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## Growth in the Carribean Union

A UNIQUE goal device was being used in a large Sabbath school which we recently visited. Poles marked off in degrees were standing by each class, and on each pole was a red banner at the proper place to show the class standing in relation to its financial goal. Nearly all banners were at the top, and the superintendent in commenting on this fine showing said: "We wish all of our missionaries could see these banners."

Well, it was encouraging to see the loyalty of the missionaries in those classes, attempting each Sabbath to reach their financial goal in order that the missionaries in the far-flung mission fields might keep on with their work of preaching "this gospel of the kingdom." We could not help but wish that these missionaries who hold the ropes at home could see for themselves what the missionaries in other lands are witnessing, how the Lord with great power is working on the hearts of men and women in all walks of life.

Inspiring indeed is the progress that has been made in the Carribean Union Conference during recent months. In British Guiana for a long time it had seemed very difficult to accomplish much. Evangelistic effort yielded very little. No colporteur work was being carried on. In fact it was said by some, "You can't sell books in British Guiana." There were some, however, who felt that such a situation could be changed, and that the Lord wanted it changed. So from another part of our field one of our best evangelists, Elder G. A. Coon, was sent down to British Guiana to lead out in a strong tabernacle effort in Georgetown. Associated with him were Elder J. T. Carrington and Brother A. T. King. More than two hundred souls have been baptized and added to the church there as the fruitage of that effort. And what is more, the interest keeps up. Calls come in by 'phone and by mail and by personal interview for Bible readings and visits. Surely we are living in the day of the Lord's power.

A colporteur who believed with all his heart that our message-filled books could be sold anywhere was asked to go to British Guiana and lead out in building

up the colporteur work. Reports soon began to come in, and during the latter half of 1931 more than eight times as many books were sold in that field as had been sold during the whole year of 1930.

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### Union College

M. L. Andreasen, President

Lincoln - - - - - Nebr.

### A Good Time to Enter Union College

FOR those who wish an education there is no time to lose. We do not know what the future will bring, but we do hope that none of our young people will neglect any opportunity they may have of getting a thorough preparation for their life work.

The second semester will begin January 23. It will be possible for new students to enter most of the classes that will be offered. While there are advan-

### The Lord Is Testing and Proving His People

"THE Lord is testing and proving his people. If any have no heart in the work, and fail to bring their offerings to God, He will visit them; and if they continue to cling to their covetousness, He will separate them from His people. I saw that there must be a system which will draw upon all. Young men and young women who have health and strength, have felt but little burden of the work. They are accountable to God for their strength, and should bring a free-will offering to the Lord. And if they will not do this, His prospering hand will be removed from them."—Vol. 1, p. 238.

This experience may be the very reason why some are not realizing the blessing of the Lord. Let us prove Him in this way.

J. F. PIPER.

tages to be gained in beginning school at the opening in the fall, there are also advantages to be gained by beginning the second semester. It takes a little time to become adjusted to new environments. The students who are on the ground the second semester will be able to take advantage of any opportunity that may offer itself for securing work the following summer and the coming school year. They become acquainted with the faculty and the faculty become acquainted with them. They hear of openings for work and are ready to step into such openings. Even though a student may not be able to take full school work, it will pay him to come to school and become oriented and adjusted.

When the graduates finish this year, they will leave openings for work into which others will step, and those that are here will have first opportunity and can often secure places where their abilities will come into most advantageous use.

We trust that many will plan on coming even at great personal sacrifice. The King's business requires haste, and our young people cannot afford to lose even half a year. We welcome inquiries and shall be glad to communicate with anyone that is interested.

M. L. ANDREASEN, President.

### Union College Snap Shots

THE vocal ensemble, under the direction of Professor Stanley Ledington, sang at the morning services at the state penitentiary Sunday, December 11.

Robert Cowdrick conducted the church services at Fairbury, Sabbath, December 10.

Davis Edwards, head of the department of public speaking in the Divinity School of Chicago University, gave the second number of the Union College lyceum course, Saturday night, December 10.

During the Week of Prayer, which was held December 10-17, the assignments and recitation periods were cut in half in order that students and teachers might have more time for personal devotion.

A good many Union College students earn a part of their way through school by working in the Union College dairy.



Those that are employed there this year are William Hanson, Kenneth Kannenberg, Elsa Paeper, Arwid Albertson, Walter Specht, Harold Schmidt, Lee Johnson, Ansil Carrick, Wallace Gilbert, Dave Olsen, Ernest Hanson, Albert Eisenman, Harold Kannenberg, Cree Sandefur, Russell Nelson, and Kenneth Nelson.

During the Week of Prayer, prayer bands met each morning in the half hour preceding the chapel service. The leaders of the various prayer bands were Ermina Powell, Ellen Swayze, Ruth Gardner, Olive Hansen, Lucile Kirstein, Elmer Hagen, Walter Specht, Frank Swearingen, Cree Sandefur, and Helmet Wakeham.

Mr. Clinton Woodland, the college baker, reports that he makes 450 loaves of bread a week, 360 of which are used by the cafeteria. About 90 loaves of bread are sold to the public by the Union College dairy. The bakery also makes 96 dozen cinnamon rolls, 110 dozen buns, and 60 dozen cookies a week.

UNION COLLEGE RADIO  
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December 21, 3:30

M. L. ANDREASEN

*"The Influence of Christianity on  
Civilization"*

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**A Sabbath Morning at Oak Park  
Academy**

I ENJOYED a privilege on Sabbath morning, December 10, that was very gratifying. At 9:00 a. m. I visited the teachers' meeting at Oak Park Academy. Officers and their assistants and all of the teachers were present. Opportunity was given for discussion of problems. A little time was given to me, which I was glad to improve, for I was filled with appreciation at the interest and faithfulness of these student Sabbath school workers. The lesson outline as presented by Professor Axelson and considered by all, could not fail to be exceedingly helpful, so clearly were the facts and illustrations combined that the main points of the lesson stood out in all their beauty.

As I marched to the platform with others having a part in the program for the day, my eyes were quickly taking into

account the two charts up in front that I had left with the school on the first Sabbath of the quarter, and I was very happy to see that already all but two of the candles representing the different countries to be helped this quarter, had the orange flame, showing that the goal had been reached eleven times. At the close I noticed that another flame had been added, so there is just one candle left and there are three more Sabbaths of the quarter. They are urging that birthday and thirteenth Sabbath offerings be paid before the students leave for the Christmas vacation, and I am wondering, with delight, how many extra candles will be needed to express the liberality of their gifts.

Their beautiful, neat, and attractive birthday calendar I noticed also, and each month was decorated with the names of students whose birthday came in that month. When I think of the possibilities in those birthday offerings to missions, I am glad again.

The Sabbath school program had been well planned, and it was well carried on throughout. The secretary read a fine report, which was written in the form of a letter to a former student. The report showed that on the previous Sabbath the membership and attendance figures had been exactly the same, and about two thirds of the members had studied the lesson daily.

Never before have I been quite so happy over an academy Sabbath school and its accomplishments and prospects. All honor and credit to the faculty and students who have so faithfully cooperated to bring about such gratifying conditions! May the new year show the same record of faithfulness in Sabbath school effort in Oak Park Academy.

MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS.

**Oak Park Notes**

ONE of the characteristics of Oak Park Academy is to do everything in a "big way." This was shown in the large investiture service held Tuesday evening, November 23. This, it is believed, was the largest service of its kind ever held in this part of the United States. Twenty-three became Friends; 13 became Companions; 8 Comrades; and 7 became Master Comrades. The Master Comrades are: Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Culver, Fae Cowin, Pearl Hartwell, Walter Howe, Naoma Root, and Mr. Staff. We believe that it is a fortunate thing to have both students and faculty members interested in the junior progressive work. A still larger service is being planned for in the spring.

Students and teachers alike entered into the spirit of Sacrifice Week. Every

teacher gave a week's salary. All dormitory students went without breakfast, butter, and desserts for the whole week.

Elder Shaw, of the General Conference, spoke to the young people Sabbath afternoon, December 10.

The dormitory students enjoyed a bob sled ride Sunday afternoon, December 11.

The dormitory girls are busy making plans for open house, which is to be held Saturday night, December 17.

Mrs. Ledington, from Union College, gave a short program in the chapel Saturday night, December 3. The students enjoyed her songs.

There are thirteen students with grades averaging 93% and above for the past six week's work. Those on the honor roll are: Ross Smith, Vada Korgan, Genevieve Nethery, Ross Rice, Wilma Korgan, Herschel Starr, Neva Allen, Lois Anderson, Katie Davis, Morton Davis, Beulah Knies, Naoma Root, and Myrtle Thompson.

**Missouri Conference**

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**Our Church Schools**

THE opening reports of our church schools reveal one very encouraging feature. The enrolment is thirty-three per cent higher than at the same time a year ago. There has not been a higher opening enrolment since 1921, when it was only six per cent higher than at present.

There are thirteen teachers employed in ten schools. Besides these, there are three home schools. It is apparent that with one less teacher in three schools and this increased attendance that our teachers are working harder than ever. It is also true that lower wages are being paid

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than last year in some of the schools. Our teachers are loyal and enthusiastic in doing their duty. I have not met one who shows a lack of interest in the work.

Kansas City has sent in \$21.90 for the Week of Sacrifice offering. Mrs. McNamee, the principal, has been interested in this project, and was the first of our teachers to write in for information before the regular announcements were supplied.

There are several of our church members in Missouri who are teaching in public schools. Some have held their position for many years. I believe a word of appreciation is due them because of the loyal support they are giving our churches in their respective communities. Some have made pledges toward the church school support. Sister Stewart is a member of our Springfield school board.

MELVIN OSS.

### Over the Top in Kansas City

SABBATH, December 3, was not only a beautiful day, but also a great day of rejoicing in the Kansas City church, for we went well over our Ingathering goal of \$3,000. The choir expressed the sentiment of the congregation by singing "We Give Thee Thanks," which was used as a song of victory for the Kansas City church.

It was certainly a strenuous effort for the church members to reach their goal. In the evenings three singing bands, consisting of young and old people, with the Missionary Volunteer society, went out into the residential districts. These bands brought in a little over \$1,200, one of the bands alone receiving over \$550.

After working Kansas City territory thoroughly, we were still far behind in our goal. Elder Garner, our pastor, realized we would have to work outside of Kansas City, so he immediately organized a day-light band of solicitors. With their cars they traveled from 300 to 800 miles each week. Altogether they have solicited eighty-three neighboring towns and cities, bringing in over \$600 for this band alone.

Such zeal and perseverance manifested by the Kansas City church should inspire all our churches throughout the land. This makes the fifth year for this church to go over the top. How happy we are that it is all over. Yet we are not happy in the sense that a disagreeable task is done, but in the sense that with the Lord's help we have accomplished the seeming impossibility. Truly friends, it looked like an impossibility when we started out in the Ingathering work this year. While we have heard so often the word "depression," around which gloomy word the world seems to revolve, we cannot help

but realize how remarkable God helped us to conquer a great task.

While depressed finances, depressed energies, depressed hope seem to have men and women in their clutches, yet God's work is going forward. It is apparent that the dilemma is becoming more confounding and perplexing. The human faculty is on the last stage in reaching its wits, and is seeking to discover a panacea. But thank God that we have a message which is a sure remedy, that will remove doubts and fears that men are endeavoring to solve. We should be encouraged as never before to bear the responsibility given us.

In the Ingathering work we reach many souls who are in distress and apparently without hope. The responsibility rests upon all of us to carry out God's plan to the human race. He is depending on each one of us to remain on the job until finished. There is no better way to reach the people of all classes than in the Ingathering work. Let us not be discouraged when we launch out in the Ingathering or any other campaign when things apparently seem dark. What one church can accomplish in times of distress, others by the Lord's help are able to do. We must not be discouraged, but work in order to accomplish what seems impossible. Remember there are no failures with God. When we trust in God and go forward, we shall see marvelous results.

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### Kansas Conference

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### Southwestern Kansas

DURING the month of November I made a tour of the Liberal, Dodge City, Garden City, Bazine, Nekoma, Bison, Shaffer, and Great Bend churches and Sabbath schools. This was my first visit to most of these churches. It was indeed a pleasure to meet with the people and to study God's word and work with them.

Church schools are being conducted at Liberal, Nekoma, and Bison. Miss Pearl Pride is conducting the school at Liberal, and has an enrolment of twenty. The school is nicely equipped, and good work is being done. Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Shafer are conducting the school at Nekoma. Their enrolment is only nine, but they have an interesting school. There are three students taking work above the eighth grade. At Shaffer, Mr. R. J. Geier is teaching his third year. A Parent-Teacher's meeting was held while I was

there. After the meeting, a sale of articles made by the students and patrons brought in over \$20 for the school. There are ten pupils enrolled at Shaffer.

At each of the schools I had an opportunity to promote the Junior Missionary Volunteer progressive membership plans. The juniors responded enthusiastically. There will probably be an investiture service for junior Friends at each school in the spring.

On this trip I attended Sabbath school at Liberal, Bazine, and Shaffer. I found at each place an earnest corps of officers and teachers. A splendid spirit of courage and faith is manifested in each of these churches. Perplexities and trials are present, it is true, but the people who know their God are pressing on, expecting final triumph. A. M. RAGSDALE.

### Meetings at Palco

OUR brethren and sisters here at Palco have been calling for meetings for some time, and final arrangements were made by Elder Wiest when he made his most recent visit to Palco. On my arrival to start these meetings, I found three revivals already in progress in this small town, so in counsel with the church we decided to postpone our meetings three weeks. In the meantime we organized for work. We also planned three health programs and gave them in the township hall. There was a splendid attendance. We also started a home hygiene class with Sister Omar Stidam, R. N., in charge. About twenty-five attended these classes.

Sunday, November 27, we began meetings in the township hall. The attendance has been good from the beginning. The second Sunday night of the meeting practically every seat was taken, so we feel greatly encouraged thus far. Last Wednesday I was asked to speak at the W. C. T. U. meeting. They seemed pleased with what I said and asked that I write the address out for the newspaper. And now they are planning a temperance rally to be given in one of the churches or in the hall, and have asked me to speak. Wednesday night the principal of the high school came to the hall and asked me to speak to the students at the high school auditorium Thursday morning. This I did, and judging from the way the students made the building ring at the close of the talk, and from the attendance they gave us at the hall that night, they were at least pleased. I was also asked to take the time at the home economics class from 10:30 to 12:00. Both divisions were called in. Sister Stidam assisted with a demonstration.

The newspaper has been very cooperative and has given us all the space we



wanted. I attended the Methodist revival Sunday morning and was invited into the pulpit and offered the opening and closing prayer. The minister announced our meetings from the pulpit.

Our brethren tell me that there is a lot of prejudice here, and perhaps there is, but I have not had time to look for it. I have enjoyed the work here immensely. The church is giving splendid cooperation. We solicit your prayers that God will give us a rich harvest of souls.

M. H. JENSEN.

### Kansas Items

THE Book and Bible House is very anxious to have all outstanding accounts paid in full before the records for the year are closed, which will be on December 31. We therefore hope that all church societies or individuals who owe anything at this time will send a check or money order for the full amount. Thank you.

Elder H. H. Humann has been spending most of the Week of Prayer with the churches in Rush and Marion counties. He plans to return to his home at Hillsboro the first of the week.

Wednesday morning, December 14, we received the sad news of the death of Sister William Schroder, who has been a member of the Shaffer church for many years. It was arranged for Elder Wiest to have charge of the funeral on Thursday afternoon, December 15. We extend our sincere sympathies to the family and relatives that mourn.

Elder T. H. Allison writes that three new members were added to the Kansas City colored church, Sabbath, December 10.

Brother A. A. Ragan, elder of the Wellington church, was brought to the Santa Fe Hospital in Topeka last week. At this writing he is getting along nicely and expects to go home soon.

Brother M. H. Jensen, who is holding a series of meetings at Palco, discontinued the night meetings on account of the cold weather. Since the weather has moderated, no doubt he will resume his meetings.

The Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course during the year 1933 is based upon the book entitled "The Making of a Teacher" (price, 95 cents), and upon the *Sabbath School Worker* (price 90 cents per year). The new book is now in stock, and we shall be pleased to receive your orders.

Elder E. H. Meyers, our field missionary secretary, returned Monday morning

from Mountain View, Calif., where he attended the bookmens' convention.

Elder C. S. Wiest returned to the office the first of the week from the western part of the state. He left again Wednesday noon to take charge of the Schroder funeral at Shaffer, and he expects to visit Enterprise and other points before returning to the office.

We still have a few of our camp meeting bargain Bibles in stock. Most are the regular pocket size. The retail price has been from \$5.00 to \$7.00, but we are offering them now at \$2.50 and \$5.50. These Bibles will make splendid holiday gifts for either young or old. Let us have your order now.

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### St. Paul English Sabbath School

ON SABBATH, December 3, it was my privilege to visit the English Sabbath school at St. Paul, and to enjoy one hour and fifteen minutes of well planned, well regulated, and carefully conducted Sabbath school work. The one item first observed was the presence of four or five visitors who were there as the result of cottage meetings held by the superintendent, Brother Provencher. The vocal selections rendered by two of these visitors was much enjoyed by all, and served as inspiration to the Sabbath school program. That the Sabbath school should be a soul-winning agency is accepted by all, I am confident. By the help of God you can make it a means in the hands of God whereby many may be led to the fountain of life and truth.

The report as rendered by Sister Mickelson was interesting. One hundred and ninety members were reported as having been present the previous Sabbath, and 150 of these had studied their lesson each day during the preceding week. One class had a perfect study record. I hope every member in the Sabbath schools of this conference will strive to have a perfect study record each day during 1933. We need to know our Bible better.

Investment returns as reported thus far for the St. Paul English Sabbath school amounted to \$120 with more yet to come in. It was reported that some still have articles to sell, such as tinfoil, canary birds, etc.

Investment reports as we glean them here and there are most encouraging and show that the Sabbath schools are hard at work in behalf of missions. May God bless the Sabbath school work every-

where. The school at Mankato, Sister Brown, the superintendent, tells me, has over \$80, more to come. I will be glad to receive definite reports from other schools. Keep the good work going.

A. A. DIRKSEN.

### Maplewood Notes

SUNDAY evening, December 4, Maplewood students and friends were entertained by a musicale under the direction of Mrs. Pettis. At least 125 were in the academy chapel for the occasion. She featured Miss Dorothy Aultfather, reader, and Mr. Milan Brown, baritone. A reading, "The Highwayman," by Miss Aultfather was especially well received.

Elder A. J. Haysmer, veteran worker and former president of the Minnesota Conference, visited the school from December 2 to 4. He spoke at the Friday evening and Sabbath services.

The Woden Club recently invited Ivan D. Long to speak to them at their Wednesday evening meeting. He recounted some interesting yarns concerning life on the Continental Divide in Colorado.

The same evening, December 7, the young ladies in the Crescit Eundo Club presented a program of two short dialogues, the first showing good manners in a lunchroom, the second showing poor manners. There was a marked contrast.

Elder Gulbrandson left Maplewood, Tuesday, December 5, for a council, under General Conference auspices, held at Chicago. Miss Hartzell took the Norse classes and Elder Edwardson, the Bible classes. He returned Friday, the 9th, reporting a strenuous but worth-while council.

### Minnesota Notes

HAVE you secured your Morning Watch Calendar for the new year, or your Home Missionary Calendar? A number of orders are being received at the office every day. If you have not sent in your order, you should do so at once and have your calendar when the year begins.

Word from Elder A. S. Anderson, of Duluth, states that the Duluth Scandinavian church are definitely planning on reaching their full goal of \$10 a member in the Harvest Ingathering. This will mean \$350 from this church. They are now well over \$300, and we are sure that they are going to accomplish their aim. We hope that other churches will be able to do likewise before the close of the year.

We are sure that our people will be



sorry to learn that Elder Rulkoetter is having an attack of influenza, and at this time is confined to his home. We hope that it will not be long before he can be able to be out and looking after his usual duties. It was necessary for him to cancel all his Week of Prayer appointments.

The workers are out in the field this week taking care of the Week of Prayer appointments. We hope that this week will mean much to our people throughout the conference.

The new book, "Making of a Teacher," for the Sabbath School Training Course for 1933 is now in stock. Sabbath school superintendents should order one at once so they will be familiar with the book and be able to start their training class on time. The price is 95 cents.

The interest at Elder Johns' effort in the Lake Harriet district continues good. A number of names have been received desiring literature. Also a number of families have requested Bible studies. We trust that our people will remember this effort in their prayers.

### No. Dakota Conference

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### Victory in the Manfred Church

"PRAISE waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion: . . . O thou that hearest prayer." We are confident that our REAPER family will rejoice with us to hear of the victory of our blessed Lord in our meetings held in the Manfred church from the 11th of November to the 6th of this month. Meetings were held both at the church and from house to house, and our heavenly Father visited His people with saving power from on high. Good weather made it possible to have a full house, and people came from all directions to hear the beautiful songs and God's word. The Lord honored His word with the presence of His Holy Spirit, and sinners were convicted and 41 souls took their stand for Jesus and His message. Many of the church members renewed their consecration, and 36 souls will be in the baptismal class to receive instructions preparatory for baptism. Hardened sinners broke down and are now a living testimony to the power of the message. O how we wish that all our people could have heard their testimonies of God's grace to save. It was heart touching to hear whole families rejoice for the first time in God's mercy and truth.

Our people at Manfred had to bring a

great sacrifice to make these meetings possible. Many of them had to use the cream check, which was to be used for house needs, to buy gasoline to drive to church, and some had to walk to get to the meetings. We cannot forget the earnest prayers of God's people during the meetings which brought the victory, and we hope that our dear people in other churches will follow this worthy example, for God will reward it.

The Manfred church is blessed with many young people and much talent, which talent served in the services in a soul-winning way. We want to thank our brethren, Gust Meier and August Heitzmann, for the splendid service they rendered during the meetings in making the song service a success. The greatest day of these meetings was on the last Sabbath of our meetings. All joined in a praise-giving testimony.

The membership of the Sabbath school increased from 68 to 115, and the present prospects may bring their membership up to 125. As we think of this victory we join the Psalmist in saying: "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake." Special plans were laid to continue the good work and to help those who gave their lives to the Lord to become strong. We ask the prayers of the REAPER family for these new believers and for the work of God in our field.

F. F. SCHWINDT,  
AUGUST HEITZMANN.

### News Notes from S. R. A.

SABBATH morning Elder Winter spoke on Luke 2:49. Christ, at the age of twelve, was about His Father's business. Every child has some ability.

Professor and Mrs. Winter and Eugène came to North Dakota from Seattle, Wash. Professor Winter is our new Bible teacher. He spent several years as a missionary in Mexico.

Professor Newman's helpful and interesting study last Friday night on the subject of "Traps" was greatly appreciated by the students. The pitfalls of youth and their consequence were very graphically pictured. As the service closed, the prayer in every heart was, "Oh Lord, keep me from the traps by the wayside."

We were pleased to have as our guests for several days during the Week of Prayer, Gordon Smith and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Bietz. We enjoyed hearing Gordon Smith talk during chapel hour Monday and Tuesday. He offered a challenge to the youth of today that they make of themselves real true men and women. He reminded us that Christ was only twelve

when He told His mother, "Wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business?" Even so in our modern age should the youth realize that each of us has duties to perform for the Master.

The members of the girls' dormitory gave Mrs. Zumbaum a birthday surprise December 12. We all gathered in the parlor, and there enjoyed a short program and refreshments. We wish Mrs. Zumbaum, our matron, many more happy birthdays.

Miriam Oswald was the guest of Jesse Detrech at Hurdsfield during the past week-end.

### Nebraska Conference

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### Resources Within Our Reach

AT a meeting of teachers not long ago a man well along in years said, "I wish I could tell you how I do long to help my boys. I never in all my life felt the great need of something in my own soul and heart that I could give out to those in my class as I do now. I am now more truly than ever before a learner. I wish you would help me with your prayers and suggestions." No teacher whose heart is in his work but has felt the same longing to receive that which could be transformed into life and character in the hearts of those who sit before him Sabbath after Sabbath. Indeed is not this the appeal of every man and woman who really longs to do soul-winning service for the Master? It is most encouraging to see the teachers in our Sabbath schools today reaching out after new and better methods of doing their work. Men and women are putting their very lives into their service.

A long time ago one of God's most worthy servants, whose eyes could pierce the mists and the clouds about him and who longed that a young man who was his companion might have a similar vision, asked God very earnestly that the eyes of his friend might be opened, so that he might catch something of the glories of the heavenly host round about him. The prayer of this servant was answered.

Can we doubt that just as wonderful a thing would be done for every teacher whose soul is so enraptured with the possibilities of his work that he would lift up his whole soul in a great cry to God for guidance? When we want much, much is given us. If we put much of ourselves into our work, far more of power and



wisdom will be bestowed upon us than we have ever dreamed of.

The 1933 Sabbath School Training Course will be of invaluable help to every one who desires to become an efficient soul-winning teacher or leader in the Sabbath school. "The Making of a Teacher" and the *Sabbath School Worker* are the materials needed for this course. Every school, whether large or small, should have the benefit of this excellent help.

ANN S. TAYLOR.

MISS IRMA DEANE McMAHON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. McMahon, of Wilsonville, Nebr., was married to Charles Frederick Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lee, of Marsland, Nebr., Thanksgiving afternoon, November 24, at the home of the bride's parents. Elder B. M. Garton, of Seward, Nebr., read the service. The bridal couple left by motor for a wedding trip, and at its conclusion will reside on a farm north of Wilsonville, Nebr.

### Colorado Conference

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### Colorado Items

READERS of the REAPER will be grieved to learn of the death of Elder M. A. Altman, of Colorado Springs. Funeral services were held in Colorado Springs Wednesday, December 14. Detailed obituary will appear later.

Elders J. F. Piper, J. L. Shaw, Brethren C. Conard, S. J. Lashier, and E. G. Fulton called at the office last week en route to Boulder to attend a sanitarium board meeting.

Mrs. N. J. Fitzmorris is recovering from a very severe case of pneumonia at the Porter Sanitarium. We sincerely trust that she will be very much improved by the time these items go to press.

Miss Lura Wilbourn spent a few days in the Porter Sanitarium last week, where she went for treatment.

The union Week or Prayer meetings in the West Denver church are being well attended in spite of severe weather and much sickness. Special prayer bands meet each evening at 7:00 o'clock, followed by the reading and a short Bible study. A splendid spirit prevails.

Elder E. L. Pingenot spent Tuesday night, December 13, with the Trinidad church.

Mrs. B. M. Grandy, who recently un-

derwent an operation at the Boulder Sanitarium, is reported as improving nicely.

Elder Jay J. Nethery spent Sabbath, December 10, with the Grand Junction church on his return from Mountain View, Calif.

Elder F. L. Perry, of Glendale, Calif., is spending a few days in Colorado in the interest of the Spanish work. He spent Sabbath and Sunday, December 10 and 11, in Denver, then went into the San Luis Valley, where he will counsel with W. A. Wolcott, teacher in our Spanish mission school at Las Mesitas.

Miss Ada Marie Mohling was recently married to Mr. James Elmer Pearce at Great Falls, Mont. Mr. and Mrs. Pearce are making their home in Great Falls. The bride formerly was connected with the Crestone Heights Sanitarium at Colorado Springs, Colo.

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### Colman

ON November 25 the writer met with the Colman church, in which a two weeks' series of meetings was started. On the following Monday he was joined by Elder Gorden Oss. There was a very good attendance from the beginning, both of the church members and people not of our faith. The members were very active in doing missionary work, and a great blessing was realized by all. Some of the members who live twenty-five miles from the church came almost every night and brought a load of people with them.

Both doctrinal and spiritual subjects were presented, pointing out the nearness of the end and our great need of consecrating our lives to God for service. As a result of the meetings, many who are not of this faith were convinced that it is the truth of God and are under deep conviction, while six definitely took their stand for the truth. On December 11 the six who had made their decision to serve God, with many members of the Colman church, motored to Sioux Falls, where they motored with some members of the Sioux Falls church who desired baptism. All met at the Y. M. C. A. While we stood at the water's edge, Elder Oss read from God's word the meaning of the sacred rite of baptism, after which the writer offered prayer. Then thirteen were buried in baptism by Elder Kuehl.

Dear reader, will you not win some soul for Christ in your neighborhood?

L. L. McKINLEY.

### Obituaries

ECHWARDS.—Frank Echwards was born Oct. 18, 1871. He lived in the vicinity of Topeka as a young man. In 1901 he was united in marriage to Mary Reed. To this union were born six children. He and his family lived in Manhattan, Kans., and vicinity for 22 years.

His death occurred Dec. 5, 1932, at Topeka, after a long and lingering illness. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Echwards, of Manhattan, and his six children. There are also four grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

A. C. GRIFFIN.

LEMONS.—Mrs. M. E. Lemons after a long illness fell asleep in Colorado Springs, Colo., on Thanksgiving Day, 1932. She had been a church member since early youth and a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church for more than forty years. Six of her eight living children were present when she passed away. Her husband and two children preceded her in death. Sister Lemons was 84 years old. She was buried at Colorado Springs, where a brief service was conducted by the writer.

R. W. BROWN.

MAYFIELD.—Sarah E. Mavfield was born in 1849 in Paris, Ill., and moved to Nebraska in 1892, where she since made her home. Her husband preceded her to rest after 30 years of married life. One child was born to this union which died in early age. Mrs. Mavfield was a devoted member of the Seventh-day Advent church for more than 23 years. She fell asleep in the blessed hope of a part in the first resurrection, December 7, 1932, and was laid to rest in the West Lawn Cemetery in Omaha, Nebr.

T. M. LANGBERG.

NELSON.—Anna Kathina-Nelson was born in Sjeland, Denmark, July 2, 1841, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Fisher, Plainview, Nebr., Nov. 22, 1932. She accepted present truth fifty-five years ago, and remained faithful unto the day of her death. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. L. E. Fisher and Mrs. L. J. Amm, both of Plainview, and one son Lewis Nelson, of Omaha. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

ATWATER.—Albert Charles Atwater, was born at Kelloogsville, Ohio, Jan. 4, 1881, and died in Hastings, Nebr., Sept. 21, 1933.

He was united in marriage to Stella M. Johnson, at Romburg, Ore., on Sept. 1, 1910. Four children were born to this union, all of whom survive their father.

After their marriage, Brother and Sister Atwater have resided in and near Hastings. He took a course in nursing at the Nebraska Sanitarium in Hastings, passed the state board examination in 1918, and has spent the most of his time since in nursing. He was considered one of the best male nurses in Adams County. His



tender care and words of kindness brought cheer and encouragement to many a sufferer.

In early life he was affiliated with the Baptist church. In later years he became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church of Hastings. He was always faithful, and a loyal supporter of Christianity in every way.

He leaves his wife, three daughters, one son, one sister, and one half-brother. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.  
S. G. HAUGHEY.

HOOPER.—William Albert Hoover was born in Lexington, Ky., July 2, 1863; died near Holton, Kans., Nov. 23, 1932. Brother Hoover was united in marriage in 1893

to Miss Nora B. Hass, to which union were born two children, Alta, now Mrs. R. C. Baker, and Earl Hoover, both of Seattle, Wash. He was a faithful member of the Holton Seventh-day Adventist church. He leaves to mourn, his wife and two children.  
C. S. WIEST.

ROBINSON.—Emogene Robinson was born near Madison, Wis., Oct. 26, 1860, and died at Boulder, Colo., Oct. 9, 1932. She moved with her parents to Red Cloud, Nebr., in 1871. On Nov. 13, 1884, she was married to John T. Robinson, to which union were born two sons and one daughter who, with one grandson, are left to mourn. Her husband preceded her in death, June 17, 1926.

Mrs. Robinson was a member of the Boulder church for 25 years, and passed away in the hope of the soon return of the Saviour. She was laid to rest beside her husband in the Green Mountain Cemetery.  
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	Bk.	Hrs.	Ord.	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
<b>MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Field Missionary Secretary</b>							
E. C. Aaby	OD	30	4	10.00	4.25	14.25	9.25
W. A. Burton	DR	21	6	30.50	10.50	41.00	1.25
Bennice DesMukes	OT	19	7	35.00	.....	35.00	8.00
Marguerite DesMukes	OT	17	3	15.00	.....	15.00	5.25
Mrs. L. Erickson	RJ	10	.....	.....	6.00	6.00	1.50
W. E. Helt	PP	31	2	9.00	1.50	10.50	6.00
Sallie Holmes	HW	27	4	13.00	8.95	21.95	.....
Georgia Kemp	HP	5	2	15.00	.....	15.00	.....
*Henry L. Lane	BR	24	3	13.50	6.00	19.50	25.75
Luvada Lockhart	HP	6	3	16.50	.....	16.50	.....
Floyd Mathews	BR	44	4	22.50	3.00	25.50	.....
S. A. Minear	RJ	.....	.....	.....	2.75	2.75	10.00
Maynard Walker	HW	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. J. W. Gardner	Mag.	22	.....	.....	13.15	13.15	13.15
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag.	9	.....	.....	5.25	5.25	5.25
<b>Total</b>		<b>266</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>180.00</b>	<b>61.35</b>	<b>241.35</b>	<b>126.00</b>
<b>IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary</b>							
G. A. Shelton	BR	43	10	47.00	.....	47.00	.....
H. G. Biggers	Misc.	36	.....	.....	22.00	22.00	6.00
M. A. Wyman	RJ	26	4	12.00	10.69	22.69	.....
Robert Garber	RJ	35	.....	.....	21.50	21.50	.....
Carl Edwards	RJ	34	1	5.00	15.50	20.50	2.00
Elmer Cox	OD	37	4	10.00	7.50	17.50	3.50
Anna Hanson	BR	24	.....	.....	5.75	5.75	1.50
A Colporteur	Crisis	24	.....	.....	3.25	3.25	8.50
Elva Wilcox	OD	14	.....	.....	2.80	2.80	4.15
Genevieve Quinn	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.75
Mrs. A. Snovel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.75
<b>Total</b>		<b>273</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>74.00</b>	<b>88.99</b>	<b>162.99</b>	<b>32.15</b>
<b>MINNESOTA: M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary</b>							
B. O. Engen	Bibles	37	.....	.....	16.20	16.20	18.55
Karl Evenson	BR	.....	.....	.....	5.50	5.50	94.75
Mrs. G. M. Johnson	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	8.79	8.79	8.79
Carrie E. Powers	Mag.	.....	.....	.....	4.80	4.80	4.80
†Jacob Skadsheim	Misc.	60	.....	.....	30.00	30.00	30.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>97</b>	.....	.....	<b>65.29</b>	<b>65.29</b>	<b>156.89</b>
<b>NEBRASKA: R. J. Roy, Field Missionary Secretary</b>							
Chivela Jorstad	DR	30	1	3.75	2.50	6.25	.....
Abel Larson	RJ	19	.....	.....	8.20	8.20	1.50
John Ogren	OD	25	2	5.00	8.50	13.50	.....
G. R. Starr	HP	30	.....	.....	6.25	6.25	.....
<b>Total</b>		<b>104</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8.75</b>	<b>25.45</b>	<b>34.20</b>	<b>1.50</b>
<b>*WYOMING: D. W. Gahagan, Field Missionary Secretary</b>							
Orpha Edgerton	BP	13	1	1.50	.25	1.75	21.25
C. Jarrett	DR	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.75
M. Pitchford	DR	22	1	4.50	5.00	9.50	31.50
H. I. Smith	BR	6	.....	.....	5.25	5.25	22.00
Margaret Jarrett	DA	30	.....	.....	3.70	3.70	2.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>79</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6.00</b>	<b>15.20</b>	<b>21.20</b>	<b>60.50</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>819</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>268.75</b>	<b>256.28</b>	<b>425.03</b>	<b>377.04</b>

\*Two weeks.

†Four weeks.



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### Oak Park Investiture

AN UNUSUAL and enjoyable event at Oak Park Academy recently was the investing of about sixty candidates with Missionary Volunteer memberships.

Under the leadership of Mr. Nixon and Mrs. Culver, assisted by other members of the faculty, these students have been working out the requirements for Friend, Companion, or Comrade Junior Missionary Volunteer membership. Several of the faculty and one student applied for Master Comrade senior membership.

The chapel platform was arranged as a campfire scene, the candidates sitting around in their class groups.

Sponsors from the Master Comrade group introduced the others. An interpretation of the character and service ideals of the Junior Pledge and Law was followed by practical demonstrations of the methods and uses of several knots, recitations of Bible memory selections, and exhibits of work in nature classes. Master Comrades contributed an interesting series of star studies and first-aid demonstrations.

The candidates were accepted by the union Missionary Volunteer secretary, who presented the challenge of loyalty and unselfish service.

Elder Nixon presented the class pins as each candidate came forward bearing a lighted candle—blue, red, or old gold, harmonizing with the class colors—as a symbol of spiritual light and willing service as a member of the Missionary Volunteers.

Each group was welcomed into the class fellowship by a former member. Elder Nixon extended a welcome to the Master Comrades.

An honor court was held to present vocational honor tokens to the new members. Many reading course and Bible year certificates were also presented.

The evening closed with a special junior loyalty song and consecration of the class to their pledge.

The class appreciated sincerely the arrangements by the academy; administration making it possible for nature classes to do efficient work. They were fortunate also in receiving instruction in nature by

a member of the university faculty at Ames, Iowa.

The high standards of character, fellowship, efficiency, and service embodied in the high progressive Missionary Volunteer classes are worthy of a sincere effort to bring every junior and senior youth into contact with them.

GORDON H. SMITH.

### A Great Forward Movement in Our Periodical Ministry

ONE of the most far-reaching of the actions taken at the Autumn Council, in Battle Creek, was the resolution calling for a mighty forward movement in the distribution of our monthly missionary periodical, *The Watchman* magazine.

Expressing their faith in our people, and in our ability to carry on a consistent year-round soul-winning endeavor with *The Watchman*, the General Conference Committee voted that a goal of 100,000 copies a month be set for the United States, and that each conference and church assume a proportionate share of that goal.

Believing this action on the part of our brethren points to a day of larger things for *The Watchman*, the publishers are happy to announce that they are reducing the single copy price to 10 cents a copy, retail; 4 cents a copy to the seller. The subscription price changes to \$1.00 a year with 50% discount to colporteurs. These prices take effect on the January number, now ready.

"Many can engage in the work of selling our periodicals," says the Spirit of Prophecy, "Counsels on Health," p. 435. "Thus they can earn means for the work in foreign fields while sowing seeds of truth in the byways and hedges of the home field. Such labor will be blessed of God and will not be done in vain."

In every church there are those whose hearts should respond to this stirring appeal for soul-winning service. The new low price on *The Watchman* places its gospel within the reach of every purse. It is a price in keeping with the times.

The same high standards of editorial leadership will be maintained as heretofore. The magazine goes forward in condensed form but with the same staff and with the same mighty gospel message. The prayers and efforts of God's people everywhere are solicited that this mighty soul-winning journal may through this new program, become an even mightier agency in giving the last warning message that "certain sound."

If you have not recently seen *The Watchman*, be sure to get one or more copies of the new January issue. In lots

of 10 or more copies, 4 cents each. Order through your Book and Bible House.

L. L. SKINNER.

### Caribbean Union

(Continued from page 1)

Over into Dutch Guiana the colporteur went. We thought Dutch Guiana was an unentered part of our field. But no, within two weeks an air mail letter came back saying, "We have found thirteen people down here keeping the Sabbath. If a worker could be sent here in a short time a church of twenty could be organized." Later they found in that place Miss Reed, who had with her mother been keeping the Sabbath for about two years. How did she learn the Sabbath truth? Simply by reading and studying her Bible. The Holy Spirit has led her "into all truth," for when questioned closely she was found to be well informed on all points of doctrine. Only two months before she had gone to the only minister in her city that practiced baptism by immersion and had asked to be baptized, saying at the same time that she was observing the seventh day Sabbath. He refused to baptize her because of this, but she felt confident that God would send some one who would baptize her with the understanding that she could keep the Sabbath. And how happy she was to get in touch with Seventh-day Adventists.

In Trinidad last year about two hundred souls were won as the result of the effort conducted by Elder Millard and Brother Coon in Port-of-Spain, the capital.

In Barbados, over two hundred were won as a result of the efforts there. Miracles were seen at the time of baptisms. One woman whose case seemed hopeless was carried into the water, and after a fervent prayer in behalf of her healing, she was baptized, and then walked out of the water. For more than a year now she has walked about a mile to Sabbath school each week.

Many are called upon to sacrifice all when they accept the truth. There are the two sisters, Marie and Rolande Dumar, in Martinique, who were driven from their home when they decided to cast their lot with the people of God. There is Sister Bolinois also who suffered the same lot. But they are willing to lose all that they might have eternal life.

The record shows 865 baptisms in the Caribbean Union during 1931, and this is nearly double the record of any previous year. The first six months of this year, 533 baptisms have been reported, and for the year ending June 30, 1932, the net gain in membership in our union was 949.

M. D. HOWARD.