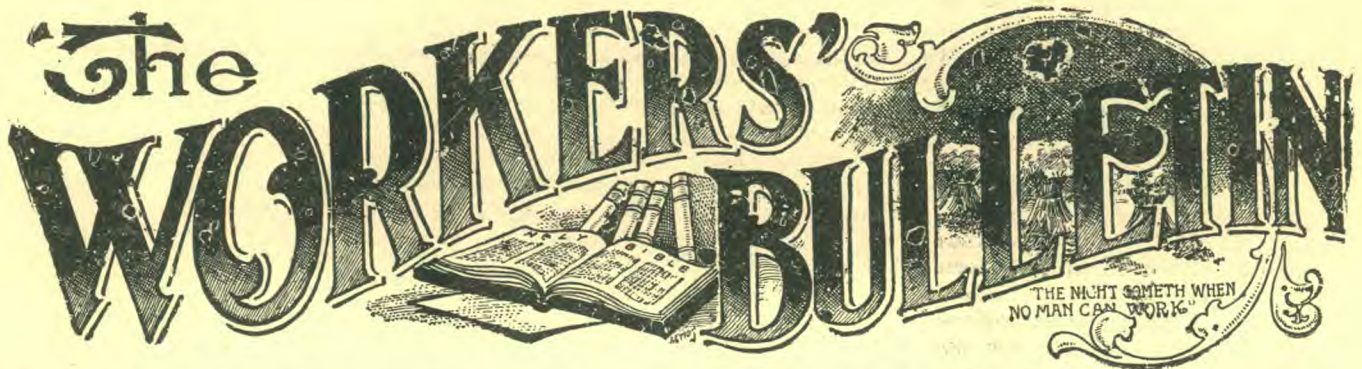


# The WORKERS' BULLETIN



THE NIGHT COMETH WHEN NO MAN CAN WORK

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## THE FOOD FACTORY

At a joint meeting of the Conference Committee, the Sanitarium board and the Iowa S. D. A. Association, and other brethren of the auditing board, held at Nevada, January 2, 1918, it was voted unanimously after careful consideration, to close out the business of the Iowa Sanitarium Food Company at Des Moines. In harmony with this action, the business manager, Brother O. C. Graham, who was present in the council, was instructed to immediately close out the food business.

A committee was appointed to take steps to dispose of the property. This committee met at the factory in Des Moines, Tuesday, the 8th and called in a real estate man of the city to advise with him regarding the sale of the property. It is hoped that the property can be sold, possibly to be converted into apartments.

Perhaps it is only fair to our constituents for us to give a word of explanation as to what led up to this action. Owing to the very high prices of all products going into the makeup of the foods, it has been impossible to operate the factory except at a heavy loss. The deficit for the past year was a little over \$1200, a hundred dollars a month. All can readily see that we could not afford to keep the institution running on this basis. All who were at camp meeting will remember that this question received some consideration at that time, and it was voted by the delegates that the Board be authorized to make such disposition of the food factory as might be deemed best after further careful consideration. Hence this action at this time. We are glad

that the action could be taken with so many of our representative brethren present.

A bakery is being operated at College View, Nebraska, in connection with our institutions there, where our people can secure the health foods. We are glad to recommend the Nebraska Sanitarium Food Company to our former patrons.

## Accounts

It is highly important that all who have accounts with the food factory settle them at once, as all the bills that we owe must be paid immediately. We dislike to borrow money to pay bills when there are enough accounts due the food factory to settle them if all was paid. I, therefore, would urge all who are owing anything to the food factory to make an earnest effort to pay at once. The institution belongs to the people of Iowa, so it is to the interest of all that we have no unpaid outstanding accounts. Inasmuch as the food factory has been operated as a branch of the Iowa Sanitarium, and as the business at Des Moines is now closed out, we would ask all to make their remittances to the Iowa Sanitarium, Nevada, Iowa.

In conclusion I wish to speak of the untiring efforts of Brother Graham, who stayed with the ship till the last; and also of the hard work of his predecessor, Brother Moore, to make the institution pay out. Both these brethren with their associates did the best they could under the circumstances. No one foresaw or is responsible for the changed conditions and unprecedented prices of the past year or two. We, your servants, entrusted with the responsibilities, have done the best we have known to do under the circumstances.

A. R. OGDEN.

## THE NECESSARY RE-FILLING

Several times I laid my fountain pen aside because it began to blot; it was so disappointing to have it bedeck the page with big splotches of ink. But I soon learned that the pen was not ruined; it was only empty and needed refilling. That was all, but that makes all the difference there is between the useful and the worse than useless article.

This set me thinking. What if God should lay me aside when I blot the page for the day with mistakes? How often I have looked back over the record blotted with sin, with unkind words and neglected duties that filled the evening reflections with bitter regret! How often I have failed! How often I have disappointed God when he has tried to use my life for writing in another heart his message of loving care! And again and again an accusing conscience has whispered to my despairing heart, You failed to let God fill you today.

A new year lies before us. Its pages are still white. But they must all be filled as God turns the leaves. If we really desire to fill each page with a record of which our Master can approve, we must let him fill us daily for service. He must direct our feet and strengthen our hands for work. This is the spiritual law of cause and effect; and we cannot escape it.

The Psalmist knew this law, for he declared, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart that I might not sin against thee." What he did we must do in order to live right and to serve successfully. Our Master and Saviour when on earth followed the plan recommended by the Psalmist. He studied the Scriptures; lived in perfect harmony with them; and he was an eminently successful



worker—not one failure stained his wonderful record. He "spake as never man spake"; he knew how to comfort the sorrowing; he had power to heal the afflicted; he was able, through God, to finish the work he came to do.

So the real question you and I are facing is, Will we pay the price of success during 1918? Will we hide enough of God's Word in our hearts to serve him acceptably? Every day we should study the Guide Book—eat this bread of eternal life—for our spiritual life is as dependent upon prayer and Bible study as our physical life is on air and food. And we should study the Bible from Gen. 1:1 to Rev. 22:21, for it is all the word of God, and "is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." From cover to cover the Good Book is filled with the help we need for living the victorious life. Do you desire to become a successful Christian worker? Then will you not join with hundreds of other young people in reading the Bible through during 1918?

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPT.

### DENOMINATIONAL HISTORY

A great many questions have been asked recently concerning the membership of our denomination in the United States, our attitude with regard to the bearing of arms, and when individual churches were first organized. Several other questions we find in the questionnaire that have seemed difficult for the average young man to answer. If there ever was a time when our young men, in fact every member of the church, should have a comprehensive knowledge of our own denominational history, that time is now. Every man, woman, and young person of average intelligence, should know why we are Seventh-day Adventists from both a Bible and present history viewpoint.

Quite a number during the past year have received Standard of Attainment certificates, which show that they have passed an examination in Bible Doctrines and Denominational History. There are two books aside from our denominational paper and other magazines, with which all should be familiar at this time. They are "Great Second Advent Movement," and the little book "Outline of Mission Fields." A knowledge of these, our two histor-

ical books, with a careful reading of our denominational paper, the *Review and Herald*, would give us a knowledge of our own history from its beginning to the present time, that would have supplied in many cases, our young men with information that would have saved dollars in long distance telephone calls when filling out their questionnaires recently.

S. A. OBERG.

### SIoux CITY CHURCH SCHOOL

We are glad to report progress in the school work at Sioux City. This is our second year. We have a better school room, the enrollment is larger, and quality of work done by the pupils is better than last year.

In September we began school in the alcove of the little church where we were then holding services. A few weeks later, when we purchased a church of our own, the first thing to receive attention was a room in which to hold school; and a pleasant, comfortable room in the basement was made ready.

A large printing press in the main room of the basement was taken apart and moved out after we had moved into our room. The board partition that separates us from the rest of the basement was but little protection against noise, and at times our only means of communication was by signs. However, good work was done by all, and we learned many things that are not in our school books.

We have had several visits from the children of the neighborhood, who were quite curious at first. A few made unkind remarks about the school until they were persuaded to make us a visit. One little girl still taunts us occasionally about "the old school" that we "made up." But most of our neighbors are friendly now.

December 21 a short program was given by the pupils. We are very thankful to our Heavenly Father for the many blessings he has bestowed upon us.

RUBY L. McSPARRAN.

### THE BULLETIN APPRECIATED

We do not feel safe to defer the matter of subscription longer, since reading the last issue. It is useless to plead negligence at this stage of the game, so here is forty cents for the renewal and we will still be friends. Am glad to note that Iowa

is on the crest of the wave in the Ingathering as well as some other lines of good work. I often think of the pleasant and profitable association with my Iowa brethren and sisters. However, the work is one. Indiana is the home of some very fine people, and the work is moving forward here. Since coming here we have organized a company of nine members into a church. Our Sabbath school has eighteen members. We hope to have others join us soon. Wishing you much of the Lord's blessing, I remain, as ever your brother in Christ.

Knox, Ind.

B. P. SHILLING.

### NORTHEAST DISTRICT

I am glad to say a few words concerning the work in the northeast district.

The greater part of our brethren and sisters have done something in the interest of missions through the Harvest Ingathering. Much more has been done than we had hoped for under existing circumstances, owing to early frost in this section, calls for Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., etc. Some of the churches and individuals have reached their goal, surely the Lord has been good, we have been blessed and we hope many beyond our expectations may be saved as the result. I have enjoyed this work, and have realized providential leadings. I was able to place the special *Watchman* in the hands of traveling men and to receive donations on the train, in depots between trains, etc.

Since our good camp meeting I have visited nearly all the churches, companies and individuals in this district. I find a great many of our people of good courage, and making preparation to meet the soon coming Saviour in peace. Truly we should take heed to the following texts: Rom. 13: 11, 12; Rom. 9: 28; Rev. 22: 12.

Since my last report, it was my privilege to baptize three dear young people at Village Creek; although it was quite cold, they manifested their willingness to follow our Lord, by going forward in this ordinance. One of them has since entered Oak Park Academy. I trust many of our young people now apparently indifferent will follow his example.

It was my privilege to assist Brother F. W. Meyer in a meeting at Kendallville. I was glad to meet



and become acquainted with these dear people, and truly hope that our labors have not been in vain, but that they will yield fruit unto eternal life.

The Week of Prayer was a very precious season to the churches I was able to visit. I met with the Riceville church, December 7. The Lord greatly blessed our coming together, also in the services the next day at Fredericksburg. During the week I visited the following places: Decorah, Waukon and Lansing. At the latter place, I continued the meetings one week with some interest, and when given an opportunity, six manifested their willingness to walk in the light of the commandments.

On my return to the Workers' Meeting, I held quarterly meeting services at Waukon, Lansing and Fredericksburg. Brethren, remember in prayer the work in this district.

J. W. BEAMS.

### CEDAR FALLS

I am sending in the Harvest In-gathering for the Cedar Falls church. We set our goal for \$200 and I am sending today, \$54.35, proceeds of the work done here in town. Brother and Sister G. G. Cramer sent in \$100 for this church, and we already had \$12.00 to our credit, making a total of \$166.35 leaving a shortage of only \$33.65. Nearly all have taken a part in this work and each received special blessings. When I started out, I thought I would set my goal at only \$5.00, but before I finished my territory, I had over \$10.00; then I thought God is that good, I must not stop, so I started out taking the babies with me and have received in all about \$20.00.

MRS. L. L. SIGLIN,  
Missionary Secretary.

### THE NEW SEMESTER

The second semester begins January 16. There will be a number of new studies beginning at this time: Bookkeeping, General Science and Botany. A student may take any Bible class the second semester without having had the first. We are planning to start a class in Arithmetic, providing there are enough to organize a class.

We are always glad to have our students start early so that they will have no difficulty in keeping up

with their classes. They have advantages which others, who come in later, do not have. It is then that we plan for their regular work and many other things in connection with school duties. Much of this work is quite permanent, and there are prospects of students continuing this same work year after year, thus enabling them to meet a fair amount of their school expenses and securing industrial credits. Eighteen credits of literary and manumetal work are required by the full Academic course.

The stress of hard times and high cost of living, material for repairs, etc., has been more than the resources of the school will admit. Therefore the Board recommended that we ask the patrons to add to the tuition charge a dollar per month to help meet these extra expenses, beginning with January 1, 1918.

L. A. HOOPES.

### OBITUARY

STANSBERRY.—Died in Marshalltown, Iowa, December 12, 1917, aged 84 years, 10 months and 18 days. Henry Stansberry was born in Monongalia county, West Virginia, January 24, 1833, and October 25, 1855, he was married to Lucy Long, and to them eight children were born, five of whom are living. Mr. Stansberry served his country in the Civil War, enlisting in the spring of 1862 as a blacksmith, and he was honorably discharged after three years of service. In the spring of 1869 he moved to Harrison county, Iowa, where he made his home until his death, with the exception of a few years the family spent in Nebraska. For nearly half a century he had been a faithful member of the Adventist church, and he died in the blessed hope of eternal life. The funeral service was conducted by the writer at the home of his son near Modale, Iowa, and our brother was laid to rest until the resurrection morning.

W. A. MCKIBBEN.

### THE TASK BEFORE US

Seventh-day Adventists stand face to face with many tremendous tasks. One of the greatest is the giving of the message to the millions of foreign-speaking people in the home field. The presence of these people is a challenge to our faith, our loyalty, our devotion, and our zeal. The accomplishment of it will mean more than the ingathering of a few souls right here. Thousands in the homeland, too, will be influenced thereby.

From 1910 till the close of 1916 more than 5,000,000 immigrants were admitted to our country, and this notwithstanding existing war

conditions since 1914. What shall be done for them while they are here? How will Seventh-day Adventists respond to this challenge?

Over 2,000,000 immigrants returned to their homelands during the ten year period, 1905-1914. What did Christian America, and what did we as a people, give these 2,000,000 to take back? This returning population ought to be made a missionary force, but this will never be done so long as we do not fully realize the great opportunity presented in their presence with us, and neglect our individual duty and responsibility.

While the work of the Lord is fast closing, these neglected souls must have a chance. More and better literature must be prepared. Young men and women out of their own ranks must be trained in our schools.

We have a supply of literature in several of these languages. Our foreign publishing house, the International Branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, in Brookfield, Illinois, is putting forth a tremendous effort to meet some of the great and crying demands for the truth in printed form in these many foreign tongues. \$10,000 will be needed during the coming year with which to put into operation the recommendations passed at the late Fall Council in Minneapolis, with reference to foreign literature. A series of small books similar to the "World's Crisis" and the "World Event Series," is in preparation. These books will cover practically all of the leading features of present truth. We believe that they will be the means of reaching tens of thousands of homes that otherwise would never be reached with this message.

The writer should be glad to give any desired information that interested readers of this article desire. Address, Foreign Department, Brookfield, Illinois.

STEEN RASMUSSEN.

Did you read the first inside page of last week's *Review and Herald*, the selections from "The Editor's Mail Bag?" The suggestion relative to singing in our churches is timely. It might not be out of place to encourage the use of our denominational song book "Hymns and Tunes" for our church services.



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Elder Oberg was at Humboldt, Sabbath, and Fort Dodge, Sunday. He planned going to Riceville the first of the week.

Miss Ruth Ealy of Boone, representing the American Home Finding Association, spent several days as a guest at the Sanitarium.

Sister B. J. Carpenter of Iowa City writes: "I have taken the BULLETIN ever since it was started by Brother LeRoy Nicola as editor thirty years ago."

The Sanitarium is having an unusual patronage for this season of the year. A part of the time last week every room was occupied. On one day there were five operations.

The first shipment of Sabbath school quarterlies was so soon exhausted that the Tract Society had to order a second supply. These were just received the latter part of the week. The late orders were filled as quickly as possible.

Let all try to do just a little more in the Harvest Ingathering during January so that we will yet reach the ten thousand dollar goal as suggested in Elder Ogden's article. Whatever you do will help. It certainly seems that since we are within five hundred dollars of the goal that we can make it.

We would suggest to our church elders and leaders that they present to their congregations the new Twenty-five-cent a week plan so that all of the members will have an intelligent understanding of the plan for raising our funds for 1918. Perhaps a public reading of Elder Ogden's article on that subject in last week's issue of the BULLETIN would help all to understand the plan better.

Have you secured a copy of the Morning Watch Calendar? There are still a few in stock at the Tract Society.

Sister Dorcas went to Wallingford, Friday, in the interests of the Sabbath school Convention to be held in connection with the opening of the new church building.

Iowa led the Pacific Press territory in sales for 1917 by between three and four thousand dollars. This is quite encouraging when we remember that our State was about eighteenth in the list three or four years ago.

The Review of January 10 gave the list of recruits going to the mission fields during 1917. It is an interesting list of names. Truly our line of missionary endeavor is ever enlarging. Its circuit is the ends of the earth.

Have you availed yourselves of the opportunity of securing the seven *Review and Herald* periodicals, "The Review Family Group," regular price \$7.95, all for \$5.50 if ordered before February 1? This is a splendid library of denominational papers—namely, our good church paper, *Review and Herald*, *Youth's Instructor*, *Sabbath School Worker*, *Life and Health*, *Christian Educator*, *Liberty* magazine and *Present Truth*, seven regular publications for a whole year for only \$5.50, if ordered before February 1. Order through the Iowa Tract Society, Nevada, Iowa.

#### A BLUE CROSS

A blue cross over this item shows that your subscription has expired as indicated by the year and month on the yellow address label. We have appreciated the response of so many in renewing, but there are still some names on our list whose subscription is still in arrears. We dislike to cut off a single name. Will you not take this as a personal invitation to renew your subscription at least for one or two years from the time to which your subscription was previously paid? You will be credited ahead from the time of expiration according to the amount of your remittance. Order of the Iowa Tract Society.

#### TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

There will be a Teachers' Institute at Nevada, beginning January 17 at 7:30 p. m., closing Sunday evening, January 20. Nearly all of our teaching force in Iowa will be present. Most of the meetings will be conducted in the Academy. We hope that those in the State who plan to teach church school next year will try to attend all the meetings. Professor Robison, normal director at Union College, and Professor Van Kirk, our Union Educational secretary, will be present during the entire Institute. S. A. OBERG.

#### SHALL WE?

Shall we yet make our \$10,000 Harvest Ingathering goal before we stop? When the books were closed for the year 1917, we had received \$9,334.16, which was over \$2,000 more than the total receipts last year. Since the books were closed, considerable has come in so that we are within just a little less than five hundred dollars of reaching the ten thousand. Just a little more effort and we will yet be able to "go over the top," and at least a little more than reach that splendid mark as a result of our 1917 campaign.

As stated in last issue, what is received during January will be credited to 1918, but we can by keeping at it, have the satisfaction of reaching the \$10,000 by continuing to use the splendid 1917 Ingathering paper. If you can use five, ten or fifty copies, order them of the Iowa Tract Society, as there are still a few in stock. Instead of making it a question "Shall we?" as indicated at the head of this notice, I feel like reversing the words, making it, We shall!

A dollar each from five hundred persons will make it. Some can do more, perhaps as much as five or ten dollars. Surely, many can by a little more effort, collect at least one dollar more during January. Let us make our \$10,000 goal yet.

A. R. OGDEN.

For Sale.—A survey almost new has been given for missions. Any one interested should correspond with the Iowa Conference. The sale of the survey will place the amount into the cause of foreign missions.