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Liberty Threatened

It is safe to say that at no other time within the last half-century have so many dangers threatened the liberties of mankind as at the present. In almost all the world today, the satanic spirit of intolerance is manifesting itself. Where but yesterday freedom seemed to be triumphant, today persecution reigns. Even in our own land signs are not wanting of dangerous tendencies. We have been inclined to think that what our forefathers brought at so much cost of blood and treasure could not be taken from us. Perhaps we have accepted too complacently the blessings we have enjoyed. A few things of recent occurrence may profitably be cited.

In the last session of Congress certain bills were introduced which had as their ostensible purpose the prevention of the spread of religious hatred or intolerance. Actually, however, if they had been enacted, one could have been fined or imprisoned for publishing the simple historical facts concerning the papacy. Freedom of speech and the press would have died.

Another measure sought to commit the Government of the United States to enforcing the use of the so-called reformed calendar. The chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives told us that tremendous pressure had been exerted to get this bill passed.

The fact that legislation hostile to the true principles of liberty failed of enactment should not lessen our zeal. That some of these bills should ever be introduced in our Federal Congress is striking and alarming. It is hard to believe that anyone so ignorant of our Government's fundamentals could be elected to our highest legislative body.

Nor were these the only dangers. A great state altered its constitution so that public school busses could be legally used to haul children to parochial schools. In one state a Seventh-day Adventist barber was arrested and fined. In another, one of our brethren is now under arrest for Sunday

labor. Right in Takoma Park two barbers, our brethren, have been warned about having their shop open on Sunday.

But why cite further instances? We are not to carry on our Religious Liberty campaign just to save ourselves from persecution. Let us forget ourselves and seek to save our neighbors and friends from becoming persecutors. Dangerous indeed is the position of a man who will attempt what God Himself will not do.

The Lord has given us the power of choice. Who is puny mortal man to attempt the use of force upon the conscience of his fellow men? That some will try this evil thing prophecy clearly shows. What is our duty? To us a message of warning and education has been given. No preaching which omits the truths of the principles of religious liberty is a complete message. It is as important that our neighbors and friends be taught the Biblical principles of the relation of church and state as that they hear of the true Sabbath, the return of our Lord, the state of the dead, or any other of our cardinal doctrines. Our task embraces this. God has admonished us thus: "We are to go forward in Christ's name, advocating the truths committed to us. If we are forbidden by men to do this work, then we may say, as did the apostles, 'Whether it be right in the sight of God to harken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.'"

"We are to recognize human government as an ordinance of divine appointment, and teach obedience to it as a sacred duty, within its legitimate sphere. But when its claims conflict with the claims of God, we must obey God rather than men. God's word must be recognized as above all human legislation."—Acts of the Apostles, p. 69.

Let us thank God for the liberty we have, and pledge anew to make every effort to preserve it so we may carry on our task of warning the world, without hindrance from the civil authorities. Heber H. Votaw

Hard-Won Liberties Endangered

The world has only recently emerged from a nightmare of horror during which, for long centuries, it was the established and universal practise to hound and oppress and persecute minorities, both of race and religion.

These same evil forces have again entered the life of civilized nations. There are minorities in many lands today who live in constant dread of prison, of detention camps, of forced labor, of pogroms, of "purges" and "blood baths." And this solely because of their race or religion, or both, or because they have merely exercised their divine right to think and to express their opinions and convictions. In many a land today there is a veritable "reign of terror."

The prejudices, oppressions and inhuman injustices of the Dark Ages are being renewed all about us. Hatreds which resemble those of the early barbarian hordes are blazing out again. The spirit of Nero and the sin of Cain are not outmoded. They are being repeated. The onward march of civilization has been not merely retarded, but stopped dead in its tracks. Indeed, we are on the backward path to the Dark Ages.

There are those even in America who partake of the spirit of intolerance so that they would not hesitate to overthrow the ideals of our Constitution and Declaration of Independence. This nation has stood from the beginning as a beacon light of liberty, of democracy, of social justice. There are those within its borders who seek to overthrow the traditional principles and bring back the oppressions, the intolerance, the cruelties of former ages. Their vengeful activities tend to arouse racial and religious passions as they seek to suppress all opinion and all worship but their own.

Examples of the swift and sudden destruction of human liberties on a vast scale are placed before us almost daily in our newspapers. It is altogether amazing how speedily the achievements and advancements made

in human progress over a period of decades and centuries, can be made to disappear as through by the waving of a magician's hand. We are living in a time of rapid changes, when the laborious and careful building of long years of struggle and costly expenditure of blood and life, is ruthlessly destroyed overnight.

A national crisis develops—confusion and turmoil follow—a spectacular leader appears almost by magic and gains followers by millions through impossible promises they place him in power—they consolidate his position—they support him in canceling and removing all obstacles against the use of dictatorial power—they make loyalty to him a fetish—they make disloyalty to him treason—and they shout with satisfaction when he proceeds to put down all opposition, and destroy all the safeguards of constitutional and well-ordered civilized society as he gathers to himself the power of absolute despotism.

It is an unbelievable picture. After centuries of heart-breaking struggle and sacrifice, civilization, at the beginning of the twentieth century, was emerging into a condition of stability. The liberties men fought for during long years of hardship were being consolidated everywhere. Liberty of speech, of press, of opinion, of assembly, of conscience and freedom of religion, were coming to be everywhere recognized and established. And, now, almost overnight, we see these things tumbling as a house of cards, all the gains of centuries being lost. It is almost as if some super-human despot angered to the point of fury by the enlightenment and progress human beings had made, had issued the order to bring it all to nothing, and lesser human despots leap to carry out his orders. And these destructive movements occur with a swiftness that takes one's breath. Never before in human history have such world-shaking developments taken place so rapidly. The stupendous changes now taking place before our eyes have never been equalled either in their speed or their vast importance.

A decree—and great parties of opposition, representing millions of votes, are suppressed or driven out of existence. An order—and a million citizens whose only misdemeanor is to be of a hated race, are disfranchised. A pronouncement—and the autonomy of universities, the lib-

erty of the press, the right of free speech and debate, and freedom of assembly, are wiped out. An executive ukase—and millions of youth and children are militarized and placed under army training. An ordinance—and business and industry and commerce are regimented and brought under unconstitutional codes. An edict—and every activity of the state is brought under automatic control. A law—and the churches and religion are reorganized and regimented as aids and activities of the state.

More and more the sense of balance has been lost. Everything moves with desperate hate. Stupendous projects, involving not millions of dollars, but billions, are rushed through without thought or plan. Turmoil reigns everywhere. The world is drunk or mad or both.

Nothing so fitly described the days we live in as the words of an old, old, prophecy, dealing with this very time. Looking forward to the nations of today, and declaring God would send among them the cup of war and of His wrath, an ancient prophet wrote: "And they shall drink, and reel to and fro, and be mad." Jer. 25:16.

Drunk and mad! Yea, that is an accurate description. Nothing else will explain the situation. Commotions rock the world. Turmoil reigns everywhere. Black clouds of evil portent hang on all earth's political horizons.

Mutual hatred embitters the relations of nations. Self-destructive infatuation pervades the councils of the mighty. Feverish restlessness permeates the whole world. Men's fairest schemes result in failure. There certainly is distress of nations with perplexity. Men's hearts are failing them for fear and for looking after those things that are coming on the earth. The nations are heaving in a restless fury, like the roaring of the sea in a great storm. The machinery of civilization has suffered a shattering shock, and is dislocated. It cannot be reduced to order. The world is drunk—and mad.

We do well in these menacing times to study anew the principles of religious and civil liberty which, in the providence of God, were put into the basic law of our land by the large-hearted and liberal-minded men who founded this nation.

We also do well in these times, when fundamental human liberties

are in jeopardy, to use the means which God has provided for us in enlightening and educating men in positions of influence and authority regarding the divine principles of civil and religious liberty which God has made a part of the three-fold message. No more important work in this direction can possibly be done than providing every newspaper editor, every judge, every municipal, state or federal official and every other molder of public opinion with the regular visits of the magazine LIBERTY. Carlyle B. Haynes

Give Me Liberty!

What school child did not blush with warm patriotism when he read those stirring words of the brave, young orator, "Give me liberty or give me death—"? And who is not stirred, among Protestants, when he reviews the crisis, when mighty issues for the world were at stake and those who had accepted the reformed faith were assembled at the Diet of Spire, being faced with the decrees restricting religious liberty, unanimously declared: "Let us reject this decree. In matters of conscience the majority has no power"?

The sad part of this picture is that it is only written in books and apparently not indelibly stamped on the minds and hearts of the successors of these noble patriots. The clear views of liberty and freedom and rights of conscience held by these pioneers are but ancient history with the multitudes today. A revival of interest in such matters is necessary to the preservation of the high ideals of society that were in the minds of the men who framed the American Constitution.

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Shall Seventh-day Adventists participate in such a revival? Referring to the rejection by the princes of the emperor's decrees and their declared reasons therefor, Sister White says: "This principle we in our day are firmly to maintain. The banner of truth and religious liberty held aloft by the founders of the gospel church and by God's witnesses during the centuries that have passed since then, has, in this last conflict, been committed to our hands."—Gospel Workers, p. 389.

In the light of this statement, it does seem very appropriate that at least once a year, our churches should pause to give serious thought to ways and means for extending and expanding the circulation of our one religious liberty journal, LIBERTY. As steps have been taken recently in different parts of the world, depriving Christians of their God-given rights, it should surely stir us as we never have been stirred before to leave no stone unturned in a united effort to disseminate the glorious principles of liberty far and wide in our own beloved land of the free.

This is a day of magazines. Public opinion is being molded by magazines. LIBERTY has a wonderful molding influence on those with whom it comes in contact. The difficulty is that its contacts are altogether too limited, and that difficulty is our opportunity. In addition to making the offering on Sabbath, January 28, the largest ever, why should not every church member respond, even to the point of sacrifice, to the call to take large clubs of this magazine for free distribution to leading people? Many of us have tried it this year, delivering these magazines in person, and we find a most excellent way to make contacts with men in prominent public life. LIBERTY is a fine approach to any man, and makes a good impression after you leave. It even helps to pave the way to good Ingathering offerings; but, better still, it is preparing the minds of influential persons to know where to stand when the last great crisis comes, which will be fought upon the battle-ground of religious persecution.

Is it not true that we have been only half awake on this important matter and have only touched the possibilities with the tips of our fingers? With LIBERTY we occupy a similar position to that of the old

gentleman in the bell tower; and shall we not

List the boy's exultant cry!

"Ring" he shouts, "Ring! grandpa, Ring! oh, ring for Liberty!"?

Roy L. Benton

Out of the Cities

"It is not God's purpose that His people should be crowded into cities, huddled together in terraces and tenements. In the beginning He placed our first parents in a garden."—Testimonies, Vol. VII, p. 87.

"Educate our people to get out of the cities into the country where they can obtain a small piece of land and make a home for themselves and their children. . . . Ere long there will be such strife and confusion in the cities that those who wish to leave then will not be able."—Mrs. E. G. White, General Conference Bulletin, April 6, 1904.

Such a move is not easily made. It has in it many problems and complications. It may call for real sacrifices on the part of parents in particular. Experience has taught us, however, that it is always safe to heed the counsel of God, trust Him, and move forward.

A little magazine entitled "Three Acres and Security" is being published by one of our brethren in Illinois, which deals with this question. The following paragraphs are taken from a letter written by the publisher of this magazine:

"For many years I have heard men urge their fellows to get out of the cities, and much good has been done. It also seems important that the man with a family who is accustomed to city life be shown how he may get out and what to do after he gets out.

"The work of transplanting a man from city to country is a very delicate operation, permitting of no crude nor bungling harshness. First, the man who is accustomed to city life must catch some vision of what may be accomplished by thrift and diligence on a small acreage. And the editorials that I have published in "Three Acres and Security" have been designed with the hope of doing just that.

"In the magazine, "Three Acres and Security" I am presenting three acres only as a minimum and believe that in most cases more land would best fill the need. This does not, however, annul the fact that it can be done on three acres, and the em-

phasizing of that fact is a stimulus to the man with ten, twenty, or forty acres. I am ever mindful of the fact that as the number of acres is decreased, the skill and understanding of the worker must be proportionately increased. It seems to me that the 'small piece of land' so often mentioned in the writings of the Spirit of prophecy must be somewhere within the scope of this journal.

"That type of agriculture which produces just as much as possible of everything needed for home consumption, and is just as independent of outside supplies of all kinds as is within practical limits, does not require a large cash turnover in order to live well, and may so arrange its activities as to weather almost any form of depression or inflation better than any other form of human activity."

If you are interested, please write at once to "Three Acres and Security Magazine," Room 8, Professional Building, Egin, Illinois, and ask for your sample copy, or any other information which you might wish to secure from the publishers.

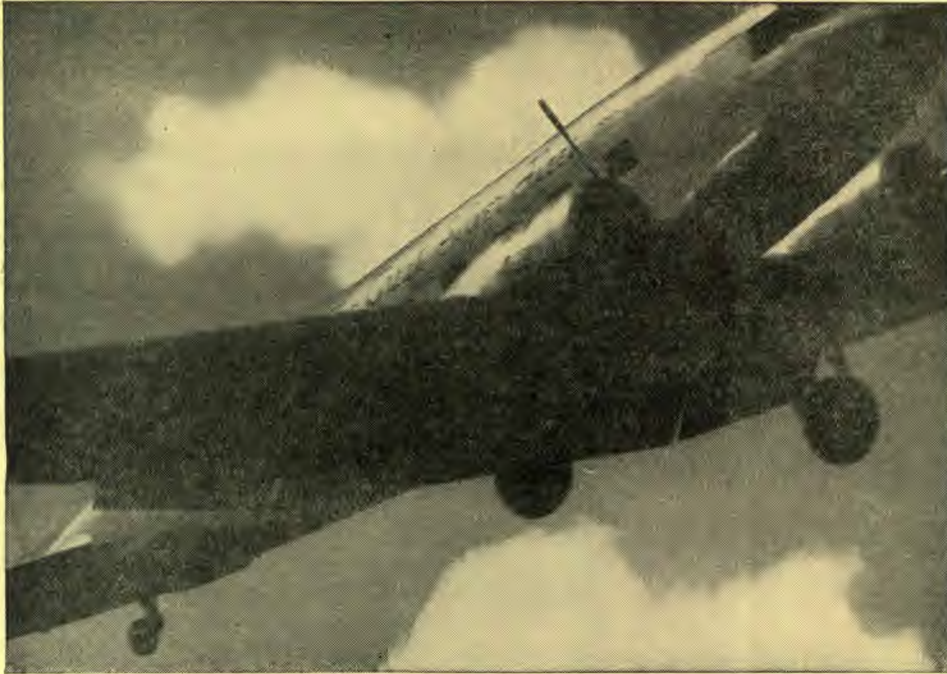
D. E. Reiner

How About Tomorrow?

Who is this fellow that causes even the hardened police to become fearful while on the dark street at night? Is he the old calloused criminal with a long prison record, or is he the young man of school age?

Police records show that juvenile delinquency is increasing year by year—that ninety per cent of the new crimes of violence and death are committed by young men under twenty-one years of age. While the causes may be many, a major one is constantly being considered by police chiefs most everywhere. The following report is a fair example of their analysis.

"Judge Medin in his study of crime conditions in South Dakota states that 'according to state penitentiary records made available in 1935, 255 out of 256 men incarcerated there for serious offenses, were found to be drinking men. Of ten homicides in this state in 1934, each and every one of the killers was intoxicated when the crime was committed. I have kept tab of the divorces caused by drink lately, and have checked back the last 129 cases, and out of that number 77 were caused by drink. . . . I find that of the



Swift passenger planes and bombing squadrons are indicative of the rapidity with which the world hurries on to the final scenes. CY LA TOUR

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Signs of the Times

MANY years ago, in comparatively tranquil times, we were assured by an inspired pen that "the final movements will be rapid ones."

Surveying the seething maelstrom of universal unrest and confusion that meets our gaze at the beginning of 1939, we cannot but believe that "the final movements" are already under way.

"Since 1931," said Mr. Roosevelt in his opening address to Congress, "world events of thunderous import have moved with lightning speed."

Indeed, the rapidity with which epoch-making changes have taken place of late is positively staggering.

In recent months a complete transformation has come over the entire world situation. Governments have been overthrown, solemn treaties violated, vast territories occupied by invading armies, great cities desolated, multitudes driven into exile.

A startling realignment of the nations has come about. The balance of power has been altered.

Countries that a little while ago were considered invincible in their armed might, today find their supremacy challenged by their once crushed but now resurrected foes.

New philosophies have arisen, challenging the old to mortal combat. All over the world Christianity is face to face again with its deadly enemy, paganism.

Liberty itself is threatened, and de-

mocracy is fighting with its back to the wall.

Intolerance and persecution have returned, together with all their ugly concomitants of torture, brutality, confiscation of property, and exile.

Suddenly, in the midst of the brilliant civilization of the twentieth century, the spirit of the Dark Ages has reappeared, more loathsome and diabolical than of old.

It is as though a violent eruption of subterranean forces had suddenly burst through the thin coating of civilization that patient hands, through long centuries, have laid over the crater of human passion and greed.

The very earth shakes with the shock of these constant upheavals, and well may we wonder what fresh surprises await us in the days just ahead.

Of one thing we may be certain. There will be no slowing of the pace, no braking of this time express on which we are traveling at breakneck speed. The year 1939 will be but another wildly rushing year, its first-magnitude events crashing upon our consciousness with bewildering and ever-increasing frequency.

We are indeed already in the midst of the crowded climax of human history.

"The final movements" foreshadowed in the prophetic word are taking place before our eyes.

"Time," said Mr. Roosevelt, is now "of paramount importance. The dead

line of danger from within and from without is not within our control. The hourglass may be in the hands of other nations. Our own hourglass tells us we are off on a race."

A race with time!

We are reminded of the dramatic picture of these last days drawn by the prophet Zephaniah, quoting from Dr. Moffatt's translation:

"The Eternal's great day is near, near, speeding apace! The Eternal's bitter day is near, rushing on like a warrior!—a day of wrath, that day, of woe and anguish, a day of stress and distress, darkness and gloom, a day of cloud and thundercloud, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against towns fortified and ramparts high, when men must grope like blind men, desperately, because against the

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The Supreme Challenge of These Terrible Times

Eternal they rebelled; their blood shall be scattered like dust, their flesh like dung; no silver and no gold avails to protect them on the day of the Eternal's anger, when the fire of His fury consumes the whole earth; for a full end, ay a fearful end, will the Eternal make of all on earth." Zephaniah 1:14-18.

Well may we echo the words: "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."

Never was there such "stress and distress," such "darkness and gloom," such "trumpet blasts" and "battle cries" as rack the nerves of the nations today.

And when we see these things, we are to know that "the great day is near, near, speeding apace;" that the "bitter day is near, rushing on like a warrior."

Did not Jesus Himself tell us that the "final movements" would involve unparalleled "distress" and "perplexity," with "men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth"? Luke 21:25-27.

Did not the prophet Daniel forewarn us also to expect "a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time"? Daniel 12:1. And surely the appalling sufferings of the Jews, the Chinese, the Ethiopians, the Spaniards, and the refugees from so

many modern tyrannies are evidence enough that this final hour of tribulation is right upon us.

Furthermore, the very last events are to be marked, says the book of Revelation, by activity amongst the kings of the East, and the marching of a mighty host to Armageddon for "the battle of that great day of God Almighty." Revelation 16:12, 14.

Today we see these stupendous events already taking shape. Every swift development of these tremendous times—the new struggle for world dominion, the uprush of strange new forces and philosophies, the clash of classes and races—is but a further indication that "the end of all things is at hand."

"The final movements" are on, surging tumultuously about us, hurrying us on toward the crowning event of human history.

How appropriate, then, is the appeal to the church of God to sense anew its responsibilities in such an hour!

"Knowing the time," says the apostle Paul, "that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light." Romans 13:11, 12.

Clad in this luminous armor, fired with a deep devotion to God, ablaze with enthusiasm to see His truth triumph and His holy will prevail, we are to go forth

into the world to finish the work He has entrusted to our unworthy hands.

This is the last and the greatest of the "final movements." It is the movement of the church, urged and impelled by the power of the Holy Spirit into the midst of needy, distressed, perplexed, sin-wrecked humanity to proclaim the tidings of the Saviour's love and His imminent return in glory.

And this final movement is to be rapid, too. We must move faster. We must attempt greater things for God, with greater faith and greater zeal. We must force ourselves out of the deadly complacency that is suffocating us, and embark on a more aggressive program with wider horizons and higher goals.

"A short work will the Lord make upon the earth." Romans 9:28. And He will make it short through us if we give Him opportunity.

That is why at this moment we ask for the greatest response ever made by our people in the *Signs* Campaign.

This year, in this mightiest hour of history, we must lift the circulation of our great missionary organ to the highest peak in its history. Let all of us do more than we have ever done before, something bigger and better, something finer and lovelier, something truly splendid for God!

And let there be no delay. Let us act quickly, responding with freedom, eagerness, and liberality. For the final movements must be rapid ones.

The earth reverberates to the tramp of marching millions preparing for the culminating events of earth's tragic history.



195 persons sentenced by me for felonies, all but 11 were drinking men and most of them were under the influence of liquor when they committed the offense. . . . A year ago, at our fall term I sentenced 12 men for felonies and each and every one was under the influence of liquor when the offense was committed. Furthermore, each and every civil action (mostly automobile accidents) with the exception of one, in the fall of 1938, had liquor involved in the action. In my opinion there is no more reason for licensing sale of intoxicating liquor than there is to license the sale of narcotics.'"—Temperance Bulletin.

But must we wait for legislation to make safe our tomorrow, or should we as stewards of the gospel take some responsibility and sell our message-filled literature far and wide, thus helping to prepare candidates for heaven and a safer tomorrow?

P. D. Gerrard

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Have You Been Missing This?

"There are one hundred persons who can talk for one who can think." When Ruskin wrote that maxim, he doubtless had in mind that vast multitude of persons who have no resources from which to bring forth thoughtful and thought-provoking conversations or discussions, for the simple reason that they do not receive. Spurgeon said, "The man who never reads will never be read; he who never quotes will never be quoted; he who will not use the thoughts of other men's brains, proves that he has no brains of his own."

Good books are abundant and so easily obtained. It is deplorable that people should grow up, grow old and die without having read many of them; it is tragic that some choose to read cheap and peniculous literature when they might be enriching their minds through association with the grandest lives of all ages.

"Books are battalions of words in which their massed might are charged with mysterious and almost miraculous power of molding and merging

many and even millions of minds into one thought and purpose of life. They resurrect the past and create the future. The scepters of kings and emperors are puny playthings compared with these magic wands. With all your getting, get some good books. Read them, meditate upon them, hug them to your hearts until they soak into your souls and make you wise and rich and strong."—James H. Snowden.

At your conference office a free circulating library, consisting of a few hundred volumes of the best books, is maintained especially for the young people of South Dakota. Postage rates on books are very low. You may keep books for a month, and longer by special arrangement. Many of our young people, both isolated and in churches, are reading these valuable books. Write at once to the M. V. Department, Box 36, Watertown, for our list of available volumes. Make the long winter evenings yield you a recompense of genuine and profitable enjoyment through companionship with good books.

J. H. Rhoads,

M. V. Sec'y South Dakota Conf.

Successor to Elder Roth

We take pleasure in announcing to the constituents of the South Dakota Conference that Elder A. V. Rhoads has been elected president to succeed Elder J. H. Roth. The South Dakota Conference committee together with members of the union committee, gave careful study to the need of the field, and it was felt by all that a man who is well acquainted in the local conference could serve the field better than someone who has little knowledge of the problems that need to be solved. Elder Rhoads is an experienced and seasoned executive. He has had years of experience in conference work which has proved very beneficial in coping with the problems and conditions that exist in the field. We solicit the prayers of the South Dakota constituency in behalf of Elder Rhoads in his varied duties.

E. H. Oswald

Rally at Sioux Falls

All young people in and near Sioux Falls should plan to attend the M. V. Rally which is now scheduled for February 3 to 5. Originally it was planned to have this meeting a week later. The first service will be at 7:30 Friday evening, February 3, at

the church. Elder K. L. Gant will be with us from the union conference. This will be an interesting and profitable convention. Plan now to be there.

J. H. Rhoads,
M. V. Secretary

Announcement

Word was just received at our office from the publishers of the REVIEW and HERALD, stating that there is a decrease in the subscription price of fifty cents since the first of the year. This is news that I believe our people will be glad to hear. We appreciate the thoughtfulness of the publishers of the REVIEW, realizing that our people are hard-pressed financially. For that reason they are making every effort to economize in every way possible to bring the price of the good, old REVIEW to the low figure of \$2.25.

Recently we sent out a Seventy-fifth Anniversary number of the REVIEW, dealing with the rise and progress of the advent movement. We also sent a letter to all our people in the state that are not readers of the REVIEW. We quoted a price of \$2.75. Some have already subscribed.

In speaking to our Book and Bible House secretary, he states that he will refund fifty cents to all those who have subscribed since the first of the year. We hope that all our families in the conference will send in their subscriptions. The good, old REVIEW should be a weekly visitor in every Adventist home.

W. H. Hanhardt

Book and Bible House Sales

Book and Bible House sales were exceptionally good for December. We were made happy to find that they were considerably more than for the same month in 1937. Our shelves are almost bare at the present, but we will have a new supply this week. Any one desiring to send one of our books or a Bible as a present, may have it wrapped in gift wrapping by simply requesting it on their order. A fitting gift card will also be enclosed. South Dakota Book and Bible House.

News Items

Elders K. L. Gant and J. H. Rhoads were with the Aberdeen church over the week-end, January 21 and 22, in a Missionary Volunteer Rally.

Elder J. H. Rhoads will visit the Sioux Falls church Sabbath, January 28.

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Increasing Success

St. Helena, Calif.
 December 6, 1902

“Dear Brethren and Sisters:
 “The new year is just before us, and plans should be laid for earnest, persevering effort in the Master’s service. There is much to be done to advance the work of God. I have been instructed that the canvassing work is to be revived and that it is to be carried forward with increasing success. . . .”—Mrs. E. G. White

This instruction given through the servant of the Lord thirty-six years ago has been carried out to some extent during the past year. Through the blessing of God there was an increase of 150% in the amount of books delivered in North Dakota during 1938 over 1937. That means that practically \$5,000 worth of our truth filled books were actually delivered to and paid for by non-Adventists. What a harvest of souls is in the making. Eternity alone will reveal the results of this summer’s work. Let us keep the success increasing!

Incidentally, most of these books were sold by young people, students who desired a Christian education but did not have the means with which to obtain it. As a result of their earnest, self-sacrificing effort most of them are in Seventh-day Adventist schools. Three full scholarships and one three-quarters scholarship to Shyenene River Academy, and three half scholarships to Union! Yes, these were earned right in North Dakota in 1938. What they have done YOU can do.

Having earned two full scholarships and three half scholarships myself, I can testify that the surest way for one to obtain a Christian education when he hasn’t the money is by the colporteur work. There are abundant promises of success and blessings for the God-fearing, truth-loving colporteur. Would you like a Christian education? Would you like full time employment? Would you like additional blessings of God? Would you like to win more souls? Write to the Field Secretary, Box 1491, Jamestown, North Dakota, for details.
 Roger Baker

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“Truth for Youth”

Yes, of course, you are interested in making possible this radio program directed to the youth. And with the help of all our youth we expect to start this radio service January 22, over WTCN, from 9:30 to 9:45 every Sunday morning, following our “Voice of Prophecy” broadcast.

Special music, dedication of gospel songs for birthdays, anniversaries, shut-ins, etc.; a heart to heart chat directed to help the youth in their Christian experience; advertising special youth meetings, rallies, etc., of our M. V. societies all over this state.

This is our chance to have the first state-wide youth’s radio program directed to youth and a chance to bring cheer to the shut-ins, a message of hope to the sinner, help to youth in their problems, and truth for youth.

This will be your program, for to make this program possible you will need to share in its expense. Minnesota Missionary Volunteers, what will you pledge weekly for the next three months to make this “Truth for Youth” radio program possible?

Write your pledge to us immediately for we need your help to keep “Truth for Youth” on the air.

C. H. Lauda
 M. V. Secretary, Minnesota Conf.

New Radio Broadcast

Every Sunday morning at 11:30 over WMIN (1370 kilo.) from St. Paul, there is a service on the air that should be heard in every home. The “Wayside Chapel” broadcast is designed to encourage our people and reach outsiders. Tell your neighbors. I do not know how far out of St. Paul this will carry, so am asking you to report your reception.

H. A. Vandeman

M. V. News

Word has just been received from Adele Wood, who has been our M. V. Leader at Sauk Centre. She is now one of the Bible Workers assisting Evangelist F. F. Schwindt in Portland, Oregon. We wish her God’s rich-

est blessings in her new field of labor.

The Missionary Volunteers from the following churches have pledged for the “Truth for Youth” radio broadcast starting Sunday, January 22, at 9:30 A. M. over WTCN, continuing each Sunday: International Falls, North Minneapolis, Minneapolis English, St. Paul, Minneapolis Nor-Dan., Hewitt, Stillwater, Duluth, Remer, Wadena, Morgan, Eagle Bend, Good Thunder, Hutchinson Jr., Dodge Center, Detroit Lakes, Willmar, Moose Lake, Albert Lea, Hutchinson Sr., Brainerd, Hibbing, Chisholm, Staples, New York Mills, Pillager.
 C. H. Lauda

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DULUTH M. V. RALLY
 Tenth Ave. E. and 6th St.
 January 27 and 28.

Friday Evening—8:00
 Sabbath Afternoon—3:00-5:00
 Social Evening—7:30-10:00

Isolated youth and youth from the following churches are cordially invited to attend this District Youth Rally: Duluth Scandinavian, Moose Lake, Mahtowa, Bruno and Tamarack.
 G. E. Hutches - District Pastor
 C. H. Lauda - M. V. Secretary
 Staples M. V. Rally, Feb. 4.

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Iowa Conference
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 734 MAIN STREET - - - - - NEVADA
 Make wills and legacies to Iowa Seventh-day Adventist Association.

Convention High Lights

The church is the parent—the departments are the children.

Every church should be sure to hold not only the Sabbath school, but also the intermissionary service and the after service.

All our endeavors, campaigns, activities, institutions and services should be evangelized. We should teach to save, preach to save, heal to save, give to save, plan to save, work to save, be social to save.

Every member in the church and of the church should be pressed into service along some line of endeavor.

The church board should meet once a month. It is the governing body of the church.

The elder should be the spiritual leader of the church. He should be

a tithe payer, a believer in the Spirit of prophecy and a representative Seventh-day Adventist. His relation to the pastor or district leader is one of sympathetic cooperation. He is to foster all lines of work promoted by the Conference and give a general supervision to the work within the church.

The consecrated church treasurer is to recognize a holy trust. The records are to be kept strictly confidential. Only the elder and conference worker may have access to the treasurer's record. The elder is to be kept informed as to the church budget, the progress of campaigns and the total amounts of tithe received.

Where there are but two young people a Missionary Volunteer organization should be fostered. The church should be youth-conscious. The young people's leader is a member of the church board. Youth should be made church-conscious.

A conference youth census is to be taken up.

The 1939 Junior camp will be bigger and better.

Lay evangelism includes much more than work done by lay preachers. Every member ought to be harnessed up for some definite service.

The church board is also the missionary committee.

Bible service and training courses should be organized in every church.

Every church member should become goal-conscious.

The denominational missionary organ, the Signs of the Times, should be given more enthusiastic support. The Iowa 1939 goal is 2000. It should be exceeded.

The Watchman Magazine should be sent to every library in Iowa.

The Liberty Magazine is the statue of liberty to every Seventh-day Adventist. As a light it guards our religious freedom.

The new Review and Herald will be more enthusiastically received.

The 1938 Harvest Ingathering campaign went over the super-goal to reach \$12,788.25.

The hospitality extended by the Iowa Sanitarium, Oak Park Academy and the Nevada church members was greatly appreciated. Indeed, many became sanitarium-minded and Christian education-conscious.

The listening audience of the Radio Bible School could be easily doubled if the believers would but invite their neighbors to tune in.

Brother Carter of Sidney, and others, have put announcements of the Radio Bible School and advertisements in the local or county papers.

The Iowa debt reduction program since 1936 was reviewed. The net liabilities have decreased from \$94,077.00 to \$56,270.05

The Two Per Cent (2%) plan for debt reduction was discussed. It was heartily endorsed.

The recruiting of colporteurs was taken up. Every church should have at least one who is engaged in the literature ministry.

The number of church schools in Iowa should be increased.

The convention was well attended—facilities were taxed to handle the crowd. All expressed themselves as appreciating the interesting, informative, inspirational institute. They went back to their churches happy and glad of heart.

DeWitt S. Osgood

Special Broadcasts

During February there will be beside the regular Sunday morning 9:15 broadcast of the Radio Bible School, four special one-hour broadcasts.

These will be given over W. H. O., dial 1000, between 11:00 and 12:00 o'clock each Sunday morning in February.

We trust that our believers will avail themselves of this opportunity; that they will shower the station with post cards and letter expressions of appreciation; and that they will invite their friends to tune in.

Many have spoken to us of the possibility of doubling the usefulness and blessing that the Radio Bible School might accomplish. If our believers would announce the Radio Bible School broadcasts and invite their friends to tune in, thousands of people who are not now receiving this service would be encouraged to listen in. And the law of averages would indicate that a number of them would ultimately find their way into the household of faith.

Let everybody be a booster for the Radio Bible School.

DeWitt S. Osgood

Colporteur Report

P. D. Gerrard

Union Field Secretary

WEEK ENDING JANUARY 14, 1939

	Bks.	Hrs.	Orders	Del.
Iowa—G. H. Boehrig, Sec.				
Elsie A. Bahr	Mag.	5	1.90	1.90
Roy Chamberlain	BR	42	17.75	7.30
A. E. Johnson	Misc.	35	8.75	8.00

Ray T. Kroll	HP	44	33.00	2.00
Clarence Liblin	BR	11	11.85	6.60
Hazel A. Messenger	H	31	8.25	16.70
H. W. Niswonger	Misc.	50	241.95	241.95
Elsie Peckham	Mag.	2	.80	.80
Glenn Shelton	BR	30	29.50	
Howard Strickland	BR	36	6.25	1.25
Total		286	360.00	286.50

Minnesota—C. G. Cross, Sec.

Virginia Rust	Mag.	46	15.00	15.00
H. E. Preston	BR	42	80.15	6.00
R. J. Jones	GC	40	47.25	15.00
Myrtle L. Peterson	BR	40	16.25	1.40
Clara G. Rust	Mag.	35	14.40	14.40
Gwendolyn Judd	HG	34	35.45	.25
Margaret Louiseau	HG	34	30.40	1.90
Mrs. A. Faul	HR	33	12.25	
Miss C. E. Powers	Mag.	27	8.80	8.80
Ezra Geer	HP	27		
Harold Santini	Mag.	12	5.75	4.25
Julith Dufstrom	Mag.	8	8.60	3.60
William Greer	GC	1	.80	8.50
Alf H. Aas				10.75
Total		369	275.10	89.85

North Dakota—Roger Baker, Sec.

Vernon Juhl	HG	38	14.50	3.40
Mrs. V. Juhl	HG	33	8.70	3.15
*Edith Olson	HG	51	37.70	5.80
Total		222	60.90	12.35

South Dakota—R. H. Brown, Sec.

Norman Peterson	BR	20	9.25	1.50
*Orville Poore	HG	64	24.45	.50
Charles Root	GC	21	9.25	7.25
Total		105	42.95	9.25

* Two Weeks				
Total for Union		892	738.95	387.95

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H. FOSBERG

Manufacturing Optician

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Wanted.—Work by married couple with four children. Experienced in farming, dairying, sanitarium work, painting, and carpentry. Can give references. Ray Vinnard, Clark, South Dakota.

Baby Chicks.—AAA Grades, lowest prices. Sexed or straight; nine popular breeds. Pullets \$8.90 per 100 up. Send postal for complete list. Ortner Farm, Clinton, Mo. 32, 33, 34, 35.

Wanted.—A middle-aged woman to keep house for an elderly couple. Good home for the right person. J. A. Larson, Route 3, Box 29 Mohall, North Dakota.

Sunset Calendar

January 27, 1939

Des Moines, Iowa	5:22
St. Paul, Minnesota	5:13
Bismarck, North Dakota	5:38
Pierre, South Dakota	5:25

"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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