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Guiding Principles in Selecting a College

RECENTLY there appeared in the school paper of a prominent industrial institute an editorial which read:

"How do people choose the college which they attend? Why do parents choose a school for their children?"

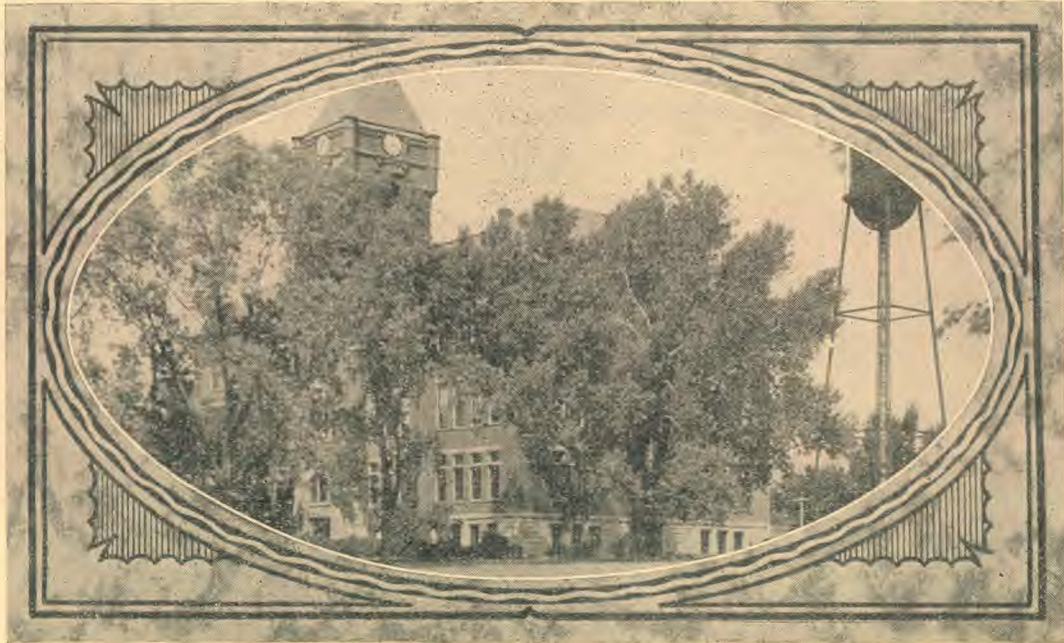
"How many college graduates can look back and honestly say why they chose their alma mater?"

"Some choose for the absurd reason that their fathers went there; some be-

near-by. Reasons much more vital have been given us to guide us in our choice, for just as surely as there were fundamental principles underlying the establishing and operating of our schools, just so surely there are definite and fundamental reasons why we should attend them. These reasons are not because our fathers went there; or because of the reputation of the football team; or because of the nearness to our homes or the small-

of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." It is quite possible for young men and women to obtain the highest earthly education, and yet be ignorant of the first principles that would make them subjects for the kingdom of God. The Bible is to be our light and our educator.

Sometimes we fail to realize that the very purpose of school days is to prepare men and women for the voyage of life, to show them where the dangers lie and



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cause of the reputation of the football team; and others because of the nearness to their homes or the smallness of the expenses."

As young people reach the age of leaving home to go away to college, this question comes forcibly to many young people as well as to fathers and mothers: Why choose a college? Why not attend the one that is in the home town, or that is in the adjoining town or city?

There are many reasons why we as Seventh-day Adventists cannot choose a college solely because it happens to be

ness of the tuition and other expenses.

We are told by Isaiah (54:13): "All thy children shall be taught of the Lord."

We are also told by the pen of inspiration: "The youth should be placed in the most favorable circumstances possible; for the company they keep, the principles they adopt, the habits they form, will settle the question of their usefulness here, and of their future eternal interests, with a certainty that is infallible."—*Testimonies*, Vol. V, p. 545. To many, education seems to mean merely a knowledge of books, but we are told that "the fear

where the safe paths are to be found. To be prepared for life they must have faith—faith in themselves, faith in their fellow men, and faith in God.

Youth of today need to have teachers who believe in God and His message of truth, who stand for right, who teach in confidence that they are fighting on God's side and that He is always victorious. Thus it is important in choosing a Christian school where belief in the Bible as the divine message of God is taught by teachers who are fed from that spiritual source, for the highest price that any

young man or woman can pay for an education is to lose his faith in the existence of God and in the Bible as the revelation of His divine will.

The intellectual life, above all else, distinguishes men from the brute creation. A well-disciplined and well-furnished mind is one of the chief satisfactions of life. The ability to focus a well-trained intelligence upon any problem in hand is one for which we should be willing to pay a high price. Yet one might have all of these powers and still, if he lacked character, these would bring him neither contentment nor success in any large sense. Character is the foundation upon which all success worthy of the name must rest.

When the wise man said, "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom," he meant something more than knowledge. Wisdom means an insight into life and into human nature. Still more, it implies some comprehension of the laws which underlie the moral universe. The greatest struggle of all, to the student, is the struggle for the ideal life. In a Christian school where there are earnest, consecrated teachers, where there are associate students with Christian ideals, and where

wholesome influences are placed around the students, conditions for high moral characters to be developed are more favorable than in any other place.

"Send a boy to college," says Emerson, "and his fellows educate him." The importance of proper association as well as the results of such association cannot be denied.

For this reason we have been told that, "It is not wise for Christians to choose the society of those who have no connection with God, and whose course is displeasing to Him," and that, "We should choose the society most favorable to our spiritual advancement and avail ourselves of every help within our reach."—*Messages to Young People*, pp. 419, 432.

Association with Christian teachers, fellowship with young people having Christian ideals, together with the daily instruction in the Word of God, a preparation for a place in God's great work, are determining factors that should motivate students in selecting Union College as their school.

ALVIN W. JOHNSON.

good stock on hand and will be pleased to receive your order.

COLORADO BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE.

Nebraska Conference

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District Meeting at Norfolk

LAST week Elder and Mrs. Westbrook motored to Norfolk to meet with the church over the week-end, and look up a place to hold a district meeting. The Elks' Hall was secured. It will afford excellent accommodations for our services. The time appointed by the committee is August 5, 6, and 7, the first meeting to be held Friday night at 7:45. Sabbath school will be held Sabbath morning at 9:30, and the other services will continue all day. The meeting on Sunday will begin at 8:00 o'clock with the devotional exercise, and continue throughout the day.

We met with the president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and found her willing to cooperate in a temperance rally to be held on Sunday, August 7. This will be either in the afternoon or evening. The definite hour was not set, for we felt we should accommodate the program to the convenience of the local speakers of Norfolk.

We should be glad if representatives from Blair, Fremont, Decatur, Hartington, Oakdale, Petersburg, and Tekamah could be in attendance; also any of our isolated believers in that section of the state. Keep in mind that this meeting will take the place of camp meeting, as we are putting in these district meetings in the place of the regular camp meeting this year. We will have good help from the Central

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Dedication at Exira

THE new church building at Exira is now completed and will be dedicated Sunday, August 7. In connection with this solemn service there will be a general gathering to which all who can come are cordially invited. Services in the new church building will begin Friday evening, August 5, and continue until Sunday evening. Elder J. F. Piper, union president, and other good help have been invited, and the members of the Exira church assure all who come of hospitable entertainment. Let us have a real old-fashioned Seventh-day Adventist general meeting.

C. F. McVAGH.

Council Bluffs

THE work is moving forward at Council Bluffs. It was our privilege recently to lead eight dear souls into the fount where the touching rite of baptism was administered. Beside this number there were three who were accepted into church fellowship on profession of faith, making a total of eleven who have been added to

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The New Church Manual

A NEW book recently gotten out by Elder McElhany with the cooperation of the General Conference Committee is entitled "Church Manual."

This is the only book of its kind that we have. It is the last word of authority concerning church discipline and organization. Every church officer should have a copy of this book, and those who do not are missing something which is almost indispensable in the work of the church. It tells the duties of the various officers, the approved plan of handling business meetings, how to receive and dismiss members, how to conduct the services, and, in fact, everything that one can think of pertaining to the work of the church. It is a book that should be in the hands of not only every minister, but of every church officer.

In the case of small churches where it is impossible for each officer to purchase one of the books, it would be well for the church to order one and let all the officers read it. Certainly no church can afford to be without this valuable book. It is put up in two bindings, cloth at \$1.00, and limp leather at \$2.00. We have a

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Union, and we hope that all who possibly can will avail themselves of this opportunity.

August 12 to 16 will be the date for the district meeting at Shelton. August 17 to 21 we expect to hold another district meeting at McCook. We hope the members in the various districts will keep these dates and places in mind and plan definitely to be in attendance.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

Home Again

IT SEEMS rather strange to me after so many years of service away from the old home state, to have the privilege of working in Nebraska. It seems yet that I ought to be in the mission fields, on the front line, where I have seen so many marvelous evidences of the converting power of God, and where the need is growing every day. But there is work to do in the homeland, too, and it is with full confidence and trust in the leadership of God in this great movement that I come to unite my efforts with those of God's people in Nebraska.

As I look over the church list, familiar faces come before me, faces that I have known years ago. I wonder what changes time has brought to each of you, and most of all, how your relation is to Jesus now. Some names I miss from the list. Have they moved away, or are they lost?

Then there are many names and places which I do not know. But somehow I feel that when I come to visit you, it will be like coming home, in a way, for when I think of Nebraska I think of home and the plains where I grew up. How I would like first of all to go to each home and sit down with you and quietly talk over your hope in the soon coming of Jesus! I think it would do us both good. And until I can do that, I hope to have the privilege of getting acquainted by correspondence.

Very soon we will be in our heavenly home that Jesus is preparing for us. Now He is asking us to work for Him. What a privilege it is to work with Jesus! His love and care is greater than we can understand. He is so good to each of us. Even these hard times are for our good. May we find the lesson He has for us in them, and may we work for the Master as we never have before.

R. J. ROY.

Baptism at Minatare

WE ARE glad to pass on the word to the REAPER readers that the work is progressing at Minatare, and that God's blessing has rested upon it. Elders Baer and Hutches were with us Sabbath, July 16, and there were five souls that went forward in baptism. One of the baptized ones

will be united with the Gering church. Three additional members were added to the Minatare church by profession of faith, making a total of seven new members added last Sabbath.

It is indeed gratifying to see that people in this wicked age are still looking for the truth. The ministers here of other churches have left no stone unturned to hold these people, but we are glad that Daniel's God still lives. We are hoping to have another class here before the summer is over. We want you to remember the Minatare church in your prayers.

R. WILLARD WENTLAND

Shelton Academy News

Dr. O. H. Hahn, of Hastings, Nebr., presented the new academy laundry with a five-hundred-dollar, all-electric mangle. We are sure the many friends of the academy will appreciate this gift from Dr. Hahn.

Brother Yost and Brother Wilson have completed their work on the laundry, and returned to their homes at Culbertson.

Dr. Miller, owner of the radio station at York, Nebr., again informed us that our Sunday time on the radio is awaiting us whenever we are ready to use it again. This radio station received a \$100 cash award last week for having been voted the most popular 1000-watt station west of the Mississippi. Forty-seven 1000-watt stations competed in this contest.

At the board meeting held at Grand Island July 12, plans were made for the district meeting to be held on the academy campus August 11-16. Rooms in the dormitory will be rented as usual at camp meeting, at one dollar a day, or five dollars for the five-day meeting. Meals will be served on the cafeteria plan in the dining room of the academy.

Elder R. T. Baer, of Scottsbluff, and Brother R. G. Stretter and family, of Petersburg, spent the night at Shelton Academy after having attended the board meeting at Grand Island, July 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Bascom are enjoying a visit from Mrs. Bascom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jacobson, of Battle Creek, Mich., and from her brother, Harry Jacobson, and wife, of Chamberlain, S. Dak.

Word has been received from a number of students who are planning to attend Shelton Academy this fall.

A lady in northern Nebraska has written us requesting that she be baptized. We have never met this lady, but through correspondence with her we learned that she became interested in the truth through our radio programs over KGBZ. She is now keeping the Sabbath, paying her

tithe, and enjoying a real Christian experience, all as a result of the radio work.
G. E. HUTCHES.

No. Dakota Conference

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North Dakota Items

ELDER OSWALD left Monday morning, July 18, for Boulder, Colo., to attend a union committee meeting.

The office has had the pleasure of ordering 8,000 copies of the prohibition number of the *Signs of the Times*. If there is anyone who is interested in putting out a little money to help save our country from having open saloons again, please write to the office, sending in what money you want to spend in this way, and good use will be made of it. Every city and village should be circulated with some of our good prohibition literature.

Good reports are being received from our colporteurs, and we hope that the brethren will pray for these faithful workers that their work may prove successful throughout the summer.

Brother Morris, our field missionary secretary, is spending a few days in the office this week, getting caught up on his correspondence and other office work.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roedel, who were recently united in marriage, have returned from an extensive trip through the Middle West and California, and are now occupying their home in Jamestown. The Jamestown English church appreciates being associated with them.

Elder Oswald spent Sabbath, July 16, at Jamestown, and spoke to the English church at the eleven o'clock hour.

Doctor W. T. Lindsay, wife, and two daughters, from Madison, Wis., attended the Sabbath meetings, July 16, in the Jamestown English church. Their visit was very much appreciated. They were on their way to Yellowstone and Glacier Park to enjoy a short vacation.

Brother B. A. Reile and family and Mrs. Bietz, from Gackle, passed through Jamestown one day last week, and we are sorry to report that Brother Reile was not feeling very well. It seemed as though he was taking down with the "flu," and at this writing we have not heard how he is getting along. Brother Reile reports a very good interest in the meetings at Gackle, and we hope it will not be necessary for him to be absent from the meetings for many days. Brother R. R. Bietz is helping in the effort, and will be able

to carry on meetings for a few nights in the absence of Elder Reile.

Elder Oswald and Brother S. E. Ortner recently made a trip to Harvey to counsel with Professor Newman regarding some of the business pertaining to the school, and to meet with the Harvey church board. They also visited Brother Schwindt and family at Goodrich, and Brother Schwindt reports a very good interest in the meetings at Goodrich.

Word has been received from Brethren Wentland and Scherr, who are holding a tent effort at Mott, that their attendance is holding up well. It seems that people are more interested in religious meetings now than they have been for years, which is doubtless due to the present conditions. We trust that our people will remember all these efforts in their prayers that a good harvest of souls may be reaped at the close of these efforts.

A letter received from Miss L. Schander, one of our colporteurs, states that she gave a Lutheran lady a canvass and the lady expressed herself as liking the Adventists better than any other people. In view of her financial conditions, however, she did not feel able to place an order for the book. A man working inside over-heard Miss Schander give the canvass, and when she got ready to leave he asked her the price of the book and whether it could be had in the German language. Miss Schander answered his question as to the price and was glad to be able to tell him that the book could be had in his language. He placed an order for a copy and said that he over-heard the canvass and it was the very book he had been wanting for some time.

Challenge Accepted

WE WISH to announce that we have answered the challenge of Rev. Babcock, and the debate is set for Sunday, July 31, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

The Rev. Mr. Babcock, representing the Methodist Episcopal church, affirms, "That Sunday, the first day of the week, is the Bible sabbath according to the Scripture, history, and reason, substantiated by the Scripture, the King James Version."

The writer, representing the Seventh-day Adventist church, denies, "That Sunday, the first day of the week, is the Bible sabbath according to the Scripture, history, and reason, substantiated by the Scripture, the King James Version."

The debate is not to last more than three hours, with an equal division of time.

Remember us in your prayers that the Lord may give us a victory for the truth.

A. A. LEISKE.

Minnesota Conference

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An Early Start

A DELAYED start may be advisable in some things, but in others it is decidedly detrimental. The Harvest Ingathering worker who delays his efforts meets many handicaps. During the early fall most civic organizations and other societies have their campaigns. These efforts often hinder rather than help us in our enterprise. Why not have the need of God's cause first in the field of solicitation?

To be sure, there are numerous things that perplex us—hard times, hot weather, election, etc., but why view from this angle? When Israel crossed the Red Sea and the Jordan, the waters did not part until the leaders touched the water with the soles of their shoes. A man was asked what helped him over the obstacles of life, and he replied, "The other obstacles." In "Prophets and Kings," page 263, we are told, "In proportion to the enthusiasm and perseverance with which the work is carried forward will be the success given." Let us start on time, August 1, work hard for six weeks, and then unitedly share an early victory.

A. H. RULKOETTER.

Start Now

AFTER a brief presentation of the possibilities, blessings, and privileges of the Harvest Ingathering work, and the singing of a Harvest Ingathering rally song, the members of the Danish-Norwegian church in Minneapolis, Minn., by a standing vote, as we sang, "I'll go, go, go with our papers," pledged their faithful efforts in this campaign. Nearly everybody stood and sang, even the children. Thank God for a willing people. Papers, solicitors' cards, and instruction leaflets were seen in the hands of the members as they left the church after the morning service. They have started and are working now. Elder Halswick, the pastor, asked for reports from those who had already started. Twenty-seven dollars was reported.

In the afternoon we met with the Scandinavian church in St. Paul. The response to the appeal was as encouraging as that mentioned before, and the reports showed that \$25 had already been gathered in. Two sisters, after the service, asked Elder Halswick to come with them and visit a business man near by. In a few moments they returned with a nice offering of ten dollars. Encouraging indeed!

Start your Ingathering efforts now, for now is the time.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

Five Baptized

AFTER the funeral of Mr. O. C. Strong, the writer returned and spent some time in this vicinity where he formerly used to labor. On Sabbath, July 9, the Isanti and Grandy brethren also met with us at Green Lake, and we had another burial, when the five daughters of Brother and Sister Strong followed their Saviour in the watery grave. On Friday evening the oldest one had not yet come to a decision, but the Spirit of God continued to speak to her in her own home until she promised God that she would follow the counsel in His word that the Spirit would lead her to. She was led to Revelation 3:3: "Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee." She immediately decided to obey God, and came prepared for baptism the next day.

H. O. OLSON.

Minnesota Notes

THE office force has been busy the past few days getting out the Harvest Ingathering material, endeavoring to get everything lined up so the campaign can start in full force August 6. Some of our churches have already started and are reporting good success. We hope that everyone will do his best this year and make the campaign a success.

Brother Odegaard is in the field assisting the colporteurs. He finds plenty to do these days, as some of our colporteurs are finding it a little hard. We trust all our people will remember these faithful colporteurs in their prayers.

The quarterly Sabbath school reports are nearly all in, and show that good work is being done in this department. Interesting plans for Investment for this year are still being received, the last being from the Avoca and Lake Eunice schools. Let us all continue our endeavor to build up the cause of truth by being faithful in studying our lesson every day, being on time at Sabbath school, and doing all we can to furnish funds to carry the gospel to those who are waiting, hungry for it.

Kansas Conference

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An Early Start

REPORTS are coming in from the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Kansas City is taking the lead, reporting \$400 raised.

The Topeka church is crowding its first \$100. Chanute is also close to its first \$100. Other churches are working from whom we have no definite report.

The official opening of the Harvest Ingathering campaign is August 1. Those who have already begun find it easier than to wait too long in the season. By earnest effort and organization, a church ought to get through within six weeks.

We solicit the cooperation of every believer in this important time for missions. Papers have been sent to all the isolated believers, and we hope that these papers will be a great blessing to the community where they will be distributed.

C. S. WIEST.

Among the Churches

FRIDAY, July 8, Brother A. M. Ragsdale and the writer left Topeka for a nine days' trip through the southeastern part of the state. Brother Ragsdale met with one church, and I met with another from night to night.

On this itinerary we had a special general meeting at Chanute. Elder S. T. Shadel was with us on Friday night and Sabbath in this general meeting. He gave excellent help in his ministry.

I was glad to note on this trip of the courage of our people, and their interest in the message for these days. We all recognize the perplexities of this time, especially so when the farmers with whom I have talked informed me that the elevators were offering only 6 cents a bushel for oats. It costs them 2½ cents to thresh, and about one-half cent a bushel for binder twine. We can readily see, therefore, that no profit can be accrued by the raising of grain at so low a mark. There is a sincere desire by many who have expressed themselves to me on this trip, to be more faithful than ever in the paying of tithe and offerings on their small income or increase.

After visiting the churches in the southeastern part of the state we made our way to Ottawa for Sabbath, July 16. Here the Ottawa church was dedicated, and Elder J. F. Piper, president of the Central Union, was with us to give the dedicatory address. Those assisting in the services were, N. J. Aalborg, R. E. Griffin, A. M. Ragsdale, and the writer. The church was dedicated free from debt.

About five years ago the Ottawa church began rebuilding, and were struggling under a \$500 mortgage. Recently this mortgage was all paid off with the exception of \$25 on the seats. This small amount was raised before the dedication, so it is entirely free from debt. We had an all-day meeting, and everyone enjoyed the occasion.

C. S. WIEST.

Enterprise Academy Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk and son, Stanley, recently returned from a family reunion of Mrs. Kirk's family. They report a fine trip.

Mr. Holmes and family are visiting in Warren, Ore.

Mr. Harder is in charge of the farm for the remainder of the summer. He reports that he and Weldon Lucas find plenty to do.

The farm crops are doing nicely. At this writing a good crop of alfalfa is being put in the barn.

Mr. Simon has been helping his father harvest in the western part of the state. He returned to the school July 13. He will take care of the work of the press for the summer. He reports that a number of young people from the western part of the state are planning on attending Enterprise Academy this coming school year.

Have you received your copy of the school calendar? If you have not, drop a line to the school and you will receive a copy.

Mr. Bietz is visiting churches in the western part of the state.

The prospect for a good enrolment at Enterprise this fall is bright. Plan to be among those who will make up the happy E. A. family of 1932-33.

Notes from Letters Received at the Office

"I would not take a thousand dollars for the good that Enterprise has done my girl."—*A Patron.*

"I am sure E. A. will be a success next year."—*A student.*

"We feel E. A. helped our girl wonderfully."

"The Lord has gone before us in a remarkable way, and we are trusting Him to open the way whereby we may provide means to send our children again this winter."

"Nothing can ever erase from my memory the pleasant days I have spent at Enterprise Academy."

Kansas Notes

ELDER CHARLES THOMPSON, field secretary for the Central Union Conference, was in Topeka, July 16 and 17. He spoke at the young people's meeting Friday evening, at the Sabbath morning service, and at a Sunday evening service at the Topeka I church while here. From here he went to Boulder for a union conference committee meeting.

A number of the members of the Topeka church went to Ottawa Sabbath, July 16, for the dedication of the church there.

Elder C. S. Wiest and Brother Ragsdale returned to the office the first of the week from Ottawa, where they spent the

last Sabbath of their trip among the churches in the southeastern part of the state.

The Harvest Ingathering is in full swing in Kansas City. Elder Griffin writes that they have \$430. They are working hard to reach their full goal.

Camp meeting will be held on the academy grounds at Enterprise, August 19-26. Plan to attend.

Elder Wiest attended the union conference committee meeting in Boulder, July 20.

Elder E. H. Meyers is assisting colporteurs with deliveries this week.

Elder R. E. Griffin baptized seven persons Sabbath, July 2, at the Kansas City I church. Others are planning to be baptized soon.

We hope that all the children in our conference can attend camp meeting. Brother Ragsdale, our new Sabbath school secretary, is busy getting the booklets ready for them.

So. Dakota Conference

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Prepare for Service

AT THE close of each day can you look back to something you have done to make this world a little brighter? Has someone, by watching you, been drawn closer to the Saviour? Has someone, groping in darkness, been brought nearer the light by something you have said or done?

Surely these are times that try men's souls. Men's hearts are failing them for fear. The end of all things is upon us. It behooves each of us to be doing something very definitely to further Christ's kingdom on earth. But if we are to be effective workers for our Master, we must keep close to Him and improve every opportunity God gives us. God has given each of us talents which we must develop and improve.

One of the opportunities that God has given to Seventh-day Adventist young people is the opportunity for a Christian education. It is God's wish for you, dear young people, that you be thoroughly trained for service for Him. It is for this purpose that Plainview Academy was established. The devil wishes to keep us from having this training. He will bring up every obstacle he can.

In spite of the depression, God is blessing us here in South Dakota. Many young people are planning on Plainview Academy this fall. May we see you in that number when school opens September 13?

A. L. WATT.

Missouri Conference

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Notice

THE seventh annual convention, in the interest of the isolated members of south-east Iowa and northeast Missouri, will meet in the Adventist church at Palmyra, Mo., Sabbath, Aug. 13, 1932.

The regular convention Sabbath school will meet at 10:00 a. m. There will be preaching at 11:00 a. m. by Elder Melvin Oss, of Clinton, Mo.

There will be a picnic dinner served.

At 2:00 p. m. Mrs. C. E. Smith will assist with the convention program. The children and young people will have part in the program.

We would like to hear from all present on "Our Missionary Endeavor," which will be the subject of the meeting.

We plan to have some state worker also with us, which will add to the interest of the convention.

We extend a pressing invitation to all our members far and near to meet with us and be ready to help in any way they can. Bring your neighbors and friends.

ALICE A. BAILEY, Secretary.

Obituaries

SMOUSE.—Charles W. Smouse was born at Frostburg, Md., April 19, 1856. The family moved to Iowa in 1856, finally settling at Mt. Pleasant, which continued to be the home of the deceased until his death on July 12, 1932.

On December 12, 1882, he was united in marriage with Lila Whisler. To this union three children were born. The daughter, Eva Pearl, died in 1923. The eldest son, Aulda Raymond Smouse, of Lincoln, Nebr., is the Central Union auditor. The youngest son, Charles Leonard, is of Hinsdale, Ill.

In 1883 Brother Smouse and his wife were baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church, to which faith they have ever remained devoted and loyal. Our brother had held official positions of responsibility in church and conference, being for many years elder of the local church, and for a number of years a member of the conference executive committee and secretary of the conference. His belief in the soon coming of the Saviour never wavered, and his hope was ever bright.

Services were conducted at the home by the writer. We laid our brother to rest with the fond hope of a soon coming Redeemer.

A. L. MILLER.

STRONG.—Oscar Carl Strong was born in Sweden in 1865, and came to Minnesota in 1884. In 1895, while residing in

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 16, 1932

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
NORTH DAKOTA: C. R. Morris, Field Missionary Secretary							
Emily Brost	BR	57	2	10.00	4.00	14.00	.....
E. H. Chappell	HP	38	11	62.50	11.20	73.70	.....
E. L. Heaton	BR	21	.....	.....	.25	.25	1.25
Sam R. Heintz	RJ	44	10	31.00	27.00	58.00	.....
Solomon Kruger	HP	51	4	22.00	1.00	23.00	.....
Adam Lang	HP	36	12	66.00	.....	66.00	.....
Lydia Schander	BR	29	5	24.00	2.00	26.00	.....
Harry Suckut	RJ	42	4	12.00	6.00	18.00	.....
Jake J. Walcker	HP	24	11	62.00	.....	62.00	.....
Eveline Wentland	HP	37	16	88.00	8.00	96.00	.....
A Colporteur	BR	54	2	9.00	6.00	15.00	.....
Total		433	77	386.50	65.45	451.95	1.25
Iowa: L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary							
Fay Smith	BR	39	9	43.50	3.75	47.25	12.25
G. A. Shelton	BR, OD	42	9	45.50	.....	45.50	.....
H. Millist	RJ	41	9	27.00	9.00	36.00	2.25
*Anna Hansen	BR	25	1	6.00	17.85	23.85	2.35
Elva Wilcox	OD	32	4	12.00	10.00	22.00	3.35
C. Nordstrom	RJ	39	4	12.00	8.75	20.75	.50
Anna Rasmussen	RJ, GC	25	3	10.50	9.00	19.50	10.50
Anna Hansen	BR	36	2	10.50	8.35	18.85	17.00
H. G. Biggers	M	31	.....	.....	16.50	16.50	19.00
Ruthita Shidler	RJ	19	3	9.00	6.75	15.75	9.50
Luella Garnett	RJ	26	3	9.00	5.75	14.75	.30
F. Burkhardt	OD	41	4	12.00	2.50	14.50	.....
*Anna Kromer	OD	8	2	6.00	14.25	20.25	.....
Genevieve Quinn	RJ	15	2	7.00	6.50	13.50	.....
Geo. Griffin	RJ	35	.....	.....	12.75	12.75	.....
Margaret Johnson	RJ	26	3	9.00	2.50	11.50	.....
A. VanDenBrink	BR	45	2	10.50	.....	10.50	.....
Chas. Roberts	RJ	21	1	3.00	.....	3.00	3.00
Morton Davis	RJ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
R. Wise	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	3.40	3.40	3.40
John Sovey	RJ	3	.....	.....	3.25	3.25	.....
Juanita Hircock	Mag.	4	.....	.....	2.20	2.20	.....
Mrs. A. Snovel	BR	12	.....	.....	1.75	1.75	2.50
Vernon Miller	RJ	23	.....	.....	1.60	1.60	2.00
Florence Daily	RJ	5	.....	.....	1.50	1.50	.....
Total		593	61	232.50	147.90	380.40	92.90
MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary							
E. S. Anderson	RJ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36.50
Wilbert Bergh	RJ	18	2	6.00	1.50	7.50	1.50
Mathilda Dahl	RJ	51	10	30.00	10.00	40.00	.50
Rolland Dockham	RJ	27	3	9.00	6.00	15.00	3.00
B. O. Engen	GC	49	1	4.50	26.75	31.25	12.00
Walter Johnson	RJ	46	1	3.00	15.00	18.00	.....
Vernon Kelstrom	RJ	25	2	6.00	3.25	9.25	.25
Harold Mitchell	RJ	42	1	3.00	.25	3.25	.....
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag.	35	.....	.....	13.10	13.10	13.10
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	27	.....	.....	12.31	12.31	12.31
Clarice Rust	RJ	55	7	21.00	1.25	22.25	1.25
Paul Rust	RJ	45	8	24.00	8.00	32.00	.....
Floyd Smith	RJ	32	.....	.....	4.95	4.95	.45
Myrtle Swisher	BPS	23½	11	18.00	1.75	19.75	1.75
Helen Zeelau	BPS	24	16	23.75	2.25	26.00	2.25
Total		499	62	148.25	106.36	254.61	84.91
WYOMING: D. W. Gahagan, Field Missionary Secretary							
Helen Brown	DA	34½	3	14.25	5.20	19.45	2.45
Mable and Ethel Canaday	DA	60	6	28.50	13.75	42.25	7.00
Ruth Cooper	DR	1	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	15.75
Anna Covey	DA	38	5	32.75	.25	33.00	5.00
D. W. Gahagan	DA, DR	43	8	38.00	5.50	43.50	4.00
Mrs. D. W. Gahagan	DR	26½	9	42.75	9.00	51.75	13.25
*Chivela Jorstad	DR	30	5	22.50	4.25	26.75	4.25
J. H. O'Neal	Misc.	6	.....	.....	13.75	13.75	20.50
M. Pitchfold	DR	41	.....	.....	20.45	20.45	13.95
Total		280	36	169.75	73.15	242.90	86.15
NEBRASKA: P. M. Vixie, Field Missionary Secretary							
G. E. Ahlstrom	RJ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.75
Ruth Anderson	BTS	6	3	6.50	1.50	8.00	2.50
Hazel Baughman	RJ	16	1	3.00	.25	3.25	.....
Dorothy Dawson	BTS	31½	.....	.....	.....	19.00	.....
Esther Eckley	BTS	16½	2	6.00	.....	6.00	.....
J. K. Fischer	DR	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00
L. E. Green	OD	36	5	13.00	3.25	16.25	3.25
Mrs. L. E. Green	OD	35	1	2.50	1.90	4.40	.....
Christina Guptill	RJ	16	2	7.00	3.25	10.25	.....
Paul Haughey	HW	26	1	3.00	6.25	9.25	2.00
John Henderson	RJ	20	1	3.00	6.25	9.25	.....

Gordon Houpt	RJ	9	1.50	1.50	.50		
Lucile Kirstein	BTS	10	10.50	10.50	.....	
Earl Landreth	RJ	16½	2 5.50	.50	6.00 .25		
Abel Larson	RJ	32	1 9.00	6.00	15.00 9.50		
Charlotte Lewis	BTS	17	2.00	2.00	4.00 1.00		
Mrs. McCallister	RJ	14	1 3.00	3.50	6.50 .25		
Margaret Nelson	RJ	40	3 9.00	1.50	10.50 .50		
C. A. Pence	OD	31	.....	2.00	2.00 1.75	
Ernest Riter	RJ	24½	.....	6.25	6.25 1.15	
Addie Shaffer	RJ	16	3.00	1.75	4.75 1.75		
Virgil Shaffer	RJ	27½	2 6.00	7.25	13.25 .85		
G. R. Starr	HW	34	.....	12.25	12.25 .50	
Mrs. Josie Tolles	BR	2	.....	.....	.....
Lester Trubey	RJ	58	5 15.00	15.00	30.00 1.00		
Lucille Wallace	BTS	31½	.....	.25	23.75 .25	
Total		565	30	149.50	82.40	231.90	75.75
KANSAS: E. H. Meyers, Field Missionary Secretary							
Alice Anderson	Mag.	6	10	2.35	2.35	2.35	
W. G. Dick	BR	27½	3 13.50	.....	13.50	.....
Esther Dickerson	BR	29½	.....	.50	.50	.50
Ruth Gardner	RJ	27¼	3 9.00	6.75	15.75	.....
Blanche Griffith	BR	3¼	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thelma Imler	BR	27	4 19.50	1.25	20.75	.....
Tennys Ingram	BR	27¾	.....	5.25	5.25	.50
Wilamine Kunze	BR	35½	4 18.00	.....	18.00	7.00
Ralph Lane	BR	2½	1 4.50	.....	4.50	.....
J. T. North	HW	12	.....	1.75	1.75	.....
Juanita Paxton	RJ	27¼	2 6.00	12.25	18.25	.....
*Esther Reeder	BR	50	.....	4.50	9.25	.....
T. R. Torkelson	BR	43	12 60.00	12.65	72.65	3.65	
Fern Troll	BR	26	2 12.00	.75	12.75	.50	
Sarah White	BR	21	4 9.00	.....	9.00	.....
*Fern Veninga	BR	32	2 9.00	.....	9.00	.....
Total		417	47	166.75	44.15	213.25	14.15
COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, Field Missionary Secretary							
L. Becker	HP	12½	1 5.50	1.25	6.75	.50	
H. L. Canfield	BR	23	5 13.00	6.25	19.25	3.50	
H. C. Harlow	RJ	10	1 3.00	.....	3.00	.50
E. Harper	PG	23½	2 8.90	3.50	12.40	1.00	
Mrs. Jenkins	HP	20	1 4.50	.50	5.00	6.00	
W. Mathiesen	BR	43	2 11.25	24.50	35.75	1.25	
Wm. Miller	BR	40	.....	.75	.75	.50
J. W. Mundell	Mag.	20	.....	30.00	30.00	5.00
Mal. Perkins	BPS	67¼	1 3.00	.75	3.75	.....
H. R. Printice	BR	25	5 22.50	2.25	24.75	12.50	
J. Reuber	BPS	20	.....	5.00	5.00	5.25
Karl Simon	Mag.	50	.....	29.40	29.40	29.40
Mrs. Willett	Mag.	3	.....	.80	.80	.80
Total		357	18	71.65	104.95	176.60	66.20
MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Field Missionary Secretary							
Sarabel Borton	RJ	34	6 18.00	6.50	24.50	5.50	
Mrs. S. Carter	RJ	34	2 7.00	1.00	8.00	.....
F. E. Clegg	RJ	22¾	3 11.00	2.25	13.25	.....
Mrs. L. Erickson	RJ	8	.....	6.75	6.75	.75
Harry Duff	RJ	23	1 3.00	1.50	4.50	5.50	
Mrs. Harry Duff	RJ	11	1 4.00	2.25	6.25	6.25	
W. E. Helt	PP	30	1 6.00	.25	6.25	.25	
Sallie Holmes	HW	4	1 4.00	1.75	5.75	.75	
Mrs. C. Kelley	GC	5	.....	.50	.50	6.75
R. V. Kime	Misc.	12	.....	2.20	2.20	2.20
Dewey King	RJ	23	.....	1.50	1.50	.....
W. J. Kroulik	HP	41	4 26.00	.10	26.10	.....
Thelma Lucas	RJ	35½	3 9.00	3.75	12.75	8.25	
S. A. Minear	RJ	40	5 15.00	.....	15.00	9.00
T. H. Parsons	RJ	23	1 3.00	.....	3.00	7.00
W. J. Smith	BR	10½	.....	.....	.....	4.50
Georgia Braley	Mag.	31	.....	3.20	3.20	3.20
Helen March	Mag.	37	.....	2.35	2.35	2.35
Jessie March	Mag.	38	.....	5.70	5.70	5.70
Opal Matheson	Mag.	25½	.....	1.60	1.60	1.60
Joel Niswonger	Mag.	21	.....	.60	.60	.60
Irene Post	Mag.	21	.....	.60	.60	.60
Della Rice	Mag.	22½	.....	7.15	7.15	7.15
Maurine Wolfe	Mag.	25½	.....	.30	.30	.30
Total		577	28	106.00	51.80	157.80	78.20
SOUTH DAKOTA: Leslie McKinley, Field Missionary Secretary							
E. C. Anderson	HP	35	12 51.00	12.75	63.75	.....
*Robert Brown	BR	65½	37 5.50	37.75	43.25	.....
Beatrice Root	BP	9	4 6.00	5.00	11.00	.....
W. E. Williams	BR	34	1 5.50	7.00	12.50	.....
Total		143	54	68.00	62.50	130.50
Grand total		3864	413	1498.90	738.66	2239.91	499.51

*Two weeks.

Minneapolis, he was united in marriage with Emma Rust. Three years later they settled in Wyanette, Isanti Co., on a farm on the shores of Green Lake. Eight children, three sons and five daughters, came to gladden the home. One son preceded his father in death.

Some years ago Mr. Strong began to study the truth and became convinced that it was God's special message for our time. He asked for baptism last winter, but on account of his physical weakness had to postpone this step. His illness was found to be cancer, which ended his life June 21.

Funeral services were held at the home and in the Swedish Free Mission church, June 26, Elder August S. Anderson and the writer officiating.

Those who most keenly mourn his death are, his wife, children, four sons-in-law, seven grandchildren, three brothers, and two sisters.

H. O. OLSON.

MAGNENAT.—Anna Gaddy Magnenat was born at Rolla, Mo., Sept. 28, 1868; and died in Kansas City, Kans., at the Bethany Hospital, July 12, 1932.

She was united in marriage Dec. 18, 1888, with Henry T. Magnenat. Four children survive their mother, one daughter, and three sons; also one grandson, two granddaughters, two sisters, and two brothers.

She was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist faith in 1898, and died with her faith strong in the "blessed hope" of the soon coming Saviour.

Funeral services were conducted in the Kansas City, Kans., church by the writer, and interment was made at Camden Point, Mo.

R. E. GRIFFIN.

WATSON.—Mary Jane Watson was born in Guthrie, Okla., Oct. 25, 1893; and died in Glendale, Calif., July 2, 1932. About twenty years ago she accepted this faith, joining the church in Grand Junction, Colo., with which church she was a faithful member to the time of her death.

Surviving her are her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Watson; two sisters, Esther Watson and Mrs. E. E. Rogers; and one brother, Bert Watson.

July 5, 1932, she was laid to rest in beautiful Forest Lawn Memorial Park. The services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Elder S. Donaldson.

H. M. BLINDEN.

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IN PRESENTING the new two-year course in agriculture this year, once more Union College advances to meet the needs of the hour. In the past our colleges have served principally as training centers for those intending to enter the organized work. As the years have gone on, more graduates have been produced than the organization could absorb. As a result of this, some of our finest young people have been unable to find places in denominational work. The present financial depression only hastened this trend. Instead of taking on new workers, many of our conferences are actually laying them off either temporarily or permanently.

In the face of this it might seem inadvisable to some to send our children to college. Not so, however, for our young people need spiritual and scholastic training in these trying times more than ever before.

We have often read the directions in the Spirit of Prophecy calling on Adventists to leave the big denominational centers and the cities. The plan given of God in this connection is to leave the urban sections and go out into the rural territory to become light bearers to those not of our faith.

The new course offered this year has the advantage of giving practical instruction in agriculture, together with a training for leadership in the local church. Such subjects as public speaking, history, and English, given with agriculture, prepare the student to become a good church elder, and perhaps to hold school house meetings and Bible readings with interested neighbors. Every community over this great territory of the Central Union should have a graduate of this two-year course to live an honest Christian life, an epistle for truth, read by his neighbors, ever ready to be helpful and neighborly, a true missionary, wresting an honest living from the soil.

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EVERETT N. DICK,

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Harvest Ingathering in the Jungle

PASTOR E. B. HARE, of the Burma Mission, tells of the Ingathering work carried on last year throughout the jungle villages of Burma, in which "thirty-four per cent of the church members took part, as compared with nine per cent in previous years"; and "in spite of the depression," states Pastor Hare, "we received more than ever before in one campaign." The story is an interesting one, and gives a vivid description of the Harvest Ingathering work in mission lands. May the enthusiasm and the joy experienced by the Burmese believers prove an inspiration to all in the homeland. Brother Hare writes:

"Lacking a Burmese uplift magazine, and hardly knowing what to do or to expect, we practiced up our band, polished up two brass bowls, collected a large bundle of out-of-date English magazines, printed a big banner, carefully concealed two gunny bags for rice (in case we should be given any), and set out for the nearest village. Welcomed by the frantic barking of frightened dogs, and nearly smothered by the dust sent flying by the little feet of the children as they flocked around us, our band played valiantly on, moving further down the road after each tune, while our collectors visited each home.

"The people were thrilled by the music, and came out from their homes to stand near and gaze at the musicians. 'Isn't it grand!' whispered one old lady to another standing near me. 'Isn't it sweet!' exclaimed another. 'They want donations for the sick people.' I heard them explain to each other, and one said, 'If I were sick, this music would cure me.' 'Are you going to give them anything?' asked another, and the reply was, 'Sure, I'll give them a whole pice!' And suiting the action to the word, a copper coin jingled down into the brass bowl.

"From every house a donation of some kind was bestowed—sometimes a coin, sometimes a cup of rice, sometimes both. 'Why,' said one native solicitor to another, 'not one house turned us down! Who would have thought that! Who could have expected that?'

"Then we took a big piece of paper and drew a thermometer on it, marked it off into sections and parts up to Rs.500, which is our goal as set by the union, and we named it 'Ingathering Goal Chart,' filling in with red the figures representing the donations received from this, the first village to be worked.

"'All right, boys! Away we go!' And out of the big gate we filed, turning south into the hot dusty cart track leading to the next village. We took the village by surprise, and slowly worked our way

down past the Buddhist priests' school, and came back in the evening with Rs. 11-2, and four tins of rice, making a total of Rs. 15-2 to be marked on the goal chart.

"From village to village we went, day after day, gathering in the rupees and the 'uplift rice.' Brother Myat Po took five of the band boys, with instruments, a stereopticon, and phonograph, and visited fifteen villages between here and Siam, preaching, playing, and Ingathering as they went. They had to come home on elephant back, not because their donations were so heavy, but because they were nearly exhausted by walking over the hills.

"Then Chit Maung, Peter, and I went to a village where, nearly every year, the managers and engineers of the rice and timber mills give us from Rs. 200 to Rs. 250. But this year, on account of the depression, all we could get was Rs. 70. On and on we went, gathering a little here and a little there. I would not like to say accurately how many miles we traveled, but the farthest village north was 54 miles away, south 110 miles, east about 60 miles, and west about 40. And although we did not quite reach our goal, we received more than we had ever received before, and we were all happy.

"'Now I know why they have thermometers for goal charts,' said one of the boys. 'And I know why they paint the what-you-get in red on the thermometer.'"

It is to be hoped that this year the Burmese believers will catch the practical meaning and enter into the inspiration of the "Holding the Ropes" device for the Ingathering campaign, and join with us in making firm and secure the mission ropes anchored in the Southern Asia Division.

GENERAL CONFERENCE
HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

IOWA DEPARTMENT

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our growing membership here. We conducted Sunday evening services at the church during the winter months up to June first.

We are now in the midst of a city tent effort. We have encountered some real difficulties in getting started, but at this writing everything is going along nice! We were obliged to enclose the tent partially with mosquito netting to keep out the mosquitoes. The attendance is good. Brother H. N. Bresee and wife are with us and are in charge of the music. Will you not remember this effort at the throne of grace?

R. F. BRESEE.

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