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Another Modern Miracle

A FEW weeks ago when I was at Topeka, Kans., on the Sabbath, I heard Elder Melvin Oss tell of a very encouraging experience in China which occurred, I believe, while he and his family were passing through that country returning for furlough from their mission field in India. He very kindly wrote out a brief account of it for me so that it could be passed on to the REAPER family and here it is:

"On Sunday evening when we got off the train at Chiao Tou Tjen we were greeted by several of the Chinese students and teachers from our seminary. We were told that over a hundred houses had been destroyed by fire in this village the previous day. A terrific wind was blowing, and any effort to quench the flames proved futile, even brick houses being demolished.

"We had only one Adventist family living in that village settlement. Their home was right in the midst of the houses that were burned, and being rather poor, the house was thatched with grass. How we were led to see that God's special protecting care is upon those who keep His

holy Sabbath and honor Him with tithes and offerings! Our believers told us how this home had been spared. On the morning we went to see with our own eyes this miracle of preservation—a lonely little home surrounded by charred ruins. We were told that the wind had blown the sparks and flying embers right over the grass roof, but had not kindled it. All were astonished at such a remarkable deliverance from the consuming flames."

Surely the day of miracles is not past, and the Lord has not forgotten His promise to those who honor Him by faithfulness in stewardship. He says, "Prove me now herewith . . . 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." I think we will all agree as to our need of this blessing, and the cause of God greatly needs the full tithes from His people for its support. Let us all be strictly faithful to our Heavenly Father, and as He suggests, "prove" Him for His promised blessing. He will not fail to do His part if we are faithful in the performance of our obligations to Him.

A. R. SMOUSE.

Sharers or Partakers

It is quite the urge in these times to think depression even if we do cover it up by talking optimism. And while the world needs, desperately needs, the good cheer of the optimist; yet, that optimist should be a sensible one. The fake optimist is more to be feared than the rank pessimist. Pharaoh was a fake optimist. His counselors came to him with the word: "Knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?"—No, Pharaoh thought things were going fine. The world today is cursed with optimism of the Pharaoh variety. I had rather have a rank pessimist lead me over the ice who saw a thousand places where the ice was thin, where in reality there was only one place thin, than have an optimist lead me who did not see a single thin place where there were a thousand.

The holes in our denominational ice have been, according to reports, mostly

financial holes. I have sometimes wondered if the editor of the REAPER was not sometimes perplexed when about five of every eight articles sent for publication dealt with finance matters. Of course we must know about the finance, but we must not look to that side alone.

One of the key texts for these times of depression is: "Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling." I like to set that word "partakers" up along side of that word "depression." I like that word "partners"; it is so much better than the word "sharers" would be. Worldly business of men deals in shares; God's business knows nothing of shares. We are all partakers—not sharers.

With this thought of partners and sharers, I figured out some time ago what my share of the ocean would be as one of the 1,600,000,000 inhabitants of earth. If I remember rightly, it was sixteen cubic

miles of ocean. And then I got to thinking of the industrial problem that would arise if I tried to take out my share. Similarly, if I could have my share of the sunshine, the air, the birds, etc., all to myself, what a problem it would be. But God has a better way: I'm a partaker, not a sharer. I own the whole thing and so does everybody else. Man in his selfishness doles out things on a share basis; God's gifts are so great that He makes all partakers. And when it comes to spiritual gifts, compensations, and rewards by being partakers, the poorest one of us has it all. And in the midst of the greatest financial crash the world has ever known, the world has need of real, true optimists, who without a dime in the pocket either present or prospective, can know of a surety that with the Great Elder Brother they are partakers of the heavenly calling where one is never out of a job.

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Our Last Appeal

WORLD conditions, communications received, plans made, and my own heart tell me that our Heavenly Father waits to bestow His unmeasured blessing at our camp this year. How earnestly some are planning to come! How cooperative are the brethren in these trying times! Somehow it seems a bit more like the old-time camp meetings that we have read about when "we never had less and never enjoyed ourselves more." Many are wishing they could come. They feel the deep need of communion and fellowship—the heart-to-heart touch with our brethren. When wishes like that become earnest prayers the Lord hears and will help us to find a way. Only ten days, beginning now, when these lines reach the field!

"Let all who profess to believe the truth respect every privilege that God offers them to obtain clear views of His truth, of His requirements, and of the necessary

preparation for His coming . . . Leave your cares and come to find Jesus, and He will be found of you."—*Vol. II, p. 576.* It seems that we need each other more now. We need to learn how to love each other in a deeper, fuller way. We need to think far more seriously what is ahead for our families and for ourselves and prepare to meet it. We are warned against bringing our families, houses, and worries along, and against murmuring. We are warned that "Satan will be on the ground that he may obscure his hellish shadow between man and God." We are counseled to make thorough examination of our own hearts and to cease dissecting others. What a camp meeting we can have if all will come in this spirit!

Some will say, "It is expensive to travel and it will be better for us to save the money and give it for the advancement of the work where it is so much needed." Do not reason in this way. "God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of His people."—*Vol. VI, p. 39.*

GORDEN OSS.

Temperance Society Formed

THE recent *Literary Digest* poll was wet. At this writing, the president of the United States is counseling with the leaders of his party about the attitude to be taken toward the prohibition question in the coming election. We are not in politics but we do want to call attention to and emphasize the fact that prohibition is at stake, and that the enemies of the Eighteenth Amendment are unanimously active throughout the country, and if the dry forces do not arouse themselves soon and mightily, much will be lost.

As a people, we have been recognized as leaders against the evils of intemperance, and now to organize and make effective our efforts, the American Temperance Society of Seventh-day Adventists was organized at the recent Spring Council. Special stress is being laid on temperance lectures and literature. Already there has been prepared that convincing book, "Wet or Dry?" and a special number of the *Signs of the Times*. Both these publications uncover and expose the startling fact that wealth is being lavished by monied interests to wipe out the prohibition amendment. Many are being deceived everywhere. The depression is world-wide and not caused by the prohibition amendment in this country. Visualize if you can the scenes of the days gone by. They must not appear again.

If ever our literature should be scattered like the "leaves of autumn," this temperance literature should be. What is being done about this question in your

church and neighborhood? Come to the big temperance rally at the camp meeting! The date is not announced as yet.

GORDEN OSS.

South Dakota Notes

IF YOU plan to do your own cooking on the camp grounds, you should plan on using tents. Prices for meals will be considerably lower than a year ago.

Some are selling literature to get to camp meeting; others are hitch-hiking; others are grouping themselves in cars. Serious planning and prayer find a way.

Brother Leslie McKinley is out helping the student colporteurs get started in their summer's work. Let us all remember these earnest young people in our prayers as they are out doing their part in placing some of our good literature in the homes of the people.

Plainview Notes

Commencement exercises were well attended, and enjoyed by all. It was estimated that 375 were present at the class night program. We greatly appreciated the addresses given by Elder Piper, Elder Oss, and Brother McKinley.

The Plainview annual and calendar is now ready for distribution. If you did not get your copy, write us and we will be glad to send you one.

Some of the students who ordered a school picture did not get theirs before leaving. They can be secured at our bookstore.

Sam Reinholtz is painting the cottage and buildings northeast of the academy. Prof. and Mrs. Watt will move into this cottage June 1.

Plan now for the 1932-33 school year at Plainview Academy.

Colorado Conference

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District Meetings

THOSE attending the Southern Colorado district meeting at Pueblo, June 9 to 12, should correspond with G. W. Chambers, 2625 4th Avenue, Pueblo, Colo. Plans are being developed nicely for the southern district meeting, and we are looking forward to a profitable meeting with the brethren and sisters in that section of the conference.

Those desiring information concerning lodging accommodations during the period of the Northern Colorado district meeting at Greeley, June 16 to 19, should pass in their request to the conference

secretary-treasurer, W. I. Montanye, 1112 Kalamath St., Denver, Colo. Careful plans are being laid for this northern meeting. We discover the membership much interested in these important meetings, and let all come earnestly seeking the Lord that we may be better prepared to serve Him.

JAY J. NETHERY.

Secretary-Treasurer Arrives

WE ARE very happy to welcome Brother W. I. Montanye the secretary-treasurer of the Colorado Conference. He and Sister Montanye arrived Monday morning, May 30, and are getting nicely settled. The former secretary-treasurer of the conference, W. F. Field, is still with us, and with the counsel of the auditor of the union, A. R. Smouse, Brother Montanye is prepared to take over the responsibilities of the Colorado Conference.

We welcome these new workers to the conference. While we regret to see Brother Field and family leave us, yet we are sure that they go to be a blessing and a strength in their new field.

JAY J. NETHERY.

Colorado Young People, Attention!

PLANS are all laid for the young people's meetings in connection with our sectional camp meetings at Pueblo and Greeley. We shall have Elder D. A. Ochs, of the M. V. Department of the General Conference, and Elder G. H. Smith of the Union M. V. Department with us, besides other union and local workers. We plan to have two young people's meetings daily in addition to the general meetings, and also a council hour daily for M. V. officers. I am sure the young people will be pleased and helped by these meetings. Be sure to come. Pueblo, June 9-12; Greeley, June 16-19.

G. M. MATHEWS.

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Dedication at Sterling

THE district churches composed of Ft. Morgan, Akron, Wray, Ford, and Sterling, met together on Sabbath, May 21, for dedication ceremonies of the new Sterling church. The first meeting of the occasion was held on Friday night at which time Elder Jay J. Nethery, president of the conference, and Elder E. L. Pingenot, home missionary secretary, spoke. Preceding them, various church members described the work of the church. A home nursing class is soon to be started, and such phases of endeavor as Harvest In-gathering, Big Week, and lay-member evangelism received special consideration.

The church was filled to more than capacity as nearly 200 people joined in singing, "O day of rest and gladness," thus beginning the impressive ceremonies of the Sabbath. After prayer, a large group of children, in a vivid way, represented the attributes of our foreign work, as relying on the light starting from the local church, and extending to the ends of the earth. Virginia and Helen Cornell, of Denver, then played a piano duet. The progress of each church in the district was carefully prepared by the Sabbath schools, showing that the work of God will finally reach a victorious end. After the report of the secretary, the Akron company were represented by a solo from Dr. Black, his son Wilton accompanying him. The review was outlined by Elder Pingenot, and the lesson study by Professor G. M. Mathews. Mrs. Bensen and Allen Cope, of the Wray church, then sang a duet.

Brother Propst, of the Sterling church, impressively announced the first song of the eleven o'clock hour, by telling the story of the hymn, "My faith looks up to thee." Brother Moore, the Elder of the Sterling church, in the Scripture lesson, narrated the way the ancient house of God was built and the need of the church for every individual. A trio composed of Sister Bensen, Brother Cope, and Mrs. Johns furnished the next musical number. After the offering, Theodore Hacket, of Ford, sang a solo. The dedicatory sermon of the hour was given by Elder Nethery, and the enthusiastic comments from all revealed that the true meaning of the "The Measuring Rod," not only of importance in erecting a building, but also in building a character, was personally applied. If a building needs a perfect measurement, how much more does man need the perfect measurement of the law of God. After the sermon Brother Mathews led in the prayer of placing the church into the keeping of God and the teaching of His

word. All united in singing, "Shall we gather at the river?"

Lunch was served in Pioneer park. The afternoon services started with a special musical number given by the quartet of the Ford church. This quartet is composed of members of the B. H. Peterson family. The Sterling Missionary Volunteer Society, led by Mrs. John Myers, followed with a very interesting program of recitations and musical numbers. Mrs. Muirhead, in a reading, portrayed the need of each one in being a living "gospel." Brother Mathews next spoke on the aims and purposes of the Colorado M. V. Society, and the advantages of the junior camp to be held this summer.

The services of the day were concluded by a baptism in which eight took part.

God has truly blessed in this district, and especially in the erection of the church building in Sterling. The project started in a very small way. Elder C. E. Grant, of Loveland, supervised the building of the shell of the church, and from the time he left, the building gradually grew into completion by the offerings and work of the local members. The cost of the building has been \$690, and the estimated value of donated articles, \$100. In spite of the depression the church was dedicated free from debt.

This district has very enthusiastically welcomed district meetings instead of the usual camp meeting for this year. Very few have been able to attend camp meeting in the past, but this arrangement will enable the greater percentage of the members of this district to receive the benefits of this important meeting.

ALGER H. JOHNS.

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New Academy Principal

TO MANY of the readers of the REAPER the change in the Enterprise principalship is known. Some months ago Professor V. P. Lovell received an invitation to the principalship of the Indiana Academy. He has accepted this invitation.

A few days ago negotiations were completed in filling the vacancy created at Enterprise. Professor Everett Kirk, from Shelton Academy, has accepted the invitation extended to him by Kansas. Professor Kirk has been in the educational department for a number of years, and is well qualified to carry on the work laid down by Professor Lovell.

We were glad to have Professor Kirk with us a few days before Professor Lovell left, so that he would get in touch

with the details of the school before Professor Lovell's leaving.

Professor Kirk is taking up his duties definitely about the 15th of June, and will be in the field soliciting students and visiting the churches the early part of July. While we are sorry to have Professor and Mrs. Lovell and daughter leave us, we are gratified to have so able a person to succeed him.

It was my privilege to visit the school the last day of May. I found the folks cutting a very nice stand of alfalfa and noticed that the crops in general were in very good condition. The academy has fifty-eight head of cattle, which is just a bit more than we can handle with the acreage of the school. It was therefore decided to sell twenty head of the young cattle.

We solicit your earnest cooperation and prayers for making the coming school year an outstanding year for Enterprise.

C. S. WIEST.

Wichita

WE HAVE just closed a series of meetings which have been held in the Wichita church Sunday and Wednesday evenings for the past six weeks. Many members cooperated by bringing a visitor on these evenings, and the church was well filled at each service. At the close a baptismal service was held, and twenty-three were baptized. Some of these were from our church school, and again this emphasizes the value of our church school as a means of salvation for our children.

Wednesday, May 18, the closing exercises of the school were held in the church. A very enjoyable program was given, and seven young people received their certificate of graduation from the grade school. In spite of the financial difficulties of the times the Wichita church is maintaining a ten-grade school, which requires the services of three teachers. A number of young people finished the tenth grade this year and are planning to enter the Enterprise Academy this fall. We are of good courage and thank the Lord for his blessings to us.

F. S. CHOLLAR.

Humboldt

LOCATED midway between Iola and Chanute, Humboldt has a neat, attractive church building which in past years has been filled with worshippers each Sabbath. However, changes came in, and for some time no services have been held there except a home Sabbath school, which has been held in the home of one of the sisters, many times attended by only herself.

During April Brother Serber and I visited Humboldt and found the few believers there anxious for regular church services. But they needed help, especially leadership. The need was presented to the Chanute church, and the church board appointed a full set of officers and teachers who promised to conduct a regular Sabbath school and after service at Humboldt each Sabbath, in the afternoon.

Beginning Sabbath, April 23, these services have been conducted. Again the Humboldt church witnesses to the truth of the Sabbath as believers meet within its walls to praise God. The believers at Humboldt are rejoicing in this new experience, and some neighbors and friends are coming in to enjoy the services with them. We hope and believe that this is the dawn of better days for this church. The attendance has varied from a membership of twenty to an attendance of forty-four. This is truly a missionary enterprise for the Chanute believers, and God is blessing their efforts.

We plan to hold the quarterly service at Humboldt in the near future. We ask an interest in the prayers of others for this new Sabbath school. We are handicapped by not having the needed supplies for such a Sabbath school and should be very thankful for any cards, pictures, charts, or other supplies which anyone could send to us. We could use clean papers and tracts for free distribution.

N. J. AALBORG.

Kansas News Notes

ELDER H. J. MEYER, Central Union Conference field secretary, who has spent almost three months working among our German churches, left for his home in Jamestown, N. Dak., Wednesday, June 1. During his stay here he conducted meetings at Bazine, Nekoma, Bison, Shaffer, Hillsboro, Durham, and Great Bend. On May 18 he baptized seven persons at Nekoma.

Elder Melvin Oss visited the Ozawkie church Sabbath, May 28, and gave a stereopticon lecture on India at the Topeka I church the following Sunday evening.

Miss Juanita Paxton, Miss Ruth Gardner, and Lowell Welch passed through Topeka on their way from Union College to their canvassing fields. We are indeed glad to have these splendid young people join our colporteur ranks.

Elder Wiest and Brother Nies went to Enterprise on business, Tuesday, May 31. While there they met Professor Everett Kirk, our new principal at the academy, who was spending a few days there get-

ting acquainted with the work at the school before Professor Lovell left.

Elder N. J. Aalborg writes, "Last Sabbath was a good day here in Chanute. I was with the church here in the morning. In the afternoon I was with the Thayer church. Sunday night we had a public service in the church at Chanute. Next Sabbath I shall be with the Iola church in the morning and with the Kincaid church in the afternoon. I am pleased to say that we have been able to get things started in a public way at Humboldt. We have organized a Sabbath school there and things look bright. Services are being held in the church again, which has been closed for a long time."

Brother R. E. Griffin reports that the Kansas City I Harvest Ingathering singing band went out for the first time, Saturday evening, May 28, and gathered \$6.25.

Brother Melvin Oss is starting on a trip among the churches in the southeastern part of the state. He will be at Oswego Sabbath, June 4.

We have received word from Brother Jensen that he will start his summer's effort at Glade Sunday night, June 5.

Minnesota Conference

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Can We Afford It?

THE question, can we afford it, will no doubt come into the minds of some as they give first thought to the approaching camp meeting. In some of the experiences of life it costs more to stay away than to be present. It is possible that an absence from camp meeting might mean the loss of that which is precious and eternal. It might be well if we could begin our economy on some other point than to omit camp meeting from our program. One recognizes that conditions do exist which make it impossible for some to be present but let each study his own case carefully and then in the fear of God make his own decision. The children, youth, and adults may each receive the spiritual help that is so much needed for the present hour. Why not omit other items from the budget and attend camp meeting?

A. H. RULKOETTER.

Special Offering

SABBATH, June 11, is the date suggested by the General Conference for our people to unite in an effort to "Save Our Missions." A gift averaging one dollar a member would save our taking a back-

ward step at this time and enable the cause to continue in its onward course. This gift is to be in addition to all other gifts. Please remember the date and the event.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

Our Finances

OUR statement for the first quarter reveals both encouraging and discouraging features. The tithe income was \$5.24 per capita for the 1st quarter last year, while for this year it was only \$4.02, a decrease of \$1.22 a member. Some churches show a gain over last year, but the majority show a loss, and in some instances it is a large loss. The mission offerings, however, show a smaller percentage of loss than does the tithe. The tithe shows a loss of a little more than 23 per cent while the missions loss is a little more than 17 per cent. We are glad for this tendency. It shows that the members of our churches are displaying a spirit of liberality in spite of the difficult times. Some of our people are finding it a problem how to manage affairs because the income from produce has fallen off so decidedly. But even under these conditions they are contributing to the Sabbath school and other mission funds, that the great task of carrying the last message to the world might be finished soon.

M. E. HAGEN.

Maplewood News

THE church school program, under the direction of Mrs. Mabel Peterson and Mrs. Gertrude Weatherly, was given in the academy dining hall Sunday evening, May 15.

The Sabbath school programs on April 24, May 1 and 8, were given by the seniors, juniors, and sophomores respectively. Each class showed its interest in the Sabbath school by preparing an appropriate program.

Mrs. Pearl Pettis, head of the music department, presented Milan Braun in a musical recital at the First Congregational church, Sunday evening, May 15. Many of the students attended the recital.

The members of the faculty were entertained by the teachers who live in the girls' home in the girls' parlor on Tuesday evening, May 10.

Lake Jenny was the place chosen for the junior-senior picnic on Sunday, May 15, but just as the crowd arrived there rain began to fall, so they were forced to return to the school grounds for their outing.

The Friday evening service on May 13 and the eleven o'clock service on the

following Sabbath morning were conducted by Elder E. Kotz, associate secretary of the General Conference. His stirring messages were inspiring to all who heard him.

The members of the college class, with Professor and Mrs. Johnson as honor guests, left early Wednesday morning, May 11, for the Twin Cities, where they spent the day visiting places of interest and education.

The freshman-sophomore picnic was held Tuesday afternoon, May 10, in the West Woods.

Professor and Mrs. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fowler, and Mr. McComb spent the week-end, May 13 to 15, at Plainview Academy, Redfield, S. Dak. While there Professor Johnson spoke at the Friday evening service, the eleven o'clock Sabbath service, and to the senior class at the close of the Sabbath. They reported a strong school and a splendid group of young men and women who are earnest in securing a Christian education.

Minnesota Notes

COMING? — Camp meeting.

When? — June 23-July 3.

Where? — Anoka.

Who should come? — All who feel their need and can possibly arrange to come.

Why? — To attend the annual feast of good things.

Mr. Howard J. Smith, of Cook County, and Miss Alice L. Jepson, of Wadena County, were united in holy wedlock at the home of the bride on May 12. They will make their home at Dodge Center, Minn. Elder I. J. Bjerke officiated.

Mr. Albert R. Waterhouse and Miss Violet E. Palmer, of the Minneapolis church, were united in marriage at Brainerd, Minn., the 30th of May, Elder I. J. Bjerke officiating.

Remember the date, June 23-July 3—camp meeting!

Elder Varner Johns reported the baptism of seven in the Minneapolis English church on Sabbath, May 28.

Will you be at Anoka June 23-July 3?

Some camp meetings are already in progress, and it reminds us that ours is not far in the future. We are planning on a good attendance and trust that every effort will be made on the part of the believers to be there June 23.

Can you afford to stay away June 23-July 3?

The offering in the church service on June 11 is for local church expense. If any of our churches do not have an "offer-

ing card" to tell just how the regular offerings should be credited during the month, we will be glad to send one on request.

The Winona church of 32 members ordered 1,000 prohibition *Signs* to distribute among the people of Winona. Surely there are churches with an equal and larger membership who should do no less. Has it been given consideration in your church?

Seven baptismal robes were sent to Brother E. G. Sauer at his request for a baptism at Tracy.

Elders Andreasen and Piper were visitors at the office on Sunday, May 27.

In both the REAPER and the *Review* the date for closing our camp meeting was given as July 2, but this was an error. The plan is that we shall continue the meetings until Sunday evening, July 3.

In a recent communication from Brother B. C. Marshall it was stated that he planned to come to Minnesota the 12th or 13th of June to assume his responsibilities as secretary-treasurer of the Minnesota Conference.

Elders C. H. Watson and J. R. McElhany, of the General Conference, called at the Minnesota office while passing through St. Paul on their way to Winnipeg to attend a joint meeting of the Eastern and Western Canadian Unions.

The student colporteurs are starting out in their work for the summer months at this time. There is no doubt that the book work is more difficult this year than last, and they need all the encouragement that we can give them. Let us remember the literature ministry in our prayers.

Orders are being received in almost every mail for the special prohibition *Signs* which was recently issued. Many thousands of this excellent number should be circulated to combat the misrepresentation that is being made of the wet and dry issue in the daily newspapers. The price as has been quoted previously is \$17.50 a thousand, or \$2.50 a hundred.

Again we wish to remind our readers that camp meeting is "just around the corner." About the time you receive this issue of the REAPER the tent order cards will have been sent out and should be passed out to our church members this coming Sabbath. We urge those who definitely plan to attend camp meeting to send in their order as soon as possible after you receive the cards.

Faribault again sends a fine list of Investment projects which we trust will result in good returns for the mission work, and from Remer comes another good list of Investments for the Lord's work.

A Last Call

Now is the time to hand your subscription for the *Review and Herald* to your church missionary treasurer. All subscriptions mailed to the Book and Bible House before midnight, June 11, will be honored on the special fourteen month subscription offer. In other words, if you subscribe now, you receive the weekly visits of the *Review* for fourteen months for the price of a twelve-month subscription. This offer applies on the "Big Four" also. This offer is good to all who wish to benefit by it. If you are now a subscriber to the *Review*, send in your renewal subscription just the same, asking that this renewal subscription take effect on the expiration date of your present subscription.

Every Seventh-day Adventist home should be blessed with the weekly visits of the *Review*. Only 53 per cent of the Adventist homes in the Minnesota Conference are now receiving it. Every Adventist should read it. Subscribe now. You may have three months in which to pay, by paying a dollar the first month, another dollar the second, and the balance the third. Subscription price, the *Review*, \$2.50; the family group ("Big Four") \$3.00.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

No. Dakota Conference

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Camp Meeting

THE days are swiftly passing. Soon we will be assembled on the fairgrounds at Jamestown to erect the camp of Israel. These annual convocations are very important, and we solicit the prayers of every member in the North Dakota Conference in behalf of our camp meeting this year. We extend to you a hearty invitation. The Lord has ways and means whereby it will be possible for many to attend the meeting, and the committee has given careful study and thought best to reduce prices on tents and furniture so as to make it possible for our people to come and attend the services planned for.

Prices this year are as follows: \$3.50 for tents, \$1.00 for double springs, 50 cents for single cots. We have reduced to the very minimum because of the financial depression. We hope that many of our dear believers will find it possible to attend the camp meeting. Very efficient help has been promised. I just received word that Elder F. C. Gilbert and Brother D. A. Ochs, the associate secretary of

the Young People's Department, will be with us; also W. B. Ochs will spend the first Sabbath with us on the campground. Furthermore, the union men are all scheduled to spend some time with us, for which we are very thankful.

We have every reason to believe that this will be one of the best camp meetings, since we are drawing nearer the day when the Lord shall make his appearing. We are admonished by Jesus Himself that when these things begin to come to pass, we should lift up our heads, for our redemption draweth nigh. The time has come when God's people must look beyond the conditions of the world today. Our hope must be centered in Jesus. Having our eyes fixed upon Him, let us press forward to reach the goal.

We shall pray most earnestly that God may help His dear people to avail themselves of the opportunity in attending the annual camp meeting at Jamestown, June 17 to 26.

E. H. OSWALD.

Song and Music in Worship

"SING unto the Lord a new song, and his praise in the congregation of the saints." "Let them sing praises unto Him with the timbrel and harp!"

Camp meeting is a good time for old and young in general, and for the young in particular, to praise the Lord in song and music. The young people especially should feel responsible for this part. Plan to be present, and plan to do your part if you have been given the talent of song or music. All German young people who wish to sing in the choir, please speak to me if I should miss you. Be sure to bring your musical instruments along.

J. H. PETERS.

S. R. A. News Items

FRIDAY night Professor Neuman spoke on "To Whom Shall We Go?"

The officers for the Sabbath school for the summer quarter as elected last Sabbath, are: George Brand, superintendent; A. H. Koorene, assistant superintendent; Ralph Koorene, secretary; Mrs. R. R. Neuman, children's department.

Dr. A. H. Reiswig, brother of A. B. Reiswig, of Harvey, was recently granted the certificate of the National Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Reiswig is one of our North Dakota boys, and we are writing this in the REAPER for the encouragement of all our young people who are trying to get a Christian education. Dr. Reiswig is at present on the staff at the Loma Linda, California, Sanitarium.

Missouri Conference

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

The Work in Kansas City

OUR people in Missouri will be interested to learn that we are making some changes in our work in the Kansas City Memorial church. Elder G. R. West has carried on a strong program there for the past four years and has been feeling for some time that he should have a change of field, and he definitely notified us a few months ago that he felt that he had been in Kansas City long enough, and he would accept the first reasonable call that came to him. He has since received a call to the South-side church in the city of Chicago, and expects to discontinue his work in Kansas City after Sabbath, June 4.

On Sabbath, May 21, Elder West, assisted by the writer, baptized fifty-eight candidates, and there were about sixty-five members added to the church, several being taken in on the basis of their former baptism.

We regret to have Elder West leave our field, as he has been a very efficient leader and pastor in Kansas City during the time of his connection with the work there, but we wish him Godspeed in his new field of labor.

At the time of our last union conference committee meeting, which was held on May 3, we passed in a call for the services of Elder O. T. Garner, who at present is pastor of the church at St. Paul, Minn., and we are pleased to announce that Elder Garner is accepting this call to come to Kansas City as pastor of the church there, and he is hoping to arrive some time during the middle or latter part of June.

Beginning Friday evening, June 10, and holding over till Tuesday night, the 14th, Elder F. C. Gilbert, field secretary of the General Conference, is arranging to visit Kansas City and to hold a series of meetings especially presenting some intensely interesting features in connection with his recent visit to Jerusalem and the Holy Land, and giving a series of timely and practical studies on the sanctuary. We invite any of our people living adjacent

to Kansas City to come and take advantage of this special series of meetings during these five days beginning with Friday evening. It will be well worth your effort to attend these special services.

H. C. HARTWELL.

Missouri News Notes

THE members of the Clinton English and German churches met on the lawn at Brother Ortner's home the evening of May 23 to bid Brother Ortner and family farewell. At the close of the evening Brother Ortner was presented with a Conklin fountain pen and Sister Ortner with a quilt. The following day Brother Ortner and his family left for North Dakota, their new field of labor. We wish them much success in their new field.

Brother and Sister I. H. Harrison arrived at the office last week. Brother Harrison is to take up the duties that have been laid down by Brother Ortner. We welcome these good folks to Missouri.

Elder and Mrs. Hartwell motored to Union College for the week-end to attend the graduation of their son, Donald, who finished the pre-medical course.

Brother and Sister C. L. Dinius and their small daughter are visiting at the home of Mrs. Dinius' parents, Brother and Sister Henry Reinmuth, who are members of the Clinton German church. Brother and Sister Dinius have been laboring in Mexico for several years and are now in this country on furlough.

Have you taken advantage of the special offer which the *Review and Herald* is making again? If you send in your subscription for the *Review and Herald* or the "Big Four" before June 11, you will receive fourteen months for the price of one year.

Iowa Conference

C. F. McVagh, President
G. A. Nystrom, Secretary
734 Main St. - - - Nevada

Des Moines Convention

THE Sabbath school convention held at Des Moines on Sabbath, May 28, was well attended at both forenoon and afternoon services. The cooperation of the pastor of the church, Elder C. H. Miller, of the superintendent, Mrs. Daisy Cotton, (Continued on page eight)

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 27, 1932

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
MISSOURI: G. R. Campbell, <i>Field Missionary Secretary</i>							
W. A. Burton	DR	33	3	16.50	15.00	31.50	12.25
Bennice Desmukes	OT	3	---	---	---	---	---
Mary Desmukes	HW	20	3	11.00	6.75	17.75	5.50
Harry Duff	RJ	34	8	26.00	11.00	37.00	9.25
Mrs. Harry Duff	RJ	19	---	---	7.00	7.00	---

Obituaries

WILES.—Mrs. Ellen Wiles, née Mills, was born in Canada, July 22, 1858; and died at Iron Mountain, Mich., April 11, 1932. The deceased was married to Josiah Wiles in May 1883. She accepted the Sabbath truth in 1888. She was a consistent Christian. Funeral services were conducted at the home of her sister in Iron Mountain by the Rev. Earnest Brown, of the Methodist church. The remains were taken to Duluth to rest by the side of her husband in Onesta Cemetery.

MRS. AGNES E. BOND.

PAXTON.—John H. Paxton was born July 20, 1871; and died at his home in Liberal, Kans., April 2, 1932.

He has been a faithful member of the Liberal church for many years. He leaves to mourn, his wife and five children, two of whom are at home.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.
C. S. WIEST.

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.

FOR SALE.—Well improved 40 acres, 22 miles from St. Paul, Minn. Good, level, open land. No stones. Close to school. With or without stock and machinery. C. A. Eckerman, Route 1, Withrow, Minn. 12-14

WANTED.—Representative in every town in the Central Union for VEGE-FOOD—nature's food tonic—rich in essential blood building elements. If you need better health or if you are well but want to help others, investigate Vegefood. You can build up a good business supplying it to your town. Please send references in first letter. The Battle Creek Place, 614 W. 6th., Topeka, Kans. 14

FOR SALE.—Modern house for sale cheap, with two city lots, garage, chicken coop, and barn, two blocks from Maplewood Academy. Mrs. A. Wester Hutchinson Minn. 14, 5

FOR SALE.—One McIntosh Stereopticon machine fully equipped with electric battery and gas attachments. Also 300 slides on various subjects of our message. Price very reasonable. J. C. Michalenko, Care Academy, Harvey, N. Dak. 14

FOR SALE.—New bungalow, four rooms, porches and basement. Garage and other out buildings. Fruit. Well water. Three lots, clear, priced at \$1,500. Would trade for clear two-room house on R. F. D. and few acres near railroad. Lee Beard, Effingham, Kans. 14

Inez Dwyer	RJ	40	9	32.50	14.00	46.50	2.00
Mrs. L. Erickson	RJ	4	---	---	1.50	1.50	8.95
Bert Griffin	BR	32	1	5.50	.75	6.25	.75
Sallie Holmes	HW	12	2	7.00	7.00	14.00	---
Clyde Kearby	BR	34	11	63.50	10.25	73.75	---
Mrs. C. Kelley	GC	18	1	5.50	.50	6.00	.75
Dewey King	RJ	25	1	3.00	.75	3.75	---
*S. A. Minear	RJ	70	8	24.00	---	24.00	---
T. H. Parsons	RJ	23	3	9.00	9.75	18.75	---
W. J. Smith	OD	36	8	20.00	5.45	25.45	1.00
Buford Turner	OT, HP	43	6	33.00	11.10	44.10	---
Total		446	64	256.50	100.80	357.30	42.95

IOWA: L. P. Knecht, *Field Missionary Secretary*

Anna Rasmussen	RJ	40	7	22.00	35.25	57.25	---
Glen Shelton	BR, OD	43	8	47.50	---	47.50	---
Eva Walker	Mag.	17	---	---	22.90	22.90	22.90
Morton Davis	RJ	26	4	12.00	4.50	16.50	---
Elva Wilcox	OD	29	2	5.50	9.60	15.10	9.35
F. Nordstrom	RJ	35	1	3.00	11.75	14.75	---
Anna Hanson	BR	29	1	5.50	6.85	12.35	7.35
Lorraine Lassiter	RJ	30	1	3.00	8.75	11.75	.25
John Ogren	OD	40	---	---	10.50	10.50	1.75
Wyota Eliot	Mag.	17	---	---	8.30	8.30	.30
Fay C. Smith	BR	32	1	5.50	2.50	8.00	2.50
Hazel Ridpath	Mag.	6	---	---	8.00	8.00	---
Anna Kromer	OD	5	1	2.75	5.00	7.75	7.75
Vernon Miller	RJ	27	---	---	3.75	3.75	1.50
Colporteur	Misc.	---	---	---	36.50	36.50	36.50
Total		376	26	106.75	174.15	280.90	90.15

MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaard, *Field Missionary Secretary*

*Mrs. R. Baker	RJ	65½	3	9.00	13.15	22.15	---
*Francis Crofoot	RJ	62	11	33.00	6.00	39.00	1.25
†B. O. Engen	GC	124	1	25.00	82.35	107.35	23.05
Karl Evenson	BR	10	3	18.50	28.95	47.45	10.25
Vernon Kelstrom	RJ	7	1	3.00	.50	3.50	.50
Lillian Merten	GC	20	2	11.00	---	11.00	---
*Zella Miller	RJ	67	4	10.00	7.75	17.75	---
*Mrs. J. B. Myers	Mag.	59	---	---	18.95	18.95	18.95
Mrs. G. C. Netteburg	GC	16½	4	19.50	1.00	20.50	3.50
*Miss C. E. Powers	Mag.	70	---	---	21.05	21.05	21.05
*Harold Santini	RJ	81	12	36.00	47.25	83.25	1.00
Floyd Smith	RJ	5	2	6.00	---	6.00	---
E. S. Anderson	RJ	27	3	9.00	4.75	13.75	1.75
Mrs. I. Johnson	Mag.	15	---	---	3.40	3.40	3.40
Bessie Nordstrom	Mag.	35	---	---	28.30	28.30	28.30
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	28	---	---	14.03	14.03	14.03
Total		692	46	180.00	277.43	457.43	127.03

KANSAS: E. H. Meyers, *Field Missionary Secretary*

E. Anderson	OD	39	5	9.00	---	9.00	---
Morrine Barker	OD	32½	3	10.00	---	10.00	---
W. G. Dick	BR	44½	1	14.50	---	14.50	---
E. Dickerson	OD	27½	1	3.00	---	3.00	---
B. Griffith	BR	1½	---	1.25	---	1.25	---
Tennys Ingram	BR	30½	3	17.25	---	17.25	---
*Ralph Lane	BR	54½	11	70.00	---	70.00	---
Dorothy Perkins	HP	16	1	9.25	---	9.25	---
Mrs. R. T. Lane	BR	2	1	5.50	---	5.50	---
A. Peterson	BR	30½	1	6.50	---	6.50	---
T. R. Torkelson	BR	47	3	25.50	---	25.50	---
Fern Troll	BR	30½	2	12.50	---	12.50	---
Sarah White	BR	30	1	10.00	---	10.00	---
Total		386	33	194.25	---	194.25	---

NEBRASKA: P. M. Vixie, *Field Missionary Secretary*

G. E. Ahlstrom	RJ	11	5	17.00	4.00	21.00	.75
Ray Cooley	HW	35	---	---	1.25	1.25	1.25
*C. M. Cuning	RJ	52	10	30.00	1.75	31.75	.50
J. K. Fischer	DR	45	2	14.00	---	14.00	---
Mrs. L. E. Green	OD	20	---	---	.75	.75	---
Abel Larsen	RJ	31	---	---	4.00	4.00	2.00
Fred Nagele	Misc.	20	---	---	33.50	33.50	33.50
C. A. Pncece	OD	23	3	7.50	.15	7.65	---
Virgil Shaffer	RJ	28	7	23.00	6.25	29.25	---
L. E. Green	OD	24	2	5.00	2.25	7.25	.75
Total		289	29	96.50	53.90	150.40	38.75

Grand Total		2189	198	834.00	606.28	1440.28	298.88
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*Two weeks.
†Three weeks.

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Boulder Sanitarium Notes

FRIENDS of the Sanitarium will be glad to know that a good beginning has been made in Boulder and adjacent territory with the temperance *Signs of the Times*, 1,800 copies having been distributed by the Boulder church and sanitarium young people last Sabbath in about an hour's time. The drive was thoroughly organized, and cars went out to appointed territory with this excellent material, distributing it individually, thus placing it where we believe it will do much good.

It is now announced that Dr. F. C. Klopfenstein will take up active work in connection with the Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium on the 13th of June. The doctor stopped at the sanitarium on National Hospital Day, May 12, and spent some busy hours while here. He and his family will be cordially welcomed to the sanitarium family on their arrival.

The Hospital Day program on May 12 was reported by the state representative, Dr. Samuel Lilienthal, to be one of the best in the state of Colorado. The Boulder-Colorado Sanitarium staff believe in keeping our health work before the public, and desire to enlist the cooperation of every church member in the union in popularizing the health principles for which we as a people stand. Our friends and neighbors are sometimes in need of such help as the sanitarium can give; and the support of the laity in keeping the medical work favorably before them would be a great help in building up the institutional work.

Dr. H. A. Green, medical superintendent, will attend the Inter-Mountain Conference camp meeting from May 27 to June 1, in the interests of the medical work.

To Our Contributors—3

IT TAKES eleven galleys of type to make up each number of the REAPER. It is impossible to crowd more than that into the paper. But we frequently receive during the week enough copy to make fifteen to eighteen galleys. This is a perplexing prob-

lem to the editor, for he knows that people who write for the paper expect to see what they write in print. If they do not, they are disappointed. However, it is a physical impossibility to crowd fifteen galleys of type into an eleven galley paper.

With more copy on hand than can possibly be used, it becomes the duty of the editor to decide what shall be printed. Some articles must be "trimmed down," and others, perhaps, rejected entirely. It would relieve this situation materially if our conferences and institutions would write only such news notes as are of especial interest to the advancement of the cause. In the Central Union we have nine conferences and one mission field, nine academies, one college, and three sanitariums. If we should print the "news notes" we are receiving from all these sources, the space of the entire paper would be consumed, and therefore we could print no articles of promotion, no reports, no conference activities. We suggest, therefore, that these notes be written with care, mentioning only such matters as are most important in the activities of the conference or institution. Personal items may be largely eliminated, except when the individuals are acting directly in the interests of the work. We make these suggestions in the interest of the work at large.

D. D. R.

July Color "Signs"

TWO features of the July color *Signs* that make it excellent to pass on to friends and neighbors are Elder Wm. G. Wirth's strong presentation of the proof that Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible, entitled "Moses and Tom Paine," and Elder Boothby's evangelistic presentation of the Bible evidences of the soon return of Jesus. There are also other excellent articles.

Order a liberal supply of this splendid number to pass out to friends and neighbors, or to sell on the street. They cost only four cents each in lots of ten or more to one address, and sell for ten cents each. Your Bible House secretary will gladly supply you.

IOWA DEPARTMENT

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who made the necessary preparation for the meeting and of all others who assisted in any way, was much appreciated. As one result of the meetings we hope to see a strong home division organized there, whereby many who cannot meet with others in the regular Sabbath school services will be encouraged to join in the regular study of the lessons and be

numbered with the Sabbath school membership.

The Des Moines Sabbath school has an unusually large number of children of the kindergarten, primary and junior ages, and their services held in various rooms of the church and church school building are places of lively interest on Sabbath morning.

Teachers' meeting, the Training Course and the use of the *Sabbath School Workers* receive a share of promotion in this school, although we could wish that a larger number in every place would share in the Training Course study, which can not fail to make all Sabbath school workers more efficient, whether they be officers or teachers. In the book, "Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers," we have this statement: "God holds us responsible for all that we might be if we would improve our talents . . . We shall be judged according to what we might have been but were not . . . What we might have done but did not accomplish . . . for all knowledge we might have obtained but did not there will be an eternal loss."

There is a large field of Sabbath school usefulness in a church of 276 members, and we trust the blessing of the Lord will attend all their efforts for advancement in church and Sabbath school.

MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS.

Iowa Notes

THE Cedar Rapids Sabbath school kept a separate record of their "Nickel More" fund, having a bank attractively placed to receive this special offering each week. At the close of the quarter they had received from it \$8.37. An amount equal to that each quarter of the year would add a nice little sum from this one school, and from ninety schools gratifying increase would be made for the year. Let us not forget nor neglect this plan for the relief of our mission interests.

Remember to cooperate in making our Sabbath schools 100 per cent in the Investment effort. This is not a local effort, but it is embodied in a Spring Council recommendation and comes right from the leaders at Washington. Let us help them to reach this goal in Iowa.

The children of the church school gave a very fine program at the academy chapel on the evening of May 19, under the direction of their teachers, Miss Stoner and Miss Wickham. Their graduation exercises were held there on the following Sunday evening, when Genevieve Nethery, Marie Stern, Velma Lyons, Gertrude Coy, Lulu May Kent, and Naomi Pullen, received diplomas for the completion of the eighth grade work.