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FINAL APPEAL

Offering for Oakwood Junior College,
and Negro Department, Sabbath, September 14

As we are nearing the September collection, it is fitting that you should know the work that has been and is being done by those who have attended the Oakwood school, and of the department in general, so that you may feel free to give liberally to the same.

The school at Huntsville, now known as the Oakwood Junior College, has been established for nearly a quarter of a century. It has been struggling hard, in spite of mistakes, to fit men and women to present this last message among our people everywhere in the land. As the demands of this work have grown among us, it has been necessary to raise the school to a Junior College, which calls for a larger outlay of funds.

While it would be out of place for me to give a detailed outline of the progress of those who have attended the school since it began, I must mention a few things that have come to my attention as I have journeyed through the South and elsewhere. I have visited several tent meetings and

churches since the middle of July and am now beginning to attend the campmeetings.

Elder Dasent has held a good tent effort at Nashville, Tenn., adding quite a number of faithful ones to the cause.

Elder Peters' effort at Chattanooga, Tennessee, was very well located near the city hall and postoffice. After a stirring effort covering several weeks, he closed with about forty new Sabbath-keepers.

Elder Buckner is at Anniston, Alabama, where he is conducting a good campaign in spite of delay in getting started, and much rain. A goodly number have already begun to obey the truth.

Elder Lawrence is forging ahead with a great meeting at New Orleans, Louisiana, with five to six hundred people attending through the week and eight to nine hundred on Sunday evenings. His collections are averaging \$40 per week. The congregation is made up of as good and as refined a class of people as are to be found anywhere. Already more than forty have actually begun Sabbath keeping; and it is safe to say that when the tent and campmeeting closes there will be at least sixty or seventy-five obeying the whole truth.

The above meetings I have visited; but I hear that Elders Humphrey, of New York City; Strachan, of Baltimore; Rodgers, of Washington, D. C.; Green, of Florida; Ford, of Chicago; Campbell, of Indianapolis; Bradford, of Omaha; Nunas, of Oklahoma; Scott, of Dallas, Texas; Phipps, of Springfield, Ill., and others are having very successful efforts that will bring many souls to Christ.

Most of these ministers have received some training at Oakwood, while quite a number of their helpers are at present students of the in-

stitution. This will show you that the good hand of our God is in the progress of this message among our people throughout the land, and that what you may do for the Oakwood Junior College and the Department in the offering for Sabbath, September 14, will aid in still further establishing the third angel's message in the South and will also be greatly appreciated at this time. "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40.

W. H. Green,

DO YOU WANT TO QUIT SMOKING?

(Republished by Request.)

The Discovery of the Cure for the Tobacco Habit. An Interview with Dr. D. H. Kress and Miss Lucy Page Gaston, the Organizers of the Anti-Cigarette League in America.

The discovery of the cure for the cigarette and tobacco habit was a mere accident, said Dr. Kress. In treating a case of ulcerated mouth with a nitrate of silver solution, the patient noticed he could not smoke after the treatment, and inquired the reason. This led to the discovery that silver nitrate caused a distaste for tobacco. That this solution will effectively produce a distaste for tobacco we have since fully demonstrated.

Armed with this discovery, Dr. Kress joined hands with Miss Gaston and her associates in the league to shear "My Lady Nicotine" of all that makes her tempting. He went to Chicago and opened a free clinic in the offices of the league, 1119 Woman's Temple.

Following the announcement that he would administer a tobacco cure to such victims as might apply on August 3, a traveling representative of a Chicago fashion house, an inveterate smoker, applied. There was a large gathering of spectators, who watched interestedly as Dr. Kress handed the young man the potion, with instruction to wash out his mouth with it when he felt a craving for a smoke.

The young man rinsed his mouth with the solution, then expelled it. The cure had been taken. The spectators looked at him eagerly. The question, What will be the result should his lips again touch tobacco? could be read in the expressions of their faces.

He smiled, opened his cigarette case and extracted a ready-made cigarette. He rolled the little paper pipe between the palms of his hands, then lightly tapped one end in the approved fashion of skilled users, and lighted it. A few puffs and doubt was over. The former "fiend" jumped to his feet, rushed to an open window, and hurled the cigarette through it.

Since then several hundred persons, including staid business men of middle age, old men, married women, actresses, young girls, young men, and Chicago's youngest "veteran smoker," a 4-year-old boy, have been treated. And, in addition, the league's headquarters are swamped with letters that every mail brings from all over the country from persons of every walk of life, of both sexes, and of nearly all ages, who desire to try the cure.

"We are swamped with letters," said Miss Gaston. "Physicians from all over the United States and even from Canada have written for particulars concerning the treatment. I have promised all that their names would not be given out. One who came to our clinic was a very prominent business man of about fifty. He stated his case with tears in his eyes. He said that if he could only get a three days' start on the habit he could conquer it. He was given the treatment, and has not smoked since. He declared that if he were cured he would send hundreds to them, and they have been pouring in from all the office buildings in the Chicago 'loop' district."

Dr. Kress says his solution can be prepared by any druggist. The cure is free and open to all, he says, and

he gives the formula to you through this journal.

The silver nitrate solution, he says, which is used as a mouth wash, can be prepared by any druggist, and no secret is made of the formula (one-eighth of one per cent solution). The mouth should be washed out with it only after meals. It should not be used more than two or three days, or until the worst part of the struggle is over. The cost will not exceed a shilling in any chemist's shop. The chemical action of the nitrate of silver on the saliva makes tobacco in any form repulsive. In connection with this, three-pence worth of gentian root, which is a mild and harmless stimulant used in spring medicines, will prove helpful if chewed when a desire to smoke is felt.

There is no remedy in existence, and probably never will be, that will take away the craving for tobacco permanently. The only way to get rid of the craving is, after all, to get rid of that which produces it.

In order that the cigarette or tobacco habit may be conquered quickly, Dr. Kress recommends that a fruit diet be adopted for three days, as the juices of fresh fruits neutralize the tobacco poisons. After the fruit diet, for one week, there should be used, in addition to fruit, well-baked cereal foods with thin cream or milk, and a small quantity of sugar if desired. Buttermilk, sweet milk, or some cereal drink should take the place of tea or coffee. After this week, vegetables may be added to the diet, but one should be careful about the use of the salt.

In his long experience, Dr. Kress says he has known of many permanent cures being brought about by such a change in the diet. "An eliminative bath three times a week, either Russian, Turkish, or electric light, for a couple of weeks, will greatly aid in ridding the system of the nicotine, and salts or citric acid as a laxative will prove helpful," he says.—Abridged from *Australian Life and Health*.

REMEMBER SEPTEMBER 14.

God has an appointment with his people. More than twenty years ago through the Spirit of Prophecy, He especially called Seventh-day Adventist believers in the United States to come up to the help of the neglected colored race. He invited us to divide workers with them, to send mis-

sionary families into the South to live the Christ life among them, to establish schools for them, and to give of our means for teaching them the gospel and for training native workers for their own race.

During these twenty years something substantial has been done along these lines, but not a tithe of what ought to be done and what can be done if we would turn our hearts and our means to the task.

Writing on the work in the South in 1895, Mrs. E. G. White says: "God cares for the colored people, and if we would cooperate with him for the salvation of souls, we must care for them too, and become laborers together with him. We need to repent before God because we have neglected missionary work in the most abandoned part of God's moral vineyard. There needs to be a stirring up among the members of our churches. There needs to be concern created for our colored brethren at the great heart of the work."

This message is again due. Accordingly, the leaders "at the great heart of the work"—the General Conference Committee—have set apart Sabbath, September 14, for offerings to our colored work. They earnestly hope for a "stirring up among the members of our churches" to give liberally to one of the most deserving missionary enterprises we are conducting at home or abroad.

The goal for the offering has been set at "one dollar a member," on the average. Let every member possible make one dollar his minimum for the offering. Every cent of it is greatly needed. There will be more about the specific purposes of the offering next week. W. E. Howell.

CAMP LIFE

The following letter has been received from Brother Ortner at Camp Funston, Kansas, his present address being Q. M. C. Bldg. 629:

"It has been nearly two months since I was called to serve Old Glory. I have had many very interesting experiences during this short period of time. I am thankful, however, that Jesus has helped me to be true to Him. I believe I am in the place where He would have me witness for Him. Even thus far it has been my privilege to speak words of comfort and strength for my Master to weary souls.

"There are honest souls in the

army who want to be saved, and I am thankful for the good visits I have had with some of them. One man, who had heard us explaining our truth at different times, said to me: "I certainly have a lofty opinion of your religion." This young man is a college graduate. Another young man told me that he thought a great deal of the Sabbath truth and wished he were in a position where he could accept it. I had a splendid visit with him. So I could relate many instances where God has blessed me in speaking a word for Him. I need your prayers that I may be a true soldier of Jesus as well as of my country."

Another letter has been received from Camp Funston, Kansas, this one being from O. K. Hill, Supply So., 20th Inf. We quote from this as follows:

"It has been some months since I have written to you, during which time there have been some great changes made in the plans of many of the Reaper family. Thinking that some of the readers of the Reaper would be interested in hearing from Camp Funston, I write these few words.

"When one comes to an army camp he finds a great many new and trying things to contend with. He finds men with different ideals and standards, but unless the Christian young man watches himself, he will be found drifting with the tide. In civilian life one can live rather a loose, half-hearted Christian life, but in the army he has no one to lean on but Jesus, and what more could any one ask for? But, oh, how prone we are to try to lean on the feeble human arm! Jesus has promised us all the strength we need for every trial, and in my camp experience I have found Him true to the uttermost. A Christian here must be a true Christian or he will soon lose his hold on God. It takes more than the determination once or twice a day—it must be all the time, every moment.

"There are many good associates in the army, and as a rule the officers are kind and considerate. The thing the Christian longs most for here is for only a few moments alone with the Saviour. This is almost impossible, as one is continually with a throng of men. Therefore, it is necessary for him to bow by his bunk and ask his Lord for the needed help, while the rest say and think what they

please. But what ever they say, they will respect you the more if your life is in harmony.

"Let all who are called into the army life and those who are new in it go forward with stronger determinations than ever. Yield yourself to Jesus and he will lead the way."

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER AND EDUCATIONAL DEPT.

M. B. Van Kirk, Secretary

"THE BACK BLOCKS"

The Missionary Volunteer Secretary for Australia once wrote me as follows:

"Our report for the quarter is not yet complete. We have many outlying churches in what is termed 'the back-blocks' here, and these always hold up our reports. However, the report for the last quarter will be sent on to you as soon as it is made up."

I understand that the churches referred to are far back from the centers of population, and that the distance is the cause of delayed reports.

Judging from the difficulties we experience in getting all our reports in on time I should say that we have some "back blocks" in America too.

The Missionary Volunteer Society secretary's report blank has this note in a prominent place on the first page:

"Please fill in this report within ten days after the close of the quarter, and send it to the Conference Missionary Volunteer secretary. Answer each question to the best of your knowledge and ability. Please do not leave a blank unfilled. Make some answer. This is very important."

If a Society secretary does not follow this instruction, the Conference secretary is perplexed and delayed in getting his report made up and sent to the Union secretary. The Union secretary is delayed, and hence we are delayed in getting out the quarterly summary of Missionary Volunteer work for the entire field.

Brother secretary, Sister secretary, as an officer in the Missionary Volunteer Society, you are a steward of spiritual things. Do you remember that "it is required of stewards, that a man be found faithful"? (1 Cor. 4:2). Are you faithful in doing your part, so that the work of the Lord is not hindered? No organization can really prosper unless its activities are faithfully reported, and its members take an active interest in the work.

The reports for the second quarter of 1918 were due to be sent to your Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary July 10. Were yours in at that time?

Are you doing your bit faithfully, or do you live in a "back block"?

M. E. Kern.

JUNIOR MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER MANUAL

"Is there really a Junior Missionary Volunteer Manual?" I hear the Junior leaders ask. Yes, truly. It was prepared by Miss Ella Iden, one of the assistant secretaries of the Missionary Volunteer Department, after consulting with our leading Junior workers.

We can say, then, that it represents the best ideas on junior work thus far. Like children this junior work is bound to grow. By and by we will know more about this blessed work for the lambs of the flock, for God is going to do great things through the children in these last days.

The Manual is published by the Pacific Press, has eighty pages, is bound in paper, and sells for forty cents. Everyone interested in junior work should have a copy. The junior leader cannot afford to get along without it. It was prepared as a summer school text book for teachers. The majority of our junior superintendents are the elementary school teachers. With the help of the appendix it is just as valuable to any junior leader, whether teacher or not. Order from your tract society.

M. E. Kern.

THE BOOK DEPARTMENT

E. M. Oberg, Field Miss. Sec.

TUGS OR SHIPS?

This may seem like a strange heading for an article in this paper, but the fact of the matter is that each member of the Seventh-day Adventist church may be likened to either a tug or a ship.

In the first place, the blessed Master has invited each of us to be a co-worker with Him. What a precious privilege it is to be a co-laborer with such a wonderful leader as our Saviour. But, dear friend, do not forget that you may be likened to either a tug or a ship.

I am quite sure you all know what a tug is and the purpose of its existence. A tug is a small boat used

for the purpose of assisting in moving large barges or ships about the docks or across the waters. The ship as it stands in the harbor is of little use, but after the little tug has pulled it out into the great ocean, it is a mighty power for good.

Now which are you? A tug (or leader) in this third angel's message, or are you the big ship just waiting to be pulled out into the ocean of life and service for the Master? If you are the latter, won't you let the tug show you where you are needed just now in this message?

The Harvest Ingathering work needs you now. Are you helping to scatter the printed page like the "leaves of autumn"? Brethren, are you alert to the times in which we are living? Are you using every possible method for the advancement of the cause of God in the earth? Won't you take part in this great missionary campaign? God's work needs us now. "The night cometh when no man can work." And when it is forever too late, many of us will wish we had done more, much more, for the Master. We never could have a better time in which to work in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. Crops have been fine in South Dakota this year. God's work needs the money that many people will be willing to give. Won't you be the one to help gather it in?

"God might have committed the message of the Gospel, and all the work of loving ministry to the heavenly angels. He might have employed other means for accomplishing His purpose. But in His infinite love He chose to make us co-workers with Himself, with Christ and the angels, that we might share the blessing, the joy, the spiritual up-lifting, which results from unselfish ministry. Everyone of us can do something if we would only take the position God would have us take. My brethren, every move that you make to enlighten others, brings you nearer into harmony with the God of heaven. God expects personal service from EVERYONE to whom he has entrusted a knowledge of the truth for this time. Not all can go as missionaries to foreign lands, but all can be home missionaries in their families and neighborhoods."

Which would you rather be, the leader or trailer in this message? The tug or the ship?

H. A. Rentfro,
Field Missionary.

THE SALES INCIDENTAL

Sister Ella Merrell emphasized a point in speaking of her first experience out with "World in Perplexity" that is worth passing on. It was at the prayer-meeting in Kansas City this week while several who had been out with this new book by Elder Daniells were exchanging experiences. "It gives such a wonderful opportunity to talk in a heart to heart way with the people," said Sister Merrell. "You hardly realize you are selling the books. Why, I started out at nine o'clock and was back at eleven, and had sold nine 'World in Perplexity' and seven 'Signs of the Times' magazine, and had enjoyed many talks with the people about how prophecy is being fulfilled. I got into homes I had never entered before, and people thanked me for calling."

Sister Merrell's experience is similar to that of many others who in this hour of darkness are using "World in Perplexity" in carrying a message of light and hope to the people. The book so naturally opens the way for little missionary visits that the sales which follow are merely incidental.

Some of our people who are busy during the day may be glad to know that the evening hours, when many families are on their porches and lawns, is a good time for this work. You can introduce yourself something like this: "I am spending some spare time distributing a new book that throws the light of Scripture upon the whole world situation." Be deliberate, handing a copy (or copies, if more than one), and while it is being leafed through, show how the first part of the book gives accurate information about the war; and then, beginning with the chapter, "The Bible Man's Only Guide," speak enthusiastically of how this brings in the help of the Scriptures. You can refer to Christ's prophecies, the prophecies of Daniel, outlining the world's history in advance, and such chapters as "The Eastern Question" and "World Problems in the Light of Scripture," which throw light on the world situation as it is today—"a real message of hope that I like to pass on to others; the price is only twenty-five cents." This is very simple. Any one can do it. During about three hours in recent evenings, I have had some interesting experiences, and with the Lord's help, sold twenty-one copies.

The larger reports of sales coming

from other places are still more encouraging. Brother S. J. Abegg writes from the Colorado office of the success of one brother who took 500 copies at the meeting on the camp ground in Denver when 40,000 copies in all were sold. This brother writes: "The books have moved out surprisingly well. In fact, I have only a few left on hand." To these could be added hundreds of experiences and reports which impress us with the fact, as Brother Abegg expresses it, "Surely, now is the time to circulate our literature." And in a special way this new book by Elder Daniells, "World in Perplexity," is adapted to this time. Will not all of our people become enthusiastic in its distribution and help in a campaign that will place it in hundreds of thousands of homes? You buy the books at the rate of twelve and a half cents, and sell them for twenty-five cents. From the standpoint of returns the work is productive, and from a missionary standpoint there is no limit to the good that can be done.

J. R. Ferren,
Pacific Press Pub. Assn.
Kansas City, Mo.

A POSSIBLE SABBATH REVOLUTION?

A prominent government official in England, after reading that part of Present Truth under the title, "Jesus Christ a Sabbath-keeper," said:

"If that were placed in the homes of all the people, it would revolutionize the world on the Sabbath question."

Besides this strong presentation of the Sabbath by Elder Spicer, Present Truth No. 31 contains that old tract, "Elihu on the Sabbath." This combination of matter, together with a strong article on "The Sabbath a Divine Institution," makes No. 31 the best condensed Sabbath presentation in print. It is only 60c a hundred, or 50c a hundred in orders for 1000 or more copies.

The Missionary Society is a source of blessing and encouragement to the whole church and furnishes an inspiration to missionary zeal. In some cases nearly the whole church has been drawn into the society. In one company where a society was recently organized, reports showed that since the organization of the society three times as much missionary work has been done than before.

PORT ARTHUR, ONTARIO

We arrived in Port Arthur the evening of July 24 and received a hearty welcome from our new church here. The church has been newly organized. The membership is ten and about five more are to unite soon. Nearly all these are new in the faith and represent some of the fruit of the seed-sowing of Elder and Sister J. T. Errington, who did self-supporting work here, even to the furnishing of the hall in which to hold meetings.

We have held three Sunday evening meetings in this small room. However, after having counseled with the church and having received advice from the conference president, we have decided to hold the Sunday evening meetings in a place better adapted for them. The Lyceum Theater has been secured at a very reasonable rental, and our first meeting is to be held on August 18. Our principal way of advertising is to visit the homes and leave a tract or Present Truth, with an announcement of the lectures stamped on the margin.

We know not what experiences the Lord has in store for us, but we are beseeching Him that, whatever comes, out of it all we may see some more souls marching toward Zion. We often think of the workers in South Dakota and remember them one by one in prayer. And, in turn, we feel deeply the need of their continued prayers. "As a cart is pressed that is full of sheaves," so the burden of this load of souls presses upon us, and unless other than human forces are set in operation here, the load will never reach the desired haven.

The weather is generally cool and pleasant, and the air invigorating, about the best we have ever enjoyed. We are situated on the shore of Thunder Bay on Lake Superior, two hundred miles from Duluth, by auto. Our home is on an elevation which affords us a pleasant view of the bay with its incoming and outgoing steamers. What are supposed to be the largest wheat elevators in the world are located here.

Our allies.

We enjoy the Reaper more than ever and look forward to its weekly visits. We often wish more of the workers and companies would report. We also would greatly appreciate personal letters from all our friends. Our address is 329 Argyle Street, Port Arthur, Ontario.

C. W. and Mrs. Rubendall.

The Book Work

WEEK ENDING AUG. 31, 1918

MINNESOTA

	Book	Hours	Orders	Helps	Total Val.	Del.
F. E. Barkley	B. R.	22	6	6.55	29.65	
Ellen Bodin	B. R.	21	7		34.00	
Jennie Burgeson	Prep.	13	82		20.50	
Amelia Evans	D. R.	35	21		87.00	
Owen Garner	D. R.	13	5	.75	18.75	
Rilla Hamlin	O. D.	62	40		92.00	
Anna B. Hilde	B. R.	37	14	2.85	66.85	
Ruth Kipp	O. D.	30	29		63.00	
Lillian Lindgren	D. R.	38	12		54.00	
Theo. Mueller	D. R.	36	1	4.75	11.25	
Grace Oswald	O. D.	34	7		15.00	
Ruth Oswald	O. D.	35	18		38.00	
J. I. Orr	B. R.	6	10		57.00	
Geo. T. Parr	D. R.	28	18		24.00	
Lenora Peck	B. R.	21	13		57.50	
A. L. Roselli	B. R.	36	15	.85	72.85	
W. S. Syphers	B. R.	12	2	1.70	11.70	
Beth Townsend	O. D.	62	24		54.00	
Leon E. Wadsworth	B. R.	39	19		76.00	
A. W. Wennerberg	D. R.	47	15		63.00	
Agents 20.		687	353	17.55	946.05	

IOWA

Emil Anderson	B. R.	26	7	1.00	41.00	
E. W. Anderson	B. R.	9	5	3.85	35.35	
James Durland	B. R.	24	9	2.40	47.90	
Marian Engelbert	B. R.	30	14	1.75	66.25	
Ruth Hoffman	B. R.	37	13	2.00	60.00	
Arthur Larson	B. R.	20	12	.50	62.00	
Wilmer Lyon	B. R.	17	3	3.00	16.00	
Edna Ragsdale	B. R.	9				292.95
Agents 8.		163	63	15.50	329.50	292.95

NORTH DAKOTA

Wm. Hanicker	G. C.	16	9	2.00	50.00	
Zelpha Martin	B. R.	30	30		134.00	
G. O. Norby	B. R.	26	16		73.00	
M. V. Tucker			5		30.75	
Anna Van Allen	B. R.	38	10	1.50	51.50	
Marie Van Allen	B. R.	61	14		67.00	
Agents 6.		171	84	3.50	406.25	

SOUTH DAKOTA

Abbie Burdine	B. R.	26	28	3.40	141.90	
Harvey Jensen	B. R.	45	23	4.50	146.50	
Vasick & Bushnell		36	33	4.75	101.25	
Agents 4.		107	84	12.65	389.65	

GRAND TOTAL FOR THE NORTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

Agents	Hours	Orders	Helps	Value	Deliv.
38	1127	584	48.20	2071.45	292.95

MORE BAPTISMS AT BLACKDUCK

Sunday, August 25, was another glad day for the little company at Blackduck. At 3 o'clock we had a splendid service, which was well attended, at the city hall. The speaker was Brother Roy Cossentine, of this place, who has just finished his work at Union College and is about to sail with his family as a missionary to China. He gave the citizens of Blackduck a most excellent discourse on the Lord's soon return and on our wonderful privileges in view of that glorious event.

At the close of this service, most of the believers, as well as many of the people of the community, gathered on the shores of beautiful Blackduck Lake, about two miles west of town, where it was our blessed privilege to bury two more dear souls with their Saviour beneath its gently rolling billows.

B. H. Palmer.

BATTLE LAKE

We are about done with the tent effort here, as the attendance has dropped off since we presented the testing truths. The people here are mostly all Lutherans. When we presented the Sabbath, baptism, and the state of the dead, they nearly all stopped coming.

So far only three have commenced to keep the Sabbath, besides two who had at one time kept the Sabbath but have now decided to return to the fold.

Although we have not seen what we had hoped to see, yet we feel the efforts has not been in vain. The judgment alone will reveal what has been done.

Brother Freeman and I expect to follow up the work in the country with some interested ones. We hope yet to see something greater accomplished. We desire the prayers of God's people.

Geo. L. Budd.

SOUTH DAKOTA

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 Home Missions—
 Tract Society Secretary—J. H. Nies.
 Field Missionary—H. A. Rentfro.
 Sabbath School Secretary—Evelyn Calkins.
 All office address.
 Missionary Volunteer and Educational—
 Bert Rhoads, Redfield, S. Dak.

ATTENTION!

We are nearing the season of the year when, the evenings being longer, the people will spend more time in reading. For this reason we should plan to place our literature in their hands. If all in South Dakota who believe this message would exert themselves as they should, a great work would soon be accomplished in the spreading of the truth. God has given us his last warning message and He is anxious that we should place it before others. Let us not disappoint Him, as to do so will prove our eternal loss. He has promised to reward the doers, therefore, let us now plan to scatter the truth-filled literature in city, hamlet and country.

Some may ask, What literature shall we use? We have an abundance from which to choose, but we would suggest the following: The Present Truth series, which sell at 60c a hundred copies, or \$5.00 a thousand copies; the Family Bible Teacher, which contains twenty-eight readings, price 10c a package. Besides, there are tracts almost without number which can effectually be used in placing the truth before others. As very important, we would mention the Home Workers' books, which present different phases of the present truth. Anyone can sell them as they are reasonable in price. In selling them, one not only places the truth before others, but also receives the financial profit of 40 per cent to canvassers. Shall we not have at least one hundred persons in South Dakota selling the Home Workers' books?

Let us begin now to plan for a strong campaign this coming fall and winter, for our time in which to labor is short. This is the most opportune time we shall ever have to work for the Master in the promulgation of the third angel's message. Soon obstacles will make it very difficult to labor, and what is then accomplished will have to be accomplished in the face of bitter opposition. Now is the accepted time! Shall we improve it?

E. T. Russell.

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HARVEST INGATHERING NOTES

A very profitable Harvest Ingathering convention was held at Madison, South Dakota, on August 27 and 28. Elders Russell and Ruskjer were with us during this meeting.

The following workers who attended will go out to the various parts of the State as district leaders: Elders Dunham and Wentlund, Brother and Sister C. A. Scrivien, Brethren H. A. Rentfro, F. Wayne, and Raymond Bresee, and Brother and Sister A. G. Youngberg.

The following outline of territory is given in order that the brethren may be ready to cooperate with their district leaders in making this fall campaign the most successful in the history of the state:

Elder Dunham: Ash Grove, Oldham, Sinai, Nunda and Wentworth.

Elder Wentlund and Brother Wm. Reiner: Bowdle, Leola, Tolstoy, Penville, Wetonkee and adjoining territory.

Sister Calkins: Watertown, Clear Lake, Aberdeen, Vienna, Lake Preston, Hetland, Arlington and Brookings.

C. A. Scrivien: Colman, Flandreau, Colton, Howard, Carthage, Iroquois, Huron, Alpena, Wessington Springs, and Artesian.

Sister Scrivien: Canton, Hudson, Elk Point, Vermillion, Yankton, Olivet, Parker, Montrose, Salem, and Clarno.

Ben Hoffiz: Sioux Falls.

John Oss: Beresford, Centerville, Alcaaster, and Big Springs.

H. A. Rentfro: Chamberlain and all points east on the Milwaukee, and Mitchell, Alexandria, and Bridgewater.

Raymond Bresee: Points west of Chamberlain on the Milwaukee and Farley.

F. Wayne: South Shore, Florence and Roberts; Marshall and Day counties.

Sister A. G. Youngberg: The Rosebud country.

A. G. Youngberg: Redfield, Gettysburg, Blunt, Fort Pierre, Highmore, Ree Heights and Miller.

Brethren, the harvest is indeed ripe. God's call for reapers has sounded. Let us put ourselves, our autos, our time and our means valiantly to work for the Master.

The General Conference set an average of \$5.00 per member as the goal for this year. This makes our state goal \$6000. Let us, as Joshua

and Caleb of old, put our trust in God and say, "We are able." Then let us show our living faith by our works. We are counting on every member doing his part during the month of September.

A. G. Youngberg.

SOUTH DAKOTA ITEMS

Elder E. G. Hayes reports a very good interest at Lemmon.

Miss Blanch Smith, of Sioux Falls, is sick with typhoid fever.

Brother I. G. Ortner will move his family to Minneapolis about September 1.

Alfred Youngberg will spend Sabbath, August 31, with the Sioux Falls church in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering campaign.

Sabbath, August 31, Prof. Bert Rhoads, in company with Elder Wentland, will be with the Penville church in the interest of the church school work.

Monday morning, August 26, Elders Russell and Wentland, and Brother Rentfro left the office to attend the Harvest Ingathering convention at Madison.

Word has been received from the Madison tent company that they have closed their tent effort for the summer, and that several have decided to keep the commandments of God.

Elder Jeys spent last Sabbath, August 24, with the Watertown church and gave an interesting talk on "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do," which was very much enjoyed by all. In the afternoon, baptismal services were held at Lake Kampeska.

M. L. Soli, who has been connected with the Brookings tent effort, was a pleasant caller at the office Monday, August 26, while on his way home to New Effington. He reports a good interest at Brookings and believes many will step out before the effort is closed.

Elder M. H. Wentland called at the office Sunday, August 25, to counsel with Elder Russell regarding the future work among the German churches. Elder Wentland has visited the following places the past few

weeks: Bowdle, Tolstoy, Long Lake, Sutley, and some isolated brethren near Eureka. While he was at Bowdle, eighteen of the young people were baptized and joined the church.

Elder S. A. Ruskjer gave an inspiring sermon on "World Conditions," in the tent at Madison to a fair sized audience on the evening of August 28.

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HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN IN NORTH DAKOTA

The conditions prevailing here make it next to impossible to work along these lines as early as September.

In counsel with our Union and State Home Missionary secretaries, it was thought best to change the time to some time in the latter part of October or the first part of November.

Brother Jutzey and Elder S. A. Ruskjer are planning a thorough campaign for the churches. Watch for their plans. E. L. Stewart.

THE WORK IN MINOT

No work had been done in this city for nearly two years owing to a shortage of English workers. Last spring it was decided to send Brother Roy Saunders for the summer. He came soon after campmeeting and began house-to-house work with our literature. Fifteen or twenty people have become deeply interested and some have begun to come to our Sabbath meetings.

About the middle of August, Elder Ray N. Studdt, lately from Cuba, came to our conference. He is now at Minot, his address being 622 Fourth street, Northeast.

The writer spent Sabbath there. We expect to see a large increase of members and a strong church soon built up in this city. The brethren expect to have a church school again this year.

We wish our people would especially pray that God would bless the efforts of Elder Studdt and Brother Saunders and greatly strengthen the work in this city. E. L. Stewart.

HERE AND THERE

After leaving campmeeting, I went down to Kulm and was glad to find four persons keeping the Sabbath as a result of my labor last summer. While I was there, two more decided to keep the Sabbath.

From Kulm I went to Woodworth and stayed there the 17th and 18th. I then made a short visit to Driscoll and went back again to Woodworth where we had baptism.

I am now on my way to Valley City. We shall have a large meeting there the 31, which the new Sabbath-keepers from Kulm plan to attend. From Valley City I intend to visit Nome, and from there to go back to Kulm again. Martin Olson.

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OFFERING FOR THE COLORED WORK

Another word in regard to the offering to be taken in the interest of the Oakwood Industrial School at Huntsville, Alabama, may not be out of order since letters have been sent to all the churches and isolated stating that September 7 was the date set to receive it, whereas notice of the change in date appears now in the various papers.

The offering is more important than the day, and those who have prepared to give on the earlier date can do so if they so desire, and those who are not, should not fail to be ready by the 14th, the day designated by later arrangements. The cheering report of the liberal response already made indicates that the importance and worthiness of the cause is an appeal that will not be unheeded. I am sure every church in the conference will respond in a material way to this invitation to join in a good work, or rather I should say, every believer. Let us not fail to come with an offering September 14 if we do not give September 7.

W. H. Clark.

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One church ordered 2550 of these cards. How many may I send you? Bring the matter up in church and make up an order.

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Aye, and it is that very labor which brings man up from the low level of the savage to the higher plane of civilized manhood. God's best gift to man, and man's highest dignity and crown, is the divine necessity of toil. There is no more miserable man than he who is worthless because he is idle.

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Sunset Friday, September 6, at 7:30

EDITORIAL

We wish to call attention to the scriptural cards issued by C. P. Whitford, Orlando, Florida, as advertised in this issue. These cards, giving Scripture texts in tabulated form under each subject, should be excellent to use as enclosures in correspondence.

NORTHERN UNION NOTES

Prof. M. B. Van Kirk spent Sabbath at Nevada, Iowa, in the interest of church school work.

Brother and Sister T. L. Oswald, of South Dakota, were callers at the Union Conference office Thursday.

Brother I. G. Ortner spent a day or two in the Iowa Conference office the first of the week doing some auditing.

Elder S. A. Ruskjer spent last week in South Dakota, conducting a Harvest Ingathering convention at Madison, and spending Sabbath and Sunday at the Sioux Falls church.

Brother and Sister Everest and son of Mountain View, California, were at the office on business last Friday. They were passing through the city on their way to their new field of labor in South America.

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HOWELL-CHAFFEE

On Thursday evening, August 29, at Humboldt, Iowa, occurred a beautiful wedding in which Vera Chaffee and Paul Dewey Howell were united in the bonds of holy wedlock, the writer officiating.

The marriage took place in the new, neatly furnished house where the happy couple will make their home. The beautiful presents, among which was a piano, helped to make the home an attractive and cozy one, where we trust these consecrated young people will be permitted to spend many happy hours.

Both the bride and groom have a wide circle of friends, among them

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being their former Oak Park Academy schoolmates, who unite in extending hearty congratulations and sincere wishes for a happy, useful and consecrated life. S. A. Ruskjer.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Brother S. A. Ruskjer called at the office Sunday while in the cities.

Brother Bryant, from Anoka, made a pleasant call Thursday afternoon while in the cities.

The church at Blackberry enjoyed a visit from Elder Clark last Sabbath.

Elder Stemple White conducted a service at Mora Thursday evening, returning to St. Paul Friday.

Miss Julia Ross arrived in the city Thursday and called at the office. She will teach school in Minneapolis.

Ellen Ahlstrom, of St. Paul, will teach church school at Wells, and Ada Swanson, also from this city, will teach at Brainerd.

Miss Hopkins spent Sabbath with the Herman church, and the following two Sabbaths she expects to spend at Barnesville and New York Mills.

Of the Brainerd Sabbath school, the secretary writes: "Our attendance has been very good this summer, some coming from twelve to sixteen miles by team."

Miss Elva Babcock, who has been connected with the tent effort at Battle Lake during the summer, called at the office Wednesday on her way to Anoka where she will teach church school.

Jennie Nelson, who has been canvassing among the foreigners in St. Paul for a few weeks, left for her home in Clear Lake, Wisconsin, where she expects to rest before taking up her school work.

The members of the St. Paul English church enjoyed a very pleasant outing Sunday afternoon. The time was spent in playing games and in pleasant recreation. A splendid picnic lunch was served.

A Sabbath school membership of forty-three, with an average attendance of forty, was reported by Eagle Bend last quarter; while Austin granted forty-six Perfect Attendance cards to fifty-two of their members.

Seventy-five names for the "Signs Weekly" special issue for three months were sent in by the Brainerd Society. Forty-seven names were sent in by the Staple Society. We are glad for the good interest in this work, and we trust others will follow the example that has been set by these churches.

Conference Office.

OBITUARY

Smith—Mary Dalbow was born in New York and died at Villard, Minnesota, August 10, 1918, at the age of 89 years, 3 months and 19 days. In 1846 she was married to Clark Smith. To this union six sons and two daughters were born. Six children are left to mourn. Brother Smith died in 1897. About fifty years ago Sister Smith and her husband were converted and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church at Kenyon, Minnesota. She always lived a consistent Christian life.

On the Thursday of the week before she died she fell as she was sitting down to the supper table and injured her hip. This caused her considerable pain. She grew gradually weaker and did not recover from her injury.

Mrs. M. F. Ingold.

COWORKERS WITH GOD

I believe there is not a person who would not feel greatly honored if he were called by the president to be an ambassador to some country. We would accept the offer irrespective of trials, income or hard times, and would respond to the call for the honor it offers and for the sake of fulfilling some definite call.

The Lord calls us to be his ambassadors, 2 Cor. 5:20, not of a country, or even a whole world, but of Heaven, whose supreme ruler is God, the Creator of all things. What a sublime thought that God should exalt us to be coworkers with him. We cannot understand how Christ can use us as his coworker. "If we have heard the call and have accepted it, it now remains for us to allow Christ to enthrone himself in our lives, and through his own perfect methods, do a perfect work. We know our own weakness and limitations, but God has been pleased through all the ages to employ just such weak mortals as we, to be his agents in saving other men. Only when human agents have failed, has God worked miracles."

J. E. Meyers.