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THE COMING CONFERENCE

THIS is the last issue of the REPORTER before our annual conference convenes, Feb. 1-8. This will be an important gathering for the work in Indiana. The officers for the coming year are to be elected, the conference is to say who shall be the licensed workers the coming year, and plans should be laid for aggressive work along every line.

We shall try to plan for daily Bible studies, praise services, and preaching service each night. Let all begin to pray much that God's will may be carried out in this gathering, and not the selfish desire of any person.

We have the promise of good help at this gathering. Elder Moon, President of the Lake Union Conference, will be with us all through the meeting, and we think that Elder Daniels will be with us a portion of the time. We have also invited Elder G. B. Thompson and believe he will be with us. Undoubtedly other members of the Lake Union Conference Committee will be with us a portion of the time, so that we will be abundantly supplied with efficient help.

We hope to spend some time in giving instructions to church officers. A question-box will be prepared so that written questions can be asked upon different topics. We would be glad to have officers of the church selected as far as possible as delegates, so that they may receive the instruction, and then go home to carry it into effect.

If there was ever a time when selfish interests and ambitions should be put away, and God's will be the only thing sought, it is now. Time is short; and we can not afford to make mistakes now. In a multitude of counselors there is safety. We are glad that the prospects are so favorable to our having experienced laborers with us upon this occasion.

We are living in an important time; and no person should be quick to put forth his hand to "steady the ark," unless he knows that God has appointed him to that work. One had better fall upon the Rock and be broken, than have the Rock fall upon him and grind him to powder. Now is the time to humble ourselves before God that He may exalt us in due time.

It shall be my constant prayer that God may so direct this conference that plans will be laid that will advance the work in Indiana the present year more rapidly than ever in the past. To this end let us all pray and work. W. J. STONE.

INDIANA CONFERENCE, NOTICE!

THE thirty-sixth annual session of the Indiana Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists will be held in Jonesboro, Indiana, February 1-8, 1909. The opening meeting will be held Monday, February 1, 1909, at 7:30 P. M. The meeting is for the purpose of electing officers and transacting any other necessary business.

The basis of representation is one delegate for each twenty members or fractional part thereof. All churches should be represented, and, if possible, by a full delegation.

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INDIANA ASSOCIATION MEETING

THE fifth annual session of the Indiana Association of Seventh-Day Adventists will be held in Jonesboro, Grant County, Indiana, in connection with the thirty-sixth annual session of the Indiana Conference, February 1-8, 1909. The meeting is for the purpose of electing a board of trustees, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the association. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, February 3, 1909, at 9:30 A. M.

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ORGANIZATION

Plan of Selecting Conference Officers

THE plan first adopted in selecting conference officers was the same as that recommended in organizing a church. The minister organizing was to select a committee of two or three consecrated brethren of ability and good judgment, and unitedly they were to look over the membership, seeking wisdom from God as to who were best qualified to fill the offices of the church. The names were then put in nomination before the church, who were to consider

them, and elect these, or others, if in their judgment there were others better qualified. The same plan was pursued in selecting conference officers, save that the president named a committee to act aside from himself. As the work enlarged and numbers increased, the nominating committees were usually five in number, instead of three.

The first public objection to this plan, known to the writer, occurred Feb. 15, 1872, in Bloomfield, Cal., at the organization of the California state Conference. There three professed Sabbath-keepers publicly raised objections to the chairman of the meeting—who had been chosen by delegates present—appointing the committee on nominations, credentials, and resolutions. In a stormy manner, and with a bitter spirit, these men claimed that such naming of committees and in fact the naming of men for office, should be left open to the whole church, for them to name candidates as was done in political meetings; then let all have a chance to speak, and ballot to see who got the highest number of votes, etc.

These men in a turbulent manner passed their views, hardly giving opportunity for either Brother or Sister White, who were both present, to say anything. In their remarks these men often said they did not believe in one-man power. Finally Brother White obtained the floor, and calmly said to the leading one of the three, "I see you do not believe in one-man power unless you can be that one man." Brother and Sister White openly condemned the course these men proposed in the matter of nominating and electing officers and indorsed the plan our people were then pursuing.

To show how the Lord regarded the opposition of these men to the system of church order established among this people, we quote the following from a message sent to the leading one: "You will one day realize what you have lost by placing yourself in a defiant position, warring in spirit against the servants of God. Your bitterness of feeling toward Elder H— is astonishing. He has endured, and sacrificed, and toiled on this coast to do the work of God. But in your blindness, while unconsecrated in heart and life, you have ventured, in

connection with I— and J—, to handle the servant of God in a cruel manner. . . . Satan has been using you as his agent to insinuate doubts, and to reiterate insinuations and misrepresentations which have originated in an unsanctified heart, which God would have cleansed from its pollution. But you refused to be instructed, refused correction, rejected reproof, and followed your own will and way."—Test. V. 4, p. 229.

This testimony clearly indorses the position of the Lord's servants in the conference at Bloomfield, and as clearly condemns the course of the three men who there set themselves in battle array against it. The point involved in this part of the "system" of order, is in having committees to nominate officers, etc. The mode of selecting such committees has varied from time to time. The plan which has seemed to give the best satisfaction, both in the General Conference and in the state conferences, has been for the whole conference committee to select a list of various committees to be announced by the chairman.

In one or two instances where "one-man power" was feared, the conferences have adopted the laborious plan of having all the delegates ballot for a committee who should select and announce the nominating committee. During the past year the writer learned of one church which has been well equipped with good officers, but some of its members were pressing the sentiment of no nominating committees, choosing rather to "let the Lord guide without man's judgment or reasoning in the matter. To do this it would not do to even ballot for officers." They decided that the names of each and every member of the church must be written on separate cards. After the cards were all placed in a hat, while praying, one brother should take from the hat the first card touched. The Lord left them to learn the folly of "leaving to Him what He had left to them." Why would He give us the qualifications of officers, if He would choose them independently of our thoughts? This church wanted five officers, including the officers for the Sabbath-school and missionary society. Out of five drawings from the hat, four times the name of a little girl was

drawn, who had not the ability for filling even one of the offices.

That church learned a lesson, and decided best to have the old plan carried out, and called for a minister to come and set them in order. This was done in the usual way. The last report from the company was, "All harmonious and prospering now." J. N. LOUGHBOROUGH.



ANNUAL RELIGIOUS LIBERTY OFFERING

THAT the Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference may have means to carry on its work, one day each year is set apart for an annual offering for the religious liberty work. The day appointed for this year's offering is Sabbath, Feb. 6, 1909. A program for the day has been prepared, and will appear in the *Review* of January 28. We hope that every church will faithfully carry out the program; for surely this is an important branch of the work and needs our hearty support.

"A great crisis awaits the people of God. A great crisis awaits the world. The most momentous struggle of all the ages is just before us." "There are many, even of those engaged in this movement for Sunday enforcement, who are blinded to the results which will follow this action. They do not see that they are striking directly against religious liberty. There are many who have never understood the claims of the Bible Sabbath and the false foundation upon which the Sunday institution rests. Any movement in favor of religious legislation is really an act of concession to the papacy, which for so many ages has steadily worked against liberty of conscience. . . . When our nation shall so abjure the principles of its government as to enact a Sunday law, Protestantism will in this act join hands with popery; it will be nothing else than giving life to the tyranny which has long been eagerly watching its opportunity to spring into active despotism. . . . We as a people have not accomplished the work God has committed to us. We are not ready for the issue to which the enforcement of the Sunday law will bring us. It is our duty, as we see the signs of approaching peril, to arouse

to action . . . We are not doing the will of God if we sit in quietude doing nothing to preserve liberty of conscience."—*Test. 33, pp. 239-242.*

Can there be anything more clear and pointed than the foregoing? The Lord is good to enlighten His people. A crisis indeed awaits the people of God and the people of the world. This crisis circles around the Sunday Sabbath and its enforcement by law. But the people of the world are blinded as to the issue. It is our duty, to enlighten them. The Lord says, "We as a people have not accomplished the work God has committed to us." "It is our duty as we see the signs of approaching peril, to arouse to action." Are there any who do not see the "sign of approaching peril"? What means the recent organization of the Catholic Church Extension Society, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and Lord's Day Alliance of the United States? The definite aims and purposes, as expressed in resolutions at recent meetings of these organizations, regarding Sunday and its enforcement, are unmistakable signs of the "approaching crisis."

To meet this crisis is the special work of the Religious Liberty Department. This department has been quite active during the past year, and a good work has been done. Thousands of letters have been written, many lectures given, and literature has been distributed as the leaves of autumn. The funds are exhausted. Shall the work cease? I hear you say, "Yes, we want to complete the work God has entrusted to us." This is good. May the offering Sabbath, Feb. 6, show that this is what we truly intend to do.

A. L. MILLER.

INTERESTING EXPERIENCES DURING THANKSGIVING WEEK

I THINK all our church enjoyed the Thanksgiving work very much. It was a grand opportunity to speak of the Message to the people. We also gave out much literature, papers, tracts, etc., for we made it a point to leave something where we failed to get a donation.—Mrs. L. E. Graff, Missionary Secretary of Sun-man church.

We are not ready to report in full

as yet for some have promised to give donations, but have not yet done so. One man who gave \$1.00 has promised to give \$1.00 more as soon as he can spare it, and others are similarly situated.

I mailed a copy of the *Review* to a lady, thinking she would be interested, and this week my wife saw her, and she wants to subscribe for the paper. She gave a donation of twenty-five cents. Another lady in the same neighborhood gave thirty-five cents, all she had, and we think she will also become a subscriber. Sometime ago I dropped a *Review* in front of a house, and a few days since I called on the lady with the *Thanksgiving Review*. As soon as she saw it she said she longed for that paper. She told me that she had picked up the paper that I had lost when I passed there once before, and she declared it to be the best paper she ever saw.

A German came six miles to have a talk with me on the Sabbath question, with good results. One man told me the prejudice is giving way here. I never saw anything make friends like these *Reviews*. I received good donations from the pastors here.—N. Carahoot, Elder of Patricksburg church.

THE Dana church took one hundred copies of the *Review*, and most of the members assisted in distributing them. We took in \$12.43 donations. We had our missionary meeting December 5; most all took part, and it was a very interesting meeting.—Richard R. Ford, Elder.

I HAD some very interesting experiences soliciting, which, I presume, were similar to many of other solicitors. The first man I approached was the president of the University. He is a devoted disciple here and is opposed to giving anything to enterprises outside of Valparaiso. My banker here gave me fifty cents, one professor gave me a quarter, and another, a dollar. The grocer gave me a quarter, and a widow with whom we lived last summer gave twenty cents. I passed out eight papers, some of them while going with a teacher from one class to another.

I have felt it a privilege to have a part in this work although it was of necessity done hurriedly.

We have some interested ones here,

and pray that we may have judgment to lead them into the light.—C. L. Stone.

IN regard to the *Thanksgiving Review*, nearly all of the one hundred papers have been given away and most of them brought donations. The amount collected is \$18.17. While this is not large, we are glad that we did something and all feel repaid for the effort. Two of the papers brought \$1.00 each. I was out about four and one-half hours, left ten papers and received \$2.55. After presenting the papers to one man and speaking of the missionary cause, he gave one dollar without changing words. I wish I could have done more.—Miss Blanche E. Hicks, Missionary Secretary Mt. Zion Church.

NEW HOPE

AFTER the camp-meeting at North Vernon I labored there until the Week of Prayer, when I came home for the fourth time in six months. Quite an interest was awakened during the Week-of-Prayer meeting held with the New Hope church, and services were continued for a time, three uniting with the church as a result.

On the morning of December 24, I had the privilege of burying two new converts to the truth with their dear Lord in baptism. The presence of the Lord was deeply felt.

The last Sabbath of the Week of Prayer and on Sunday, Elder W. A. Young was with us. The annual offering for missions was made on Sabbath.

U. S. ANDERSON.

IMPORTANT TO DELEGATES

EVERY delegate to the next session of the Indiana Conference to be held at Jonesboro, February 1-8, should at once write to D. S. Hammond, Jonesboro, Ind., asking for reservation to be made for lodging. Delegates who fail to write to Brother Hammond of their intention to come to the conference, will cause extra work for the locating committee when they arrive. Please attend to this matter immediately.

Those arriving on the Indiana Union Traction cars should get off at Fifth Street and walk one square east to the Methodist church, where the conference is to be held. Those

coming on the Big Four railroad can easily find Fifth Street and go to the church. Any who find it most convenient to come on the Pennsylvania lines to Gas City can get a car any hour to Jonesboro.

All are requested to come as early in the afternoon Monday, February 1, as possible, in order that the locating committee may assign places to all before dark. This committee will be at the church early in the afternoon to meet those who come at that time.

Arrangements are being made to provide meals at twenty cents each, but lodging will be free. As the expense of attending the session is therefore made very low, it is hoped that all churches will be fully represented. Do not forget to write Brother Hammond if you expect to attend, but if you decide at the last minute that it is possible for you to go, do not remain away because you have not written.

Because some of the friends who are furnishing lodging are not supplied with extra blankets, those who are accustomed to sleeping between blankets had better furnish their own. In addition to blankets delegates are requested to bring song books.



WEEK OF PRAYER MEETINGS

SABBATH, December 12, I met with the Wolf Lake church, conducting the reading for the day. The children took a lively interest in their program. From the testimonies borne, it was evident that the reading had reached hearts.

On Wednesday, the 16th, I met with the Goshen company.

Daily meetings were held at Ligonier. Friday evening, the 18th, Elder Moon spoke on Religious Liberty; a number of those not of our faith, listened with interest to the word spoken. Sabbath, the 19th, Bro. McCaig, of Goshen, conducted the reading. After Elder Moon and others had made some remarks, the offering was taken up. A meeting for celebrating the ordinances was held at the close of the Sabbath, and officers for the coming year were selected. Elder Moon remained over Sunday and spoke three times; the church appreciated his timely remarks.

Sabbath, December 26, quarterly meeting was held at Wolcottville

Several came from La Grange. A complete corps of officers was elected.

I would like to call attention to the Church Charity Fund. Keep this ever before you, and give something each month, as our institution needs help at this time.

Any one wishing meetings held where there is an interest either in new fields or our churches, in the district assigned me by the conference, may write me and I will give the matter attention.

B. HAGLE.



"SIGNS OF THE TIMES MONTHLY" FOR FEBRUARY 1909

In view of the terrible calamity that has just visited southern Italy, the February number of the *Signs of the Times Monthly* will be of peculiar interest. Long before the terrible earthquake came, and without the least thought of it coming, the editors had planned on devoting the February number largely to the subjects of storms, earthquakes, pestilences, etc., showing the place they have in the fulfillment of prophecy, and pointing out the way of escape. Now that this great earthquake has come, it will make the subject all the more forceful.

Among the leading articles which will appear in the February number, we would call special attention to the following:

1. "Cause of Earthquakes and Storms, and Their Significance. Is There Protection from Them?" By A. O. Tait.
2. "Stormy Winds Fulfilling His Word." By M. C. Wilcox.
3. "The Protestant Federation Congress." By J. S. Wightman.
4. "In the Wilderness." By Mrs. E. G. White.
5. "The Revival of the Papacy." By A. J. S. Bourdeau.
6. "The Word's History in Prophecy." By E. J. Hibbard.
7. "Interesting Phenomena in Sun, Moon, and Stars." By Geo. W. Rine.
8. "The Eternal Outlook." By Geo. A. Snyder.
9. "Proper Breathing." By Dr. D. H. Kress.
10. "Current Events," will be discussed in the first part of the paper, as usual, and the things that have occurred within the last few weeks furnish striking and important

matter for comment. The prophecies are fulfilling rapidly, and the editors of the journal are seeking to keep alive to these things and present them so that the people of the world may see and be saved.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE BULLETIN

For a number of years during sessions of the General Conference, a publication giving full reports of the proceedings was issued by the body, but recently the news of proceedings has been condensed and placed in the *Review*. It has been decided to publish the *General Conference Bulletin* again during the session which is to begin May 13th of this year and subscriptions for it are desired at once, the price being fifty cents for the time. It is necessary to have a list of paid subscribers in order to secure special mailing privileges of the Post Office Department, hence the request for subscriptions at this early date. Send them to this office.



ENCOURAGEMENT FROM LINTON

THINKING that our brethren and sisters would be glad to know about the good meetings we have been enjoying, I thought I would prepare a report for the REPORTER.

After Elder Moon held profitable meetings with the Elnora church, he came to Linton on December 27, and gave us an interesting and timely lesson on organization. After this, Elder Victor Thompson conducted a series of meetings which were very interesting, and he was with us in our quarterly meeting, at which time we elected a full set of officers for this year.

As the grand old missionary paper, the *Signs*, has changed the weekly back to the old style, it seems to me that great good could be done if every Seventh-day Adventist in Indiana would take a club of as many as five a week, which cost only ten cents a week. I fear that many of us spend this amount and it may be much more each week for candy or

other things that do us no good whatever. While our neighbors are in midnight darkness and our Saviour is soon to come, let us ask ourselves the question, "Are we sons of God, and do we love our neighbor as ourselves?"

I will say that we are of good courage in the Lord.

W. G. Kelley.



THE EQUIPMENT FUND

We are glad to report that the Equipment Fund plan is receiving a hearty response from our people, especially from those who have visited the schools and seen their need. The following is a quotation from a letter written by the president of the Northern Illinois Conference:—

"I think you may encourage the promoters of the Equipment Fund to raise it to \$2,000 instead of \$1,000. We need it, and we can easily do it. The present plan to raise two thousand shares gives only \$1,000 to the Equipment Fund for all the schools in the Lake Union. We should raise half as much as was voted, in Northern Illinois alone. West Michigan could raise two thousand shares, and so could Wisconsin."

W. E. STRAW.

OBITUARIES

JONES.—The funeral of Sister Estella Gertrude Jones was held at the Mt. Zion M. E. Church, three or four miles west of Eaton, on December 23, a large congregation of attentive listeners having gathered to witness their respect for the departed one.

Sister Jones united with the Seventh-day Adventists under the labors of Elder J. F. Steele and the writer at Eaton in 1905 and had been a consistent Christian till she was called to lay her armor down. She leaves a husband, two children, mother, sister, and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Sister Jones was smitten with tuberculosis and was treated at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium and was thought to have improved some, and returned home, but she grew steadily worse after returning. She fell asleep in Jesus, December 21, 1908,

aged twenty-eight years, one month, four days. She was laid to rest in the family cemetery on the old homestead of her grandfather, about seven miles west of Eaton. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

U. S. ANDERSON.

HACKLEMAN.—Mary F. Reason was born in Rush County, Indiana, March 2, 1858. She was married to Geo. W. Hackleman in September, 1877. Ten children were born to this union, eight of whom are yet living. She joined the Seventh-day Adventist church about twenty-two years ago and has lived a devoted Christian ever since. The past ten years she was an invalid, the last being one of intense suffering. About the middle of September it was the privilege of the writer to visit her. To him as to all others she said she was prepared, was at peace with God and ready to die. She peacefully passed away Nov. 15, 1908, aged fifty years, eight months, and thirteen days. The husband and children and a host of neighbors will miss her. The church will miss her much. Words of comfort were spoken to a large church full of people, from 2 Tim. 4:7,8. We sorrow not as those who have no hope.

W. A. YOUNG.

KRACK.—Sarah A. relict of John Krack died at the home of her son, Isaac Lanpher in Chirton township, Boone County, Ind., Jan. 6, 1909, aged eighty-five years, eight months, and twenty-five days. Her first husband, Chauncy Lanpher died Dec. 17, 1854. There were seven children from this marriage. Her second husband died Dec. 1, 1866. She lived thereafter in widowhood in Forest, Ill., where some twelve years ago she accepted present truth under the labors of Elders Lane and Curtis. She united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Peoria, Ill., where her membership continued till her death.

Hearts were encouraged as we studied the promises of God for those who die in the Lord. We laid her to rest in Hopewell Cemetery in Boone County, to await the coming of the Life-giver.

W. A. YOUNG.

STRATFORD.—Mrs. Blanche Stratford, wife of Orla Stratford, was born Nov. 9, 1880, and died Jan. 2, 1909, aged 28 years, 1 month, 24 days. Her death occurred at her late home in Kokomo, after an illness of many weeks, during which she was a patient sufferer from tuberculosis. A devoted husband, a seven-year-old daughter, her parents (Brother and Sister W. T. Seward), a brother and two sisters survive to mourn their loss. She had been a member of the Kokomo Seventh-day Adventist church since September 22, 1894.

Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church of Russia-ville by Elder A. L. Miller, a large gathering of those not of our faith hearing the truth regarding the nature and destiny of man. The congregation listened attentively and even the minister of the church seemed much impressed with the exposition of the Scriptures. Many expressed great satisfaction with the words spoken and some desired to hear more.

ELDEN S. EDWARDS.



BRIEF

FOLLOWING this brief is recorded the death of our dear Sister Hodapp. Last summer while visiting friends in Indianapolis she was suddenly taken ill, and had to undergo a surgical operation at the city hospital. While she made a fair recovery, she was never well afterward.

This fall she was taken sick and seemed in a fair way to recovery, began work, and then had a relapse and all medical skill seemed of no avail.

Obituary

Adda Bell Hodapp, nee Swain, was born April 6, 1853 at Cincinnati, Ohio, and died at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, LaFayette, Indiana, Dec. 8, 1908, of gastritis in connection with other complications.

At the age of twenty-three, September 6, 1876, she was united in marriage to Joseph H. Hodapp, to which union nine children were born, eight of whom, with the mother and four sisters three brothers, survive to mourn their loss.

Most of her married life was spent in Seymour, Ind., near her mother. She gave her heart to God under the teachings of the Methodist Church, to which she and her husband be-

longed. Ever having the desire to do the will of the Master she was always ready as she received the light to walk in it. Accordingly, she separated from the Methodist Church, and connected with the Christian Church, and afterwards with the Seventh-day Adventist Church, to which faith she adhered as a consistent and faithful member until her death. The third angel's message was dear to her,—it was a part of her very life. No subject of conversation was more pleasing to her than that of the "soon-coming Saviour" and the "glories of the earth made new."

After the death of her husband she remained in her Seymour home looking after the interests of her children and household duties, until called by the conference to assume the duties of matron at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. This position she filled with excellent satisfaction, having a motherly oversight over the helpers and nurses. Death bade her lay her duties down, but it will not be long until the Saviour will return and bid her awake in His likeness.

The remains were brought to Seymour where the funeral services were conducted at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Josephine Andrews, by the writer, assisted by Elders W. A. Young and C. J. Buhalts.

"Though sorrow dims our vision here,
Faith points beyond this mortal sphere,
Where tears of anguish never flow,
Where pain and death none ever know."

A. L. MILLER.

The following lines written by Elder Stone, were read at the close of the services, which were greatly appreciated by the children and relatives.

To the Sorrowing Friends, Relatives, and Children of our Dear Departed Sister:

As I can not well be present to-day on account of my health, I wish to say to you that you are not alone in your sorrow. We sorrow with you, but not without hope.

Well do I remember the occasions of my first visit to Seymour, to attend a similar occasion, when the other parent head of the family was laid to rest. I shall never forget the fortitude manifested by the brave mother who survived. Her passive courage and buoyancy of hope could only be surpassed by one possessing more of the spirit of the Master than

she possessed. I was profoundly impressed on that occasion with the value of hope centering in our loving Saviour.

After her home was invaded by the death of the father, and we were casting about for a matron for the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, we thought of dear Sister Hodapp and the kind, motherly care that she could exert over the young people in the Nurses' Training Course, and her charming disposition. So we communicated with her regarding the matter of connecting with the institution. It seemed to find a responsive chord and she entered upon the duties; and to her it seemed like an oasis in the desert, a rift in the cloud that had overshadowed her, and it let as it were, a bright beam of sunshine come once more into her saddened heart. New hope sprang up, and the Son of Righteousness seemed to come anew into her heart with healing in his wings. Sorrows were dispelled, and she felt that she still had something to live for,—not only to be a mother to her own children, but to exert a motherly care over a host of other young people.

Sister Hodapp greatly enjoyed her work at the Sanitarium, and she thought that it was the most beautiful spot on this earth; and many times she expressed herself as desirous of spending the remainder of her days at that place.

She was loved by all. Never was there a complaint escaped her lips. She was ever ready to sacrifice for others, and it was her greatest pleasure to do something that would give others greater happiness and comfort.

In her death the Sanitarium loses a noble character, and she will be greatly missed. But of her it can be said, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them." While she rests, truly her works will follow her. May her godly life not only blossom in her children and all who knew her, but may it bring forth fully ripened fruit and grain for the Lord. May what she did not see in her life which she so greatly desired to see, be realized in the kingdom of God.

I would in conclusion exhort all the dear children and loved ones to

study her life, her faith which was so dear to her; and may these lovely traits of character be emulated in our lives day by day, that these same graces may appear and make us truly helpful in winning souls for the Master.

TITHE REPORT FOR DECEMBER, 1908

Akron	\$ 18 75
Anderson	70 58
Barbers Mill	27 70
Boggs town	87 53
Brookston	
Connersville	17 50
Dana	44 96
Denver	7 68
Elnora	40 00
Elwood	12 23
Etna Green	10 00
Evansville	
Farmersburg	10 27
Fort Wayne	12 42
Franklin	4 29
Frankton	
Glenwood	
Goshen	14 80
Grass Creek	18 33
Greenfield	21 53
Gum Corner	3 45
Hartford City	3 00
Honey Creek	16 85
Huntington	5 68
Idaville	7 17
Indianapolis (East Side)	20 99
" (23rd street)	116 01
" (West Side)	10 00
Individuals	71 69
Inwood	
Jefferson	13 00
Jonesboro	13 59
Kennard	4 50
Kokomo	25 25
La Fayette	95 75
La Grange	18 37
Lebanon	12 00
Ligonier	29 21
Linton	60 40
Logansport	68 29
Marion	59 73
Martinsville	5 60
Michals	19 60
Michigan City	
Middletown	278 93
Mt. Vernon	15 50
Mt. Zion	49 51
Muncie	53 88
New Hope	33 94
New London	31 52
New Marlon	13 50
Noblesville	7 53
Northfield	9 00
North Liberty	16 91
North Vernon	29 03
Olive Branch	
Oolitic	30 47
Patrickburg	3 15
Peru	35 20
Petersburg	33 95
Pleasant View	30 47
Princeton	6 31
Richmond	27 60
Rochester	45 86
Rocklane	36 73
Salem	46 63
Seymour	54 24
South Bend	39 46
Sunman	24 01
Terre Haute	6 23
Unionville	18 11
Wabash Valley Sanitarium	112 29
Waldron	10 56
Walkerton	
West Liberty	41 16
Wolcottville	63 90
Wolf Lake	15 36
Total receipts	\$2313 43

THE \$25,000 FUND

For the Wabash Valley Seventh-Day Adventist Sanitarium

*C. D. W.	\$1,000 00	*U. S. Anderson	30 00
*A. Friend	1,000 00	*Stephen Boze	30 00
*E. Hayes	1,000 00	*Archer Wright	25 00
*A. W. Bartlett and wife	500 00	*A. N. Anderson	25 00
*Emmanuel Grounds	500 00	T. P. Barrons	25 00
Mrs. Maggie Worster	500 00	*Mrs. Julia A. Brown	25 00
*Dr. W. W. Worster and wife	500 00	*Mrs. G. W. Cooper	25 00
*W. J. Stone and wife	500 00	*D. C. Horlacher	25 00
L. J. S.	500 00	*Rhoda Hamilton	25 00
T. A. Goodwin and wife	500 00	*Mrs. Amanda Hunt	25 00
*S. J. Cleland and wife	500 00	*R. G. Harrison	25 00
Wm. P. Cunningham and wife	500 00	L. V. Hopkins and wife	25 00
*J. W. Moore and wife	300 00	Maggie E. Johnston	25 00
*C. W. Hayden and wife	200 00	M. M. Kenny	25 00
M. M. Kenney	200 00	*G. F. Knapp	25 00
*Merchants' National Bank, La Fayette	200 00	*John W. McBride	25 00
*Henry Taylor Lumber Co.	165 00	*Mrs. Eliza C. Nordyke	25 00
*A. Friend	100 00	*Geo. D. Zirkle	25 00
*Mrs. Elizabeth Nuding	100 00	*Katherine Nuding	25 00
*Mrs. E. E. Blain	100 00	John Possman and wife	25 00
D. W. Albert and wife	100 00	*R. C. Spohr	25 00
*C. J. Buhalts	100 00	*H. E. Glick	25 00
*J. R. Minnick	100 00	*Henry J. Hershberger	20 00
*E. Nash	100 00	G. W. Mann	20 00
M. G. Pepple	100 00	*Mrs. M. L. Moore	20 00
G. A. Roberts	100 00	Mrs. Ethel Deem	20 00
*R. R. Roberts and wife	100 00	*D. W. Ridgeway and wife	20 00
N. C. Rogers	100 00	*Victor Thompson	20 00
John F. Steele	100 00	Frank Dudley	15 00
*C. L. Stone and wife	100 00	*C. L. Haskins	13 00
*Samuel J. Townsend	100 00	*W. E. Vaughan	13 00
*James D. Woodburn	100 00	Mrs. A. E. Barcus	12 00
Joel Yeager	100 00	S. W. Burkhardt	12 00
Roy Fattie and wife	100 00	*L. V. Hopkins	12 00
*W. C. Vore	100 00	Mrs. B. F. Halstead	11 00
Nancy Wiser	100 00	F. N. Bartholomew	10 00
*H. B. Lyman	100 00	Beatrice Barton	10 00
*Duncan Mfg. Co.	100 00	*Mrs. Mary Buhalts	10 00
*W. E. Barber	100 00	*Mrs. P. J. Craig	10 00
*First Nat'l Bank, La Fayette	100 00	Fannie Campbell	10 00
*A. Friend	75 00	Jennie Dilworth	10 00
*Clara Strong	75 00	*John M. Davidson	10 00
*E. A. Woodard	60 00	J. S. Edwards	10 00
Stephen Boze	50 00	*Martin Grim	10 00
*Mrs. R. W. McMahan	50 00	*Celia J. Hart	10 00
*J. H. Niehaus and wife	50 00	*Mrs. D. C. Horlacher	10 00
*Fannie M. Benson	50 00	*Robert W. Leach	10 00
*George W. Boston	50 00	*Walter Nash	10 00
*P. J. Craig	50 00	*A. A. and Martha Marshall	10 00
L. F. Elliott	50 00	*Thomas Hubbard	10 00
*Margaret Fattie	50 00	*Sarah J. Hunter	10 00
N. D. Fisher and wife	50 00	Todd Maxwell	10 00
*Blanche Goodwin	50 00	Margaret M. Miller	10 00
R. W. Hostetler and wife	50 00	Cleotis Nash	10 00
*John S. Leach	50 00	*J. M. Rees	10 00
*A. L. Miller and wife	50 00	*N. C. Rogers	10 00
*W. T. Pitcher	50 00	*Nellie Rothbaust	10 00
F. M. Roberts	50 00	*Mrs. J. F. Woods	10 00
*Frank G. Scarborough	50 00	*Mrs. B. E. Wright	10 00
Wm. M. True	50 00	*Mary C. Kent	10 00
*W. A. Young	50 00	Guy Wiser	10 00
*B. Hagle	50 00	Raymond Brooks	10 00
*Mrs. M. L. Outland	50 00	*Charles H. Zirkle	6 00
Mrs. A. M. Hand	50 00	*Ella M. Zirkle	6 00
*Martha L. Outland	50 00	J. A. Davis	5 00
*Glesner Johnson	50 00	*Mrs. Dora Greenlee	5 00
*Charles Grim	50 00	Mrs. Susan Johnson	5 00
John S. Leach and wife	50 00	Mrs. Chas. Swaynie	5 00
*B. R. Wirt	50 00	Clara B. Turner	5 00
*Dr. Thompson	32 50	Adelia Wiser	5 00

Chas. Blackburn	5 00
*Mrs. J. M. Johnson	5 00
Milton Jones	2 00
Cash, previously reported	2,129 85
Church Charity Fund	1,385 57

Total \$17,039 92

* A star preceding a name indicates that the amount has been paid in full.

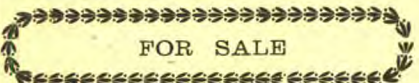


OUR brethren are earnestly requested to remember the coming conference in their prayers.

"THE Seventh-day Adventist who is not devoting every resource, and bending every energy, and managing all his affairs for the hastening of the third angel's message, is in peril of his soul; for if the Master to-day called him to account for his talents given of God, he would be without excuse."

THE REPORTER is not large enough to print promptly all communications that are sent to it. Hence we nearly always have a quantity of matter left over after completing a paper. The last time, nearly two pages of "copy" were on hand when the paper was mailed. This matter is contained in the present issue, but still we have something left for the next number.

We trust our people and churches generally will cheerfully cooperate with the conference officials who are endeavoring to reduce to a minimum the losses which come through extending credit to individuals and societies, by remitting cash with every order for either books or periodicals. On account of the constant loss that comes to the conference by granting credit to those making purchases through our office, it has been decided to do a strictly cash business during the present year. Credit will be granted only to regular canvassers.



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NEWS AND NOTES

COME to the conference at Jonesboro one week from next Monday.

WRITE for lodging reservation at the conference to D. S. Hammond, Jonesboro, Ind.

SINCE the first of the year, Elder Victor Thompson has visited the Linton, Farmersburg, and Dana churches.

NEARLY \$100.00 Thanksgiving Ingathering donations have been received at the conference office since the first of January.

ON Sabbath, January 9, Elder Young met with the Elwood church, holding an all-day meeting, conducting the election of officers, etc. He reports very profitable services.

THE interest in the meetings being conducted by Brother Hubbard in the Rocklane church continues excellent. Frequently the church can not contain all who come to hear.

SUBSCRIBE early for the *General Conference Bulletin*, a daily sixteen-page paper to be issued during the next session of the General Conference. Orders may be given at the Jonesboro conference.

REMEMBER the collection for the Religious Liberty Department of our work, to be taken the first Sabbath of next month, February 6. A liberal offering is essential to the success of this important department. See article concerning it on another page.

A MEETING of the executive committees of the conferences within the Lake Union Conference was held at Berrien Springs, Mich., last week. Elders W. A. Young, A. L. Miller, and C. J. Buhalts went from Indiana. Work of mutual interest to all the conferences within this union was considered.

THE fourth quarter's issue of *Liberty* is being mailed to our state legislators this week. We trust it may help them to see the true principles of liberty which should be constantly maintained by the lawmakers of our country and its several states. All Adventists should have a copy of this number of *Liberty*.

LAST Sabbath, Brother Spohr spoke in the Boggstown church in the morning, and Beechwood Academy in the afternoon.

IT will be observed that a large number of obituaries appear this week; we have printed none for several issues, and these have accumulated during the past six weeks.

A MEETING of Missionary Volunteer secretaries within the Lake Union Conference, held at Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Mich., last week, was attended by Sister McMahan, as a representative of Indiana.

THE first Sabbath of the new year Brother Spohr visited the North Vernon church. Quite a number are still interested, and, although not having identified themselves with the church, are regular attendants at its services.

ARE you giving ten cents a week to missions? Begin early in the year to give this sum regularly, and by the end of the year, missions will have received \$5.20, and you will have added that amount to your bank account in heaven.

THE December tithe was the largest of any month of 1908, being \$2,313.43. We trust that our people will be faithful during the new year, paying promptly all the tithe that comes into their hands, thus assuring themselves of the blessings promised in Malachi.

THE total tithe receipts for our conference during 1908 were \$18,478.16. This is an excellent showing, being a greater amount than that received during any previous year with the exception of 1907, which was unusually high. Let us all do our part to make the tithe for 1909 higher than that for 1908.

TO INTEREST the members of the Sabbath-schools and churches in the mission fields and to stimulate the offerings for foreign lands, the missionary map of the world, obtainable from this office for \$2.75, may be effectively used. In connection with the Second Sabbath readings, noting on the map places mentioned will add to the interest and instruction of the occasion. Get a map at the conference.

THE sixteen-page weekly edition of the *Signs of the Times* is full of matter suitable for distribution among those not acquainted with the truth for these times. Every church should use a quantity of them regularly in missionary effort.

MISS LORA DUNCAN reached this city on the eighth inst. to join Miss Nellie Rothbaust in Bible work. As Miss Kent had to leave her work here on account of her health, Miss Rothbaust has been alone for several weeks and much appreciates an assistant.

ON Sabbath, January 2, Elder W. A. Young conducted the quarterly ordinance service at both the East Side and Twenty-third Street churches of this city. A new elder was ordained at the East Side church in the morning, and a new elder and deacon at the Twenty-third Street church in the afternoon.

AN announcement of the February issue of the *Signs of the Times Monthly* appears in another column. As it considers earthquakes as a sign of the coming of Christ, its matter is of special interest while the people's minds are agitated upon the awfulness of these catastrophes. We hope our people will liberally use this number.

THE Church Federation number of the *Watchman*, the first of its magazine issues, is being sent out this week as the February monthly, thus making it possible to sell it for several weeks before its date will be old. The importance of the matter contained in this latest addition to our monthlies and the rapidity with which federation movements are enveloping the churches of the United States, make the journal of general interest.

NO stock of books or Bibles will be shipped to the conference this year, unless by special request, but orders for any of our periodicals or books will be taken by members of our office force who are present, and the conference treasurer will be prepared to receive payments of any kind that may be made. All tithe for January, however, should be sent to the office by the last day of the current month in order to receive credit in the January tithe report.