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

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## Great Power and Light to Be Given

A. C. Anderson

"I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with His glory.' Then, as at the Pentecostal season, the people will hear the truth spoken to them, every man in his own tongue. God can breath new life into every soul that sincerely desires to serve Him, and can touch the lips with a live coal from off the altar, and cause them to become eloquent with His praise." *Gospel Workers*, p. 383.

The Lord does not reprove the Laodicean church for rejecting light, but because of her lukewarm condition, He says, "I would that ye were either cold or hot." Light will come to this people and they will receive it. Satan will also present his delusions at this time as great light, and many will be deceived. They will take darkness to be light, and light darkness. Whatever light may come to this people will not conflict with any previous light given, but will blend harmoniously with the third angel's message. "There is to be no change in the general features of God's cause. It is to stand out as clear and distinct

as prophecy has made it... No line of our faith that has made us what we are is to be weakened. We have the old landmarks of truth, experience, and duty, and we are to stand firm in defence of our principles, in full view of the world."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 8, p. 160.

Paul's admonition is: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We are not to lean on our ministers, and rely entirely upon them, for "Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." Even though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in the land, they could not help us, for it is said, "Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord God, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate." By this we see that we must learn to stand alone in the righteousness of Christ. We are to continue in the things which we have been taught and have "been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them." We are to know the holy scriptures, which are able to make us wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." The people who are to be numbered with the hundred and forty and four thousand must know what they believe, and learn to stand alone. Satan will contest every point of the third angel's message.

"We must examine well the foundation of our hope, for we shall have to give a reason for it from the Scriptures. This delusion will spread, and we shall have to contend with it face to face; and unless we are prepared for it, we shall be ensnared and overcome. But if we do what we can on our part to be ready for the

conflict that is just before us, God will do His part, and His all-powerful arm will protect us." Again we read: "I saw a company who stood well guarded and firm, giving no countenance to those who would unsettle the established faith of the body. God looked upon them with approbation. I was shown three steps... the first, second, and third angel's message." "Said my accompanying angel, 'Woe to him who shall move a block or stir a pin of these messages.' The true understanding of these messages is of vital importance. The destiny of souls hangs upon the manner in which they are received."—*Early Writings*, pp. 88, 258, 259.

The wild solar holiday (Sunday) has been palmed off as the true Sabbath and many have accepted it as genuine, even as honest men would counterfeit bills. But this is not all, Satan will seek to counterfeit every point of the message we bear. He will even seek to counterfeit the Holy Spirit, the latter rain.

It is time for the latter rain, and God has said for us to ask of the Lord, rain in the time of the latter rain. On page 611 in "Great Controversy" we read: "The great work of the gospel is not to close with less manifestation of the power of God than marked its opening. The prophecies which were fulfilled in the outpouring of the former rain at the opening of the gospel, are again to be fulfilled in the latter rain at its close."

In all great religious awakenings in the past, the Spirit has worked mightly. The truth has taken hold of hearts; it has not been a fitful impulse, but a true turning unto the Lord, and the perverse will of men has been brought into subjection to the will of God. A greater power of the Spirit will be manifested in the

closing work than in any movement in the past. "By thousands of voices all over the earth, the warning will be given." Satan is well aware of this fact, and he also knows that there shall be delay no longer. The first thing we can look for is a false reform movement, so that when the real Holy Spirit is given it will be rejected as spurious.

"We have found in our experience that if Satan cannot keep souls bound in the ice of indifference, he will try to push them into the fire of fanaticism. When the Spirit of the Lord comes among His people, the enemy seizes the opportunity to work also, seeking to mold the work of God through the peculiar, unsanctified traits of different ones who are connected with that work. Many carry on a work of their own devising, a work which God has not prompted. . . . If the enemy can push individuals to extremes, he is well pleased. He can thus do greater harm than if there had been no religious awakening. We know that there has never yet been a religious effort made in which Satan has not tried his best to intrude himself, and in these last days he will do this as never before. He sees that his time is short, and he will work with all deceivableness of unrighteousness to mingle errors and incorrect views with the work of God, and push them into false positions." *Testimonies*, Vol. 5, pp. 644, 645.

"The Word of God was preached by His ministers in early days in the demonstration of the Spirit, and with power." The hearts of men were stirred by the proclamation of the gospel. Why is it that the preaching of the truth has now so little power to move the people? Is God less willing to bestow His blessing upon the laborers in His cause in this age than in the apostles' day?

The warning which we bear to the world must prove to them a savor of life unto life, or death unto death. And will the Lord send forth His servants to proclaim this fearfully solemn message, and withhold from them His Holy Spirit? Shall frail, erring men, without special grace and power from God, dare to stand between the living and the dead, to speak the words of everlasting life? Our Lord is rich in grace, mighty in power; He will abundantly bestow these gifts upon all who come to Him in faith. He is more willing to give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him than are parents to give good gifts to their children. The reason why the precious, important truth for this

time is not powerful to save, is that we do not work in faith.

We should pray as earnestly for the descent of the Holy Spirit as the disciples prayed on the day of Pentecost. If they needed it at that time, we need it more to-day. Moral darkness, like a funeral pall, covers the earth. All manner of false doctrines, heresies, and Satanic deceptions, are misleading the minds of men. Without the Spirit and power of God, it will be in vain that we labor to present the truth."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 5, pp. 157, 158.



### Wyoming Conference

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

### Mitchell, Scotts Bluff, and Lisco

D. U. Hale

After spending a few days in the office on our return from Lander, we started out for a few visits during the week of prayer. Our first stop was at Mitchell. Brother McGee met us at the depot, and after a good night's rest, we started for the place where the meetings were to be held, some twelve miles away. All the members who were near enough to attend were present. From the very first meeting, the Spirit of God came in, and we had some precious seasons. At night, those in the immediate neighborhood met together at Brother Nichols,' and we held meetings there with them.

Brother Gompport was present, and we enjoyed hearing him tell of the experiences he had while canvassing, the past summer.

Elder Miller was full of the old-time spirit of the message, and we had a pleasant evening with him.

Brother McGee and wife did missionary work every day. He came in his wagon, and she in her buggy, and as they passed through Mitchell they brought those who had no means of conveyance to the meetings.

On Tuesday morning, we came to Scotts Bluff, in order to catch the Union Pacific train from Gering to Lisco. We spent a very pleasant day visiting those who live in town, and

had a good meeting in the evening. In the social meeting following the preaching service, some expressed themselves as being anxious about their tithe, and promised to pay back tithe soon. One brother was moved to action and handed me a check for \$37.00. This is the "godly sorrow" which we need in many homes in this conference.

We can not go into details over the success we had at Lisco during the last four days of the week of prayer. It would take too much space; but suffice it to say that souls whose feet were fast slipping into the paths of sin were reclaimed, and many hearts were stirred to renewed consecration. One brother said, in broken sentences, that he had sinned and left the Lord, but if the Lord would take him back, he wanted to return. All hearts rejoiced to have him return, and we know that there was also joy in heaven, among the angels of God.

There was more than \$25.00 annual offering given. We held the ordinances at this time, and new officers were also chosen. There were very few changes made. The brethren had not finished paying for the church building, but the \$50.00 lacking was soon pledged, and will be paid in by the first of February, at which time the church will be dedicated.

### Office Notes

Mrs. Asa Smith

We were pleased to receive word a few days ago from Mrs. F. H. Hahn, of Marsland, Nebr. She informs us that she is making a woolen quilt for the conference beds, and also expects to send one pair of pillows and two pairs of pillow slips. We are very thankful that our brethren at Marsland are thinking of the conference in this way.

We regret to learn that Miss Etta Burkhart of Sheridan, Wyo., has had to leave the Hemingford school on account of sickness. She was in a very serious condition, and the last report we received was that she had undergone an operation for appendicitis. We trust that this sister may make rapid improvement, and that she may again resume her studies.

Mrs. Amanda Bowman, one of our faithful sisters who is located in Edgemont, S. Dak., has created quite an interest among her neighbors. Several are interested in the truth, and she believes that good work can be done in that part of the field.

We are glad that our isolated brethren and sisters are so faithful and are responding so liberally for the thirteenth Sabbath's offering. Sister Phoebe Hamp, of Fontanelle, Wyo., writes: "I hoped to send an offering to help our people in South America, but I could not see my way out. I told my Heavenly Father that if He would see that I got some money that I had been looking for for some time, I would send some to you to help the cause. I soon heard from the money, and will have it in a few days. I will have enough to pay my taxes and send an offering of \$10.00 to you." This is surely walking by faith and not by sight.

Brother R. M. Lamie, of Cambria, Wyo., has been conducting weekly prayer meetings at that place. He is taking up a verse-by-verse study of the book of Ephesians, and the meetings are spoken of as being the best ever held in Cambria. We trust that good seeds may be sown and an abundant harvest of souls as a result of this brother's efforts.

### Garland

D. U. Hale

It was truly a good meeting that was held at Garland, Sabbath, December 28. On account of some things that had been said, some of the brethren dreaded the election of officers. But when God's people are willing to let Him lead, all things are done well, and the end is always glorious.

We had some trouble getting there, because in changing our clothes before we left home, we forgot to change the money with them, and when we had ridden part of our tickets out, we had to reticket at Edgemont, in order to get the advantage of our clergy rates. When we went to get our tickets, we found ourselves without money. It was the first time such a thing had ever happened to us, and it made us feel rather queer. Brother Smith hurried to a telephone, and we soon had money enough to go on; but our train had gone. This caused us to reach Garland twenty hours late.

We found them in Sabbath-school when we arrived. We had a good meeting that day, and appointed Sunday afternoon for the business meeting. The church was well represented at the business meeting, and they chose to vote by informal ballot. Paul Curtis was unanimously chosen as their elder for the coming year. An almost entirely

new set of officers were chosen to act with him.

They proved their loyalty to the message when the elder arose and told them that they were \$54.00 short on their portion of the fifteen-cent-a-week fund. I told them that I had enough money in my pocket from the church treasurer to make it all up, with the exception of \$21.73. As I saw those brethren calculating, almost to a cent, how much they could spare from their actual needs, I said in my soul, there is sacrifice that will surely have its reward in the eternity to come.

When the last dollar was given and the amount was fully made up, it was a sense of relief to all when we announced it. It was with hearts full of gratitude that we bowed to thank the Lord for the gift and to ask His blessing upon it. We left the church praising the Lord for His blessings and promises.

On our return, we stopped off for a few hours at Sheridan, and had the pleasure of ordaining Brother Burkhardt as elder of the Sheridan Church. We hope to see this church doing a great deal in missionary lines the coming year.

While here, we met Brother Nelson, of the Beekton Church, and he told us that they had finished their part of the fifteen-cent-a-week fund, and \$10.00 more than that. We thank the Lord for omens of advancement all along the line.

### West Kansas Conference

N. T. Sutton, Pres. Edward Harris, Sec'y  
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### Tithes and Offerings

N. T. Sutton

Much having been written and spoken on this subject from the earliest times, proves it to be a very important truth. The value of truth to an individual is measured by the extent that it is practised in his life. So the only way to receive the promised blessing in the payment of tithes and offerings is in obeying, and to obey means to pay a faithful tithe, and offerings to the extent that God has prospered us. The truths of the tithe and offering system are to impress the solemn fact upon the mind of man that God is the source of every blessing, "for in Him we live, move, and have our being." "He giveth to all life, breath, and all things." The Lord declares, "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the

world, and they that dwell therein. Whatsoever is under the whole heavens is Mine." Thus we can clearly see that the Lord is the rightful possessor of all things, and therefore is the source of all blessings. Then all that we possess is a direct gift to us from God. Moses, when instructing the children of Israel, tried to impress this fact upon their minds with these words, "And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day." "As an acknowledgment that all things come from Him, the Lord directed that a portion of His bounty should be returned to Him in gifts and offerings to sustain His worship." Those who pay a faithful tithe are constantly reminded that God is the true proprietor of our fields, our orchards, and our herds; that He sends the sunshine and the rain, bringing forth a bountiful harvest, and He has made us stewards of His goods.

My brethren, as we have beheld our field laden with golden grain, and our orchards groaning, as it were, under their burden of delicious fruits, shall we not at this time recognize our Heavenly Father for all these blessings, by being faithful in bringing to Him His own in tithes and offerings? The prophet Malachi specifies the condition of prosperity that will attend those who are faithful in returning to God His own. Let us study very carefully the third chapter of Malachi, and see how positively the statements are made in regard to the faithful and the unfaithful. I am sure that our duty is so clearly outlined that we need not make a mistake in the matter of our tithe and offerings. In the light of the instruction of the third chapter of Malachi, are we living in obedience to this truth and can we expect the windows of heaven to be opened to pour us out such a blessing that we shall not have room enough to receive it? or are our lives bringing the curse upon us? By doing, means we shall have the blessings of heaven; by not doing, means that we shall have the curse resting upon us.

This is one of God's ordinances whereby His work is to be sustained and carried on in all the world. May God help us to be faithful stewards, "and all nations shall call you blessed; for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts."

## Tabulated Statement of Funds Received by the Central Union Conference

Confs.	Funds	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
Colorado 1730	Tithe	\$476 02	\$103 12	\$.....	\$186 41	\$275 07	\$.....	\$349 35	\$.....
	% to Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Sustentation	194 26	48 20	46 20	.....	175 90	.....	143 99	.....
	15c. a wk.	47 87	377 36	225 00	739 68	1102 86	.....	892 71	.....
	Miscel.	280 16	.....	355 00	100 00	582 33	287 00	35 00	3 00
	TOTAL	998 31	528 68	626 20	1026 09	2136 16	287 00	1421 05	3 00
East Kansas 1210	Tithe	.....	.....	199 89	163 27	107 14	54 41	184 73	59 39
	% to Miss.	.....	.....	179 90	146 94	96 42	48 97	166 26	53 45
	Sustentation	.....	.....	89 95	73 47	48 21	24 48	83 13	26 72
	15c. a wk.	.....	.....	706 13	506 36	287 52	783 13	775 26	265 92
	Miscel.	.....	226 37	219 06	17 27	322 96	19 10	35 00	35 00
	TOTAL	.....	226 37	1394 93	907 31	862 25	930 09	1244 38	440 48
Nebras- ka 2186	Tithe	566 42	187 43	202 12	247 06	345 68	215 50	368 38	267 69
	% to Miss.	777 95	239 74	272 86	333 55	466 67	290 93	497 32	361 38
	Sustentation	254 89	84 34	90 95	111 18	155 56	96 98	165 77	120 46
	15c. a wk.	3279 04	1803 10	374 49	1009 14	754 88	435 55	735 89	937 21
	Miscel.	5 00	110 82	303 19	59 08	633 52	77 67	7 56	21 12
	TOTAL	4883 30	2425 43	1243 61	1760 01	2356 31	1116 63	1774 92	1707 86
North Mis- souri 636	Tithe	170 09	.....	90 80	41 76	.....	91 29	215 00	52 06
	% to Miss.	85 04	.....	29 60	36 05	.....	45 65	.....	26 03
	Sustentation	85 04	.....	29 60	36 05	.....	45 64	.....	26 03
	15c. a wk.	46 18	.....	.....	208 83	183 51	62 49	566 51	198 09
	Miscel.	179 00	.....	300 00	45 48	8 44	.....	103 00	.....
	TOTAL	565 35	.....	450 00	368 17	191 95	245 07	884 51	302 21
South Mis- souri 836	Tithe	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 71
	% to Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 86
	Sustentation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 85
	15c. a wk.	569 23	.....	.....	537 62	.....	.....	604 26	329 52
	Miscel.	28 50	.....	27 43	72 00	78 00	.....	2 50	46 47
	TOTAL	597 73	.....	27 43	609 62	78 00	.....	606 76	495 41
West Colo- rado 432	Tithe	127 00	.....	88 30	53 80	53 27	21 76	26 45	45 35
	% to Miss.	63 50	.....	44 14	26 90	26 63	10 88	13 24	22 67
	Sustentation	63 50	.....	44 14	26 90	26 63	10 88	13 24	22 67
	15c. a wk.	.....	.....	357 06	259 19	267 24	98 62	298 76	318 01
	Miscel.	.....	.....	118 54	20 29	15 40	5 00	36 65	.....
	TOTAL	254 00	.....	652 18	387 08	389 17	147 14	388 34	408 70
West Kansas 920	Tithe	.....	.....	396 03	.....	108 38	88 18	150 00	140 00
	% to Miss.	.....	.....	198 00	.....	162 57	.....	.....	100 00
	Sustentation	.....	.....	198 00	.....	.....	.....	138 00	70 00
	15c. a wk.	.....	.....	1729 42	.....	507 68	174 00	561 60	329 59
	Miscel.	.....	.....	281 00	.....	289 05	207 15	2 49	.....
	TOTAL	.....	.....	2802 45	.....	1067 68	469 33	852 09	639 59
Wyo- ming 474	Tithe	143 60	38 56	46 90	54 30	63 08	35 65	50 62	62 34
	% to Miss.	71 80	19 28	23 45	27 15	31 54	17 82	25 31	31 17
	Sustentation	71 80	19 28	23 45	27 15	31 54	17 82	25 31	31 17
	15c. a wk.	240 47	160 72	23 53	63 82	297 28	44 08	281 90	181 15
	Miscel.	79 50	67 00	5 15	163 93	131 51	35 33	93 44	38 00
	TOTAL	607 17	304 84	122 48	336 35	554 95	150 70	476 58	343 83
Miscel- laneous	Chris. Rec.	438 26	309 72	206 87	497 32	173 40	526 30	565 80	626 64
	C. U. Out.	80 07	43 03	40 42	26 37	33 16	38 89	23 96	37 14
	Deposits	2350 00	3000 00	5100 00	600 00	1600 00	847 83	836 00	550 00
	Misc.	9 00	676 65	164 25	7696 14	907 51	64 99	2630 50	256 57
	St. Louis	291 05	41 51	58 43	122 69	23 28	15 30	141 00	64 22
	TOTAL	2877 33	4029 40	5511 54	8819 83	2714 07	1478 01	4056 26	1470 35
	GD. TOT'S	10783 19	7514 72	12830 82	14214 46	10359 54	4823 94	11704 89	5811 43

for the Year 1912

Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
.....	\$321 78	\$322 76	\$2144 51
.....	.....	1864 12	1864 12
5 85	66 58	119 51	1026 32
0 24	458 18	4211 71	10758 48
7 40	30 00	276 36	2066 25
4 49	876 54	6794 46	17859 68
0 58	88 94	413 04	1577 84
9 52	80 04	371 73	1420 04
4 76	40 02	185 86	710 00
5 34	241 02	2521 64	7863 21
.....	.....	.....	874 76
1 20	450 02	3492 27	12445 85
4 92	327 33	872 65	4258 20
5 15	441 90	1178 06	5748 59
1 72	147 30	392 69	1916 20
2 07	1673 25	3172 17	17723 98
.....	300 00	110 20	4347 44
3 86	2889 78	5725 77	34094 41
3 88	73 68	212 32	1014 36
1 94	36 84	106 16	507 19
1 94	36 84	106 16	507 19
9 47	293 12	2016 88	3827 68
.....	.....	.....	635 92
7 23	440 48	2441 52	6492 34
2 56	88 48	350 28	677 90
5 28	44 24	175 14	338 95
5 28	44 24	175 14	338 94
7 89	471 47	1592 07	4723 12
2 93	71 00	294 33	867 92
5 94	719 43	2586 96	6946 83
5 72	.....	195 32	695 11
3 36	.....	97 65	347 54
3 36	.....	97 65	347 54
3 78	.....	1336 38	3409 24
5 23	.....	34 98	237 09
8 45	.....	1761 98	5036 52
0 01	239 90	407 33	1839 83
0 00	239 90	709 40	1659 87
0 00	119 95	203 95	829 90
0 62	691 92	2621 17	7546 00
3 85	58 97	397 95	1440 46
4 48	1350 64	4339 80	13316 06
0 62	77 88	189 11	858 58
5 31	38 94	94 56	429 29
5 31	38 94	94 56	429 29
3 03	510 33	1284 79	3329 12
25	74 84	110 00	805 20
4 52	740 93	1773 02	5851 48
7 69	571 53	381 35	5215 90
1 05	28 95	70 68	520 87
0 00	2250 00	1560 00	20253 83
5 55	85 68	3438 69	16115 53
79 64	.....	.....	978 13
4 29	2936 16	5450 72	42106 13
9 46	10403 98	34366 50	144149 30

Recapitulation

The accompanying table deals only with money received. It shows the cash receipts of the Central Union Conference office for the year 1912 to have been \$144,149.30. Of this amount, \$13,116.40 was title from the various conferences and has been expended, after the payment of a tithe, and five per cent sustentation fund, to the General Conference, in the administrative work of the Union Conference and such appropriations as have been made from time to time.

The sums of \$12,315.59, per cent to missions; \$6,095.38, sustentation fund; and \$59,180.83, fifteen-cent-a-week-per-member fund, have been received, all of which has been forwarded in monthly remittances to the General Conference. Adding \$8,574.54 paid the General Conference on account, and miscellaneous items, makes our total remittances for the year, \$86,166.60.

There has been received for the *Christian Record*, aside from remittances from the conferences, mostly from field solicitors, \$5,215.90. Of this amount, \$1,695.35 has been paid to solicitors, the balance used in the running expenses of the *Christian Record* work, and in the purchase and equipment of its office building, under instruction of the General Conference.

The OUTLOOK receipts for the year have been \$520.87.

Deposits have been received to the amount of \$20,253.83, of which \$15,433.83 has been used in paying outstanding notes.

Under miscellaneous items there has been received during the year, \$18,875.30. This is made up of items for which space could not be given in the table, such as Clinton German Seminary, Union College, College View Cemetery, interest, personal accounts, etc.

A. T. Robinson,  
Cent. Union. Conf. Treas.

How Near We Came to the Goal

The membership of the Central Union Conference, upon which the General Conference bases its apportionment of fifteen-cents-per-week-per-member, is 8,424, which means that \$65,707.20 was expected of us. We have raised \$59,180.83, leaving us short \$6,526.37. Three conferences ran ahead of their apportionment, as follows: Nebraska, \$673.18; West Kansas, \$370; and West Colorado, \$39.64. The other five confer-

ences fell short the following amounts: Colorado, \$2,735.52; East Kansas, \$1,574.79; North Missouri, \$1,133.12; South Missouri, \$1,797.68; and Wyoming, \$368.08.

Taking into account local conditions which had to be reckoned with in some sections of our territory, the OUTLOOK extends congratulations to every conference in the union for the splendid fight made during the latter portion of the year, thus helping to save the Union Conference from a showing which a few weeks ago bade fair to be a humiliating one.

We predict that if we can see the same spirit of cooperation on the part of the local conference offices during the entire year 1913 that has characterized our work during the past few weeks, we will have a record to look back upon one year from now of which we shall be proud.

Central Union Office Notes

President Griggs of Union College is visiting schools, and expects to be absent from College View until near the close of January.

The regular annual board meeting of the Board of Trustees of Union College will convene in the college building, Tuesday, February 10, and will be in session several days.

Elder W. A. Spicer spent a couple of days in College View, on his way to the General Conference Council at Mountain View, Cal. He was the guest of Union College, and his talks in the chapel and to the faculty proved a spiritual uplift to everybody who heard him, and his visit was much enjoyed by all.

The next meeting of the constituency of the International Publishing Association is to be held in College View, on Monday, February 10. At the last annual meeting, the business year of the association was changed to run concurrently with the calendar year, so that the forthcoming meeting will follow a half year's work.

Meetings of the Central Union Conference Committee will be held in College View during the time of the annual board meeting of Union College. Various items of important business connected with the Union Conference will be considered. Delegates to the next session of the General Conference will be elected at that time.

## North Missouri Conference

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

### Missions for 1913

E. E. Farnsworth

I know that every member of the North Missouri Conference is anxiously waiting to hear the final report of the offerings for the past year to see how we have come out on the fifteen-cent-per-week fund. Being away from the office, I have not as yet received any word from the treasurer, but trust that I will in the near future. We had all hoped that the gifts would come in sufficiently so the whole amount would be raised, but without question we are still considerably behind.

Now, dear co-workers, the question facing us is not so much as to what was done the past year, but what will we do the present year. I believe that the only way we will ever succeed in raising the amount desired, is for every one of us to decide at the very beginning of the year that we will become responsible for our full amount, and then from week to week make the plans which will place this in the treasury.

Those who have cash that they can give, why not give it systematically every week? By doing this it is passing on for the weekly needs of the mission board. Those who have not the ready cash, why not make some definite plans for the raising of the funds needed for that purpose? I visited one little company recently, where early in the year each member devoted some special thing for this offering. One farmer gave so much of his grain land, another the profits of a sheep or a cow, and some of the sisters gave the Sabbath eggs, broods of chickens or turkeys etc. What were the results? When the harvest was in, all had something to give. Some in this way equalled their fifteen cents per week, while others did not quite do this much.

Why not, dear brethren and sisters, start this work at the very beginning of the year, enlisting the interest of all the children, and then see how God will bless us in the effort, and make it a means not only of helping the mission fund but of blessing us and our children with a greater interest in the closing work of God on the earth. If the matter is neglected as it has been the past year, we will find it utterly impossible to make the rally necessary to accomplish the desired end. Some churches will have

closed the record this year with less than a third of their quota. We have a place among the sister conferences of this Union, and of the world, and it is a matter of a little pride to see how we stand among the rest if we have done well, but when we are obliged to see our conference listed among those who have come far short of doing what we have agreed to, it does not make the president feel very proud when seated by the side of the representatives of other conferences who can report their conferences overpaid.

Financially we are not the poorest conference. The past year you were blessed of God with the best crops for years. The message in your conference is going encouragingly, and calls are coming many times faster than we can possibly fill them. All this, dear ones, calls for faithfulness in the payment of tithes and offerings. Our needs in the conference have been so great that we have received Elder L. F. Trubey from St. Louis as a laborer in this conference, and he is now working among the churches. If we are able to support him, we will have to receive an increase of tithes; but believing that the pressing calls were the opening providence of God, we have taken this additional laborer, believing that you in return will help us support him.

We have been much cheered at receiving tithe from individuals who never have paid before, and some from those who have been somewhat remiss in the matter in the past. Brethren and sisters, let us make the year 1913 the very banner year in the history of the work in the North Missouri Conference. What do you say? Will *you* help? If the present prospects continue, we have faith to believe that we will receive the greatest harvest of souls in any conference year.

Remember, faithfulness in giving to God His own will open the treasure house of God, and unlimited blessings will follow according to His promise. These we need, and may the blessing of God descend richly upon His dear people in this conference, and may we arise to do the work committed to us.

I will be very glad for personal letters from any and all of you at any time. The cheering words that come from some from time to time give us courage. May the Lord bless you all.

"If God puts mountains before us, it is that we may obtain nearer views of heaven from their summits."

## St. Catherine

E. E. Farnsworth

The past two weeks, I have been holding meetings in what is known as the Waller Church, fifteen miles north of St. Catherine and about the same distance west of Goldsberry. A good interest has been manifested, and the meetings have been well attended. Sunday, January 12, I gave the "Sabbath and Its Change," in forenoon and evening. At each service, every available seat in the church was occupied. There is every reason to believe that we will see some walk in obedience to the truth in the week to come.

Pray for the workers.

## Nebraska Conference

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### News Items

Anna M. Peterson

Miss Floy Bowes who has been teaching a church school at Ragan is in the College View Sanitarium, having undergone an operation. She is improving nicely and hopes soon to be able to return to her school. Miss Mabel Andrews is teaching her school for her until she is able to return.

Professor I. F. Blue and Professor H. C. Wilson of the Hastings Intermediate School recently took the Standard of Attainment examination and passed with good grades and will now receive a Standard of Attainment Certificate. This will make us three in Nebraska. Miss Ada J. Madison was our first. She is now in the Bible work in Omaha.

### Nebraska Church Schools

School	Teacher
College View,	Miss Dorothy E. White
" "	Miss Ida M. Brown
" "	Miss Rose E. Herr
Lincoln,	Miss Lillie M. Holaday
Hastings,	Miss Hattie Brown
Grand Island,	Miss Ella Garner
Decatur,	Miss Roxy Rollins
Austin,	Miss Clara Twing
Ragan,	Miss Floy Bowes
Oconto,	Miss Eva L. Prusia
Ringgold,	Mrs. O. A. Johnson
Valentine (Millboro),	Miss Hazelle Wilkinson
Bloomington,	Mrs. Will Brebner
B. L. House, Superintendent	

### An Impressive Service

A beautiful, appropriate, and very impressive service, the first of its kind in the history of Union College, was conducted in the college chapel, Wednesday morning, January 15, on the first day of the closing semester of the 1912-13 school year. It was a consecration service, when the class of twenty who this year are completing the college course were solemnly consecrated by the college faculty to their life work.

The chapel was tastefully and appropriately decorated for the occasion. The faculty, two abreast, first marched in, forming an open rank semicircle around the rostrum, between whom the class marched in single file to their seats. President Griggs, after a very earnest address, based on the admonition, "Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life," on behalf of the members of the faculty, delivered a special charge of consecration to the class. This address was responded to by the president of the class, Mr. Homer Teesdale, after which the class again formed a semicircle around the rostrum, kneeling while the prayer of consecration was offered. At the conclusion of the prayer, a double quartet sang, "Fill Me Now."

The entire service was one in which the form was lost in the sweet spirit which seemed to rest upon the large student body and all others assembled. Many eyes moistened with tears as this large body of young people knelt before God, as an outward expression that they were consecrating their lives to the service of the Master, and suppressed amens were heard as President Griggs, with broken voice, prayed that God would accept these lives for service.

### Union College Sabbath-school

Stella M. Parker

The Union College Sabbath-school has just closed its banner quarter, with a record of which its teachers and students may well be proud, because it expresses, in a very material way, the interest taken by Old Union in missionary enterprise.

At the beginning of the past quarter, the Sabbath-school planned to send a missionary from Union College to China, at the rate of two cents a mile. By means of a diagram upon the chapel blackboard, the journey of the missionary was traced each Sabbath. As the imaginary journey progressed, the interest increased, also the donations. Never before in the history of the college

Sabbath-school have the members rallied so loyally to the support of an enterprise.

December 14 was *Dollar Day*. An unusually large number were present, and with intense interest, at the close of the school, they watched Professor Wood trace the donations on the thermometer on the blackboard, saw the mercury pass the set mark of \$60.00, burst the thermometer, and climb up until it reached the \$90.00 mark. China called, and Old Union answered the call with the largest donation ever known in the history of the Union College Sabbath-school.

The quarter closed with a record-breaking report—a grand total in donations of \$222.62, which sent the missionary beyond port, 1,330 miles into China's interior. The average in donations per member in attendance per week was a little over sixteen cents.

The average membership for the quarter was 157, the average attendance 105, making a percentage of only 67. This quarter the aim is to make the attendance 100 per cent—even a greater undertaking than the sending of the missionary, but we believe that it will be accomplished, for the past three months have proved that the sons and daughters of Old Union are young men and women who make a success of the work they undertake.

### Sanitarium Principles

The question of dietetics is one of the most perplexing subjects with which our sanitariums have to deal. The guests of these institutions for the most part are made up of men and women who have brought upon themselves sickness through disregard of nature's laws, particularly by excesses in eating and drinking. Many of these desire to get well, but are quite unwilling to pay the price in the way of self-denial. They still demand tea, coffee, flesh foods, condiments, etc. Our sanitariums, however, are the exponents of principles of reform in the matter of healthful living. It is for them to erect and maintain a higher standard than the medical institutions of the world. At a meeting of the medical faculty of the Washington (D. C.) Sanitarium held recently, an interesting discussion on the subject of dietetics was engaged in by the physicians and nurses. It was felt by all present that the Sanitarium should maintain the position it has ever taken excluding tea, coffee, and flesh foods from the dietary of the institution, and that there should be maintained before

the guests a high standard of reform with reference to the general question of dietetics. This we believe is the only consistent position that any of our sanitariums can take. If our institutions do not maintain a higher standard than is upheld in similar institutions of the world, both in the way of Christian ethics and from a scientific standpoint, then our institutions have no excuse for existence. God has called us to be light-bearers. He has called us to the position of reformers. We should be consistent in the positions we take, and resolute in the pursuit of the purpose in which we are engaged. Our sanitariums and our medical workers, above any other institutions or workers engaged in this movement, should be true to the principles of health and temperance.

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### International Publishing Association Annual Meeting

The tenth annual meeting of the International Publishing Association will be held in College View, Nebr., Febr. 10, 1913, at 10 A. M., for the purpose of electing a board of trustees for the ensuing year and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. The membership of this Association consists of the executive committee of the General Conference, the executive committee of the Northern Union Conference, the executive committee of the Central Union Conference, the executive committee of the Southwestern Union Conference, the board of trustees and seventeen counselors of the International Publishing Association, and the editors of the foreign periodicals published by this Association. It is desired that all members of the Association attend this meeting who can consistently do so.

E. T. Russell, President,  
J. C. Madison, Secretary.

Prof. M. B. VanKirk educational and Y. P. M. V. secretary, returned Friday from Kansas, where he visited various places in the interest of the young people's work.

## Busy Days in the Central Union Office

To any who may feel that they have cause of complaint that matters demanding attention from the office of the Central Union Conference have not been promptly attended to during the past two weeks, we beg this opportunity to say that the work in this office has been very pressing of late.

In order that all the business of the calendar year may be included in the reports for the year, the General Conference office has arranged to hold its books open until January 18. This gave us until January 14 to close up our reports for 1912. More than \$17,000 came in by the last three mail deliveries. We were obliged to wait for the last remittance until the noon mail on the 14th, before we could make up our remittance to the General Conference. We only succeeded in getting it ready in season to catch the latest car to the city that we could take, where we mailed a check to the treasurer of the General Conference, about midnight, for \$18,883.91.

The noble response on the part of our people throughout the Central Union Conference has enabled us to come much nearer to our apportionment on the fifteen-cent-a-week-per-member fund than we had dared to hope we would come. As will be seen by the itemized statements elsewhere in this paper, some of our conferences made quite a poor showing during the first half of the year. It is hoped that this year we may begin our special efforts early, and keep it up all through the months of 1913.

## Obituary

Charley Ulysses Nelson, youngest son of Brother and Sister L. P. Nelson, was born on the old home place about six miles east of Honey Creek, Ia., Nov. 8, 1890. He attended the common district school, desiring to go on perfecting his education for Christian service, but owing to his father's feeble health, he sacrificed this to give his time in assisting his parents on the farm.

Charley was a young man of good habits, and was a great comfort and support to his father and mother. He was brought up in the religious influence of the home and always manifested a deep interest in the study of the Bible and often expressed his confidence in God.

Tuesday, December 31, while hitching up a span of colts, which became unruly, he was thrown violently to the ground and sustained internal injuries by being either kicked or stepped upon. He walked to the house but soon began to be in much pain. Medical aid was summoned and he was taken to the Mercy Hospital at Council Bluffs, Ia., but was too feeble to undergo an operation. He lingered until the next evening at 8:30 when he quietly passed away.

A father and mother, four brothers and three sisters, are left to feel the sad loss of a dear, devoted boy and loving brother. All the members of the family were at the funeral, excepting the youngest sister, Sylvia. Services were conducted at the house and also at the church in the country near a beautiful cemetery where Charley was laid to rest to await the

voice of the Life-giver. Beyond this vale of tears, in that better world, we hope to meet our brother where the "Goodbye" is unknown.

J. W. Christian.

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<b>West Kansas</b>							
N. E. Norton	B. R.		1	3 00		3 00	3 00
Dell Dotson	B. R.	11	9	20 50	85	21 35	
J. T. North	C. K. & H.	16	6	10 50		10 50	5 25
Mrs. Cole			20		9 35	9 35	
Agents 4		27	36	34 00	10 20	44 20	8 25
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