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THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CAMP-MEETING

With the British Columbia camp-meeting closes the 1916 camp-meeting season in the Western Canadian Union.

On account of the extent of the territory and the location of the Sabbath-keepers, two camp-meetings were held this summer in that province—one at Nanaimo on Vancouver Island, and the other at Kelowna in the Okanagan district.

No Conference business meetings were held at either camp-meeting, as the British Columbia Conference met in the fall of 1915 and selected officers for two years. In accepting the two-year term it was provided for a Conference meeting and election of officers in connection with the camp-meeting in 1917, which will be held as centrally as possible.

The meeting at Nanaimo brought together a good representation of our people on the coast. Besides the laborers in that part of the field, there were present to assist in the meetings: Elders W. W. Eastman, A. C. Gilbert, H. H. Humann, Dr. Holden, Prof. Dick, W. L. Manfull, F. L. Hommel, and the writer. Elder A. O. Burrill administered baptism to fifteen persons, among them one Chinese convert, brought into the truth through the influence of Brother Lim Ping in his mission work in Vancouver. We all enjoyed richly the blessing of God, and the people returned to their homes more determined than ever to be faithful and push the work both at home and abroad. A little over \$150.00 was given for missions. After the close of the meeting I spent a few days in Vancouver, holding one meeting at the Kitslino church, which was well

attended by representatives from the four churches in the city. I was very much pleased to meet here with some more faithful people who were not privileged to attend the camp-meeting. It was also my privilege to visit while in the city the good Presbyterian lady—one of our nearest neighbors in the East—who led me to Sunday school the first time I ever attended, in North Augusta, Ontario. She had not seen me in over twenty years, and we had a very pleasant visit.

From Vancouver I enjoyed a short visit at Pitt Meadows, and then in company with Elder Walker proceeded to the Okanagan Valley to prepare for the camp-meeting at Kelowna. Before the camp-meeting I visited and held services at Glen Emma, Grandview, Vernon and Penticton. I found the people of good courage and working for their neighbors. After leaving Grandview, I was recalled to conduct the funeral service for Wm. Montgomery, a neighbor who had never united with the Adventist church, but who had become convinced through the efforts and lives of our people in the church and had professed Christ and the message on his death-bed, requesting that the funeral be conducted by an Adventist minister. About two hundred people were in attendance at the Kelowna camp-meeting, ten were baptized, and about \$250.00 given to missions. Both here and Nanaimo we were favored by exceptionally good grounds and surroundings, furnished free in each case by the city council. We feel that much good was accomplished through the meetings in British Columbia.

C. F. McVAGH.

CAMP-MEETING AND THE EDUCATIONAL WORK

Since the closing of our school I have been very largely engaged in the camp-meetings of this Union Conference. At these meetings it has been my privilege to meet a very large number of young people of this field. I take much pleasure in saying that at these meetings I have met a most earnest and devoted class of young people. It would seem to me that of all our prospects none is more encouraging than this feature of our work. Good earnest young people of pure and simple faith can do much in furthering the work.

In reviewing what I have seen in my recent trips I would say that we need to sound the words of courage and good cheer, and take hold of our work with renewed courage.

I believe that we need to begin right by endeavoring to wherever possible establish church schools. I know that the conditions prevailing in this field make the establishing of church schools hard. However, where church schools cannot be established, family schools may be encouraged. Never give up. Do all you can to accomplish your part and the Lord will reward your efforts by opening up some avenue of action.

A high standard of work should be maintained in our school work. We must do thoroughly and well what we attempt.

To the young people who have finished successfully their church schools, encouragement should be given that all may attend our academies. Unfortunately, not all of our conferences have academies, but this should not discourage any. There's always a way for the man who wills.

We are glad to know that the Saskatchewan school will begin her initial year this year, and hope that a good strong school will be developed. The work is well under way, and it is hoped that everything will be in order November 1st.

The Alberta Academy has promise of her best year this year. Substantial improvements are being made to accommodate a larger number of students than ever before, together with plans for adequate library and laboratory facilities later. The work is going forward in an encouraging manner.

Though our work in British Columbia has suffered on account of the war, we believe that conditions are resuming their normal again, and that our work is taking on a progressive turn.

As I said I am much encouraged at the situation in this field, and believe that the young people are doing and will continue to do a great deal towards the finishing of the work in this and other fields. It does my heart good to think that some of our young people are faithfully working from day to day in the carrying of the gospel by the printed page to the dying souls, that they might obtain an education.

Let us take courage, young people, and set our goals upon getting an education and hastening on our work to all parts of the earth.

E. D. DICK.

"It is a good and safe rule to sojourn in every place as if you meant to spend your life there, never omitting an opportunity of doing a kindness, or speaking a true word, or making a friend."

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A CALL TO SERVICE

Again we buy up the opportunity to do some substantial work for God. He is so glad each time His children come to Him and tell Him how anxious they are to do something for His sake.

The time will soon be here when all are to engage in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. This is the time when we go to our neighbors and friends with the Special number of the *Signs* which tells about the mighty foreign mission work. We also tell them about the calls for missionaries; the sacrifices of those who are already in those lands toiling for the heathen; the money needed to keep the work going; and other matters of interest.

After you have done your part, many will want to make an offering to help forward this grand work. Receive the offering and go on your way, happy of heart because you have done something for the Saviour.

The papers are ready. Sample copies are being sent to all our people. You will agree that it is a beautiful paper and will appeal to all to whom it is presented. Now is the time to send in your order for papers sufficient to cover the territory you have in mind. Send for Information Leaflets, which will tell you how to proceed with your work.

We hope that all our church officers will take hold of this work right away and see that every member is supplied with papers, information leaflets, pledge cards and other information necessary to make the work of the Harvest Ingathering campaign a gigantic success. Every church should see that it raises its quota. The General Conference desires that our people endeavor to raise an amount equal to \$5.00 a member. Let us, in Saskatchewan, never lose sight of our responsibility in behalf of the work entrusted to us.

A. C. GILBERT.

HELP FOR CHURCH OFFICERS

The Church Officers' Gazette! Not one church officer can afford to be without it. Not one church should expect its officers to be without it.

Why so much said about this paper? It is commonly acknowledged that our church officers have not had much experience in public work and that they could profit by and would earnestly welcome any help from those of experience in holding meetings, conducting Bible readings, missionary, young people's and other meetings which of necessity fall to those in responsibility in our churches.

The Church Officers' Gazette meets the very need of our churches and officers in this respect. It provides the very help that will enable the church officers to conduct strong, interesting, profitable and practical meetings. Should not such help be a welcome guest? Remember it is found in the *Church Officers' Gazette*, published once a month at 50c. per year, single copy to one address; and 35c. for two or more copies to one address.

A. C. GILBERT.

"BINDING UP THE SHEAVES"

The children helped me pitch the large tent and on July 27th we began holding meetings in Moose Jaw. August 4th, Brother Luther Long and wife came to help us for a week. They helped the children canvass the city from house to house with dodgers and tracts, inviting the people to come to the tent and taking the addresses of those who manifested any interest.

August 10th, Brother Long and wife left to make ready for their journey to California, and Brother McCready and wife came to our assistance.

We have been very much disappointed in the attendance, for we expected that the tent would be full every night. Instead, the audience numbers about one hundred on Sunday nights and from twenty to fifty other nights. However, there are a few souls interested and we shall soon have the pleasure of seeing some of them keeping the commandments of God.

M. MACKINTOSH.

TRUAX

Soon after camp-meeting, on my way to the field of labor, I visited our church at Regina, and found the brethren there are of good courage. From Regina I went to Rouleau, and we enjoyed the visit of Elder M. Ostoich, from St. Louis, Missouri, over Sabbath and Sunday. Here we buried by baptism two young ladies, who were received as members of the Rouleau church. We celebrated the ordinances and every member present took part in it. It was a glorious meeting, and the Spirit of God was manifested in our midst.

From Rouleau I drove about thirty miles south-west, where I am holding meetings. Elder M. Mackintosh was with us Sabbath and Sunday, July 22nd and 23rd, and preached in the school-house, and it certainly aroused great interest. On Sunday he baptized seven persons, five Roumanian speaking people and two English speaking people. And another young man (Roumanian) was baptized at the camp-meeting, for just a few days previous to the meeting his father threatened to kill him in his own home (boy's home) one night, because he disgraced the family by keeping the Sabbath, he said.

The work is encouraging down here among the Roumanian speaking people. Last year at this time we had only four Sabbath-keepers, and now there are fourteen, all members of our church. I am holding meetings on Sabbath and Sunday in the school-house, and there is good interest manifested. Even on Sabbath there are people attending our meetings, and on Sundays sometimes the house is almost full. During the week I visit them in their homes, giving Bible readings and instructing them in the ways of the Lord. They are in a pitiful condition, not being able to distinguish the light from darkness, the living Word of God from the fables, ceremonies and traditions of men. By the grace of God we did our best to teach them the truths contained in the Bible, and turn their attention away from dead works unto the living faith.

Our opponents said, "They teach heresy and lies, and even their Bibles are false." Yet in spite of all this we are not discouraged, because He to whom is given all the power in heaven and on earth is with us and we are going forward teaching the people and preaching to them the Power of God, and they are glad to listen.

The gospel is going on triumphantly, just the same, for it did not take long until false teachings came to light, and already we see that the people are losing confidence in their old doctrines. Here are honest souls to be plucked out of the fire like a brand from the burning. Brother B. Ilescu, who used to be their priest before he accepted this truth about four years ago, is helping me in the work.

Brethren, pray for this people, pray for us, too, that we may humble ourselves before God and be instruments in His own hand in bringing the message to them both in word and example. The struggle is hard, but it will not be long, and the victory is ours if we turn not our backs.

T. M. KRAINEAU.

**REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
For Quarter Ending June 30, 1916**

Name.	Memb.	Reg.	Offerings		Total.
			13th Sab.		
Battleford Academy	12	\$26.90	\$ 5.85		\$32.75
Beaver Creek	18	30.55	8.50		39.05
Carlton	35	51.50	17.80		69.30
Dundurn	28	39.05	22.25		61.30
East Regina	48	15.20	3.52		18.72
Fenwood	14	14.85	5.55		20.40
Fox Valley	71	33.70	18.35		52.05
Hanley	22	51.80	54.20		106.00
Happyland	35	17.55	7.85		25.40
Hillesden	15	17.95	4.25		22.20
Langham	14	8.05	7.70		15.75
Macrorie	30	66.50	40.80		107.30
McGee	6	5.85	...		5.85
McLean	12	24.44	9.70		34.14
Prince	16	34.21	12.05		46.26
Queen Centre	35	21.90	10.00		31.90
Regina	38	40.25	11.50		51.75
Rouleau	26	25.50	10.35		35.85
Rosthern	18	14.90	12.00		26.90
Saskatoon	8	18.28	...		18.28
Sonningdale	24	39.23	8.90		48.13
Sunset	16	5.65	25.50		31.15
Surbiton	18	18.25	6.90		25.15
Swift Current	17	27.40	...		27.40
Tugaske	16	12.15	4.20		16.35
Waldheim	57	20.87	18.41		39.28
Wesley View	18	26.57	6.05		32.62
Provincial Home Dept. ...	165	204.57	104.20		308.77
Workers' Meeting .....	...	...	23.54		23.54
Totals: 27 schools ..	822	\$913.62	\$459.92		\$1,373.54

This report for the second quarter of this year is one that should make us feel encouraged. You will notice that the report is complete, as every school has been heard from. How pleased we are to have a report from every school.

And, too, we have added another school to our number, and alphabetically it has its place at the head of the list and, as you see, it is the Battleford Academy Sabbath School. We suppose this school will, ere long, excell all others on the list in at least one item, and that is the membership. We trust this Sabbath School may indeed prove to be a real inspiration, making its influence felt throughout the conference.

In the matter of offerings, this is a good report when compared with that of the second quarter of 1915, as the following figures will show:—

Offerings for second quarter, 1916...\$1,373.54
Offerings for second quarter, 1915... 1,093.39

Gain \$280.15

If we continue this rate of gain throughout the year we will easily reach our goal which, as many of you

remember, is \$5,000.00. But of course we hope we can make it more than this, do we not?

When we think of the many urgent calls that are coming all the time from those in heathen darkness and bondage, pleading for someone to "come over and help us," it should inspire us to do what we can without delay.

So may the Lord bless our schools and isolated members, and encourage them to press on in the good work, that they may reach the threefold goal.

MRS. A. C. GILBERT,
Secretary Sabbath School Dept.

NOW—RIGHT NOW

There has been a spirit of earnestness manifest among nearly all of those engaged in the canvassing work this year.

As I travel over various parts of the field in Saskatchewan and see hundreds of miles of territory with not a canvasser, my heart aches. The question is constantly in my mind, "O, where are the reapers?"

God has given wonderful success to those in the work and many testify that they are having a better experience in meeting the people than ever before.

An authentic writer has said that the time will come when the people will take the dust-covered books from the shelves and read them. People are beginning to do this now.

Our great Leader has designed that through the medium of the printed page many will see the light of the everlasting gospel. Then, brethren and sisters, are you responsible for the enlightenment of any in darkness?

There seems to be a scarcity of men for the harvesting of the crop. The farmers are asking for men, and I do not doubt but what some of you are being asked to help in the harvest.

Now this is a testing time for the work, dear canvassers. Help us keep above our past records. This is the time when temptation arises and naturally, too, to work in the grain fields.

Dear fellow-workers, there is a great harvest of souls to gather in. "The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into his harvest."

Ask yourself the question, "Does the Saviour need me for his harvest?" Think it over prayerfully, carefully. Counsel with God.

Another year may not be as opportune as this one is. It is evident the way is closing up from all sides; then should we not work, knowing that "the night is coming in which no man can work."

We are anxious to help you all we can, in all the ways we can, as long as we can.

Study methods of approaching the people during the busy seasons. Your business is for the King, and is of more importance than any worldly transaction.

Devise means of touching the hearts and reaching out to lost mankind, and in the near future some person will thank you for that help.

Here are a few lines from Paul Dunbar, the deceased negro poet, that you might take with you:

The Lord had a job for me, but I had so much to do,
I said, "You get somebody else, or, wait till I get through."

I don't know how the Lord came out, but he seemed to get along,
But I felt kind-a-sneakin' like, 'cause I knowed I done him wrong.

One day I needed the Lord myself—needed him right away,
And he never answered me at all, but I could hear him say,
Down in my accusin' heart: "Nigger, I'se got too much to do,
You get somebody else, or wait till I get through."

Now when the Lord he have a job for me, I never tries to shirk;

I drops what I has on hand and does the good Lord's work;
And my affairs can run along, or wait till I get through,
Nobody else can do the job that God's marked out for you.

ROBERT KITTO.

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PONOKA

The work in Ponoka is steadily progressing. The camp-meeting was a great blessing to it, on account of the large witness for the truth, as well as the preaching services. It is a great help to those who are investigating this unpopular message to see that there are those who believe it and sacrifice for it. Many think that it would be an utter impossibility to be a Seventh-day Adventist, because it puts one out of joint with the rest of the world in business—and social—as well as in religious relations. But when they see a large number of faithful members bearing witness not only to the possibility of living the truth but also to the blessedness of it, trembling souls are encouraged to take their stand on the right side.

There are some who have already declared their intention of casting in their lot with us. Others are a little more conservative for whom we are earnestly laboring and praying. There are many who are agitated concerning the truth, but too many seem to be saying to the Spirit, "Go Thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season I will call for Thee." We are working, watching and praying for those who are now the subjects of Satan's fierce attacks.

At present we are holding public meetings each week in the Empress Theatre, besides the Sabbath School in a private house. We are making earnest efforts in the homes of the people, which, after all, is the most successful method of work.

The enemy has lined up his forces and entrenched them against us. But we know that he is a conquered foe and that we can penetrate his lines, rescue souls from his ranks, and take them captive for Prince Immanuel.

Brethren, pray for us.

P. P. ADAMS.

S. M. RYAN.

LET THE LIGHT SHINE

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall

come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Isa. 60:1-3.

Such an invitation, with such glorious results!

When the Lord's people rise to their opportunities it surely brings results; and how the enemy gets his back up, because he loves darkness. In crossing a field some time ago, I saw a large, flat stone. On turning it over I discovered that under it a number of creatures had found habitation; but, how they did scatter when the sun shone in on them, and some of them manifested a fighting spirit. However, the light scattered them.

So it will be as the Lord's people arise and shine and send the light of the third angel's message into the darkened lands of this earth. As we are drawing near to the "Harvest Ingathering," let us lay our plans for a vigorous campaign. Let us prepare for it, that all of our neighbors may have the privilege of helping us to let the light shine into those darkened lands. It is very encouraging to see by the reports how the Lord has opened the hearts of the people in all lands for the gospel. Let us do our part to see that they get it. God will help us.

Our work here in Edmonton is moving forward. Last month we baptized eight. We are meeting with some opposition. One of our opponents, who seems to have a burden for keeping others in darkness, goes from house to house warning the people against the truth, and when he finds one interested in truth he tells him to come to his meeting and get sanctified.

But the light is shining in, the stone is turned over, and some are stepping out; and what an excitement it is creating among those who would rather remain in their old habitation.

Brethren and sisters, pray for us; and at the same time "shine."

J. L. WILSON.

BRUDERHEIM

This is my first visit to Bruderheim. Arrived here the 9th of August and rented a hall nicely located in the business part of the town. There were only two families here who have really joined us as a people, but there are two families and one man who kept Sabbath but didn't have any real spiritual intercourse. Sabbath we met for the first time and some personal grievance was put aside and the Lord blessed us richly. Since then we have met in the hall evenings.

The first Sunday we had about sixty present. Since then, on account of the busy season, we have had about twenty-five. The study of the prophecies is very new to many of these people and they are very attentive listeners.

In visiting the people from house to house I find honest souls and it is encouraging to see them stand up for their convictions.

I ask an interest in the prayers of God's people.

C. C. NEUFELD.

PEOPLE RECOGNIZE THE

BEST LITERATURE

After our good camp-meeting at Ponoka, I returned to Lethbridge, to continue the work that was started before camp-meeting.

Since coming back I have been busy calling on the interested ones and going from house to house with literature.

I find quite a number of people pleased to receive

the literature and anxious to talk on the truths that are so precious to us as a people.

The literature is a great help in getting into the homes of the people. It is something that we all can work with.

As I go around, different ones tell me that we have the best literature they ever saw on religious subjects. *We should scatter our tracts like the leaves of autumn.* The Lord will water the seed sown and look after the increase. He has said: "So shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth; it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Not only should we work, but work and pray. The two go together. Brethren and sisters, I ask an interest in your prayers that as I go from house to house scattering the seed of truth, that the Lord will open the hearts of the people, so that when they see the truth they will have willing hearts to accept it.

ENOCH R. WILSON.

ALBERTA NOTES

Sunday, August 20th, at 6.55 p.m., Elder H. S. Shaw left Calgary for Salt Lake City, Utah, where he will attend the annual camp-meeting, after which he will take up work in the Pacific Union Conference. The Calgary church will miss the help of Elder Shaw, which was appreciated very much during the past few years. After the service on Sabbath, words of appreciation were spoken by the local elder and the old hymn, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," was sung. Elder Shaw's closing remarks touched on the thought that while seemingly we are separated, yet if faithful, what a glorious meeting it will be when we all gather on the sea of glass to be separated no more, but to live with loved ones and friends throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity.

Mrs. A. C. Gilbert, of Saskatchewan, spent the weekend in Calgary, visiting her father, Elder Shaw, before he left for California.

Elder Humann and Prof. Dick called at our new office on their return from the British Columbia camp-meeting.

Brother A. A. Roth, Elder of the Beiseker Church, with other brethren from that district, were visitors at our new office this week.

ACADEMY NOTES

Brother C. A. Maxwell, of College View, Nebraska, made a hurried visit to our school in the interests of our hearting plant. Brother Maxwell is an engineer of the best rank and gave us some very valuable information in regards to our needs and possible improvements.

Brother George Gibson, of the Alberta Building Company, has arrived to take charge of the construction of the addition to the Academy building. Brother Gibson is an old hand at the building business and will be of valuable assistance to us.

The work of excavation for the basement of the addition was begun immediately after camp-meeting. This has been completed and the foundation laid, so that further building will go forward at once.

Miss Barber is in charge of the kitchen for the summer, feeding the workmen. It seems good to us to see Miss Barber's ever pleasant face about, to bring good cheer to our crew.

West Hall has been renovated and the plasterers are now beginning to work.

Before excavation for our new building was begun, the old kitchen was moved intact to a site near the wood-pile and there it will be put in shape for a residence for our farm manager.

Miss Dahl, Mrs. Dick, and others, are busy canning fruit for the school these days, Prof. Dick having bought one hundred cases while in British Columbia recently.

Our farm manager, Chester Rick, is kept busy these days hauling gravel and other building material.

Prof. Cobb has been to Calgary and Edmonton for a few days to locate and inspect boilers for our heating plant. We believe that he has located some good bargains for us and action will be taken soon.

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NANAIMO AND LADNER

After our camp-meeting in Nanaimo, we remained a little while to bind off the interest created by our gathering there. The Sabbath following the camp-meeting, five of those who had been baptized, who lived at Nanaimo, were added to the church. These represent the efforts of our active church members in this place. Three of them have now gone to their new home in Rochester, Alberta, and we trust the brethren in that Conference will help them to a deeper knowledge of the new truth they have accepted. With five more of the church members moving to the Okanagan Valley, the church here is quite depleted in number. They will be greatly missed, but we trust they will be a help in the locality where they have gone.

On Tuesday, August 11th, in company with the Broder brethren, we loaded our new tent and fixtures, both of which had been kindly donated by the North American Division Conference, on to a small boat and crossed the Gulf of Georgia, 40 miles, arriving at Steveston on the Frazer River, where we tied up until daylight Wednesday morning. From there we proceeded up the river to Ladner. The night was calm and the trip was a pleasure. Upon arriving at this place we soon found a location for our tent and got the necessities for setting it up. It was several days before we were settled, as our tent master was sick.

Ladner is about ten miles from Vancouver, on the south side of the Frazer River, in a beautiful farming country. One week after our arrival we were ready for meetings. The first Sunday night, one of the prominent ministers preached upon the Sabbath question before we had even opened our meetings. We find many prejudiced and our attendance has been small. However, a few are interested and we are beginning visiting from house to house. The days are warm and beautiful, but the nights are cold. Our tent company consists of my wife, Sister Ruth Watson and Brother Robt. Swan. A. O. BURRILL.

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A SAD EXPERIENCE

Nothing so sad for a minister as to find people who once loved this message turning from it to accept something in its place. As a people we are passing through what is called the testing time. Satan has had so many years of schooling in sin and deception that he has now graduated with high marks and is

using his best efforts to destroy the people of God. He knows his time is short and so he is working hard and fast. This message that makes us a people different from any other is from God. Its cardinal points have been assailed from every side. They have been tried, as it were, in the fire. Great men have tried in vain to overthrow them and have utterly failed because they are founded upon the Word.

When a Seventh-day Adventist accepts error he gives up truth, to the same extent that he accepts the error, and he too will follow things that will surprise his brethren. The writer was recently made to realize how far one will go, when he was told after reading a scripture, by one who was once with us but has lately accepted some error, that he did not believe what the verse said. Think of it, the Bible, God's word to us, our only guide! Where will such a course lead? Surely there is but one answer.

Now, dear reader, you want to be saved and our only salvation is in believing and living the truths taught by Seventh-day Adventists for this time. One may observe the seventh day and yet hold some falsehood that will work his destruction.

If you should make a wagon and put in but one rotten piece of timber, your wagon will not stand the test when the load is put on it. So with us, we must be true in every way or the devil will take advantage of the weakness to lead us still farther away.

E. M. CHAPMAN.

MANITOBA NEWS NOTES

Eld. E. M. Chapman visited in Winnipeg last week, taking the services on the Sabbath.

Bro. Gulbrandson reports excellent attendance at the tent meetings in Gimli. So many are out that the tent cannot seat them all.

Eld. J. J. Graf has now gone to Russell, after spending a week with the Morden church, and will labor there for a time.

Good reports are received from the Dauphin tent company. The attendance is good and they hope for results from their work.

Our total sales on books and periodicals at our camp-meeting this year amounted to \$615.65, which is the largest sale we have ever had in Manitoba.

It is with pleasure we learn that Elder I. H. Evans expects to be in Winnipeg over Sabbath and Sunday, September 8-10. We are sure this will be welcome news for the Winnipeg church.

Brother and Sister Grundset are at present enjoying a short visit with relatives in the States.

Elder V. W. Robb recently conducted a baptismal service at Gilbert Plains.

During Elder Chapman's recent visit to Carberry, three were baptized and united with the church at that place. The ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated, the Spirit of God was present, and a good season was enjoyed. That this young church may continue to grow both in numbers and along spiritual lines, is our prayer. Elder Chapman also made a hurried call at Dauphin, where it was planned to hold a short tent effort a few miles west of there at Grand View. Brother Soper will follow up the interest at Dauphin.

Manitoba's crop prospects were never better until the past few weeks, but we are sorry to report that at this writing many think it will be well if they get half a crop, on account of the rust. As a result, some of the canvassers have left the field, but many are still plodding on with perseverance, and no doubt will be rewarded. No doubt these experiences will become more common as we near the end.

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"Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbor." Zech. 8:16.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Inasmuch as it was impossible to heat our office building to any degree of comfort during the winter months of this year it was decided by the Conference Committee, together with the Union Conference Committee to secure a better location and facilities. Accordingly, a canvass of the different office buildings was made, and we were successful in leasing a suit of rooms together with a stock room located in the Oddfellows' Building in Calgary. This is a nice quiet building and located in the central part of the city, and we think it will be better adapted to the needs of the work.

It is therefore important in matters pertaining to the WESTERN CANADIAN UNION CONFERENCE, S.D.A., ALBERTA CONFERENCE, S.D.A., ALBERTA TRACT SOCIETY, to address your communications to Room No. 304, I.O.O.F. Building, Calgary, Alberta.

Elder H. S. Shaw left Calgary Sunday evening, August 20th, for Salt Lake City, Utah, where he will attend the annual camp-meeting, after which he will take up work in the Pacific Union Conference. During the past seven years he has labored untiringly for the upbuilding of the work in Western Canada and his counsel and devotion to the work has won him many friends. The prayers of God's people will follow him in his future labors.

Elder C. F. McVagh is now in Calgary, having returned from British Columbia, where he attended the two camp-meetings, and in company with the President visited many of the churches in that field.

Brother H. H. Hall, manager of the Book Department of the Pacific Press Publishing Assn., is expected in Calgary next Tuesday and Wednesday. He will give a stereopticon lecture on our foreign literature in the Oddfellows' Hall on Tuesday evening.

"Study to be quiet. The lesson may be hard to many of us, but it is well worth all the cost of learning. Speech is good but oftimes silence is better. He who has learned to hold his tongue is a warrior who subdues an empire. The power to be silent in the midst of danger and alarms is the power of the noblest royalist."

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

Alberta—Two Weeks Ending August 12th, 1916

	Book.	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Total.
Campbell, Angus ...	B.R.	64	18	...	\$.30	\$ 72.30
Casey, Harry	D.A.	114	35	...	12.00	140.50
Hansen, Howard ...	D.R.	116	14	...	...	52.00
Henderson, Amy ...	B.R.	76	8	...	3.00	32.00
Jones, Floyde E. ...	B.R.	53	19	...	...	66.50
Milne, R. M.	G.C.	116	104	...	2.25	392.25
Pangman, Pearl ...	B.R.	76	1	...	3.25	6.75
Popow, Max J.	D.R.	104	28	...	1.60	118.60
Schafer, Sam	B.R.	103	39	...	...	143.50
Stanley, E. S.	P.G.	63	14	...	8.50	68.50
Steeves, Fred	D.A.	140	51	...	13.60	203.10
Sutherland, L. D.*	D.R.	38	11	...	1.50	49.00
Wagner, J. B.	D.A.	105	28	...	...	107.00

British Columbia—Two Weeks Ending August 5th

Bristol, John	D.R.	89	12	...	5.60	28.35
Lawson, James H. .	P.G.	45	12	...	8.95	60.95
Philpott, L. A.	B.R.	76	41	...	7.50	175.00
Wright, F. P.	G.C.	71	37	...	23.90	170.40

Manitoba—One Week Ending August 5th

Bauer, R. J.	B.R.	58	17	...	...	72.50
Belleau, George ...	B.R.	46	8	...	...	28.99
Earl, Emery	B.R.	39	11	...	...	43.50
McGee, A. E.†	B.R.	172	49	...	10.45	208.95
Leffler, C. H.	B.R.	45	12	...	...	46.50
Olson, Ronald	B.R.	37	14	...	...	61.00
Minchen, E. A.	B.R.	20	5	...	2.00	19.50

Saskatchewan—Two Weeks Ending August 5th

Cameron, Mrs. Ella *	D.R.	15	7	...	...	37.90
Crooks, S. A.	P.P.	63	28	...	10.40	107.00
Fitchett, Myrtle ...	B.R.	112	24	...	...	96.00
Hoehn, Hilda	B.R.	120	40	...	2.30	161.30
Hoehn, Edward ‡ ...	P.P.	152	73	...	24.00	323.50
Knowlton, G. F. ‡ ...	P.P.	131	58	...	9.25	254.25
Long, Etta	B.R.	112	30	...	8.00	121.00
Long, Emrey *	B.R.	59	29	...	...	116.50
Neufeld, Anna *	B.R.	43	14	...	7.00	60.00
Saunders, J. E.	B.R.	103	42	...	...	178.00
Swanson, Mary	B.R.	113	22	...	5.25	90.25
Voelker, Henry	B.R.	99	37	148.50
Wells, Frank *	B.R.	46	27	...	4.25	113.75
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