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

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When the Saviour Comes to Reign.

H. F. Everett

1 Thess. 4:16, 17

Weary one with heavy load,
 Traveling lonely on thy road,
 Lay thy heavy burden by,
 For the Saviour's coming is nigh.

Sinning one repent and live,
 Jesus gladly will forgive;
 He will cleanse our sins' dark stain,
 Make us fit with Him to reign.

We are children of His care,
 Soon we'll meet Him in the air;
 Soon He'll come to be our king,
 Then glad praises we will sing.

Suffering one, is thy pain great?
 Murmur not, but patient wait;
 Soon He'll come to still thy pain,
 Soon the Saviour comes to reign.

Aged one, trembling with years,
 God shall wipe away thy tears,
 And thy youth shall come again,
 When the Saviour comes to reign.

Then the blind His face shall see,
 And the lame shall leaping be,
 While the deaf shall hear His voice,
 And the dumb in song rejoice.

"Sorrow and sighing flee away,"
 For His children that glad day;
 Glory! glory! we shall rise
 To meet our Saviour in the skies.

Tokens now of His descending,
 Earthquake shocks the earth are
 rending,
 Men's hearts failing them for fear,
 All proclaim His coming near.

But the faithful He'll deliver;
 We shall stand with Him forever,
 To never more know death or pain,
 For our Saviour we shall reign.
College View, Nebr.

What Will the Record Be?

We are about to enter upon the last month of the old year. The appropriations made by the Foreign Mission Board for the year 1912 were made on the basis of each conference raising an amount equal to fifteen cents per week per member for foreign missions.

On November 1, the General Conference treasury was \$119,625.50 short of the required amount. The Central Union Conference was responsible for \$20,552.96 of that shortage. In other words, the apportionment to be raised by the Central Union Conference for the year was \$68,320.20. Of this amount there was credited to us by the General Conference on November 1, as having been received by them, the sum of \$36,321.26, leaving our balance to be raised for the year, \$31,998.94. As the General Conference reports have included the funds for one month behind the funds received by the conferences, it leaves the remittances for October, November, and December still to apply on our apportionment for the year.

Of this \$31,998.94, the conferences in the union are responsible for the following amounts:—

East Kansas	\$4,482.09
West Kansas	4,802.84
North Missouri	3,461.60
South Missouri	2,972.51

Colorado	7,863.11
West Colorado	1,323.70
Wyoming	2,182.70
Nebraska	4,910.10
Total	\$31,998.94

In some of the conferences there have been slight readjustments of the membership, which has not been taken into account in the above statement, and which will lessen the amount due from such conferences.

We will have our Sabbath-school offerings, Harvest Ingathering offerings, Foreign Missions Investment Fund, Fourth Sabbath offerings, and our annual week of prayer offerings for October, November, and December to apply on this fund.

This is a big load to be lifted, but I feel certain that if every conference laborer—every one who draws his salary from the conference treasury—would put his shoulder under this load to help lift it, the task would be gloriously accomplished. I feel certain that any conference laborer, who draws his salary every month, enjoys all the comforts of laboring in the homeland, and does not bestir himself in behalf of those who have left the comforts and associations of home and are struggling to bring the light of this message to those in distant and difficult parts of the earth, should feel like hiding his face for very shame. Our people are responsive to consecrated, wise, vigorous leadership. "For that the leaders took the lead in Israel; for that the people offered themselves willing, bless ye the Lord." Judges 5:2, R. V.

"Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things."

"But to do good and to communicate forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

Response from the General Conference Treasury Department

The following is extracted from a letter written to the treasurer of the Central Union Conference in response to the October remittance of trust funds:—

"Herewith find enclosed our receipt for \$7,733.99, covering your report of trust funds for the month of October. We are glad to get such a large amount, which helps to swell the stream that is coming in continually to carry on the work in the regions beyond."

"General Conference,
"Per W. M. Lee."

Seven Reasons Why You Should Have the Morning Watch Calenar

Because the calendar for 1913 is made up exclusively of precious Bible promises. They will strengthen and help you along all lines of Christian growth. Think what it will mean to glean from the Book of books during next year 365 of God's infallible promises.

Because the calendar for 1913 has a new and valuable feature. It contains blanks for reporting your daily missionary work. This is not only convenient for keeping the record, but as a reminder of the good we all might do. It may serve to press us into the joy of helping others.

Because each month contains a sunset table which will tell you when the Sabbath begins each week.

Because the poems and other selections in the calendar contain help for you and are well worth memorizing.

Because it contains topics for special prayer. Just as cooperation in service greatly enhances results, so united prayer will accomplish marvels. The joint prayers of two missionaries once changed a decree made by the Sultan of Turkey. Think what it will mean if month by month during 1913 we focus our prayers on the special needs spread before us in the calendar. Every topic for special prayer represents a need calling for your prayer-help. If you fail, the results will fall short of the highest results possible.

Because a calendar containing all these excellent features has been published for you, and your tract society will send it to you for only five cents.

Because the calendar will daily remind you of the path that leads to spiritual power.



Chapel Talk, Nov. 1, 1912

Frederick Griggs

I want to talk to you for a few moments concerning the motto of our Sabbath-school for this quarter. This motto was on the board last week. I have thought much about it. "While vast continents are shrouded in almost utter darkness, and hundreds of millions suffer the horror of heathenism or Islamism, the burden of proof rests on you to show that the circumstances in which God has placed you were meant by Him to keep you out of the foreign field." In short, the burden of proof rests upon each of us to show that we are in the place God wishes us to be.

In this connection, I want to read an illustration of the needs of this land:—

"The tom-toms thumped straight on all night, and the darkness shuddered round me like a living, feeling thing. I could not go to sleep, so I lay awake and looked; and I saw, as it seemed, this:—

"That I stood on a grassy sward, and at my feet a precipice broke sheer down into infinite space. I looked, but saw no bottom; only cloud shapes, black and furiously coiled, and great shadow-shrouded hollows, and unfathomable depths. Back I drew, dizzy at the depth.

"Then I saw forms of people moving single file along the grass. They were making for the edge. There was a woman with a baby in her arms and another little child holding on to her dress. She was on the very verge. Then I saw that she was blind. She lifted her foot for the next step;it trod air. She was over, and the children over with her. Oh, the cry as they went over!

"Then I saw more streams of people flowing from all quarters. All were blind; all made straight for the precipice edge. There were shrieks as they suddenly knew themselves falling, and a tossing up of helpless arms, catching, clutching at empty air. But some went over quietly and fell without a sound.

"Then I wondered, with a wonder that was simply agony, why no one stopped them at the edge. I could not. I was glued to the ground, and

I could not call; though I strained and tried, only a whisper would come.

"Then I saw that along the edge there were sentries set at intervals. But the intervals were far too great; there were wide, unguarded gaps between. And over these gaps the people fell in their blindness, quite unwarned; and the green grass seemed blood-red to me, and the gulf yawned like the mouth of hell.

"Then I saw, like a picture of peace, a group of people under some trees, with their backs turned towards the gulf. They were making daisy chains. Sometimes when a piercing shriek cut the quiet air and reached them, it disturbed them, and they thought it rather a vulgar noise. And if one of their number started up and wanted to go and do something to help, then all the others would pull that one down. 'Why should you get so excited about it? You must wait for a definite call to go! You haven't finished your daisy chains yet. It would be really selfish,' they said, 'to leave us to finish the work alone.'

"There was another group. It was made up of people whose great desire was to get more sentries out; but they found that very few wanted to go, and sometimes there were no sentries set for miles and miles of the edge.

"Once a girl stood in her place, waving the people back; but her mother and other relations called, and reminded her that her furlough was due; she must not break the rules. And being tired and needing a change, she had to go and rest for awhile; but no one was sent to guard her gap, and over and over the people fell, like a waterfall of souls.

"Once a child caught at a tuft of grass that grew at the very brink of the gulf; it clung convulsively, and it called—but nobody seemed to hear. Then the roots of the grass gave way, and with a cry the child went over, its two little hands still holding tight to the torn off bunch of grass. And the girl who longed to be back in her gap thought that she heard the little one cry, and she sprang up and wanted to go; at which they reproved her, reminding her that no one is necessary anywhere; the gap would be well taken care of, they knew. And then they sang a hymn.

"Then through the hymn came another sound like the pain of a million broken hearts wrung out in one full drop, one sob. And a horror of great darkness was upon me, for I knew what it was—the cry of blood.

"Then thundered a voice, the voice

of the Lord: 'AND HE SAID, WHAT HAST THOU DONE? THE VOICE OF THY BROTHER'S BLOOD CRIETH UNTO ME FROM THE GROUND.'

"The tom-toms still beat heavily, the darkness still shuddered and shivered about me; I heard the yells of the devil-dancers and the wierd, wild shriek of the devil-possessed just outside the gate.

"What does it matter, after all? It has gone on for years, it will go on for years. Why make such a fuss about it?

"God forgive us! God arouse us! Shame us out of our callousness! Shame us out of our sin!"—Wilson-Carmichael in "Things as They Are."

Tolstoy tells the story of a wealthy Russian noblewoman who wept bitterly at a picture which she saw on the stage of a theater. It was a picture of suffering; but outside in the cold her coachman froze to death, and when she went out she found him a corpse. She wept at some imaginary suffering, while her own servant suffered, even to death! This is an illustration, indeed, of the way so many of us approach this great problem of human woe and suffering.

The greatest thing in this world, and the greatest work in this world, is the message of salvation. It is by far the greatest message of any character of all time, and surely we need, every one of us, to be filled with a vital fire and a vital power that shall enable us to work mightily for God in giving it. We are not going to another land and we are not going to enter into the question of proving why we are here, unless we have seen the Lord of hosts, the King in all His beauty; unless we have had a vision of heaven; unless we see what heaven is and what it means to lose it. We are not going to reckon with any question as to why we are here or why we are not here until we have caught at least a glimpse of our Lord. When one gets a vision of the Lord of hosts as a God of love, he then begins to question with himself as to why he is here.

Moody stopped the first man he met after his conversion and asked him, "Are you a Christian?" The man looked at him in astonishment, but inside of a short time he was on his knees begging for pardon from sin. Moody had a vision of God, and because he had it he was ready to speak, to fight, and to win; he could not keep still. Like Jeremiah, the vital fires of God's love and power burned within him. We see people

all around us indifferent to the claims of God. Are they Christians? We can ask them that question with the full soul only when we have had our vision of God.

When we seek God, His mighty power begins to work, and it works silently. There are very few individuals in this world who have the unusual conversion that Paul had, but there are multitudes who, when their hearts are pricked, have cried out, as did the jailer, for salvation, and they have found it. I tell you, this is a practical question. What are we doing for Jesus? What are we doing for our Master who has done so much for us?

John Vassar was a man of prayer. He was an evangelist. He was a man who knew God, and who had the same burden for souls that Moody had, the same burden that the Wesleys had. He felt a "woe is me if I do not the will of God." It is said of him that one time when going to deliver a series of evangelical lectures in a New England town, the pastor of the church, who had met him at the station, said to him as they were walking home, "I want you to stop some day and see that blacksmith." Instantly Vassar dropped his grip and started across to the blacksmith shop, and inside of ten minutes that blacksmith had dropped the foot of the horse he was shoeing, and inside of half an hour he was on his knees praying to God for salvation. Why did not Vassar go home and rest up and wait until the next morning to say something to that blacksmith? Here was his opportunity to say something instead of waiting for a more convenient season, and he embraced it forthwith. Another time, in the same village, he came to the porch of an old Irish lady. She had said, "If he comes to me, I will not treat him well," and so when he knocked at the door and she saw who it was, she shut the door in his face. He sat down on the steps and began to sing, "But drops of grief can ne'er repay The debt of love I owe; Here Lord I give myself away, 'Tis all that I can do."

Inside of a week that Irish woman was in his meeting praying for salvation. She said that she could not get rid of that song. That man had the vital power of God in his life. He could not keep still because of this fire which burned within him.

My students, this is what God wants to give us. It is high time indeed that we were beginning to give a reason why we are here. I want to tell you that nobody is going to give a reason why they are here unless they are going to do all they can, before God, where they are. The preparation which we get is in doing our God-given work this day, and we must have a baptism of the fire of heaven in order to have the experience that God wants us to have in these days. When we have that sort of an experience, our prayer meetings are going to be filled. When we are answering the question as to why we are here in this country, recognizing that the burden of proof does rest upon us, we are going to be in the mission bands, in the Sabbath-school, in the prayer bands, seeking for that vision of God which will make us ask and answer that question. And when we thus seek, we shall have the vision. It will be a vision of a great Niagara of souls plunging over an unfathomable abyss into the awful darkness of eternal night. Such a vision will make us unselfish and give us a burning passion to save the souls of perishing multitudes.



Harvest Ingathering Campaign

H. C. Wilson

About four weeks ago our young people started out with their papers here in the city of Hastings. Along with their papers they took a good supply of enthusiasm, courage, and grit. Between twenty-five and thirty enlisted in this special missionary effort. It would have done anybody good to hear them talk at the close of their first day's campaign; it sounded more like a lively Sabbath-school than anything else. In all, about 900 *Signs* were taken, and nearly all of these have been placed out. However, not until we are entirely done can we report the financial side. This has been the first effort of the kind by our young people, and considering that their average age is young, the result has been good. All who had a part in the work could write just as interesting experiences as those that follow.

"With my thirty Harvest Ingath-

ering numbers, I received many blessings. While canvassing, I met one lady who at first refused to look at the paper, but after explaining its mission, she gave me every cent she had in the house, and with it her prayers. There is great enjoyment in the Lord's work."—Dora Bryant.

"Among those whom I called on with the *Signs* was a missionary from India, who, pleased with the periodical, said, 'This will help me much in my mission study.' Mr. B. will soon leave for his field of labor. I ask the readers to pray that he will return to India a Seventh-day Adventist."—Emma Mallatt.

"I had a good experience for the first time in distributing papers. I gave away nineteen papers and received fifty cents. I met two kind old gentlemen, and had a little talk with them, and they seemed glad to get the papers. I hope, with God's blessing, that the papers will do some good."—Roy Malone.

"I am truly thankful for the part God has given His people in His work. In the Harvest Ingathering campaign, I had many good experiences. The people are so self-satisfied. The work in this campaign gave me a desire to enter the work of saving souls for Christ. So many do not believe in foreign missions, but I think it is because they do not fully understand them."—Velma Owen.

"I took twenty-five papers and started one day to distribute them. I gave away about nineteen papers in three hours, and had good luck. I also met a woman who was glad to see such work going on, so she contributed to foreign missions, and wished me good luck with my papers."—James Hanon.

"While out with the *Signs*, I received rebuffs at several places, but that only made me more determined. One lady was very much interested, and would gladly have given more, but was unable. My prayer is that the few words and papers left at the different places may be the means of drawing some one to Christ."—Minnie Christensen.

Do you wish to become more like the Saviour? Then spend more time in His presence. "To me," said the late J. R. Miller, "religion means just one thing: Jesus and I are friends." He who is a friend of Jesus is also a winner of men. Will you not strive to become a closer friend of Jesus during 1913? The Morning Watch Calendar will help you. It will remind you to meet Him each morning in the chamber of secret prayer.



North Missouri Conference

E.E. Farnsworth, Pres. Allie Guthrie, Sec'y
Utica, Mo.

Kansas City, Mo.

V. Nutter

On the first Sabbath of this month a baptismal service was held in the Kansas City, Mo., church, when seven went forward in this ordinance. On the following Sabbath, these seven and one other sister who had been baptized in the Baptist Church were received into church membership, making nine new members since camp-meeting.

On the same Sabbath, we distributed our magazines for the Harvest Ingathering campaign. About 1300 were taken, and on the following Sabbath about 700 more were taken by the members, a total of 2000 being used by the church.

Many blessed experiences have been gained in this work already, especially by the new members. Several have already handed in proceeds from their efforts.

A good work is being done with our club of weekly *Signs*. Several calls for Bible studies are coming to us.

Aggressive missionary work will bring the message to homes. Bible studies held in these homes will bring honest souls to a decision for the truth. Missionary effort, resulting in the salvation of souls, will give courage and zeal to both the individual and church engaged therein.

South Missouri Conference

P.G. Stanley, Pres. Mrs. F.A. Washburn, S'y
F. L. Limerick, Field Agt.
520 West Lynn St., Springfield, Mo.

When to Pay Our Tithe

P. G. Stanley

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3: 9, 10.

"Them that honor Me I will honor, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed." The person who takes out one-tenth of his income in

every transaction, or event, that brings gain to him, before using the nine-tenths for himself, honors Christ as his Redeemer in all his substance.

The man who does that can not forget God. He will not depart from Christ; for the promise is, "He shall direct thy paths." As soon as the money comes into our hands, we should scarcely lay it aside in an appointed place till we can pass it over into the church treasury. The organized plan is to pay the laborers monthly, and to be in harmony with this plan each member of the church should pay his tithe monthly, so that means may always be on hand to support those whom the Lord has designated should be paid out of the tithe.

The tithe is holy, and should never be used for any purpose except that for which Christ has appointed it, namely, for the support of His ambassadors. Man has no more right to use the tithe for other purposes than that to which the Lord has given it, than he had to substitute common fire for hallowed fire, or unclean beasts in sacrifice for clean, or other days for the Sabbaths than those which the Lord had designated.

Some use the tithe for charity. Such a course followed would entirely overthrow God's plan. It would take a very large portion of it, and cripple the work which He has designed it to sustain. All that those who pay tithe have to do is to pay it over to the treasury which the constituted authorities have provided, so it can be used for the purpose the Lord has designated. What right can any man have to reserve the Lord's tithe from month to month and year to year, and use it for other purposes than those the Lord has stated?—None whatever.

The Morning Watch Calendar for 1913 is now ready. Get one from your tract society. Price, five cents.

The Morning Watch Calendar for 1913 is now ready. It contains 365 precious Bible promises, blanks for reporting missionary work, and a Friday sunset table. Price, five cents.

Wanted.—A position as house-keeper by a young woman who is alone in the truth. She is thirty years of age, and thoroughly understands cooking, sewing, and other lines of work found in the home. Address Mary Purviance, Route 5, Box 2, Oswego, Kans.

Nebraska Conference

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Week of Prayer

J. W. Christian

At the last session of the conference committee, arrangements were made for the week of prayer. We have been very anxious that all our churches and companies have the help of some worker this year. We have done our best to provide for this. The following is the schedule to which we shall work, and I trust this will be satisfactory to all our people:—

E. L. Cook: Julian, Nebraska City, Talmage.

H. A. Hebard: Blair, Tekamah, Decatur.

T. Valentiner: College View, Lincoln (German).

G. R. Hawkins: Grand Island, Shelton, Kearney.

Esther Smith: Ft. Calhoun.

R. Schopbach: Culbertson, McCook.

C. H. Miller: North Platte, Ringgold.

A. W. Erickson: Brady, Gothenberg, Lexington, Cozad.

B. L. House: Hastings, Saratoria, Oconto.

L. B. Porter: Oakdale, Plainview, Norfolk.

Fred Johnson: Petersburg, Newman Grove, Omaha (Scandinavian).

D. P. Miller: College View (English).

A. F. Kirk: Mullen, Brewster, Broken Bow.

C. J. Paulson: Edison, Beaver City.

C. L. Premer: Bartley, Sett.

S. A. Twing: Loup City, North Loup, Austin, Mason City.

Geo. J. Seltzer: Cortland, Beatrice.

O. E. Jones: Alma, Ragan, Holdrege.

L. B. Schiek: Dunbar, Sterling.

M. B. Van Kirk: Lincoln.

L. B. Johnson: Omaha (English).

Irvine Blue: Hastings.

Alice Teeple: Guide Rock, Red Cloud.

J. P. Gardiner: Valentine.

A. T. Robinson: Arlington, Fremont.

H. E. Lysinger: Seward.

A few places have yet to be provided for, but we shall endeavor to have some one meet with you a part of the time.

I trust you will plan to meet each day for service. It will take time,

and you will have to let some of your work go, but I am sure, by the grace of God, we shall receive a rich blessing as we lay aside our work and seek the Lord.

Omaha's \$300 Day

Elder and Mrs. G. R. Hawkins

For several weeks, the Omaha church have been looking forward to Sabbath, November 9, as \$300 day for foreign missions as the result of the Harvest Ingathering campaign. We asked the Lord for not less than \$300, and every member of the church and Sabbath-school, from the youngest worker of four years to the aged of seventy or eighty, worked as well as prayed. True to His promises, our God whom we worship did not disappoint us. Our Bible workers, Ada J. Madison, Dosena Hendrickson, and Ethel Beeson, in connection with Sister Merritt and her corps of primary teachers, prepared an appropriate program to be given by the young people and children of the church. All pronounced the program a great success. Many expressed their appreciation of the beautiful decorations, the prettiest of which was our motto, made by Elmer Moser—a background of green felt with the words, "Harvest Ingathering," made of acorn cups fastened with bright brads. After a hard day's work, Brother Elmer worked all night to complete this motto. His selected seed corn added to the harvest appearance of the decorations. One of our good deacons, Brother Geo. H. Moser, brought his vegetable wagon well filled with pumpkins, squash, fruits, and grains, and how our young people worked and planned to make it all a success! The Lord smiled on us by giving us a sunny, bright day, and with hearts filled with joy to overflowing, the music never sounded quite so sweet. Sister Gibson favored us with a solo, which thrilled many hearts. This was followed by a duet later in the program by Sister Anna Jacobson and Ada J. Madison, which brought tears to many eyes; but the most precious to us of all the day's good things was the *Signs* campaign testimony meeting. Little tots so small that they could not be seen by the audience until stood on the platform brought forward their *Signs* money, carefully sealed in envelopes, and told how they had secured it through their own efforts, the sums running from fifty cents to \$4.00; then the boys and girls in their turn told their story. Our faithful periodical worker, Sis-

ter Eldridge, told how she had asked the Lord for \$75.00, and that no one gave her less than ten cents, and none over fifty, but as a result of putting out 600 papers she received \$80.00. Sister Michael, of South Omaha, averaged one dollar apiece for her papers. The successful efforts of our dear Mother Reed touched our hearts, and were a lesson to younger people, for though in feeble health, she had done well her part. Altogether, the church put out 2,300 *Signs*, and as a result of their labor, November 9, \$334.54 was brought in. A number still have money coming in, and many are still working.

In the last two weeks, sixteen have united with the Omaha church. We have had two baptisms. Nine were baptized at the first, six at the second. Our workers are all busy giving readings. The love, union, and harmony that prevail in the church, and their loyalty and faithfulness in all lines of work, make life among them a real joy.

Princeton

My Experience with the Harvest Ingathering Signs

S. Koch

The Sabbath before election, Brother Vermaas advised me to begin my work on election day. Before starting I asked God to prepare the minds of the people to be willing to give to His cause. I started with fifty papers to Princeton, my voting place, at eight o'clock in the morning, and I worked hard until eight o'clock in the evening. I received in donations about \$19.00, the smallest donation being twenty-five cents and the largest, \$1.75. I had some of the best experiences I have ever had. There were only four who refused to give, but, nevertheless, I had a good opportunity to make them acquainted with the needs of the gospel in heathen nations.

I will just relate a few of my experiences. A young man belonging to the Methodist Church told me that he did not feel like giving anything because he had given so much for his church for the same purpose. I told him that I was very glad he gave to his church, but that he surely ought to give something at this time. I asked him if he knew how much the Protestant denominations give per member, and he was very much surprised to learn that they average only thirteen cents a year, and he then asked me how much Seventh-day Adventists give. He was still more sur-

prised when I said fifteen cents a week. He handed me a nice little donation. Two young men not belonging to any church heard the conversation, and gave me twenty-five cents apiece. I went into the election board and stated my case to them, and asked for donations. They gave me \$1.50.

I am well acquainted with all the people in this precinct. I believe that we can do better with people who know us well. Although I received only small donations in many cases, I surely enjoyed my labor. I believe that that evening I was the most satisfied man in the precinct.

I used two solicitor's cards, one for the small donations and the other for the larger.

I have twenty *Signs* left, which I will dispose of after my corn is husked, because I have many friends outside of this precinct whom I do not wish to pass by. We never know how willing the people are to give until we ask them, and with such a splendid magazine as we have this year, no one need be ashamed, but ought to be willing and anxious to go out with it. I thank the Lord for the blessed privilege of having a part in His work.

I surely love the *OUTLOOK*, and I am always waiting for the splendid news it contains, and am glad to hear of the progress of the Lord's work in this union conference.

Beaver City

C. J. Paulson

I have been spending some time working in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering for missions. I have visited the companies at Holbrook, Edison, and Beaver City.

I will mention here in particular the company at Beaver City. They have been doing some good work in the interest of missions. On Thursday evening, November 7, they gave an interesting missions program to the people of that place. They secured the use of the Brethren church, and had in attendance about 150 people. The program, which consisted of recitations, songs, and a missionary talk by Brother Green, was a success. He showed from the map the location of our missions in the various places of the world, and told of the progress and development of the work as a whole. At the close of the program, an offering was taken, which amounted to \$74.88.

The most successful toilers are those who cheerfully take up the work of serving God in little things.

Foreign Mission Fund

M. E. Ellis

For the fifth season we have come to the time when the results of the summer's work with the Investment Fund are to be gathered together and sent on their way to the mission fields. What a wonderfully inspiring picture it would be for us to look upon if we could see just what good has been accomplished by the thousands of dollars gathered in this way. How it would encourage the many hundreds that have never had any part in this work to take part next season, and how it would strengthen the determination of every one who has invested before to redouble his investment, or do more.

I imagine, too, that if our eyes could be opened to fully realize the shortness of time left for us to work, and the amount still to be done, the countries yet to be possessed, and the honest-hearted ones still to be reclaimed from darkness, that that also would stir us to renewed activity.

But we thank God for the many who are interested in missionary plans, and for the loving service that has been performed for Him during this past summer, and as the results of the Investment Fund for this year are gathered in, we hope and pray that every gift may be given straight from the heart of the donor. It may be interesting to you to know how the foreign mission work in our conference is progressing this year, how much we have actually accomplished, and what still remains to be done if we come up to the amount needed for the barest necessities of the work in the foreign fields,—fifteen cents per week for the year from every member.

If this average should be reached, it would call for offerings in our conference amounting to \$17,066.40 for the year 1912. There has been received during the first nine months, \$8,546.19, or about 50 per cent of this amount. This means that during the last one-fourth of the year we must raise \$8,520.21. And that means that we **MUST** raise it, too, for Nebraska is not used to falling down on the foreign mission proposition. Well, shall we do it?

There is an encouraging side to the situation after all. The heaviest offerings for missions always come in during the last two months of the year, and there are several sources to which we can look for substantial help before January 1. We will mention a few conservative estimates on our "prospects."

The Investment Fund should bring at least \$1,000; there has been a good deal of interest shown in the work with the mission *Signs*, and that campaign should bring at least double what it did last year, but we will say \$1,500; there are unpaid pledges to missions on the books that become due December 1, amounting to over \$3,500, and the most of these will doubtless be paid; the annual offerings to be taken in December should bring us \$1,500 at the lowest figure, and the Sabbath-school offerings for the balance of the year will doubtless be over \$1,000.

If the cash could be realized on these various funds to these amounts, it would save the day for Nebraska, and enable us to come across the line with colors flying, and **SURELY** we ought to do it.

But this will mean good, substantial work on the part of every believer in Nebraska. It will mean careful planning to meet the payment of that pledge of yours when it comes due; it will mean steady attendance at Sabbath-school, and liberal offerings each Sabbath; it will mean a remembering of the second Sabbath collection; it will call for a more liberal response to the annual offering than we had last year; it will remind you that if you have made an investment in the Investment Fund, it ought to be paid to-day, and if not ready now, it should be before many days slip by; it will mean that if you have not done your part of the work in the *Signs* campaign, that you had better send right away for some of those 2,500 beautiful magazines that we still have piled up in the office, and make good use of them around your home. It will mean business in every sense of the word, but that is not all it will mean. It will mean something else that begins with "B" and that is blessing. Vol. 9, pp. 58 and 59, promises this: "My brethren and sisters, invest your means in the establishment of Christian mission, from which the light of truth will shine forth, drawing souls to God.....If those to whom God's money has been entrusted will be faithful in bringing the means lent them to the Lord's treasury, His work will make rapid advancement..... So God's work in our world is to be carried forward. Faithful stewards are to place the Lord's money in His treasury, that workers may be sent to all parts of the world.....The joy of seeing souls eternally saved will be the reward of all who follow in the steps of the Redeemer."

Office Notes

J. W. Christian

Brother E. L. Cook has gone to his home at Hastings after having been away for two months.

Elder D. P. Miller, recently from the South Dakota Conference, was asked by the conference committee to locate at College View to take up work in the interest of the church in that place. This work has been greatly neglected since Elder Burg left last summer.

Elder R. Schopbach has gone to Talmage and vicinity to work among the Germans.

The Omaha church had a very interesting Harvest Ingathering service last Sabbath. A large amount was donated for missions. We are looking for a full report from there.

Brethren Paulson and Premer have gone to Bartley to open up work north of town. This is the birthplace of Brother Premer, and he has been anxious to tell his friends and relatives the blessed truths of the third angel's message.

A circular letter was sent out from the office about two weeks ago to those who made pledges for missions at the camp-meeting. Some received the letter who had paid the money to their church treasurer; but it had not been received at the office. If you had paid the pledge, we do not want you to worry over receiving the letter. If you have not paid, it will remind you of the pledge. We understand that there were conditions to your pledges, and only ask you to accept this as a general letter.

We are glad that the outlook is so bright for a full quota on our missions fund. Nebraska has no reason for falling behind in this matter, and we are not going to.

A letter just received from Elder F. M. Corbaley states that he is enjoying his work in Iowa, and that fruit is seen of his efforts. We always remember Brother Corbaley with fondest memories, and I know our people will be glad for this word.

Brother A. F. Kirk writes that he has a good interest in a neighborhood north of Dunning, near the Brewster schoolhouse. This is a sparsely settled district, but the people are hungry for the truth.

Wyoming Conference

D. U. Hale, Pres. Asa Smith, Sec'y
H. A. Fish, Field Agt.
CRAWFORD, NEBR.

Office Notes

Asa Smith

Elder Hale, in company with Elder Reeder, has been with the Garland, Wyo., church for the past week. After leaving there, Elder Hale expects to visit the Lander church, and Elder Reeder will go to Big Trails, Wyo., where there is a call for baptism.

Elder Berry writes that he is enjoying the "fresh air treatment," and that it is having the desired effect on his health. We are sure that his many friends will be pleased to learn that he is improving.

Miss Jessie Welsh spent a few hours at the office yesterday, November 17, between trains. Miss Welsh has been doing Bible work in our conference for more than a year and a half, having worked in Cheyenne and Sheridan, Wyo. We regret to see her leave, but she goes in answer to a call to connect with the work in the city of Washington, D. C.

Elmer Gipson left the office this morning with a supply of books for his delivery in the northern part of Sioux County, Nebraska.

R. W. Stewart and wife, of Wayside, Nebr., made the office a short call this morning. They left a subscription for the good old *Review and Herald*, and also took a supply of Ingathering *Signs*.

Mrs. C. H. Johnson, of Wayside, Nebr., boarded the train at Crawford to-day for Andrews, Nebr.

Mrs. O. R. Gilbert, who recently underwent an operation at the College View Sanitarium, is getting along nicely.

O. R. Gilbert did some excellent work in the canvassing field last summer, and though he has been compelled to lay aside the prospectus for a time, he can not refrain from the work. He ordered a supply of *Liberty*, and this is his report: "I sold forty-seven of *Liberty* in an hour and a half last Saturday evening, after Sabbath. I sold from one to four papers in every saloon in town, besides all the rest of the business houses

took one or more. I also sold quite a number on the street. That was my first experience selling periodicals, and I can not see anything of a discouraging nature about it at all." Brother Gilbert did this work in his home town, Lander, Wyo., which has a population of less than three thousand. I wonder if there are not others who might do likewise.

Thursday, November 14, there was a pretty little wedding in the Seventh-day Adventist church at Sheridan, when Miss Rebecca Jenkins became the wife of James Demas. Elder H. E. Reeder officiated. Quite a number of friends and relatives were present, and the young couple start out on life's journey with the best wishes of all. Both parties are members of the Sheridan church.

Tuesday night, Mrs. Smith and the writer returned to Crawford, after an absence of one week from the office. We very much enjoyed the meeting at Sheridan, a report of which will doubtless be made by Elder Hale. This was the first opportunity we have had of meeting the brethren in that part of the conference. We were royally entertained in their homes, and were much pleased to get acquainted. On our way home, we stopped off at Newcastle. We were met at the train by Sisters Ida and Nellie Barrett, who took us to their room for breakfast. Sister Ida Barrett is teaching in the public school of the city, so when school time came we went to the home of Sister Minnie Schmidt. A little later, Brother B. B. Barrett came in from the country and took us out to their hospitable home, five miles out in the hills. Here we remained until late in the afternoon, when we were taken to town in time for the evening train for Crawford. Before leaving we had the pleasure of a short visit with Brother J. F. Stenberg, who lives about eight miles from town, but had learned that we were to be there, and had come in to meet us. He is the superintendent of the Sabbath-school which has recently been organized at Newcastle. We also were privileged to meet Brother John P. Frederickson at this time. We appreciate very much the action of the conference committee which made this trip possible for us. It gives us a new inspiration to meet the brethren in their homes. These isolated ones at and near Newcastle seemed to especially appreciate our visit. May the

Lord help us all to be more faithful and to do all in our power to hasten the close of this work and the coming of the Master.

West Kansas Conference

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Those Pledges

N. T. Sutton

As we only have a short time to make up our proportion of the fifteen-cent-a-week fund, I trust that all who have unpaid pledges will see that the money reaches the office before the close of the year. We are very hopeful that the West Kansas Conference will have raised every cent on this fund by the close of the year. I am sure if each one of us will do his very best that the full amount will be forthcoming.

We appreciate very much the faithful effort that has been put forth by the brethren, and I am sure the Father of all mercies has marked down in the ledger of heaven every sacrifice that His faithful children have made, and that they shall in no wise lose their reward.

The General Conference has made appropriations covering the full amount required from the fifteen-cent-a-week fund, so let us at this time make a strenuous effort to raise the required amount before the close of the year.

Up to the present time, we have raised \$5,000, thus leaving something over \$2,000 yet to raise. With the pledges that have been made, the Harvest Ingathering campaign offering, and the week of prayer offering, we can not but hope that we shall be able to sing the song of jubilee.

I sincerely hope that the blessing of the Lord may rest upon each one, and that as a result of the efforts put forth many may be called to rejoice in the light of the third angel's message. With such events that are now taking place in the world—and I have reference, among other evidences, to the war that is now taking place between the Balkan states and Turkey—we have the clearest evidence that the time is short in which we have to labor, and that in a little while from this we may fully enter the time of trouble, and Christ will take to Himself "His great power and reign."

May the Lord help us to prove faithful at this time.



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Deposit your money with Union College. We pay five per cent interest on money left with us six months or one year. The Central Union Conference Association gives its note.

Conference and Church Treasurers Special Notice

Heretofore the reports from the General Conference office have always been one month behind the reports of the conferences in the union. Those in charge of the General Conference treasury department have acceded to an arrangement by which in the future, beginning Jan. 1, 1913, their books will be held open until the 20th of each month, to allow time for the funds of the preceding month to get in so as to be reported for the month to which they belong.

In order to make this plan effective it will be necessary on the part of conference and church treasurers to forward remittances promptly on specified dates. The church treasurer should remit to the conference treasurer on or before the first day of each month; the conference treasurer should remit to the Central Union Conference treasurer on or before the tenth day of each month; and the treasurer of the Central Union Conference should remit to the treasurer of the General Conference on or before the fifteenth day of each month.

This means that a remittance sent by the Central Union Conference to the General Conference Jan. 15, 1913, will be reported by the General Conference as funds received for December, 1912; a remittance sent from the Central Union Conference office on February 15 will be reported by the General Conference as funds for January, and so on through the year. By this plan the local church can remit on the first day of the month, and the money sent will be reported by the church, the conference, and the General Conference for the preceding month. We feel sure that this will be a source of great satisfaction all along the line.

Please observe carefully the following

Dates for Monthly Remittances
Church treasurer to conference treasurer, 1st day of each month.

Conference treasurer to Union Conference treasurer, 10th day of each month.

*Union treasurer to General Conference treasurer, 15th day of each month.

All funds sent in by the church treasurer on or before the 1st day of January, 1913, will reach the General Conference treasurer in season to be reported as funds for the year 1912; while any remittances sent by the church later than January 1 will be reported for the year 1913.

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