



OUR COMING CAMP MEETINGS

No doubt but our readers have noticed the "Camp Meeting Dates" as published in the Reaper beginning with the issue of May 5. The purpose of carrying these dates is to remind you weekly of when and where your meeting is to be held; and being reminded, you will not neglect the needful preparation in order to be in attendance from the beginning.

These annual gatherings are held for the benefit of our church membership in each conference, so the necessity of your being present. If you do not come, the meeting cannot be much help to you. We urge upon the coming occasions a large attendance. Good help is being sought and planned for, the personnel of whom will be announced later.

The conferences in each case have appointed to hold their biennial business session in connection with these meetings; therefore, each church should select delegates who will represent their church in the sessions of the conference, and from whom selections for standing committees will be made. This should be attended to by every local church, and those selected should be reported to the conference secretary, so when the roll is called we can have an immediate response and see the delegates take their places prepared to do business promptly for the Lord.

The church has been instructed by the servant of the Lord, Mrs. E. G. White, regarding preparation for camp meeting. Our space will permit but one reference this time.

"While preparing for the meeting, each individual should closely and critically examine his own

heart before God. If there have been unpleasant feelings, discord, or strife in families, it should be one of the first acts of preparation to confess these faults one to another and pray with and for one another . . . The Lord speaks; enter into your closet, and in silence commune with your own heart; listen to the voice of truth and conscience. Nothing will give such clear views of self as secret prayer. He who seeth in secret and knoweth all things, will enlighten your understanding and answer your petitions. Plain, simple duties that must not be neglected will open before you. Make a covenant with God to yield yourselves and all your powers to his service. Do not carry this undone work to the camp meeting. If it is not done at home your own soul will suffer, and others will be greatly injured by your coldness, your stupor, your spiritual lethargy." Vol. V, p. 163.

We believe if this counsel is heeded that our meetings will be a spiritual revival from the beginning. None should bring a grudge to camp. There are many other things we need not bring. We will mention some of them later.

We trust God will open the way before all to come this year to camp meeting.

Charles Thompson.

FAREWELL

Having accepted a call through the General Conference to connect with the Atlantic Union Conference as their home missionary secretary, we send this message of farewell to our many friends in the Northern Union, my resignation taking effect June 1. By the time this issue of the Reaper

reaches its readers we will be about packed up and ready to leave for our new field of labor.

We have been in this union a number of years, and a change is in order. I have enjoyed very much the work, as well as the visits with our churches and dear believers throughout the union, and wish to express my sincere appreciation for the splendid cooperation and loyal support that you have given from time to time in the various efforts and missionary endeavors, which have helped so much to advance the message of truth at home and abroad.

We go to a field having over three times as many inhabitants as this union and we shall address ourselves to the task of getting the last warning message to these millions. We will be separated by many, many miles; but, thank God, we may still continue to meet together with Jesus in daily prayer in behalf of one another's needs and each striving for the all important thing—a daily victorious experience and preparation to meet our soon-coming Saviour. All about us the fast fulfilling signs indicate that the coming of Jesus is near at hand, and may He find us ready at His coming to us in the investigative judgment, as well as later in the hour of His personal return.

Elder V. G. Anderson, formerly home missionary secretary of the Iowa Conference, has been elected successor, and I trust you will give him the same loyal support and cooperation you have given me. All correspondence intended for the home missionary secretary of the Northern Union Conference should be addressed to Elder V. G. Anderson, 2718 Third Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Friends who wish to write us—

and we shall be glad to hear from you—should address us at our new address, South Lancaster, Massachusetts.

We are nearing heaven's eternal home. It will not be long until earth's faithful pilgrims will wend their way to the city of celestial glory, and the promise of the prophet Isaiah be realized: "For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be ye glad and rejoice forever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy."

We have entered most serious and solemn times, when the very elect shall be deceived if possible, perhaps not so much by false philosophy as by false security, formalism, and hypocrisy.

We plead the presence and power of God to be kept in these trying times.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations; That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls." 1 Pet. 1:3-9.

Farewell,

Elder and Mrs. Anol Grundset.

"There is always the opportunity to lift a little, to brighten some body's life with the sunshine of a smile or word of encouragement, to aid ever so little or much toward making this earth a happier dwelling-place for all concerned. Let us be sure we do not 'pass by on the other side.'"

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EDUCATIONAL OFFERING

May 30 has been set apart by the General Conference as the date upon which the second special offering for our elementary educational work is to be taken. We have helped quite a number of our schools during 1931 and as a result we are in need of money to make up the deficit in our elementary Educational Fund. For this reason we trust that there will be a liberal offering given in all the churches upon May 30. We hope, too, that our isolated believers throughout the state will send in their offering on this date. Our church school work is one of the most important parts of our work and we know that our faithful people will be glad to contribute to help the schools that are struggling to carry the work.

J. C. Nixon.

THE OTTUMWA CONVENTION

Sabbath, May 16, was a beautiful day at Ottumwa and even though the morning was threatening, autos came from every direction bringing visitors to the convention. The church was nicely decorated with baskets and vases of flowers and the walls were attractive with charts, pictures and mottoes. Mrs. R. F. Bresee is the superintendent of the Ottumwa school and the services for the day in both Senior and children's departments were well planned and interesting.

In the opening convention meeting, three year old Floydie Bresee made a very pleasing speech of welcome. We were glad to have Elder Bresee present in all these meetings. His assistance in various ways was valued and we appreciated the cooperation of all. Nearly all present ate picnic lunch in a beautiful park near by. The church was well filled and the attendance from surrounding churches was gratifying.

Among those from other places were: W. W. Wiley, superintendent

of the Birmingham school, Mrs. Wiley, Clare and Lester; Mrs. Flora Sirdoreus, superintendent of the Fairfield school, Mrs. Jessie Gober, John, Dorothy and Clarence Sirdoreus, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Teeter, Kenneth, Junior and Mrs. Lindberg; Mrs. Anna Strouse, superintendent of the Oskaloosa school, Mrs. Pilkington, Abbie Farnsworth, Mrs. George Bolyard, Glen and Georgia, Verda M. Anderson, R. N., Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cox, and those from Eddyville who now attend either at Ottumwa or Oskaloosa were: Mr. and Mrs. John Reish, Mrs. C. A. Hendricks, Mrs. Mary Cockrell and Mrs. Belle Beamer; Mrs. Sadie Hutchison, superintendent of the Centerville school, Joan, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Oden, Tommy and Creta, George Simmons and family, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Day, Velma and Verda; Jesse Adams, superintendent of the Knoxville school, Mrs. Adams, Gayle, Dean and Jack. Others who enjoyed the meeting with us were Mrs. Mary Morarity of New Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Linus Johnson and Henry, Fremont and Mrs. Floyd Weatherly of Minneapolis who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bert Shelton, in Ottumwa.

I went with the Johnsons to Fremont to remain over Sunday. A Sunday school had just been started in a country church near by and I was asked to talk to them. We put up as many charts and mottoes as were appropriate for their work. I was glad to teach a class of 13 children and to talk later of the value of systematic study of the Bible, of its influence in heathen, and in home

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lands, and of the many things that can be done to make such schools a success.

Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

SIoux CITY CONVENTION

A Sabbath school convention will be held in the Sioux City church, at 313 Omaha St., on Sabbath, May 30. We are hoping for a good attendance from churches and isolated in that vicinity or within driving distance. The Sabbath school hour is 9:45 and convention work will follow. There will also be an afternoon service, so come prepared to stay throughout the meetings. Miss Mary D. Hopkins, Minnesota's secretary of long experience, will be with us. You will not be disappointed if you come. We shall be disappointed if you do not come. It will be well worth the effort. Remember, we are hoping to see you there.

Mrs. Nellie Bushnell, Supt.
Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas.

IOWA SANITARIUM NOTES

Miss Grace Martin returned Sunday from Hinsdale Sanitarium where she had been for a six-months affiliation period.

Charles Burkhart of Nevada, who was seriously injured when a pressure tank filled with air and gasoline exploded, was able to be removed to his home, after spending ten days at the sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sowers of Nevada are the parents of a boy born at the sanitarium. Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Runnels also have a baby boy born at the sanitarium.

Mrs. J. H. Whitnack of Anoka who has been with us for two weeks is improving very satisfactorily.

Sabbath, May 16, those who were able to attend Sabbath school enjoyed an interesting program in which several of the students took part.

Tuesday morning in the workers' meeting the opportunities of the Christian nurse in spreading healing of soul as well as of body was the main thought presented. Experiences and quotations from the "Medical Evangelist" were given by Dr. Morse.

The topic of the workers' meeting for May 26, is "The Sabbath School." Three topics: Our Relationship to the Goals set by the Conference, Our Attitude to the

Investment Plan, The Personal Benefits Received from Attending Sabbath School, will be discussed by the Sabbath school officers.

The following have recently registered at the Sanitarium: Wright Ringheim, E. L. Wood, G. Ruggeri, Nevada; Elmer Lankford, Ashville, N. C.; Pearlle Cooper, Marshalltown; Elmer McCearry, Hubbard; Virginia Toot, Nevada; Mrs. John Duffield, Des Moines; Mrs. W. Stafford, Ames; C. L. Percival, Des Moines.

Summer vacation time is here. Miss Fern Shelton is spending hers at Ottumwa, Miss Agnes Nordstrom is with her parents at Algona and Miss Elsie Morin is with her parents at Redstone, Montana.

IOWA ITEMS

Word came to the office on Thursday of last week of the death of Mrs. Emma Hunter at Boone. All her life she was a faithful Seventh-day Adventist and she will be missed by the church at Boone and by others who have known her through the years.

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Several baptismal services will be held in the near future by Elder J. R. Nelson in the western part of the State, Elder J. C. Christenson at Spencer and Elders Fish and Bresee at Grinnell.

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Mrs. Deloris Coventry Thompson, formerly of Cedar Rapids, is now living at Ottumwa, where she is assisting in various ways in church and Sabbath school.

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The church school children gave a program at Oak Park Academy chapel on Thursday evening of May 21, under the direction of their teachers, Misses Edna Wickham and Janette McKibben. Three were graduated: Lois Anderson, Virginia Nystrom, and Clyde Anderson.

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Elder and Mrs. S. W. Palmer and two children, recently returned from the Rhodesia, South Africa Mission field, stopped at the sanitarium on Thursday night of last week. They will visit relatives in Iowa before going to the West Coast, where they were living before going to the mission field. Both Brother and Sister Palmer were teachers at the Inyazura Mission Station.

GRADUATION WEEK AT NEVADA

Last week at Nevada was a busy time. The various exercises due at graduation time demanded the usual attention. Elder Stemple White, whose efforts are always appreciated, gave the baccalaureate sermon at the church on Sabbath morning. The evening after was class night and the program was given at the academy chapel. It was interesting to note that one of the class members opened the exercises with prayer and another member gave the closing prayer.

Prof. P. L. Thompson, president of Union College, gave the commencement address at the academy chapel at 10:00 on Sunday morning. This was intensely interesting, thrilling and inspiring. Education is not merely that of books, but that which comes to us through the experience of life adds much.

Many from different parts of the State were present at all the exercises connected with the close of the school year, too many to be mentioned personally.

Those graduated at this time were: J. Paul Shively, Edith Viola Frimml, Julia Violet Eastin, Stella Bernice Hubert, Alfred E. Bailey, Harvey Larsen, Marie Swenson, Marguerite Will, Marie Larsen, Earl Reimche, Theodore Spanos, Alpha Hahn, Wilda G. Smith, Johnny D. Shively, Albert Sanders, Margaret Johnson, Elizabeth Carolyn Klinger, Elmer H. Luke, Arthur E. Christiansen, Gladys Brown, Ruth Rahn, Jack E. Turner.

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We are not to try to climb up to high positions or to gain the praise of men. Our aim should not be to be the greatest. We are to have an eye single to the glory of God. . . Heaven is waiting to bestow its richest blessings upon those who will consecrate themselves to do the work of God in these last days of the world's history. We shall be tested and tried; we may be called to spend wakeful nights; but let such times be spent in earnest prayer to God, that He may give understanding, and quicken the mind to discern the privileges that are ours.—"Messages to Young People," p. 26.

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WHAT WILL YOUR ANSWER BE?

God's love and interest in the human race is beyond description. This has been manifested by the many ways which He has used to communicate with man, in preparing him for the eternal home.

In the beginning God spoke words of counsel to man face to face, later on He declared the oracles. God who wrote the ten commandments with His own finger on two tables of stone, introduced this way of communication for the benefit of the human family. He also charged Moses with the tremendous responsibility of giving these spoken words in their written form to mankind. Still later on in history, man led by the Spirit penned divine truth. As a result of this, we have the Bible, which is a revelation of God's will to man.

The Master has called upon men in these days to write even as He did of old, consequently we as a people are blessed with the best literature that can be obtained containing the truth for this time. Our responsibility today is even greater than in past generations, for we are living in the closing days of probation when all the world should be given the warning message. We are told in the Spirit of prophecy that our literature should be scattered as the leaves of autumn before the end of time.

"The Lord designs that the light which He has given on the Scriptures shall shine forth in clear, bright rays; and it is the duty of our canvassers to put forth a strong, united effort that God's design may be accomplished. A great and important work is before us. The enemy of souls realizes this, and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work. This order of things should be changed. God calls the canvassers back to their work. He calls for volunteers who will put

all their energies and enlightenment into the work, helping wherever there is opportunity. The Master calls for every one to do the part given him, according to his ability. Who will respond to the call? Who will go forth to labor in the wisdom and grace and love of Christ for those nigh and afar off? Who will sacrifice ease and pleasure, and enter the places of error, superstition, and darkness, working earnestly and perseveringly, speaking the truth in simplicity, praying in faith, doing house to house labor? Who at this time will go forth without the camp, imbued with the power of the Holy Spirit, bearing reproach for Christ's sake, opening the Scriptures to the people, and calling them to repentance?

"The call of the hour is answered by the coming of the man. Thus when the divine voice cries, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' the response will come, 'Here am I send me.'"

When the Lord calls you to take up the literature ministry, what will your answer be?

M. H. Odegaard.

NOTICE

The sixty-eighth regular session of the Minnesota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the camp meeting at Anoka, Minn., June 25 to July 5, 1931. The first meeting of the session will be called at 9:00 a. m. on Friday, June 26, 1931, at which time the conference will be organized and the delegates seated. As full a representation of delegates as possible is desired at the first meeting. Officers for the ensuing two year term will be elected during the session and such other business transacted as should come before the delegates for their consideration. Information regarding the constitutional provisions for the election of delegates has been mailed to the church pastors, elders or leaders; also blanks for reporting the same have been sent to the respective church clerks.

M. L. Andreasen, President.

A. R. Smouse, Secretary.

NOTICE

The 1931 biennial session of the Minnesota Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a re-

ligious corporation of the State of Minnesota, will be held in connection with the conference and camp meeting of the Minnesota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, at Anoka, Minnesota, June 25 to July 5, 1931. The delegates at this session of the corporation are the same as the delegates at the conference session. Seven trustees will be elected for the ensuing two year term and such other business transacted as should properly come before the delegates at that time. The first meeting of the session will be called at 9:00 a. m. on Tuesday, June 30, 1931.

M. L. Andreasen, President.

A. R. Smouse, Secretary.

COMMENCEMENT AT MAPLEWOOD

The graduation activities for the twenty-six members of the class of 1931 were opened Thursday night, May 21, at eight o'clock in the academy chapel with the class night program.

At that time Thomas Dokken gave an address as president of the class, Anna Wirak gave her valedictory address and Jennie Lindquist gave the speech presenting the class gift of \$250, which goes to support two native teachers for one year in the Shensi school in China. The class history, class reunion, the presentation of the key and special musical numbers were included in the program.

On Friday evening, May 22, the consecration service was held with Professor Johnson in charge. Brother George Campbell's talk on making first things first was followed by an impressive testimony service in which nearly everyone in the audience took part. The senior class stood as a group to praise God for His many blessings during the school year that has just passed.

The baccalaureate service was held Sabbath morning at eleven o'clock with Elder A. H. Rulkoetter, pastor of the Minneapolis church, preaching the sermon. Professor Johnson pronounced the invocation and Elder Yost the benediction. The choir furnished the special music.

On Saturday evening at eight o'clock the cantata, Queen Esther, by William Bradbury, was given by the academy chorus under the

direction of Mrs. Pearl Pettis. The principal characters appeared in costume. Mr. Lauritzen was accompanist and leader of the orchestra.

The commencement exercise was held Sunday evening, May 24, with Professor Andreasen, delivering the address. Professor Johnson presented the diplomas to the graduation class, the invocation was given by Prof. W. J. McComb, and the benediction by Professor Hein, class adviser.

Class motto: "Onward to Perfection," class watchword: Others, class flower: Yellow Rose, class colors: Pearl White and Orchid.

Many friends and relatives were present to enjoy the closing activities with the school family. We appreciate your visit and shall be glad to welcome you at any time.
Lessie Culpepper.

MINNESOTA ITEMS

Plan to attend camp meeting at Anoka, June 25 to July 5.

Additional Investment plans received from Faribault are: Mrs. Jack McKellip, selling old papers, poultry, and money saved; Eva Kisor, one book sold; Mrs. Geo. Kiekenapf, Nadine and Kathleen, selling old papers and saving pennies; Dorothy Light, a nickel every week; Eurette and Walter Hershey, one chicken each. We are glad for the good reports that are coming to us.

Elder L. H. Olson and family, formerly of Minnesota but who have for some years been located in Honduras and Salvador as missionaries, recently returned to Minnesota on their furlough. They are visiting relatives at Vernon Center and will, in all probability, be at our camp meeting for at least a part of the time. Their many friends in Minnesota will be glad to see them and visit with them again after their long absence in the mission fields.

The offering in the church service next Sabbath, May 30, is for the Needy Poor Fund. This offering is given only four times a year, on the fifth Sabbath in the month. On account of the generally unfavorable financial conditions the need for this fund is greater this year in many places, so we trust there will be a liberal response.

It is customary for the church treasurers to send in one-fourth of the offering for the Conference Needy Poor Fund or a larger portion of it if it is not needed locally.

Will both the conference workers and the laity, when writing articles or reports for the Reaper, please send them first to the conference office when ever possible, so that they may be typewritten before going on to Hutchinson, as the typewritten copy is much more readily handled by the editor, printers and proofreaders. Copy intended for publication in the issue of the following week should reach the conference office by Thursday morning.

On Monday night of last week Brother Wm. F. Flint, who had for many years lived in Columbus Heights where he was in the printing business, passed away after an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted by Elder Haysmer on Thursday afternoon at the Elliott Mortuary in Minneapolis and burial was made at the Forest Cemetery in St. Paul. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Sister Flint in her bereavement and to the other members of the family.

The supply of conference bedding is not quite adequate to care for the needs in the tents for the visiting ministers and colporteurs at camp meeting, so we wonder if there are not a few of our readers who would like to give a pair of blankets, a quilt, comforter, bed spread or some sheets for that purpose. If so they will be much appreciated and they may be sent by parcel post or express, if you please, to the conference office. The supply of rugs for the ministers' tents and to use on the pavilion platform is also insufficient and if there are those who would be willing to contribute a rug for this purpose, even though it may be pretty well worn, it would be very acceptable.

Camp meeting order and room reservation cards as well as copies of the daily program will be sent in a few days to all on the isolated mailing list, and a supply for the members of each church will be mailed to the church pastors, elders or leaders for distribution to those who wish them.

These should be distributed promptly at each church so that the orders may be placed in good time and the cards should be used for all tent orders as well as room reservations. In order that our readers may know beforehand about what the expense will be, we will list here the rental rates for tents, furniture etc., as they are given on the order cards.

Tent 10 x 12 (low wall)	\$2.75
Tent 10 x 12 x 5	3.25
Tent 12 x 14 (low wall)	3.25
Tent 12 x 14 x 5	3.75
Tent 16 x 16 (army)	3.75
Fly (except army tent)	1.50
Half floor	1.50
Springs (double or 3/4 cot)	.75
Cot (single)	.50
Table	.50
Chair	.20
Bench	.20
Curtain frame and shelf	.75
Straw for straw tick (single)	.20
Straw for straw tick (double)	.30
Space for private tent	1.00

When ordering a tent cash need not be sent with order, but payment for same should be made at the camp ground office upon arrival. It is necessary, however, to send a \$5 deposit with all room reservations as is explained on the order cards. Any further information desired, which may not be published in the Reaper, will be promptly furnished on inquiry being made to the conference office.

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NOTICE

The biennial meeting of the South Dakota Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation of the State of South Dakota, will convene in connection with the biennial conference and camp meeting at Huron, S. Dak., on Tuesday, June 16, 1931, at 11:00 a. m., for the election of five trustees whose term of office expires at that time, and for the transaction of such other business as should properly come before the delegates.

Gorden Oss, President.
J. H. Nies, Secretary.

NOTICE

The fifty-first conference and camp meeting of Seventh-day Adventists of the State of South Dakota will be held at Huron, S. Dak., from June 11 to 20, 1931. The first meeting of the conference session is hereby called to convene Friday, June 12 at 10:45 a. m. At this time the conference will be organized and every delegate should be in his seat. Aside from the regular business to come before the delegates, election of officers for the coming biennial term will be held.

Gorden Oss, President.
J. H. Nies, Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder Gorden Oss visited the Leola church May 15 and 16. He reports among other things of interest a very fine Mothers' Day program on Sabbath afternoon. The Matthias Brothers' quartet from Ellendale, N. Dak., was present and contributed several selections which were well received.

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Elder Anol Grundset visited the Aberdeen church May 15-17. On Sabbath a new member was baptized and added to the church. This was Elder Grundset's last visit to South Dakota before going to the Atlantic Union where he takes up his new work June 1. We speak for many in wishing Elder and Mrs. Grundset God's care and blessing in their new field.

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Elder L. E. Niermeyer will report the camp meeting news for the newspapers. He has already begun his work by sending out an article to the church elders for publication in their local papers. Isolated members are invited to make use of their local papers in advertising the truth. Brother Niermeyer has suggestive material which will be sent upon request.

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A widow with a twelve-year old boy would like employment, preferably caring for invalid elderly person or housekeeping. If interested, write to the conference office.

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Friday morning, May 22, we received the sad news of the death of Mrs. Lottie Wilbur of Flandreau. Sister Wilbur has been a faithful member of the South Dakota Con-

ference church for many years, and her death will be a great loss to the community where she lived. It was arranged for Elder P. G. Stanley to have charge of the funeral on Sabbath, May 23.

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We want especially to invite the children to attend camp meeting this year. As usual, they will receive a little gift at the close of camp meeting, so hope that all the children can attend. If they do, we will have very interesting children's meetings.

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NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE
ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY
ADVENTISTS

The next regular meeting of the members of the North Dakota Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the twenty-seventh session, the same being the second biennial session of the North Dakota Conference in the Chautauqua Park at Valley City, N. Dak., June 18-28, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before that body.

The first meeting will be called on Tuesday, June 23, at 11:00 a. m. All delegates to the North Dakota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are members of the Association.

H. J. Meyer, President.
W. I. Montanye, Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

The 27th regular session of the North Dakota Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Chautauqua Park at Valley City, N. Dak., for the purpose of the election of officers for the coming term and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before such a meeting.

The first business session will be held on Friday, June 19, at eleven o'clock a. m., and all delegates should try to be present at that meeting. Every church is en-

titled to one delegate, as an organization, and one additional delegate for every fifteen members and a fractional majority.

H. J. Meyer, President.
W. I. Montanye, Secretary.

INVESTMENT NOTES

I suppose our people are always more or less interested in knowing how the other churches are taking a hold of the Sabbath school Investment. I have in my possession about 250 slips which I have not been able even to recognize the receipt of so far. We will do so through the Reaper.

The Palermo-Stanley Sabbath school sent in sixteen Investment slips ranging from four acres of grain to poultry, wages, gardens savings account and sewing. Palermo has always done fine in Investment. From all appearance they will again assume their regular rating among the sisterhood of Sabbath schools.

A few additional investments have been received from Petrel one of our new Sabbath schools in the Southwestern part of the state. These bring in one acre of wheat, one turkey and one brood of chickens from the Campbell family. We are glad to see our new Sabbath schools fall in line with the old ones in the support of the Lord's work.

One of the biggest bunches of Investment slips received this year was received from Superintendent G. G. Mants of Lincoln Valley. I am sure if all the brethren at Lincoln valley would have all their investments in one place it would be enough for one person to keep busy to take care of it. I am sure the Lord will bless our brethren and sisters in Lincoln Valley in their labors for Him.

The Medina church falls in line with a number of acres of grain some sheep, turkeys and a number of cash investments. They have sent in some before and this is the second installment. All those Sabbath schools that have not sent in all their investments, try to do so in the near future.

Oakes is one of the smallest Sabbath schools that we have in North Dakota, yet not very long ago it led out in the highest amount of Investment raised in any Sabbath school in the state. When the Investment plan was yet in its infancy, Oakes came in

with more than \$100. They have done their share very faithfully since. They certainly are having a good start in the Investment, according to slips sent in by Sister Denning again this year. We appreciate the good work and courage at Oakes.

It is not too late to invest for missions today. Hand your investment to your Sabbath school superintendent.

H. Wentland.

S. R. A. NEWS NOTES

The commencement exercises for the school year will be held from June 4 to June 6, 1931 as follows: Class night, Thursday, June 4, at 8:00 p. m.; consecration service, Friday, June 5, at 8:00 p. m., sermon: Elder P. E. Berthelsen, special music: duet by Prof. and Mrs. J. C. Michalenko; baccalaureate, Sabbath, June 6, at 11:00 a. m., address: Elder J. H. Meyer, special music: choir; commencement, Sabbath, June 6, at 8:00 p. m., address: Prof. R. R. Neuman, special music: solo by Mrs. R. R. Neuman, mixed quartet by Mrs. R. R. Neuman, Sophie Litvin, Prof. J. C. Michalenko, and Leland Van Allen.

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On Wednesday, May 13 the senior class spent a few hours at the Lesmeister grove playing games. Before going home they enjoyed a well prepared supper out in the open.

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Prof. H. J. Sheldon spent Sabbath, May 16, with the S. R. A. family. His visit was very much enjoyed.

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The junior class had supper in a small grove near the academy on Thursday, May 14. A good time was reported by all.

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May 18 dawned windy and cool at S. R. A., but students and teachers were undaunted in their plans to have that day the annual school outing in the campus grove. About 9 a. m. all gathered in the chapel. Elder Charles Thompson was here and spoke for a few minutes in the chapel. His admonition was for our young people to hold high our standards. "Have a good time at your picnic today, but be ladies and gentlemen." He

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SPECIAL "SIGNS" SERIES

We are informed by the publishers of the "Signs of the Times", that in a few weeks a series of articles will begin, which will be written by Elder R. F. Cottrell, and which will be arranged in topical outline, just like the sermons presented in a series of evangelistic meetings, such as a tent effort, or revival meetings in a church. These articles will run for about six months, and will cover the principal points in our message

quite thoroughly.

Better subscribe now, not only for yourself, but why not send a six-month subscription to that relative of yours who is somewhat interested in the truth, or that neighbor whom you would like to see come into church fellowship? A six-month subscription will cost you only 75 cents and if you order it now you will get the complete series. Why not make up a list of names now, before you forget it? North Dakota Book and Bible House.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

G. A. CAMPBELL, Union Field Missionary Secretary

MINNESOTA CONFERENCE, M. H. Odegaard, Field Missionary Secretary

Week ending May 8, 1931.

Colporteur	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Helps	Total order	Del.
Biggers, H. G.	Hope	30	4	7.00	24.00	11.00
Crofoot, F.	Hope	53	6	10.75	40.75	3.00
Keenan, Ben L.	BR	12		4.20	4.20	116.25
Johnson, D. D.		30				391.50
Moen, Mike	Hope PP	40	5	14.00	38.50	
Paulson Edwin	Hope	29	5	3.25	23.25	3.25
Rust, Clare G.				42.00	42.00	42.00
Santini, Harold	HP	28	7	3.52	51.75	3.25
Skogg, Mrs. A.		3		2.80	2.80	2.80
Totals		225	27	87.55	227.55	578.05

Week ending May 15, 1931.

Biggers, H. G.	Hope	27 1/2	1	4.50	8.50	4.50
Crofoot, F.	Hope	35	6	9.00	38.00	3.00
Engen, B. O. (2)	RJ Hope	60	11	23.85	58.85	14.10
Moen, Mike	Hope PP	21	3	10.75	24.25	
Paulson, Edwin	Hope	40	9	4.00	41.00	4.00
Powers, Miss C. E. (2)		24		16.00	16.00	16.00
Santini, Harold	HP	20	3	.25	19.75	.25
Steine, Arne (2)	PP	57 1/2	8	2.25	46.25	.25
Totals		285	41	70.60	252.60	42.10

SOUTH DAKOTA CONFERENCE, L. L. McKinley, Field Missionary Secretary

Week ending May 8, 1931.

Anderson, E. C.	HP	44	2	19.00	4.50	171.50
Hohensee, W. H.	PP	45	13	62.00	10.00	6.25
Hilliard, Lewis	GC	93	5	41.75	14.25	
Totals		182	21	122.75	28.75	177.75

Week ending May 15, 1931.

Anderson, E. C.	HP	40	9	6.00	75.50	
Burgeson, Verlin	HW	35	6	59.75	33.75	
Claridge, John (2)	HW	64	14	7.00	66.00	
Hohensee, W. H.	PP	46	19	15.50	91.50	
Hilliard, Lewis	GC	48	2	7.75	18.75	
Nash, H. E.	OD	60	18	.50	68.50	
Totals		293	68	96.50	404.00	

IOWA CONFERENCE, L. P. Knecht, Field Missionary Secretary

Week ending May 15, 1931.

Stringer, John	RJ	43	5	5.75	22.25	
Koehn, Henry	BR	32	2	3.75	14.75	7.75
Ahlstrom, G. E.	BR OD	34	2	6.00	15.25	
Hanson, Anna (2)	BR	70	1	6.85	22.20	44.95
Johnson, A. E.	HW	22		1.75	1.75	17.25
Rice, Ross	RJ	1				10.75
Rice, Merlin	RJ	12				
Wilcox, Elva	OD	36	10	7.75	31.25	7.30
Shelton, G. A.	BR	41		8.00	50.00	
Totals		256	20	39.85	167.45	88.00

and Elder Meyer were with us for dinner. From the chapel we went out to participate in and see games and contests. Everyone had such a good time that we forgot all about the weather until it was time for dinner, which we ate picnic style in the dining room. The last number on the day's program was a march in the dining room directed by Professor Neuman. At 9:05 we went to our respective homes and had evening worship. This was truly a day of Christian recreation at S. R. A.

BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE NOTES

We still have a few Big Week sets of books on hand in English, and those churches that have not as yet ordered their supply should do so at once while there are some available.

We have been able to secure a limited number of the "Convert's Catechism of Catholic Doctrine" by Rev. Peter Geiermann, a Roman Catholic priest. This is the catechism referred to in the "Source Book", and is the one in which the plain statement is made that Saturday is the Sabbath day and that the Catholic church changed the day from Saturday to Sunday. This is an orthodox Catholic work, with the approval of several high church authorities stamped in it. Every minister and Bible worker should have one of these catechisms in order to be able to show authority for the statement that the Roman church changed the Sabbath day. Order from the North Dakota Book and Bible House. Price 25 cents.

Do ducks ever build their nests in trees? Do muskrats always make their homes in ponds? Why is the pack rat also called the trader rat? Do redheaded woodpeckers go south in winter? Why are a frog's eyes on top of his head? Can you answer these questions, and many more like them pertaining to the wild creatures about? If not, you should get a set of the "Old Homestead Tales," which is a set of 4 books put out by our publishing house and devoted entirely to a study of the wild birds and animals of nature. Volume I is "The Bluebirds and Their Neighbors", Vol. 2 "The Mallards and Their Neighbors," Vol. 3, "Paddletail the Beaver and His

Neighbors", and Vol. 4, "Wild Creatures in Winter." These books are written in story form and are most interesting to children and young people. They are well illustrated with a profusion of pictures and each book has 4 colored plates, full page size. The price is \$1.25 each volume, or \$4.75 for the set of 4 books, postpaid. Order from the North Dakota book and Bible House.

UNION EDUCATIONAL AND M. V. DEPARTMENT

Robert Rouzer, a pupil in the Minneapolis English church school for several years, finished the eighth grade there last spring (1930). He enrolled at the West High school in Minneapolis the fall following his completion of the eighth grade in our church school.

Just the other day, his mother, who is not an Adventist, as is neither Robert nor his father, called the teacher and told her that she had wanted to let her know for some time how well Robert was getting along in school.

He has been getting excellent grades—mostly A's. Recently he was in the high school office, discussing his school program for the coming year, and was asked where he had taken his preparatory work. They added that he must have had a remarkable teacher, for he had been given such an excellent foundation for his high school work. Two of his other teachers also wanted to know where he had taken his previous work because he was so well grounded in the grade work.

This is but one of many instances which come to our notice proving that the work of the properly conducted church school is in no way inferior but rather superior to the work of the ordinary school in the teaching of the regular school work, to say nothing of the great additional advantage of the Bible instruction and Christian influence of our church school.

UNION NEWS

For forty years Union College has been sending Seventh-day Adventist youth into the world to bear the tidings of a loving Saviour and His love. In commemoration of this, the fortieth

anniversary of Union, plans are being made for a celebration to be held during commencement week, May 28-31. Something of Union's early history will be portrayed including some of the important events that have taken place.

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Elder J. F. Piper spent the week-end at Union. He spoke at the vesper service Friday night, May 15, enumerating the many keys that the young Seventh-day Adventist youth holds in his hand today to help do his part in this world.

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The musical activities for this week-end and the next are as follows: Saturday night, May 16, the students of Mrs. Stanley Ledington, Mrs. Gwendolen Hayden, and Mr. S. K. Gernet, gave a miscellaneous program; Sunday afternoon, May 17, La Merne Walker was presented in a violin recital, assisted by Mary Mason, reader, and Ada Townsend, accompanist; and Saturday night, May 23, the students of the piano department will give a recital.

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Sunday night, May 17, North and South Hall gave a lawn party on the North Hall lawn. This was to take the place of the usual formal dinner, which could not be given this year. It is the aim of Union College to give a three-year education during the four years of the college course, spiritual, mental, and social.

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From the enthusiastic clapping heard outside the gymnasium, Thursday night, May 14, one had no doubt that the seniors were thoroughly enjoying the banquet and program that the juniors were giving in their honor.

CAMP MEETING DATES

South Dakota, Huron—June 11-20.
North Dakota, Valley City—June 18-28.
Minnesota, Anoka—June 25-July 5.
Iowa, Nevada—August 20-30.

Wanted.—Work for the summer by girl, twenty years of age. Iowa farm preferred. Experienced at ironing and caring for children. Also work on farm by boy, seventeen years of age. Experienced. Mrs. O. H. Oswald, Nevada, Iowa.