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A LAUGH

A laugh is just like sunshine,
It freshens all the day.
It tips the peak of life with light,
And drives the clouds away;
The soul grows glad that hears it,
And feels its courage strong—
A laugh is just like sunshine
For cheering folks along.

A laugh is just like music,
It lingers in the heart,
And where its melody is heard,
The ills of life depart;
The happy thoughts come crowding
Its joyful notes to greet—
A laugh is just like music,
For making all life sweet. —Selected.

THE BOOK WORK

We are pleased to report that the Lord is blessing our colporteurs throughout the Union. From every province comes cheering reports and letters of courage and determination to press forward in the good work.

I am pleased to be able to say that I have not received a single letter of discouragement from one of our workers that attended our institutes in the spring. Now this speaks volumes for the determination and courage of our good workers in the field. I am glad for this and trust the dear Lord will continue to bless our dear workers and guide them all, day by day.

Now a word as to our reports. They may not be quite as large in some cases as in the past, but we are very thankful for the good work the Lord has done for us. All are of good courage, and we plan on moving forward in the strength of the Lord.

W. L. MANFULL.

THE ALBERTA CAMP MEETING

In a convenient location in the village of Lacombe with a good attendance, and a pleasant day the Alberta camp meeting opened the 8th inst.

The attendance of our people increased from day to day till the last of the meeting until over 500 were present enjoying the spiritual feast the Lord so bountifully spread for the refreshing of his needy children.

The power of God began its mighty work from the very beginning of the meeting. Nearly every one present had come to this year's gathering with a determination to gain victory over sin, and receive the blessings of the Holy Spirit. They were not disappointed.

It is believed that we are soon to see the finishing of the work of God. The children of God are making an effort in the right direction. Brethren and sisters, let the work of grace go on until perfection is attained. The fullness of power will come into the life when all is surrendered to God.

The first meeting of the conference convened Sunday morning at 9.30. Quite a full delegate representation was present. The time of this meeting was devoted largely to the receiving of six new churches into the conference, which have an aggregate membership of 141. A brief review was presented of faithful work done by the laborers of the conference, and the loyal lay members who have engaged faithfully in home missionary work.

The president's annual report was presented at the next conference meeting. This report showed encouraging progress in all lines of work.

During the past year 196 persons were baptized, and 232 received into church fellowship. The total



THE ALBERTA CAMP GROUND

membership of the Alberta Conference is now 833, representing 24 organized churches.

The financial condition of the conference during the past year was excellent indeed, and reveals the strong confidence of the believers in the third angel's message. Tithes received during the year 1914 amounted to \$16,200.52. Offerings for missions for the same period were \$5,865.40. \$1,942.05 was received for the home work. The total amount of tithes and offerings was \$24,007.97, or a per capita of \$55.40.

The Sabbath-school and services on each of the Sabbaths spent on the camp ground were very interesting and profitable. The Sabbath-school membership for the first Sabbath was 316, and the offerings were about \$325.00. The membership for the second Sabbath was 529, and the offering amounted to \$320.75, or a total for the two Sabbaths of \$675.75.

It was a great delight to see the brethren and sisters supplying themselves with a liberal amount of literature for missionary work among their neighbors. This sight is surely a sign that God is setting his hand to the speedy finishing of the work. May God abundantly bless the seed that will be sown by this people among their neighbors and friends. The Tract Society sales during the camp meeting amounted to over \$800.00.

The cause of foreign missions lies close to the heart of our people in Alberta, for they subscribed, in cash and pledges, \$3,800.00, besides pledges of land, stock and grain. God looks with tenderness upon his children who sacrifice for the finishing of the work.

The following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: President, H. H. Humann; Secretary-Treasurer, F. L. Hommel; Executive Committee: H. H. Humann, F. L. Hommel, J. L. Wilson, P. P. Adams, Chas. Rick, C. K. Reiswig, J. K. Fish.

The committee on credentials and licenses presented the following report:—For credentials: H. H. Humann, P. P. Adams, J. L. Wilson, C. K. Reiswig. For ministerial licenses: H. A. Niergarth, C. C. Neufeld, J. L. Beane, A. C. Harder, J. K. Fish, A. P. Pond. For missionary licenses: F. L. Hommel, E. D. Dick, W. G. McCready, Roscoe Hippach, H. E. Shelstad, Ruby Rick, T. S. Bowett, H. Gertrude McCulloch, R. P. Mooney, Hattie A. Beardsley.

Besides the regular ministers and other workers of the conference, there were present, Elders H. S. Shaw, Luther Warren, G. F. Enoch, G. F. Hafner, G. E. Nord, A. C. Gilbert, Prof. E. C. Kellogg and Prof. E. D. Dick.

The messages given by the servants of God were straight and clear. The power of conviction and conversion was bestowed in great measure. Almost every unconverted person on the ground obtained a Christian experience. Those who had known the Lord laid hold upon greater fullness of blessing. On Sunday afternoon 38 persons were baptized in Barnett Lake, near the academy.

A deeper interest from year to year is taken by the brethren and sisters in the educational work of the academy. A very large attendance is expected during the coming school year. Prof. E. D. Dick has been chosen as principal for the coming year. He is assuming his duties with enthusiasm, and we believe God will abundantly bless him and his family as they

permanently settle in our midst to help in the work that is required of all God's people in this field.

The experience of this camp meeting will linger long in the memories of those who were in attendance. May the inspiration set in motion at this gathering increase in scope and momentum until the influence of the third angel's message shall be felt in every part of the Alberta Conference.

A. C. GILBERT.

Alberta Conference

Office Address, Lacombe, Alberta.

President, H. Humann; Secretary-Treasurer, F. L. Hommel; Educational and Missionary Volunteer Secretary, Hattie A. Beardsley; Field and Missionary Secretary, R. P. Mooney; Sabbath-school Secretary, H. Gertrude McCulloch; Tract Society Secretary, F. L. Hommel; Religious Liberty Secretary, J. L. Wilson.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE CONFERENCE

Whereas, the Lord has wonderfully blessed this conference during the past year in the salvation of many souls, and in the progress of the work in every branch, therefore,—

1. *Resolved*, That we hereby render to God our heartfelt gratitude for all his help and blessing, and further,—

Resolved, That we re-dedicate our lives for service until this cause is triumphant.

Whereas, The Sabbath-school has been, and is one of the greatest factors in the salvation of the young, the development of spiritual life among our people and the carrying of the gospel to all the world and should occupy a still greater place along these lines in the future, therefore,—

2. *We Recommend*, that our people continue to cooperate with the Sabbath-school Department of the General Conference in reaching the three-fold goal, namely, the Daily Study of the Sabbath-school Lessons; Personal Work for Every Pupil; and One Million Dollars to Missions as Soon as Possible.

Whereas, It is very essential that every Sabbath-school officer and teacher become thoroughly acquainted with the best methods of imparting knowledge, therefore,—

3. *We Recommend*, that each one avail himself of the instruction provided in the Training Course which is being outlined in the Sabbath-school Worker.

Whereas, The aids to spiritual and mental development provided by the Missionary Volunteer Department for our young people are exactly suited to their needs, therefore,—

4. *Resolved*, That we do all in our power to encourage our youth to take advantage of these aids.

5. *Resolved*, That we raise a fund, sixty per cent. of which shall go to foreign missions, and forty per cent. be used for the home work as directed by the conference committee.

Whereas, The Lord has said that "The Work of God in the Earth" can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers, and that ways and means

must be provided for training our church members in this work, and,—

Whereas, The time has come when people everywhere are becoming aroused concerning the events that are transpiring, and many are eager for the truths the Lord has entrusted to us, and,—

Whereas, We are longing for the salvation of our fellow men and the completion of the work of God, thus hastening the consummation of our "Blessed Hope," therefore,—

6. *Resolved*, (1) That we urge upon the churches of the Alberta Conference the importance of personal soul winning service and that the elder and missionary secretary constantly keep before the members the necessity of this home missionary work, holding regular missionary meetings and planning carefully so as to work every home in its territory.

(2) That church conventions and institutes be held with all the churches from time to time, as may be arranged by the conference committee.

(3) That we encourage earnest and consecrated men and women to engage in the sale and distribution of our Home Workers' books.

(4) That a systematic distribution of our tracts be

homes, and provide themselves with literature to give the message to these people.

Whereas, The temperance cause is facing the greatest crisis during this month that it has ever known in this province, therefore,—

8. *Resolved*, (1) That we reaffirm the position of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination on the temperance question.

(2) That we hereby pledge ourselves to use every honorable means by which the manufacture, transportation and sale of intoxicating liquors for beverages shall be forever prohibited; and be it further,—

Resolved, That we shall continue with even greater zeal, by voice and pen and vote, by precept and example, the campaign of education along health and temperance lines which has characterized this denomination since its organization, and that we as a people rally with all our strength to secure every possible vote for Prohibition on July 21st, 1915.

Whereas, *The Review and Herald* is our denominational family paper and represents the work and policies of the denomination, therefore,—

9. *Resolved*, That we urge every Seventh-day Ad-



Some of the Alberta Conference Delegates Visiting Their Academy at Lacombe

continued, using the tracts put up in the regular envelopes and packages at 25c, one dollar and five dollars a set, and that we seek in every way possible to place the Berean Library in the hands of our friends and neighbors.

(5) That we continue to work with our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times* (Weekly), endeavoring to reach at least two copies per church member, and that the corresponding missionary papers of other languages be liberally used wherever possible.

(6) That in harmony with our organization we give careful attention to the matter of faithfulness in reporting all work done.

Whereas, The providence of God has brought within our conference people from many lands who speak and read their mother tongue, thus giving us a unique privilege in helping to fulfill our Saviour's prophecy of Matt. 24:14,—

7. *We Recommend*, That our people make a study of the different nationalities represented around their

ventist family to become a subscriber for this periodical.

Whereas, There is great danger that our people may not be faithful in rendering to God his tithe and offerings,—

10. *Resolved*, That we pledge ourselves to beware of covetousness in every form, not giving Satan any opportunity to deprive us of the blessings which are promised those who keep the commandments and have the testimony of Jesus.

Whereas, We are instructed "that in all our churches there should be schools," and as it is recognized that the education of the children along right lines is the best way to establish them in the truth,—

11. *We Recommend*, (1) That in so far as possible, church schools be established, and all members co-operate in the support of the same.

(2) That a church school fund be established to encourage the church school work in cases of great need, this fund being at the disposal of the conference committee.

Whereas, There are in our province many deserving young people who are desirous of educational advantages, but who are not privileged to do so on account of financial limitations,—

12. *We Recommend*, (1) That any of the brethren who have sufficient means be invited to offer support to any worthy yet needy young people in the obtaining of a missionary training.

(2) That there be established a Scholarship Loan Fund, for aiding students in school to complete their current year's work, such fund being at the disposal of the Board of Managers.

Whereas, The carrying of the third angel's message to the world demands a greater corps of consecrated workers with high educational attainments,—

13. *We Recommend*, That all our young people of proper qualifications be urged to attend our academy or training school.

14. *Resolved*, That we express by a vote of thanks our appreciation of the kindness shown us by the citizens of Lacombe, the newspapers for their advertising and reporting of our meetings, and to the C.P.R., C.N.R., and G.T.P. Railways, for the courtesies they have extended to us in view of this convention.

FROM A COLPORTEUR

I have thought that perhaps the readers of our paper would be interested in reports from colporteurs as well as from other workers.

I started working south of Youngstown on the afternoon of June 14th, and since then I have been canvassing in the "dry belt." I believe I can say without hesitation that the past three weeks have been worth as much to me as three months in school as far as the practical part is concerned.

Last Monday Brother Mooney joined me and we certainly had a good day together. Tuesday night I stayed with a young couple who after ordering the book asked me to tell them more of the things that it contained.

This, of course, was my opportunity, and I traced through some of the signs that tell of the soon return of our Saviour. Tears stood in the eyes of the young wife as she saw these things so plainly. I left them looking forward to the time when I should call again with the book.

Are not such experiences worth the while? They are to me and this is certainly a fine work. Of course, I have not made large results as far as sales are concerned, but what we are after is large results in the kingdom of heaven, and this I trust is the great aim of every colporteur.*

GEORGE E. SHANKEL.

British Columbia Conference

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IN THE FIELD

After our good Vernon camp meeting Elder Burrill and I spent a few days in looking up locations for our brethren in the cities who wish to move into country places.

This move is in harmony with instruction that came from the Lord many years ago, and I am glad now to see those with families turning their faces toward the land. Some from Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo have already begun the exodus and no doubt more will follow.

On Monday, June 21, I started home and Brother Burrill turned southward for Vernon and Penticton, where a number were baptized. I do not remember the exact number at this writing.

Since returning from the Okanagan I have been in and about home till now I am in the Kootenays in the interest of the book work. We have two canvassers in the Kootenays, Brother R. M. Milne, now working about Cranbrook and Brother C. O. Smith working Rossland at present. Both these brethren are doing well and are of good courage. Brother John Stickle is working the territory in the upper Okanagan. He reports some rich experience and loves the work.

Brother Allen Wolfe canvasses Grand Prairie and Kamloops north, and sticks to his work faithfully. Brother Jas. Lawson finds his field north of Ashcroft rather sparse and changes to the Fraser Valley with no thought of quitting. Brother Harold Newton is canvassing now near Ladner, where Elder Burrill is laboring also. Brother Herbert Courbarron has also worked in territory near home and taken some orders. We are glad to get this many out in the book work this year. Surely the Lord will bless their faithful labors.

We have no regular canvasser on the Island, none for the coast work and no one in the north at all. We hope someone will be raised up to labor on this virgin soil along the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Brother Geo. Toombs is laboring in Vernon. Brother Potter is opening an effort in a favorable country place between Vernon and Kelowna, and Brother Wood has moved to Nelson, where he expects to hold a series of meetings.

Brother Warren expects soon to be back in Vancouver, where a large number awaits baptism as the result of previous efforts and faithful labors of Brother Burrill and Sister McMillan.

J. G. WALKER.

FROM A HOME MISSIONARY WORKER

And the Lord said unto the servant, "Go out into the highway and hedges and compel them to come in that my house may be filled." Luke 14:23. This is the commission for us today, so I want to tell you of the work we are doing along this line, that may give others a plan to carry out in your own home town.

Each week, Sister W. H. Vass and the writer have the privilege of visiting the public wards of the Vancouver General Hospital with bouquets, magazines, tracts, and war extras, for the patients, and could you see the happy, pleased look on the faces you would know what a blessing we receive doing this work.

Of course, we cannot get all the papers and flowers we need from our own homes so the sisters of our church keep us supplied each week. In that way they also have a part in the work. Sister M. E. Toombs of Nanaimo gave us a goodly supply of magazines. * wish you could have gone with us one week to the

blind man's ward—a friend gave us a basket of cherries from the Okanagan Valley to give them—and how they did enjoy them.

As we give them the flowers we tell them that Christ, the great Physician is coming again soon and all seem glad to hear. Many of them are past the three-score and ten year mark and just waiting their time to be laid away—what a privilege to tell them of the blessed hope! Some of the patients have been in the "incurable ward" over five years. They have no way to hear of the wonderful truth unless we take it to them. One Catholic man at first refused to even talk with us. Now he looks at the pictures and talks with us of Christ. Do pray for him.

In the Oriental ward we find Hindus, Russians, Japanese and Chinese. Oh, such a dark, dreary place! How eager they are for the flowers and magazines. They keep the dried flowers until we come again. We have been fortunate to have tracts in all these languages so far.

In the tubercular ward the poor souls seem to have no hope for the future. Can you imagine what it would be like to be shut in a large room with no one but sick folk to see, awaiting your time to pass away? If so, then you can know how thankful they are to receive the flowers and reading matter. True, many of them do not believe in God, but God can do wonderful things, and so I believe we shall see souls saved, for Christ told us to sow the seed and he will give the increase.

We also have the "Old Folks" home, and how happy they are to be remembered.

The church members have donated liberally, so we have the *Life Boat*, which we take to the jail with flowers to the prisoners, and the *Youth's Instructor* to the girls' and boys' industrial schools.

This is a grand work and we receive a great blessing in doing it. True, we feel a little discouraged at times, but this is the enemy's work, so we turn our back on him and work on. Our total work done from May 10 to June 7 is as follows:

Magazines, etc., given away.....	2,126
Bouquets given away.....	702
Articles Clothing given away.....	17

MRS. KARL SMEED.

THE COLPORTEUR WORK

Our Colporteurs are having some exceptionally good experiences even if their reports are not as large as they would like to see them. They have learned that if they talk a little longer and a little more earnestly with their God, then, even though their sales reports may not show up quite as favorably as they think they ought—and they are far from admitting that they will not—they can say when it is done, "We have come up on to higher ground, that the people have been met more nearly as the Master would meet them and that a stronger impression has been made upon their minds and hearts."

One says: "I am of good courage. It rejoices me to see 'Great Controversy' in so many homes. One man told me what a fine book it is, and wanted me to read it. Am glad that the truth can go to the people even before a minister is sent to them." He is handling "Heralds of the Morning."

Another says: "Got into all kinds of trouble Thursday, at least Satan tried hard to get me into trouble, but the Lord has certainly helped me. I found a family here who half-way keep the Sabbath, and they would altogether, if they could see their way clear to make a living without working Sabbath. They are excellent people. I visited them on Sabbath, and as I will be back next Sabbath, arranged to come and have a little Sabbath-school with them. They have six children. They are longing to see some Adventists and would like very much to get some reading matter, back numbers of magazines, etc. I left them what I had."

And so we might continue to give extracts from these letters. Brethren and sisters, this message is truly going to those that know it not, and the faithful colporteur will have the joy of seeing souls saved in the kingdom as a result of his efforts, and then the trials, privations and hardships through which he has passed will not be remembered.

A REMINDER

Donations to the Church School Fund of the conference have been coming in ever since the delegates at Conference passed the recommendation setting apart 3 per cent. of our income for that purpose. But the contributions have not been large on account of the burden of last year's schools that released the churches having schools till the close of the school term.

From this onward we expect the fund will be increased by a faithful payment of the 3 per cent. on the part of those who promised and those who are interested in having our children educated in the message. I have received many letters from brethren and sisters throughout the Province endorsing the plan and promising to co-operate fully. It is something new with us, and will require our earnest and faithful attention.

Shall we not all take hold of this plan and make a success of it? It is not arbitrary, but may well be named "The Agreement Plan." It takes in everyone, both those who have no children as well as those who have. We are told by the Servant of God that all should share in this burden of responsibility.

Those who have not church privileges should send this 3 per cent. contribution to our Conference Treasurer, J. B. Giddings, 1708 Maple St., Vancouver, B.C. Those connected with the churches should pay the same to their church treasurer, who on sending to the conference office, should be careful to state *what it is for*, so that each church can be carefully credited with the amount sent on that fund.

Statements will be sent out from time to time showing how much has been contributed. The conference committee will do its best to make a just distribution of this fund in the operation of church schools. If there is united effort there will be success. Let us get the blessing of victory.

J. G. WALKER.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTES

Brother H. W. Dutton, of Pitt Meadows, was a visitor at the office last Wednesday. He was in Vancouver and New Westminster on business.

Brother and Sister J. Irving Hartnell, of Clayburn, made a short, but pleasant call here last week. Mrs. Hartnell's mother, Mrs. W. C. White, of Cumberland, has been visiting them and as she was returning home they accompanied her as far as Vancouver.

"The Shadow of the Bottle" is a new and interesting book, published in the interest of prohibition of the liquor traffic. We have a good supply of these on hand. How many do you want? Single copy, 25c postpaid; 10 or more, 15c each, plus carriage charges.

Manitoba Conference

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PLANS AND RESOLUTIONS

1. *We hereby* express our gratitude to God for his watch, care and protection in behalf of his people during the crisis of the past year brought on by the serious conditions prevailing in the world; also for the measure of success accompanying the proclamation of his message. And in penitence and humility we would seek for a closer walk with God so that his church may be all that it should be in this solemn hour.

Whereas, The *Review and Herald* is our denominational family paper, and its pages are filled each week, both with articles from our leading men and with interesting and stirring reports from our various departments and from our mission fields throughout the world, and is our most able minister, tending to establish our people in the great fundamental truths of the third angel's message, and leading those who read its pages to a higher spiritual life, therefore,—

2. *We Recommend* (1) That every family of Seventh-day Adventists be urged to become a yearly subscriber to this periodical.

(2) That a special campaign from this date be inaugurated to place the *Review and Herald* in the home of every Seventh-day Adventist family in the Manitoba Conference.

(3) That our conference workers and all our church officers lend their influence both in speaking and writing to attain this object.

(4) That we also urge our foreign brethren who cannot read the *Review* to become subscribers for the corresponding paper in their own language.

Whereas, The Sabbath-school work is the church at study and it will enable those who rightly avail themselves of its privileges and responsibilities to stand in the troublous times just before us,—

3. *We Recommend*, (1) That every member of the church be a member of the Sabbath-school.

(2) That those families and individuals who cannot be regular attendants of any Sabbath-school, be organized into the Home Department, for the regular study of the Sabbath-school lessons, and the bringing of the offering as though present.

(3) That when through unavoidable circumstances a member is absent the lesson be studied and offering set aside as in the Home Department.

(4) That the goal for mission offerings in the Sabbath-school be fifteen cents per church member, and that the Sabbath-school officers put forth diligent efforts for the accomplishment of this purpose.

(5) That all officers and teachers of the Sabbath-school provide themselves with the *Sabbath School Worker*.

(6) That in harmony with the instruction given us through the Spirit of God, we urge our young people to follow the outline for daily study of the Sabbath-school lessons, and that this be done with the entire family where possible.

Whereas, The Missionary Volunteer Movement has been a great blessing to our youth in safeguarding from many temptations by enlisting them for service,—

4. *We Urge*, That conference workers and church officers make strong efforts to organize our young people into Missionary Volunteer Societies and to faster the same, and that the *Church Officers' Gazette* be used as a basis for their programs.

5. *We Recommend*, That all, both young and old, strive to observe the Morning Watch regularly, using the Morning Watch Calendar as a daily reminder of this our greatest privilege and our greatest need.

6. *We Recommend*, That all our workers, church officers and parents put forth diligent efforts to get our young people to enroll in the reading courses and to study for Standard of Attainment membership.

7. *We Recommend*, That our Conference and Church officers encourage our young people to persevere in their efforts to reach our proportionate goal, which is at least 10 young people converted, five Standard of Attainment members, ten to read the Bible through, 15 Reading Course certificates, and \$192.50 for educational work in the Emmanuel Mission in Basutoland.

Whereas, The time has come when all our people everywhere should with courage and faith put on the "armour of truth" and go forth to give the light of truth to those who sit in darkness, and,—

Whereas, our great Home Missionary Work now getting under way is destined to bring results of the greatest magnitude,—

8. *Be It Resolved*, (1) That we urge upon every worker and church officer in the Manitoba Conference the necessity and importance of doing everything possible to arouse our people to engage in personal soul winning service, and to carefully report all work done.

(2) That every church in the Manitoba Conference hold regularly a missionary meeting and plan carefully so as to work every home in its territory with our truth filled literature.

(3) That wherever practicable missionary institutes be held with the churches.

(4) That a systematic distribution of our tracts be entered into by every member of the conference; that we use the tracts put up in the regular envelopes and packages at 25 cents, \$1.00, and \$5.00 a set, and that we aim to reach the goal of an average of at least two sets at 25 cents each a member.

(5) That we encourage earnest and consecrated men and women to engage in the sale and distribution of our 40 per cent. books and of our bright up-to-date truth-filled magazines.

(6) That we seek in every way possible to place

the Berean Library in the hands of our friends and neighbors.

(7) That our churches and isolated members be urged to use a club of our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, for aggressive missionary work, averaging at least two copies a church member.

Whereas, The providence of God has brought within the borders of our conference a large number of people speaking many different languages, thus laying upon us the solemn duty of giving the truths of the third angel's message and affording a unique opportunity of having a large part in the fulfillment of Rev. 14:7-9,—

9. *We Recommend*, That all our people everywhere ascertain by careful inquiry the languages spoken in their vicinity, and that they provide themselves with books, tracts and papers in those languages to be used in aggressive missionary work.

Whereas, The times we live in show that we are almost at the very end, and the Lord having laid upon us the work of sending this message into all the world, we all sustain an equal responsibility in this great movement, the Manitoba Conference having borne her part with her sister conferences in bearing their burdens,—

10. *We Now Pledge* ourselves to continue this loyal co-operation until the work is finished.

Whereas, There is need of greater efforts along educational lines, and greater unity and stability in the church school work in this conference in order to meet the requirements of God given us through the Spirit of Prophecy, therefore,—

11. *We Recommend*, (1) That church schools be established in every church where there is a sufficient number of children to make a school.

(2) That these schools be supported by the church in which they are located.

(3) That an educational fund be established to which those belonging to churches where there is no school may contribute.

12. *We Recommend*, That more suitable quarters be secured for our office in Winnipeg, either by renting or building.

13. *Resolved*, That we express to the city of Brandon our appreciation for the courtesies extended to us in allowing us to use the beautiful park for our meetings free of all charge, and also to the respective railway companies in granting us free transportation in returning to our homes.

All of the above were unanimously adopted.

SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Another year with all its cares and troubles, with all its difficulties and perplexities, with all its blessings and opportunities, and with all its failures and victories, has passed into eternity. No heedless word spoken can be recalled. Every angry thought has left its impress upon the mind. Opportunities left unimproved may never return to us again.

Since we met in convention a year ago, the most terrible war the world ever beheld has begun and is raging in all its fury, with nearly all of the leading

nations taking part and with conditions existing, that sooner or later may draw the rest into the fray. Surely the Revelator had a keen prophetic eye when by looking through God's telescope he saw the condition of the nations of today and penned the lines for our instruction in Rev. 11:18: "And the nations are angry and thy wrath is come."

While the awful conflict now going on is making the great men of the nations anxious with regard to the future of their countries, the people of God are thoroughly acquainted with the prophecies relating to our day, and should be intensely anxious as to our eternal welfare, and should cause us to work with more earnestness than ever before.

Notwithstanding the strenuous times and the financial depression, we are glad to report that our Sabbath-school work in Manitoba is onward. The Treasurer's report will show you how we have increased our donations to missions. I know this news will gladden our hearts, for we are all interested in sending the gospel to our less enlightened brethren in foreign lands. We have not reached our goal yet, but we shall hope and pray that we may make a greater advancement in this direction in the year to come, than we did in the one just closed. No doubt it will mean a sacrifice to most of us to raise our quota, but souls saved in the kingdom of God through our offerings will repay us for the sacrifice.

During the year four Sabbath-schools have organized with three home schools added to our list. This is an indication to us that God is gathering out his jewels in Manitoba to be with him in his kingdom and with this we take courage and with the help of the Lord, will press the battle to the gate. While we are enjoying comparative peace and safety, let us not forget our dear Sabbath-school scholars across the sea, who are brought into most trying difficulties and doubtless many of them will be called to give up their lives. Let our prayers ascend to the throne "whence cometh our help," that all such may have strength to stand for God and his truth. May the hour quickly come when war and strife shall cease and sinners be eradicated from the earth.

We must not forget to mention the interest the Children's Band is taking in the helping to proclaim this last wonderful message to the world. It would do your hearts good to read some of the letters from the members of our band, indicating the amount they propose to raise for missionary work.

In closing, we would express our appreciation for the support received from you all and the forbearance shown, and while we deplore our failures and inefficiencies, we would deeply express our gratitude to God for his help in our work.

We have in our conference 16 schools, 6 home department schools, 289 members, 155 seniors, 21 junior and 113 primary. There are 15 *Sabbath School Workers* being taken, 24 *Instructors*, and 20 *Little Friends*. The donations amount to \$1,097.36, an average per member per week of a little over 7 cents.

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*COLPORTEURS' RALLY SONG

In the West Canadian Union
There's a missionary band,
Composed of earnest bookmen
Who go marching through the land,
In search of souls now perishing,
That they may take their stand
In the army of the Lord.

CHORUS.

Come and join the Bookmen Army,
Come and join the Bookmen Army,
Come and join the Bookmen Army,
In the service of the Lord.

Like the leaves of autumn
We'll sell the printed page—
Work that every one can do,
Regardless of his age,
Salvation to the purchaser—
And causes Satan's rage—
While the truth goes marching on.

We can canvass in the winter time,
We are not afraid of snow,
As nearly all assembled here
Have lately learned to know.
We hold our winter institute,
And off to work we go
In the Army of the Lord.

Many in the remnant church
Are perishing today,
Because they do not work for souls
And have not learned to pray.
O Brother, take the printed page
And labor while you may
In the Army of the Lord.

We've had a glorious meeting
With friends and leaders wise;
The Father above has taught us
Things to help us rise.
We'll go to fields of labor,
There to work and win the prize
In the Army of the Lord.

* Sung at the Saskatchewan Camp Meeting.

Among the callers in Calgary this week were Elders Luther Warren, Geo. F. Enoch, G. F. Hafner and Brother W. L. Manfull, on their way from the Lacombe camp meeting.

The Alberta camp meeting closed at Lacombe, Sunday evening, the 18th, thus closing the camp meeting season for this Union this year. These meetings have been very profitable and a great blessing to all our people who have attended. The weather conditions at nearly every meeting have been unfavorable, and the "hard times" cry is heard everywhere, but the camp meeting attendance was the largest in the history of the work here. God is richly blessing his people, and all are determined to work faithfully for the extension of the Lord's work in this field.

FOR SALE

My home, consisting of nearly seven acres of land, four-room cottage, barn, coal and wood shed, all new. Good well of water with pump. Only three minutes' walk from Alberta Industrial Academy. Address, L. T. Heaton, Box 291, Lacombe, Alberta.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

British Columbia—Two Weeks Ending July 3

Name.	Book.	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps.	Totals.
R. M. Milne.....	B.R.	30	31	....	\$16.60	\$ 139.10
C. O. Smith.....	H.M.	65	37	....	12.30	125.05
John Stickle.....	B.R.	73	21	....	4.30	87.80
J. H. Lawson.....	B.R.	65	11	....	6.75	49.25
Alley Wolf.....	B.R.	23	3	....	....	12.50
H. Cour-Barron...H.M.		30	8	....	5.75	30.50
		336	111		\$45.70	\$ 444.20

Manitoba—Week Ending July 3

Geo. Belleau.....	B.R.	52	23	....	\$ 2.00	\$ 89.50
C. Hoehn.....	B.R.	43	7	....	1.50	28.00
G. F. Ojala.....	P.P.	93	26	....	9.05	107.05
A. E. McGee.....	G.C.	34	1	....	1.50	6.00
Clinton Lefler.....	B.R.	28	5	....	1.25	18.25
O. Sigurdsson....	C.O.S.	18	7	....	2.00	6.90
		268	69		\$17.30	\$ 256.20

Saskatchewan—Four Weeks Ending July 10

Vera Alcock.....	B.R.	204	40	....	\$3.60	\$ 155.10
Hulda Hoehn.....	B.R.	213	59	....	7.20	236.20
Edward Hoehn....	D.R.	222	58	....	....	256.00
G. F. Knowlton...P.P.		87	48	....	....	189.00
Mrs. L. & E. Long..B.R.		211	90	....	4.30	351.30
Luther Long.....	B.R.	210	82	....	1.00	303.00
Norman Brown...P.P.		108	35	....	....	138.00
Sam Crooks.....	P.P.	....	10	....	....	38.00
Leonard Light....	D.R.	138	46	....	....	176.00
E. A. Light.....	D.R.	51	10	....	.50	38.50
Oscar Meilicke...D.R.		42	16	....	3.20	60.20
Anna Neufeld and Lizzie Buhler...B.R.		46	31	....	4.35	123.35
John D. Neufeld...D.R.		58	45	....	2.10	126.10
John Ross.....	H.M.	48	21	....	....	52.50
Oliver Ross.....	D.A.	40	18	....	....	66.25
Chas. Sissons.....	B.R.	40	9	....	....	33.54
Ida Coles.....	Mag.	19	172	17.20	....	17.20
		1,737	790	\$17.20	\$26.25	\$2,360.20

Thirty-one agents.... 2,341 970 \$17.20 \$89.25 \$3,060.60
Previously reported 7,631.00

Total reported to date..... \$10,691.60

DEATH OF MRS. WHITE.

As we go to press word comes of the death of Mrs. E. G. White. The end came on Friday, July 16, 1915, at 3.40 p.m. Further particulars will be given in the next issue.