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A VALIANT WARRIOR LAID TO REST

It is with deep sorrow in our hearts that we announce the sad news that after many months of failing health, Brother H.G. Warden passed away Tuesday morning, 11:00 A.M., December 3, 1974 at the Tri-City hospital located between Vista and Oceanside California.

He was laid to rest at the Eternal Hills Memorial Park and Mortuary, in Oceanside, California on December 6, 1974.

OBITUARY

Harry Garfield Warden was born November 26, 1884 in a small mining town in Colorado. He was the last of five children. He succeeds two brothers, Herbert and Edward Warden, and two sisters, Daisy Edwards and Evelyn Furgason. He is survived by his widow, Vida V. Warden.

Brother Warden was married to Vida V. Snyder in Los Angeles, California on May 3, 1910. He became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1917. He served in the capacity of Division Secretary of the Colporter work in the Southern California Conference. He was the first Elder from the Seventh-day Adventist church to join the Davidian Seventh-day Adventist Association in 1931.

FUNERAL SERVICE

Prayer.....H.R. Blum
Music..."It is morning in my heart"...Organist
Obituary.....H.R. Blum
Sermon.....Sidney Smith
Music....."Beyond the Sunset".....Organist
Pallbearers: H.R. Blum, L. Haseltine, Athan Slawson, E.F. Reichmann, W. Hixon and Mr. R. Shorey.

PURPOSE

This publication is dedicated to the mission of conveying to Davidian present Truth believers, edifying news and articles of timely significance. This comforter freely gives its time to minister to those who shall be heirs of salvation, and neither collects fees nor charges for its service.

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FUNERAL SERMON

"We are gathered here today to pay our last respects to Brother Warden, who was more than a Brother. To us he was a Patriarch.

"Through the years he served in many capacities too numerous to enumerate. He gave his all to the Lord's work. He took no rest from his tireless efforts to fulfill his great calling. The Lord has seen fit to lay our beloved brother to rest for a little while. 'Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.' Psalms 116:15.

"Today we mourn the loss of a husband, a brother, a fellow-worker and a kingly leader. We do not mourn as some others, because we see that God, who holds the earth in the palm of His hands, is merely working out His own will in His own good way.

"We know the rest Brother Warden will have will be to him as a moment. He will come forth in the special resurrection fully restored to help those who are to be translated to finish the work, as the Spirit of Prophecy states in Volume 7 of the Testimonies page 17: 'Your work, my work, will not cease with this life. For a little while we may rest in the grave, but, when the call comes, we shall, in the Kingdom of God, take up our work once more.'

'And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament: and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.' Daniel 12:2,3.

"Listen carefully to the admonition given in the Spirit of Prophecy concerning our early pioneers. 'EARLY WORKERS TO SPEAK.—God has given me light regarding our periodicals. What is it?—He has said that the dead are to speak. How?—Their works shall follow them. We are to repeat the words of the pioneers in our work, who knew

what it cost to search for the truth as for hidden treasure, and who labored to lay the foundation of our work. They moved forward step by step under the influence of the Spirit of God. One by one these pioneers are passing away. The word given me is, Let that which these men have written in the past be reproduced." Counsels to Writers and Editors p. 28

"We pause here for a moment to repeat some of Brother Warden's favorite quotations taken from the Spirit of Prophecy that he often referred to. 'A great work is to be done, and God sees that our leading men have need of more light, that they may unite with the messengers whom He sends to accomplish the work that He designs shall be done. The Lord has raised up messengers, and endued them with His Spirit, and has said, 'Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show My people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.' " Gospel Workers p. 304

"Another favorite quotation is found in Testimonies to Ministers p. 300. 'Unless those who can help in ___ are aroused to a sense of their duty, they will not recognize the work of God when the loud cry of the third angel shall be heard. When light goes forth to lighten the earth, instead of coming up to the help of the Lord, they will want to bind about His work to meet their narrow ideas. Let me tell you that the Lord will work in this last work in a manner very much out of the common order of things, and in a way that will be contrary to any human planning. There will be those among us who will always want to control the work of God, to dictate even what movements shall be made when the work goes forward under the direction of the angel who joins the third angel in the message to be given to the world. God will use ways and means by which it will be seen that He is taking the

reins in His own hands. The workers will be surprised by the simple means that He will use to bring about and perfect His work of righteousness. Those who are accounted good workers will need to draw nigh to God, they will need the divine touch. They will need to drink more deeply and continuously at the fountain of living water, in order that they may discern God's work at every point.' "

"Brother Warden frequently quoted Ephesians 3:20 in his prayers. ' Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,'" "

REPOSE

"Tis Friday morn; the daylight comes,
To find Vista weeping.
The shrubs and trees with leaves bowed down
For one who now is sleeping.

Grant him a time of light repose,
A moment's sleep he's taking.
The raindrops fall in promise sure
Of harvest at his waking.

Weep not for him-his life is sealed,
'Tis God who holds him fast.
A little rest-then work begins,
The scope is wide and vast.

Let those who love him carry on
The purpose full in view,
The cause for which he gave himself,
Our charge-to see it through.

To those he loved-a faith bequeathed,
As strong as iron bands,
Enabling by the grace of God
To view the labor of his hands. "

The preceding poem was written by Esther Nesbitt and was composed specifically for brother Houteff's funeral, which you will find in Symbolic Code Volume 10 # 3,4 page 7. In verse one we substituted the word "Friday" which in the original was "Sabbath" and the word "Vista" was substituted for the word "Mt. Carmel".

By Sidney Smith

"Every redeemed one will understand the ministry of angels in his own life. The angel who was his guardian from his earliest moment; the angel who watched his steps, and covered his head in the day of peril; THE ANGEL WHO WAS WITH HIM IN THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH, WHO MARKED HIS RESTING PLACE, WHO WAS THE FIRST TO GREET HIM IN THE RESURRECTION MORNING-what will it be to hold converse with him, and to learn the history of divine interposition in the individual life, of heavenly co-operation in every work for humanity!

"All the perplexities of life's experience will then be made plain. Where to us have appeared only confusion and disappointment, broken purposes and thwarted plans, will be seen a grand, overruling, victorious purpose, a divine harmony."
Education p. 305

Sister Vida Warden wishes to take this opportunity to express her appreciation for all the kind expressions of sympathy in her recent bereavement.

THE ELEVENTH-HOUR CHARGE

"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. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.' Isa.60:1-4.

"Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.' John 4:35

"Truly the harvest is great, 'but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into His harvest.' Matt.9:37,38.

"Great demands are everywhere made for the light which God has given to his people; but these calls are for the most part in vain. Who feels the burden of consecrating himself to God and to his work? Where are the young men who are qualifying themselves to answer these calls? Vast territories are opened before us where the light of truth has never penetrated. Whichever way we look we see rich harvests ready to be gathered, but there are none to do the reaping. Prayers are offered for the triumph of the truth. WHAT DO YOUR PRAYERS MEAN, BRETHERN? WHAT KIND OF SUCCESS DO YOU DESIRE?-a success to suit your indolence, your selfish indulgence?-a success that will sustain and support itself without any effort on your part?

"There must be a decided change...which will inconvenience those who are reclining on

their lees, before laborers who are fitted for their solemn work can be sent into the field. There must be an awakening, a spiritual renovation. The temperature of Christian piety must be raised. PLANS MUST BE DEvised AND EXECUTED FOR THE SPREAD OF TRUTH TO ALL NATIONS OF THE EARTH. Satan is lulling Christ's professed followers to sleep, while souls are perishing all around them; and what excuse can they give to the Master for their negligence?

"...Why stand ye here all the day idle?' Why are you not at work in some capacity in his vineyard? Again and again he has bid you, 'Go ye also into my vineyard, and whatsoever is right that shall ye receive.' But this gracious call from Heaven has been disregarded by the LARGE MAJORITY. Is it not high time that you obey the commands of God? THERE IS WORK FOR EVERY INDIVIDUAL WHO NAMES THE NAME OF CHRIST. A voice from Heaven is solemnly calling YOU to duty. HEED THIS VOICE, AND GO TO WORK AT ONCE IN ANY PLACE, IN ANY CAPACITY. Why stand ye here all the day idle? There is work for you to do,-a work that demands your best energies. Every precious moment of life is related to some duty which you owe to God or to your fellowmen, and yet you are idle!' Testimonies, Vol.5, pp. 203,204.

"Let me tell you,' continues the Spirit of Prophecy, 'if your heart is in this work, and you have faith in God, you need not depend upon the sanction of any minister or any people: if you go right to work in the name of the Lord, in a humble way doing what you can to teach the truth, GOD WILL VINDICATE YOU. If the work had not been so restricted by an impediment here, and an impediment there, and on the other side an impediment, it would have gone forward in its majesty. It would have gone in WEAKNESS AT FIRST;

but the God of heaven lives.'-Review and Herald, April 16, 1901 (See also Testimonies, Vol.7, p. 25.)

"A great work of saving souls remains yet to be done. Every angel in glory is engaged in this work, WHILE EVERY DEMON OF DARKNESS IS OPPOSING IT. Christ...expects corresponding self-denial and sacrifice on the part of those whom he came to bless and save. EVERY ONE IS REQUIRED TO WORK TO THE EXTENT OF HIS ABILITY. Every worldly consideration should be laid aside for the glory of God.'-Testimonies, Vol.5, p. 204. This underlies all

LABORERS' QUALIFICATIONS.

"Those who will today hear His voice and harden not their hearts as in the day of provocation, will He make HIS FUTURE SERVANTS.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.' Zech. 4:6. The workers will be 'taught rather by the unction of His Spirit, than by the outward training of scientific institutions...God will manifest that He is not dependent on learned, self-important mortals.' 'The most weak and hesitating in the church, will be as David-willing to do and dare.' Testimonies, Vol.5, pp.82,81.

"I will take illiterate men,'says the Lord, 'obscure men, and move upon them by My Spirit, to carry out My purposes in the work of saving souls. The last message of mercy will be given by a people who love and fear Me.'-Review and Herald, Sept. 21, 1904. 'He will use men for the accomplishment of His purpose WHOM SOME OF THE BROTHERN WOULD REJECT AS UNFIT TO ENGAGE IN THE WORK.' Review and Herald, Feb.9, 1895.

"In this last call for laborers, ALL-SMALL OR GREAT, RICH OR POOR, LEARNED OR ILLITERATE-HAVE THE HIGH AND EXALTED PRIVILEGE OF BECOMING MINISTERS OF CHRIST-

MEN OF HONOR AND DESTINY.

"Present truth leads onward and upward, gathering in the needy, the oppressed, the suffering, the destitute. All that will come are to be brought into the fold. In their lives there is to TAKE PLACE A REFORMATION that will constitute them members of the royal family, children of the heavenly King.'Testimonies Vol. 8, pp. 195, 196.

"To these workers, the 144,000, the Lord graciously promises: 'And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien (those who are not of the 144,000) shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. But ye shall be named the Priests of the Lord; men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves' (Isa.61:5,6), if now ye arise and hasten to effect full

OCCUPATIONAL TRANSITION.

"As this ministry, of which 'there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it' (Joel 2:2), is to be free from all earthly encumbrances, LET NOT ANYONE LONGER DELAY IN EFFECTING THE TRANSITION WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY SEE HIM ENGAGED HEART AND SOUL IN THE LORD'S 'CLOSING WORK FOR THE CHURCH,' in the ingathering of the 'firstfruits' who are to be sealed from among the living in Laodicea. And while giving himself to this work, he will at the same time be preparing himself to give the message in the time of the Loud Cry, which the

purification of the church—the deliverance of the sealed and the destruction of the unsealed—is to usher in, and which the purified are to proclaim.

"Let each one wisely make this imperative transition by GRADUALLY CURTAILING PURSUIT OF HIS OWN INTERESTS, AND INCREASING PURSUIT OF THE LORD'S. In this way, each one will steadily climb from an empty and unsung past of self-enterprise, to a FULL and glorious future of DEVINE ENTERPRISE which will inspire 'from the uttermost part of the earth...songs, even glory to the righteous.' Isa.24:16.

"Now is the time when the Heavenly Householder is inquiring, 'Why stand ye here all the day idle?' and is urging 'Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.' Matt.20:6,7.

"My brethern, if you want a part in this NEVER-SO-GLORIOUS WORK, the crowning act in the redemption of the world, you must now HASTEN QUICKLY TO MAKE READY. LET NOT THE CARES OF THIS LIFE ROB YOU OF THE CROWN OF ETERNAL LIFE. Do not hold back, letting Satan put in your mouth the excuse: 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused;' or, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused;' or, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' Luke 14:18-20. 'For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.' 1 John 2:16,17.

"While yet engaged in your present occupation,

go into the vineyard of the Lord, and as your interest there grows, your own work will diminish until you find yourselves completely divorced from it and wedded to the Lord's.

"Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? But

"SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD"—NOT WAGES.

"If our uppermost thoughts are for the advancement of the Kingdom, then we will be giving no thought as to who will give us our pay, but will rest joyously in the assurance that our NEEDS WILL BE CARED FOR.

"According to the parable, the laborers whom the Master hires, go out in faith not knowing what they are to receive at day's end. If the message of The Shepherd's Rod is God's, then His laborers had better learn that it is to be carried out altogether in His, not in man's way, and that those who are working for pay as reward for their labors, are not working for Christ, but rather for themselves; also that should the office give financial support to any who labor just part time, there would follow the obligation to pay all who did naything, be it little or much—a precedent which could only damage rather than upbuild both the worker and those for whom he might labor.

"Consequently, the only righteous procedure is that all who engage in the work of this sealing message, report their activities to this office, so that it may credit to them the results of their labors. And should there accrue from these efforts sufficient means to enable them to give full time to the teaching of the message, they may be granted full time status, entitling

them to a necessary living expense from the financial results of their labors.

"'Time,' says the Spirit of Prophecy, 'is short, and our forces must be organized to do a larger work. Laborers are needed who comprehend the greatness of the work, and who will engage in it, not for the wages they receive, but from a realization of the nearness of the end. The time demands greater efficiency and deeper consecration' (Testimonies, Vol.9, p. 27) and

CHRISTLIKE GENTILITY.

"'I have this message for you from the Lord: Be kind in speech, gentle in action. Guard yourself carefully, for you are inclined to be severe and dictatorial, and to say rash things. The Lord speaks to you, saying, Watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. Harsh expressions grieve the Lord; unwise words do harm. I am charged to say to you, Be gentle in your speech; watch well your words; LET NO HARSHNESS COME INTO YOUR UTTERANCES OR INTO YOUR GESTURES. BRING INTO ALL YOU DO AND SAY THE FRAGRANCE OF CHRISTLIKENESS. Let not natural traits of character mar and spoil your work. You are to help and strengthen the tempted. Let not self appear in rash words. Christ has given His life for the flock, and for all for whom you labor. LET NO WORD OF YOURS BALANCE SOULS IN THE WRONG DIRECTION. In the minister of Christ there must be revealed CHRISTLIKENESS OF CHARACTER.

"'Rash, overbearing expressions do not harmonize with the sacred work that Christ has given his ministers to do. When the daily experience is one of looking unto Jesus and learning of Him, you will reveal a wholesome, harmonious character. SOFTEN YOUR REPRESENTATIONS, AND LET NOT CONDEMNATORY WORDS BE SPOKEN. Learn of the

great Teacher. Words of kindness and sympathy will do as good as a medicine, and will heal souls that are in despair. The knowledge of the word of God brought into the practical life will have a healing, soothing power. HARSHNESS OF SPEECH WILL NEVER BRING BLESSING TO YOURSELF OR TO ANY OTHER SOUL.

"'My brother, you are to be a representative of the mildness and patience and goodness of Christ. In your talks before the public, let your representations be after Christ's order. 'The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits.' Watch and pray, and SUBDUE THE HARSHNESS which at times breaks out in you. By the grace of Christ dwelling in you, your words may become sanctified. If your brethren do not act just as you think they should, do not meet them with harshness. The Lord has been grieved at times by your SEVERE EXPRESSIONS.' Gospel Workers, pp. 163,164.

'It is not so much what you say,
As the manner in which you say it.
It is not so much the language you use,
As the tones in which you convey it.
The words may be mild and fair,
And the tones may pierce like a dart;
The words may be soft as the summer air,
And the tones may break the heart.'

"'The truth should be presented with divine tact, gentleness, and tenderness. It should come from a heart that has been softened and made sympathetic. We need to have close communion with God,...we are to watch unto prayer, and be ready always to give a reason for the hope that is in us, with meekness and fear. Lest we shall impress unfavorably one soul for whom Christ died, we should keep our hearts uplifted to God,

so that when the opportunity presents itself, we may have the right word to speak at the right time.'-Testimonies, Vol.6, p. 400. This is

THE SCIENCE OF SUCCESS.

"To every worker I would say: Go forth in humble faith, and the Lord will go with you. But watch unto prayer. This is the science of your labor. The power is of God.'-Testimonies, Vol. 7, p. 272.

"I am instructed to say to my fellow-workers, if you would have the rich treasures of heaven, YOU MUST HOLD SECRET COMMUNION WITH GOD, UNLESS YOU DO THIS, YOUR SOUL WILL BE AS DESTITUTE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AS WERE THE HILLS OF GILBOA OF DEW AND RAIN. When you hurry from one thing to another, when you have so much to do that you cannot take time to talk with God, HOW CAN YOU EXPECT POWER IN YOUR WORK?

"Commune with your own heart, and then commune with God. Unless you do this, YOUR EFFORTS WILL BE FRUITLESS, made thus by unsanctified hurry and confusion.'-Gospel Workers, p. 272.

"Those who teach and preach the most effectively are those who wait humbly upon God, and watch hungrily for His guidance and His grace. WATCH, PRAY, WORK-this is the CHRISTIAN'S WATCHWORD. The life of a true Christian is a LIFE OF CONSTANT PRAYER.' Gospel Workers, p. 257.

"A certain preacher whose sermons converted many souls, received a revelation from God that it was not his sermons or works by all means, but the prayers of an illiterate lay brother who sat on the pulpit steps pleading for the success

of the sermon. It may be with us in the all-revealing day. We may believe, after laboring long and wearily, that all honor belongs to another builder whose prayers were gold, silver, and precious stones, while our sermonizing, being apart from prayer, is but hay and stubble.' -C.H. Spurgeon.

"God's messengers must tarry long with Him, IF THEY WOULD HAVE SUCCESS IN THEIR WORK. The story is told of an old Lancashire woman who was listening to the reasons that her neighbors gave for their minister's success. They spoke of his gifts, of his style of address, of his manners. 'Nay', said the old woman, 'I will tell you what it is. Your man is very thick with the Almighty.'

"When men are as devoted as Elijah was and possess the faith that he had, God will reveal Himself as He did then. When men plead with the Lord as did Jacob, the results that were seen then will again be seen. Power will come from God in answer to the prayer of faith.'-Gospel Workers p. 255.

"Rouse to the work, Present Truth teachers! Do the works of Him Who has sent you, 'while it is day,' for the night hasteth, 'when no man can work.' John 9:4. 'And whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive' if ye faithfully teach

THAT ONLY WHICH SHOULD BE TAUGHT.

"The Bible and the books of the Spirit of Prophecy being the sole source of the Shepherd's Rod message, therefore when the Rod is taught, the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy are taught. And since none but the Spirit of Truth, who transmitted the mysteries of Inspiration, can interpret them, then those who attempt to teach

them without this inspired interpretational Authority, inevitably fall into the forbidden practice of private interpretation (2 Pet.1:20)-the great evil which has brought Christendom into its present almost-boundless state of schism and consequent confusion, strife, and impotency.

"As we dare not follow in such a path, we must therefore, as teachers of The Shepherd's Rod (the official publications of the Davidian S.D.A. Association), teach only in the light of the Rod those passages which in one way or another need to be interpreted. **THUS ONLY WILL ALL PRESENT TRUTH BELIEVERS EVER BECOME OF THE SAME MIND, SEEING EYE TO EYE AND SPEAKING THE SAME THINGS** (1 Cor.1:10; 1 Pet.3:8; Isa.52:8).

"And such as do choose to engage in private interpretation are respectfully asked to desist from teaching in the name of the Rod and at its expense. **LET THEM, LIKE HONEST MEN, TEACH IN THEIR OWN NAMES AND AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.**

"Finally, brethern, keep the office posted as to your endeavors, and it shall in turn render every possible support to make your work a success. Now, God speed you! "

This complete article on "The eleventh-hour charge was taken out of the little booklet, "Fundamental Beliefs and Directory", pp. 23-36

"Christians speak much of the Golden Rule-'All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets' (Matt.7:12)-but there is a question as to how many really comply with its requirements in the fullest sense. Are the demands of this Christian rule to be met only in kind deeds, honest business transactions, and missionary activities?

"The purpose herein is to SHOW CLEARLY THE WAY IN WHICH THE GOLDEN RULE IS MOST OFTEN VIOLATED, and which most Christians perhaps do not fully comprehend in respect to the extent that it affects their own lives, the lives of their relatives, friends, associates, and church brethren. Above all, though, THE AIM HEREIN IS TO SHOW FORTH THE INJURY WHICH CHRISTIANS ARE DAILY CAUSING THE WORK OF GOD, either by blindness to God's ways or by their failure to carry out the principle contained in the Golden Rule, by giving unbridled reign to the MOST UNRULY MEMBER OF THE BODY; NAMELY, THE TONGUE.

"We hear much about the pestilential habit of 'Gossip,' which sickens us to the depths, for we as a people hear instruction without stint on the subject, but we obey it not. However, though it is not as sweet music to our ears, we must realize that the problem must be met and dealt with. **WE MUST BE OVERCOMERS, WITH NO GUILF IN OUR MOUTHS, IF WE ARE TO BE AMONG THOSE WHO 'ESCAPE' and who are sent to 'the nations' to proclaim God's 'fame' and His 'glory' 'among the Gentiles' (Isa.66:19,20), and who have a part in the giving of the message in the time of the Loud Cry.**

"'Gossip' is just plain conversing with another to tell idle tales, to tattle, or just to chat about others.

"Information which is unnecessary, or which is unnecessarily given, though it be only absolute fact, is another phase of conversation as equally damaging as gossip.

"To love our neighbor as we do ourselves, we must remember the Golden Rule by guarding our lips, for A WORD ONCE SPOKEN, though it may be retracted, CAN NEVER BE RECALLED, albeit we may apologize and shed many tears in sorrow.

"We may unwittingly drop here or there a word of information that to us at the time would mean nothing at all, but which sooner or later may stare us in the face in a most unpleasant setting and cause us untold distress, worry, and shame.

"Let us for a moment closely observe a person who is successful in his or her profession. Take a nurse, for an example, to illustrate our point. She is of necessity in many cases familiarized with certain circumstances or conditions which perhaps surround her patient. How unbecoming and how damaging to her profession should she tell even to her closet friend, matters which should be held strictly confidential to herself, not to mention to make common talk or gossip of them, or even to pass on the information! No good business person tells his private affairs. Much less others who are not concerned could 'spread the tidings' and yet profess to keep the 'Golden Rule'.

"Information must be given at times, but to 'be wise as serpents and harmless as doves,' it is necessary not only that we learn WHAT is idle talk-gossip-but also that we learn WHY certain information should be given, by WHOM it should be given, and, especially WHEN it should be given.

"Even the habit of expressing our opinion on matters which do not especially concern us, is a deep-seated cause of many evils and unpleasant consequences.

"When we wish to discuss a subject, or when we venture to question others, we must guard our tongue by always bearing in mind that it must be subject to the law which the apostle Paul enjoins upon us in the following concerns. Let each one of us, before discussing any subject, ask:

"IS IT 'TRUE,' or is it merely hearsay--'I have heard'?

"IS IT 'HONEST' (margin, venerable-to be revered), or is it foolish jesting; and does it concern us and our work?

"IS IT 'JUST'-as we would have others do to us? Does it show that we care about our brother's feelings?

"IS IT 'PURE', so that no condemnation shall stand against us?

"IS IT 'LOVELY'? Would it cause us to have greater love for our brother regardless of his mistakes?

"IS IT 'OF GOOD REPORT', that we might thereby learn something for our experience or advancement along life's highway?

"If these concerns are to be considered when asking questions of others, then it would be well for us especially to consider them when narrating to others, for the text further enjoins us to think on these things 'if there be any virtue and if there be any praise.'

"We should be like Paul and 'press toward the mark or the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Let us therefore, as many as be perfect (144,000), be thus minded: and if

in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you'.(Phil.3:14,15.)

"God is striving now to do something for us, but HE CANNOT UNTIL WE SUBMIT OUR TONGUES TO HIM. The longer we put off making this SURRENDER, the more we hinder His intentions for us as His people. And WHAT WE DO NOT DO IN TIMES OF PEACE, WE WILL HAVE TO DO IN TIMES OF TROUBLE.

"He that will love life, and see good days, let him REFRAIN HIS TONGUE FROM EVIL, and his lips that they SPEAK NO GUILE."

"Let us be careful in our speech, so that we speak nothing which we ought not (1 Tim.5:13), 'for in many things we offend all' (Jas.3:2.)

"Some may even think that they are doing good in God's service by giving to others private information on things which concern God's work and His workers only, whereas such presumption is indeed an OFFENSE 'TO ALL' and a GREAT HARM TO GOD'S CAUSE. Some do not understand the fulness of the warfare between Christ and Satan, neither are they conscious when they are criticizing, gossiping, or passing out important information about the work of God, yea, even more, causing others, to form against the institution, opinions which would prejudice them against it for eternity.

"If any man offend not in word, THE SAME IS A PERFECT MAN, and able also to bridle the WHOLE BODY.' (Jas.3:2.)

"Until we can learn when to speak and when to keep silent, regardless who we are, we are still in our sins and UNQUALIFIED FOR SERVICE IN THE LORD'S VINEYARD, for we would in such a case 'betray our trust,' become 'traitors, heady,

and high-minded,' considering our own conceits wiser than that which 'is written,' whereas our counsel, advice, criticism, discussion, and our reporting what we hear or see would be contrary to that which would be fitting to the 144,000, who are without guile in their mouth. (Rev.14:5.)

"But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.' (Matt.5:37.) Those who do this are as 'wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.' Strive to be one of the 144,000, who are without guile in their mouth.

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.'" January-June 1939 Symbolic Code p. 10,11.

"The Lord is testing and proving His people. You may be just as severe and critical with your own defective character as you please; but be kind, pitiful, and courteous toward others. Inquire every day: AM I SOUND TO THE CORE, OR AM I FALSE-HEARTED? Entreat the Lord to save you from all deception on this point. Eternal interests are involved. While so many are panting after honor and greedy of gain, do you, my beloved brethren, be eagerly seeking the assurance of the love of God and crying: WHO WILL SHOW ME HOW TO MAKE MY CALLING AND ELECTION SURE?

"Satan carefully studies the constitutional sins of men, and then he begins his work of alluring and ensnaring them. We are in the thickest of temptations, BUT THERE IS VICTORY FOR US IF WE FIGHT MANFULLY THE BATTLES OF THE LORD. All are in danger. BUT IF YOU WALK HUMBLY AND PRAYERFULLY YOU WILL COME FORTH FROM THE PROVING PROCESS MORE PRECIOUS THAN FINE GOLD, EVEN THAN THE GOLDEN WEDGE OF OPHIR. If careless and prayerless, you will be as sounding brass and a tinkling

cymbal. "
Vol. 9. Testimonies pp. 97,98.

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY

In speaking of a persons faults,
Pray don't forget your own;
Remember those with homes of glass,
Should seldom throw a stone;
If we have nothing else to do
But talk of those who sin,
'Tis better we commence at home,
And from that point begin.

We have no right to judge a man
Until he's fairly tried;
Should we not like his company,
We know the world is wide.
Some may have faults--and who has not?
The old as well as young;
Perhaps we may, for aught we know,
Have fifty to their one.

I'll tell you of a better plan,
And find it works full well;
To try my own defects to cure,
Before of others tell;
And though I sometimes hope to be
No worse than some I know,
My own shortcomings bid me let
The faults of others go.

Then let us all, when we commence
To slander friend or foe,
Think of the harm one word may do
To those we little know.
Remember curses sometimes like
Our chickens, "roost at home."
Don't speak of others' faults until
We have none of our own.

-Joseph Kronthal.
22.

IT DOES NOT PAY TO ARGUE

"Christians are called to be witnesses, not lawyers. Their lives are to testify to the whole universe that Christ Jesus came into the world to save, not to condemn. It is poor policy to argue about anything, BUT IT IS ESPECIALLY WRONG TO ARGUE ABOUT RELIGION. Let us witness instead.

"Most people are more or less prejudiced, because of preconceived ideas and opinions. There are many, however, who, if dealt with tactfully, will admit that they are wrong, but no one enjoys having the fact of his wrong forced down his throat by the other fellow.

"Benjamin Franklin tells how, while he was but a blundering youth, an old Quaker friend taught him a most valuable lesson. The Quaker friend said to him:

"Ben, your opinions have a slap in them for everyone who differs with you. Your friends find they enjoy themselves better when you are not around. You know so much that no man can tell you anything. Indeed no man is going to try, for the effort would lead only to discomfort. So you are not likely to ever know any more than you do now, which is very little. "

"This stinging rebuke forced the young man to profit by it, as is evidenced by his testimony. Says Franklin:

"I even forbade myself the use of every expression that imported a fixed opinion, such as 'certainly', 'undoubtedly', etc., and I adopted instead, 'I conceive,' a thing to be so; or 'it so appears to me at present.' When another asserted something that I thought an error, I denied myself the pleasure of contradicting him

abruptly, and of showing immediately some absurdity in his proposition; and in answering I began by observing that in certain cases or circumstances his opinion would be right, but in the present case there seemed to me some difference.'-'The Reader's Digest,' Jan., 1937, pp. 118, 119.

"Present Truth believers would do well to consider the counsel of the old Quaker friend of Benjamin Franklen. The world, angels, and our brethern all have their eyes on us. LET US STOP ARGUING."
Jan.-June, 1939 Symbolic Code p. 12.

ORGANIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT (Part One)

"Let none entertain the thought that we can dispense with ORGANIZATION. It has cost us much study and many prayers for wisdom, that we know God answered, to erect this structure. It has been built up by HIS direction, through much sacrifice and conflict." The Remnant Church, Ellen G. White p. 18.

"Let none of our brethern be so deceived as to attempt to tear it down, for you will thus bring in a condition of things that you do not dream of. In the name of the Lord I declare to you that it is to stand, strengthened, established, and settled." Ibid., p. 18.

"As our numbers increased, it was evident that without some form of organization there would be great confusion, and the work would not be carried

forward successfully. To provide for the support of the ministry, for carrying the work in new fields, for protecting both the churches and the ministry from unworthy members, for holding church property, for the publication of the truth through the press, and for many other objects, ORGANIZATION WAS INDISPENSABLE."
Ibid., p. 17

"Those who lived in the period of the old message, the judgment of the dead, were under obligation to support it, but now that we are entering into the period of the new message, the JUDGMENT OF THE LIVING, WE ARE DUTY-BOUND TO SUPPORT IT. No longer is there either need or justification for our supporting the old message by itself, aloof from the new. No more so than there is in preaching Noah's prediction of the flood divorced from the future significance which derives from it.

"'...God does not want any man to think that no other message is to be heard but that which he may have given. We want the past message and the FRESH MESSAGE.' says the Spirit of Prophecy.--Review and Herald, March 18, 1890

"Brother, Sister, unless you heed this solemn call, how shall you save your own souls, and how shall this message reach our brethern in the church, swell to a Loud Cry of the Third Angel's Message, and sound the judgment of the living? WILL YOU TAKE THE BREAD FROM YOUR OWN TO FEED IT TO THE GENTILES, AND THUS HAVE THEM BOTH FALL TOGETHER IN THE 'VALLEY OF ACHOR'?"

"The instructions in the Shephred's Rod, Vol. 1, p. 251, 'Pay your honest tithe and offering to your church, and feel that 'IT IS' your Father's house,' came near the close of 1930,

before the leading brethren, as a denomination, had rejected the sealing message. Clearly, then, The Shepherd's Rod had faithfully discharged its duty in refusing to accept any tithes or offerings UNTIL AFTER THE BOOKS WERE SCATTERED THOUGH-OUT THE DENOMINATION, AND AFTER THE BRETHERN BEGAN BITTERLY TO OPPOSE THE MESSAGE. Now, though, since the opposition is no longer passive, but intensely active, and the proclamation of the message supremely urgent, the only course open is apparent. IT WILL TAKE AN ARMY OF WORKERS, INCLUDING THE TITHES AND THE OFFERINGS, TO REACH THE PEOPLE."

Tract 4. pages 65,66

"I wish that I could tell you all you want to know, but I cannot say how soon the separation, the purification of the church, (Vol. 5, p. 80), will take place, God alone knows the time. All I know is that it cannot take place before we prepare the way, before our God-given work in connection with Ezekiel 9 is done."

2 T.G. #41 p. 3.

"And just as soon as this message reaches every church member, just THAT SOON WILL THE PURIFICATION TAKE PLACE." 1T.G. #12 p. 26.

"...He must have a people in whom to confide His Truth and by whom to save those who choose to go His way." 1 T.G. #2 p. 22.

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

"How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear WITHOUT A PREACHER?

"And how shall they preach, EXCEPT THEY BE SENT? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace,

and bring glad tidings of good things!"
Romans 10:13-15

"We had a hard struggle in establishing organization. Notwithstanding that the Lord gave testimony after testimony upon this point, the opposition was strong, and it had to be met again and again. But we knew that the LORD GOD of Israel was leading us, and guiding by HIS providence. We engaged in the work of ORGANIZATION, and marked prosperity attended this advance movement."
THE REMNANT CHURCH p. 17.

"Satan well knows that success can only attend ORDER and HARMONIOUS ACTION...therefore he deceives even the professed people of God and makes them believe that ORDER and DISCIPLINE are enemies to spirituality, that the only safety for them is to LET EACH PURSUE HIS OWN COURSE, and to remain especially distinct from bodies of Christians who ARE UNITED and ARE laboring to establish discipline and HARMONY of ACTION. All the efforts made to establish order are considered dangerous, a restriction of rightful liberty, and hence are feared as popery." Ibid., p. 19.

"Men arise speaking perverse things to draw away disciples after themselves. They claim that God has given them great light; but HOW DO THEY ACT UNDER IT'S INFLUENCE? Do they pursue the course that the two disciples pursued on their journey to Emmaus? When they received light, they returned and found those whom God had LED and was still LEADING, and told them how they had seen JESUS and had talked with him." Ibid., p. 37.

"Have the men who have claimed to have light concerning the church pursued this course? Have they gone to those who are CHOSEN OF GOD to bear a living testimony, and given them EVIDENCE that THIS light would better qualify them to prepare

a people to stand in the GREAT DAY OF THE LORD? Have they sought counsel of those who have been and are still bearing the TRUTH, and given to the world the LAST MESSAGE of warning? Have they counseled with those who have had a deep experience in the things of God?" Ibid., p. 37.

How clear it is that both the former and latter rain emphasize the importance of organization if our God-given work is to be carried out in a thorough and systematic way.

"GOD IS A GOD OF ORDER. Everything connected with heaven is in perfect order; subjection and thorough discipline mark the movements of the angelic host. Success can only attend order and harmonious action. God requires order and system in His work now no less than in the days of Israel. All who are working for Him are to labor intelligently, not in a careless, haphazard manner. He would have His work done with faith and exactness, that He may place the seal of His approval upon it." Patriarchs and Prophets p. 376.

By E.F.R.

ALL OUT EFFORT PLANNED TO RECLAIM THE CHURCH.

Many Davidians have asked themselves, when will the church be purified, and the long awaited kingdom be ushered in? Inspiration gives us the answer: "...It cannot take place before WE PREPARE THE WAY, before our GOD-GIVEN WORK in connection with Ezekiel 9 is done. THEN it will come to pass that THE LORD WILL SUDDENLY COME TO HIS TEMPLE (the church) and purify the sons of Levi, the ministry (Mal.3:1-3)." 2 T.G. #41 p. 3.

What is the work that God wants us to do?

Again inspiration has the answer: "...Just as soon as this MESSAGE REACHES EVERY CHURCH MEMBER, just that soon will the purification take place." 1 T.G. # 12 p. 26. "It will take an ARMY OF WORKERS, including the tithes and the offerings, to reach the people." Tract 4. p. 66.

We believe the Lord has shown us a way to contact our brethren in the church that will counteract prejudice and open the eyes and the ears of those who are honest in heart. If every member of the church must hear this message before the purification can take place then we must find a way to contact our brethren by mass media.

One of our council members has purchased an opaque overhead projector and screen for the purpose of holding a series of Evangelistic meetings in many Adventist communities. We hope in the near future to have these Evangelistic series going on in many areas at the same time. After the series are completed in each area, Bible workers will follow up the interests with deeper studies from the Golden Bowl. We plan a different approach than has ever been used in the past.

Why is it that we don't start a baby out at birth on solid foods? Is it not because they are too young and would develop indigestion? Would not the same logic pertain to spiritual food? We have in the past attempted to feed the Laodiceans on the butter and the honey which has been too concentrated for them as they have not yet assimilated the Early rain. "In the East the former rain falls at the sowing time. IT IS NECESSARY IN ORDER THAT THE SEED MAY GERMINATE. ...THE LATTER RAIN, falling near THE CLOSE OF THE SEASON, ripens the grain and prepares it for the sickle. ...the Holy Spirit is given to carry forward, from one stage to another, the

process of spiritual growth. ...But unless THE FORMER RAIN has fallen, THERE WILL BE NO LIFE; the green blade will not spring up. UNLESS THE EARLY SHOWERS have done their work, THE LATTER RAIN CAN BRING NO SEED TO PERFECTION."
Testimonies to Ministers p. 506.

The fact that the church as a whole has not accepted the Latter rain should prove to us as Davidians that the Former rain has not done its work. The latter rain would only cause the seed to rot in the soil if the former rain has not germinated the seed.

It is for this reason that we have prepared special booklets for the Evangelistic meetings, using only the former rain and the Bible, but using the logic of the latter rain to explain the message of the 11th hour. We plan to prepare about a dozen booklets covering the fundamentals of this 11th Hour Message. We are on booklet # 4 at this time. When we complete all 12 booklets then we will send them to any of our members who requests them. WE DO NOT WANT THEM TO GET OUT INTO THE FIELD AHEAD OF TIME. Please bare with us. The workers who will follow up the Evangelistic series will use the Rod Literature (Latter Rain).

In Areas where we don't have workers we will use church directories. Any having access to church directories and wishing to help in this all out endeavor to rescue the church, may send them in to our headquarters, P.O. Box 696, Vista, Calif. 92083. "With the end of the long journey in view, the work was never so short, and the laborers never so few, as now. Self-evident, therefore, is the fact that SATAN'S SUPREME EFFORT at this hour must be to CAUSE THE TIME TO BE WASTED AND THE WORK TO GO UNDONE." 1 Answer p. 68, 69. We welcome any comments and suggestions.

***** W.B.

THE HEALTH CORNER

THE DIET FOR TRANSLATION

Question No. 155

"Does 'Counsels on Health' p. 42 mean that we who are preparing for translation must lay aside all manner of vegetables, nuts, and roots, and thus LIVE ON GRAINS AND FRUITS ONLY?"

Answer:

"We do not understand that simply because in this one instance grains and fruits are mentioned, vegetables, nuts, and roots should be discarded from the diet of those who are preparing for translation, for in the same book, pages 114 and 115, we read:

"The mother should study to set a simple yet nutritious diet before her family. God has furnished man with abundant means for the gratification of an unperverted appetite. He has spread before him the products of the earth,--a bountiful variety of food that is palatable to the taste and nutritious to the system. Of these our benevolent heavenly Father says we may freely eat. FRUITS, GRAINS, AND VEGETABLES, prepared in a simple way, free from spice and grease of all kinds, make, with milk or cream, the MOST HEALTHFUL DIET. They impart nourishment to the body, and give a power of endurance and a vigor of intellect that are not produced by a stimulating diet."

"On page 42, only 'grains and fruits' are mentioned, whereas, on page 115 fruits, grains, and vegetables of all kinds are urged as the best articles of food for our diet. Furthermore, on neither pages (42, 115), are nuts mentioned, but 'Ministry of Healing,' p.298 says: 'With nuts may be combined grains,

fruits, and some roots, to make foods that are healthful and nourishing. Care should be taken, however, not to use too large a proportion of nuts.'

"Thus we see that our diet must be composed of GRAINS, FRUITS, NUTS, AND VEGETABLES OF ALL KINDS, INCLUDING ROOTS.

"To take from an author's writings, as the basis of a subject, one statement independent of all others pertaining to it, is not just, unless it is so warranted by the author himself. Had Sister White meant that we should use nothing but grains and fruits, she, herself, would have given the reason for including nuts and roots at one time, and excluding them at another time. Hence, inasmuch as she nowhere states that we should cease using vegetables, nuts, and roots, we have no right on the strength of some of her writings to urge upon anyone, burdens that are one sided, onerous, and impossible to carry out.

"Still further, as those who are to be translated are to return to the same diet which, in the beginning before nature was marred by sin, was given to the holy family in the garden of Eden, God is now saying to us: 'Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.' (Gen.1:29.) This scripture teaches that the DIET FOR THOSE WHO ARE TO BE TRANSLATED WILL BE COMPOSED OF HERBS (GRAINS AND VEGETABLES OF ALL KINDS) BEARING SEED, AND THE FRUIT OF 'EVERY TREE' (FRUITS AND NUTS) YIELDING SEED.

"When the Lord says in Genesis 3:18, 19: 'And thou shalt eat the herb of the field; in

the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground,' we are to understand that He added the herb to the man's diet after he sinned (for herb bearing seed was a part of the dietary before sin entered), but simply that that which the earth produced without man's having to sweat, man was from then on to produce from the soil by perspiration and hard labor." Symbolic Code, Vol.3 #3,4 (Mar.-April, 1937) pp. 15,16.

THE QUESTION BOX

WHEN ARE WE TO KEEP THE FEASTS?

"...at the close of the Assyrian period and in THE TIME WHEN THE WICKED NO LONGER WILL BE IN THE CHURCH, God's people in it are to keep their solemn feasts and perform their vows. The LORD'S SUPPER being one of the solemn feasts, it will be celebrated next IN THE TIME WHEN THE WICKED ARE NO MORE TO PASS THROUGH THE CHURCH." Vol.12 # 6,7 p. 12 of the Symbolic Code.

WILL THE SLAUGHTER OF EZEKIEL 9: TAKE PLACE IN THE PROTESTANT CHURCHES AS WELL AS THE REMNANT CHURCH?

"...the slaying takes place in the church among THOSE WHO ARE WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE THINGS OF GOD, ...the slaying takes place IN THE CHURCH ONLY," 1 T.G. # 52 pg. 24

WHOM DOES GOD ALWAYS RECOGNIZE AS HIS CHURCH?

"It has multiplied to us the proof that the Seventh-day Adventist denomination is the CHURCH OF GOD." Tract 7 ;. 68, 69.
"Not THOSE WHO LAG BEHIND, but THOSE WHO MARCH

ON WITH THE MESSAGES OF GOD, as time goes on, are ALWAYS RECOGNIZED BY HEAVEN AS THE CHURCH."

2 T.G.#34 p. 24.

WHO IS THE WAVE-SHEAF FOR THE DEAD AND THE LIVING?

"So Christ, the first fruits, and those who with Him at His resurrection came forth from the grace, raised to everlasting life, WERE THE ANTI-TYPICAL WAVE-SHEAF OF THE DEAD. And since the wave-sheaf of grain pointed forward to the ingathering of the first fruits of the field, just so those who arose with Christ, being the first fruits of the dead, POINTED FORWARD to the ingathering of the gospel's first fruits-the 120 disciples. But as THOSE WHO AROSE WITH CHRIST ascended with Him as trophies of His victory over death and the grave, THEY THEREBY BECAME A LIVING TYPE, AND THUS THE WAVE-SHEAF OF THE LIVING.

"From these facts it can more clearly be seen that those whom Christ took with Him were the LIVING WAVE-SHEAF and the only one that has been offered in the heavenly sanctuary; and that AS ONES RAISED FROM THE DEAD, THEY ARE THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE DEAD, whereas as ONES EVERLIVING before the Father, THEY ARE THE LIVING WAVE-SHEAF OF THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE LIVING, THE 144,000 SERVANTS OF GOD, ..." Tract 3. pp.79,80.

WHO ARE THE FIRST ONES TAKEN TO THE KINGDOM?

"Accordingly, the antitypical Passover will take place in the time of the firstfruit harvest-the sealing of the 144,000, the firstfruits, THE FIRST TO GO TO ANTITYPICAL JERUSALEM, THE FIRST TO STAND ON MOUNT ZION with the Lamb, the first born of the Spirit." 1 S.R. (p.e.) 56.

"And as the stone grows and becomes 'a great

mountain' (verse 35) after it is 'cut out', it obviously AT FIRST REPRESENTS THE KINGDOM IN ITS INFANCY-THE 'FIRST FRUITS'ONLY...

"The 'mountain,' the kingsom of God, clearly, then, IS BEGUN WITH THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE LIVING (the 144,000) AND FOLLOWED BY THE SECOND FRUITS OF THE LIVING (the great multitude-Rev. 7:9)," Tract 9 page 41.

"After the judgment work in the house of God (1 Peter 4:17) is completed and the 144,000 guileless servants of God, the first fruits (Rev.14:4) TAKE THEIR HIGH AND EXALTED POST WITH THE LAMB ON MT. ZION (Rev.14:1), THEN COMMENCES THE INGATHERING OF THE SECOND FRUITS." 1 T.G. #5 page 5.

WHO ARE THE 200,000,000?

"Now at first impulse you may tell me that I was wrong a few moments ago when I told you that the number of God's army will grow from 144,000 to 200,000,000. You may say it because this verse says that there will be so GREAT A MULTITUDE to be converted that they could not be numbered. But you must not fail to remember that REVELATION 7:9 INCLUDES NOT ONLY THE 200,000,000 'horses' BUT ALSO THEIR CONVERTS which are represented by the tails." Symbolic Code Vol.12#2, p. 17.

"And I will also take of them for priests and for Levites, saith the Lord." (Isa. 66:21)

"Of those that are gathered, God will take some for priests and Levites. THAT IS WHAT WILL SWELL THE FORCE TO 200,000,000 horses." Symbolic Code Vol.12#2 p.21

(The gathered ones referred to here are found in Isa.66:20. See page 20 of the above Symbolic Code.) "Verse 21: 'And I will also take of them for Priests and for Levites, saith the Lord.' We

have previously explained that the 144,000 are to be priests and Levites, but in this verse the Lord says HE WILL TAKE ALSO OF THE GENTILES 'FOR PRIESTS AND LEVITES'" . I S.R. 171,172.

HOW WILL SATAN ATTEMPT TO DECEIVE DAVIDIANS?

"The enemy made Laodiceans believe they have no need of more Truth, that they have all Truth that is necessary to get them through Heaven's portals, Although God has declared that they are in need of everything, and are about to be spued out (Rev.3:16).

Now we really are enriched with Truth if we have studied and assimilated what has been given us,...Therefore the Devil is not going to attack us where he attacked Laodiceans, but HE WILL TELL US THAT WE ARE POOR IN TRUTH. HE WILL DO THIS IN ALMOST ANY WAY." Symbolic Code Vol.11#2 p. 11.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SESSION.

We plan to have a session this year and invite all to come who are interested in seeing the 11th Hour Message go forward. We would like to hear from the folks in the field so as to arrive at a date that would be satisfactory for the majority. Please notify headquarters by mail by the 1st of March 1975.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

"All Davidians whose Certificate of Fellowship has expired are requested to promptly communicate their desire for renewal of the same.

"Those who have recently accepted the Davidian Truth and are supporting the timely message and

living out its principles, should request the Davidian Association to send them an application blank for fellowship. A Certificate of Fellowship will be granted upon satisfactorily filling out the application.

"The applicant must be striving to be an overcomer--to be freed from sin, to keep the Truth, and to continue in the race; striving not to fall, but resolving, in case he should fall, to rise again and to press on more determined than ever to reach the goal. He must be able thus conscientiously to sign the application for fellowship.

"If the applicant is unable to comply in full with all the requirements of the Message, then to his application he must attach a satisfactory statement of explanation." S.C.Vol.10#1. p. 11.

Because of the heavy work load here at headquarters, we failed to get our Code out by Jan.1. This has made us late in reminding those in the field to send in for their application for Certificate of fellowship. We regret this delay.

NEW FIELD WORKERS.

Brother and Sister Sidney Smith have been put to work full time by the Association. We are planning on adding more in the near future.

NEW COUNCIL MEMBER.

A vacancy was created in the Executive Council by the passing away of Brother H.G. Warden. The vacancy was filled by Brother Sidney Smith. The existing Council will deeply miss Brother Warden's mature counsel and leadership.

PRINTING PRESS.

Our Association has purchased a Printing Press. We plan in the near future to do our own printing.

REQUEST FOR OLD SYMBOLIC CODES.

We here at headquarters are attempting to complete our collection of all the old Symbolic Codes, starting back from the inception of the message. We have been able to get most of them but a few are still missing. WE NEED VOLUME 3 # 8,9,10 and VOLUME 4 # 10,11,12. If any of you in the field have these Codes, we would appreciate your sending them to headquarters for us to make copies. We will be very careful in handling them and will send them back to you by return mail. We would like to print some of the sermons from the old Codes in our current Codes from time to time so that all can have the benefit derived from them. Maybe some of you noticed in this current Code some of the sermons reproduced from the old Codes. There is much counsel and admonition that all could benefit by in reading them. We hope you have enjoyed them.

"Indeed, in the very nature of the case, THE ELEVENTH-HOUR MOVEMENT MUST TRIUMPH, for being the last, the one to garner in the harvest, then should it fail, EVERYONE IN THE WORLD TODAY WOULD FOREVER REMAIN LOST. Double, therefore are the reasons that the Lord purposes it to stand. Thus the DAVIDIANS HAVE BEEN CALLED TO 'THE KINGDOM FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS.'" Answer Book # 1., p. 68.
