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## No. Dakota Conference

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W. I. Montanye, Secretary  
Box 1491 - Jamestown

### North Dakota Items

Do NOT forget that by sending in a dollar bill before May 15, you can get the *Youth's Instructor* for eight months. The regular price is one dollar for six months. This applies to renewals as well as new subscriptions. Send in your order now before you forget.

Elder Scherr returned to the office Monday after spending some time in the field in the interest of Big Week. He plans to spend some time in the southern part of the state.

Word has been received from Elder Oswald that Mrs. Oswald is getting along as well as can be expected after her operation.

We have received word from Brother Montanye that Mrs. Montanye's father passed away shortly after they arrived. Our sympathies go out to them and we wish them God's richest blessings in their hour of sorrow.

Elder Wentland spent Sabbath with the members of the Gackle church.

Have you done your part in the 1932 Big Week campaign? If not, do it now. By selling four sets of the English Big Week books you will reach your membership goal; this will give you \$4.00 of which \$2.00 goes to pay for the books and \$2.00 for missions. Send in your order today.

## Missouri Conference

H. C. Hartwell, President  
S. E. Ortner, Secretary  
616 So. Second St. - - - Clinton

### Missouri News Notes

A SABBATH school convention of the Goldsberry and Marceline Sabbath schools will be held at Goldsberry, May 6-8. All isolated members in that vicinity are cordially invited to attend.

The Nevada church is sending out literature to the patrons of the rural routes out of Nevada; they have covered one

route and have already received two replies with a request for more literature.

The Carthage church is putting reading racks in the depots. They need more papers than this little church can supply.

The superintendent of the county schools was visited at Montgomery City by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Updyke and Mrs. Whitsett in the interest of Big Week, and he said he would be glad to receive sample copies of our temperance papers for the youth and children, with the idea in view of putting them in the schools. He will be sent the next issues of the *Youth's Instructor* and *Little Friend*.

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## Minnesota Conference

A. H. Rulkoetter, President  
A. R. Smouse, Secretary  
1854 Roblyn Ave. - St. Paul

### Special Missionary Volunteer Meetings

THE Minneapolis English church was favored by having a series of meetings especially for the young people, April 10-14. Elder Johns, the pastor, spoke Sunday night; Elder Gordon Smith, union Missionary Volunteer secretary, spoke on Monday and Tuesday evenings, and Elder Johns took the last two services. The Master is calling today as truly as in the days when He trod the shores of Galilee and called forth His disciples. In the light of Calvary, how can we help but love Him and become soldiers of the cross? Each meeting was opened with illustrated readings, chalk talks, vocal and instrumental music and song service.

L. S. MELENDY.

### Maplewood News

MISS MARY HOPKINS, of St. Paul, and Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas, of Iowa, spent Friday night and Sabbath, April 8 and 9, at the school in the interest of the Sabbath school work. They had charge of the Friday evening meeting, the eleven o'clock service, and also a meeting at three o'clock Sabbath afternoon. The many helpful thoughts and the excellent posters gave many a new and greater inspiration to work for the Sabbath school.

Elder and Mrs. A. H. Rulkoetter spent a short time at the school Sunday evening, April 10.

Brother and Sister L. J. Steele, with their son and daughter, of Sherburne, Minn., visited their daughter, Olive, at the school April 16 and 17.

The Querist Club presented a very interesting Sabbath school program Sabbath, April 16. The review was given by Elmer Hagen and the mission exercise in the form of a tableau by Miss Ethel Hartzell, Mrs. H. E. Hein, Donny Yost, and Russell Nelson. The quartet composed of Elmer Hagen, Irwin Campbell, Thomas Dokken, and Elder Frank H. Yost, sang a number that was enjoyed.

The young women had their club program around a bonfire in the grove, Wednesday evening, April 13. They enjoyed toasting marshmallows, which had been prepared in individual sacks. Winifred Granbois and Myrtle Sather had charge.

Professor Alvin W. Johnson spoke at the eleven o'clock service at Mankato, Minn., on Sabbath, April 16.

The girls' parlor has been presented with a victrola by Brother and Sister I. G. Ortner, who have been called to join the Atlantic Union Conference. This gift which was presented as a remembrance of the days spent at Maplewood by their daughter, Irene, who is now attending Union College, is sincerely appreciated by the West Hall family.

The sophomores with Professor Johnson in charge were organized Sunday, April 17. The officers elected are: William Reuer, president; Bernita Rust, vice-president; Luana Guy, secretary; LeVerne Melendy, treasurer; Mr. Ray Fowler, sponsor.

Those on the honor roll for the last period were Floyd Smith, Doris Peterson, John Christensen, Clarice Rust, Ruby Engelhart, Henry Hanson, Gertrude Jepson, and Doris Zappe.

### Minnesota Items

SABBATH school conventions will be held at Brainerd, April 30, and Sauk Center, May 7.

The new song book, "Joyful Songs for Boys and Girls," is now ready. This will be the official song book for the

kindergarten and primary divisions of the Sabbath school and the primary classes of the church school. It contains 128 pages in which are 140 songs. Heavy blue duro-art paper cover, 35 cents; green keratol stiff cover, \$1.00.

The offering in the church service on Sabbath, May 7, is for the Foreign Translation Fund. This fund contributes toward the expense involved in translating tracts and the crisis books into the various foreign tongues. A liberal offering is to be encouraged.

In addition to the separate investments made by the members of the Williams Sabbath school, they have a "Family Investment" through which each family will give a penny a pound for each pound the eight babies of their school gain this summer. The babies have been weighed and their increase will be recorded until the time of the fall Investment program.

One of our isolated sisters who meets strong opposition in the home writes: "My children and I have enjoyed the Bible study very much. We carry out the program as stated on the envelope, and our Sabbath school is real interesting. I find that by studying God's Word it brings me closer to Him, and gives me patience to endure many things and overcome many temptations."

<b>Iowa Conference</b>	
C. F. McVagh, President	
G. A. Nystrom, Secretary	
734 Main St.	Nevada

### The Nevada Convention

ALTHOUGH all signs pointed to an unpleasant change in the weather, Sabbath, April 16, proved to be a very satisfactory day for the Nevada Sabbath school convention. Under the direction of the superintendent, P. E. Jensen, the Sabbath school, at 9:45, presented a pleasing program. After the usual exercises preceding the recitation period, including the very excellent report of the secretary, Elmer Anderson, the mission story by Mrs. C. F. McVagh, and the review by Elder S. A. Wellman, Brother W. C. Foreman conducted the lesson study for the day, as the congregation was too large for the formation of classes.

With a company of twenty or more from the Marshalltown Sabbath school, eleven from Boone, five from State Center, many other visitors and a fine attendance of the local members, the church was well filled at both morning and afternoon services.

We were highly favored in having Elder Wellman, of the General Conference Sabbath School Department, with

us at this convention, and as marked out for him by the program, the time was well improved in presenting subjects and in counsel and discussion. We were very glad, also, for the presence and help of Mary D. Hopkins, the Minnesota Sabbath school secretary of long and faithful experience. We most truly appreciated the interest and cooperation of the officers of the school and of all others who helped to carry on the program, reading papers in a way that "gave the sense" and presenting topics impressively. The Anderson orchestra playing at each service and one half hour before the afternoon meeting, and the special vocal numbers furnished by local talent of more than ordinary ability, all helped most decidedly to add to the interest. We consider that these were all very pleasing features of the occasion.

The walls of the church were beautifully adapted to showing up the attractively placed charts, representing the promotion of various phases of Sabbath school endeavor. We feel that the convention was not only enjoyed and appreciated by those in attendance, but that it will be a real help and blessing to the schools represented.

MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS.

### Annual Symptoms and Developments

AS A USUAL thing most of our Seventh-day Adventist members have an attack of extreme timidity about this time of the year. The symptoms begin to appear with the first mention of the Big Week sets of books which are to be sold to the public. As the case develops, we find that the sufferer is often heard to say, "I don't think anyone could sell books this year," or, "I am sure it would be useless to go out with Big Week books in these hard times."

I had seen so many with this affliction, that I was surprised when one of our brethren in the Des Moines church asked me if I had any Big Week books with me that he could use. This was about a week before I took up the Big Week work with that church. I told him that I had fifteen sets in my car and he said he thought that would be enough for him. I gave them to him and went on my way. Last Sabbath I went to Des Moines to meet with the church, and I was interested to know how our brother had progressed with his books, and this is what he told me: "I had only one turn down in disposing of those sets of books." He said further, "I use the book 'Steps to Christ' as my talking point, and sell the whole set on its merits, then I ask my customer to be sure to read the set and not lay it aside." Then he made a state-

ment that we all should heed: "We cannot go out and sell these books without the help of the Holy Spirit; it gives us an inward urge to sell these books for the good they may do."

Let us remember this as we go out to dispose of the Books we have ordered. Do not let them lie around. Place them in the hands of those who will read them. We still have a number of sets at the office. It has been demonstrated that books can easily be sold. Send in the order for your quota and then go out and sell them.

J. C. CHRISTENSEN.

### A Strong Talking Point

A RECENT number of the REAPER contained the recommendation which B. E. Ewing, the head of the Anti-Saloon League of Iowa, wrote for the book, "Wet or Dry?" I personally presented him with a copy of this book a short time before the Anti-Saloon League convention in Des Moines. He invited us to attend this convention, and particularly the final meeting, when Billy Sunday, who is credited with much of the honor of putting Des Moines on the dry list, was scheduled to speak on the prohibition question. The meeting opened shortly after 7:30, but Mr. Sunday did not show up until after 8:00 o'clock. An audience of 8,500 was crammed into the Coliseum to hear him. B. E. Ewing gave an excellent defense of prohibition while waiting for Mr. Sunday to make his appearance, and he presented some very convincing facts on conditions which would result from the repeal of the dry law. I was very much surprised to find that practically all of the material for his talk had been taken from the book I had given him, and at times he quoted this book word for word.

I believe that as we present this F. D. Nichols book to the public, we can use

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this as a strong talking point. Nearly nine thousand Iowa men and women have through this meeting received an introduction to the contents of the book. Let us take advantage of this favorable advertising.

J. C. CHRISTENSEN.

### District No. X

ON SABBATH, May 7, there will be held an all-day meeting at the Seventh-day Adventist church, Cresco, Iowa. Brethren at nearby churches are cordially invited to be with us on that date. The Sabbath school will open at 9:45 a. m., to be followed at 11:00 by a preaching service. The afternoon sermon will be at 3:00. The Sabbath school lessons will be the usual lessons of the day. All teachers should come prepared to teach if necessary.

Each Sabbath school will take its own offering, so each church will keep its own goal account without interference.

The church of Cresco is directly north of the high school building.

T. H. JEYS.

### Iowa Notes

ELDER J. C. NIXON spent Thursday and Friday, April 14, at Clinton. Sabbath afternoon he was with the Davenport church, and that evening he was with the young people of the church in a social gathering held in the reception room of the Electric Light Company, which was furnished free of charge. On Sunday evening he held a meeting with the church at Muscatine, and the following day visited the church school at that place.

Elder S. A. Wellman, who was with Mrs. Dorcas in meetings at Hewarden, Sioux City, and Ute before coming to speak to the Oak Park Academy students on Friday evening, and to be present at the convention on Sabbath, left on Sunday morning to keep a Sunday evening appointment with the Davenport church, which would complete his work in our conference at this time.

Elder and Mrs. J. C. Christensen and small son were in Des Moines over Sabbath, April 16, where Elder Christensen conducted a Big Week rally day service. In the afternoon, Elder C. H. Miller accompanied him to Perry, where a similar service was held with the company there.

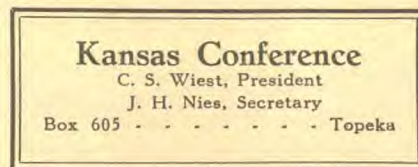
Elder A. L. Miller, of Davenport, was called to Clinton on Tuesday of last week to conduct the funeral service of Mrs. Kate Nyberg, of that church. Her daughter, Miss Pearl Nyberg, with whom many friends will sympathize, was gradu-

ated from the Iowa Sanitarium Training Class when it was located in Des Moines. Mrs. Mae Colwell, of Nevada, is a sister of Mrs. Nyberg.

Word came to the office on Tuesday of last week of the death of W. E. Stanfield, of Boone, the father of Miss Bess Stanfield, of the Boone church. Elder C. F. McVagh conducted the funeral at Boone on Thursday.

G. A. Nystrom, conference treasurer, returned on Monday morning of last week from Walla Walla, Wash., where he spent a few days looking after some property there.

Elder and Mrs. McVagh, W. C. Foreman, Miss Alice LaBonte, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bowles, and Elder and Mrs. W. A. McKibben, were at Boone on Thursday of last week, to attend the funeral of W. E. Stanfield.



### Our Laboring Force Reduced

WHEN we study the history of ancient Israel, we find that they passed through many crises. In some of these distressing periods, the Levites were pressed into self-supporting work. They were forced to do this because of the shortage in tithes. In every case, however, the work of God was carried forth in spite of the negligent tithe payer and self-interested believer. But these periods always have been very perplexing to the leaders and those upon whose hearts or shoulders rests the burden in proclaiming the message of salvation to the world.

Nothing is so heart-rending for a committee as to ask good, faithful conference workers to go into self-supporting work. Nevertheless, when the tithe income of a conference fails to meet the expense of a conference, two things must be done: first, the cut in expenses; second, the cut in the laboring force.

On account of the drop in tithe of 33% over the year 1929, the Kansas Conference committee was forced to ask some of its workers to go on a self-supporting basis as an emergency measure. We must work on a balanced budget. It is very painful for a committee to vote that a fellow-worker and one ordained to the ministry of the third angel's message should be asked to encumber himself with material things for his maintenance and thus cripple his ministry.

This, however, the committee was compelled to do at its sitting, Monday, April 18.

It is believed that even under these distressing times, if every believer would pay a full tithe on his income, there would be sufficient money in the treasury to employ a good corps of workers in Kansas. Shall we not all say, "From henceforth, I will pay a full tithe of all that the Lord shall give me"?

Let us all do it.

C. S. WIEST.

### Elders' Meeting Postponed

WORD has just come from Elder E. Kotz, associate secretary of the General Conference, that if we can hold our elders' meeting two weeks later, he will be able to be with us during that time.

In counsel with those in the office, we have decided to postpone this meeting until May 19-22. Those who are in the nearby vicinity of Bison and can attend this meeting which will begin Thursday night, May 19, and continue to Sunday night, May 22, will kindly take notice of this announcement and postponement.

C. S. WIEST.

### Kansas Notes

PROFESSOR V. P. Lovell, of Enterprise, Elder F. S. Chollar, of Wichita, Elder H. H. Humann, of Hillsboro, Brother C. A. Jones, of Kansas City, and Elder J. F. Piper, Brother S. J. Lashier, Professor C. W. Marsh, and Brother D. E. Collins, all from the union office, were at our office Monday afternoon, April 18, for a committee meeting.

Brother A. M. Ragsdale spent April 16 and 17 in Kansas City with Elder G. H. Smith, the union Missionary Volunteer secretary. They held meetings in both the Kansas City, Kans., and Kansas City, Mo., churches.

Elder Wiest spent Sabbath, April 16, with the Wellington church. Meetings were held both morning and afternoon.

Remember the special offer on the *Youth's Instructor* from May 1-15—eight months for only \$1.00.

Brother Melvin Oss has returned from his trip in the interests of the Big Week and is busy getting material out to the Sabbath schools for the Investment program, which is to be given on or before Sabbath, May 14.

Brother J. H. Nies and Elder Wiest went to Enterprise on Wednesday, April 20, to assist in the colporteur institute. Twenty-three students and others attended these meetings and plan to go out with our good books.

Brother M. H. Jensen writes, "We are in hopes of some good, substantial results from the meetings at Greenwood. I made a call for Sabbath observance Sunday night and several responded.

Some very fine people are interested and we hope they will be willing to step out when they see the full light."

The Topeka I church is distributing 1,500 of each of the four special tracts on which the conference pays half, hoping to create an interest which will be taken care of by a series of meetings at the church in the near future.

### So. Dakota Conference

Gorden Oss, President  
B. L. Schlottauer, Secretary  
Drawer 586 - Watertown

#### "Answer the Call, Ye Brave Men"

THE heading of this item is suggestive of the type of men and women that Brother McKinley is listing for front-line service in the book work this summer. Almost every day now there are developments of a most encouraging nature, as the list of valiant ones grows. The call is for those with a rugged desire to be used of God in this unusual time to which we have come. Experience can be gained. A willing and courageous heart is what counts. Joshua and Caleb, where are you?

GORDEN OSS.

#### A Reminder

THE Big Week plan as outlined calls for several specific things. Lest some forget we mention them again.—Six hours work is requested from each one. Colporteurs should share their largest day. Conference workers should sell literature and give proceeds, besides their personal income for one day. All unable to sell are invited to give a day's income, and field days are to be held in our institutions. The plan works if we work the plan.

GORDEN OSS.

#### A Church Elder Writes

BROTHER J. M. CHRISTENSEN writes: "We want to reach our goals, not merely for the sake of reaching them, but we know that if we all can reach the sixties there will be no shortage and our mission work can be planned accordingly.

"We plan to meet the Sabbath school goal of thirty cents, which is fifty per cent of the full amount. The other fifty per cent will come through the Big Week, Harvest Ingathering, Mid-Summer Offering, Week of Sacrifice, and Annual Offering. We are planning on this and hope it will be realized, and I believe it can be done."

Such a letter inspires courage, so we pass it on to others. It was at the Mit-

chell church that the remark was heard, "We plan to meet our church obligations though most everything else must go." Another dedicates one half of her hard earned money to the various interests of the cause, and another busy farm woman does some city laundering each week. Others help in other ways. With such backing the elder can say, "We plan to reach our goals," and I believe it can be done. For more than five years they have reached their Sabbath school goals each quarter.

CLAIRE WININGAR.

#### Plainview Notes

MR. L. W. TAFT, farm superintendent, had charge of our vesper services Friday evening, April 15.

The C. M. Babcock family gave the program in Missionary Volunteer meeting Sabbath afternoon, April 16. The long talk given by little Loyal on "Flat Tires" was especially interesting and outstanding.

On Sunday evening, April 24, the girls gave a reception in honor of the boys. The dining room was beautifully decorated in orchid and yellow, with bouquets of iris on each table. The dinner was served in three courses with toasts between the courses. A short program followed the banquet.

Professor Watt and his group of printers are kept very busy printing the combined school annual and calendar. This is the first time our school is publishing an annual.

The musical programs which have been given to the leading churches by our academy chorus during the past two week-ends have met with a most hearty approval and response. The churches were well filled and some were over crowded.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hartman, with the academy male quartet, drove to Java Wednesday, April 20, to attend the funeral of Mr. Henry Kiesz, brother to Walter, who is attending Plainview. The school extends condolence and sympathy in this hour of bereavement.

#### South Dakota Notes

A SISTER writes: "I am not a sales-lady and have never sold anything in my life where it took any effort on my part, but I promised the Lord last night after reading about the Big Week purposes that I would use my two hard-to-get and harder-still-to-keep dollars, and send for the English books. I will carry them around and depend on the Lord to sell them, for I can't." We mailed out the

books and wrote an encouraging letter, and this morning we had word from her again. She stated, "I want to tell you what God did for the Big Week here. I praise His name for letting me help a little. I am so glad you wrote suggesting we make the ones we thought of selling books to a matter of special prayer. I did that and each time I prayed a different individual came into my mind than the one I had intended to take the books to, I was impressed to send one set out to a lady that lives twenty-six miles from here, and wrote her a letter. By return mail she sent me a dollar saying how glad she was for them." She sent an extra dollar to be applied on this fund for a thank offering.

When we sent out the list showing the Investment returns for 1931, we listed the Java Sabbath school as giving \$10.-43. We have since learned that their offering was \$46.73.

Sister Beebe, from the Green Grass Sabbath school, sent in the following report from one Indian family in their school, showing their Investment returns last year: "Brother Traversie set apart one row of potatoes. He received \$6.00 for them. Sister Traversie promised wool from five sheep; when sold she received \$6.85. Henry Traversie, age eight, promised all the wool from five sheep; when it was sold he received \$6.15. Ruby Traversie planted tomatoes for Investment. The crop failed so she gave \$1.00 she had saved. Eugenia Traversie raised two chickens which she sold, and brought her Investment of \$1.00. Sadie Traversie promised to raise a bushel of beans, but they also failed, so she brought a dollar. Little Orville, age five, raised two geese, sold them for \$2.00 and saved \$1.00 in pennies; altogether he had \$3.00." This is a total of \$25 from this family. The wool sold for 13 cents a pound, and the family has about fifty sheep. So they certainly did very well.

### Nebraska Conference

T. B. Westbrook, President  
B. C. Marshall, Secretary  
115 W. Charles St. Grand Island

#### The Duty of Conference Presidents, Pastors, and Elders to Gather in the Tithe

IT SEEMS very fitting at times to review the promises and blessings, together with the commands and judgments of the Bible, regarding our personal relationship to the Lord and His work on earth. I am wondering if all have been as faithful as they should in meeting their obligations to God. There is some very

straight counsel given to us as workers, church officers, and people by the Spirit of Prophecy which I think would do us good to carefully review.

In "Testimonies to Ministers," pp. 305-307, we have the following counsel: "Many presidents of state conferences do not attend to that which is their work,—to see that the elders and deacons of the churches do their work in the churches, by seeing that a faithful tithe is brought into the treasury. Malachi has specified that the condition of prosperity depends upon bringing to God's treasury that which is His own. This principle needs to be often brought before the men who are lax in their duty to God, and who are neglectful and careless in bringing in their tithes, gifts, and offerings to God. 'Will a man rob God?' 'Wherein have we robbed Thee?' is the question asked by the unfaithful stewards. The answer comes plain and positive: 'In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.'"

Please read this whole chapter, and see if words could be spoken that would be more plain and positive than these. They are so positive that no one who desires to understand his whole duty to God, needs to make any mistake in the matter. If men offer any excuse as to why they do not perform this duty, it is because they are selfish, and have not the love and fear of God in their hearts.

"The Lord has always required this response to His arrangements in carrying forward His work in our world. He has never changed His own devised plan. He lays claim to all as His own, and of that intrusted to man, He claims His portion. 'For I am the Lord, I change not: therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto Me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts.'

"Those who plead that they cannot understand this plain and decisive statement,—which, if they are obedient, means so much to them in blessings which will be received, when even the windows of heaven will be opened, and blessings poured out to overflowing,—are not honest before God. Their excuse that they did not know the will of God will be of no avail for them in the great day of judgment.

"Let the neglected tithes be now brought in. Let the new year open upon you as men honest in their deal with God. Let those who have withheld their tithes send them in before the year 1896 shall close, that they may be right with God, and never, never again run any risk of being cursed of God. Presidents of our conferences, do your duty: speak not your words, but a plain 'Thus saith the Lord.' Elders of churches, do your duty. Labor from home to home, that the flock of God shall not be remiss in this great matter, which involves such a blessing or such a curse.

"Let all who fear God come up to the help of the Lord, and show themselves faithful stewards. The truth must go to all parts of the world. I have been shown that many in our churches are robbing God in tithes and offerings. God will execute upon them just that which He has declared. To the obedient, He will give rich blessings; to the transgressor, a curse. Every man who bears the message of truth to our churches, must do his duty by warning, educating, rebuking. Any neglect of duty which is a robbery toward God, means a curse upon the delinquent.

"The Lord will not hold guiltless those who are deficient in doing the work that He requires at their hands,—in seeing that the church is kept wholesome and healthy spiritually, and doing all their duty in allowing no neglect which will bring the threatened curse upon His people. He says: 'Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house.'

"This is not a request of man; it is one of God's ordinances, whereby his work may be sustained and carried out in the world. God help us to repent. 'Return unto Me,' He says, 'and I will return unto you.' Men who have a desire to do their duty, have it laid down in clear lines in this chapter. No one can excuse himself from paying his tithes and offerings to the Lord."

T. B. WESTBROOK.

### The Meetings at Minatare

A THREE weeks' effort was held in the Minatare church by Mrs. Wentland and the writer. The Lord's blessing rested upon the meetings. There are several new families coming into the church.

I never have seen such an interest among the non-believers in a community where we have such an old established

church as in Minatare. About half of our audience every evening was non-Adventists.

There was an evangelist in the Christian church there just prior to our coming, and they had heard him, and it seemed to arouse the interest of the people to come to our meetings to hear the truth. One day the minister of the Christian church asked to come and study with us at the home of some of his members who were attending our meetings. We consented and he was so discourteous and insulting that the victory was won for the truth, and the people withdrew their membership from his church, and are now keeping the Sabbath. The lady of the home said to him, "You asked to come and study with us and now you have proved us nothing." He did not even open the Bible. We are winning several families, as the climax was met that day.

We are continuing some evening meetings and studying with the people every day. Some are still studying, others have already stepped out and are waiting to be taken into church membership. We feel that the Lord guided in the meetings, and it is a joy to see new souls step out into the message who for years thought that Adventists were mistaken. Pray for the work in Minatare.

R. WILLARD WENTLAND.

### Special Notice

BEGINNING Monday morning, April 18, there have been daily broadcasts of the message from 5:00 to 5:40 a. m., except Sunday, over Radio Station KGBZ, at York, Nebr. Our Sunday broadcast is at the regular time, from 10:45 to 11:15 a. m., as usual. This is a thousand watt station, and operates on a frequency of 930 kilocycles. This time each morning has been purchased for us by one of our radio listeners. Please pass this word on to your friends and neighbors.

G. E. HUTCHES.

### Junior Missionary Volunteers

THE reports received from our nine junior Missionary Volunteer societies each month reveal much real missionary activity, and also faithful effort in attaining the various worthy objectives which are fostered and promoted by the junior society, such as reading the Bible through, observing the Morning Watch, the Reading Courses, Standard of Attainment, and the Friend, Companion, and Comrade progressive class work. To date forty-one Reading Course certificates have been granted and four Bible Year certificates. The society having the highest score point for the first quarter was Beatrice. The average points per mem-

ber were 361. Beatrice is now the banner society until its record is exceeded by another society.

ANN S. TAYLOR.

### From the Office Viewpoint

BROTHER VIXIE reports a good interest in the institute that was held at Shelton last week, Brother Sherrig and Elder Collins were both there part of the time assisting in the instruction. We hope to have a few students go out from Shelton this summer and earn their scholarships.

Elder Westbrook went to Red Cloud Tuesday, the 19th, to counsel with Elder Butterfield in reference to his work in that city.

Mrs. Taylor held a Sabbath school convention at the Oakdale church on Sabbath the 16th. She was assisted by Elder M. L. Andreasen. She reports a good attendance and good meetings.

Elder Westbrook and Brother Marshall are holding week-end meetings at the different churches. They were with the Seward church Friday night and Sabbath, the 16th, and report excellent meetings with this church. They will be with the Loup City church Sabbath, the 23rd, and with the Atlantic people at the home of Byron Fulk on Sabbath, the 30th.

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### Geneva Glen

PLANS for Geneva Glen will be completed by the time this issue of the REAPER is in your hands.

Remember the first meeting will be supper, Thursday evening (April 28) at six o'clock sharp. Plan to be there for the first meeting and stay until the conference closes.

Every minute will be filled with valuable counsel, recreation, and study. You cannot afford to miss this opportunity, the first of its kind for the youth of Colorado. Come and enjoy the feast of good things that is in store for you!

G. M. MATHEWS.

### A Colporteur's Harvest

THE following report was recently brought to me by a worker now in La Junta: Some years ago a "Bible Readings" was sold by a colporteur in La Junta. Later an "Our Day" was sold to a relative. Another relative of this family ordered a "Daniel and Revelation."

Some of the small books were in the homes of various members of this large family. From time to time these books were read and they became deeply interested. Recently a Bible class was started and nine of that family took a definite stand for the Sabbath. Others joined the class, and at times there were as high as twenty-five studying. Sixteen dear souls have taken their stand for the Sabbath of late, and others are becoming deeply interested. Last Sabbath Elder Halsey asked how many of those present had first become interested through the reading of our literature, and more than half of these new believers raised their hands.

At one time during the studies one man became quite excited in his opposition to the Sabbath truth, as it was urged that the commandments were the thing that marked the people as those who would not worship the beast. Several of this man's children came and apologized for his opposition. They were told not to worry about that, for evidently the Holy Spirit was working. The very next day that man took down his old "Bible Readings," and before the day was over he said something to this effect: "Well, that settles it; I am going to keep the true Sabbath after this." He has been keeping it ever since.

Literature continues to be the main source of instruction and light to these people. Many of them have had their very first experience in Christ, and have tasted of the love of God for them. Pray for these souls that they may go on to the perfect day.

Does it pay to circulate the printed page? Colorado has a faithful band of workers who believe in this work and are daily demonstrating their faith in it as one of the best means of winning souls.

P. E. SHAKESPEARE.

### Health Topics and Notes

Furnished by  
Our Sanitariums

#### Boulder Sanitarium Notes

ON THE evening of April 14, the Home Nursing Class at the Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium, under the direction of Miss Olive Hansen, R. N., gave a very interesting and instructive program in the gymnasium. A number of women from Boulder homes have taken this class work, and all members have satisfactorily completed their work in this course. All in all, the effort has been very satisfactory, and Miss Hansen is to be congratulated upon the results of her work with this group.

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On Thursday evening, April 21, at 7:30, in the sanitarium gymnasium, the freshman nurses of the sanitarium gave a health program to the public. One interesting feature of this program was the presentation of prizes for the health poster contest. This program was prepared by the class in personal hygiene, under the direction of Miss Alba Campbell, R. N., instructor of nurses.

The Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium is getting ready with due optimism for the "summer rush." The grounds and the buildings are taking on color and neatness of appearance, and if things on the inside are as uniformly successful as they are about the landscape, we fear nothing for the days to come.

### Obituaries

TWINING.—Mary Twining, née Mitchell, was born in Ireland, June 30, 1858; and died April 6, 1932. She was united in marriage to Wm. H. Twining and they moved to a farm near Alexandria, S. D., where they have lived until death overtook her, except for a few years spent in the Elk Point Academy. Three children were born to this union, two sons and one daughter.

Sister Twining united with the Seventh-day Adventist church many years ago and has lived a consistent and exemplary Christian life. It was said at the time of her funeral that there were few homes in Alexandria where she had not ministered in caring for the sick. Frail herself, she toiled untiringly for others.

A large number of relatives and friends gathered in the M. E. church in Alexandria for the funeral on April 7, and words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

GORDEN OSS.

PETERSON.—Samuel Peterson was born in Smoland, Sweden, March 6, 1851; and passed away at Duluth, Minn., March 15, 1932. He was united in marriage with Martha Larson, and to this union two children were born, both deceased. A few years ago his wife also died. Due to an infection in his foot it became necessary for his leg to be amputated. He was unable to rally from this operation. He leaves to mourn, one grandson, Carl Peterson, and a host of friends.

AUG. S. ANDERSON.

MANSMITH.—Mrs. Agnes Irene Mansmith, née Dahlberg, was born in Pine County, Minnesota, Oct. 22, 1905; and passed away Feb. 11, 1932, at Duluth. She was married to Levi Mansmith, Mar. 11, 1931. After an operation for appendicitis, complications set in, and she was unable to rally. Those left to mourn are her husband, one sister, three brothers, other relatives, and a large number of friends. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer at her home in Royalton Township, February 17.

AUG. S. ANDERSON.

LINDSAY.—Charles Isaac Lindsay was born at McComb, Ill., Jan. 16, 1851; and died near Jetmore, Kans., March 28, 1932, at the home of his daughter.

In 1890 he was married to Sarah H. Smith. To this union was born one daughter, Leona Schleret. He leaves to mourn, his wife, daughter, one step-son, and six grandchildren. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. The funeral and burial were at Dodge City.

C. S. WIEST.

HAGER.—Mrs. Reinhold Hager, née Lydia Lueck, was born in Katzbach Bessarabian, Russia, Dec. 6, 1884; and died March 28, 1932. Early in youth she became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church, in which faith she died in confidence of awakening on the morning of the first resurrection. She leaves to mourn her death, her husband, four sons, two daughters; also her father and mother and brother of Cathay.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer and she was laid to rest in the cemetery at the New Home church near Sykeston, N. Dak.

H. WENTLAND.

LINDWALL.—Carl Wilhelm Windwall was born at Farelo, Sweden, Sept. 27, 1876; and died at Larsmont, Minn., Mar. 17, 1932. He came from Sweden to North Dakota in 1905, and was married to Anna Maria Olson in 1906. To this union three children were born. In 1907 they moved to Duluth, and since 1913 have lived near Larsmont. Mr. Lindwall leaves to mourn, his wife, one son, two daughters, one grandchild, two sisters in Sweden, and many friends. The funeral service was conducted by the writer on March 22, and interment was made at Two Harbors.

AUG. S. ANDERSON.

COPSEY.—Glenna June Copsy was born in Omaha, Nebr., March 11, 1927; and died in Nicholas Senn Hospital in Omaha, March 18, 1932.

Glenna was a decidedly sweet and winsome child. She loved Jesus and was always happy to have a prayer offered at her bedside.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer to a large and sympathetic audience of friends and relatives.

J. D. JOHNSON.

MEAKINS.—Mary Jane Meakins, née De LaMater, was born Sept. 10, 1864, near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and passed away at Boise, Idaho, April 12, 1932. She is survived by her aged mother of Sheldon, Iowa; three brothers, one daughter, two sons, and three grandchildren.

On October 15, 1890, she was united in marriage to Frank Meakins, at Independence, Iowa. In 1897, the family came to College View, where she has resided ever since except the last year. She remained true to her faith. Her passing marks the end of a life full of devotion and service to her Master, whose call she peacefully awaits till He shall claim His own.

The funeral service was conducted in the Seventh-day Adventist church of College View by the writer. Interment was made in the cemetery in College View.

ROS COE T. BAER.

ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements and business notices are not solicited, but are published only as an accommodation. They must be sent to the local conference office to be approved by the conference president before being published in the Central Union Reaper. The rate is two cents a word with a minimum charge of fifty cents, cash to accompany the advertisement.

WANTED.—Young nurse with sanitarium experience, also girl with some nurse's training for domestic work. Must be S. D. A. Minnetonka Hospital, Wayzata, Minn. 7, 8

FOR SALE.—Farm, 229 acres, 5 miles from Homer, Nebr., 15 miles from Sioux City, Ia. 70 acres under plow, rest in pasture and timber. Good house, barn, garage, granary, Fenced, good well and water in pasture. See or write Mrs. Esther Runnels, Paradise Valley Sanitarium, National City, Calif. 7-9

WANTED.—To locate near S. D. A. school on a place suitable for small fruit and truck garden. Will rent or buy on agreeable terms. M. E. Harrington, 113 S. Oak Avenue, Oakland, Nebr. 8

WANTED.—Work by middle aged couple in hotel, farm, or any work we could do. Write Mrs. A. G. Fox, Lyman, Nebr. 8

WANTED.—A donation—500 trees and shrubs—to beautify the grounds at the Porter Sanitarium and Hospital. We recommend Elm, Poplar, Evergreen, Mountain Ash, Weeping Willow, Spiraea, Roses, Cosmos, Dahlias, Peonies. Please attach your name to each tree and shrub. We pay express. Porter Sanitarium and Hospital, 2525 S. Downing St., Denver, Colo. 8

WANTED.—By widow and son experienced in farm work, position near S. D. A. academy. Reference furnished. Write Elder Wm. T. Hibben, 64 N. Park Road, Lagrange, Ill. 8,9

WANTED.—Work on farm by S. D. A. young man by month. State wages paid. Lester S. Wiley, Birmingham, Iowa. 8,9

WANTED.—Carpenter work with Adventist. Good mechanic, J. F. Martin R. 1, Box 26, Huron, S. Dak. 8

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 16, 1932

	Bk.	Hrs.	Mag. Ord	Mags. Del'd	Helps	Books Total	Books Del'd
<b>MISSOURI:</b>							
W. A. Burton	DR	42	14.00	.....	11.50	93.50	1.75
Miss B. Desmukes	OT	20	.....	.....	1.25	39.25	.....
Harry Duff	RJ	39	2.25	.75	1.25	12.25	10.25
Mrs. Harry Duff	RJ	21	.....	.....	10.25	13.25	10.20
Mrs. L. Erickson	RJ	29	6.00	.....	.....	28.00	4.20
Bert Griffin	BR	39	.....	.....	3.25	30.75	1.75
S. A. Minear	RJ	45	.....	.....	2.00	29.00	4.00
Mrs. Wm. Ramey	GC	24	.75	.....	4.00	9.50	.....
W. J. Smith	OD	45	.....	.....	4.25	9.25	.....
J. J. Sutton	OD	33	.....	.....	.95	17.95	20.45
<b>Total</b>		<b>337</b>	<b>23.00</b>	<b>.75</b>	<b>38.70</b>	<b>282.75</b>	<b>52.60</b>
<b>COLORADO:</b>							
Lillian Becker	HP	22	.....	.....	2.25	15.25	.75
H. L. Canfield	BR	30	.....	.....	2.25	2.25	2.25
W. E. Davis	HW	24	.....	.....	2.25	35.00	1.50
Fred Gibson	HP	13	.....	.....	.25	.25	1.50
Ernest Harper	PG	38	.....	.....	3.25	7.65	13.40
Luey Hill	.....	3	.....	.....	.25	.25	5.00
P. M. Jenkins	HP	27	.....	.....	1.00	7.50	14.75
H. R. Prentice	HW	34½	.....	.....	2.75	23.75	2.50
Albert Priest	HP	47	.....	.....	1.00	160.75	6.50
Jacob Reuber	BPS	36½	.....	.....	5.60	11.60	4.35
C. H. Schaffer	HW	8	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....
K. A. Simon	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	8.00	8.00	8.00
H. Young	HW	28½	.....	.....	2.50	20.50	2.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>312</b>			<b>31.25</b>	<b>267.40</b>	<b>62.50</b>
<b>NEBRASKA:</b>							
G. E. Ahlstrom	RJ	19	.....	.....	2.75	8.75	.....
Mrs. L. E. Green	OD	25	.....	.....	1.00	11.50	.....
L. E. Green	OD	45	.....	.....	1.50	23.50	.....
Susie McLean	RJ	5½	.....	.....	.20	.20	.20
C. A. Pence	OD	35	.....	.....	.50	10.50	.25
G. R. Starr	HW	36	.....	.....	25.50	41.50	5.75
<b>Total</b>		<b>165</b>			<b>31.45</b>	<b>95.45</b>	<b>6.20</b>
<b>MINNESOTA:</b>							
H. G. Biggers	Misc.	14	.....	.....	.....	13.50	.50
K. A. Evenson	BR	28	.....	.....	.....	34.75	15.50
Claude Hershey	RJ	16½	.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....
Miss C. Powers	Mag.	35	10.65	10.65	.....	.....	.....
Clare Rust	Mag.	26	13.91	13.91	.....	.....	.....
<b>Total</b>		<b>119</b>	<b>24.56</b>	<b>24.56</b>	<b>34.75</b>	<b>89.25</b>	<b>16.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>933</b>	<b>47.56</b>	<b>25.31</b>	<b>136.25</b>	<b>734.80</b>	<b>137.30</b>

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### Notice

THE A Cappella Choir of Broadview College will broadcast a program over Station WGN (Chicago Tribune) Saturday evening, April 30, at 8:45 to 9:00, central daylight saving time, 7:45 central standard time, or 9:45 eastern standard time.

### Notice

BY ACTION of the General Conference the collection in our churches in North America on Sabbath, May 7, is for the Foreign Translation Fund. This fund is used to help in the publication of tracts and Crisis books in the various foreign tongues used in North America. By means of this literature a great number of foreigners have been won to the truth.

Last year we gathered in by the various means at our disposal nearly 2,000 of these foreign-speaking people.

We trust that this call will appeal to the hearts of our people and lead to a generous offering on Sabbath, May 7,

M. N. CAMPBELL, Secretary,  
N. American Bureau of Home Missions.

### The Shanghai Inferno

SHANGHAI, Manchuria, Japan, China, Russia, Communism—these names spell war, savage and bloody fighting to the death, in the Far East just now. Newspaper headlines blazon the great crisis in the Orient. And while the brown soldiers struggle, every great nation on earth is right there with army and navy, for all the world is concerned, appalled at what may grow out of war in the East. There comes a lull in battle; but it is only temporary. Forces are in ferment that cannot be stilled by the most valiant and devoted peace efforts.

What next for China and Japan? And what next for the world? The final outcome is a problem only to those who do not care to know. If you would be informed and ready, read the booklet, "When East Meets West." Its stirring outline of history and prophecy is of tremendous import now. Get a number of copies to hand out to your friends when

they ask, "What do you think of the Far East situation?" Ten cents apiece from your Book and Bible House.

### The Public Press

BACK in 1836 a little girl about ten years of age while on her way to school "picked up a scrap of paper containing an account of a man in England who was preaching that the earth would be consumed in about thirty years from that time." "A deep impression was made upon my mind," afterward wrote that same person. "I could scarcely sleep for several nights, and prayed continually to be ready when Jesus came." That little girl was Ellen G. Harmon. By utilizing the press today, deep impressions are being made in the minds of the reading public the world over.

"We must take every justifiable means of bringing the light before the people. Let the press be utilized, and let every advertising agency be employed that will call attention to the work. This should not be regarded as nonessential. Shall those who have the light of life be satisfied with feeble efforts to call the attention of the masses to the truth?"—*Vol. VI, pp. 36, 37.* "As far as practicable, let the important discourses given at our camp meetings be published in the newspapers. Thus the truth which was placed before a limited number may find access to many minds. And where the truth has been misrepresented, the people will have an opportunity of knowing just what the minister said."—*Id.*

O that every minister would take advantage of the golden opportunities all about us in utilizing the press, and furnish editors with concise, well written, truthful news items of sermon reports, church news, and boiled down, worth while matter! Why not tell the masses a little of the stirring things which were told the small congregation? Why not? Will not we be held responsible for not doing what is easily possible for us to do? The newspaper is the commonest means of publicity in the world today. Editors want the news. They pay reporters to scour the territory for it. The reading masses read it. It is often clipped and sent to others. They appreciate it that you furnish free news for the church page. If every minister neglected to take advantage of such courtesies, would there be a church page?

Now is the time for all church leaders to take hold of these things anew. If you desire counsel along such lines, drop a line to W. L. Burgan, our press bureau secretary at Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., and he will be glad to assist you.

His instructions are invaluable to those who wish to know more of the practical art of journalism. He will tell you how to give wings to the words of truth for which the Lord is calling at this time.

Some have a misconception of the work of newspaper reporters. Let ministers in the pulpit, or other speakers at camp meetings or conventions, stick to plain truth and facts, and they need not fear any newspaper reporters. They usually write it up about the way it happened. They usually tell just what you said. Let us ever be very careful what we say, and then be glad to see the words of truth given wings through the press to be read in the homes of the masses.

I have before me our Year Book of 1884. On page 38 I read: "Elder S. N. Haskell then introduced the question of having proper reports of our general meetings prepared and inserted in prominent papers." The following resolution was passed. "Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that faithful reports of all our general gatherings should be made for the leading papers, and that the services of good reporters, selected from our people, should be secured for this purpose at the commencement of the meetings."

The worldwide loud cry of God's gospel ultimatum is not being done in a corner. Let proper persons in our local churches as well, see that announcement and place of Sabbath and other services be promptly given to the editor, so the public will know from week to week what those Seventh-day Adventists are doing. But above everything else, let us be true, honest, loyal representatives of the Master.

STEMPLE WHITE.

### MISSOURI DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page one)

One Sabbath school superintendent writes: "We are planning on doing more than usual in regard to the Investment Fund this year, for money is scarce." Many of our troubles are blessings in disguise.

Brother F. M. Walter, the elder of the Clinton English church, and Brother S. E. Ortner, have been selling Big Week sets in Clinton with good success. Quite a few other members of the Clinton churches have been doing good work in the Big Week.

ELDER AND MRS. LOY have a perfect record of daily study and Sabbath school attendance covering a period of 14 years.