an article on modern missions; a report of the campaign of 1910; several striking articles on mission work in the dark continent; several articles on the great Chinese field; reports from missionaries in Japan, Korea, South America, Mexico, and other countries, and also the islands of the sea. These stirring articles will be illustrated by half-tone engravings made from photographs, nearly all of which were taken by our missionaries right in the field.

Now the second question. We answer that all may have a part in it. At a recent meeting of the Central Union Conference committee held in College View, the question of the Harvest Ingathering was considered. It was recommended that a united effort should be made in all our churches, the workers uniting with the church officers and members to make this campaign, under the blessing of God, a great success.

In answer to the next question, we will say that the time set apart for the distribution of the papers is from October 30 to November 3. Of course, if for any reason it is not convenient for you to work at this time, the papers may be distributed later. The papers are furnished free, the instruction leaflet, and also the solicitor's card.

Now we come to the last question, the object. There is a double object in this grand work. The past two years more than a million copies of the missions *Review* have been distributed in the homes of the people of the United States. Eternity alone will reveal the results of this good work. From this viewpoint, a grand missionary work has been done. And then on the other hand, looking at it from a financial standpoint, a net sum of more than \$60,000 has been received for the support of our foreign work. This has enabled us to put at last twenty-five missionaries in the field who must otherwise have remained at home. Are we sorry that we tried to do what we could during the campaign? Are we sorry so many missionaries left the homeland for the needy fields beyond?

Dear brethren and sisters, I am sure that as we look upon the great unworked fields, our answer will be, No. The question before us now is, How much will we do this year? Let us take hold with all our hearts in this good work, and at last, when this message shall have gone to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, we may come home rejoicing, bringing some sheaves with us.

C. R. Kite.

Harvest Ingathering Campaign

Annually for some years, it has been customary for us to go to our neighbors for financial assistance in behalf of our foreign mission work. Some may ask the question, Why go to our neighbors for help? The answer comes to us from the Testimonies: "God has an abundance in our world, and He has placed His goods in the hands of all, both the obedient and the disobedient. He is ready to move upon the hearts of worldly men, even idolators, to give of their abundance for the support of His work, and He will do this as soon as His people learn to approach these men wisely and to call their attention to that which it is their privilege to do."

Again, it has been a custom in the United States to make donations for benevolent purposes in the fall. This

custom has been established of old, and thus a day is proclaimed by the president as "Thanksgiving day." Many people of the world feel it their duty to do something at these times in benevolent ways. It seems to be an ease to their conscience for their short comings during the year.

As a people, we have felt that we should form the habit of giving, and thus have established the annual or Christmas offering. Instead, however, of giving to our friends and relatives, we have thought it fitting to give to the Great Giver of all blessing. This will bring a return of souls in this world, and in the world to come a return of blessings eternal. There were many of our people who could give only a small sum, but they began to solicit from their neighbors and friends and thus their offering was much enlarged. From this came the idea to offer to our neighbors a paper setting forth something of our operations in other lands, and with this has come an opportunity for everyone to do something, from the youngest child to the oldest grandma. Even the invalids and the infirm can mail papers and write letters, while the young and strong can visit the people in their homes.

This mode of obtaining funds for our mission work has three advantages. It is an opportunity to stir our people up to missionary work and bring them in direct contact with their neighbors, it calls our neighbors' special attention to our work and what we are doing, and it brings thousands of dollars into the treasury for the advancement of the work in foreign lands.

Now the question comes, Shall we avail ourselves of this advantage? Shall we neglect these God-given opportunities? The question may arise in your mind whether it is right to go to our neighbors with this special Missions number of the *Signs*. Let us look again to the Spirit of Prophecy for an answer. "We are not to feel that it would not be the thing to ask men of the world for means, for it is just the thing to do."

With these things before us, brethren, it behooves us to be diligent in this work. On October 30, next, let every power of heart and mind and strength be given to this work. Let Sabbath, October 28, be a day of real consecration and prayer. Let it be the cleansing of the soul from every sin, preparatory to a walk with Jesus during the week following. Let us leave the cares of the world and our own work and give this time to

the advancement of the message. We are tired of this world. Let us make this an opportunity of bringing the end one step nearer. Jesus has promised that when this gospel of the kingdom is preached in all the world for a witness to all nations, then shall the end come. Let us use vigorously every means the Lord places at our disposal, stepping into every opening, and taking advantage of every opportunity of placing this message before the people of the world. God's promise is sure, and we may surely expect the end as soon as the work is done.
D. U. Hale.

The International Publishing Association

Pursuant to appointment, the seventh annual meeting of the constituency of the International Publishing Association was called to order by Elder E. T. Russell, president of the association, in the auditorium of the College View church, at 10 o'clock, on Friday, October 13. A good representation of the constituency, including several members of the General Conference committee, were present at the opening of the session.

After an earnest season of prayer and brief opening remarks by the president, the manager, Brother F. F. Byington, presented an interesting report of the general working of the institution during the past year, following which the treasurer's and the auditor's reports were read and accepted. The treasurer's report showed a net gain in the operation of the plant during the past year of \$1,686.55.

The usual standing committees for the session were duly appointed, and the first meeting adjourned till 3:00 p. m.

At the second meeting, officers, counselors, and publication committees were elected, as follows:—

Trustees: E. T. Russell, J. W. Christian, C. A. Thorp, F. F. Byington, Alfred Vermelin, Theo. Valentiner, A. T. Robinson.

Counselors: O. A. Olsen, H. Shultz, S. Mortensen, L. H. Christian, J. H. Schilling, J. F. Anderson, Chas. Leer, Fred Johnson, N. P. Neilsen, G. A. Grauer, H. Hansen, A. J. Stone, August Anderson, David Voth, A. Boettcher, Lars Neilsen, G. F. Haffner.

Editors:

Evangelists Sendebud, C. A. Thorp.

Lys over Landet, C. A. Thorp.

Missionaren, Miss H. Strunge.

Christlicher Hausfreund, Theo. Valentiner.

Zeichen der Zeit, Theo. Valentiner.
Jugendbote, G. W. Erfurth.
Tidens Tecken, Alfred Vermelin.
Signalen, Miss Swensen.
Standing Committees:

Foreign Literature

Danish: L. H. Christian, C. A. Thorp, M. S. Reppe, Bernhard Peterson, M. L. Andreassen.

Swedish: S. Mortensen, Fred Johnson, G. M. Eriksen, A. Swedburg, A. Vermelin.

German: J. H. Schilling, G. F. Haffner, G. A. Grauer, Theo. Valentiner, J. F. Harder.

Book Committee

(To confer with Europe.)

L. H. Christian, S. Mortensen, J. H. Schilling.

The committee on plans presented a resolution in expression of gratitude to God for the mercies and blessings of the past year and of renewed consecration and devotion to Him during the new year entered upon. This was spoken to in a feeling way by Brethren Robinson, Olsen, Underwood, Russell, Byington, and others, and was adopted by a standing vote and the heartfelt singing of "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Believing the readers of the OUTLOOK will be interested to know more about the work of this institution, which has for its special mission field the millions of foreign-speaking people who are annually flocking to our shores, we publish a portion of the manager's annual report.

Annual Report of the Manager to the Members of the International Publishing Association, Oct. 13, 1911

Dear Friends and Fellow-workers:—

In many ways the Lord has greatly blessed the work of this association during the past year for which we feel very thankful to Him. No serious accident has occurred to mar the work, and a good steady business has been enjoyed. Our dealings with tract societies throughout the country has been quite satisfactory and harmonious, and orders from them have steadily increased. The volume of our work has not been as large as in some previous years, and was less than it should be, but by using economy we are able to report the best gain that the institution has ever made in one year. We believe that all employes are good Christian men and women, and a spirit of love and harmony prevail among them.

FINANCES

The institution has never had more money at its disposal than it has known how to use to good advantage, and the past year has been no exception. In round figures the entire valuation of the plant, including real estate, machinery, books, etc., amounts to \$55,292; the liabilities are about \$35,968, making the present worth about \$19,324. The note indebtedness of the institution is about \$28,000, the interest on the same being about \$1,200 a year. It would be a great help if this burden could be reduced.

We make a practice of paying bills promptly, thus taking advantage of cash discounts, by which a saving has been made the past year of \$202. By doing this, the institution has good credit with the firms it deals with.

Very little assistance has been given us in the way of donations, except \$1,144, which was paid by various conferences toward the salaries of the three foreign secretaries, which lacked \$335 of paying the full amount.

The Lord has helped us wonderfully many times when sorely pressed for funds, in providing money just when it was needed, and we have found Him a present help in every time of need.

The work of this institution is carried on very largely through two departments, the Manufacturing Department and the Book Department.

MANUFACTURING DEPARTMENT

This includes the work done in the type setting room, the press room, and the bindery. We now have ten regular periodicals which afford a steady line of work that can be depended on. In addition to this we print and bind books, tracts, and pamphlets in the various languages. At present many of the foreign books are printed in Mountain View, but we believe that untiring efforts should be made to bring all of this foreign work to this institution. We have facilities for doing a much larger amount of work, and this would be a great help to the institution, and would give work to many students, thus enabling them to attend the college.

We are now publishing a new edition of "Daniel and Revelation" in the Swedish language, revising it and bringing it up-to-date with the latest English edition. Aside from this, very little new work has been undertaken during the past year, aside from printing new editions of various books and tracts as they have been required. We have electrotyped about twenty-five pages of introductory matter for a new German

edition of "Great Controversy," which is being printed and bound in Mountain View, although we desired very much to do the entire work here. We have recently purchased some music type, and are doing the typesetting and plate making of new hymn books in the Swedish and Danish-Norwegian languages. It will necessarily require a year or more to complete the work on these books.

BOOK DEPARTMENT

All books, tracts, and pamphlets which we publish and those obtained from other publishers are handled through the Book Department. The entire business of this department during the past year has amounted at retail valuation to \$13,214.53. Although this is about \$804 less than the business done the previous year, we consider it quite a satisfactory showing in view of crop failures in many districts. We carry in stock a great variety of foreign literature, as listed in our catalog, which comes from all parts of the world. We are now recognized by tract societies and workers as headquarters for foreign Bibles, books and tracts.

MAGAZINES

Our quarterly magazines in the German, Danish-Norwegian and Swedish languages are well established, and are becoming quite popular. They have now been published two years, with a total issue of over 200,000 copies, or over 25,000 per quarter. These magazines have been a success financially from the start, and during the past year have made a net gain of over \$600. Quite a number of complimentary notices have been received as to the neat appearance and valuable contents of these magazines, and we are confident that their circulation has an important part in disseminating the truths of our message.

One number of a French magazine has recently been issued in response to the urgent request of Elder G. G. Roth, in charge of the French work in this country. There were 5,000 copies printed. No effort has been made to enter it as second-class matter until it is ascertained what the demand will be. Until it is so entered the high rate of postage will prevent a financial gain if sold at the same rates as the other magazines.

LINOTYPE

Our Linotype machine, which was installed in the spring of 1910, at a cost of over \$3,000 has proved a great success. A large part of the time it has been operated twenty-four

hours a day. At present it is not used from midnight until six in the morning. Each week it sets on an average of 200,000 ems of type in the various languages, at an average cost of operating of ten cents per 1,000. The gasoline, electric current, repairs, interest on the investment, etc., have cost us about ten cents a thousand more, or twenty cents in all. The rate formerly paid for setting type by hand averaged 27 cents per 1,000, in addition to the cost of type, which would make the cost fully 30 cents per 1,000. The saving has been fully \$20 per week, or over \$1,000 a year. The machine is equipped to set type in English, German, Danish-Norwegian, Swedish, and French, and can easily be adapted to other languages if desired. We often wonder how we ever got along without it and met the difficulties of securing compositors for the different languages. We have native operators in each language, dividing each day into three or four periods, with a different language for each period. We find it very little disadvantage to run several languages on the same machine.

RECOMMENDATIONS

For your special consideration at this time, we suggest the following:

1. Plans to secure for this office the publication of the foreign editions of our regular denominational books, thus supplying the office with much needed work, and giving employment to students that will assist them through school.

2. The advisability of having the French magazine published quarterly and entered as second-class matter.

3. Shall we try this year to secure assistance in paying the salaries of our foreign corresponding secretaries?

In closing this report we desire once more to express our gratitude to God for His care over the work, and for the good spirit that has prevailed among the workers.

We wish also to thank our workers in the field and our brethren and sisters generally, with whom we have done business, for the help they rendered us in carrying forward the work. We trust that wise plans may be made at this meeting, so that still greater prosperity may attend the work during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. F. Byington,
Manager.

Upon a dark, bemired life
A gleam of human love was flung,
And lo, from that ungenial soil
A noble deed upsprung.



South Missouri Conference

L. W. Terry, Pres. Ralph Rhodes, Sec'y
F. L. Limerick, Miss. Agt.
520 West Lynn St., Springfield, Mo.

Although we have suffered the worst drought for many years in South Missouri, we have increased our sales over \$400 this conference year.

We have most of our canvassers in south east Missouri this fall.

Brother Allred was sick last week, and did not get in full time, but sold \$70 worth of books. Sister Allen sold \$73 worth, and Brother Surber sold \$203 worth.

Sister Allen has found four women keeping the Sabbath. They accepted it from reading "Prophecies of Jesus," and have been praying for some one to come who believed the things in the book. The answer to their prayers came when Sister Allen crossed the threshold of one of their homes, all unconscious of the fact she had been sent in direct answer to prayer. The women grasped Sister Allen by the hand, and said, "I am so glad to see you; let me shake your hand."

This book was sold nearly twenty years ago. The Testimonies have said that they will take them down and brush the dust off and read them. Now we see it with our eyes.

Let us keep on passing these good books out, and in the great day of God the harvest will surprise us all.

F. L. Limerick.

St. Louis, Mo.

The work is moving along nicely at this place, and we are all of good courage in the Lord. Last Sabbath I had the pleasure of baptizing eight dear souls, and they will be taken into the church next Sabbath. There are five or six more who will be baptized in a short time. Pray for us, that the Lord will keep us faithful.

A. C. Anderson.

Unused advantages are no advantages.

For a dead opportunity there is no resurrection.

Wyoming Conference

D. U. Hale, Pres. Asa Smith, Sec'y
CRAWFORD, NEBR.

L. R. Canaday, elder of the Whitney, Nebr., church, called at the office recently and left some tithes.

Mrs. O. G. Pense, of Meeteetse, Wyo., has gone to Nebraska to spend the winter.

The sad news came a few days ago of the death of one of Elder Starr's twin boys, Willard Sprinkle Starr, aged 3 months, 9 days. He was sick only twenty-four days with cholera infantum. Many friends will extend their sympathies to the bereaved parents at this time.

We received a good letter last week from Brother Burlingame who has been so busy with his profession, nursing, that he has had no time to write before. He is now on the fifth case since July 2. Mrs. Burlingame is in Colorado with their daughter who is seriously ill.

The church at Lisco, Nebr., is to have a church school, to be in charge of Miss Nora Hough.

Elder Berry has gone to Buffalo and Kaycee, Wyo., to look after the interests in that part of the field for a time.

Mrs. J. H. Wheeler arrived at Crawford last week from College View, Nebr., where she had been visiting her daughters at the college.

R. W. Stewart, elder of the Oelrichs, S. Dak., church, met with the church at Crawford last Sabbath.

The first report of work in our conference with the Ingathering *Signs* comes from the Crawford church where one sister over sixty years of age secured \$1 from the first paper used.

The first order for the next Special Series of the *Signs Weekly* comes from Wright, Wyo. An isolated brother to whom circular matter was sent from this office sends in a list of ten names expressing the hope that "this may be the means of interesting some here." Let us faithfully sow the seed; the Lord will give the increase in His own time.

Mr. Chilson visited his daughter, Mrs. L. E. Curtis, a few days last week at the Wyoming Intermediate School at Hemingford, Nebr. He also visited the family of Elder Curtis at Crawford, Nebr.

Asa Smith.

East Kansas Conference

W.F. Kennedy, Pres. B. M. Emerson, Sec'y
E. T. Wilson, Field Miss. Agt.
821 W. 5th St., TOPEKA, KANS.

We are glad to report another home missionary worker, Sister Newman, of Kansas City, Kans., who is sixty-eight years of age, but is selling from twelve to fifteen *Signs or Life and Health* daily. Sister Newman's son, Charles, was baptized at the camp-meeting, and has been canvassing since, and at the same time teaching the truth to his mother. Is it not remarkable how zealous we are to give the truth to others when we let it sanctify us.

Brethren Leech and Newman have gone to Doniphan County to canvass, and we bespeak for them success, for these brethren believe that God has called them to this work, and that He will lead them on to victory.

Brother and Sister J. H. Roberts are still canvassing in Bourbon County, making headquarters at Ft. Scott. Thus they are a strength to the company at that place.

Sisters Gus Anderson and Florence Nordyke are taking up the sale of "Heralds of the Morning" in Kansas City, and say they are going to visit every home there. May the Lord put it into the hearts of many more of our brethren and sisters to give the message to every home in their own home city.

I have often wondered if there was any reason for any of us living in the cities unless we were there to give the message. May the Lord help us to find the work He has appointed us to do.

E. T. Wilson.

There is an old Indian legend that a poor man threw a bud of charity into Buddha's bowl and it blossomed into a thousand flowers. So we throw the bud of Christian truth into isolated and scattered communities, into the far-off lands, and lo, it bursts forth into a thousand fragrant blossoms and bears fruit in every activity of human life.

West Kansas Conference

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Canvassers Notes

Austin Cole has begun work in Stafford County.

Irving Daily sends in good reports from Kingman County.

Sister P. S. Hayes surprised us with a splendid report from Fowler. We are certainly glad to see her report again. We have not forgotten the good work she did last summer with "Practical Guide."

Sister Koos continues to do excellent work with Bible Readings. The first week after camp-meeting her report was \$43.25; the next week it was \$31.00; and last week she sent in the best report she has made since she has been canvassing, \$54.50. This will make some of our younger canvassers get up and hurry. The reason for her success is shown in her letter. She writes: "I may take one or two orders Sunday as there are certain ones want me to come and see them. One lady told me I did not have anything she wanted, but before I got through she gave me her order for three Morocco bindings, one for herself, and two for her children. I have promised to stay with a family tomorrow (Sabbath) and read with them. They have been reading "Great Controversy." I have promised two others I would come and see them Sunday. I will go and do the best I can and leave the results with the One who has power to over-rule all things for good and can make something out of nothing. I am so thankful that I can have a little part in this finishing work. Am having some splendid experiences. Some times I do not know what to do, but there is always a way prepared so it comes out all right."

How true it is that there is no limit to the usefulness of those who will lay self aside and trust not in what they can do but what He can do in and through them. The Lord could use many a person who has reached a good old age if they would only give Him the chance. In Volume 6, p. 413, this encouraging statement is made: "The Lord has in readiness the most precious exhibitions of His grace to strengthen and encourage the sincere humble worker." Oh!

that many of our dear people would decide to let the Lord use them and bless them by making them a blessing to others.

There are a number who are just starting who will be heard from later. It is gratifying indeed to find a spirit of co-operation with the book work wherever I go. This is as it should be. But are there not others who will take an active part in the work? Perhaps you can not go yourself but could furnish a home or a rig for someone else. Let me hear from you at an early date.

I would ask all to remember the canvassers daily at the Throne of Grace.
L. R. Ackerman.



The Nebraska Sanitarium

After ten years of faithful and untiring service as business manager of the Nebraska Sanitarium, Brother D. R. Callahan has severed his connection with the work of that institution and the place thus made vacant is to be filled by Brother Lars Neilson, of South Dakota.

When Brother Callahan took charge of the business management of the Sanitarium ten years ago the work of the institution was at a very low ebb. Two or three years later the entanglement of the Nebraska Sanitarium with the International Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association of Battle Creek, Michigan, was straightened out and the Nebraska Sanitarium Association so reorganized as to make it absolutely a Nebraska Conference institution. About the time of its reorganization the association purchased the property which it had been occupying on lease at a yearly rental of \$1,500.

The purchase of this property in 1905 at a cost of \$17,500, with a former indebtedness which had accumulated, left the sanitarium in debt to the amount of over \$26,000, which in less than three years was entirely cancelled. Since that time the College View Sanitarium has fostered the establishment of the Hastings Sanitarium, the two institutions being under the same management until about one year ago.

It is recognized by the constituency of the Nebraska Sanitarium that the

financial prosperity which has attended the work of the institution during the past seven years is very largely due to the careful and conservative management of Brother Callahan. During some of the years when the sanitarium has been passing through close circumstances, Brother Callahan has financed the work with his own private funds without even taking the ordinary rate of interest for the use of his money.

During his residence in College View, Brother Callahan has won the respect and confidence and good-will of the people of the village as well as many of the business men of the city of Lincoln. Many of his friends will regret his withdrawal from the work of the Nebraska Sanitarium.

A. T. R.

Boulder Sanitarium Notes

Mr. W. J. Huffman, the Union Conference Auditor has been spending the past week at the sanitarium checking over the books.

Mr. E. J. Baker, the sanitarium cashier, is enjoying a much needed vacation at his former home at Deadwood, S. Dak.

Brother Peter Collins, of eastern Colorado, who has been taking a course of treatment at the sanitarium, returned home last Thursday.

Mrs. Dr. Green left Boulder several days ago for a visit with friends and relatives at St. Joseph, Mo.

The nurses are very busy these days with an unusual amount of nursing for this time of the year.

Elder J. S. Rouse is getting well started in his work as chaplain of the sanitarium and pastor of the Boulder church.

Miss Clara Nelson, a graduate of the nurses' class of '07, has been visiting in Boulder for several weeks, and returned Monday to her home in Nebraska.

Nature is now in full autumn dress, and the sanitarium surroundings are most beautiful indeed.

Some hae meat but cannot eat,
And some would eat that want it;
But we hae meat, and we can eat,
So let the Lord be thank it.

—Burns.

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The Next Session of the General Conference

The following memorial has been forwarded to the General Conference Committee, now in session at Washington, D. C.:-

College View, Nebr.,
Oct. 23, 1911.

To the General Conference Committee,
in Council Assembled:-

Dear Brethren: At a recent meeting of the Central Union Conference committee, the following action was passed unanimously: "That the Central Union Conference committee extend a cordial invitation to the General Conference committee to favorably consider holding the next session of the General Conference in the territory of the Central Union Conference, and that we suggest Kansas City, Mo.; Boulder, Colo.; and Omaha, Nebr., as locations to be considered."

On behalf of the Central Union Conference committee, I am authorized to say that, while the matter has not been sufficiently looked up to enable us to say what form of hospitality we will be in a position to extend to the General Conference, you may be assured that we will do our utmost to afford ample provision for the holding of this great gathering in our field.

We believe that the holding of the General Conference in the great middle west will be a great source of inspiration to our work in this part of the country, and we most earnestly hope that your honorable body will look with favor upon the granting of this request.

On behalf of the Central Union Conference, and by order of its executive committee,

A. T. Robinson,
Vice-President.

No providence preventing, I will meet with the church in Omaha on Sabbath morning, October 28, and at Council Bluffs in the afternoon.

J. S. Hart.



Canvassers' Report for Week Ending Oct. 13, 1911

	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
East Colorado							
*Chas. F. Mahr	G. C.	24	4	\$ 12 00	\$ 4 50	\$ 16 50	
John T. North Heralds,	C. K.	12	2	50	5 75	6 25	6 25
John L. Anderson	C. K.	12	14	24 00	3 25	27 25	
W. B. Davy	C. K.	27	6	9 00	3 85	12 85	2 25
Agents, 4		75	26	45 50	17 35	62 85	9 50
West Kansas							
A. W. Cole	G. C.	44	5	16 00	8 10	24 10	
Eddie Taylor	G. C.	50	16	60 00	15 75	75 75	
Mrs. Koos	B. R.	37	14	48 75	5 75	54 50	
J. I. Daily Heralds,	B. R.	22	4	11 00	1 50	12 50	
Dell Dotson	D. & R.	49	2	6 00		6 00	
Agents, 5		202	41	141 75	31 10	172 85	
East Kansas							
Chas. Neuman	P. G.	59	11	43 50		43 50	
D. E. Huffman	P. G.	23	15	76 00		76 00	
Conrad Hein							130 00
Agents, 3		82	26	119 50		119 50	130 00
Nebraska							
H. F. Rasch	G. C.	47	18	55 00		55 00	
L. Specht	B. R.	47	16	53 50		53 50	
John Eden	B. R.	38	1	3 00	2 85	5 85	
Emil Nelson	D. & R.	38	6	18 00		18 00	
Agents, 4		170	41	129 50	2 85	132 35	
Grand Totals: Agents, 16		529	134	436 25	51 30	487 55	139 50

* Two weeks

Elder E. T. Russell left College View a few days ago for his home in Minatare. After spending a few days at his home, he expects to go to the Boulder Sanitarium, where he is to undergo a surgical operation. He will not probably return to College View until about December 1.

Elder W. C. White, after attending the annual meeting of the International Publishing Association and the meetings of the educational council, spent a few days in counsel with the officers of the college and of the International Publishing Association. His long experience in connection with similar lines of work enabled him to give advice and counsel which was greatly appreciated. From College View, Elder White went on to Washington to attend the General Conference Council.

Brother F. F. Byington, manager of the International Publishing Association, and Professor Frederick Griggs, President of Union College, have gone to Washington, D. C., to attend the General Conference Council.

At the recent meetings of the Central Union Conference committee held in connection with the educational council, some quite important changes were made, affecting the work of four of our conferences. Elder E. A. Curtis, of the Wyoming Conference, takes the presidency of the Western Colorado Conference; Elder D. U. Hale, of South Missouri, takes the presidency of the Wyoming Conference, Elder L. W. Terry of East Kansas takes the presidency of the South Missouri Conference, and Elder W. F. Kennedy, of Western Colorado, takes the presidency of the East Kansas Conference. These are interesting changes and doubtless many prayers will follow these brethren to their respective new fields of labor.

Jacob A. Riis says that he once "growled against foreign missions, like many others who know no better." He writes that now he has learned that "for every dollar you give away to convert the heathen abroad, God gives you ten dollars' worth of purpose to deal with your heathen at home."