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The Tithe Belongs to God

The Lord bestows His gifts abundantly upon His children. He "so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." In the beginning God placed man in the most beautiful home ever witnessed upon earth,—the garden of Eden. "Like the angels, the dwellers in Eden had been placed upon probation; their happy estate could be retained only on condition of fidelity to the Creator's law. They could obey and live, or disobey and perish." The man did not stand the test. He yielded to temptation and lost all that God ordained for him. In His infinite wisdom God foresaw the fall of man and ordained a plan for his redemption. Through Jesus, the only begotten of the Father, all that was lost because of sin is to be restored. But the restoration is made on condition of faith, obedience and confidence. God has placed the tithing system before men as a test of heavenly fellowship. "Our heavenly Father bestows gifts and solicits a portion back, that he may test us whether we are worthy to have the gift of everlasting life." The Lord says, "All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord." Notice, dear reader, the tithe is holy unto God. He has never changed His own devised plan, and unto Isreal, He said, "I am the Lord, I change not:" "The tithe is the Lord's, and those who meddle with it will be punished with the loss of their heavenly treasure unless they repent."

"The Lord created every tree in Eden pleasant to the eyes and good for food, and He bade Adam and Eve freely enjoy His bounties. But He made one exception. Of the tree of knowledge of good and evil they were not to eat. This tree God reserved as a constant reminder of His ownership of all. . . . So it is with God's claims upon us. He places His treasures in the hands of men, but re-

quires that one-tenth shall be faithfully laid aside for His work. . . . By faithfully obeying this requirement, we acknowledge that all belongs to God."

The apostle Paul declares that our lives are hid with Christ in God. God has purchased us with a price and we are to glorify Him bearing fruits of righteousness. The Spirit of prophecy declares, "Every blessing we have comes through Jesus Christ. Then shall we not arouse, and do our duty toward God, upon whom we are dependent for life and health, for His blessing upon our crops and fields, our cattle, our herds, and our vineyards? We are assured if we give to the Lord's treasury, we shall receive of Him again; but if we withhold of our means, He will withhold His blessing from us, and send a curse upon the unfaithful."

May the Lord help us to be faithful in such a time as this so that the work may be quickly finished and the harvest of the earth gathered in.

E. H. Oswald

Our Mission Offerings and Tithe

The statement of mission offerings for the first two months of 1939 is being published in this issue of the Outlook in order that our readers may know how we stand in this respect. The mission fund receipts from three of our conferences declined from 8 per cent to 12 per cent for the two months, while the other conference made a gain of 1 per cent. The net decrease in dollars was \$620.27 or an average decline of 8 per cent for the union conference as compared with the same two months last year. As you will observe from the figures on the statement, the total receipts were slightly less than one-fifth of our forty-cent-a-week goal. Although the total receipts were less than last year, as stated above, the average weekly per capita gifts were increased slightly, due principally to the 1937 reduced membership in some conferences and the union conference as a whole, inasmuch as the average of the four quarters' membership in

1937 is used in calculating this year's conference quotas.

In 1938 there was an unfortunate general decline in mission offerings from our own members throughout a large part of the North American field, although there was a worthwhile increase in the Harvest Ingathering gifts from the public. It is still more unfortunate for this downward trend to continue this year and in this field. I wonder if it can be possible that our interest in missions is waning, or if our mission offerings have not been stressed quite as much as they should be in the various services when they are received. I am inclined to think it is due to the latter reason, for surely our interest in the world-wide work must grow rather than diminish as we see the rapid fulfilment of prophecy taking place almost daily. While the Lord is working mightily in behalf of His people and message, we too must work rapidly, for "the night cometh, when no man can work."

Word has come to us recently that a decree has been issued in one of the larger countries of Europe which prohibits the taking of collections or offerings in all places of religious worship after October 1 of this year. We sincerely hope and pray that the Lord will in some way intervene to avert this threatened catastrophe to His work in that field; but this decree is one of the indications that we are rapidly approaching the time foretold, when "the work which the church has failed to do in a time of peace and prosperity, she will have to do in a terrible crisis, under most discouraging, forbidding circumstances." Let us give liberally for the rapid finishing of the gospel work in all the world, while the privilege of giving freely is still accorded us in this fair land, where we have so much for which to thank the Lord.

The tithe receipts for the first two months this year have also rather sharply declined in three of our conferences, while the other conference shows a small gain. The total net tithe decline for the union conference

is \$2887.88 or 9 per cent, which really causes a serious shortage of operating funds in both our local conferences affected and the union conference. Hence we appeal to all of our readers to be faithful in stewardship, for the nine-tenths of your income, with the Lord's promised blessing, will go much farther in supplying your needs, than would the entire

ten-tenths without His blessing, but rather under the curse of Achan. The Lord is undoubtedly testing His professed people in these trying times, and "it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." May each one of us successfully pass that test and hear the welcome "Well done" of the Master.

A. R. Smouse

NORTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

**Statement of Forty-cent-a-week-Fund For Two Months (Eight Weeks)
Ended February 28, 1939**

Conference	Member-ship	Amt. \$3.20 Per Member	Amount Received	Amount Short	Cents a Week	
					1938	1939
Iowa	2888	9241.60	2234.77	7006.83	11.1	9.7
Minnesota	4231	13539.20	3006.49	10532.71	9.0	8.9
North Dakota	2333	7465.60	987.91	6477.69	4.5	5.3
South Dakota	1735	5552.40	885.81	4666.19	6.4	6.4
Totals	11187	25798.40	7114.98	28683.42	7.7	8.0
			19.9%	80.1%		

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Watchman Week Request

March 25 to April 8 has been set aside by the General Conference for promoting the "Watchman" Magazine. This period provides an excellent opportunity to reach our objective of raising sufficient funds to guarantee placing the "Watchman" Magazine in every public library in the state. I wish we could concentrate on this one thing instead of dividing our interests. The plan is to take up a special collection on one of these three Sabbaths for this work and to send it in to the conference. We will use it immediately to supply the public libraries with this fine magazine.

Let me quote from a letter I just received from the librarian of the University of Minnesota. "We have been receiving the "Watchman" Magazine intermittently for several years. We appreciate very much this fine magazine which is being supplied to us. Several years of our files of the "Watchman" Magazine are missing and we would appreciate having these in bound volumes to complete our files." He then enumerated the volumes that are missing. The publishers have written that they will supply these six volumes for the special price of \$6.00. We are very

anxious to grant this request and we hope that the collection taken up in the churches will furnish a little extra, so that these bound volumes of this truth-filled magazine may be made available for the use of the student body at the University. This is a good work and we must not let it go unanswered. Won't you help generously? I. C. Christenson

Maplewood Academy Institute

Elder P. D. Gerrard and I conducted the annual academy colporteur institute at Maplewood, March 3 to 10.

Several students requested to enter the work this summer. We were happy that a large number—more than fifty—enrolled in colporteur band. Mr. Donavon Olson was chosen leader, and Miss Lequier as secretary of the group. It is planned that the colporteur class shall meet each week under proper supervision.

When the institute closed, it was agreed that no matter what vocation one might enter, he would be better qualified to do the work as a result of experience gained while canvassing, than if he should not acquire such experience. The central theme in all meetings was the salvation of souls.

"He calls upon those in our institutions to awake and set in operation influences that will advance His kingdom. Let them send forth laborers into the field and then see that the interest of these laborers does not

flag for lack of sympathy and of opportunities for development." "Colporteur Evangelist," page 33.

Let us each pray that God may richly bless the youth who have a burden for souls and a vision of the unfinished task rapidly being finished.

C. G. Cross

NOTICE

A few families were disappointed last year because we did not send colporteurs into their counties. Soon many student canvassers and some regular workers, now laboring in the cities, will move into the country. You may now send me your requests for bookmen.

C. G. Cross

Lake Front Land Needed

Living in a state with 10,000 lakes, one would think that surely some of our Adventist people own land on some of these lakes, so we are hoping this OUTLOOK way will find out for us.

We desire to have a permanent camp site for our boys and girls Summer Camp and our Senior Training Camps.

Do you have land with one of Minnesota's lakes on it or with lake frontage? Would you be happy to lease to us a plot of such land upon which to build a "camp kitchen-cabin" and to pitch tents for living quarters? Help us save our Minnesota boys and girls. These camps are of great assistance in this work.

Please write to me if you are interested in this plan, and tell me what you have to offer.

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News Items

For the encouragement of our faithful Sabbath school officers, we pass on the information that our Sabbath school offerings for January and February of 1939 show a gain of \$261 over January and February of 1938. This is more remarkable when we take into consideration that there were only eight Sabbaths in these two months this year as compared to nine last year. We are making an early start toward an excellent record for 1939. Here is a fine opportunity for you new officers to set a new record if you continue your good leadership without any let-down.

The news of the "Signs" campaign continues to come in. This week I visited Granite Falls, Willmar, Forest Lake and Sauk Centre, and all four are over their goal. The response from our isolated believers is helping to make the campaign a success. Next week we will have the results of the campaign in the St. Paul English church. They plan to pass the 200 mark by that time.

Elder Ising, from Washington, D. C. will be in Minnesota for several appointments in April. His itinerary is as follows: April 7, 8, 9, Minneapolis First English church for a Sabbath

school convention; April 11, Duluth; April 12, Minneapolis Nor-Dan.; April 13, Mankato; April 14, 15, St. Paul English church Sabbath school convention. Elder Ising has spent many years in the mission fields and has traveled extensively, so our people in the Twin Cities will all desire to hear him. We are, therefore, extending the invitation to our churches in Minneapolis to attend the week-end meeting in the Stevens Avenue church. The first meeting will open at 7:30 Friday night, and there will be meetings at 3:00 o'clock on Sabbath and Sunday afternoons. Our people should plan to attend their own church for the Sabbath morning services. The St. Paul meeting will be held at the church, on the corner of Ashland and Mackubin. The convention meetings will be held on Friday evening and all day Sabbath. The members of the Scandinavian church are invited to be present Friday evening (7:30) and Sabbath afternoon (3:00). This is the first opportunity in many years when our churches have had the help of a General Conference representative of the Sabbath School Department, and a large attendance is expected at every meeting.

J. C. Christenson

the case today. You may have, without cost to you, salesmanship instruction from one who has had years of experience in selling and in teaching others to sell. Furthermore, after the instruction is given, an experienced man will be sent to help you get started. Won't you sit down right now and write for further details? Address your inquiry to Roger Baker, field missionary secretary, Box 1491, Jamestown, North Dakota.

New Believers at New Salem

We are happy to report that we have now celebrated the fourth Sabbath with our first believers in New Salem. A goodly number are interested in and studying the Sabbath question. We hope and daily pray that they may take their stand with God's people by accepting the truth in its fulness.

During the meetings there, we have endeavored to give a health lecture every fifth or sixth evening, and have found the people deeply interested in these subjects. Having come in contact with one man who had gained the victory over tobacco years ago, we asked him to relate his experience for the benefit of those who were still struggling with this evil habit. This he gladly did, with the result that several promised to leave off smoking. One man in particular, who had smoked for forty-six years, gave it up immediately, and the following day discarded his pipe and the residue of his tobacco. Three days later he came to the meeting and I remarked, "How well you look, my friend." "Yes," said he, "my wife told me the same thing this morning."

Since presenting the matter of pork-eating, one family has turned very definitely against it, and they say they can't eat it any more. They have just told me they are finding that what they have hitherto believed has all been error.

We are now starting a second winter effort at Hebron, a city on highway No. 10 and about thirty-five miles west of here; but we shall keep in contact with the work at New Salem on week-ends. We are daily praying earnestly for the Holy Spirit to bring deep conviction into the hearts of these dear people who hear the saving truths for this time, and we invite the readers of the Outlook to remember us in their daily devotions. I. C. and Mrs. Schmidt

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Longfellow-Torkelson

At 8:00 P. M. February 27 in the presence of nearly one hundred guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Longfellow of Lovell, Wyoming, gave their daughter Gwendolyn Ada, in marriage to Theodore R. Torkelson, ministerial interne of the North Dakota Conference. Vows were read by Elder Carl A. Mock as the wedding was solemnized by the glowing candlelight in the Methodist church.

Immediately after the service a reception was held at the Jenson Studio. Following the reception Mr. and Mrs. Torkelson left for Nome, North Dakota, their future home and place of labor. They take with them the good wishes of their many friends as they unite their lives in active service for their Master.

How to Secure a Christian Education

Perhaps you have always desired to secure a Christian education, but to finance your expense at one of our schools seemed impossible. The way is now open for many Seventh-day Adventist young men and women in North Dakota to begin early this spring to earn their scholarship. Just think, you can pay your own expenses, including tuition, room, and board, by spending the summer in selling our message-filled books and magazines. It has been done in past years; it was done in 1938 and it can be done in 1939. Did you know that nine North Dakota youth are right now enjoying the privileges of a Christian school wholly because they sold our wonderful literature last summer? We expect a similar number again this fall. Will you be one of them? Why not begin now to prepare for next September?

When George A. King, the first colporteur, went out he had no instruction in salesmanship. He had to learn by trial and error. Such is not

Prompt Stewardship

Preaching in an Episcopal church one day, the Rev. Dr. Henry Darlington listed as one of ten resolutions for the new year the following: "To become a tither. Dedicate to God and His work not only ten per cent of every penny that you receive, but also of your time and talents."

It is right and proper to resolve to become a tither; however, tithing rests on a firmer foundation than mere human resolutions. It is predicated on scriptural injunction. God has commanded it. God's command is the rock upon which it rests. It was God who said, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse."

The other day a letter came to my desk with a check of \$59.40 to be turned over to the conference treasurer. It was to be divided as follows: \$42.80 tithe, \$13.00 Sabbath school offerings, and \$3.60 for the Book and Bible House.

The one writing the letter said: "This is the first cash we have been able to obtain to send in, as so much of our income is not in the form of cash."

I believe God is pleased with such promptness in the matter of tithe. We should remember the words of the apostle Paul in I Corinthians 4:2, "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."

D. N. Wall

Investiture at S. R. A.

There is nothing more interesting, short of actually being invested yourself, than to watch others being invested. At least that was the impression one got at the investiture service held at Sheyenne River Academy, March 4, during the young peoples' hour.

Elder Geo. Loewen dwelt briefly upon the thought that those who would succeed must continually put forth well planned, intelligent efforts; and that such efforts are always crowned with success. We enjoyed the comparison drawn between being invested here because of faithfulness in these smaller things of this earth, and that great investiture service in heaven in which the insignia will be starry crowns.

Thirty-two students took the charge and were invested after being carefully examined and vouched for. Those being invested were given an opportunity to tell of their joys and sorrows encountered in doing the

work, and this portion of the service was most inspiring and encouraging.

The pins were distributed in the classes as follows: twelve Friends, fourteen Companions, five Comrades, the one Master Comrade. Surely this is worth while work!

J. V. Peters

The Investment Fund

The Investment plan is fostered by the Sabbath school department, in behalf of foreign missions. It provides a means of raising additional funds, outside of our regular sacrificial offerings. The idea is to invest a certain amount of money or of land or of something we own, and then give the increase of that investment to our Sabbath School Investment Fund. Some have thought of giving sums of money. That is praise-worthy, it shows that interest is taken in this Investment Fund for missions, but the ideal way is to set aside some amount of cash or some portion of land, some portion of our time or of other possessions, and use the money we gain from this investment for our offering to the Investment Fund.

Many instances could be told of the special blessing of the Lord upon those who have done this. The greatest results from this investment plan depend upon the fathers and mothers, upon the adults, the men and women who cultivate the soil or have business interests. The Sabbath school provides spiritual food for all ages and all classes of people, and in addition it now points a way by which every member may have a part in this larger giving to missions. Parents and children working together to bring in an offering of the first-fruits will surely reap a rich blessing. Study this plan with your children and when the Investment program is held in your Sabbath school, join heartily in the plan and make the 1939 Investment Offering the largest in the history of our Sabbath school work in North Dakota.

The results of the Investment Fund plan for 1938 were gratifying. The Lord blessed in a remarkable way. The Bismarek Sabbath school sent in \$139.89. Jamestown, Fargo, Devil's Lake, Beach, Denhoff, Kulm, Kenmare and other Sabbath schools also sent in goodly amounts. Brother Berthelson, of Bowesmont, is a very faithful "Investor", his contribution to the fund being \$250.00. The total

amount for 1938 received up to the close of December, was \$952.78, which is \$177.88 gain over 1937. That is excellent for North Dakota!

We wish to thank each and every Sabbath school member who has had a part in this good work, and we would encourage every Sabbath school in the North Dakota Conference, also every isolated member in the state, to plan right now to take an active part in this worthy work for missions.

Mrs. D. N. Wall

Secretary, Sabbath School Dept.

Grand Forks Convention

An inspiring home missionary convention has just closed in Grand Forks. Elder Loewen, our home missionary secretary, led out with Brother Roger Baker, field secretary, assisting. Friday night Elder Loewen gave an interesting and profitable study on the Bible as spiritual food. The young people were kept alert thinking of answers to the thought-provoking questions he asked them. Everyone took a keen interest in the story as it was developed, and both young and old resolved to read their Bibles through before the end of this year. A bright and beautiful sun gilded the morning sky as our brethren and sisters started for Sabbath school. It seemed as though God had opened the heavens and was about to pour the blessing He always has for those who obey Him. Within our little chapel were assembled with us several from whom we had been separated during the cold winter months. How thankful we all were that God permitted a break in the severe weather so that we might gather for the feast He had in store. Brother Ralph, who has been very faithful in having the church warm on the cold Sabbath days during January and February, had a cozy chapel waiting to welcome everyone. At 9:45 o'clock, just as the minute struck, Sister Ellen Knutson called the Sabbath school to order. She had a well organized and interesting program planned, which everyone appreciated. After the home missionary exercise, Elder Loewen spoke on our duty in leading others to Christ. The Spirit of God was present as many of our brethren and sisters told of some friend or relative who had been responsible for their learning of the truth. Everyone felt impressed with his duty to give the knowledge of this third angel's message to those whom he might be able to reach.

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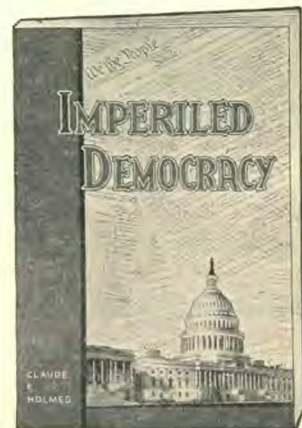
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In the afternoon on Sabbath, as well as on Sunday afternoon, we met to study and pray for the Spirit of God to guide us in our missionary activities. It was with a greater determination on our part, and with a resolution to begin at once to do more for others, that the meetings closed. A large number of tracts were ordered by the church for distribution among the residences in Grand Forks, and several more subscriptions to the "Signs of the Times" were also taken. This brings the "Signs" subscription list up to two-thirds of the membership.

This home missionary convention will be long remembered by the Grand Forks church. We thank our heavenly Father for the blessing it brought us all, as well as for the inspiration it gave each one to hasten on with the message to neighbors, loved ones, and friends. Many expressed their desire that it might have continued longer.

Among those who attended this convention were several of our brethren and sisters from Bowesmont church. They also went home to do even greater things than they have already done, in giving the knowledge of the truth to others.

G. H. Rustad

My First Visit to the Hills Country

It was indeed a pleasure to visit the churches and isolated brethren in the Black Hills district. My first stop was at Rapid City, which is a very progressive city. We have a nice group of people there and a fine church building located in a desirable part of the city. The broadcasting company has granted us free a half-hour on the air Sunday morning at 9:30. This is a wonderful privilege and the people in the Hills hear the message each week.

We then visited at Spearfish. Here the church is active and have taken a large number of the "Signs of the Times." These will be circulated week by week. We believe the interest will be further developed by this means. They desire that some meetings be held there in the near future.

We next visited Custer. You will remember Brethren Bresee and Welch held a series of meetings there during the past summer, and a number accepted the truth. Brother and Sister Smith are there now following up the interest. A number of interested people are studying the message. I trust it will be possible to erect a church building here at a not far-distant date, also to organize a church.

We then drove to Hot Springs where we held several meetings. They have recently remodeled their church building and a nice company of believers meet weekly for prayer meeting, Sabbath school and the church service.

We then left for the Pine Ridge Agency. Here Brother Marley is teaching the government school for the Indians. Some of the best Indians on the reservation have accepted and are accepting this truth. Brother Marley is doing a good work here. We are looking forward to a church organization and a new church building at this place. It was a pleasure to talk to these intelligent Indians. They love the truth just as much as we do.

We greatly enjoyed our visit in the Hills but our stay was altogether too short. We have a wonderful people there, and with the beautiful things of nature, the majestic mountains, the caves, and the animal life, one feels near to God.

A. V. Rhoads

News Items

Elder J. H. Rhoads conducted the Spring Week of Prayer at Plainview Academy, March 11-18.

Monday, March 13, Elder A. V. Rhoads conducted the funeral services of Sister Collins at Sioux Falls; and Wednesday of the same week he was in charge of the funeral service of Sister O. G. Nelson of Viborg.

H. J. Perkins spent Sabbath, March 11, with the Sioux Falls church.

Robert H. Brown is spending the last part of March assisting colporteurs in the western part of the state.

Elder W. H. Hanhardt has returned from the Mayo Clinic; however, he is still confined to his bed and will be for some time.

The "Watchman" Magazine

This is to announce that the two weeks from March 25 to April 8 are designated for the "Watchman" Magazine promotion. We hope that our people will do what they can to give this full-message magazine its proper place in the missionary work of the field. Many of our people always appreciate having it come to their homes.

Because of this campaign, the publishers are making a special rate to our people of 60 cents a year. We also hope that our churches will plan to subscribe for the magazine and have it come to their city public library. I think this is a good missionary plan. In some places our young people's societies are promoting it as one of their missionary projects. Let us encourage this phase of missionary endeavor.

W. H. Hanhardt

On The Trail of the South Dakota Colporteurs

Mr. and Mrs. John Glasser, living near Highmore, South Dakota, are new members of the church. Their experience in finding this message is most interesting.

Mrs. Glasser's mother was a devout Catholic and her father a Methodist who had immigrated from Germany. The father opposed the children's being brought up in the Catholic faith but the mother insisted that they be instructed in some church, so they attended the German Reform church two miles from their home in Illinois. The children would walk to and from Sunday school barefoot.

A short while after they were married, a colporteur who was selling "Bible Readings" called at Mr. and

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Marihuana

A new book—MARIHUANA—is just off the press. The authors are Earle A. Rowell and his son Robert. This new book sets forth very vividly the dangers confronting our American youth by the use of this terrible weed, marihuana. Get your copy now! Your neighbor would appreciate a copy too. Price 25 cents post paid.

Have you sent in your SIGNS subscription list? Take advantage of the campaign rates.

Second quarter sabbath school supplies have been mailed. Did you receive yours? Place your order early. Plan now to have a perfect record in Sabbath school for the second quarter.

South Dakota Book and Bible House.

Mrs. Glasser's farm, selling them a copy of the book. They did not even have a Bible in their home at that time. For forty years the book lay on the shelf, except when taken down to record the birth of a child on the family record they kept in it. During these forty years they made their farming interests first and did not take time to discover the precious, life-giving truths contained in the book they used for a family record. During this time they moved out near Miller, South Dakota, seeking better fortune. Six years ago they became interested in this old book and decided to see what it contained. They were living where they could not attend church, so Mrs. Glasser decided to read the book to take the place of church. After discovering the precious truths it contained, they felt deep regret for having left such a precious treasure lie unused for so long a time. Their hearts were so filled with joy over the truths they had discovered, that they told their neighbors of what they had learned.

Robert H. Brown

(continued next week)

A New Book

It has often been said, "there is nothing new under the sun." But here is something new. "Lantern Light", by May Cole-Kuhn is a refreshing story about one of our own charming Chinese girls. From the moment your eyes behold the beautiful tan binding embellished with lavender colored wisteria you'll not be satisfied until you own this exquisite book. The price? Only \$1.35, postpaid! Order yours today! It is a Pacific Press book!

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TITHE AND PROSPERITY

Last week we stated that prosperity was in store for every faithful believer in South Dakota. Our tithe receipts for the first two months prove our statement is correct. The tithe for January was the best for the month since 1935. While quite a number of treasurers did not send their February remittance in time for it to be included with the February report, the receipts for February were the best since 1934. Even though many of our brethren have been unable to attend church regularly during February, they have been faithful in remitting their tithes and offerings. This has enabled us to operate within our budget, for which we are indeed grateful. H. J. Perkins, Treasurer

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Your Neighbor

"And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29) asked a certain lawyer. The answer as given by the Master in the story of the good Samaritan is very comprehensive. It was most practical and included all that needed help. Love, not only gave service, "bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine," but love was self-denying, "set him on his own beast." Moreover, love gave money. "He took out two pence and gave them to the host," and love pledged to care for whatever need might arise, "whatsoever thou spendest more when I come again I will repay thee." And Jesus, the embodiment of love, admonishes us, "Go, and do thou likewise."

Our nearest neighbor is the Inter-American Division. Next Sabbath, March 25, is the Thirteenth Sabbath. Good neighbors will want to give a generous offering.

De Witt S. Osgood

Watchman Week

March 25 to April 8 is "Watchman Week". We are requested to arrange for our members to place the "Watchman" Magazine in every public library in the State of Iowa. May we not count on you, dear reader, or your company or society, to place the "Watchman" Magazine in the public library of your city? This is a very fine magazine and the special rate is 60 cents a year.

There is also a beautiful "Watchman" folder available for only 75 cents, in which this magazine may be placed each month as it comes to the library.

We have the names of all the libraries in the State of Iowa and if you should not have a library in your city but want to do some real missionary work, just send 60 cents to the office, stating that you want it to go to the "Watchman" library fund, and we will take care of it. The "Watchman" is a very fine magazine for those not of our faith, and there are hundreds of people who read the magazines in the public libraries. So who knows but your magazines may bring someone to Christ.

B. A. Scherr

Waterloo M. V. Rally

Sabbath, March 11, was the date for the Missionary Volunteer rally for district No. 3. Delegates from the various churches of the district assembled at the Waterloo church, and following a very interesting Sabbath school conducted by Mrs. George Hawk, the Oak Park Academy students presented a program during the eleven o'clock hour. Under the supervision of Professor Bieber, the three well presented talks were augmented by several vocal and instrumental numbers.

The first part of the afternoon session was given over to a panel discussion of "The Ideal Missionary Volunteer Member—Himself a Christian and His Efforts at Self-improvement." After the discussion, a very impressive investiture service was conducted, at which six Friends and two Master Comrades received their insignia.

We feel that the work for boys and girls will gain new impetus in district number three, with Brother Calvin Gordon, the district leader, and Miss Kinney both Master Comrades. The results of their work are very evident already in the new and increased interest in the coming junior camp, July 30 to August 6.

W. A. Howe

News Items

The "Signs" campaign is still going strong in Iowa. Orders are pouring in from various sections of the conference every day. In a letter just received from Elder Archbold, pastor of the Sioux City church, is this word: "We got a good start in our Signs campaign last Sabbath, and hope to have the full goal by this coming Sabbath."

Our good books on health and temperance, including the new "Marihuana" just off the press, are still in big demand. Here is a word just in from Brother Niswonger, who is working among the educators of the state: "Here comes my report for the past week. On the surface it appears small perhaps. But I had about the best experiences this week that I've had since starting in this work. I spent about three days in Des Moines, and their interest runs high for our books." He then goes on to explain his contacts with the P. T. A., Reading Circle, and W. C. T. U. groups, which will likely result in large orders for the immediate future.

Calvin Gordon, now located at Oelwein, plans to launch an effort at Elgin in the very near future.

A colporteur institute for the student body is now under way at Oak Park Academy, under the direction of Elder P. D. Gerrard, field secretary of the Northern Union Conference, assisted by G. H. Boehrig, our local field secretary. It is anticipated that there will be a number of students in the field this coming vacation.

Word just received from Robert E. Kepkey indicates that he will begin his effort in a school house near Middletown, Sunday evening, March 19.

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.—S. D. A. single man for farm work. Must have tractor experience, be dependable and have good habits. Give reference and wages desired, in first letter. E. A. Hanson, Sioux Rapids, Iowa. 40 41

Wanted.—S. D. A. young man for steady work on truck farm. Begin work at once. LeRoy Cottew, Sioux Rapids, Ia.

Stone-ground whole wheat flour, made from high grade carefully re-cleaned hard spring wheat. If you like whole wheat flour, you will like this. Write for prices; low this year. Special on 500 lbs. or more. R. M. Shortridge, Grey Eagle, Minnesota.

Colporteur Report

P. D. Gerrard

Union Field Secretary

WEEK ENDING MARCH 11, 1939

Bks. Hrs. Orders Del.

Minnesota—C. G. Cross, Sec.			
William Greer	GC	50	23.75 5.00
Karl Evenson	BR	48	128.75 32.25
Virginia Rust	Mag.	44	15.90 15.90
H. E. Preston	BR	43	38.80 19.70
R. J. Jones	GC	41	30.65 16.30
Clare G. Rust	Mag.	40	12.70 12.70
Carrie Powers	Mag.	34	14.75 14.75
Gwendolyn Judd	HG	34	13.50 19.00
Myrtle Peterson	BR	29	21.75 2.25
Harold Santini	Mag.	16	15.85 10.60
Mrs. J. Porwell	Misc.	16	4.15 4.15
Judith Dufstrom	Mag.	12	6.30 .30
S. Christopherson	Mag.	10	3.50 3.50
Mrs. Obert	Misc.	2	2.25 2.25
Total		419	332.60 158.65

Iowa—G. H. Boehrig, Sec.

Elsie A. Bahr	Misc.	9	4.70 1.70
Roy Chamberlain	BR	43	10.00 7.75
A. E. Johnson	Misc.	38	20.50 20.50
H. W. Niswonger	Misc.		72.15 72.15
Hazel Messenger	H		13.70 13.70
Mrs. E. Peckham	Mag.		2.00 2.00
Glen Shelton	BR	31	1.50 31.75
Howard Strickland	BR	40	27.00 5.25
Total		161	151.55 154.80

South Dakota—R. H. Brown, Sec.			
Orville Poore	HG	40	26.85 .50
Norman Peterson	BR	36	20.25 1.45
Total		76	47.10 1.95
North Dakota—Roger Baker, Sec.			
Edith Olson	HG	9	3.75 7.30
C. A. Lindquist	H	7	7.50 7.50
Total		16	11.25 14.80
Total for Union		672	542.50 330.20

Obituaries

Jorgenson.—Nels M. Jorgenson was born in Langeland, Denmark, August 25, 1859. He came to America in June, 1879, and was united in marriage to Bertha E. Ericson on June 13, 1895. She preceded her husband in death August 25, 1935. Elder Jorgenson began his active labors for the Lord as a self-supporting worker. He labored as a successful colporteur also for many years. Entering the ministry, he engaged in evangelistic work in Iowa, North and South Dakota, and in Michigan. Because of failing health he retired from active service in 1924 to make Boone, Iowa, the place of his residence. Here his leadership in the church served greatly to encourage and strengthen the work. He passed away, after a short illness with influenza and complications, on January 10. He is survived by two brothers, Peter and Chris of Towner, North Dakota, and a sister, Miss Emma Jorgenson of Denmark. His sister-in-law, Miss Carrie Ericson of Boone cared for him during his last illness. So passes another veteran of the message, whose untiring efforts and many successes have blessed the cause. Elder L. P. Knecht brought words of comfort and hope based on Revelation 14:13.

DeWitt S. Osgood

Townsend.—The funeral service of Mrs. Minnie Townsend was conducted by the writer at Wadena, Minnesota, January 11, 1939 in the Methodist church. She was born in Pennsylvania in 1866, and was married in 1895 to Robert S. Townsend of Wadena, Minnesota. Together they joined the Seventh-day Adventist church, and for many years the services were held in their country home. The husband, three children, and three brothers are left to mourn, but not without a bright hope. Many will remember Mrs. Townsend as the mother of Beth Townsend, who was on the Maplewood Academy faculty for two years.

J. C. Christensen

Hanson.—John Gurney Hanson was born at Sheldon, Iowa, on October 15, 1871 and passed away at his home in Princeton, Minnesota, on Saturday afternoon, January 21, after a brief illness. He gave his heart to the Lord and was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church at the time of his death. We sorrow not as those who have no hope. He is survived by: his wife; three sons, Orion and Merlin of Princeton, and Alvin of Anoka, one daughter, Mrs. Perley Nolin of Rockland, Wisconsin; also, seven grandchildren. There are three brothers and one sister. Funeral services were from the Baptist church and burial was at Princeton, Minnesota, the writer conducting the services.

A. L. Bietz

Larsen.—Carl Christian Larsen was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, June 29, 1853, and died at his home at 319 First Avenue, South Sioux City, Nebraska, January 29, 1939, aged 79 years. He leaves to mourn, his wife and two sons, Hans and Nels, and two grandchildren, all of South Sioux City. For ten years Sister Larsen has been an invalid and confined to her bed. During this time Brother Larsen's care of his wife has been so tend-

er and constant that it has had its influence of uplift in the community. Coming to South Sioux City from Mankato, Minnesota, in 1885, Brother Larsen had been a resident of Dakotah County for forty-two years. For forty years he and his wife have been earnest, devoted members of the Sioux City church. Words of comfort were spoken from Isaiah 65:21-25.

Bert Rhoads

Nies.—Jacob Nies was born in Gligstal, South Russia, September 10, 1866 and fell asleep in Jesus, February 3, 1939, at his home in Tolstoy, South Dakota. He was married to Fredricka Dollinger at Gligstal in the year 1888. They came to America the following year and lived in or near Tolstoy ever since. Seven children were born to this union; three are deceased and four living, namely, Mrs. Christ Binder of Tolstoy; Jacob Nies, former treasurer and secretary of the South Dakota Conference, but now of Washington D. C.; Mrs. Carl Haffner of Tolstoy; and Miss Maggie Nies, of Los Angeles, California. The children were all present at the funeral. He leaves to mourn, his loving companion, the four living children, two brothers and six grandchildren. Brother Nies joined the S. D. A. church in the year 1893 and remained a faithful and devoted member until the time of his death. He loved the church and gave liberally to carry on its work. He will be greatly missed. He died as a pilgrim and saint with praise and peace filling his soul. He did not fear death, knowing that soon Jesus would come. We believe that Brother Nies will come forth in the first resurrection, and that he sleeps in Jesus. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder S. A. Relle and the writer. Burial was made in the Bowdle cemetery.

A. V. Rhoads

McGlothlin.—Carrie Potter McGlothlin was born August 20, 1861, and she peacefully passed away February 4, 1939 at Elmwood, Wisconsin. In her early years she became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church and remained faithful to the time of her death. Funeral services were conducted from the Baptist church at Elmwood, Wisconsin, by the writer, assisted by Carl Sundin. Burial was at the country cemetery.

A. L. Bietz

Ashton.—Mary Lois Ashton was born March 18, 1914 at Madison, Tennessee, and died February 6, 1939. She became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1928 and remained faithful and loyal to its principles through her short life. She is survived by her parents; one sister, Betty Carol; and two brothers, Foster and John; also her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Kinsman. Services were conducted from the Jordan Funeral Parlors at Austin, Minnesota, by the writer.

A. L. Bietz

Sunset Calendar

March 24, 1939

Des Moines, Iowa	6:30
St. Paul, Minnesota	6:29
Bismarck, North Dakota	7:01
Pierre, South Dakota	6:48

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