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Soul Winning in the Philippine Islands

HEARTENING is the word that comes from many parts of the world concerning the activities of our church members in missionary work. This report from J. H. McEachern, publishing and home missionary secretary of the Far Eastern Division, regarding the work of our people in the Philippine Islands is good news from a far country, and ought to be a real stimulus to our people in the home field:

"Most encouraging of all is the laymen's missionary movement. I have been out on a recent tour through the Philippine Islands in company with Pastor Bergherm, conducting lay preachers' institutes. It is truly remarkable how these humble men are being called by the Spirit of God from the rice fields and from common walks of life, and after a little training take their Bibles and go forth holding cottage meetings and even tent efforts. They preach this message with clearness, conviction, and power,

and souls by the scores are surrendering to the truth and being received into the church through baptism.

"It has been my privilege to be with the directors of missions at several of these baptisms. These converts that are won by the laity are very carefully examined as to their knowledge of the doctrines of the message and also their experience in Christ. And no one can deny them baptism, because they give full evidence of being full-fledged Seventh-day Adventists.

"Apparently, we are in the time of the latter rain when, as has been foretold, hundreds and thousands would go from door to door opening the word of God to the people. This helps wonderfully in making up for the shortage in funds, as we are having more baptisms now with less money, due to the deeper consecration that is coming upon our lay members."

M. E. KERN.

the passing of the time in 1844, searched for the truth as for hidden treasure. I met with them, and we studied and prayed earnestly. Often we remained together until late at night, and sometimes through the entire night, praying for light and studying the word. Again and again these brethren came together to study the Bible, in order that they might know its meaning, and be prepared to teach it with power. When they came to the point in their study where they said,

Horses, Cattle, and Other Things Are Sometimes Lost because We Withhold from God

"THOSE who are selfishly withholding their means, need not be surprised if God's hand scatters. That which should have been devoted to the advancement of the work and cause of God, but which has been withheld, may be intrusted to a reckless son, and he may squander it. A fine horse, the pride of a vain heart, may be found dead in the stable. Occasionally a cow may die. Losses of fruit or other crops may come. God can scatter the means He has lent to His stewards, if they refuse to use it to His glory. Some, I saw, may have none of these losses to remind them of their remissness in duty, but their cases may be the more helpless."—"Testimonies," Vol. 2, p. 661, par. 2.

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Beware of False Prophets

In I John 4:1 the Lord says: "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God; because many false prophets are gone out into the world." Earnest heed should be given to this warning and counsel from the Lord lest we should place confidence in those who may be false prophets, yet honest and sincere. Satan is so cunning and deceitful that he may make men and women feel they are called of God to be a successor to Sister White, when God has made no such provision and has not called them to any such work.

In Hosea 12:13 we read: "By a prophet the Lord brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he preserved."

Moses was the man called of God to lead the people in the Exodus Movement. He journeyed with them almost to the river Jordan, but did not enter the Promised Land. He died and God called Joshua, a statesman and warrior, not a prophet, to be a successor to lead the people over the Jordan into the Promised Land (Joshua 1:1,2).

The instruction which Moses had written in the first five books of the Bible was to be their guide (Joshua 1:7,8).

These experiences of Israel were examples for us who are living in these last days. When God started the Advent movement, He raised up a prophetess, Mrs. E. G. White, through whom He has sent instruction to guide us on our way to heaven. Sister White, before her death, wrote out the counsel given her of God for us. She says: "Many of our people do not realize how firmly the foundation of our faith has been laid. My husband, Elder Joseph Bates, Father Pierce, Elder Edson, and others who were keen, noble, and true, were among those who, after

'We can do nothing more,' the Spirit of the Lord would come upon me, I would be taken off in vision, and a clear explanation of the passages we had been studying would be given me, with instruction as to how we were to labor and teach effectively. Thus light was given that helped us to understand the scriptures in regard to Christ, His mission, and His priesthood. A line of truth extending from that time to the time when we shall enter the city of God, was made plain to me, and I gave to others the

instruction that the Lord had given me."—*Series B, No. 2, p. 56.* We, today, should study this instruction as Joshua and Israel studied the writings of Moses if we would come off victorious at last and enter the Promised Land.

Now, is not someone to be raised up to succeed Sister White? A number of people throughout the world are laboring under this impression and sending messages to the leaders of the denomination of today. Others no doubt will arise, and these self-deceived ones may not only lose their own souls, but lead others astray as well. Before Sister White died a number of individuals had arisen and were presenting their claims. In 1907, in writing to a brother regarding one such sister, Mrs. White said, "I received and read your recent letter. Regarding this sister who thinks that she has been chosen to fill the position that Sister White has occupied, I have this to say: She may be honest, but she is certainly deceived.

"Abundant light has been given to our people in these last days. Whether or not my life is spared, my writings will constantly speak, and their work will go forward as long as time shall last." This was printed in the *General Conference Bulletin*, June 1, 1913, page 220.

In making a statement regarding the Spirit of prophecy at this same General Conference, W. C. White, son of Mrs. E. G. White, said: "Repeatedly people write to her [meaning Sister White] and some come long distances to visit her, and some bring their friends to her, with the belief and confidence that God has selected them or their friends, as the case may be, to take up the work which the Lord has committed to her, when she lays it down. Some think that they are to take it at her death; others think that the time has come already, and they have full confidence that when they come into her presence, she will recognize them, and that she will tell them that the Lord has shown her that they are the ones. But in every case she has been obliged to tell them, 'The Lord has given me no such command.'"—*General Conference Bulletin*, June 1, 1913, p. 219.

"Those who have received the light of present truth should not be easily deceived, and readily led astray from the true path into strange paths. The watchmen are to be wide awake to discern the outcome of all spurious reading, for serious errors will be brought in to lead the people of God astray."—*Sermon by Mrs. E. G. White to the General Conference, Takoma Park, D. C., May 24, 1905.*

Reader, let us be careful that we are not deceived by the talks, sermons, articles, or books presented by the deluded souls who think they are called of God when they are not. "If a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." Gal. 6:3.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

Ingathering in Nebraska

SEWARD has reached the Ingathering goal! It is the first one over the top this year. One sister who is new in the faith was one of the first to reach her goal. Her husband opposed her strongly, and refused to let her have the car. She started out on foot in the country, and before she returned home she had \$11. It was one of those hottest days of the late summer. She had never gone out with anyone else, but was determined to do her part. She brought inspiration to the church. Can we not all do as well?

All over the state there seems to be a wonderful spirit of willingness on the part of our believers. Places where last year very little was done, are working hard this year. A good number already have as much as their total last year came to. Several churches after the Ingathering program took pledges from the members who would promise to reach their goal, and got a hundred per cent response. Surely the time is come when we must expect wonders of God, and when we can put ourselves in His hands to be used in a wonderful way.

There is one great danger, and that is in delaying the Ingathering work. It is so easy to agree that before the campaign is over you will reach your goal, and then just put it off and put it off till it is late, then make a couple of spasmodic efforts, and with a partial reward, resign yourself to accept the little that comes in as sufficient. I doubt if there is a member in the church who would not get the Ingathering goal if he were fully convinced that his life depended on it. To know that it can be done, and not do it, is to admit a terrible and unexcusable indifference. Let not such a sin be laid at your door, dear reader. There is blessing in this work.

The total received to September 16 should be \$5,286. The total reported up to that date is \$1,462.63. That is about fifty per cent better for the end of the second week than last year. The figures for the end of the second week last year were some \$935. Let us rejoice in this evidence of the blessing of God, and joyfully press on till we have gone into

every home in the state with this good work.

It must be that many churches are not yet working. If we continue at this rate, at the end of the seven weeks we will have only \$4,995.27. Do we want to finish in seven weeks, or go on till the end of the year? It can be done in seven weeks. One dollar a week for each member is not impossible, nor unreasonable.

The privilege of giving out the *Present Truth* is a great help. One feels real satisfaction in doing the work, when he can leave such a good paper. There are more of these in the office for the churches where there are not sufficient. Now is the time to get them.

Country territory is proving very fruitful. One farmer gave us five bushels of potatoes. Another gave three and a half bushels of wheat. Another gave a big sack of corn. All of these had no money to give. Let us never feel that we have worked our territory till we have gone over all the country around us. These dear people have not been visited so much as the city people, and are very friendly and willing. R. J. ROY.

Shelton Academy News Notes

THE school family and a large number of visitors from neighboring churches gathered on the campus in front of the main building Sabbath, September 23, to witness the baptism of sixteen precious souls. Fourteen of these were young people of the school. The other two were Brother and Sister Todd, of Waverly, Nebr., who accepted the truth as a result of our theater effort in York two years ago.

Our present enrolment is 88, with prospects of a few more coming in soon. This is a considerable increase over last year's enrolment at this time.

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Elder O. A. Tait and Elder T. B. Westbrook spent Sabbath, September 30, at the academy in the interest of Testimony study.

Two barrels of varnish were used before school opened on the academy's oak floors, which made them look like new.

One of the large rooms in the basement of the boys' dormitory is being repaired for dormitory use, on account of the crowded conditions in the boys' dormitory.

The cannery has been running full time, and thousands of cans of corn and tomatoes have been packed. We expect to use up the entire carload of cans purchased at the beginning of the season.

The boys have just completed hauling the second carload of coal that we are putting in the bins, because of prospects of a rise in price.

Eighteen head of cattle have been taken in on accounts recently.

A larger water softener was taken in on an account last week.

The academy has a twenty-piece orchestra this year.

R. G. Stretter and A. F. Kirk, two of our board members, attended our opening exercises Monday evening.

We are again beginning the school year with a week of prayer. At the Wednesday evening meeting there was a hundred-per-cent response from the student body to a call for reconsecration. Eleven boys and girls have joined the baptismal class. G. E. HUTCHES.

teachers and students seem very enthusiastic, and we are looking forward to a good school year. The enrolment is very encouraging.

Mrs. G. M. Mathews is at present visiting her parents and other relatives and friends in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Professor C. W. Marsh, of the union educational department, accompanied Elder Nethery to Grand Junction Thursday, September 21.

Iowa Conference

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The Master's Voice

If the lessons given by the Master were important 2,000 years ago, how much more important they ought to be to those today who are living in the very close of earth's history. "A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work today in my vineyard. He answered and said, I will not; but afterward he repented, and went. And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir; and went not. Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you." Matt. 21:28-31.

How many in the remnant church have listened to the still, small voice of God and have deep down in their heart said, "I should go," but have not gone. Many will put it off too long. The Master will say, "It is finished." Then they will say, "The harvest is ended, the summer is past, and we are not saved." My brother, sister, if you hear the Master's voice, saying, "This is the way, walk ye in it," harden not your heart. The servant of God has told us that where there is one canvasser in the field there should be 100. And this is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time. The Lord says, in John 7:38 (A. R. X.): "He that believeth on me, from him shall flow rivers of living waters." Do you believe? If so, you are giving to others. Read Revelation 21:8, then ask God to forgive you and to fill your heart with a love for others. Who wait? Write today about the Family Set: "Marked Bible," "Hero Tales," "Steps to Christ," "Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing," and "Buried Treasure"; cloth bound, formerly sold for \$5.00, now

selling for \$2.50 for set of five books. Sell them to your neighbors and friends. Such books at such a price! Why not be a full-time worker? Institute time will soon be here—ten days of training. If you hear the voice of God speaking to your heart, be sure to write me. L. P. KNECHT,
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Nevada, Iowa.

A Word of Greeting

THE weeks have indeed been crowded with work since I landed in the Iowa Conference, and I am a little late in passing along my greetings to the people, and especially to the young people of the conference. But I can assure you that no time has been lost or energy reserved in putting things in motion, especially in the lining up of schools for their opening. I am glad to tell you that all the old schools are operating, and two new schools have been organized. Perhaps there are other places that feel even yet that they would like to consider starting a school, and if there should be any such, I can assure you I will be more than glad to come and assist you.

It has been a pleasure indeed to come in contact with our loyal people in Iowa, and I can tell you that I feel very much at home among you, and trust that the Lord will make our work together a mutual blessing.

We are in the Harvest Ingathering work, and certainly hope that the young people will consider that they are responsible for their part this year as in the past. I wish to congratulate you on the work that you have done in the past years, not only in the Harvest Ingathering, but in every line of endeavor. It is inspiring to me, and I trust that the Lord will give us even greater blessings this year, for truly the harvest of the earth is ripe.

If there are any particular problems that you think I can help you solve, please let me know and I shall give your request my personal attention.

K. L. GANT.

Sioux City

THE members of the Sioux City church are endeavoring to make the "We do our part" of the National Recovery Act a reality in carrying out the program of the church.

Sioux City is proud of its church school. In spite of the distressing times and the uncertain outlook, the church as one united body has proved by its actions that it believes in Christian education for its youth. The school has an enrol-

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Field Gleanings

CHURCH schools in Colorado are starting off nicely. A complete list of the schools and teachers will appear later.

Sunday night services are now being conducted in the North Side church, 39th and Shoshone Streets, Denver, by Elder G. W. Anglebarger. Any of our people visiting in the city would be most welcome at these services.

Our people will be interested to know that we now have a complete church directory for the United States and Canada, giving the names and addresses of all our churches, time of services, etc. This little book is vest-pocket size. It is just off the press, and sells for only 25¢.

School work at Denver Junior Academy is well under way. Both

ment of about 50 students. Monthly pledges from members of the church are sufficient to cover the salary of the teachers. Calvin Gordon, a graduate of Union College, has charge of the ninth and tenth grades. There are sixteen students in these two grades who would have to attend high school if the ninth and tenth grades were not provided for. Many of these students are working part time and saving their money so they can finish their course at Oak Park. No student who is financially or otherwise able to attend Oak Park Academy is admitted to the ninth or tenth grade in the church school. Olga Almskog and LaMerne Walker Christensen are the lower grade teachers.

The church members have pledged themselves to do their part in the Harvest Ingathering. Every day members can be seen in the city and out of the city gathering in funds for the needy missions. Singing bands do their part, not only in gathering funds, but in giving the message in song.

The Sunday night meetings in the church were discontinued at the beginning of camp meeting. Since our return we have received a large number of requests from interested people that the meetings continue. The requests will be granted and our Sunday night meetings will begin October 1. Our radio broadcasting over KSCJ is a splendid medium of advertising our meetings in the church. We broadcast every Tuesday morning at nine o'clock, and we would greatly appreciate a card from all who have heard us. Send the card to KSCJ, Sioux City, and it will assist in making our broadcasts possible. These broadcasts are not costing us anything except time and talent.

There remains a great work to be done in the larger cities. Pray that God may use us and give us wisdom to carry forward His work in a fruitful and economical way in this part of the harvest field.

J. R. NELSON, *Pastor.*

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Good Examples

OUR church elder at the Lebanon church, although busy as a carpenter, took time to hold a little series of meetings. As a result one man has already accepted the Sabbath truth and another man is on the verge of a decision. Upon visiting the man last mentioned, he said,

"I'll come to your Sabbath school. I know it will cause a revolution among some others, but I don't care." The elder of this church, Brother Trueblood, and his wife have set a good example which others can and should follow.

Brother and Sister Carter, of this same church, have been approaching a neighbor with the truth and find some response. Last Sabbath this family came twenty-five miles to hear my sermon on the signs of Christ's coming. We are glad to see our members thus burdened for their neighbors. Efforts for them will bring results.

E. H. MEYERS.

Five for Five

I JUST learned that one of our brethren in Kansas, after sending the *Present Truth* for a year to five families, had the joy of seeing five people out of the group accept the truth later when a worker held some meetings. In some of the five homes no one accepted the message, but five subscriptions were mailed and five persons found the truth. How would you like to have such an experience? The *Present Truth* subscription costs 25 cents a year.

E. H. MEYERS.

Enterprise Academy

AT the close of recent meetings held by Mr. A. M. Ragsdale teachers and students were free to express their appreciation of the meetings and the spiritual help given. The boys' prayer bands meet on Tuesday evening at the worship hour.

The students of Enterprise Academy are working hard for their paper, *The Student Forum*. The school has been divided into three bands. The leaders are Paulena Conness, Ernest Seltman, and LeRoy Wheeler.

The fourth cutting of alfalfa is being put in the barn.

Mr. Bietz and the boys began harvesting the broom corn September 27.

Enterprise Academy shows an increase in enrolment over a year ago. It is not yet too late for you to enroll at Enterprise.

Elder and Mrs. Rulkoetter, and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Nethery and daughter, Genevieve, visited the school September 20.

The academy dairy herd has been on test for one year. The record for the year shows that the herd of sixteen cows averaged 346.1 pounds of butterfat per cow.

Some broom manufacturing machinery was recently purchased by the school. It

was placed in one of the rooms of the manual training building and we will soon be ready to begin the production of brooms.

Under the supervision of Brother Millar, of Wichita, Kans., the trees on the campus have been pruned. It improves the looks of the trees considerably.

Remember there is still time to enroll at Enterprise.

Kansas Items

BROTHER M. H. JENSEN reports excellent cottage meetings at McPherson. This new company has already raised \$25 Harvest Ingathering money.

In spite of the fact that brethren in the drouth-stricken area in which Rush County is located were tempted not to try Harvest Ingathering this year, we have received the report that one individual who made fourteen calls had only two refusals and received \$9.00. How is that for the drouth-stricken area?

Sister A. A. Epps, an elderly sister at Minneapolis, writes: "The Lord is blessing our Harvest Ingathering. I have more than doubled my goal and expect to do all I can."

Elder A. S. Bringle spent Sabbath, September 23, at Junction City organizing the church for Harvest Ingathering. He also reports securing \$15 in two hours for Ingathering work at Hutchinson. This church has a total of \$43.53 and is still working.

A letter from Miss Ethel R. Page, one of our Conference church members, whose home is at Whiting, brings this encouraging message: "I am not well enough to do regular soliciting, so have sent my Harvest Ingathering papers out by mail. The enclosed check from Congressman Lambertson is the first response. I hope there will be more like it soon."

Elder A. H. Rulkoetter spent Sabbath, September 23, with the Manhattan and Junction City churches. He conducted a field-day at Manhattan Monday. One-fourth of the church goal was secured in the one day—a total of \$32.

Elder S. T. Shadel spoke at the Topeka I church Friday evening, September 22, and spent Sabbath with our two churches at Kansas City, Kans. He remained in Kansas City until Tuesday to aid in the Harvest Ingathering work.

Brother A. M. Ragsdale was in Oswego Sabbath and Sunday, September 30 and October 1, where he and Elder Gordon Smith, of the union, conducted a Missionary Volunteer rally for the young people in that section. Before returning to Topeka Brother Ragsdale will assist

several churches in the Harvest Ingathering.

Brother B. Salisbury, an elderly brother at Tescott, writes as follows: "My health being improved I am going out a little in Harvest Ingathering. I can only make one or two calls at a time and then have to rest. I have been out a couple of hours and have \$1.80."

Brother A. K. Phillips has recently assisted in Harvest Ingathering work at Oberlin, Hill City, and Palco. He and Brother D. C. Collins held a colporteur rally at the Kansas City I church the week-end of September 30 and October 1.

Elder A. C. Griffin was compelled to go to Boulder for an appendectomy, which was performed Thursday, September 21. Recent word from him states that he is progressing nicely.

Minnesota Conference

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Does It Pay?

"TODAY a lawyer, after giving us \$5.00, asked if we were the people who put out the *Liberty Magazine*. We told him we were. Then he said he is very much interested in the papers and spoke very commendably of the principles and the cause the magazine champions. It did us good to hear a direct testimony like this from one to whom the church has been sending the *Liberty*." So writes Elder Pontynen of the climax experience in his first day in the Harvest Ingathering work. Working with Brother Axel Anderson, of Blackberry, \$58.50 was secured.

Does it pay to send the *Liberty*—does it pay to do Harvest Ingathering? This is the very work to which God has called us—scattering truth-filled literature, visiting friends and neighbors and business men, proclaiming with a "loud cry" the last message of mercy.

V. J. JOHNS.

Dedication at Granite Falls

PLANS have been effected for the dedication of the new church at Granite Falls, Minn., Oct. 6 to 8 inclusive. The program follows:

Preaching, Friday, 7:30 P. M.

Sabbath School, Sabbath, 10:00 A. M.

Preaching, Sabbath, 11:15 A. M.

Norwegian Service, Sabbath, 3:00 P. M.

English preaching, Sabbath, 7:30 P. M.

Preaching in Norwegian, Sunday, 11:00 A. M.

English Dedicatory Service, Sunday, 2:00 P. M.

Preaching in English, Sunday, 7:30 P. M.

An invitation is extended to the members of near-by churches to come and join in with us in these services. We expect to have some good meetings and the blessings of God to be upon us. All are welcome.

N. R. NELSON.

Minnesota News Notes

SABBATH the 23rd, Elder Niermeyer baptized eleven and took in two on profession of faith in the Minneapolis English church. The same day they voted letters to fifteen of the colored members to join the colored church that is to be organized on Sabbath the 30th.

Elder J. C. Christenson is very busy these days in the Harvest Ingathering work. He has been spending some time with the churches at Fergus Falls, Richville, and Barnesville. He reports that all these churches will raise much more than they raised last year.

Elder Nixon reports that the attendance in our church schools is running higher than last year.

Elder Dirksen spent ten days in the Harvest Ingathering work in the southern part of the conference. He reports that that district will no doubt raise much more than was raised last year.

Brother Jackson is busy these days getting recruits started in the field. The colporteur work is on the upgrade and a number of good reports are being received.

Missouri Conference

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A Good Experience

THE woman had ordered a copy of "Our Day" and paid a dollar deposit. When the colporteur, a student (Wilbur Rose), went to deliver the book the lady said, "I can't take it, as my husband is a strong Catholic, and was very angry when I told him I had given the order." I heard the conversation from the car and got out and started to the house and met the colporteur coming out.

I was introduced to the lady and began to give her a canvass on the book, but was soon interrupted by her saying that her husband had said he did not want

the book because it was an Adventist book, and he would not have it around. I asked her if she would like to have the book if her husband agreed to it. She said she would, but that he was not a Christian and was very mean and indifferent to anything she tried to do for him. I asked, "Have you tried praying for him?" She said she had not. I said, "Let us kneel down right here now and ask God to soften your husband's heart." We did, and then I asked when her husband would be home. I made arrangements to come back when he was home and let him see the book. This was the next evening.

When the husband came his greeting was very cold, but I soon got him seated and sweetened up so I could talk to him, then gave him a very earnest canvass, using a full copy of the book. At first he did not show very much interest, but kept on puffing away on his pipe very nervously until I began talking about present day conditions and why we are seeing so many hard times. When I showed him the picture of Satan pouring out gold to the world while Jesus on the cross is passed by unnoticed, he removed the pipe from his mouth, laid it on the dresser near by, and leaned over and became very much interested.

Remembering that "when the name of Jesus is mentioned in love and tenderness, angels of heaven draw near to soften and subdue hearts," I turned to the picture of Jesus crucified between two thieves, and began to relate the story with all the earnestness I possessed, and soon tears came to the man's eyes. After a brief description of the Eastern Question and Armageddon, I pictured the home of the saved to him, and then quoted Luke 17:34-36: "Two shall be in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left."

Then I said to the man, "Your good wife tells me that you are not a Christian, but that she loves you and would like to see you accept Christ and be saved. So just suppose Jesus would come tonight while you and your wife are asleep, and she would be taken and you would be left here in this world of misery and woe. How do you think you would feel?" Then I said, "Jesus loves you even though you do not know Him, and He wants to save you." Again tears filled his eyes, and he said, "Well I would like to have that book, but we are very

poor and I haven't the money now, but I can have it Saturday." Then the wife spoke up and said, "I have a dollar." I said, "If you will give me the dollar, I will leave the book and you can leave the 50 cents at Mr. Krause's place for us." This he readily agreed to do. Then I told him I was not at all interested in his money, but that I desired to see him accept Christ and be saved in His kingdom. I suggested that we kneel and have a word of prayer before we left, which we did, and when we arose from our knees the whole family—father, mother, and three sons, were all shedding tears of joy. This was about ten o'clock in the evening, and we had been there about two hours. So I said to the man as I shook his hand to say good bye, "I hope if I don't meet you any more in this world, I will in the world to come." He replied, "I will be there, and I thank you so much for coming and talking to me as you have tonight, and whenever you are in our neighborhood, remember my home is open to you, so be sure to come back." To me this man was a brand plucked from the fire.

R. G. CAMPBELL,
Field Missionary Secretary,
Missouri Conference.

News Notes

We are delighted to report that Brother I. H. Harrison is again at his desk in the office. We believe God has heard prayer in his behalf and blessed in his recovery sufficient to perform the duties to which he has been called.

Brethren Melvin Oss and R. G. Campbell have gone to Goldsberry, Columbia, and Jefferson City for Ingathering.

The families in the Bland church who have gone out soliciting in the Harvest Ingathering have already made their goals. Andy Krause's family had over \$10 each when visited recently by Elder Oss. Elder Schroeder nearly doubled his goal in one day. He sends greetings to all who know him.

The Ava young people have already raised nine times as much in the Ingathering this year as the entire church raised a year ago.

The Clinton young people are conducting singing bands.

The Kansas City young people go out on Sunday mornings and get the collection. Many listen to the singing, prayers, and sermons over the radio. They now also have an opportunity to give an offering.

The Springfield church school enrollment is over twice that of last year.

Brother R. G. Campbell plans to be at Poplar Bluff on Sabbath, September 30. He and several of the colporteurs are loyally working in the Ingathering.

Spell goal—Go-all! (Put a dash after go and add an l.) Let us all go and reach our goal.

COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 23, 1933

*MINNESOTA: J. M. Jackson, Secretary

Karl A. Evenson	BR	24	126.00
Bethel Jeffrey	RJ	45½	14.00
Dorothy Boyko	RJ	28	28.75
H. A. Hanson	BPS	65	39.50
Grace Shumway	RJ	58½	17.40
Edna Schaefer	BR	26¾	29.25
B. O. Engen	Misc	25	10.45
F. Crofoot	HW	24	15.00
Nina Magnuson	BR	32	59.00
G. H. Boehrig	HW	23	8.90
Lillian E. Merten	BR	21	5.00
Ada Schornstein	RJ	18	34.00
Hilda Olafson	RJ	16	3.00
Mrs. F. Pomeroy	RJ	15	6.25
Mrs. F. W. Berg	RJ	30	30.50
Hazel Johnson	RJ	½	3.00
Tessie Aeling	RJ	13	7.25
Florence Ritter	RJ	12	15.00
Mrs. Viola Boehrig	Mag	84½	27.60
Esther Dufstrom	Mag	73½	18.15
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag	65½	16.10
Clare G. Rust	Mag	62	12.60
Mrs. F. Anderson	Mag	16½	9.60
Patricia C. Liers	Mag	11½	12.00
Mrs. Leah Strand	Mag	3	1.70
Total		802	550.00

MISSOURI: R. G. Campbell, Secretary

W. A. Burton	BR	49	107.25
Mrs. R. Busch	OD	10	6.00
Eliz. Crawford	RJ	22	15.00
*Sam Dunn	OD	78	25.25
W. E. Helt	BR	22	12.00
Sallie Holmes	RJ	39	39.70
Alex Kohlfarber	OD	42	38.00
Floyd Mathews	BR	19	15.00
*Mrs. A. Snyder	RJ	68	65.25
John Sessor	BR	35	39.00
Freda Asher	Mag		7.40
Beatrice Brown	Mag	16	5.50
Mrs. G. Davenport	Mag	16	1.30
Mr. & Mrs. Murray	Mag	25	21.00
Mrs. A. F. Myers	Mag	22	11.70
Della Rice	Mag	19	23.70
Mrs. C. E. Stanley	Mag	8	1.80
Mrs. V. Warner	Mag	6	1.70
Total		496	436.55

COLORADO: P. E. Shakespeare, Secretary

H. Canfield	BR	18	13.50
*Anna Hayer	HP	20	8.50
Edna Huffman	BPS	5	6.00
P. M. Jenkins	BR	31	4.50
*H. E. Looker	RJ	73	33.50
Henry Martin	Bibles	3	2.25
*Mrs. L. Storey	HW	32	30.60
*Chas. Thompson	DR	106	57.50
L. Wiswall	Crisis	15	2.20
Mrs. Butler	Mag	5	2.00
*Greta Nelson	Mag	27	3.50
Karl Simon	Mag	40	48.00
Ray Wilson	Mag		2.00
Mrs. Willett	Mag		4.50
Mrs. S. McGrew	HW	19	9.30
Albert Priest	HP	50	34.50
Total		445	264.10

IOWA: L. P. Knecht, Secretary

R. A. Gibson	RJ	43	35.75
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Nathan Coffin	OT	48	35.25
E. W. Frederickson	RJ	30	28.75
Florence Maurath	RJ	37	22.55
Elmer Cox	OD	42	20.25
H. G. Biggers	Misc	40	17.50
Raymond Hircok	OT	45	14.25
Clarence Wiltse	RJ	27	12.75
Elva G. Wilcox	Mag	35	8.50
J. W. Simmons	RJ	32	4.50
Anna Will	Mag	19	5.80
Total		366	205.85

NEBRASKA: R. J. Roy, Secretary

Abel Larson	RJ	156	47.35
John Ogren	OD	177	25.40
F. C. Welter	BR	131	59.25
Ralph House	BR	20	.75
Chivela Jorstad	Mag	27	13.50
Rhoda Pedersen	RJ	13	3.50
Total		524	149.75

NORTH DAKOTA: C. A. Edwards, Sec.

Pearl Briggs	RJ		9.50
S. A. Jacoshenk	RJ	24	17.00
*Philip Kabanuk	HP	78	41.80
Flora Peterson	RJ	16	18.25
*E. Arthur Wheeler	RJ	47	16.75
Total		165	103.30

KANSAS: A. K. Phillips, Secretary

E. L. Calkins	RJ	46	10.00
K. N. Friesen	Mag	30	4.00
A. O. Kramer	OD	18	3.00
J. T. North	GC	34	9.25
Arthur Reed	RJ	45	10.75
Total		173	37.00

WYOMING MISSION: H. E. Preston, Sec.

H. E. Preston	HW	32	33.00
Doris May	Mag	10	3.90
Total		42	36.90

Grand total 3,013 1,783.45

*Two Weeks

†Four Weeks

Obituaries

JOHNSTON.—Cora Johnston was born at Chilton, Wis., Oct. 23, 1859, and died at Akeley, Minn., June 28, 1933, after a prolonged illness. She was married to Frank Johnston Nov. 24, 1883. To this union were born three daughters, all of whom survive with the father. In 1913 she accepted the truths of the Seventh-day Adventist church and became a charter member of the Akeley church.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. Interment was made at the Akeley, Minn., cemetery.

W. B. PONTYEN.

DANKS.—Mrs. Kizzie Danks was born near the town of Monroe, Sept. 2, 1882; and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Helen Henwehe, Sept. 20, 1933. Her entire life was spent in this immediate vicinity. In early life she accepted Jesus as her Saviour and the Bible truths as held by Seventh-day Adventists.

She leaves to mourn their loss, an aged father, four daughters, one sister, three brothers, besides a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church in Monroe, Ia., and words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

C. H. MILLER.

WASSON.—Alpharetta Angeline Goss Wasson was born near Sandyville, Ia., Dec. 2, 1856; and died at Nevada, Ia., Sept. 7, 1933. She was united in marriage to Lyon P. Wasson, Dec. 16, 1881, and to this union was born one daughter. In early life she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church, of which she was a consistent member until her death.

She leaves to mourn, a daughter, a granddaughter, a grandson, one sister, two brothers, and a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church by the writer.
C. H. MILLER.

BUNKER.—Mrs. George Bunker, nee Nancy Fuller, was born in Rutland, Vt., Oct. 28, 1843, and died at Nevada, Mo., Sept. 17, 1933.

Sixty years ago she and her husband moved to Nevada, Mo., where she accepted the Advent truth, and has for fifty years been a faithful member of the Nevada church.

Sister Bunker slipped on the porch of her home and fractured her hip. The fracture could not be set. She leaves to mourn: one daughter, Mrs. George Kaylor, of Kansas City, Kans.; seven grandchildren, and fourteen great grandchildren.
JAMES GAITENS.

JOHNSON.—Jonas P. A. Johnson was born October 19, 1851, in Smoland, Sweden; and came to America at the age of 17. In 1880 he was married to Emma Victoria Larson. To this union were born three children. In 1885 he was bereft of his entire family. In 1888 he was united in marriage to Hilda Marie Larson. He was a loyal Seventh-day Adventist, and died in the blessed hope at his home east of Tekamah, Nebr., Sept. 18. He leaves his wife, one brother, and many other relatives. The body was taken to Holdrege, Nebr., for burial. Services were conducted by the writer at the home.
T. M. LANGBERG.

BIVINS.—Lelah Elva Bringle Bivins was born in Hutchinson, Kans., Jan. 17, 1886; and died at her home in Hutchinson, Sept. 3, 1933. February 10, 1904, she was united in marriage to J. L. Bivins, of Pittsburg, Kans. To this union one son was born and one son adopted. Her Christian experience began in 1901. She was baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in Hutchinson. Her faith in the second coming of Christ held her in her last sickness. She is survived by her husband, her two sons, three brothers, and four sisters.

The funeral service was conducted by Elder John Spriggs, of Little River, Kans.
A. S. BRINGLE.

CONRAD.—Mrs. Laura Williams Conrad was born in Cass County, Indiana, Aug. 17, 1853, and died at her home in Huron, S. Dak., Sept. 10, 1933. At the age of twenty-one she was united in marriage to Allen Bruce Conrad, who preceded her in death in 1914. She is survived by two children, two brothers, one sister, twelve grandchildren, and

eight great grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Conrad was a devout Christian and a member of our church for many years. Words of comfort based on 2 Tim. 1:12 were spoken by the writer at the services held in the Welter funeral parlor, after which interment was made in the Hitchcock cemetery. We confidently expect to meet her again when the Life-giver returns for His own.

A. G. YOUNGBERG.

HAYES.—Mrs. Lovica Maude Hayes was born Oct. 29, 1853, in Tioga County, Pennsylvania, and passed away in Minneapolis, Minn., on Sept. 15, 1933. At the age of 18 years Sister Hayes united with the Seventh-day Adventist church. Her courage was undimmed and she rests in the assurance of hearing the Saviour's voice at the first resurrection. Having been a widow for a number of years she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. C. K. Linton, of Minneapolis. Besides her daughter she is survived by one son, five grandchildren, two sisters, one brother, and a host of other relatives and friends. The service was held in the First S. D. A. church with the writer in charge, and she was laid to rest in Crystal Lake cemetery.
L. E. NIERMEYER.

LADD.—Irma Shafer Ladd was born near Burdett, Kans., June 10, 1905, and died in Siloam Springs, Ark., Sept. 9, 1933. She lived with her parents in Pawnee County, Kans., and finished nine grades of public school there. Then she finished the twelfth grade at Enterprise Academy, after which she attended the Hayes Normal School. She then spent several years teaching school in Kansas, Texas, and Arkansas. She was married to Mr. Marvin Ladd Aug. 3, 1931, and to this union were born two little daughters. Irma was baptized and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church at the age of twelve years.

Her funeral was conducted in the S. D. A. church at Gentry, Ark., Elder M. L. Wilson, officiating. She leaves to mourn their loss, her husband, two little girls, her father, mother, five sisters, and five brothers.

WASHBURN.—Emma Esther Washburn was born in Washington Co., Nebr., March 24, 1881. In 1905 she went to Madison, Tenn., where she took the nurses' training course. Here she met Dr. F. A. Washburn, to whom she was united in marriage in 1907. She served in official duties in the Colorado, Missouri, and the Nebraska Conferences. Since laying down her conference duties she has been operating the Blair sanitarium and hospital for many years. After a lingering illness of months she fell asleep in Jesus, Sept. 7, 1933, in the Emmanuel Hospital in Omaha. To mourn the loss she leaves two brothers and two sisters. She was laid to rest in the Blair cemetery, following the service in the Methodist church conducted by the writer, assisted by J. D. Johnson and the Methodist minister, Rev. Jackson.
T. M. LANGBERG.

NELSON.—Carl Frederick Nelson was born Sept. 14, 1850, in Sor, Denmark, and in 1870 came to this country and settled in Atlantic, Iowa. Here he was married to Anna Kristine Sorenson. To this union were born 9 children. In 1885 he embraced the third angel's message and remained faithful till his end came. He was loved and respected by all who knew him, and at the age of 83 years and 4 days he fell asleep in Jesus after a short illness in a hospital in Omaha. He leaves his beloved wife, four sons, and one daughter. The services were held in the S. D. A. church in Exira, Iowa, by the writer, assisted by Elder R. S. Fries. Burial was made in the cemetery just outside the city.
T. M. LANGBERG.

THOMPSON.—John L. Thompson was born in 1865 at Van Buren, Iowa, and departed this life at Camanche, Iowa, Aug. 24, 1933. For the last fifty years the deceased had lived at or in the vicinity of Camanche. November 28, 1890, he was united in marriage with Miss Libby Miller. To this union two daughters were born, Olive and Mina. Olive died in infancy and his wife preceded him in death about two years ago. One daughter, Mrs. Mina Kirk, two sisters, and one brother remain to mourn.

Brother Thompson accepted the third angel's message in 1898, and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Rochester, Minn. He ever remained a faithful member and longed for the coming of his Saviour.

Services were conducted by the writer in the Methodist church at Camanche, assisted by the pastor of the Baptist church.
A. L. MILLER.

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WANTED. — Representatives for our health foods, used by Union College. Jern Nature Foods Co., 4800 Pioneer Boulevard, Lincoln Nebr. 32x

WORK WANTED.—Young man, good church standing, desires work near Adventist church greatly in need of ministerial help, self-supporting ministerial work being aim. Graduate Union College ministerial course, nearly seven years' missionary service in China. Will consider any line of work in any locality. Cecil Nichols, 1144 Garfield, Kansas City, Kans. 39-40

WANTED.—To secure the services of a graduate nurse who is also a stenographer. Address Hinsdale Sanitarium, Hinsdale, Ill. 30-2

WANTED.—To correspond with two good corn shuckers: J. F. Trubey, Sumner, Nebr.

WANTED.—To correspond with a dependable man who desires farm work. O. O. Heath, Bethany, Mo.

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Sunset Calendar

For Friday, October 6

Denver, Colorado	5:35
Des Moines, Iowa	5:48
Topeka, Kansas	5:58
St. Paul, Minnesota	5:45
Jefferson City, Missouri	5:44
Lincoln, Nebraska	6:01
Bismarck, North Dakota	6:13
Pierre, South Dakota	6:14
Casper, Wyoming	5:40

Harvest Ingathering Report

For Week Ending Sept. 23, 1933

We are on the way with a determination to win, and I know every man is doing his best.

"The road may be rough, but it cannot be long:

I'll smooth it with hope, and I'll cheer it with song."

The songs are bringing in the money. Wyoming says, "Thirty dollars of our report was raised by the singing bands." Eight dollars came in Sunday night by singing in Kansas City, Kans., and Elder Pingnot reports the churches back in the Rockies are making the mountains ring with song.

	1933	1932	Less	Over
Colorado	2354.00	3686.00	1332.00	
Iowa	750.00*	538.13		211.87
Kansas	1439.79	1455.88	16.09	
Minnesota	1278.30	2785.79	1507.49	
Missouri	1954.18	4588.89	2634.71	
Nebraska	2237.11	2618.89	381.78	
N. Dakota	422.10*	1000.00	577.90	
S. Dakota	757.95	986.50	228.55	
Wyoming	125.00	73.78		51.22

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*No report this week.

S. T. SHADEL.

"NRA and 666"

"Is the NRA a fulfillment of the prophecy of Revelation 13?" "Do you think this NRA is the mark of the beast mentioned in Revelation?"

These and other similar questions are now being asked by hundreds of people, representing various classes and beliefs. Some of these inquiries are prompted by

newspaper editorials referring to strange interpretations in some communities. Others are from persons now becoming stirred over Bible prophecy. One lady writing in for a current copy of the *Signs*, asking if it is still published, says: "I am anxious to get at the truth of the present conditions, and remember the paper that my grandfather took when I was a child." She had in mind the name, but had not seen a copy of the *Signs* for twenty-five years. In a postscript she adds, "I am anxious to know the Adventist thought regarding the NRA."

In an editorial in the *Signs of the Times* of October 3, Elder Alonzo L. Baker fully answers every such question, covering this subject in an intensely

Making Ingathering Joyful

J. H. McEachern

Let joy and gladness fill each heart
As forth we go to do our part;
Our aim hold strong, the goal is set,
The needs of missions must be met.

The leaders lead and point the way,
The people follow what we say;
When cheerfully we set the pace,
How faithfully our steps they trace.

The joy of doing is reward,
Let none the effort now retard,
Each member must his offering bring,
Seven dollars each, the goal we sing.

Nor is the money all we want,
Our spirits spurn such narrow taunt.
The souls of men we seek to save;
This motive makes all workers brave.

The thing that counts for true success—
The effort which our God can bless—
Is calling on both rich and poor,
With love of souls our chief allure.

Our greatest aim in this campaign
Is working every street and lane;
The church entire with zeal inspire,
Till goals are reached let none retire.

And when at last Ingathering's done,
With lists of names and friendships won,
Let these be followed through the year,
By tract and prayer and many a tear.

Manila, P. I.

clear, interesting manner. It is a good article of unusual interest and value at this time. This is the October color issue of the *Signs*, of which extra copies to give out to relatives and friends and others may be procured for four cents a copy. This article on a topic of wide current interest may lead many into a real study of the prophecies of the Bible.

J. R. FERREN.

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To Parents

THE time is here again when you will bid your boy or girl goodby and send

the dearest one you have away to school. Have you thought what it really means? You will have to intrust the precious life of your child to someone else during the slippery period of youth. What training will your child receive? What will be the moral influence that surrounds him? Will his associations be uplifting? Will some one care for his soul? These questions are worthy of your most earnest consideration.

We have made it possible for your son and daughter to have the privilege of spending the coming school year in a Christian school, where wholesome influences will add much to his character development. Every possible influence is set into operation that will contribute to the best interest of your child. You may wonder whether you can afford it. My dear parents, you cannot afford to do otherwise. It will cost a little money. It will cost money no matter where you send your child; but money is not the greatest thing in life. We live in an age in which there is too much the thought of money. The world's greatest benefactors were without silver and gold. There are a great many things that money cannot buy. It cannot make us rich in heart or mind or give us a clean conscience. We should strive for higher ideals.

There may be obstacles in the way, but do not let these discourage you. You know added strength and skill are just beyond the bounds of comfortable efforts. If you would reach them you must stretch a little.

You will be surprised to know how little it will cost to go to school in Shesenne River Academy this coming year. We shall spare no effort to make it possible for your boy or girl to be at S. R. A. this fall. It will mean much to your boy and girl. May we have your cooperation in behalf of your sons and daughters?

R. R. NEWMAN, Principal.

North Dakota Items

ELDER E. H. OSWALD returned from Harvey with the report that \$80 had been received from the business section as Harvest Ingathering money. The people were all willing to give but because of the depression, the donations were small. We appreciate, however, the willing spirit manifested by those who contribute to this needy cause.

Elder F. F. Schwindt has been faithfully working with the country churches, and the Lord has given him favor with the people.