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## The "Signs" Stands Without a Peer

According to the report presented by the Statistical Secretary of the General Conference at the Autumn Council of 1937, there are in North America 161,271 Seventh-day Adventists, and throughout the world 438,139. These believers are not scattered over North America and over the world by chance, because the Lord has planned that "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations" before the end comes.

We are definitely told that "every soul whom Christ has rescued is called to work in His name for the saving of the lost," and "the Lord now calls upon Seventh-day Adventists in every locality to consecrate themselves to Him and to do their best, according to their circumstances, to assist in His work." "C. O. L." p. 191, and "Testimonies," Vol. IX, p. 132.

What is the work in which God requests the assistance of every Seventh-day Adventist? "The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to prepare a people to meet God," and "if there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures." "Colporteur Evangelist," p. 80.

Literature is one of the most wonderful agencies of God for extending the message of a soon-coming Saviour into all the world. Marvelous are the results of the transforming power of the gospel message in printed form. Thousands of people now rejoicing as members of God's remnant people owe their acquaintance with the great fundamental truths of the Bible to their reading of our periodicals such as the SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

The blessed ministry and influence of this pioneer missionary periodical will never be known in this life, but in the kingdom to come there will be a host of people who, because of their receipt and reading of this paper, their impressions received and decision to obey its teachings, will have words of gratitude to render and praise

to express because someone placed the Signs in their hands or in their homes.

Throughout its many years of service, the Signs has kept true to its soul-winning objectives. We believe that as an exponent of the great fundamentals of the last message of warning and salvation, it is without a peer. It should enjoy a circulation far in advance of its present list. We are hopeful that the year 1938 will mark a decided advance in the present mailing list.

In our plans for a "Greater Win One" movement throughout North America, we would suggest that the SIGNS be made a strong cooperative agency in making the year before us the best we have ever experienced in spreading the glad tidings of the kingdom of our Lord.

Steen Rasmussen

## Signs Wins Souls

Frequent reports from SIGNS readers indicate that the Holy Spirit is working mightily upon the hearts of men and women. Many souls feel deeply impressed with the message of the silent weekly visitor. As these people read the truth-filled literature, their attention is directed to the sacred pages of the Holy Scriptures. Like the man of Ethiopia, they stand in need of someone to interpret the prophecies which they fail to understand as they read God's book. The SIGNS OF THE TIMES will do the work and give full explanation of the message for this time and age; therefore every church should lay definite plans to participate in a larger circulation of that periodical.

District leaders, pastors, and church elders, will realize their responsibility in connection with the SIGNS campaign which has been scheduled for February 5 to 19. As leaders of the flock, workers must shoulder the responsibility and help the church reach their goals. This is not a monetary project, but a spiritual campaign which results in a harvest of souls. In fact, the slogan for the campaign is "More SIGNS, more souls."

We are indeed very anxious that the Northern Union may show a nice gain over last year's subscriptions, and therefore we urge that everyone connected with the cause give prayerful consideration and study to the work and enter wholeheartedly into the program. God desires vigilant workers, men and women whose hearts are aglow with the fire of the gospel message. Soon the work will be done and the harvest will be gathered. Let us work "while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

E. H. Oswald.

## Our Foreign Missionary Periodicals

At the last Fall Council an action was taken providing that subscriptions be taken for our foreign missionary periodicals, the German Signs of the Times, the Swedish Signs Watchman, Danish-Norwegian Gospel Messenger, and Italian Watchman, simultaneously with the English Signs of the Times during the 1938 Signs campaign.

Of the many and unfinished tasks which confront this denomination, none are of more vital importance than the giving of this message to the millions of foreigners in this country. That these foreigners are here is evidenced by the fact that in the largest cities of our land the foreign population exceeds the number of native born; and that they still read their own language is proved by the fact that there are 353 foreign papers published in this country with a combined circulation of 5,124,784; figuring about five readers to each would give a foreign-reading population upwards of 25,000,000. And the foreign population in this country is increasing rather than decreasing in spite of the restricted immigration. There were more foreigners who were born in lands across the sea, living in the United States when the 1930 census was taken, than were living here when the 1920 census was taken, this number totaling over 10,000,000 in the principal states of our country, which number, together with their children

makes a foreign population of between 30 and 40 million people.

A few days ago one of our foreign colporteurs visited our office, relating many experiences in connection with his colporteur work in some of the foreign settlements in our country. He said these people had come to this country more than fifty years ago, but they had never heard of Seventh-day Adventist, nor had they ever had an opportunity to read our literature. Just think of a situation like that in this enlightened country. Little wonder that the servant of the Lord admonishes us to "Wake up, wake up, my brethren and sisters, and enter the fields in America that have never been worked. — In the cities of America there are people of almost every language. These need the light that God has given to His church."—Testimonies, Vol. VIII, page 36.

You will be interested to know that the population in our larger cities in the United States is, in many cases, more than the native born; and it is not only true of the larger cities, but also of the smaller ones. You will be interested to know, too, that there are more Danish-Norwegians in the Northern Union than any other union conference in the United States. There are also thousands of Swedes and Germans, as well as those of other languages in larger numbers. What a challenge—to give this message to these thousands of people!

During this campaign when the attention of our people in all our churches will, in a special way, be directed to the circulation of our literature, will you not remember these "strangers" among us? If you have none to whom you can send our papers, we have here at our office in Brookfield the names of hundreds of people who would like to read this message in their own tongue. May God help us to quickly finish this long-neglected task.  
B. L. Grundset.

### High Lights in the Signs Story for 1937

The story of the Signs of the Times and its ministry for souls during another year can never be fully told until eternity's records are opened. The editors know of the hours and days with articles and pictures and reports sent in for publication, and all the editorials, news and comments. The linotype operators will not forget the many days they sat at their machines putting this copy into type.

In the press room two large presses have been kept running almost full time to print the large edition necessary to supply papers for the mailing list of clubs and singles. This has averaged more than 70,000 copies a week throughout the year.

It is an interesting fact that these presses have transformed more than 160 tons of beautiful fresh white sheets of paper into messengers of truth and light in the form of the



Don Ignacio Ortega and daughter.

Signs of the Times. It took nine large freight car loads of paper for the Signs during the year—a car every six weeks. More interesting, however, is the work our people and churches are doing in distributing these transformed sheets of paper to those who need their messages of mercy and truth. On Sabbath morning you see the church missionary secretary in the church, quietly passing among her associate members, giving to this member five Signs; to another, ten; to another, two; etc. During the week these members go to non-Adventist families with them. Into the missionary service from time to time they bring their interesting reports. A portion of the club of papers is probably used by the mailing band. These are sent out in the good old fashioned way, accompanied by letters written by various ones. The correspondence band, the Home Bible Study League, or whatever group is in charge of the mailing, finds that the Signs arouses interest. The letters they receive in

response, thrill their members and the others privileged to hear them. Only eternity's records we say, will ever fully tell the story.

Before me is a torn cover page from the November 20 Signs: A nicely written letter from a lady in Westfield, Massachusetts, accompanies it, and she writes that she has found a part of a copy of this paper on the street. She is so impressed with what she could read that she is anxious to have a complete copy of the Signs and expects to subscribe.

In a North Dakota home a few months ago the parents were called upon to lay away in death a beloved fifteen-year-old daughter. Just after that, the father now writes, while they were in deep sorrow, the Signs of the Times began coming to their home. "It has been a lot of help to Mrs. S. and myself," he says, "and we look forward to its coming each week." He is anxious to thank the one who sent them the paper.

The Signs of the Times was sent this past year to friends in Chicago by a lady in Iowa. It has changed their whole attitude toward Seventh-day Adventists, she writes. On visiting them recently, she found them enthusiastic about the Signs. Even their meals now, they told her, are free from pork, hamburger, and other things they have learned to discard.

The manager of a large power company in a midwest city was sarcastic and bitter toward our church work two years ago when a local worker called on him for a Harvest Ingathering offering. After a short visit the minister offered to send him literature, including the Signs, which went for a year. This year when he called on this business man again, he found him very friendly. He had enjoyed the Signs so much that he had greatly missed it when it stopped coming. He said he has been passing

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it on to others, and that he had also purchased a number of our Crisis Series books.

In Salt Lake City a leading business man, high in the Mormon church, had subscribed for the Signs and was receiving it at the time of the visit of one of our brethren during the Harvest Ingathering. He gladly gave \$5.00 because of his appreciation of the Signs.

From East to West and North to South, such experiences are flooding in. They are unexpected, and many are very unique. A Boston attorney, for example, writes that a woman called at his door and asked if the people in the home would care to read the magazine, the Signs of the Times. "Since then she has mailed it to me regularly for about five months," he says; then he adds, "I keep the latest issue on my office table, and it finds many readers. I would like to compliment you in your scholarly, well-written articles, and particularly editorials. In the men's class at church, in debates, and elsewhere, I have had occasion to quote them frequently."

A retired army captain in Alaska, there because he saw trouble brewing in the States, told Elder H. L. Wood, superintendent of the Alaska Mission, that he reads the Signs with great interest, and sends it around to five neighbors in his vicinity. He likes its explanations of what is taking place in the world.

And from Elder C. E. Moon, superintendent of the Gulf Mission in Mexico, comes accompanying picture of Don Ignacio Ortega and his daughter, who, he says, are regular readers of the Signs, deeply interested in the truth, but not as yet baptized. Ortega, now a rich cattleman, was the owner of the stage line between Batipela and Chibuabua in 1910 when the notorious Pancho Villa held up the stage and took it from him.

Many, many other interesting things are coming to light now when our churches are renewing and strengthening their work with the Signs of the Times. The Signs News Sheet, to be passed out to every family, contains more of them. Everything is in readiness for a great Signs of the Times campaign during the weeks of February set apart for it. Conference officials, ministers, church leaders, and all, are anxious to see thousands more of non-Adventist families added to the list of Signs readers during 1938.

Some of the clouds looming upon last year's world horizon, which called

for more Signs of the Times, have since then brought storms in various parts of the world. While the outlook for 1938 does not suggest more peace and easier times, it offers mighty opportunities for service, and the very conditions call more definitely for the message of the Signs of the Times. We are most earnestly working and praying at the Signs office that the Lord may enlarge our vision and so direct the energies here and in the field, that His plans may be met in every church in carrying out a program with the Signs which mean that many more thousands of people will receive its saving message during 1938.

J. R. Ferren.



Elder  
M. N. Campbell

says:

**T**HE "SIGNS OF THE TIMES" has been the means of bringing thousands of people into the truth. A sister sent it regularly to the wife of a minister. She and her husband read it carefully, with the result that they both accepted the truth, and most of his congregation did likewise. The sowing of the seed by this method has been most effective in leading inquiring souls to the truth. The message is set forth in the pages of the "SIGNS" in a very appealing way, and our people would do well to use it freely as a missionary agent.

M. N. CAMPBELL,

General Conference Vice-President  
for the North American Division.

### Union College News Items

Work on the new library building is showing marked progress as indicated by rising walls and the digging of a steam tunnel from the library site to the power house.

Elder Otto Christensen, missionary from Mongolia, addressed the International Relations Club of Doane College, Crete, Nebraska, Wednesday evening, January 19, on the cause of the Chino-Japanese war. Elder and Mrs. Christensen also presented an illustrated program on Mongolian life and the work among Adventist mis-

sions, in the Union College chapel Sunday night, January 30.

The College View Arts Guild is sponsoring an exhibition of water colors in the Union College art room. This display is from the Lincoln Artist Guild, and will continue from January 30 to February 10. During the first and second weeks in February from Sunday to Thursday, two to five P. M., the exhibit will be open to the public.

### Attention Please

We are endeavoring to secure a census of our colporteur fruitage, and the best way of which we know is to request that you give us your testimony. So if you can attribute your contact with this message to the colporteur work, either in person or through the books sold, please mail a postal card today to the undersigned at the office of the Northern Union Conference, 2718-3rd Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

P. D. Gerrard.

**Two for \$2**

**DID YOU KNOW** that you can have two wonderful journals, the "Signs of the Times" and "Health," for a whole year for only \$2? (\$3 outside the United States.)

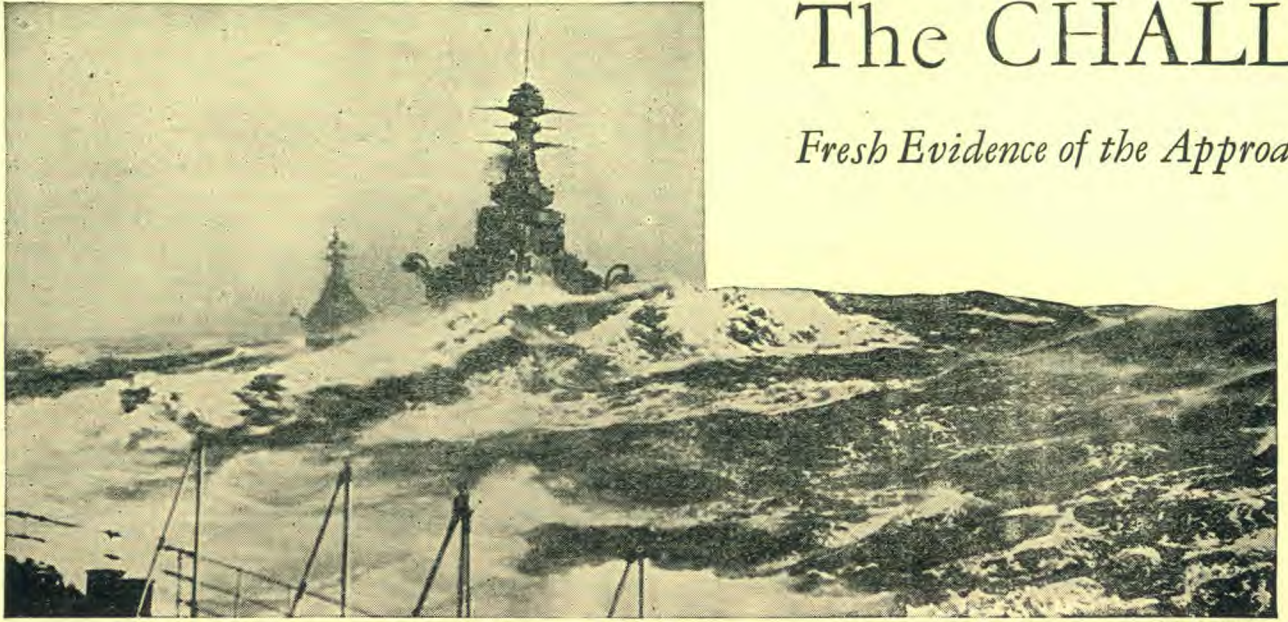
**DID YOU KNOW** that these can be sent to one address or to two separate addresses just as you may choose?

**DID YOU KNOW** that the "Signs of the Times" is our foremost missionary periodical?

**DID YOU KNOW** that "Health" is a most beautiful, four-color-cover magazine, brimful of the Adventist message on diet, hydrotherapy, and other phases of healthful living?

**DID YOU KNOW** that at this time of the year when tens of thousands of "Signs" subscriptions are being taken it is a splendid time to combine your order with "Health" and get the two at a saving of \$1? (The list price is regularly \$3.)

**DID YOU KNOW** that if you will send two \$1 bills (or your check for \$2) to **your Book and Bible House today**, together with the address or addresses you want the magazines to go to, very soon these two great journals will be bringing their message into your home or into the homes of your friends?



*British battleships plow through raging seas in the Mediterranean, where England is holding fast her "life line" to India and Australia.*

INTERNATIONAL



AS WE enter the shadowed portals of 1938 we all know in our hearts that we have begun to live in a great new time, in a period of history more tense, more perilous than ever, and pregnant with terrific possibilities.

The stupendous happenings of the past few months have not only changed the face of the earth, the map of the world, and the destiny of untold millions; they have altered the balance of power, turned the course of political thinking into new and unexpected channels, uprooted a thousand ancient landmarks, and set mankind adrift again upon a wild, uncharted sea.

"There has been a huge transformation of all former proportions and values in world affairs," writes that veteran author and editor, J. L. Garvin. "A new epoch has opened. We must be guided by a new sense of relativity; and let us see well to it that we are so guided in time."

There was a time when men were paramountly concerned with the fate of Austria and Czechoslovakia and the Free City of Danzig. Hungary made headlines, as did the Tyrol and the Balkans. But all these dangerous issues—even the Spanish civil war and the problems of Palestine—have shrunk into insignificance before the tremen-

dous new issues breaking open before our eyes in the Far East.

And what we see today, fearful and ominous as it is, is but the gigantic prelude of a development unparalleled in the annals of man—the establishment by one nation of political and economic ascendancy over the whole vast resources of the most populous country on earth, the uniting of the yellow races in one huge hegemony controlling more than one fifth of the population of the globe.

#### YELLOW PERIL LOOMS

"The Emperor is marching from the Island of the Rising Sun," writes General Sir Ian Hamilton. "His fighters drink up the great rivers of China. The smoke of their bombs makes dark the air. His road is clearly marked—Hankow, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bhamo, Burma, Assam, Bengal. That is the prospect if nothing is done. Nothing less than Europe can definitely hold up the army."

The so-called bogey of the yellow peril, so long laughed to scorn by many, is actually taking form and substance before us!

"World peace," according to Admiral Nobumasa Suyetsugu, Japan's home minister, "awaits the liberation of the

colored races from the shackles of white supremacy." "I am determined," he says, "to eliminate all obstacles, whatever they may be, in attaining this sacred mission. The white races should not carry on trade in the Far East based solely on their own self-interest. A three-power entente of Japan, China, and Manchukuo can alone establish peace in East Asia. Whether or not this means the immediate exclusion of the white races constitutes one of the most serious questions facing the world."

The "kings of the East" have clearly prepared their program. And they are not only marshaling their forces to accomplish it; they are already sending them into battle, with sweeping victories that have amazed the world.

Thus the very developments that Seventh-day Adventists, for many years, have said would take place before the end are now—on a scale far beyond our feeble imaginings—coming to pass in grim and terrible reality.

And if, besides looking at the Far East, we consider the rise of the new autocracies of the Right and Left in Europe, the alliance of the Fascist powers, the passing of democracy,



# GE of This Great NEW TIME!

## *Demands Renewed Consecration to Service*

*"Signs" Campaign of 1938  
ould Be the Greatest in  
Our History*

ARTHUR S. MAXWELL

the decay of freedom, the collapse of the League of Nations, the feverish preparations for war, and withal the increase of crime and divorce and the fading faith of Christendom, we are constrained to say, in the words of the prophet Jeremiah: "Certainly this is the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen it. The Lord hath done that which He had devised; He hath fulfilled His word that He had commanded in the days of old." Lamentations 2:16, 17.

### NEARING THE END

Unquestionably we are living today upon the very eve of those final, rapid movements that are to bring us to the closing scenes of earthly history. We stand upon the crumbling crags of Time in sight of the eternal deep.

And these tremendous facts, these mighty issues, challenge us one and all as never before.

They challenge us to examine our innermost hearts and search out those

hidden weaknesses that may cause us to sink in the swelling of Jordan.

They challenge us to a complete re-dedication of our lives to God that we may be cleansed from all sin and strengthened to walk boldly through the valley of the gathering shadows.

They challenge us to rekindle the fading embers of our zeal for the Lord's service, and with hearts aflame with enthusiasm go forth to warn mankind of its impending doom.

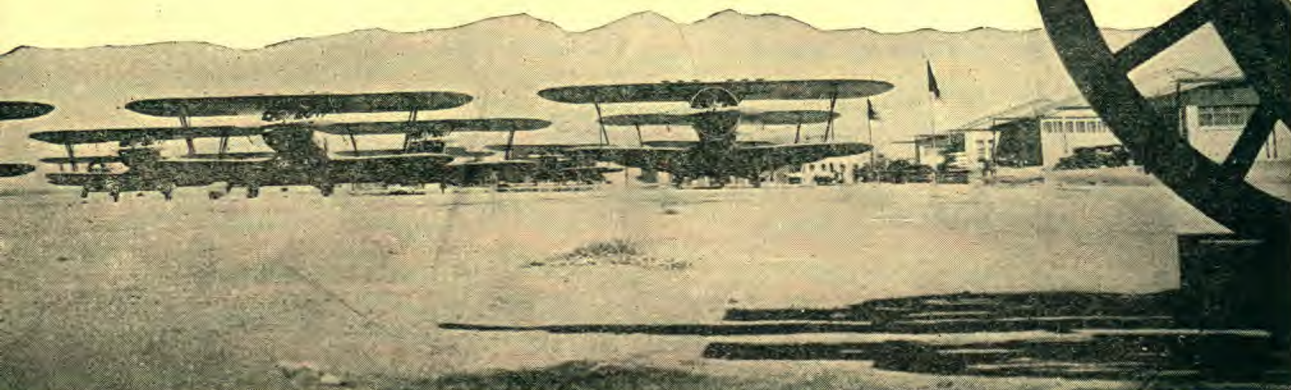
They challenge us to make use of every avenue the Lord has placed in our hands wherewith to accomplish this holy purpose. Books, tracts, papers,—message-filled literature of every kind,—should be scattered like the leaves of autumn before freedom's flickering torch goes out forever.

And above all, at this particular moment, they challenge us to consider the unique and powerful possibilities of witness made available to every member in the form of our great prophetic weekly. Surely today the *Signs of the Times*—the revitalized, scintillating *Signs*—with its strong, progressive program for 1938, should be circulated on a scale never yet contemplated by us as a people. The world is waiting for it. The world needs it. The world must have it.

This great new time demands that we shall do something greater than we have ever done in the *Signs* campaign, something commensurate with the magnitude of the issues at stake, something truly splendid in the eyes of God.

He is expecting us this day to do our best. We must not disappoint Him.

*Under the shadow of this reveille gun, thirty pursuit planes of the Seventeenth Attack Squadron take off at March Field for maneuvers in Imperial Valley, California. The whole world is under the shadow of mighty armaments today.*



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### Courage in the Lord

The religion of Jesus is a religion of faith, joy and courage. Someone has said that faith is a history making power and we might add that faith is a hero making power. We must choose between faith or failure.

Jesus speaks of our day as a time when "men's hearts" would be "failing them for fear." Our day is a day of moral heart failure because it is a day of doubt and skepticism. It is through lack of faith that men even "limit the Holy One of Israel." Ps. 78: 41.

The old Quaker who said, "All discouragement comes from the devil" was right for God is the source of hope.

Paul wrote to the Romans: "Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost." Rom. 15:13.

We are living certainly in the perilous times—the last days spoken of by Paul, but in these very times of peril God's people are admonished to "Lift up your heads" because of the nearness of the coming of Jesus. Luke 21:28.

We are not to be gloomy pessimists looking on the dark side, but we are to anchor our faith in the promises of God's Word. We are told through the Spirit of prophecy that "We are not to cast about for a possible doubt, or imagine that sometime we may have to stand beneath the shadow of a cloud that seems to be gathering. We are chosen of God to be His children; and we have no occasion for placing the suggestions of the enemy before the assurance of the Lord Jesus Christ." MS-71-1912.

"God has in store love, joy, peace, and glorious triumph for all who serve Him in spirit and in truth." "Testimonies" Vol. VIII, p. 247.

"Christ, our Saviour, lives and reigns. Let us not look on the dark side. As soon as we yield to the temptation to do this, we shall have plenty of company. But there is nothing to be gained by looking on the dark side. What we want is courage in the Lord." MS-71-1912.

The God of Heaven who gave His Son to die for us on the cross, and who preserved Noah during the flood, and protected Daniel in the den of lions, is today watching over His cause and His people. He will be with His people through the time of trouble before us, and even during the time of the seven last plagues. He will shield and shelter His elect. "These plagues are not universal, or the inhabitants of the earth would be wholly cut off... The people of God will not be free from suffering; but while persecuted and distressed, while they endure privation and suffer for want of food, they will not be left to perish... While the wicked are dying from hunger and pestilence, angels will shield the righteous, and supply their wants." "The Great Controversy." pp. 627-629.

We are profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father for His blessing during 1937. Under the blessing of God one hundred one souls were added by baptism and profession of faith. In spite of crop conditions there was an increase in tithe of \$790.24, the tithe for 1936 being \$27,081.31 and for 1937, \$27,872.55. Our Harvest Ingathering receipts totaled \$6,131.21, which is an increase of \$66.50 over the previous year. In the Sabbath school offerings we had an increase during 1937 over the previous year of \$188.29. In our total mission offerings there was an increase of \$90.30 for 1937 over the previous year, the total mission offerings for the two years 1936-37 being \$36,594.96.

We feel convinced that the Lord has rich blessings in store for His people in North Dakota. The Lord will not disappoint us.

D. N. Wall.

### Names Wanted!

We are now in the midst of the annual Signs campaign and requests are coming in for names of interested persons to whom the churches may send their papers. We are requesting that the home missionary secretary of each church send in the names of interested persons contacted during the Harvest Ingathering campaign. We are in need of names right now so please attend to this at once.

Geo. Loewen.

Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.—Proverbs 3:27.

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### Convention at Mankato

All of the churches in Brother Bietz's district are invited to attend a special convention beginning Friday evening, February 11, and continued through until after the Sunday night meeting, February 13.

A model seminar will be conducted by lay talent Friday evening. Elder E. H. Oswald, president of the Northert Union Conference, will speak at the eleven o'clock hour on Sabbath. The afternoon of Sabbath and during the day Sunday will be given to convention work. All should bring their lunches on Sabbath and Sunday and plan to stay all day.

On Sunday evening the writer will take the audience on a missionary trip among the savage Indians of the Upper Amazon jungle. Actual personal experiences will be given. Both old and young will be interested.

Our Book and Bible House secretary, Brother B. C. Marshall, will have a large display of religious books and Bibles at camp meeting prices. It will be an excellent opportunity to secure the different volumes of the Spirit of prophecy, and also the church officers' and M. V. reading course books. Remember the date is Feb. 11-13. V. E. Peugh.

### The Signs Campaign

The churches of Minnesota are giving the Signs of the Times an enthusiastic reception again. The time for the renewal of all church clubs has come, and the publishers have reduced the price for the special campaign dates, February 5-19. Minneapolis Northside reached their goal last Sabbath in just a few minutes. That sounds good Brother Pogue. Let us hear from each church as the goal is reached. J. C. Christenson.

### Wedding Bells

The marriage of Leona A. Lewis and Edwin R. Borg, both of Sebeka, Minnesota, was solemnized at the home of Elder D. K. Olson at Staples on Wednesday, January 26. We wish these young people every success as they face the world together to establish their Christian home.

Esther Olson.

**Iowa Conference**

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**Our Institutions**

"The light that shines the farthest, shines the brightest nearest home." The self-evident truthfulness of this statement is at once apparent. "Let your (Iowa) light so shine." "Arise (Iowa) shine!" If the work is to be finished abroad, it must be finished at home. Have you a heart burden for the home bases? Are you willing to cooperate to let Iowa's lights shine? How? Next week the Outlook will be an Iowa special.

DeWitt S. Osgood.

**Iowa Sanitarium  
 News Items**

Brother C. H. Lauda, educational and M. V. secretary of the Minnesota Conference, together with Sister Lauda, was here recently for a physical check-up.

Miss Ruby Barnett, R. N. our superintendent of nurses, has been requested by Story County to examine the students in one of the consolidated schools near Nevada.

Among recent arrivals at the Sanitarium are Mrs. Karl Keeney, and Mrs. G. F. McKinney of Nevada, also Miss Marie Samson of McCallsburg, Iowa.

Dr. A. E. Gilbert and Mrs. Elnora Mollison, R. N. were recently in Des Moines to examine the students in the church school there.

**Oak Park Academy  
 News Items**

News from the laundry indicates that they have a new mangle. Mrs. Sheirbon is the laundry manager.

The staff is very busy preparing the annual. It will be a magazine featuring the interesting events of the present school year. Watch for the announcement of it. You will want your copy.

The second semester has just begun, and we have enrolled several new students. Their names are: Mable House, from Poplar Bluff, Mo.; Dick McHenry, from Liconia, Mo.; Elmarretta Lewis, from Nemaha, Ia.; Warren Hoyt, from Sioux Rapids, Ia.; Leonard Rogers, from Aredale, Ia.; and Basil McIlwain, from Vinita, Okla.

A Missionary Volunteer institute was held at the school January 28 and 29. Elder Tucker was in charge, assisted by Brother Lauda of Minnesota. Elders Osgood, Gordon, Miller, and Scherr were also in attendance, helping with their timely counsel. Due to illness, Elder Gant of the union conference was not able to be here. God's blessing was with us, and every one who attended received his share of it.

**Convention Invitation**

The Iowa northwest district church officers' convention will be held in the Sioux City church, 313 Omaha Street, Sabbath, February 12. Invitation to this important gathering is extended to the churches and companies in the district. This includes Onawa, Modale, Castana, Smithland, Ute, Cherokee, and Hawarden. The services will last only one day, so plan to be there for Sabbath and come to stay through the day. Bring your lunches and take advantage of the occasion.

We expect to have good help for the convention. Those planned for are: Elder D. S. Osgood, president of the conference; Elder J. A. Tucker, young people's secretary; Elder B. A. Scherr, Sabbath school secretary, Brother Woesner, conference treasurer, and Brother Boehrig, field secretary. We hope every church will be represented. The conference church members in the district are included in this invitation. Plan now to meet with us. Let nothing hinder you. A gathering of this kind always brings inspiration to God's people.

W. R. Archbold.

**An Interesting Experience**

"I have a very interesting experience that I would like to pass on to others, showing the importance of passing out the Signs of the Times. As I have charge of an apartment house, I took the opportunity to hand to one of our tenants, the Signs of the Times. They informed me that Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ both read it from cover to cover. They gave it to another tenant, who read it, who, in turn, gave it to a friend living outside, who reads it and then passes it on to one of their friends. They told me they did not know then where it goes, or how many more read it.

"After reading the Signs," these folks became very friendly and one day invited me to their home for a meal. When I came in, the husband

said to me, 'You will not have to worry, Mrs. Titzell, there is no pork in this food nor hamburger.' I invited them to my home and they came to see me on Sabbath. We had a splendid visit and they took back with them a whole armful of our literature. The Signs of the Times does win souls."

(Signed) Mrs. Bertha Titzell.  
 Iowa City, Iowa.

**South Dakota Conference**

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**News Items**

Elder W. H. Hanhardt, our home missionary and Sabbath school secretary, visited the Madison and Colman churches over the week-end of January 29.

Price Changes: The following prices will become effective March 1:  
 Review 2.50 2.50  
 Big Four 3.25 3.50  
 Family Group 5.75 5.95

Order now and save the increase in these prices. All orders received after March 1 will have to be sent in according to the new schedule.

By vote of the South Dakota Conference committee, Elder W. H. Hanhardt has been asked to carry the Sabbath school work in the conference. All correspondence pertaining to Sabbath school, should be addressed to the Sabbath school department of the South Dakota Conference.

The sad word has reached the office that Elder and Mrs. Lauda were called to the burial of their son in California. The office foree, and I am sure the workers in the conference, join us in expressing our heartfelt condolence in this their deepest hour of bereavement.

Plans are perfected in the conference for a number of evangelistic efforts as soon as the weather will permit.

J. H. Roth.

**More Signs of the  
 Times in South Dakota**

What a splendid opportunity is ours again in promoting our pioneer paper, the Signs of the Times. During the past year we had about 650 Signs of the Times Magazines coming to our field, besides some foreign periodicals that filled the same need among

our German, Swedish, and Danish-Norwegian speaking people. We feel confident that our people will respond again in placing a large number of these periodicals in the hands of neighbors and friends, with the hope and prayer that many will be won to the faith during the year 1938.

"More Signs—More souls."

W. H. Hanhardt.

### COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 29, 1938

Minnesota—C. G. Cross, Sec.

	Bks.	Hr.	Sales	Del.
Alf H. Aas	BR	42	63.90	7.50
R. J. Jones	BR	46	28.00	10.50
V. Rust	Mag.	39	15.25	15.25
Alvin Hanson	HP	38	35.00	9.00
C. Powers	Mag.	33	12.45	12.45
Mrs. Paul	HP	32	7.50	
J. Thompson	GC	27	33.00	5.25
Clare Rust	Mag.	34	36.15	36.15
Wm. Greer	GC	30	11.25	7.50
Mrs. Lequier	Mag.	25	9.30	13.80
D. Maves	BTS	14	4.00	3.00
Mrs. Lund	BTS	7	4.60	4.60
Karl Evenson	BR	7	5.00	
Christopherson	Mag.	6	3.15	3.15
Mrs. Wooland	Mag.	6	2.80	2.80
Ruth Ytredal	Mag.	3	4.00	10.75
H. Santini	Mag.	2	.75	.75
M. Peterson		2	.40	4.50
		391	276.50	146.95

Iowa—G. H. Boehrig, Sec

Elsie Bahr	Mag.	13	5.60	5.60
R. Chamberlain	HP	45	77.50	.50
Chamberlain	Misc.	5	5.00	
Wm. H. Finch	BR	15	13.75	5.50
B. Komoll	Misc.		7.75	4.00
Roy Kroll	HP	33	11.25	2.50
Mrs. Kroll	Mag.	7	2.95	2.95
H. Messenger	BR	32	68.40	7.65
H. Niswonger	H	44	46.80	46.80
G. W. Smith	Mag.		5.50	5.50
H. Strickland	RJ	27	20.00	
*Elva G. Wilcox	GC	46	15.15	21.55
		267	279.65	102.55

South Dakota—R. H. Brown, Sec.

*G. Bovee	H	55	17.85	12.35
C. Root	BR	40	26.75	2.00
Edna May	H	32	23.10	14.35
Mrs. Sanford	H	25	17.25	16.50
R. Brown	H	6	9.25	6.25
G. Torkelson	Misc.		4.08	4.08
Mrs. Wilson	H	1	9.25	7.90
		159	107.53	63.43

North Dakota—F. L. Burkhardt, Sec.

Arthur Liebelt	RJ	40	80.00	17.00
Edith Olson	HP	15		23.50
*2 weeks			55	80
Grand Total			872	743.68

### ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements and business notices are not solicited, but are published only as an accommodation. They must be sent to the local conference office to be approved by the conference officers before being published in the Northern Union Outlook. For each insertion the rate is two cents a word with a minimum charge of fifty cents, cash to accompany the advertisement.

Wanted.—By S. D. A. mother and children, home and work. Farm preferred, with Sabbath school and church privileges. Mrs. Oliver DeLay, 408 fourth street, DeWitt, Iowa.

Wanted:—Experienced elderly or middle-aged man for easy work on small farm; milking 5 cows. Could pay \$15.00 per month. White H. N. Hansen, Route 4, Owatonna, Minnesota.

### OBITUARIES

Nielsen.—Johanna Johnson was born July 8, 1871 in Aalborg, Denmark. She was 19 years old when she left Denmark for Beresford, South Dakota where she was united in marriage to Jens Nielsen on December 19, 1890. Mr. and Mrs. Nielsen made their home at Beresford, South Dakota, for twenty years. To this union were born eleven children five of whom have passed to their rest. The Nielsen family moved to Burdette, South Dakota, in 1916. Mr. Nielsen died in January 1925, but Mrs. Nielsen continued to reside in this community with her children. For the past twenty-five years she had been in poor health, and she passed away on December 23 at the age of 66 years. She leaves to mourn her loss six children; Spencer Nielsen, Mrs. Hertha Anderson, George Nielsen, Arthur Nielsen, Lyman Nielsen, Mrs. Olga Zanders, and sixteen grandchildren; all of whom reside in Burdette community except Mrs. Zanders, who lives at Moberge, South Dakota. Mr. and Mrs. Nielsen were baptized into the Adventist faith in 1918, and remained faithful unto death. Mrs. Nielsen was loved by all who knew her kind generous spirit. During the past year and a half she was tenderly cared for by her oldest daughter, Mrs. Archie Anderson, and the other children. She will be laid to rest by the side of her husband at Beresford, South Dakota. Calvin D. Smith.

Baird.—Charles Francis Baird was born December 25, 1865 at Plymouth, Michigan, and died January 24, 1938, at his home in Staples, Minnesota. He was married November 25, 1890 to Cora Young of Revere, Minnesota. To this union were born nine children. He is survived by his wife and eight children: six sons, Thomas of Deer River, Minnesota; Ralph, Lester, Troy and Floyd of Staples, Minnesota; and Abram of Everett, Washington; two daughters, Mrs. Lucy Parks of Wisconsin, and Mrs. Esther Judd of Staples, Minnesota; also thirty-seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Brother Baird united with the Seventh-day Adventist church thirty-five years ago and remained a faithful member until the time of his death. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer to a large group of relatives and friends at the Adventist church in Staples, Minnesota. David K. Olson.

Ballard.—Mrs. Sarah Ballard, 78, of 3020 Avenue M, Fort Madison, Iowa, died in her home at 11 p. m. Monday. Death followed an illness of three weeks. Mrs. Ballard was born in Hancock county, Illinois, August 7, 1849. She had been a resident of Fort Madison 47 years. Mrs. Ballard was married to Benjamin D. Ballard in St. Louis, Missouri, December 24, 1876. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church. Mr. Ballard died December 30, 1925.

Surviving are, one son, Melvin Ballard, Moline, Illinois; three daughters, Mrs. Mary Bucey, Davenport, Iowa; Clara Morgeson, Waterloo, Iowa, and Miss Lena Ballard, Fort Madison; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild. She

was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, two brothers, one daughter, and two sons. She was the last member of a family of six children.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock from the residence, Elder B. A. Scherr, officiating. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery. B. A. Scherr.

Hayes—Mrs. Charles Hayes was born in Chatauqua County, New York, February 20, 1863, and passed away at Brainerd, Minnesota. She rests from her labors in the hope of a soon coming Saviour. She leaves to mourn, her husband; two daughters, Mrs. W. A. Bapp of Brainerd, Minnesota, and Mrs. Ed. Patrick of Coon Rapids, Iowa; one son in California, and fourteen grandchildren. Carl Sundin.

Matson—Mrs. Anna Matson was born May 6, 1863, in North Schleswig, Denmark, and died January 9, 1938, at St. Luke's Hospital, in Davenport, Iowa. On January 20, 1887 she was married to John H. Matson, of Clinton, Iowa. To this union were born two daughters, Miss Nellie Matson and Mrs. August Mueller, both of Chicago, who, with their father, survive Mrs. Matson. She has been a faithful member of God's remnant people for many years, serving as deaconess in the Davenport church for sixteen years until two years ago, when, due to the infirmities of age, she was made an honorary deaconess. I visited with her and prayed with her several times, and I know she died with calm assurance that her sleep was but for a little season, awaiting the call of Jesus in the glorious resurrection. She was laid to rest in the beautiful Memorial Park in Davenport. W. A. Howe.

Johnson.—Mary Josephine Johnson was born November 29, 1872 near Lake Washington, Minnesota, and passed to her rest Jan. 24, 1938, at the home of her daughter in Stillwater, Minnesota. She was united in marriage to Charles Johnson, June 1, 1897. This home was blessed with one son and one daughter. The husband preceded Sister Johnson in death nine years ago. She is survived by her son and daughter and two grandchildren. About thirty-eight years ago Sister Johnson, with her husband, accepted the advent message. They were both faithful members of the Mankato church until their death. Sister Johnson's faith in the Lord was strong to the last, and she was laid to rest in the hope of a soon coming Saviour. Funeral services were conducted from the Seventh-day Adventist church in Mankato by the writer, and she was laid to rest in Holberg's cemetery. A. L. Bletz.

### Sunset Calendar

February 11, 1938

Des Moines, Iowa	5:42
St. Paul, Minnesota	5:34
Bismarek, North Dakota	6:01
Pierre, South Dakota	5:48

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God."

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