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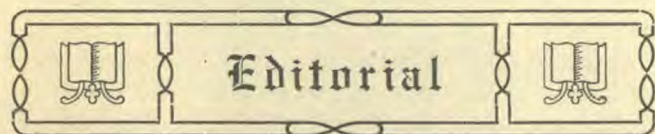
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Report of Educational Convention

Continued

The Foreign Mission Seminary

The purpose and plans of the Foreign Mission Seminary were set forth by its president, Prof. H. R. Salisbury, and by Elder Daniells. Its object is to train missionaries for the great tropical fields especially. Its courses and plans are determined by the needs of the missionaries. The first essential is a knowledge of present truth at once comprehensive and definite. Hence the study of Bible doctrines from the standpoint of the missionary's work. The second essential is a knowledge of hygiene and dietetics, and of tropical diseases, their causes, prevention, and treatment. A third essential is a knowledge of the language of the people for whom the missionary expects to labor. While this language cannot always be studied in the Seminary, yet a general experience in language study may be obtained which will enable its possessor to pursue the study of native dialects to far greater advantage than if the missionary should go to his field without any experience in language study.

The class of students desired by the Foreign Mission Seminary embraces mature persons of good judgment, whose education has been quite well developed by attendance at our colleges or at other educational institutions. It is expected that our colleges will encourage their graduates who desire foreign mission work to first spend a year or two at the Seminary. The General Conference committee has recommended each of our conferences to select and maintain at the Seminary, two students from each conference. Duties

are mutual. If it is the duty of the General Conference workers to encourage and work for our colleges, it is the duty of the workers of our colleges to call attention to the work of the Seminary. The examining board needs to become acquainted with the volunteers for foreign missions, and these volunteers need to become acquainted with the plans of the board and the conditions of the fields to which they expect to go. The Foreign Mission Seminary affords an opportunity for gaining this mutual acquaintance.

Placing Students in Positions

The subject of the placing of our students in proper positions after they have finished their preparatory training was introduced by Professor Cady. He believes we should take more pains to train workers during their school life. This may be accomplished by placing responsibilities upon students while in school. Each teacher, each head of a department, should associate with himself one or more students to train for work by actually assisting the teacher in his department. It is the duty of teachers to make known to conferences, sanitariums, etc., the fact that they have young people in training in their school who give promise of making successful workers. We should be cautious in recommending students, but faithful in training them.

Professor Kern thought we should be more careful to interest our students in religious work while in school. They should be led to study the various departments of the work, and to choose the ministry or the young people's work, or some other of the many departments of the cause. The conferences should pursue a more liberal policy with young men looking toward the ministry. There is danger of too many entering the canvassing work because it is the only work that gives promise of remuneration sufficient to enable them to continue their studies. Conference officers should take more pains to counsel with principals and teachers in regard to the selection of workers from among the students. Men in responsible positions should cultivate discernment to recognize in young people latent talent to become workers for God. It is wise for conferences to take in young people as assistants.

Professor Wilkinson believed we ought to encourage the students to qualify themselves better for work, and then the places will run to meet them. We have neglected to train public speakers. He advocated the organization of a bureau of encouragement.

Professor Clymer said there is nothing so encour-

aging to young people as to know they are wanted, that there is a place for them.

Professor Spaulding hoped soon to see an organized effort on the part of our Educational Department to make opportunities for our people in the cities to get out into rural districts in groups where they can organize Christian schools.

Elder Daniells was glad to see the improvement in the matter of saving and using the products of our schools. He made a strong plea for better training in public speaking. We must select the most promising material this coming fall, and train it in the principles and practise of public speaking this coming school year.

Professor Salisbury made an eloquent plea for the better education and training of our workers, that we may have strong, cultured laborers for the higher walks of life.

H. H. Hall stated that there are a score of places to-day among our people calling for young men stenographers who will use that work as a stepping stone to the ministry and various other lines of work.

O. A. Johnson, just from Norway, said that there is room at the top. But we cannot jump to the top; we must let Jesus lead us all the way. There is a mighty power in an educated ministry.

No special recommendations on this topic were made other than those suggested in the foregoing remarks; but the convention adopted with a will the following recommendation on—

Public Speaking

Whereas, There is a dearth of good readers and speakers among our public laborers, and—

Whereas, There is need of workers who have talent and ability to properly present the truth in the larger cities to the cultured and educated classes, therefore—

We Recommend, That special attention be given, in the English Departments of our training schools, to the development of the art of good reading and speaking. (To be Continued)

The Mode of Baptism

THE following interesting paragraph on the original mode of baptism is taken from the second edition of Stanley's "Lectures on the History of the Eastern Church:"

"There can be no question that the original form of baptism—the very meaning of the word—was complete immersion in the deep baptismal waters; and that for at least four centuries any other form than the original was unknown unless in case of dangerous illness as an exceptional case. To this form the Eastern Church still rigidly adheres; and the most illustrious and venerable portion of it, that of the Byzantine Empire, absolutely repudiates and ignores any other mode of administration as essentially invalid."

Removal of Elk Point Academy

AN action was taken by the South Dakota Conference, June 17, authorizing the removal of the Elk Point Academy to a more favorable location. The reasons for this action are given in the following preambles and resolutions, which were adopted unanimously by the conference and afterwards by the congregation. The transfer will not take place this season, although steps will be immediately taken towards securing bids from towns in the central part of South Dakota, preparatory to the selection of a site by the committee:—

Whereas, For the rapid completion of our message to all the world in this generation a large company of men and women whose consecration, education, and general culture are such as will qualify them to take places of importance in the work, and—

Whereas, The South Dakota Conference has a large number of youth, who, with proper school advantages, could be rapidly educated for this service, therefore—

Resolved, That we believe it to be a work of first importance to the conference to maintain a thoroughly equipped, well-organized, and well-conducted academy to receive our young people as they come from our church and intermediate schools, and

We Further Declare, That this is our policy. We express ourselves as grateful to the Lord and to those who have been especially concerned in the development and work of our school at Elk Point, for the work which has been accomplished in that school.

We further Believe, That the Academy at Elk Point is unable to serve the above-stated purposes for the following reasons:—

First: The buildings are very faulty and not well adapted in their construction for school purposes.

Second: The Academy is located in the extreme south-eastern corner of the conference.

Third: There is a recognized possibility of the property being destroyed by the ravages of the Missouri River.

It is therefore apparent that it is necessary either to re-construct and add additional buildings to this plant, or to select another situation more suitably located, and establish a new plant.

Now, therefore, on account of the conditions which surround the Elk Point Academy, making it imperative that either a large investment of funds be made in the present plant to properly arrange and equip the Academy, to properly care for and educate the young people of our conference, or that the Academy be removed to some other place, and—

Whereas, It does not seem available to make any further investment in the Academy at its present location, for the above-named reasons, therefore,—

We Recommend, That the conference, committee and the school board, and five other members to be chosen by this conference, be authorized to search for

and secure a suitable location in our conference; and when, in their judgment, such a location shall be found, with a sufficient bonus to warrant the action, they be authorized to dispose of the property at Elk Point, and establish the conference academy at the place selected.

Five Important Articles on Education

WE have recently received five important articles from the pen of Mrs. E. G. White, addressed to the teachers in our schools. They have been read before the teachers of the Union College Summer School and a general desire was manifest to have them in more permanent form for study. Hence, we begin their publication in this week's MESSENGER. The other articles will follow in successive issues. The following extracts from a letter by Eld. W. C. White gives a clear account of their nature and purpose:—

"We have found among Mother's recent writings several articles addressed to teachers in our schools. Most of them seem to be intended especially for the teachers of our church schools. One is more general and seems to speak not only to teachers of the church schools, but to teachers and students in the larger schools, and there are occasional references to the work of nurses and other Christian workers.

"Altogether the five articles seem to constitute a very clear and comprehensive appeal to our church school teachers for deeper consecration, for a broader view of the responsibilities of the position of the church school teacher, for a laying aside of some of the things which the public schools count as essential, for a turning away from those things which the pleasure-loving are reaching out for, and for a clearer appreciation of those things which are essential to Christian education.

"We send you a set of these articles with the request that you plan to bring them before your teachers at such a time as will impress these truths most deeply upon the hearts of the teachers."

The first article we shall print is entitled "Home Schools." It was written May 17, 1908. It will be found in another column.

Report from Professor Berthelsen

FROM a letter written by Professor Berthelsen we are permitted to make the following quotation:—

"I am here in the little town of Wallace, South Dakota, with my cousin, N. P. Neilsen, holding tent meetings. Miss Lena Jensen, who was with us in our department in College View a short time at the beginning of last year is with us to help in singing and playing the organ. The people are mostly Norwegian, and most all our meetings are held in the Danish-Norwegian language. We have had a fair attendance so far, and very attentive listeners. We live in tents and the weather is fine. Generally the nights are cool. Wallace is a small place of about

two thousand inhabitants. It is located in the north-eastern part of the state on the Minnesota and St. Louis rivers. The town is only two years old. Before I came here I attended the South Dakota camp-meeting held at Woonsocket, and also visited the churches at Viborg, Swan Lake, and Beresford."

General Articles

Home Schools

ELLEN G. WHITE

As church schools shall be established in the future, there is a class of work to be done in connection with them that has not been done in the past. All who can should have the privileges of a home church school. It would be well if several families in a neighborhood would unite to employ a humble, God-fearing teacher to give the parents the help that is needed in educating their children. This will be a great advantage, and a plan more pleasing to the Lord than the one that has largely been followed of removing the youth from their homes to attend one of our larger schools. The church members, uniting, could erect an inexpensive building, and secure a wise teacher to take charge of the school.

Our small churches are needed. And the children are needed in their homes, where they may be a help to their parents when the hours of study are ended. The Christian home is the best place for young children; for here they can have parental discipline that is after the Lord's order. God would have us consider these things in all their sacred importance. It is the precious privilege of the teachers and parents to cooperate in teaching the children how to drink in the gladness of Christ's life by learning to follow His example. The Saviour's early years were useful years. He was His mother's helper in the home; and He was just as verily fulfilling His commission when performing the duties of the home, and working at the carpenter's bench, as when He engaged in His public work of ministry.

It is not required that all the youth rush off from home responsibilities to seminaries or higher schools in order to reach the highest round of the ladder. It should be remembered that right in the home there are generally young children to be instructed. The elder should ever seek to help the younger. Let the elder members of the family consider that this part of the Lord's vineyard needs to be cultivated, and resolve that they will put forth their best capabilities to make home attractive and to deal patiently with younger minds.

There are young persons in our homes whom the Lord has qualified to give the knowledge they have to others. Let these strive to keep spiritual lessons fresh in the mind that they may impart the knowl-

edge they have gained. If these elder members of the family would become learners with the children new ideas would be suggested and the hours of study would be a time of decided pleasure as well as profit.

The tender years of childhood are years of sacred responsibility to fathers and mothers. Parents have a sacred duty to perform in teaching their children to help bear the burdens of the home, to be content with plain and simple food and neat and inexpensive dress. The requirements of the parent should always be reasonable; kindness should be expressed not by foolish indulgence, but by wise direction.

Parents are to teach their children pleasantly, without scolding, or fault finding, seeking to bind the hearts of the little ones to them by the silken cords of love. Let all, fathers and mothers, teachers, older brothers and sisters, become an educating force to keep up every spiritual interest, and create a wholesome atmosphere in the home and school life that will train the younger children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Our children are the Lord's property; they have been bought with a price. This thought should be the mainspring of our labors for them. The most successful method of assuring their salvation, and keeping them out of the way of temptation, is to instruct them constantly in the Word of God. And as parents become learners with their children, they will find their own growth in a knowledge of the truth more rapid. Unbelief will disappear; faith and activity will increase; assurance and confidence will deepen as they thus follow on to know the Lord. Their prayers will undergo a transformation, becoming earnest and sincere. Christ is the head of His church; the dependence of His people; He will give the needed grace to those who seek Him for wisdom and instruction.

I speak to fathers and mothers: You can be educators in your home churches; you can be spiritual missionary agencies. Let fathers and mothers feel the need of being home missionaries, the need of keeping the home atmosphere free from the influence of unkind and hasty speech, and the home school a place where angels of God can come in and bless and give success to the efforts put forth. Let parents unite in providing a place for the daily instruction of their children choosing as teacher one who is apt to teach, and who as a consecrated servant of Christ will increase in knowledge while thus imparting instruction. The teacher who has consecrated self to the service of God will be able to do a definite work in missionary service, and will instruct the children in the same lines. Let fathers and mothers co-operate with the teacher, laboring earnestly for the salvation of their children. If parents will realize the importance of these small educating centers, co-operating to do the work that the Lord desires to be done at this time, the plans of the enemy for our children will be frustrated.

The Temperance Watchman

God bids His people blend harmoniously in their service for Him, that they may work in Christ's lines. This last message of warning must be brought to the world; and there are continual calls for those who will go forth and carry the message to the missionary fields that are calling for help. There are some who cannot themselves go to these fields, but they can help with their means in the support of the work.

Many can engage in the work of selling our periodicals. Thus they can earn means for the work in foreign fields while sowing seeds of truth in the byways and hedges in the home field. Such labor will be blessed of God, and it will not be done in vain.

Wherever you go let your light shine forth. Hand our papers and pamphlets to those with whom you associate, when you are riding on the cars, visiting, conversing with your neighbors; and improve every opportunity to speak a word in season. The Holy Spirit will make the seed productive in some hearts.

As a people we should cultivate kindness and courtesy in our association with those whom we meet. Let us avoid any abruptness of manner, and strive always to present the truth in an easy way. This truth means life, eternal life to the receiver. Study therefore to pass easily and courteously from subjects of a temporal nature to the spiritual and eternal. A most courteous manner characterized the work of the Saviour. Seek in the most gentle way to introduce your mission. While walking by the way or seated by the wayside, you may drop in some heart the seed of truth.

I have words of encouragement to speak in regard to the special number of the *Watchman*, which the Southern Publishing Association is bringing out. I shall rejoice to see our conferences help in this work by taking a large number of this issue for circulation. Let there be no forbiddings placed upon the effort, but let all take hold to give this temperance number a wide circulation.

There could not be a better time than now for a movement of this kind; when the temperance question is creating such wide-spread interest. Let our people everywhere take hold decidedly to let it be seen where we stand on the temperance question. Let everything possible be done to circulate strong, stirring appeals for the closing of the saloon. Let this paper be a power for good. Our work for temperance is to be more spirited, more decided.

Precious light will be given in the publications you scatter through the towns and cities. Your humble prayers, your unselfish activity, will be blessed by God, and the truth as it is in Jesus will come to those who need it. The words that Christ spoke to men while He was in the world, He will speak again through His humble, faithful followers. Through them He will give men the bread of life and the waters of salvation. Brethren, take up this work in humility

of heart. The simplicity of true Godliness will cause you to be respected, and will lead men and women to seek the source of your power. Believe, and you will receive the things you ask for.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is an organization with whose efforts for the spread of temperance principles we can heartily unite. The light has been given me that we are not to stand aloof from them, but, while there is to be no sacrifice of principle on our part, as far as possible we are to unite with them in laboring for temperance reforms. My husband and I in our labors united with these temperance workers, and we had the joy of seeing several unite with us in the observance of the true Sabbath. Among them there is a strong prejudice against us, but we will not remove this prejudice by standing aloof. God is testing us. We are to work with them when we can; and we can assuredly do this on the question of utterly closing the saloon.

As the human agent submits his will to the will of God, the Holy Spirit will make the impression upon the hearts of those to whom he ministers. I have been shown that we are not to shun the W. C. T. U. workers. By uniting with them in behalf of total abstinence, we do not change our position regarding the observance of the seventh day, and we can show our appreciation of their position regarding the subject of temperance. By opening the door and inviting them to unite with us on the temperance question, we secure their help along temperance lines; and they, by uniting with us, will hear new truths which the Holy Spirit is waiting to impress upon hearts.

My brethren, be workers together with Christ. Make every possible effort in season and out of season to spread the light of present truth. The Lord has taught us how safe is the cable that anchors us to the living Rock. Here is an opportunity to labor for those who have truth on some points, but who on other points are not safely anchored. Keep in touch with the people wherever you can. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

"Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh unto you." "Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, and waiting at the posts of my doors." "He giveth power to the faint, and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary, and they shall walk, and not faint." "In the day that I called he answered me, and strengthened me with strength in my soul."

I entreat every soul to seek for true conversion of heart, and then labor for the salvation of precious souls.

Importance of Social Culture*

MRS. C. C. LEWIS

"Good form," though a society phrase, contains a volume of truth. It really means to say the kindly word or do the kindly deed at all times.

Good form, in the best sense, is the outward evidence of an inward condition of the heart. One has said, "Without true courtesy all etiquette is cold and lifeless. Thus we see that real good form is a happy union of heart courtesy and graceful outward manner.

The home is the natural place to show true courtesy. If the Spirit of Christ lives in the heart, it will be seen in the quiet step, and the low-pitched voice of the parents in the home, and will meet a response in the lives of the children.

Any parent who fails in giving his children systematic training in good manners, has sent them out into the world at great disadvantage. Parents labor unceasingly to amass wealth for their children, and yet even a bank account cannot purchase grace and ease, without which the door of opportunity is frequently closed. One writer has truthfully said, "Whether to a millionaire's daughter, or to a busy working girl, a knowledge of correct social usage is essential."

Next in importance to home training, comes the training in school. As was said at first, all true courtesy comes from love in the heart. This gives the Christian teacher great advantage over the secular teacher. If the heart is full of kindness and unselfish devotion to the work, it ought not to be difficult to express ease and grace in the manner. We believe it would be well if we should return to some of the old ways in this as well as in other respects. Years ago it was part of the daily program that children were taught how to enter and leave the room, how to greet the teacher in the morning, and how to kindly say "good-night" at the close of the day.

In the interchange of books and other school-room articles, what an excellent opportunity to teach the children the right of ownership and their duty to their neighbors and their neighbor's property.

It is the work of our Christian schools to train workers for God. *Let us not, then, overlook the value of true social culture. The boys and girls who are taught modesty and reserve in the church school, will treat one another with due respect in later life.

But good manners and refinement are not born with us, any more than the rules of mathematics are born with us. Teachers should qualify themselves along the lines of polite usage, and systematically train their pupils to know how to conduct themselves on the street, in the church, or on the train. This may seem unnecessary at the time, but it will go a long way in giving these children success as they enter the broader walks of life.

*Read at the summer school reception, South Hall Parlor, July 12, 1908.

The South Dakota Camp-meeting

J. I. BEARDSLEY *

THE South Dakota camp-meeting closed June 21. There were 450 encamped, and although the weather was wet and windy the meetings were well attended. Forty were baptized, many of whom were young people. A good interest was shown in the educational work, several churches making arrangements while on the camp-ground for their church schools this fall. The industrial school at Elk Point received careful consideration, and it is probable that this school will soon be moved to a more suitable location. Prof. J. B. Clymer has been secured for principal for the coming year. Quite a number of young people are planning to attend Union College. Adam Schmidt had charge of the music for the camp meeting, and Esther Currier was organist. She expects to return to Union in September. Lawrence and Martin Anderson assisted with the meetings and care of the camp. They will spend the summer with tent companies in the state, Lawrence at Dallas, and Martin at Langford. Adam Schmidt and Daniel Wall are with a German company at Parkston.

The conference voted to send Elder Hayes and wife, both former Union College students, to Kentucky to labor, and furnish them with a new tent. J. H. Schmidt left the camp-grounds to join the work in Chicago. Several young people from South Dakota will attend Union this fall.

BROTHER Henry Winn writes from Luck, Wis. His post office does not say what kind of luck, but he has been having both kinds, good and bad. It has rained much of the time, and he has been soaked through several times, but still has had a good experience and has done a fair business. One Monday he got into a swamp, and waded through mud and brush until about eight o'clock at night, when he found a place to stay over night. Tuesday it rained, but he started out and got back into civilization again. He did not make a sale until Wednesday afternoon, but at night, Friday, the sales amounted to \$35.00. He has taken \$177.50 worth of orders and is encouraged to believe that he will make a scholarship all right.

MISS CLARA KIER is canvassing in the vicinity of Irene, South Dakota. She says that the Lord has wonderfully blessed her efforts, and has protected her in times of discouragement. She has averaged over fifty dollars per week in orders. Since she started in the work, and has been able to report, her orders have amounted to \$311.80. She has had some precious experiences with the people. She met one lady who had read Great Controversy, Coming King, Christ's Object Lessons, and the Life of Christ, and desired to get some more of our books. Miss Kier says that she has often thought of the History of Missions class, and would not take any price for what she learned in that class. She also says that Miss Olive Crum has been with her every Sabbath and Sunday until the last week, when they were not able to get together. She, also, has been doing well, and her orders amounted to more than Miss Kier's when they were last together the week before.

Miss Geneva Anderson is in the vicinity of Oldham, South Dakota. She has not been having as flattering success as some thus far, and thinks the following stanza, which was printed in a recent number of the *Northern Union Reaper*, tells her experience quite accurately:

"Who is it tramps through storm and shine,
Not knowing when or where he'll dine,
Of troubled thoughts he gives no sign?
The canvasser."

Still she is of good courage and writes as follows: "But one of the most precious lessons to the canvasser, is the lesson of faith and trust in the One who never fails us. The darker the shadows, the brighter the light appears by contrast. Thus out of this discouraging outlook the Lord may give a most precious experience."

MARRIED, June 9, at the Loma Linda Sanitarium: Walter Foster and Miss Ellen Cornish. Mr. Foster has finished the ministerial course at the San Fernando (California) College, while Mrs. Foster is a graduate nurse from the Loma Linda Sanitarium. Mrs. Foster also spent several years in Union College. To these earnest young people has come the call from the Mission Board to connect with the sanitarium at Kobe, Japan. Responding to this invitation, they will sail from Seattle, Washington, July 27. The MESSENGER wishes them a successful voyage, and God's blessing as they engage in His service.

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College View Items

MRS. JOHN MORAN of Imperial, Nebraska, is visiting at the Sanitarium.

JOHN CHRISTENSEN was over from Omaha Sunday visiting relatives and friends.

KENT WALLACE is over from Iowa, where he has been farming for several weeks past.

D. NICOLA has returned from South Bend, Nebraska, where he went for a short visit with the Deming family.

MR. and MRS. D. H. KELSON, of Carleton, Nebraska, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. Shoemaker, of the Sanitarium.

MISS ALMA J. GRAF has gone to Hastings, Nebraska, where she will stay for several days, and then return to the village.

MRS. AMELIA TALMAGE and daughter Gertrude have returned from Alexandria, Nebraska, where they have been to visit a brother of Mrs. Talmage.

MISSES ALVA and CELIA GREEN are visiting Mrs. D. Nicola and other friends of the village. They were formerly students in Union College, and are now on their way from Colorado to Chicago.

MR. and MRS. EUGENE ROWELL have returned from Lincoln, and will reside in the village. Mr. Rowell has just completed a line of work he was taking in the summer school at the University.

W. W. RUBLE, educational secretary of the Minnesota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, of Alexandria, Minnesota, is spending a few of the closing days of the summer school in the village.

PROFESSOR O. J. GRAF is spending a few days in the village. He has recently returned from Berrien Springs, Michigan, where he has taken up work as president of the Emmanuel Missionary College.

Peter Glantz, who has been at Stockholm for some time past, has returned to his home in the village. He was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Peter Miller, who after a short visit returned to Stockholm.

A. BOETTCHER, of New York City, has been in the village several days. He is statistical secretary for the foreign work of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. He returns to his home soon.

ELD. G. F. HAFNER was in the village a few days the last of the week. He had been visiting numerous camp-meetings in Canada and Northern United States in the interests of the German work, and was on his way to his home in Oklahoma.

ROY M. JOHNSON, of Ardmore, Oklahoma, is spending a few days in College View. He came to visit his parents, Eld. and Mrs. O. A. Johnson, whom he has not seen since they left for Scandinavia, eight years ago. He was formerly a student of Union College, and is now editor of the Ardmore Statesman. There is but one other republican paper edited between his town and the gulf.

MRS. WESLEY CLEMENT has gone to visit a brother at Oxford, Nebraska.

MRS. M. E. ELLIS, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Libbie Collins, and her sister, Miss Winnifred Collins for the past two weeks, has returned to her home in Hastings, Nebraska.

J. I. BEARDSLEY, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is visiting for a short time at his home in the village. He is also looking after the interests of the educational work of the South Dakota conference at the summer school.

C. A. THORP, of the International Publishing Association has returned from Iowa, where he held a conference with Eld. L. H. Christian in reference to the translation of Daniel and the Revelation into the Danish-Norwegian language.

PROFESSOR B. G. WILKINSON of Washington, D. C. preached at the regular service Sabbath morning. He also gave an address Sunday evening on the advancement of the missionary work of the Adventists in foreign lands.

CUSH SPARKS is spending a few days in the village. He has just returned from Kansas City, Missouri, and will soon leave for Hastings, Nebraska. He is arranging to move to that place, where he will be in charge of the Nebraska Tract Society.

ELDER AND MRS. O. A. JOHNSON, who have been spending several days in the village, left for College Place, Washington, last Tuesday. While here Elder Johnson addressed the summer school students twice, giving an interesting and extended description of Norway. He also spoke in the church Sabbath afternoon, and met with the Scandinavian people of the village in the chapel Saturday evening.

THE Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Lancaster County, held a convention in the church at College View, Tuesday, July 21. About thirty-five of these earnest workers came from Lincoln, University Place, Havelock, Bethany, and Cody. Mrs. Alice Jackson, of Lincoln, president of the association, presided at the morning session, and gave a brief review of the temperance work in this county. Mrs. Nora Green was chosen secretary of the meeting, after which Eld. C. R. Kite gave a short address. An account of the "Flower Mission Work" was given by Mrs. L. S. Guile, followed by a recitation by Grace Jenkins. Mrs. M. L. Trester gave an account of the contest work, after which a recitation was given by Harry Harper. Other papers were read by Mrs. L. M. Russell, Mrs. Jennie Rinker, and Mrs. Thomas Darnell. Each paper was followed by a lively discussion, after which a luncheon was served at South Hall. Among the many good papers presented in the afternoon session may be mentioned the following: "Mothers' Meetings," by Mrs. Weir; "Franchise Department," by Mrs. Sadie Kindall; "Importance of Organization" by Mrs. M. M. Claffin; "Health and Temperance among Seventh-day Adventists," by Mrs. C. C. Lewis; and "The Relation of Diet to Health and Morals," by Mrs. N. B. Emerson. A large number were in attendance and resolutions were passed expressing the appreciation of the Union for the many courtesies shown by the people of the village.

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News and Notes.

CHESTER ORR is spending a few days at his home in Steele City, Nebraska.

P. LANGHOFF, Neola, Iowa, says that he has met with success thus far in the canvassing work.

ARRIVED at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gambell, Brookfield, Missouri, July 11, a fine baby girl.

MISS LOTTA TALMAGE has returned from Galveston, Texas, where she has been visiting her brother for the past seven months.

SABBATH, July 4, a Young Peoples' Society of twenty members was organized at Chamberlain, South Dakota with Sister Harriet Cathan as leader.

PROFESSOR J. G. LAMSON, educational secretary of the Iowa conference of Nevada, Iowa, is spending a few of the closing days at the summer school in the interests of his work.

BROTHER W. F. SURBER, field missionary of the Missouri conference, writes that the canvassing work in that conference is going fine. The June record will be the best since the Nevada institute.

E. W. WAGNER is canvassing near New Kirk, Oklahoma. He is of good courage and says he is glad the Lord has called him to the work. The rains did not hinder him any as he worked in town during the wet weather.

A LETTER dated June 18 from Mrs. Walton C. John says that they reached the College safely a few days ago, and are very much pleased with the progress the College and students have made. They expect to have an institute in Argentine during their vacation, and they write for the announcements and publications of Union College, and Professor Kern's books on Gospel History.

LAST Monday the summer school visited the School of Agriculture of the University of Nebraska at the State Farm. They spent the afternoon looking through the various departments. The greatest interest seemed to center in the milking machines. Towards evening the farm hands and other Union College workmen came over; and the evening lunch was eaten in the grove at the State Farm instead of at South Hall. There were 136 present. At first it looked as if the food which had been prepared could not half be eaten, but it nearly all disappeared. A very enjoyable time was reported.

PRINTED invitations recently received by several persons at College View, read as follows: "Miss Mary V. Wall and Mr. John A. Westermeyer request the pleasure of your company at their marriage, on Wednesday morning, July the twenty-ninth, one thousand nine hundred and eight, at the S. D. A. church, one and one-half miles north of Bazine, Kansas." The MESSENGER extends congratulations.

ON their way to Washington, Miss Erickson, Miss Clement, and Miss Baharian spent several days at the Young People's Convention on the Chautauqua grounds at Franklin, Ohio. They arrived Thursday and left Monday morning. Miss Baharian gave a talk in one of the convention services. She writes that she got acquainted with some very nice people with whom she is going to correspond. She thinks Takoma Park the most delightful place she has ever seen. The Sanitarium building is very beautiful, as are also the surroundings. Professor Kern's family have just arrived at Takoma Park, and are getting settled as fast as possible. Probably Miss Erickson and Miss Clement will live with them.

FROM our German paper published in Hamburg, we learn that one of our canvassers has sold a copy of "Ministry of Healing" to Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany. His method of taking the order was as follows: He waited at a point near the summer castle and hunting grounds in Silesia where he anticipated that the prince and his wife would pass in their carriage, and was soon rewarded by seeing them driving down the road. He requested them to stop and showed them the book. They were both pleased with it, and made inquiries as to where the canvasser lived. The prince handed him ten marks, about twice the value of the book, and wishing him a pleasant farewell, they drove on.

AGNES LEWIS is recreating in Western Nebraska among relatives and friends, and this is the way she does it: "Monday afternoon Uncle Dan had to go to the pasture to catch the horses. I went along, too. When we got inside the pasture, he left his rifle and dog with me and went to catch the horses. I rested a while and then began to tramp around. I went all over the pasture, across grades, deep ravines, past old trees, and on the top of high bluffs. At last on the top of a large rock I took off my bonnet, let the wind blow my hair back, and shouted. Just couldn't help it. It rained on my face all the way home and how I enjoyed it. When I got home I lay down and slept two hours. I have felt different ever since."

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