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The Love of Missions Contagious

This love that constrains men and women, youth and children to ask for gifts for the missionary cause is contagious. It is "catching." It is really the same love that burned in Paul's heart, when he cried out, "The love of Christ constraineth us." Others caught the spirit of it as Paul talked it out in earnest, appealing words.

A farmer's wife told me the story of a prayer for a way to help the missionary cause.

She owned a calf that she had dedicated to missions. She prayed that a purchaser might be found, even in hard times. One day a stranger passed who offered her ten dollars for the animal. The price was quickly accepted. It was more than she had hoped for; and our sister thanked God for the answer to prayer.

Some time later the purchaser stopped again. He reported that the calf had died soon after he took it home. He remarked upon his misfortune after he had paid a good price. Our sister felt distressed; but she told the man she had spent the money, giving it for foreign missions. Then she told of her love for missions, and how she had prayed God to send a buyer, and how thankful she had felt when the purchaser had proposed an even higher price than she expected. She was exceedingly sorry for the gentleman's loss.

"Never mind," he replied; and taking out his pocketbook he drew out ten dollars. "Put this into your mission fund, along with your own ten," he said. It does people good to give for the cause of missions. May there be in our hearts a love for this cause of Christ that others will find contagious.

W. A. Spicer.

The Book Work

Faithful, consecrated colporteurs have wonderful opportunities to plant the seed of truth by the sale of books. Rays of light spring up in various districts where the literature is read and studied. Sabbath schools and compan-

ies are frequently organized as results of literature work.

Elder G. A. Roberts, Inter-American Division president, says: "There is no need to the influence our colporteurs exert with their truth laden books as they mingle with the masses and plant the seed here and there. No other agency of this denomination, except the agency of direct evangelism, has been so constant, so efficient, and so productive of results in souls won as the publishing."

In view of the solemnity of the time and the soon-coming of Jesus, there should be more consecrated colporteurs in the fields. Each church should be a training center, recruiting men and women for the bookmen army. These self-supporting missionaries pioneer the way for evangelistic efforts. We earnestly appeal to constituents of the Northern Union Conference to give prayerful consideration to the book work. "The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest."

E. H. Oswald

Forward In The Face of Difficulties

The greatest command ever given for solicitation was from God, Himself, when He commanded the children of Israel to go and solicit every man from his neighbor, "jewels of silver and gold." You will remember that just preceding this command, the whole land had been visited with plagues of lice, flies, disease of cattle, hail, boils, locusts, and fire; yet the people gave liberally of their substances. So in these days, when unusual circumstances surround both farmer and colporteur; when rust, hail, and frost are prevalent in the land, I believe that God will give His faithful seed-sowers an abundant harvest if they hold firmly to the promises of heaven. Remember that the rust has affected only the wheat, and that many farmers have oats, barley, rye, and corn upon which they may realize cash.

For your encouragement, let me quote from "Prophets and Kings," page 164: "Hope and courage are

essential to perfect service for God. These are the fruit of faith. Despondency is sinful and unreasonable. God is able and willing 'more abundantly' to bestow upon His servants the strength they need for test and trial. The plans of the enemies of His work may seem to be well laid and firmly established, but God can overthrow the strongest of these — For the disheartened, there is a sure remedy, — faith, prayer, work — Are you tempted to give way to feelings of anxious forebodings of utter despondency? In the darkest days, when appearances seem most forbidding, fear not. Have faith in God. He knows your need. He has all power — Fear not that He will fail of fulfilling His promise."

May God give to you even a greater desire to work for Him, and abundantly bless your humble, faithful endeavors to circulate our message filled literature, is my prayer.

P. D. Gerrard

"Whatsoever Is Right"

"Whatsoever is right I will give you" is the promise of the Master to His faithful workers on this earth; but possibly there are times when our estimate of what is right is far short of the standard which God has set for his laborers and as a result some are led to doubt God's promise; yet I am confident that this promise is just as true today as when Jesus was here upon earth.

The proof of this statement may be seen in the fact that our student colporteurs working in the Northern Union this summer have been greatly blessed—but not all the same way. Although constantly confronted with difficulties far too numerous to mention, some had the mountain-top experience as far as sales were concerned, while others learned patience and endurance in the valley; but all are gaining an experience which will enable them to stand during the time of great perplexity. I have before me at this writing the reports of several colporteurs who have delivered 100 per cent and more of orders taken; others that have delivered 90 per cent, and only one report so far

is as low as 85 per cent. The large sales and better deliveries seem always to go to the one putting in faithful time. To some the Master pays cash, to others "my grace is sufficient", but to all "whatsoever is right".

God is answering your prayers and the work in the Northern Union is onward. Thus far this year we have a gain in book sales of over \$7000, so let us be more fervent in our petitions for these literature ambassadors who are laboring in the field; also that He may send additional workers into the field, for "the night cometh, when no man can work."

P. D. Gerrard.

They Are Coming In

Souls are coming in. From every part of the field reports bring new victories in the soul winning work. Whenever our people set their faces to a task, something always happens. They began the "Win One" drive in earnest and are now kept busy bringing them in.

Brother Ferren of the Pacific Press attended the camp meetings in our union this year, and gives us a brief report of what he heard in these meetings along soul winning lines. I will quote a few of the experiences he has listed in a letter sent out to the field:

From North Dakota

"Among those in the baptismal group at the close of the camp meeting Sabbath service was a young man and his wife, fine outstanding young people. Elder Loewen, conference home missionary secretary, told me a very interesting story about them. He had performed their marriage ceremony about a week before the camp meeting opened. The girl was a Bap-

tist and the young man, though having been brought up a Seventh-day Adventist, was not in the church. It was a large church wedding. As the young couple appreciated Elder Loewen's service and were very friendly, he gave them an urgent invitation to come to the camp meeting. 'Your mother will want to come,' he appealed to the young man, and you can come over and enjoy the meetings,' addressing them both. Well, they came. They listened. The truth took hold of him anew; the bride accepted the Sabbath truth and everything else she heard, and they went forward in baptism that last Sabbath afternoon. Although she had been baptized before, she insisted that she be re-baptized now that she is to keep the Sabbath."

"Had been a Lutheran. Another man and his wife were baptized that day about whom Elder Rhoads told me an interesting story. Some months ago this man, a Norwegian and then a member of the Lutheran church, had come to the office one morning to see if he could get a book that would help him in the study of the Bible. He had been sick and had been reading some Adventist literature. He told Elder Rhoads, whom he met, that his church had kept him in the dark concerning the Sabbath, baptism, and other points. They provided him with a copy of the Danish-Norwegian "Bible Readings". With this and the help of friends who interested themselves in him, this man and his wife have come fully into the truth. They were baptized on that Sabbath."

From South Dakota

"Brother Lewis Anderson, of Sioux Falls, is in touch with a State College professor and family at Brookings, South Dakota, and has them reading some of our books and the SIGNS. This family drove 85 miles on the first Sunday of the camp meeting to attend the meetings. They had two meals with us at the cafeteria, attended afternoon meetings of the young people and heard Elder W. A. Spicer at night, returning to their home in Brookings that night after the service. They were very fine Christian people: sincere and open minded, and seemed interested in all they saw and heard. I have just written him a letter."

From Minnesota

"The home missionary meeting was one of the most spirited missionary meetings I have ever seen. Almost every one took part. The first of three women who stood up told how she had personally won the second

woman; the second, the third, etc. One woman had come out of the Roman Catholic church and told of her work with priests she had known before. Another had come out of Spiritualism. Sister Rust had sold a "Bible Readings" and the lady purchasing it had accepted the truth. She, too, was there to confirm Sister Rust's testimony. Literature had been a prominent factor in the conversion of many. Experiences showing the influence of the SIGNS OF THE TIMES in the cases of at least twenty-four persons were given."

From Iowa comes the word that the lay brethren have created so many interests in the field that it concerns the committee to know how to follow it up.

And so the story goes on. Just now a brother came to my office and told me of how the Lord blessed him in winning a number of souls to Christ. It was an interesting experience indeed. Let us keep the work going.

D. E. Reiner

Union College Furnishes Labor to Help Defray Student's Expenses

During the last fiscal school period of twelve months which ended June 7, 1937, the total student labor expenditure item was \$74,775.19. This represents 52.13% of the total student income (tuition, fees, music, board, room, and laundry).

For the next school year it is our plan to use about the same amount of labor again. We have the following financial plans to submit for a full year's schooling:

FOR WOMEN

0. \$361.50 cash, no labor, full class work.
1. \$325 cash, \$4.05 labor credit per month, full class work.
2. \$300 cash, \$6.85 labor credit per month, full class work.
3. \$275 cash, \$9.60 labor credit per month, full class work.
4. \$225 cash, \$15.20 labor credit per month, 13—15 hours of class work.
5. \$175 cash, \$18.70 labor credit per month, 11—13 hours of class work.

FOR MEN

0. \$406.50 cash, no labor, full class work.
1. \$350 cash, \$6.30 labor credit per month, full class work.
2. \$325 cash, \$9.05 labor credit per month, full class work.
3. \$300 cash, \$11.85 labor credit per month, full class work.
4. \$250 cash, \$17.50 labor credit per

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month, 13—15 hours of class work.

5. \$200 cash, \$20.95 labor credit per month, 11—13 hours of class work.

You will note the financial requirement for women is some less than for men. This is because the average monthly expense for women's board is \$12.50 and for men's board is \$16.00. Men also have personal laundry charges while the women usually take care of their own. However, the labor requirements in hours will figure out about the same for corresponding plans because of the fact that the average rate paid to men is two cents per hour more than that paid to women.

Each of the financial plans listed above includes tuition for the specified class load, room rent and flat laundry, board (\$12.50 a month average for women, \$16.00 a month average for men), personal laundry for men (\$1.50 a month average), matriculation and medical service fees. The plans do not include expense for books (\$15.00 to \$25.00 per year, depending upon the course chosen and the class load), laboratory fees, private lessons in expression or music, or board or laundry above the amount previously stated.

If the full amount of cash requirement is paid at the beginning of the school year, a five per cent bonus allowance credit will be given. There is also a bonus allowance granted for those who pay a semester's cash requirement at the beginning of the semester. If you do not plan to pay for a year's or a semester's schooling in advance, kindly plan for a \$50.00 deposit at the business office as one of the first steps in the registration procedure. Of this deposit, \$15.00 will apply towards the purchase of books and the balance of the deposit, \$35.00, will be the first payment of the cash requirement of whichever plan is chosen. The balance of the cash requirement may be arranged for in monthly payments.

For those who are coming to Union College for the first time, it will be necessary to fill out an application blank and mail it to the registrar's office before coming. After your application for admission has been approved, you should arrange for a room reservation in the dormitory by sending in a \$5.00 deposit to the business office or the dean of women or dean of men.

If there are some prospective students who find it impossible to arrange for the minimum cash re-

quirement under Plan 5, we invite you to correspond with us and we shall do our best to help you in your problems.

Our prospects are very encouraging for a good enrollment this fall. College youth of the Northern Union, plan now to be one of Union's students this fall.

H. C. Hartman,
Business Manager.

Iowa Conference

DeWitt S. Osgood, President

Eugene Woesner, Secretary

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Harvest Ingathering Success

The Iowa City company is happy to send the office \$165 Harvest Ingathering. We have reached our goal for 1937 and are now working for our super goal, which we intend to have by camp meeting time. With the assistance of Brother Scherr, we worked in the city July 28 and 29, and were more than pleased at the end of the first day to find our friends had contributed \$107. We found the business men of Iowa City very cordial, and nearly every one called upon responded with a donation as large or larger than in 1936. We expect to go over our super-goal in two more day's work. We know the Lord is going before us, and we enjoy having a part in this splendid work.

Geraldine Lien,
Nadine Bender,
Bertha R. Titzell.

Camp Meeting Music

Some one has said that God designed music to be the handmaid of religion. We know that it has always had an important part in worship, and we want it to play no small part at the Iowa camp meeting this year.

We want a great deal of special music, as well as good, wholesome, congregational singing. Every church with musical talent should prepare some musical selections; young people should plan for special songs in the young people's meetings; those who have songbooks containing special selections should bring them to the campgrounds; and those who play musical instruments must not forget to bring them along. Then when you arrive at the campground,

get in touch with the music director and inform him concerning your talent.

Everyone should plan to take part in the song services each day.

Glenn Fillman.

How To Reach Cedar Falls And Riverview Park

Cedar Falls is easily reached from all parts of Iowa and the Middle West. It is located on the Chicago-Omaha-Sioux City-Sioux Falls line of the Illinois Central Railroad, and the West Liberty-Minneapolis line of the Rock Island Railroad. There is also half hour interurban service and bus from Waterloo on the W. C. F. & N. Railroad.

For those driving to Cedar Falls by automobile, the city is located on Federal Highway No. 20, which, in Iowa, runs from Dubuque to Sioux City; Federal Highway No. 218, which connects with the Lincoln Highway near Cedar Rapids and continues to Owatonna, Minnesota, and State Highway No. 57, connecting with roads to Des Moines.

Riverview Park is located on Highway No. 20 at the west limits of Cedar Falls, high above the beautiful Cedar river.

Eugene Woesner

News Items

Magazine Month.—August has been designated "Magazine Month" by the conference committee, and already the orders are rolling in. The Des Moines Philadelphia church has sent in an order for a hundred Message magazines. Ottumwa is ordering 140 magazines; Health, Message, Watchman, and Liberty. The goal is one magazine per church member. Surely there will be enough members in each church who will order at least ten magazines, which are to be sold on the colporteur basis, so that the order will total the number of the church membership. When we speak of the colporteur basis, we mean, for instance, ten Watchman will be ordered by one person. They should cost the individual 50 cents and would be sold at 10 cents each, or for a total of a dollar. The 50 cents profit goes to the person who sells the magazines, of course. Similarly, the Health magazine costs but 75 cents for ten, and they sell for \$1.50. Order now from the Book and Bible House.

Des Moines Philadelphia.—The pavilion tent, which is located but three

blocks from the Des Moines colored church was well filled for the stereopticon lecture on astronomy. Brethren Hudson and Thompson report that a good harvest of souls is to be expected.

Ruthven—As I was in this vicinity on conference business, I took occasion to visit with a number of our believers in their homes. I find our folk here of good courage and zealous in the Lord. Christian education has been appreciated by the Ruthven church. Plans are even now being laid for the coming school year.

Youth's Congress — Big plans for a great conclave of Iowa youth are going forward nicely. A special car is being planned for those going from Des Moines and vicinity. Be sure to bring your musical instruments. Bring your Bibles and note books. Every Missionary Volunteer society should be represented. Reports of their activities are to be called for. Now is the time to round out these reports. Catch up on a few items. Do some real missionary work. You can report it at the youth's congress, and thus cause your society to stand out as among the most active societies in Iowa. Check up on the number reading the Bible Year, the books read in the Reading Course, and other special activities and missionary endeavors.

Juniors, how are you coming in your progressive work? Really, now is the time to make an earnest effort to get your vocational honors. Let all our Iowa youth plan to be present.

The youth's congress begins Thursday night, August 26, and lasts through the Sunday evening meeting, August 29. It will be at Riverview Park, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Centerville — This note comes from Brother L. P. Knecht: "Praise the Lord! Tabernacle packed. Many on the outside. Pray for us. Trust the crowds continue to come and God continues to bless our humble efforts. From the time I began evangelistic work, I have longed for the time when they could not all get in. I realized it tonight, after two weeks of meetings here, this being the third Sunday night. Pray for us."

Youth's Congress — Every Missionary Volunteer officer should plan definitely to be present at the forthcoming youth's congress to be held August 26-29 in connection with Iowa's annual camp meeting. Beautiful Riverview Park is ideal for such a gathering of our young people. It will be a test of the leadership of

our Missionary Volunteer officers to arrange for a representative delegation from their society. They should also plan to round out the work they have been carrying forward this year so that a good report can be given. Organize! deputize! energize! and realize! Tell your friends you will see them at the Iowa youth's congress.

Camp Meeting—This is not only going to be a time of spiritual uplift, a season of renewing old friendships, an occasion of pleasant and profitable associations with those of like precious faith, but it will also be a change from the daily grind of our usual routine. There will be an expanding of your whole being as you take part in the services, enjoy the singing, listen to the preaching, and yearn with those who lead out in praying. The appointments in connection with our annual camp meeting are really ideal and you will wish to enjoy every meeting while upon the campground.

But let it be remembered that this is conference year. Every church should not only select their delegates, but they should as far as possible be present at the first meeting, Friday morning, August 27, at 9:30 A. M. Let none feel that this work is of little or no importance, and leave it to others. God requires that His people be "not slothful in business." Especially should we be diligent in the "King's business." Your presence and counsel is vital. This is your conference, and your cooperation in shaping the program is needed.

Lay Evangelism.—There is to be an hour for special instruction in lay evangelism provided at our camp meeting. Many a church member could give acceptable service holding Bible studies, cottage meetings, and lay evangelistic efforts with a little training. Be sure to avail yourselves of the camp meeting opportunity to prepare for a larger work.

Christian Education.—Where there are but six children, so the Spirit of prophecy states, Christian education should be provided for our boys and girls. Home schools might be established where it is impossible to have church schools. But in many instances, if planned for and prayed about long enough before school actually must begin, it will be found that a church school is possible. Don't be a lopsided Seventh-day Adventist. Christian education is an integral and vital part of this message and stands on the same foundation with tithing,

Sabbath keeping, and mission promotion.

Centerville.—A postal card from Brother Knecht says: "The Lord is doing mighty things for us down here. Last night we packed in 230, and there were nearly a score on the outside and some on porches across the street. It was a banner night. It is the talk of the town. Preachers are warning their people, but to no avail.

August 14 — European situations threaten the advancement of our work. The General Conference Committee has appointed Sabbath, August 14, as a day for special prayer. We believe that the time has come for prayer and fasting. Iowa joins with the General Conference brethren in praying that the worldwide work may continue to enjoy the blessings of Heaven and that Southern Europe especially may be granted release from threatened disaster. Let all make August 14 a day of fasting and prayer.

Sioux City.—We quote from a recent letter of Brother Archbold: "We had twelve new people out last Sabbath for the first time. We are sure of about fifteen for the first baptism, and almost that many more for a later baptism. We have had every reason to be encouraged as to results."

DeWitt S. Osgood.

The Iowa Sanitarium

I was not in the mood to sleep, so as I lay on my bed at the Iowa Sanitarium, where I had been a patient for over two weeks, I was thinking. My thoughts were on the institution. I was thinking, what a fine place this is for one to be. I thought of Dr. Gilbert and of his skill, and I was happy that he was there. Just the day after my arrival two patients went home. They had been in a serious accident some days before. The woman, especially, had been badly mutilated on her face. For three hours the doctor had worked on her in order to keep her from being disfigured. I heard of praise from the family and from other patients in the Sanitarium, as they spoke of the fine pieces of surgery performed.

Then I was thinking about the other workers in the institution. As you step in through the door you are greeted by pleasant faces in the office. A room is assigned, the doctor examines you and orders you to bed if necessary. Nurses take care of your

needs either by day or night, and as they minister you feel that they are Christians. You know they have your health interest and comfort at heart.

In the course of the day you find your way to the treatment rooms. You are impressed again. Several times a day the tray girls bring your meals, or they take you up and down on the elevator. You just feel that they love their work and that they are happy to be of service. Even Mike, who sweeps the halls and keeps the lawns trim and beautiful; after he has become acquainted with you, calls in through the open door to ask "How are you today?" and you feel that he really wants to know. If you want some one to read to you, or want something good to read, yourself, Miss Terwilleger seems to know just what you need.

I have called at the homes of many who are sick. I've read the Word and had prayer. They told me of their appreciation of the visit, but I never fully realized they did appreciate it until Elder Miller came to my room and knelt by my bed and prayed for me.

Well, I've enjoyed the experience of having been there. We can count ourselves most fortunate to have such a fine institution in our field. There is truly a wholesome, cooperative group of workers in the Iowa Sanitarium, and I believe that God is blessing the institution.

A. J. Gordon.

A High Day At Ottumwa

Great earnestness and a better realization of the times in which we are living, were manifested by all who attended the colporteur rally on Sabbath, July 24. During the eleven o'clock hour, Elder Osgood gave a very inspiring sermon, helping us to realize the blessings that attend the efforts of the literature evangelist. Following this, some of the ladies of the church, Sister Benson, Sister Buehler, and Sister Clark, had prepared a bountiful dinner which was enjoyed by every one.

At two o'clock the twelve colporteurs who were present, took their places on the platform. They were, Beatrice Komoll, Gordon Osgood, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chamberlain, Hazel Messenger, Evelyn Halverson, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Miller, Elsie Peckham, Howard Strickland, Sam Martz, and Glenn Shelton, Jr. Elder P. D. Gerard, our union field secretary,

brought to us the need for immediate action. Facts were presented to prove that our work, as a people must be done quickly, before the favorable circumstances under which we now labor, are gone forever. Surely more should engage in the literature ministry, as their part in finishing the great work before us, as Seventh day Adventists.

August has been set aside by the conference committee as "Magazine Month". Our goal is 3,000 copies or one per member. As Elder Osgood presented this plan, we realized that the Ottumwa church is a working church, for they ordered 140 magazines, which is ten times their membership.

All of the colporteurs testified of their good courage, and many related interesting experiences which they had enjoyed. Mrs. Eugene Woesner, accompanied by Mrs. Calvin Gordon, rendered a beautiful and inspirational solo. Others who participated in the meeting were, Eugene Woesner, Calvin Gordon, L. P. Knecht, and the writer. We were glad to welcome the visitors from other churches in the district.

Our colporteurs are having excellent success as evidenced by the fact that their sales average more per hour than at any other time during the last five years. With this in mind, we believe that many more could profitably engage in this form of evangelistic service. We need more colporteurs in Iowa. God is calling you. Why do you not say, "Here am I, send me?"

G. H. Boehrig.

Sioux City Effort

The Sioux City effort is now entering its closing days, and we feel grateful for what has been accomplished thus far. Our tent is located not far from a strong Methodist college and only a block or so from the Lutheran church. From these we have had our share of opposition, especially from the Lutherans. Some of our regular attendants made their ministers admit that Saturday is the Sabbath.

Quite different from any other efforts I have held, our crowd changed every week. Every Sunday night it looked like a new place with the exception of about twenty-five people. Because of this we put off the testing truths until about the seventh week. Before we presented the "Mark of the Beast" about a dozen people were already keeping the Sabbath. Last

Sunday evening almost every hand went up, admitting that the seventh day Sabbath was right, and that we should keep it. When we called for those to stand who were going to keep the Sabbath, only about a dozen people of that large audience remained in their seats. The response was beyond our expectations. Many of these were out to Sabbath school this week for the first time.

One young woman, who has been superintendent of one branch of a large Sunday school, turned in her resignation three weeks ago and gave them her reason. Other prominent members in the same church asked for reading material so they can see why such honest conscientious people have made such a sudden change. Sister Gordon, our faithful Bible worker, now has appointments for Bible studies with them.

The interest has taken a sudden upward trend during the last few days. The people are really stirred, and there is no question but that we will have a large harvest of souls. Our first baptism will be on Sabbath, August 21. At this time we plan to baptize from fifteen to twenty. Several others will be ready soon after camp meeting. We are made happy to see the earnestness with which these new believers are coming over. Many of these have leadership ability and will do much to strengthen the church here. Let us remember these new ones before the throne each day.

W. R. Archbold.

Silver Jubilee Offering Report

We would like to let our readers know how important it is for all to take an interest in the kindergarten and primary divisions. Sister Amanda Stein, leader of the kindergarten division at Muscatine, puts real interest into the children's division by preparing special material for their study and inspiration. With a membership of twenty, on the last thirteenth Sabbath they received \$16.41 in their kindergarten division for the Thirteenth Sabbath Silver Jubilee; and at the end of the quarter, \$44.29, besides a penny collection of \$3.33 for expenses. We thought this was so good it should be printed in the Outlook for the rest of the schools to read. We would like to have some more reports like this for the Outlook.

Hats off to our churches who have reached the two dollar per member goal on the Thirteenth Sabbath Silver

Jubilee Offering. Brighton comes first with \$6.00 per capita, and then Carroll with \$2.63 per capita, followed closely by Atlantic, Iowa City, Boone, and Burlington, with amounts running from \$2.06 per capita to \$2.53. Spirit Lake, Clinton, Iowa Sanitarium, Ames, Terril, Menlo, and Forest City, all went over the \$1.00 per capita and some even running as high as \$1.70 and \$1.82. This excellent work is greatly appreciated.

B. A. Scherr.

Buy Now and Save

We wish to take this opportunity to remind all our people, that the special discounts now available on the writings of the Spirit of Prophecy terminate on September 1. Many of our people have taken advantage of the 25% discount now being allowed on sets of the "Testimonies" and "Conflict of the Ages Series", and we believe still others will wish to do so between now and the first of September. Single volumes may also be purchased at a saving of 20%.

A number of our people in Iowa do not have these good books, especially those who have but recently accepted the message. This is an unprecedented opportunity to secure them at a substantial saving.

Do you have a set of the "Testimonies" in your home? Do you have the "Conflict of the Ages Series"? Do you lack any of Ellen G. White's books? If so, now is the time to make your library complete.

Orders should be placed at once with your church missionary secretary, or from the Iowa Book and Bible House, 734 Main Street, Nevada, Iowa.

Eugene Woesner.

Showers of Blessings in Exira District

Recent showers have brought much happiness to the people living in the northern section of District No. 7. For weeks the patient farmers have been eagerly looking for rain for their thirsty fields. It arrived just in time to save the parched corn fields, and therefore brought much joy to those who had labored so hard to obtain a crop this year in order that they might partly regain what they had lost during the lean, dry years.

Simultaneously with these temporal blessings, were experienced the spiritual showers that fell during a week's itinerary among the churches;

Atlantic, Audubon, Elkhorn, Exira, Harlan and Jacksonville, being visited by Elder Halswick, General Conference representative of the Bureau of Home Missions, Elder Osgood, and the writer. Unfortunately, Elder Osgood was able to be with us for only the first meeting, as an urgent work called him away to other parts of the field.

The first meeting was held Friday evening, July 9, in the Exira church with Elder Osgood preaching, and the following day being the Sabbath, meetings were held both in the forenoon and afternoon. The morning meeting was especially well attended, many being present from nearby churches. The meetings in the other churches were also well attended during the week, considering that it was the busy harvest season. Many spiritual feasts were enjoyed by those who attended. It was also a spiritual uplift to meet many of our people in their homes and engage in seasons of prayer with them.

The last meeting of this special week was held on the second Sabbath, in the Jacksonville church, where about 100 people had gathered from the neighboring churches for the union meeting. After a stirring sermon, a call was made especially for the young people to give their hearts to Jesus, and for any who wished to reconsecrate themselves to God and seek a closer walk with Him. The congregation responded willingly, and filed up to the front for special prayer. As we saw the tears of penitence, we felt that the Lord was fulfilling His promise with showers of blessings to those who seek Him with all the heart. May this experience on that last Sabbath be a foretaste of still larger outpourings of the Holy Spirit in District No. 7. The Lord has promised such refreshings for the last days.

The members of the Jacksonville church rejoiced to see their church filled once more with worshipers, and were reminded of the years gone by when there was a larger gathering of believers there.

Bernhard Peterson.

Sunset Calendar

August 13, 1937

Des Moines, Iowa.....	7:18
St. Paul, Minnesota.....	7:22
Bismarck, North Dakota.....	7:58
Pierre, South Dakota.....	7:45

Minnesota Conference

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B. C. Marshall, Secretary
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Maplewood Academy

The following paragraph came to my attention about a month ago. Forceful and true, it presents a need and an obligation:

"The odds are against the boys and girls growing up today. They should be granted every privilege and opportunity possible for making good. We run a fearful risk when we refuse or neglect to follow God's way for our children. While our schools are not perfect, and never will be till human nature is changed, yet Christian Seventh-day Adventist schools have been ordained of God for the salvation of our young people, and they should be patronized one hundred per cent."

"Maplewood on September 13" is the answer to any question fathers and mothers may have as to the place for their children of high school age.

Adrian R. M. Lauritzen,
Director of Music.

Notice To Church Elders

1. Sabbath, August 14 is the day set aside by the General Conference for an offering for the colored work.

2. Urgent request comes from the General Conference asking that special prayer be offered in behalf of our work and people in Roumania.

News Items

Six precious souls were baptized by Elder C. Edwardson at Anoka on Sabbath, July 24.

Our colporteurs in Minnesota are manifesting a spirit of real courage. Yes, they are true evangelists and God is blessing them. They appreciate the prayers of our sincere church members.

God is richly blessing His people in paying tithes. Many who have been holding back the Lord's portion are now sending in their back tithes. Brethren, we must be honest with God if we expect to claim His promises.

Elder A. J. Lockert baptized two persons at Barnesville on Sabbath, July 24.

Elder G. E. Hutches reports seven new members baptized and taken into the church.

South Dakota Conference

J. H. Roth, President
 B. L. Schlotthauer, Secretary
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Church At White River

Our brethren and sisters have read with deep interest of the work in the southwestern district of the South Dakota Conference. The brethren there sensed the need of a church building at White River where several had taken their stand for the truth in recent months and years. Under the leadership of Elder J. A. Estey, the leaders set themselves to the task of erecting a place of worship which would be a credit to the work. Some gave cash, some lumber, some labor, and the town gave the church lot.



All worked together unitedly so that now the building stands completed, dedicated to the worship of God, free of debt.

The town of White River was very cooperative in not only giving the lot but also in giving cash and pledges. One man, not an Adventist, stuccoed and plastered the entire building free of charge, and when the time came to dedicate the building, the brethren felt they must borrow extra chairs for the occasion. The priest of the Roman Catholic church and the school board of the new school willingly lent these chairs to their Adventist neighbors. Almost every one in the entire community lent a helping hand to make the work grow and prosper.

J. H. Roth.

A Model Sabbath School

MSS is the new broadcasting station of the Mobridge Sabbath School. It is only a miniature affair, small enough that it could be placed on top of the upright piano in the church, but it sends its messages out into the world through its offerings and other Sabbath School activities. The membership of that Sabbath School is seventy nine. It is very

well organized and ably conducted by Mrs. Sam Merkel, the superintendent. Originality and talent are visible in the conduct of the school and it could well be taken as a model by other schools in the conference.

J. H. Roth

**Chickens Sell
 "Bible Readings"**

Miss Leone Rittenbach writes in her weekly colporteur report: "I had a number of outstanding experiences this week; but one was particularly interesting to me. I knocked at the door of a house but received no answer, so prepared to leave. A flock of about fifty spring chickens followed me, and try as I would, I could not shoo them away. The main highway was quite near, so I turned back to the place again not wishing to lead the chickens on the highway. When I came back into the yard with the flock of chickens following me, the lady came to the door and invited me in. I canvassed her and took her order for the cloth binding. Even though it is hot, I am not discouraged when spring chickens help me in making sales."

Robert Brown.

News Items

Elder J. H. Roth visited the Sioux Falls church Sabbath, July 31.

Elder W. H. Hanhardt, our home missionary secretary, has been very busy in the Ingathering work since the close of camp meeting. He spent considerable time assisting the Huron church. At this writing, he is assisting the brethren at Pierre.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Schlotthauer and Carmen Jean left Watertown Wednesday, July 28, for Jamestown, North Dakota, where Brother Schlotthauer will take up his work as secretary-treasurer of the North Dakota Conference.

A conference committee meeting was held at Plainview Academy Thursday, July 29. We appreciated the counsel of Elder E. H. Oswald, the Union president, and of Elders Reiner, Gerrard, and Gant, also from the union conference.

Brother Robert Brown, our field missionary secretary, has been assisting the colporteurs in the eastern part of the state and reports good success. The Lord is blessing our faithful colporteurs in many ways. Let us continue to pray for their success.

Sister Grace Stewart has been assisting in the Ingathering work at

Rapid City and surrounding territory, with a good measure of success.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Ortner, and Prudence and Edgar, their children, arrived in Watertown, July 30. Brother Ortner has taken up his duties as secretary-treasurer of the South Dakota Conference.

Miss Edna Knecht, who has been assisting in the conference office for the past few months, is taking a needed vacation at her home before taking up her work as accountant at Plainview Academy.

Elder Roth left Watertown, August 2, for Pierre where he will join Elder Hanhardt in the Harvest Ingathering work.

We were pleased to have Brother and Sister Wilson of Huron stop at the office one day last week. Sister Wilson reported that the Huron church lacked only \$4.60 of reaching its Harvest Ingathering goal, and they expected to raise this amount in the near future. We appreciate very much the fine work the Huron church has done in raising their Ingathering goal so early in the year. We hope the other churches will follow this good example.

North Dakota Conference

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A Day at the Capitol

Elder J. H. Seibel and the writer recently had the privilege of calling on the Governor of North Dakota. We were ushered in to his private office, and he listened attentively to a short sketch of our work while we showed him the prospectus for "Dawn of a New Day." He quickly placed his order for the best binding. He told one of his departmental men of our work, and he, too, ordered the book. Before we left his office, the governor told us to be sure to see every one of his men in their various offices.

We then went from office to office, and were impressed with the fact that there are God-fearing men at the head of our State government. One day is too short a time to meet all the men. We plan on returning to Bismark in order to call on every one.

The persons visited and the position each holds are as follows:

William Langer, governor; Alvin Pursell, State director U. C.; Ben

Bauer, Regulatory Department; Max Rabinovich, member of the Pardoning Board; A. J. Roudenbeck, warden of state penitentiary; Mike Ryan, deputy warden; A. J. Gerlack, Regulatory Department; D. W. Hullerstrum, Game and Fish Commissioner; C. E. Van Horne, Motor Vehicle Registrar; James E. Bothne, office of the Governor; Oscar E. Erickson, Commissioner of Insurance; Chas. A. Schwartz, Dep't. Fire Marshal; D. J. Murphy, State Dairy Commissioner; F. A. Vogel, Bank of North Dakota, Bismark.

Almost without exception the men we interviewed ordered the book in the best binding. Surely God calls and ordains men for civil governments.

F. L. Burkhardt,
Field Secretary,
North Dakota Conference.

Obituaries

Wood—C. A. Wood, of Grey Eagle, Minnesota, passed away at his home on Wednesday, May 5. His devoted wife was with him during his illness and bravely stood by as he died, knowing that he was ready. Mr. Wood was the father of Missionary Harold Wood of Alaska; Fay of St. Paul, Minnesota; Adele of Lincoln, Nebraska; and Quentin of Fertile, Minnesota. The church, as well as the family, will miss the help and encouragement that Brother Wood was always ready to give. The funeral service was held in the Sauk Centre church and Brother Wood was laid to rest in the little cemetery east of town, where he awaits the call of the Saviour, in whom he placed his trust.

J. C. Christenson.

Abraham Lincoln Hoyt was born January 6, 1861, at Ottumwa, Iowa and died in Muscatine, Iowa, July 21, 1937. Surviving are his wife; two sons, Walter Hoyt, of Fruitland, Iowa and Harold Hoyt, of New York City; a daughter, Mrs. Bertha Weeda, of Santa Monica, California; and three sisters, Mrs. Minnie J. Parks, of Ottumwa; Mrs. Orpha J. Smith, of Chicago; and Mrs. Bertha M. Reed, of Des Moines.

DeWITT S. OSGOOD.

COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 31, 1937

Minnesota — C. G. Cross, Sec.
Bks. Hrs. Sales Del.
K. A. Evenson DR 59 128.80 66.80
L. F. Hazeltine BR 47 56.50 6.50

Chas. Merickel DND	46	34.00	3.75
Clare G. Rust Mag.	45	13.80	13.80
B. O. Engen Misc.	45	8.10	15.20
William Greer GC	45	51.60	2.10
Melvin Ward BR	44	73.85	7.25
M. Peterson Mag.	41	19.45	13.95
G. W. Nielson BR	40	122.00	3.75
**R. E. Wallace BR	111	49.00	14.00
Virginia Rust Mag.	32	15.05	15.05
Miss C. Powers Mag.	30	12.85	12.85
S. Christopherson	30	14.10	14.10
Nina Magnuson BR	29	43.45	14.20
P. Lequier Mag.	29	5.70	5.70
G. Ytredal DND	27	7.15	19.65
E. W. Cates RJ	25	29.00	2.50
Iva Fleming Mag.	24	20.15	13.00
V. Frederickson HP	21	2.75	1.65
Ruth Olson HP	21	12.75	.50
H. E. Preston GC	18	20.50	100.25
Emil Johnson BR	18	22.25	
J. Dufstrom Mag.	13	10.20	7.20
Mrs. Netteberg Mag.	10	4.80	4.80
Harold Santini Mag.	8	5.55	7.55
M. Sandstrom Mag.	4	9.50	9.50
Allan Gerrard Mag.		10.65	
Mrs. Wilson Mag.		6.00	6.00

862 809.50 380.95

Iowa — G. H. Boehrig, Sec.

R. Chamberlain BR	48	51.50	20.00
E. Halvorson RJ	38	13.50	1.75
Edna Jays RJ	25	8.00	
Dwain Kingland H	27	31.50	25.50
Beatrice Komoll GC	31	19.00	
Mrs. M. Meeker BL			13.50
Vernon Miller BR	15		5.25
Gordon Osgood BL	45	21.25	10.15
Glenn Shelton BR	42	41.25	11.00
G. Shelton Jr. BTS		5.75	
Miscellaneous Sales		175.55	175.55
Elsie Peckham Mag.		1.20	1.20

271 368.50 263.90

South Dakota—Robert H. Brown, Sec.

M. Eabcock DND	24	55.25	
Charles Root BR	44	45.75	5.00
Belle Brown H	34	25.65	13.95
O. L. Poore BR	40	18.25	1.00
Rose Reuer H	26	17.65	8.65
Adele Dorland H	33	12.50	9.50
Betty Claridge H	33	12.30	7.80
*Mrs. Sanford DND	68	20.00	6.50
L. Rittenbach BR	26	7.45	5.60
S. Brenneise BR	3	7.25	
Darell Holtz BTS	16	3.00	2.50

347 225.50 60.50

North Dakota—F. L. Burkhardt, Sec.

Burkhardt-Seible DND	7	64.50	34.50
Alvina Beck DND	35	10.00	
Frank Christy BR	31	38.00	
Lynn Leas DND	10	4.50	
Leo Merkel DND	5	10.75	
M. K. Wahl BR	37	52.75	
Mrs. Burkhardt H		2.25	2.25
Mrs. Gaffney H		1.50	1.50

Mrs. Guttu H	3.75	3.75
Mrs. Schoerle H	1.80	1.80

125 189.80 43.30

Grand Total 1605 1592.85 748.65

* 2 weeks

** 3 weeks

Elder Hosford's Itinerary

Elder G. W. Hosford of Union College will meet the following appointments in Iowa churches:

Friday evening, August 20 — Dubuque.

Sabbath morning, August 21 — Davenport.

Sunday evening, August 22 — Muscatine.

Monday evening, August 23 — Ottumwa.

Tuesday evening, August 24 — Oskaaloosa.

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There is now an opportunity for two young ladies to take the year's course in Practical Nursing as given at the Osceola Sanitarium, Osceola, Iowa. Those interested address Mrs. J. D. Shively, R. N. (7-8).

FOR SALE: 5-room stucco bungalow with two lots in town. Garage. Barn room for one cow. Good water, good soil. Electricity. Close to S. D. A. Church. Alvin E. Hanson, Princeton, Minnesota, P.O. Box 145.

WANTED: A reliable girl to assist with housework on farm. Mrs. J. C. Woods, Clitherall, Minnesota.

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