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Ingathering in the Central Union Conference

THE Harvest Ingathering in the Central Union Conference is taking on enormous proportions, and is only waiting for you to do your part in order to swell it into a mighty cyclone. The singing bands are reporting good success everywhere, and especially where they go to the larger homes and plan the effort after the order of a serenade. Where a group of girls, all dressed alike, go out Sunday morning and sing at road houses and various places where groups are gathered for picnics, etc., results are very encouraging. Of course they should always be properly chaperoned.

You may be encouraged to know the number of churches in the conferences of the Central Union which reported having reached their \$10-a-member goal last year. They are as follows:

COLORADO, 5: Alamosa, York (Denver), La Junta, Rocky Ford, Trinidad.

IOWA, 21: Newell, Sioux Rapids, Boone, Denison, Carroll, Charles City, Cresco, Forest City, Riceville, St. Arisgar, Mason City, Spirit Lake, Cedar Rapids, Dubuque, Atlantic, Harlan, Sharpsburg, Red Oak, Smithland, Grinnell, Sigourney.

KANSAS, 6: Horton, Turon, Columbus, Parsons, Chanute, Manhattan.

MINNESOTA, 8: Faribault, Hibbing, St. Cloud, Willmar, Gilchrist, Owatonna, Virginia, Winona.

MISSOURI, 2: Joplin, Kansas City Memorial.

NEBRASKA, 19: Loup City, Hartington, Seward, York, Beatrice, Grand Island, Fairbury, Hastings, Shelton, Tekamah, North Platte, Kimball, Norfolk, Fremont, Morrill, Ogallala, Kearney, Alliance, Ong.

NORTH DAKOTA, 4: (Names not reported).

SOUTH DAKOTA, 3: Watertown, Rapid City, Sioux Falls.

I am sure these churches will not be willing to take a back step from what they did last year, and we are wondering if you are thinking seriously of helping your church to reach its \$10-a-member goal. The mission fields are needy,

and God is performing wonderful miracles on the hearts of the heathen, which is a challenge to us to keep the work going.

S. T. SHADEL.

The Iowa Camp Meeting

THE Iowa meeting was held at Nevada, Iowa, on the spacious sanitarium grounds. A spirit of consecration and earnest seeking of the Lord on the part of the campers was manifest from the very first. Good meetings were enjoyed, and the workers present all seemed to appreciate the privilege of again meeting with our loyal people in the good old state of Iowa.

Almost \$1,300 was contributed to missions on the two Sabbaths, besides around \$500 which was raised for local work. Seventeen were baptized at the camp ground, and others were encouraged to obtain this rite at their own home church.

Elder O. Montgomery's services were much appreciated, he being the only General Conference representative at the meeting. Most of the Central Union Conference and Union College workers were there a part of the time. A very splendid revival was conducted the last Sabbath of the camp, when more than one hundred of the young people of the state responded by coming forward and giving their hearts to God. This large number was also sprinkled with many of mature life.

We believe that there are good days ahead for the work in Iowa and for the people of that interesting field. We are sure that all returned home with renewed consecration and determination to be faithful to their heavenly Father.

J. F. PIPER.

No. Dakota Conference

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With the Russian Churches

IT WAS the writer's privilege to spend five weeks this summer among the Rus-

sian churches in North Dakota, in company with Elder Hmelevsky. Mrs. Reiswig and my daughter accompanied me on this trip. We met Elder Hmelevsky at Butte, North Dakota, on July 8, where our first meeting was conducted. The brethren from the Kief, Butte Country, and Butte village churches were invited to these meetings. We had a good attendance from the town folks as well. Some made a new start and others who had grown careless promised the Lord to live hereafter up to their full privileges in the message.

Our next meeting was held at Max. Although the farmers were in the midst of harvest, the attendance was good throughout the meetings. We had an especially large attendance on Sabbath. When opportunity was given for a consecration service, I believe every soul in the house pledged himself to the Lord anew.

From here we went to Williston. Their church is located about twenty-five miles northwest of the town. We were pleased to see our people ready and expecting us that evening. We had a good attendance. We have a large number of young people in this church, a number of whom were baptized at camp meeting. They showed a deep interest in the work and were laying plans to get to one of our schools.

Then we went to Kildeer. Owing to the pressure of harvest work, we could hold meetings only on Friday night, Sabbath, and Sunday. Some not of our faith attended in all of these places. After the consecration service on Sabbath, opportunity was given to make pledges and gifts to missions by those who could not attend camp meeting. We had a liberal response.

We were sorry to have to say good-bye again, but we know that the time will not be long when we will meet in the place where there will be no separation. Elder Hmelevsky is laying definite plans for a strong, aggressive effort this winter, and we are hoping and praying for good results among our Russian people of North Dakota.

J. J. REISWIG.

Consecration and perseverance win,

An Education Below Cost

I KNOW you will be happy to learn that the academy has made another reduction in the charges for this coming school year. The school can ill afford it, but the conference and school administration are very anxious that every one of our young people of high school age may have the opportunity to attend the academy this fall. We hope that the brethren and sisters of the North Dakota Conference will take advantage of this golden opportunity.

Now listen! The total charges for the entire school year have been reduced to \$200, which amounts to only \$21 a month plus the initial deposit of \$20. If the account is paid at the beginning of each month, a cash discount of \$1.00 is allowed. This includes board, room rent, tuition, laundry, text books, school supplies—all fees and incidentals needed for class room work. There will be no charges for extras. This is absolutely all it will cost you. If the entire amount is paid when the student enters school or soon after, the total charges amount to only \$190. The charges for music have been reduced 50% from the last year charges. This should enable every student to take music this year. This offer will probably never be repeated again. You cannot afford to miss such an opportunity. The academy has been very fortunate in getting the services of a highly qualified music teacher for this coming year. Miss Marjorie Skeoch has been the assistant music teacher in Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Now if you do not have sufficient money to pay all the charges in cash, we are ready to supply the students with work whereby they may earn part of their way. We have tried to make it possible for you to send your boy and girl to the academy. We are interested in their welfare and we know you will now do your part. School opens the 5th of October.

R. R. NEWMAN, *Principal.*

Our Charge

ONE score and nine years ago, our brethren established in North Dakota a new school, now called Sheyenne River Academy, built upon God-given principles and dedicated to the purpose that our young people are entitled to a Christian education.

Now we are oppressed by financial difficulties, testing whether our faith and purpose shall endure. We have reached the time when decisions must be made. We must again dedicate of our means, and sacrifice for our boys and girls that they may attend school again, in re-

membrance of God's goodness to us and His will for our children.

But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate thus. All that we have is already the Lord's. We must realize the responsibility the Lord has entrusted to us in training our young people aright, for the acquiring of sound knowledge and development of true character, for their own salvation, the joy of their parents, and the spreading of God's cause. It is for us to be dedicated in mind and heart to the unfinished task before us, that we leave nothing undone which we can with God's help do, and in faith and prayer look to Him to open the way for the young people to attend school.

Means are not plentiful. But how we use them is what the Lord asks an account of. This is a crisis. How shall we invest our means? What will bear the greatest returns? Luxurious food? clothing? pleasure? cars? houses? lands? money? welfare and eternal life of boys and girls? Who knows the value of one soul? Can the Lord say to us, "Well done"? The Lord also tells us that in youth is the time of training for later life. Parents, are you and your children going to go together into that beautiful land God has prepared for us? Time hastens on, and we must be prepared and ready.

Another school year is about to begin. May it be a busy, happy, and profitable year for every student at the academy, and may your boy or girl be there.

ELVERA PETERSEN, *Preceptress,*
Sheyenne River Academy.

Academy Notes

IT WILL be of interest to the students and friends of Sheyenne River Academy to know that we have a new well this summer. It is located just south of the old well. The new well will give us an ample supply of pure water. The new foundation for the pump-house is now ready. As soon as the boys get time they will move the pump-house on the new foundation.

At the present time negotiations are under way to purchase a new pump. The new pump will be placed in a pit seven feet deep. Boys, it will not be necessary to fire the pump-house stove after this. The new pump will also be equipped with an automatic switch.

The dormitory bins have already been filled with coal. In all, four car loads of coal have been hauled thus far. A new root cellar is being constructed at the present time by Brother Brand and the boys.

The following students are employed at the academy this summer: Bertha Krein,

Artine Schlenker, Otto Koenigsfeld, Raymond Grenberg, Walter Buchmiller, and Joel Mattheis. We appreciate the faithful service these young people are rendering.

During the last week or two the girls have been busy canning corn and beans.

North Dakota Notes

ELDER OSWALD has been laid up for the past week on account of an infection that he had on his foot which developed into blood poisoning. He is getting along much better at this writing, and we hope he will soon be able to be at his regular work again.

The young people at Jamestown formed a singing band and have been out nights soliciting. The first night they received \$5.00 and the second night, \$3.00.

Brother Scherr and different ones of the workers have been out in the Harvest Ingathering at Jamestown and up to date have gathered around \$20. Quite a little in addition to this has been promised which will come in a little later. We hope that all who possibly can will do what they can to raise money so that our receipts will not fall below what they were last year.

Brother R. R. Bietz left Jamestown the morning of the 7th for Mott and vicinity, where he will assist in the Harvest Ingathering. Brother Scheer left Jamestown Monday morning for Fargo, where he plans to assist in the Ingathering work. Brother C. R. Morris is assisting in the Ingathering work in the Minot district.

Miss Salin, one of our office stenographers, availed herself of excursion rates and visited her parents at Superior, Wis., last week-end.

Do you know that there is a special lesson help prepared for the Sabbath school lessons for the third quarter? The

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title of it is "Why Pray?" and sells for only 25 cents. Everyone that uses a Sabbath school quarterly should have one of these lesson helps.

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Buffalo and Camp Crook

ON SABBATH, August 27, two sisters were baptized at Buffalo, S. Dak., by the writer. These sisters were further fruitage of the labors of Brother J. A. Estey.

In the forenoon we drove to the meeting place of the Pineville company and found a nice group of believers. The meeting was in the home of Brother and Sister Burma. After the preaching service we drove to a school house eight miles from Buffalo, where we found another company assembled. We arrived just as they were singing the opening song for the Sabbath school. Following the Sabbath school the writer spoke for a short time and then we drove to a stream a few miles distant where the baptism took place. This is a nice company of believers, and the company is growing.

In the evening the Missionary Volunteers held a meeting. It was a well rendered program. Miss Betty Claridge is leader and Mrs. J. A. Estey is sponsor.

Sunday we drove to Camp Crook and held an evening service with the believers there. It was a pleasant occasion, but tinged with sadness because we missed our dear Brother Doland, who for so many years was leader of this company. We were happy, however, to find Thomas Doland, Jr., stepping in to fill the place made vacant by the death of his father. Thomas had been elected elder, but had not been ordained. The ordination service was held at the opening of the Sunday evening service. After spending the next forenoon answering questions of one who was interested in the truth, we left for Spearfish to look after school matters there.

C. M. BABCOCK.

Spearfish, South Dakota

SPEARFISH is one of the mountain towns of the so-called Black Hills region in South Dakota, and is surrounded with beautiful mountain scenery. We have a church in the place of some twenty members, and a rather nice meeting-house, sufficiently large for the town. I arrived in the place Sabbath morning, August 20, and conducted sixteen meetings during my stay. It was somewhat difficult to get a steady and numerous attendance,

however some came and took a good interest in the subjects that were presented.

On Sabbath, September 3, I had the privilege of baptizing six precious souls in the Spearfish River, who were also taken into church fellowship. Two of them were girls of high school age, and the other four were adults. We believe that they will add strength to the Spearfish church. There are other interested people in the place, and the members have plenty of opportunity for missionary endeavor.

During my stay in that town Elder Babcock, the educational secretary of the South Dakota Conference, arrived and spent several days working with members in behalf of a church school. At first it appeared to be an impossible task, however various channels began to open, and it was therefore passed by unanimous action to open the school on September 12. The prospective enrolment will be 17.

I am glad for having had the privilege to work in Spearfish for the brief period, and trust the Lord will preserve the Spearfish church in unity and love, and use the members as instruments in His great cause to lead many to the feet of Jesus.

H. J. MEYER.

Dedication Notice

IT IS planned to have the dedication of the Hecla church at Hecla, S. Dak., Sabbath, September 17. Meetings will be held Friday evening, and both forenoon and afternoon on the Sabbath, and doubtless on Sunday evening.

Elder Chas. Thompson will give the dedicatory address, and Elder Gorden Oss, our conference president, will assist with the meetings.

We cordially invite those of our brethren who can do so to be present and share the blessings of this occasion.

C. M. BABCOCK.

Frances Elnora Pulliem and Harold Earl Christensen, of Tuthill, S. Dak., were married at the home of Elder J. C. Stotz in Winner, August 19. They are making their home for the present in Tuthill with the parents of the bridegroom. We wish them God's richest blessing.

A. G. YOUNGBERG.

Colorado Conference

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San Luis Valley

FOURTEEN months ago, July 1931, my wife and I moved from Rocky Ford to Alamosa to take charge of the San Luis Valley district. Almost immediately upon

getting settled, we began meetings in the church building, continuing them for a number of weeks with a fair attendance, but with no success in reaching people that we would have liked to reach, on account of a strong prejudice against the church in the city, which kept them from attending any meetings in the church building. However, the series resulted in the baptism of two persons, August 1, 1931. At the same time we also baptized four others as a result of some finishing work done in the Monte Vista church. Interest was created by the meetings which enabled us to go into the homes of a number of people.

In September we went to Jaroso for a short series, holding fourteen meetings, and on October 1, by the Lord's blessing, we baptized six persons and united them to the Jaroso church. Returning to Alamosa, work was continued with the interested and by the first of November four more were ready for the baptismal class.

On November 10 a series of fourteen meetings was begun in the Monte Vista church. The Lord wonderfully blessed, for at the close of these meetings, on November 21, the four persons from Alamosa and three from Monte Vista were baptized at Monte Vista.

A very severe winter, the worst on record since 1918, shut us up rather closely, and we could do little work other than in the homes in Alamosa, with an occasional visit to the Monte Vista church.

In August a baptismal class of thirteen was organized in the Alamosa church, and Sabbath, September 3, the Lord permitted us to baptize eleven of them, together with three others who have been ready for baptism for some time from Monte Vista. This last baptism made a total of thirty-three from the San Luis district during the fourteen months we have spent in the Valley, and leaves a number who are still interested and who will be candidates for membership in the near future if they can be taken care of.

We are much encouraged and very thankful for the measure of success God has given us in our work in this district, especially in the Alamosa church, whose membership has been one more than doubled by baptism alone during the fourteen months of our stay with them.

For some six months we have been working together with the officers and members of the Monte Vista church toward a series of meetings to be held in Monte Vista this winter, and much interest has already been manifested by the people of that city in the proposed meetings.

During the summer of 1931 the Harvest Ingathering was pushed in the Valley where, despite being in the second

year of serious losses due to crop failures and low prices, some \$516 was gathered in by the various churches. The gain was the most noticeable in Alamosa where, for a number of years, little had been done in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. The amount gathered exceeded 1930 by approximately \$200, from around \$18 in 1930 to some \$211 in 1931.

The constituency of the Valley churches, with a few minor exceptions, have given us their unselfish support and much credit is due to them for what has been accomplished.

May we ask that all the brethren and sisters give us a little corner in their prayers for the work in this district, and that God will bring victory over all prejudice and opposition?

L. COPE AND WIFE.

Church Schools Open

THE church schools in Colorado practically all opened Tuesday morning, September the 6th, and the few reports that have reached us to date indicate that the enrolment is much larger than last year. One hundred twenty pupils enrolled the first day at Denver Junior Academy, sixty-one at the Boulder Junior Academy, and forty-five at our Greeley church school. Professor Heim indicates that there will be seventy enrolled at our academy, and about twenty in the church school there. We hope our dear people will remember this great army of young people in Colorado, and pray daily for the success that attends this important phase of our work.

G. M. MATHEWS.

Colorado Notes

ELDER AND MRS. NETHERY and Professor Mathews were present at the opening of school Tuesday, September 6, at Campion. They report a fair attendance with expectation of more in the immediate future.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodd were callers at the office Tuesday. They made an urgent appeal for a worker to take care of the definite interest in La Junta.

Mrs. Frank Atwood, of Ft. Morgan, came to the office Monday to get school supplies and to take Miss Haefeli, the church school teacher, back with her.

Brother George Chambers and wife were in the office Tuesday. They had taken six students to Campion. Brother Chambers received a hurried call to take charge of the funeral of Sister Wittman's father in Rocky Ford Tuesday afternoon at 2:30.

Elder V. A. Lidner has rented the assembly hall in the Continental Oil

Building and will begin a Sweish evangelistic series Sunday night, September 11.

Elder Nethery plans to be in Wray Sunday, September 11, to attend the closing meeting of the series which Brother Johns has been conducting.

Kansas Conference

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Chanute District

THE Thayer church is progressing in their local work. On August 6 the members and friends gathered at the church in the afternoon for service, after which all drove to the banks of a stream five miles away to witness the baptism of seven dear souls.

The church school has opened again with Mrs. Hugh Jones as teacher. This school, though small, is proving a wonderful blessing to the children who attend. It is a real pleasure to meet with these loyal believers.

On the afternoon of August 13 the Iola church gathered at the Christian church to join in a baptismal service. After a short preaching service twelve persons were led down into the water and baptized into the faith of Jesus. We were glad to have Dr. Dick, of Union College, with us at this service. He was spending time visiting his parents and brother, and met with the Iola church in the morning and afternoon.

Professor Nesmith and Professor Harder visited Chanute and Iola on their trip among the churches. They found a number who plan to attend school at Enterprise Academy this year. Bobby Groom and J. E. Haymaker, of Chanute, have enrolled at Enterprise; also Avery Dick, from Iola, and Helen Wren, from Kincaid.

Since camp meeting I have spent time with our churches in the following places: Chanute, Thayer, Iola, Humboldt, and Cherryvale. Over the week-end, September 17, I shall be with the church at Kincaid. In all places I find our dear people happy in the Lord.

N. J. AALBORG.

Kansas News Notes

THE month of September should be the outstanding month for our churches in the Harvest Ingathering. Every believer, be he isolated or not, should avail himself of the early opportunity in gathering in funds for missions. We are glad to state that thus far we have made a gain of \$1,455.88 over the same period of the

year 1931. Let us all unitedly rally to hold this gain during the future months of this year. Kansas should raise not less than \$10,000. Let none be satisfied until he has reached his full \$10 goal.

Immediately after camp meeting Elder R. E. Griffin, in company with F. C. Clark and W. F. Surber, began a series of meetings at Galena. A tent was shipped to this town. This effort is being fostered by Brother Tindall and the Galena church. The meetings opened last Sunday night with an attendance of between six and seven hundred. This effort solicits the prayers of our people that a goodly number may take their stand for the message.

A very profitable union meeting of the colored churches and believers convened at Kansas City September 2 to 4. Practically all of the believers of the Negro department were present at this regional meeting. Elder Charles Thompson assisted us and gave excellent help. Others present and having part in the program were Elder Gordon Smith, Missionary Volunteer secretary for the Central Union, C. S. Wiest, A. M. Ragsdale, and E. H. Meyers.

The academy opened with somewhat less attendance than last year. We hope, however, that other students will come in and swell the attendance.

Iowa Conference

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Iowa Notes

THE colporteur meetings held on the camp ground were very successful, and they were very well attended. Since that time Brother Knecht has visited Davenport and Muscatine. One of our colporteurs is now making his home in Muscatine, Brother W. R. Archbald. We shall be watching his reports with interest. Brother Edwards, who has assisted Brother Knecht in his work for the colporteurs this summer, expects soon to make the Winterset territory his field of labor. Also we are expecting M. Wyman to join us soon. He will be living at Centerville. The three just mentioned are all ministerial graduates and will do self-supporting work, proving that their hearts are in the cause of God. Let us all remember our colporteurs in prayer.

Mrs. Dorcas conducted the sanitarium prayer meeting on Tuesday evening of last week, and on the Sabbath met with the Oak Park Academy school. The vari-

ous Sabbath school interests were promoted, and she left with them a fine new birthday calendar, and also a very neat mission chart, with candles to be lighted as goals are reached. What might be accomplished by such a company of young people through the school year!

Elder and Mrs. J. C. Christensen, with their small son, spent Sabbath, September 3, with the church at Ft. Dodge. They planned to spend some time in that district helping in Harvest Ingathering work.

Miss Vesta Scott, formerly of this office but now of the Pacific Press Branch in Omaha, spent an hour with friends in Nevada on Tuesday of last week, coming from the parental home in Ft. Dodge where she was spending her vacation. She was with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hanson, of Sioux Rapids, who brought their son, Kenneth, to Oak Park Academy.

Nebraska Conference

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Nature and Value of the Spirit of Prophecy

IN VOLUME V of the "Testimonies to the Church," page 654, we read, "As the end draws near, and the work of giving the last warning to the world extends, it becomes more important for those who accept present truth to have a clear understanding of the nature and influence of the Testimonies, which God in His providence has linked with the work of the third angel's message from its very rise."

It would be interesting to take time for a careful study of the place which the Spirit of Prophecy is to occupy in the remnant church. Space will not permit that, but a few suggestions might be helpful. The prophets of old were given visions and revelations of the future. God opened up to them the great events of history, the first advent of the Son of God, His death, burial and resurrection, and the terrific experiences through which His church would pass because of backsliding, rebellion, and apostasy. In many instances the prophets did not understand the things which they wrote, and it became necessary from time to time for God to raise up other prophets who could give to His church an infallible interpretation and application of what the former prophets had written. The apostle Peter declares that the prophets "prophesied of the grace that should come unto you; searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which

was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister. . . . unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into." I Peter 1:10-12.

On the day of Pentecost, after being filled with the Holy Ghost, when the people thought the disciples were drunk, Peter said, "These are not drunken, as ye suppose. . . . but this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; and it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh." Here Peter was giving to the church an infallible interpretation and application of the prophecy of Joel which evidently had not been understood before.

Again, when certain ones were sent to John the Baptist, they asked him, "Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? . . . He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness. Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias." John 1:19-23.

Here John was giving to the church an infallible interpretation and application of this part of the writings of Isaiah which had not been understood before.

When Jesus came, He went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up for to read. "And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor. . . . And He closed the book and gave it again to the minister, and sat down. . . . And began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears." Luke 4:16-21. Here we have another infallible interpretation and application of the Scripture which before was unknown.

Now, just what is the real work of the Spirit of Prophecy in the remnant church? Would it not be exactly like that of the work of Peter, John, Paul, or Jesus in giving to the church today an infallible interpretation and application of the Scriptures for this last generation? In Series B, No. 2, of the "Testimonies," Sister White says, "The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in

His wisdom has given to the remnant church would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. The founders of this system would go into the cities, and do a wonderful work. . . . Their foundation would be built on the sand, and storm and tempest would sweep away the structure.

"Who has authority to begin such a movement? We have our Bibles. We have our experience, attested to by the miraculous working of the Holy Spirit. We have a truth that admits of no compromise. Shall we not repudiate everything that is not in harmony with this truth?"—Pages 54-55

"We are God's commandment-keeping people. For the past fifty years every phase of heresy has been brought to bear upon us, to becloud our minds regarding the teaching of the word,—especially concerning the ministration of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary, and the message of heaven for these last days, as given by the angels of the fourteenth chapter of Revelation. Messages of every order and kind have been urged upon Seventh-day Adventists, to take place of the truth which, point by point, has been sought out by prayerful study, and testified to by the miracle-working power of the Lord. But the way-marks which have made us what we are, are to be preserved, and they will be preserved, as God has signified through His word and the testimony of His Spirit. He calls upon us to hold firmly, with the grip of faith, to the fundamental principles that are based upon unquestionable authority."—*Ibid*, page 59.

Let us beware of those who would unsettle the faith of the people in the writings of the Spirit of Prophecy, but let us study these writings more and more that we may be firmly rooted and grounded against the attempts of the enemy to deceive us.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

College View

THE special services held at College View closed on Sunday night, September 4. The attendance was good all the way through, and the presence of the Holy Spirit was very marked. Deep heart searching together with confession of sin was experienced by many. Other such meetings will be held in other churches as opportunity affords during the year.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

Fairbury District Meeting

THE last of our district meetings for the conference will be held in Fairbury September 23, 24, and 25. The first service will be on Friday night at 7:45 o'clock in our own church. Services will continue all day Sabbath and Sunday, and we hope that the members from Nebraska City, Red Cloud, Cortland, Beatrice, together with the isolated or any others who can, will plan to be in attendance. We expect good help from the union as well as from our local workers.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

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Sabbath School Convention

THE seventh annual convention in the interests of the isolated believers of south-east Iowa and north-east Missouri met in the Adventist church at Palmyra, Mo., on Sabbath, Aug. 13, 1932.

At ten A. M. the regular convention Sabbath school was held. Brother Griffith, of Hannibal, Mo., acted as superintendent. There were 31 present, and the offering amounted to \$4.03.

At the close of the Sabbath school a prayer and consecration service was enjoyed. As our convention met on the closing day of the Week of Prayer, in the interest of missions, a befitting service was held. This meeting was led by Brother Willis Hardiman, of Lewistown, Mo., who gave a very impressive lesson from "Early Writings."

At 2:30 the convention program was given. Brother C. C. Gilbert, of Labelle, acted as chairman. At this time a dialogue was given by the young people, entitled "The New Earth," and Gertrude Van Ausdal and Wilbur Burchett sang "No Night There." Brother Griffith, of Hannibal, read a paper entitled "Love." A paper entitled "Our Missionary Endeavors" was read by Alice A. Bailey, Luray, Mo. A paper entitled, "The Value of the Supreme Decision as Revealed in the Life of Paul," was read by Sister Clara Fogle, of Palmyra. The children gave a missionary dialogue which was much appreciated, and little Dee Gilbert sang a missionary song.

The following towns were represented: Hannibal, Labelle, Lewistown, Palmyra, Keokuk, Iowa, and Luray, Mo.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Sister Bates, of Keokuk; vice-president, C. C. Gilbert, of Labelle, Mo.; program committee, Ernie Burchett, William Gilbert, Clara Fogle.

The next convention will be held in Luray on the second Sabbath in August, 1933.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Palmyra church for the loyalty and hospitality shown in entertaining the convention.

ALICE A. BAILEY, *Secretary.*

Minnesota Conference

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God Rewards

HARVEST INGATHERING work, especially this year, tests our faith. When we, however, exercise faith and do God's work He abundantly rewards, as is demonstrated by the following experience sent in by Sister Ida B. Cummings, of Sleepy Eye:

"We hesitated to go out this year; especially did we feel reluctant about working our home town on account of the depression. But one who had had some experience this fall encouraged us to go out. The Lord gave many good experiences and \$13 was collected in two and a quarter hours in town and over \$7.00 another day in the country. Several pledged to give later."

Space would not permit to tell of the many who are led to Christ and this blessed truth through the Ingathering work. God has a blessing in store for every faithful Harvest Ingathering worker. May you not miss receiving your blessing.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

Morgan Church

THERE is to be a series of meetings held at Morgan church beginning Friday night at 8:00 o'clock, September 16, and extending over to Sunday night, September 18. A baptismal service is to be held Sabbath afternoon, September 17. An invitation to attend these services is extended to all living in this section. Come and enjoy the blessings awaiting you. Elder A. A. Dirksen will meet with us.

L. S. MELENDY.

Minnesota Items

ELDER RULKOETTER reports a baptism at Winona on Wednesday, August 31, and also one at Middle River, Sunday, September 4. Elder Dirksen reports two adults being baptized at Fairmont.

Professor A. W. Spalding, of the General Conference, will be with the Twin City churches on Monday and Tuesday,

September 12 and 13. We are always glad to have our General brethren spend as much time as possible in our field.

A number of our schools in the conference have already started. Among these are Faribault, with Miss Searle as teacher; Minneapolis, with two teachers, Miss Florence Longwell and Miss Margaret Longwell; and St. Paul, with Sister Searle as teacher. Professor Hiatt reports that he will have seventeen schools this year with nineteen teachers. We are glad for so many schools. We are only sorry that a few of the churches that had schools last year were unable to have them this year.

Elder W. B. Pontynen reports a baptism at International Falls of eight persons, three young people and five adults.

Brother B. C. Marshall met with the churches at Owatonna and Faribault on September 3rd. He reports good meetings with good attendance at both of these churches.

Elder Geo. L. Budd reports two baptized at Sauk Centre recently.

A Good Missionary Paper

MANY ask, "Is the *Review* a good missionary paper?" We answer, yes. Beginning with the issue of September 8, the *Review* will publish eight articles on "The Sunday School Lessons, and the Ten Commandments." And Elder Read, of Europe, will write several articles on the Sanctuary Question. These articles will give splendid material for public reading, as well as worth while quotations for use by each one of us, as we endeavor to explain to others the Law and the Sabbath, and our relation to each. Place the good *Review* where others can read it. Be sure to have its weekly visits in your own home.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

Obituaries

SHIVELY.—Jacob Shively, of Osceola, Iowa, died August 22, 1932. He was in his ninety-third year. The cause of his death was pneumonia attended with the encumbrances of old age.

Brother Shively was one of the old citizens from pioneer days. He was born March 4, 1840, near West Penn, Penn. He has lived in Iowa for many years, being one of the earlier settlers of Clark County. As a farmer he cultivated the virgin soil, and through his perseverance and industry his work was crowned with success.

He was united in marriage in 1867 to Harriet Gibson. To them were born two sons, Dr. J. D. and John E., who make their home in or near Osceola; and three daughters who reside in California, Dr.

Ida S. Nelson, Mrs. Edith S. Halverson, and Mrs. Susie S. Nelson.

Father Shively was known throughout the county as a kind, Christian man. He had been faithful to the truth for many years, and acted as elder of the church until old age prevented him from carrying on. He was highly esteemed by those who were acquainted with him. His hope of being among the saved sustained him in his last illness. He has left an enviable record of a long life, well lived, of service and sacrifice, which is a precious heritage to his family and friends.

The pastor and congregation of the Christian church of Osceola kindly allowed the use of their church building, which was more commodious to accommodate the large attendance at the funeral, the Christian pastor assisting in the services. Brother Shively was laid to rest in the Ottawa cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

J. F. PIPER.

MORLEY.—Blanch L. Morley, née Gilfray, was born at Macomb, Ill., on May 31, 1882; and passed from this life on Aug. 28, 1932.

In 1900 she was married to Claude Morley. To this union nine children were born, all but one surviving. In 1903 she accepted the faith of the Seventh-day Adventists as a result of the labors of Elder C. R. Kite. She is remembered as one who lived to help others.

She is survived by her husband, four daughters, four sons, three sisters, two brothers, and ten grandchildren.

Words of comfort were spoken in the College View S. D. A. church by Elder C. R. Kite, assisted by the writer.

WILLIAM H. KRUSE.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE.—Inter-Mountain Academy upper and lower farms, consisting of approximately 120 and 180 acres respectively, at Rulison, Colo. Two farm cottages and other buildings; chapel seats, school desks, office furniture and equipment, school and dormitory furnishings and supplies; horses, cattle, and farm implements. Also small building and lot and office equipment at Grand Junction, Colo. If interested in bargains, correspond with Elder B. M. Grandy, 122 South 8th St., Grand Junction, Colo.

FOR RENT.—Store 120x20; also bakery, good location. Mrs. Mary Cannard, Oswego, Kans. 27-8

FOR SALE.—Honey, nature's sweet, new crop, basswood flavor. Case lots, 120 lbs., 5 cents per pound, f. o. b. Winnebago, Nebr. Ernest Jordan, Winnebago, Nebr. 27-8

EAU CLAIRE, WIS., HEALTH AND REST HOME for men and women. For information call or write Mathilda Shawhem, 403 Summit Ave., Eau Claire, Wis. 28

WANTED.—A middle-aged Seventh-day Adventist woman to keep house for father and two sons for room and board. Easy place and good home. J. A. Jones, R. 3, Bloomfield, Nebr. 28, 9

WANTED.—Position by S. D. A. man, 28, as X-Ray technician. Can do some laboratory work. Prefer position in S. Dakota. J. W. Stratemeyer, Onaka, S. Dak. 28

COLPORTEURS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 3, 1932

	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary							
Eric Anderson	RJ	37	5	15.00	3.00	18.00	3.25
*Francis Crofoot	RJ	51	3	9.00	9.50	18.50	2.50
Karl Evenson	BP, BR	53	17	100.00	43.25	143.25	11.00
Mrs. G. M. Johnson	Mag.	28	.....	.....	12.04	12.04	12.04
Henry Peterson	RJ	40	5	15.00	14.50	29.50	11.50
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag.	27	.....	.....	7.00	7.00	7.00
Clare G. Rust	Helps	.....	.....	.....	10.74	10.74	10.74
Total		236	30	139.00	100.03	239.03	58.03
IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary							
*Fay C. Smith	BR	55	10	44.75	1.75	46.50	.25
*H. G. Biggers	Misc.	54	.....	.....	42.75	42.75	21.75
*Anna Rasmussen	RJ, GC	20½	7	21.00	12.75	33.75	35.25
Fred Burkhardt	OD	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	43.12
Glenn Shelton	BR	30	.....	.....	20.00	20.00	.....
Elva Wilcox	OD	24	2	5.50	9.70	15.20	12.60
H. Millist	Misc.	21½	.....	.....	11.30	11.30	3.30
W. R. Archbold	GC	33	.....	.....	10.00	10.00	10.00
Anna Hanson	BR	28	.....	.....	7.58	7.58	27.83
*Chas. Roberts	RJ	4	1	3.00	1.75	4.75	26.50
Otto Lutz	Cris.	10	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00
Mrs. A. Snovel	BR	9	1	4.50	.....	4.50	.....
Clarence Nordstrom	RJ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.50
Eva Walker	Mag.	4	.....	.....	4.00	4.00	.....
Total		293	21	78.75	126.58	205.33	203.10
WYOMING: D. W. Gahagan, Field Missionary Secretary							
M. Pitchford	DR	11	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	7.50
MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Field Missionary Secretary							
W. A. Burton	DR	18	4	19.50	4.10	23.60	11.50
Sophia Carter	RJ	36	1	4.00	.....	4.00	.....
Floyd E. Clegg	RJ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.00
Harry Duff	RJ	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.50
Mrs. Harry Duff	RJ	18	.....	.....	6.25	6.25	16.00
W. E. Helt	PP	32	3	13.50	3.50	17.00	.....
Sallie Holmes	HW	14	2	6.00	3.25	9.25	9.25
W. J. Kroulik	HP	21	.....	.....	1.75	1.75	24.75
Henry Lane	BR	22	1	4.50	2.00	6.50	16.75
Floyd Mathews	BR	40	2	9.00	1.00	10.00	.....
S. A. Minear	RJ	32	3	9.00	.....	9.00	3.50
Mrs. W. A. Reid	HP	9	1	5.50	.....	5.50	.....
Della Rice	Mag.	15	.....	.....	15.50	15.50	11.00
Total		281	17	71.00	37.35	108.35	115.00
NORTH DAKOTA: C. R. Morris, Field Missionary Secretary							
Emily Brost	HP	28	8	44.00	.....	44.00	.....
Jake Walcker	HP	20	6	33.00	.....	33.00	.....
Total		48	14	77.00	.....	77.00	.....
†NEBRASKA: P. M. Vixie, Field Missionary Secretary							
Mrs. L. E. Green	OD	29	.....	.....	1.50	1.50	.....
L. E. Green	OD	30	1	2.50	1.25	3.75	.75
Abel Larson	RJ	32	1	3.00	7.00	10.00	2.50
Charlotte Lewis	BTS	20	.....	10.00	2.25	12.25	2.75
Elizabeth Stock	BTS	23	.....	6.00	7.50	13.50	.....
Lois Stock	BTS	20	.....	4.00	4.50	8.50	.....
G. R. Starr	HW	22½	.....	.....	5.25	5.25	13.75
Mrs. Josie Tolles	BR	4	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	.25
Lester Trubey	RJ	60	1	3.00	1.25	4.25	173.50
Total		240	3	28.50	32.50	61.00	193.50
COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, Field Missionary Secretary							
H. L. Canfield	BR	30	2	6.00	4.00	10.00	2.00
Ernest Harper	HP	26	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	6.95
Mrs. P. Jenkins	HP	29	1	5.50	4.75	10.25	6.50
W. Mathiesen	BR	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.50
Malcolm Perkins	BPS	5	.....	.....	3.50	3.50	.....
Mrs. Willett	Mag.	5	.....	.....	.90	.90	.90
Total		109	3	11.50	14.15	25.65	27.85
Grand Total		1221	88	405.75	312.61	718.36	604.98
*Two Weeks.							
†Week Ending August 27.							

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Special Notice

OWING to a new ruling of the United States Postal Department, the CENTRAL UNION REAPER is charged two cents for every notice of change of address sent to us by postmasters. Heretofore this service was free, and our mailing list was corrected in large measure from the notices sent us by the various postmasters, as only a comparatively few notices come from our readers themselves. Now that we are charged for the notice when it is sent through the postal service, the aggregate expense is considerable. We have better than ten thousand subscribers, and among this vast number there is always considerable moving around.

We are appealing to our subscribers to save us this extra expense. This can be done if all who change their address will notify us direct, rather than have the postmaster send the notification. A penny post card will carry your information to us, but if the notice is sent by the postmaster, we must pay two cents for it.

Whenever possible, please notify us at least two weeks before you move, but if this cannot be done, notify us at the earliest possible date. By so doing, you will avoid missing a copy or two of the paper. In many cases it may be well to inform the postmaster that you are advising your publishers of your change of address and therefore it will not be necessary for him to send the notification.

We wish to thank our readers in advance for their cooperation in this request, and assure them that this help will be greatly appreciated at the REAPER office.

D. D. REES, *Editor*.

Round About

ELDER J. H. SCHILLING has been engaged to assist in the Bible department of the college.

Union College has added an up-to-date book bindery to its list of industries. Experienced and competent workmen are in charge.

The colporteur institute held in Cheyenne, Wyo., by Elder D. E. Collins and Brother D. W. Gahagan, closed Sunday night, September 11.

Miss Genevieve Lashier, daughter of J. S. Lashier, treasurer of the Central Union Conference, left recently for Walla Walla College, Walla Walla, Wash., where she is engaged as a teacher.

Professor M. E. Cady was a recent caller at the union office. He was on his way back to Washington, D. C., after having attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. E. W. Farnsworth, in Glendale, Calif.

Mrs. C. T. Burroughs, who has spent the summer at the Boulder Sanitarium, returned to College View last week and will resume her duties in connection with the commercial department of Union College.

Registration for the new school year at Union College began Monday, September 12. The management is hopeful of an encouraging enrolment. We hope to be able to print a report of the opening next week.

While visiting one of her children in Janesville, Wis., Mrs. S. T. Shadel, wife of the home missionary secretary of the Central Union Conference, became suddenly and dangerously ill. For a time her life was despaired of, but after earnest prayer in her behalf she began to improve, and Elder Shadel, who returned last week from her bedside, expressed the hope that she would soon regain her complete health.

Professor D. D. Rees has returned from Los Angeles, Calif., where during the month of August he spent the time on his back in the surgical ward of a hospital. He is regaining strength rapidly and hopes to be enjoying his usual good health within a few weeks. During his absence from the office, his office clerk at the *Christian Record*, Miss Madge Rosenthal, ably carried on the work of editing the REAPER. Professor Rees' son, Conrad, accompanied him to California.

Reaching the Foreigner with the Harvest Ingathering Appeal

AN EXPERIENCE of special interest and good success in the Harvest Ingathering work awaits every one who solicits among the foreign-speaking people. Contrary to prevailing opinion, the foreigner is not difficult to approach, especially when his attention is called to the Harvest Ingathering paper printed in his own language.

The following helpful suggestions have been made by workers of successful experience in reaching these people:

1. If in doubt as to where the different nationalities reside in your city, this information may be secured from the police department, city, county, or state census board or bureau, or the educational department.

2. On reaching your territory, be sure to call at every house. Usually more than one family reside in the same house.

3. It is always best for workers to go two by two. This was the Lord's plan in sending His disciples forth on their mission. Where women are soliciting it is especially important that this plan be followed.

4. Always carry English papers as well as foreign papers. Sometimes a foreigner will prefer the English paper. In any case, if you happen to run upon a group of foreigners, always place a paper in the hands of each person. Usually if one makes a donation, all will do so. In case none of them respond with a donation, it is best to gather up the papers, leaving a tract or paper in the language of each person, if possible.

5. Give special attention to the children. This is the most direct way to reach the hearts of the parents.

6. Do not be afraid of the people. Manifest confidence and genuine interest in them. Remember your success does not lie in what you say, but rather in what you present to them. Let them see the paper in their own language. It will do the work. Use tact, wisdom, and caution. Greet them with a smile.

7. Remembering that courtesy affords a passport anywhere, be kind and courteous to all whom you solicit, even though they contribute nothing.

8. Finally, remember that the best day to work among foreigners is Sunday. You will find the men home on that day, and they usually carry the pocketbook.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

"YOUNG men and women should be educated to become workers in their own neighborhoods and in other places. Let all set their hearts and minds to become intelligent in regard to the work for this time, qualifying themselves to do that for which they are best adapted."—*Vol. IX, pp. 118, 119.*

"IN THE closing controversy now waging between the forces for good and the hosts of evil, He expects all, laymen as well as ministers, to take part. All who have enlisted as His soldiers are to render faithful service as minute-men, with a keen sense of the responsibility resting upon them individually."—*Vol. IX, p. 116.*