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PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP WITH CHRIST

"I would converse with Thee from day to day, With heart intent on what Thou hast to say, And through my pilgrim-walk, whate'er befall, Consult with Thee, O Lord! about it all. Since Thou art willing thus to condescend To be my intimate, familiar friend, Oh! Let me to the great occasion rise, And count Thy friendship life's most glorious prize!"

Lake Union Conference Council

A very important council was held at Berrien Springs College, January 9-12, composed of the Lake Union Executive Committee and all the local Conference Committees in the Union. Quite a full attendance of the latter committees was secured. There were also present Elder W. T. Knox, of the General Conference Committee, Elder E. W. Farnsworth, of Battle Creek, Elder O. A. Olsen, superintendent of the Foreign Department of the General Conference, and other ministers.

This council was called for the purpose of considering the best plans for work in our cities: the recommendations of the recent General Conference Council, held at Washington; the financial situation in the Lake Union Conference; the campmeetings for the coming season; and other important matters of interest to the people of all our conferences.

On the opening day, the question of dividing the tithe of our conferences with the General Conference and Foreign Mission Board was considered. The Chair presented the question of the fluctuating and uncertain income of the Foreign Mission Board, while at the same time definite and fixed demands rest upon that body. With this was contrasted the almost certain income of local conferences and the Union conference, which appealed very forcibly to all present in favor of sharing with the General Conference a portion of the tithe of the local conferences, as well as that of the Union.

A motion was made to adopt the recommendation of the General Conference Council, which is to the effect that those cor 'erences receiving from \$5,000 to \$10,000 tithe a year pay to the General Conference from 5 per cent to 10 per cent of the same, and those conferences receiving above \$10,000 tithe a year pay to the General Conference from 10 per cent to 25 per cent of their tithe receipts.

In the course of the discussion of the above motion, the question was asked if the action the General Conference Committee made it obligatory upon the conferences to comply in this matter. In reply it was stated that the action of the

General Conference Committee was recommendatory, the conferences being only invited to share their income in order to provide a more permanent missionary fund for use by the General Conference.

The presidents of several conferences reported action having been already taken by their conference committees to devote a portion of their tithe to this fund, the reports showing that the appropriations made range from 5 per cent to 25 per cent. Considerable time was devoted to a discussion of the plan, all speakers warmly favoring it, and the resolution finally passed by a unanimous vote of all present.

The question of the increase of the general missionary fund, known as the ten-cent-a-week fund, was next taken up, and considered at length. Many important speeches were made, germane to the whole financial question. Reference was made by several speakers to the fact that in the Lake Union Conference few of our conferences succeeded during the past year in raising the full amount required, and the embarrassment in which the Foreign Mission Board was placed in consequence. It was estimated that the sharing of the tithe by the various conferences with the Foreign Mission Board would not by any means release our people from the duty of providing the usual amount of funds by donation.

The sentiment prevailed that this fund should be raised by voluntary contributions, and not be regarded as a tax, or levy, of ten cents a week for each individual, but while the whole sum raised should represent a total of ten cents a week per member, the contribution of this fund should be upon the basis of the individual's ability. Those of ample means should not regard themselves released from responsibility after having paid ten cents a week so long as there are many others, such as children and the poor, who are unable to contribute a like sum. Some suggested that liberality toward funds for the support of the work abroad is the measure of our spiritual life, that the millions in heathen darkness in the world appeal to our Christian hearts to send the light of the gospel to them at the expense of any sacrifice.

It was evident that the Spirit of the Lord was present, inspiring the hearts of the brethren with zeal and devotion in favor of this most worthy cause. Expressions were heard from brethren representing all parts of the Union to the effect that the localities which these brethren represent will surely respond, this present year, with the full sum required for the extension of gospel work in heathen lands.

The speakers included, not alone presidents of conferences, but many members of local committees, treasurers, and others. Among all, the sentiment prevailed that the people can be relied upon, as their hearts are warm, and their interest deep in the advancement of the message. Further report will follow.

> Allen Moon, President, W. H. Edwards, Secretary.

Foreigners' Union Convention

This meeting was held at the Swedish Mission chapel, 213 Oak Street Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27, 1910 to Jan. 4, 1911. We had a very full daily program, beginning with a devotional service at 8:45 A. M., and continuing forty-five minutes. After that followed an hour of Bible Study. 11 A. M. to 1 P. M. was given each day to the study and consideration of the various questions relating to our work among the various foreign nationalities.

The convention was blessed with a very representative attendance. Workers were present from twenty different States and from Canada. This was the first time that these laborers in the several foreign tongues had met in a union meeting to study together the work and plans for the rapid extension of the message to all the foreigners in this country.

The convention took vigorous hold of many important questions relating to our work. Papers had been prepared on such subjects as, "The Object of Our Schools, Their Place and Relation to the Work at Home and Abroad;" "The Industries to be Developed and Fostered in Our Schools and the Financial Management;" with still others relating to the educational work.

Papers were also presented on other subjects such as, "The Need of Efficiency in the Ministry;" "Instruction Needed by Our Churches and What a Minister's Visit to a Church Should Accomplish." A paper on "The Foreign Nationalities in This Country, Their Numbers, Condition and Needs" was prepared by Elder A. Boettcher. These will suffice to give the reader some idea of the questions and subjects considered by the convention.

The question of a deeper spiritual experience and more power and efficiency in the ministry came in for special study. Indeed a very earnest spirit came into the meeting at the very beginning and continued to grow until the close. The devotional meetings and the Bible studies were very helpful and uplifting.

The convention was favored by the presence and labors of Elder A. G. Daniells. Our workers' meeting beginning at 6 P. M. Sabbath evening will long be remembered. The Lord came very near and the Holy Spirit was present in power. Elder Daniells led out with some very appropriate remarks, and then the time was given to those in attendance, who followed with testimonies and confessions and reconsecration in real earnest. This meeting continued nearly five hours. It was good to be there.

As a whole, the convention was a great blessing, and we have every reason to believe that it will give a new impetus to the work. We closed Wednesday afternoon, January 4, with a praise service. It was a great joy to see and hear the courage and joy that filled the hearts of all. Many felt that it was the best and most profitable meeting they had ever attended. Thus closed this first Foreigners' Union Convention. Our most earnest desire is that the spirit of the convention may permeate the whole field and prove a great blessing to the work. O. A. OLSEN.

Instruction to the Church Officers (Concluded)

Calling attention again to the third chapter of first Timothy, note the expression, "Apt to teach," i. e., having some ability as a teacher, not a lover of money, not covetous. I will give here the Syriac version of verses 4 to 6. "One that guideth well his own house and holdeth his children in subjection with all purity. For, if he knoweth not how to guide his own house well, how can he guide the church of God? Neither let him be of recent discipleship lest he be uplifted, and fall into the condemnation of Satan."

The words "guideth" and "guide" are used instead of the words "ruleth" and "rule." A novice is one newly received into the church. Further, notice that elders and deacons should be men who have a good standing in the community where they live. Their wives should be Christians, faithful in all things, their children and their own house well governed.

It will be noticed from the scriptures cited that the work of church officers is not from compulsion, but voluntarily; not of base gain, but with all the heart. "Not as lords of the flock, but so as to be a good example for them." Church officers are leaders, teachers, and servants of the church. The deacon is not treasurer of the church by virtue of his office, as some have supposed, but he may be elected treasurer. It is customary for the deacon to see that the wine and bread, unfermented wine and unleavened bread, are in readiness for the quarterly meeting, as well as other necessary things for the ordinances.

The church clerk and church treasurer are elected the same as other officers, and the duty of the clerk is to keep a record of quarterly meetings and all other business meetings of the church, and submit a report of all when called upon to do so. Letters should be sent out to all isolated members during the quarter, encouraging them and urging them where practicable to attend the quarterly meeting; but where they cannot attend they should be requested to report by letter. The work of the treasurer is to receive all cash and pledges, and to keep an accurate account of the same. A correct and intelligent report should be rendered at the church business meeting. Church-members should pay their tithe to the treasurer at the end of each month, and the treasurer should remit at the end of each month to the conference treasurer.

If all church-members are faithful and prompt in their duties, it will assist the officers very much in the work assigned them, and all will enjoy blessings together.

A receipt should be required for all money paid out, and in turn a receipt should be given for all money received.

If a thing is worth doing at all, it is worth doing well.

W. H. THURSTON.

The Books Still Work

Brother Ralph Gorden writes of an item of experience. He found a man who had been sick for several weeks, and had become interested in reading a "Great Controversy" - sold him last year. He prevailed upthat Brother on Brother Gorden to study with him further upon present truth, and he is regularly doing so. This canvasser has not been canvassing for some time, yet the good book he sold this man is still doing its heaven appointed work in prepar ing a soul to stand in the great day of God. Thus it is with thousands of copies of these truth laden books. We have been told that sickness, or other things would come to individuals to call their attention to these books that are being placed upon their shelves. Let all the canvassers take courage. Let those who have once been in the work but may have drifted out renew their courage and take up the work again. J. B. BLOSSER.

Co-operation Needed

At the recent Council at Berrien Springs it was decided to continue the publication of the LAKE UNION HERALD, and all do their part in contributing to it, and thus make it just what the people need and want. Our conference workers are urged to do their duty in reporting to the HERALD frequently. One of our faithful old church-members said to me recently, "Why do not all of our workers report to the HERALD? We want to hear from them. If they are having success we wish to rejoice with them, but if discouraged we would like to know that, and we will pray for and encourage them. We want to hear from them all frequently."

Are you a conference worker? Does this appeal to you? Then concur in the wishes of our brethren and sisters. So may it be. W. H. THURSTON.

The word discouragement is not found in the dictionary of the kingdom of heaven. Never let yourself use the word if you have God's work to do.—*Melinda Rankin*.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

Northern Illinois for the Year 1910

During the year 1910 two camp-meetings and five tentmeetings were held in this conference; two churches were organized; and about one hundred persons were baptized by our conference workers. Our canvassers put in 7,764 hours of time, and sold \$8,401.15 worth of books. Our magazine workers sold 87,430 copies amounting to \$8,743. The treasurer received \$24,883.83 in tithe, being an average of about \$18 a member. The amount received on the three-per-cent fund was \$1,281.83. This was quite an increase over the previous year, but we trust that the year 1911 will witness a much larger amount paid into this fund.

The improvement on the the Fox River Academy has been almost completed, and the first term after the improvement witnessed an enrollment of sixty students in the school.

The receipts on tuition and board more than covered the running expenses of the school. The present number of students in attendance, not counting the church-school, is fifty.

Our sanitarium at Moline has done a splendid year's work. I have not the figures at hand, so cannot tell just how much has been cleared above the running expenses, but feel sure there has been a gain. We have engaged in the conterence, if I am properly informed, ten church-school teachers, but at this writing I cannot give the number of students in attendance. The outlook for the year is encouraging aud I trust that all our people will endeavor to be faithful in every department of the work.

WM. COVERT.

A New Church Organized

The people who have connected with the Broad View Swedish Seminary have been asking for a church organization, and last Sabbath, January 14, Elder O. A. Olsen responded to the call and organized a church of eleven members. The prospect is that others will be added soon. A full set of officers was chosen and the church started well equipped for the work, and with a good outlook for the future. WM. COVERT.

News Notes

Sister Ella Hancock is now out of the hospital, and is rapidly gaining strength. She expects soon to be able to take up her regular Bible work.

Brother Chas. West and family have recently moved to Chicago from Waldron, and expect to become regular attendants at the Englewood church.

Elder Wm. Covert spoke to the church at Englewood, Sabbath, January 14. Elder F. J. Harris also was present and addressed the young people in a meeting following the regular service.

Elder W. D. McLay spent a few days in Chicago, and on Sabbath, January 7, spoke from the pulpit of the 46th Street church. On the Sunday following he gave an interesting discourse at the Brookline Mission on the "Signs of the Times."

The members of the Englewood church spent an enjoyable evening January 5, at the home of their pastor, E. F. Collier. It is suggested that such a meeting be held in the • homes of the members once a month, since true Christian love is fostered by acquaintance and brotherly kindness. The Lord has blessed the Englewood church by the addition of members recently.

"The most credulous of mortals is he who is persuaded of his own greatness."

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Saint Elmo

It will be remembered that Elder Locken and the writer held a tent-meeting here a few weeks during the summer, and that we returned after camp-meeting to further develop the work.

Some who began to keep the Sabbath during the tentmeeting have gone out from us, but other good souls have taken their places. Those who remained faithful are growing in the truth.

Our Sabbath-school numbers thirty-seven. We have a good church-school in operation with twelve pupils from the families of new Sabbath-keepers.

A few weeks ago we organized a Young Peoples' Society of eleven members. We have some fine young people in the company who are loyal to the truth. Here is an example: When our school commenced, a young girl whose parents were not Adventists, was very desirous of attending our school. Her parents were opposed, but she persisted until they consented. Now her father and mother are both in the truth, and have sent their other child to the school. Thus the truth wins victories where we least expect.

We have purchased a property to fix up for a meetinghouse, located in the best part of the town. It is in good condition, and is so arranged that we will have a fine room for meetings and another room for the school. We praise the Lord for opening the way for us to get this property. If we had waited one day longer, we would not have been able to secure it.

We expect soon to have this church ready for dedication and the company for organization. Pray for the work here.

J. L. SHULER.

Teachers' Institute

The teachers' institute of the Southern Illinois Conference was held at Springfield, December 22-24, 1910. We were fortunate to have with us, besides the local conference workers, Elder and Mrs. Moon, and Elder Stureman. Each teacher presented a well-written paper on some practical school question. The discussions were interesting and helpful. Some of the special features were the exhibits, question box, and a visiting tour to Lincoln's Monument, his home, and the capitol building. Reports from the twelve Volunteer Societies were given at the young people's meeting on Sabbath afternoon. The consecration periods were especially beneficial, and the teachers returned to their duties with a sincere desire to make 1911 the banner year in our school work. L. C. SHEPARD, *Institute Sec'y*,

EDITH SHEPARD, Ed. Sec'y.

News Notes

Have you sold your quota of "Ministry of Healing"? Elder Bristol is conducting the evening meetings during

the institute.

Remember the Religious Liberty Offering to be taken Sabbath, Feb. 4, 1911.

The St. Elmo school has more than doubled its numbers since the opening day.

Brother J. L. Mann and daughters, formerly of Petoskey, Mich., are visiting in Springfield.

Elder Woodford and Brother Shuler are having a good interest at Ramsey, near St. Elmo.

Brother W. E. Schwartz is holding a series of meetings in a church in the vicinity of St. Elmo.

Answers to the test questions on "Successful Careers" are coming in. Have you written on the test?

Brother W. H. Addis of Mattoon, visited his father who is ill at Decatur, while enroute to the institute. Sister R. S. McConnell of Springfield, passed away at the LaFavette Indiana Sanitarium, Thursday, Jan. 19.

Brother Oliver Morris, field agent of Northern Illinois, is assisting in the canvassers' institute now being held.

Elder E. A. Bristol visited St. Elmo last Wednesday in the interests of the new church property just purchased.

You may be interested to know that there are two hundred one copies of *Liberty* being sent to our State Legislators, and paid for by the Illinois Conference.

The Carterville school boys have been making some benches, while the girls of the sewing class have just finished some neat sewing cases for their work.

We are glad so many are calling for petition blanks concerning the Johnston Sunday bill to circulate among their friends and neighbors. What are you doing?

Brother Andrew Summerton and family have recently moved from Brownstown to Stewardson. They enjoy reading the HERALD and do not want to miss a number.

We are pleased to learn that many of our churches are carrying out the fourth Sabbath missionary program which appears in the *Review and Herald*, and that good results are following.

Several good letters have been received the past week from the members of our Conference church. While nearly all of them are isolated, they are doing what they can to spread the message.

The missionary secretary of the Farmington church writes: "Last month we put the *Protestant Magaziue* in the hands of some of the leading citizens,—two of the physicians, three ministers, and also one in the city library."

We received the following word at the office from a lady who recently purchased "Bible Readings": "I will say that I am more than pleased with the book. It is certainly the greatest help in learing the Bible that I have ever seen, and in answering such questions as come to us in our daily life."

EAST MICHIGAN Notes from the Field Agent

The book work is onward in this field. Each canvasser is of good courage. Faith coupled with perseverance causes us always to triumph in the work of God.

Brethren Moore and Pettit, who are working Gratiot County with "Daniel and Revelation," were much encouraged by their good deliveries, and they are now demonstrating that the success of this work does not depend upon times and seasons.

Although business in the commercial world takes a backward step during the month of January, yet our message-filled books sell after the holidays as well as before. They can be sold in winter as well as in summer. What is needed is courageous workers, full of faith.

Brother A. L. VanFossen, who but recently embraced the truth, is having excellent success placing "Daniel and Revelation" in the homes of the people of Lenawee County.

Brother and Sister Countryman, who have done considerable canvassing the past year in connection with their farm work, have now leased their farm and sold implements, stock, etc. at public auction. The Lord blessed in giving an excellent day which brought an exceptionally large crowd to the sale. Everything sold at a much higher price than they had expected. The total proceeds of the sale amounted to some sixteen hundred dollars.

Their burden for some time has been to carry the precious books to the people of Detroit, and now the hour has come when they have dedicated their full time and service to this excellent house-to-house, self-supporting missionary work. Shall they not have our earnest prayers, and may we not hope that others will soon follow their worthy example. "The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church-membership rally to the work." "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. 9, page 117.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

Detroit and Jefferson

After spending a few days in Detroit helping the officers of the Detroit church No. 2 to get started in their work, and looking after some other duties there, I went to Jefferson with Elder D. P. Wood to attend their yearly meeting. On the Sabbath the Spirit of the Lord came in and changed the minds of a number so that they saw the need of doing their duty, and they received a blessing for so doing. The Lord led in the business meeting on Sunday. Altogether, the experience there was a good one and I believe it will result in good for the church.

A. R. SANDBORN.

News Notes

Mrs. Nora Ammon who is now working in Flint, and Mrs. Elizabeth Liley of Detroit, visited the academy at Holly one day last week.

Brother J. H. McEeachern was in Holly a few days last week and spoke at the afternoon meeting Sabbath. He also organized a canvassers' band for 1911.

The members of the Holly church held their annual business meeting Sunday evening, January 15, and a number of important matters were considered, among which was the church-school question. It was found that the money pledged is not sufficient to carry the school, although the expenses have been met from month to month, so far, on account of pledges being paid in advance by some.

Miss Tillie Barr, the church treasurer of the Holly church, rendered a financial report which was much appreciated by all. This report showed that the total funds raised by the church had increased from about \$1,400 in 1908, to about \$2,200 in 1910; and that the tithe had increased from \$871.75 in 1908, to \$1,239.78 in 1910; and while the per capita tithe in the conference was \$14.36, that of the Holly church was \$21.37.

Brother A. L. VanFossen who is now canvassing for "Daniel and Revelation" in Lenawee County, is having success notwithstanding the fact that not many weeks ago he was an agent of the Lake Shore Railroad in a town in the above named county, not realizing that the Lord would soon call him to a much more important work. The call came and he responded. In his last letter to the tract society he says: "The Lord blessed my efforts in the field the past week. I feel that canvassers have a responsibility that is truly great, in getting this message into the homes in a Christ-like way. O that our Heavenly Father may give me the wisdom and ability to do the work in this way!"

We are much encouraged when we read of the success some of our canvassers are having in East Michigan, and against great odds too. Listen to what Brother W. D. Moore says in a letter to the tract society last week. I appreciate the Lord's blessings more than ever before. Last week I found myself in a territory where the people neither go to church nor send their children to Sunday-school, and yet the Lord worked twenty miracles for me by inspiring these people to give me their orders,—all but one being from people as above described, and she, I learned later, is a Catholic. So you can imagine how I rejoiced and praised the Lord. Without doubt He will do the same for all who will offer their services and trust in His promises."

Brother O. D. Pettit, who has been a telegraph operator, offered his services to the Lord and is canvassing for the good book "Daniel and Revelation." He is taking many orders and having good deliveries. We glean from a letter one of the secrets of his success. Brother Pettit says in part: "I sought the Lord earnestly last Monday morning, and in fact all the week, that I might have this good report. I told Him that it would be a blessing to us in several ways: It would encourage canvassers who were just starting; it woulp

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help me financially; the people would have the truth that this good book contains; and the time and money spent by the conference in getting me started, would not be spent in vain." There is definiteness in this prayer. When one lays the matter before the Lord in this way, and then goes out in faith to do his part, good results are sure to follow.

NORTH MICHIGAN News Notes

Remember we have a supply of those maps on the Book of Acts. Five cents each, or six for a quarter.

Brother E. F. Peterson spent several days with the Frankfort church previous to our elders' meeting.

Brother W. H. Edwards was at Petoskey a couple of days last week auditing the books of the conference office.

Brother H. W. Johnson visited some of the churches in the conference on his way home from the council at Berrien Springs.

The Onaway church has sent in sixty-two subscriptions to the *Liberty* and the *Protestant*, and promises us twenty more soon. This is a good and timely work.

We are sorry to learn that Brother Gideon Ernst of Bates was recently stricken with paralysis. Brother and Sister Ernst have our sympathy in their time of affliction.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Traverse City are busily engaged this winter in the manufacture of rugs and other useful articles. They plan to use the proceeds in painting and making needed repairs on the church building at that place.

The children of the Traverse City church-school have been devoting some time to the sale of the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Review* and have had encouraging success. Their interest in the cause of missions is thus largely increased.

A surprise party consisting of several sleigh loads of the members of the Traverse City church with their relatives and friends drove out to the home of M. C. Guild on January 12 and spent the day. Refreshments were served, matters of interest concerning the advancement of the truth in Traverse City were discussed, and all reported a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Cedar Lake Academy Notes

January 10, we entered our new schoolroom, which is well lighted, comfortable, and seated with single desks.

Arthur Gurney leaves Monday for Memphis, Tenn., where he has accepted a position as nurse in the sanitaruim at that place.

A coasting party was immensely enjoyed by the young people of Cedar Lake, evening after the Sabbath, on the academy hill.

Frank Jorgensen, who has been absent from school since Thaksgiving on account of an injured hand, returned January 17 to again take up work.

The friends of the vicinity are showing their interest in beginning the new building, by donating several days' work. They already have one hundred yards of gravel on the grounds.

The enrollment of the academic department this year is as follows: Bethel Avery, Vesta Avery, Eva Bagnall, Jennie Boucher, Alliance Boucher, Clarence Bracebridge, Elsie Buck, Essie Burges, Harrey Burket, Tait Buck, Albert Curtis, Grace Chapin, Vera Chamberlin, Ruth Cole, Grace Crouch, Claude Curtis, Fay Davis, Edna Evans, Valdamar Ferney, Frances Gurney, Arthur Gurney, Glenn Hamp, Sumner House, Miranda House, Lottie Jaques, Bird Jaques, Lydia Jorgensen, Frank Jorgensen, Myron Jorgensen, Elmo Kerby, Grace Kelsey, Edna Lafferty, Elsie Medler, Lottie Matterson, Elbert Olmstead, Carl O'Reilly, Anna Oberhollzer, Elma Pittan, Reuel Root, Clarence Rice, Hila Shepard, Bert Soule, Gaye Strickland, Grace Shears, Orrey Waters.

WEST MICHIGAN

A Visit to Keeler

I had the pleasure recently of visiting the believers at Keeler. I found a very interesting company. About twentyfive people gathered on the Sabbath for Sabbath-school and the preaching service. I held three evening meetings with the public, and although the weather was extremely bad, the house was well filled. There seems to be a very intelligent class of people in this section, and several of them expressed to me their heartfelt thanks for the truth that had been given to them by the young ministers located there.

Since my visit Brethren R. U. Garrett and J. M. Hoyt have secured a store building, in which they can hold their Sabbath services and occasionally an evening service, also a schoolhouse two miles from town. I trust that the brethren will pray earnestly that the word spoken to these people will produce fruit resulting in the saving of many in the kingdom of God. S. E. WIGHT.

Battle Creek

Sabbath, the 14th, was an important day in the calender at Battle Creek. At the close of the sermon in the morning, five persons were baptized by Elder Farnsworth. Two of these were students at the academy, and one was a young Holland lady. In the afternoon, before the ordinances were celebrated, there was an ordination of two brethren who were just elected to serve as deacons. After the ordinances, a collection was taken for the Lord's poor which amounted to \$10.75. Also between the services, at 1:30 p. m. there was held in the auditorium the funeral of an aged sister, Mrs. Julia A. Bizer. And at the same hour Professor Russell conducted the burial service of an unknown child in the outskirts of the city. G. W. AMADON.

Farewell Service

Thursday evening, January 19, quite a number met in the east vestry of the Tabernacle in Battle Creek, for a short service to say farewell to Brother Evert Beuchel and wife, and Brother Howard Bayley and wife leaving for Washington to attend the Foreign Mission Seminary preparatory to going as missionaries to a foreign land.

After listening to vocal and instrumental music, five minute talks were given on "Our work,—Past, Present and Future." Elder G. W. Amadon spoke on the past, recalling many interesting instances of by-gone days. He said Brother White's editorial table consisted of a plank two feet wide and twenty feet long. Clothing and food were scanty and extremely plain. Brother Amadon worked for \$60 a year, Brother U. Smith, editor of the *Review and Herald* worked for \$100 a year.

Prof. C. A. Russell spoke of our present work, showing the progress made There was no organization at the beginning, there are twenty-two union conferences now; no missions then, nearly every country entered now; no publishing houses then, now the truth is printed in sixty-two languages; no schools then, twenty-two thousand of our children in our own schools now.

Pastor Farnsworth spoke of our future work. Thirty-six years ago our first missionary was sent out. Now they go by hundreds, soon they will go by thousands. It will not be long till the mark of the beast will be enforced. There will be another Pentecost, laborers will speak with other tongues, signs and wonders will be wrought. Farther on the city of God will descend, and that is the final outcome of this movement.

Now as the missionaries go we can *pray* and we can *pay*. Those about to leave expressed in few words their desires as they go, and that it is a privilege to have a part in the sacrifices that must be made.

A blackboard was then brought into the room marked in squares and \$120 was pledged for the \$300,000 Fund. A little time was spent socially and so this pleasant evening closed.

This is the fourth generation in each of these families who have been connected with this third angel's message.

News Notes

Brother Gray is holding meetings just out of Saint Joseph, and reports a most excellent interest.

Sister Cleora Green reports five new Sabbath-keepers in the city of Grand Rapids.

Elder H. W. Miller visited the conference office on business last week.

The tract society books when closed at the end of the year 1910 showed a net gain of \$683.54. It is hoped that the coming year will be still more prosperous.

Sister Ida Wilson of Cedar Springs is spending a little time in the canvassing work, and reports good results for the time put in.

The many friends of Brother R. E. Taylor of Battle Creek will be pained to hear of the sudden death of his wife on Thursday evening, Jan. 19.

The sad news of the death of Sister J. B. Buck of Monterey was received at the office last Thursday. The funeral was conducted in the Monterey church last Sabbath by Elder John Covert.

WISCONSIN

Religious Liberty Offering

The 4th of February has been set apart for receiving the Religious Liberty Offering for 1911. In view of this our sanitarium letter will be deferred one week and read the second Sabbath in February. The Religious Liberty offering is to be divided among the General, Union and local conferences.

A liberal offering is desired and needed at this time. The present situation demands it. The final crisis is drawing near, and every lover of liberty should show his colors at this time in a substantial way.

W. H. THURSTON.

Milwaukee

The work in Milwaukee is advancing. Two more are keeping the Sabbath and will undoubtedly soon be baptized. while others are deeply interested. I am holding meetings every week in North Milwaukee with several families of Free Methodists. Here, too, the truth overwhelms all opposition. It truly seems as though the Lord is finishing the work in the cities and it is a race for us to keep up.

We were encouraged by a recent visit from Brother P. C. Hanson and Brother L. A. Hanson, who materially assisted in renewing zeal in the relief campaign.

Dear brethren and sisters everywhere, let us all do something and do it now, or the Lord will raise up someone else to do the work, and someone else will answer instead of us at the final roll call. B. L. Post.

News Notes

Orders are coming in from the churches, and many books will be sold this year.

One of our workers ordered forty "Ministry of Healing." What would one suppose he will do with them?

Brother Hanson visited Milwaukee, Oshkosh, Green Bay, PoySippi, and Bethel. Brother Thurston joined him again at Grand Rapids and together they will visit a few churches in the southwestern part of the State.

Many of our churches have reported good quarterly meetings and a revised list of membership. Let all do likewise.

Some workers and churches are paying up their old tract society account. This is commendable and worthy of imitation.

Brother Halderson reports that two of the old canvassers are taking studies in the Fireside Correspondence School and are enjoying it very much. One of these writes that, with God's help, he is putting in better time in the canvassing work.

One of our canvassers writes that though the snow is deep and he has met with other drawbacks, his courage is good. He says that the books sell as well now as before Christmas. He finds the people at home, sitting around their fires in a social frame of mind.

Elders W. H. Thurston and L. A. Hanson held several meetings in Madison in the interest of "Ministry of Healing" and missionary work, with good results. The believers there say they are going to keep right on selling the book until the desired results are realized. This sounds like success and victory.

INDIANA

Religious Liberty Annual Offering

This offering is to be taken in all our churches on Sabbath, February 4, 1911. A special program will be prepared for the occasion. We are now in the time of the message when strenous efforts are being put forth to bring the "mark of the beast" to the front. See the many Sunday bills introduced into both state and national legislatures. See the many attempts to bring about Sunday closing in the marts of business in nearly every municipality. See the different organizations, including ministerial associations, working in behalf of the observance of the first day of the week.

Are we as earnestly working to unmask the counterfeit? We need to scatter many pages of literature and carry on aggressive campaigns in behalf of the "seal of God."

Remember the time of the offering, Sabbath, February 4, and give liberally that the Lord's work be not hindered.

A. L. MILLER.

Muncie

Upon returning from our good council meeting at Berrien Springs, I thought I would write a few lines for the HERALD. At this meeting, it was decided to continue the publication of the HERALD, and I hope our brethren will all subscribe for it as it contains news from all parts the Union Conference. We are anxious to know how the message is progressing in our sister conferences.

I visited a family this morning who had called for me while I was away from home. The husband has been convicted of the truth for sometime. Their little child was sick. The father read in the Book of James about the power of the Lord to heal, and he called for me. We had a talk about the truth and he and his wife both decided to keep the commandments. Our hearts are made glad to see the people accepting the truth that will save them from the coming storm. Pray for the work at this place.

·U. S. ANDERSON.

News Notes

Have you paid your pledge on the \$300,000 Fund?

Next Sabbath, January 28, is the time for the fourth Sabbath missionary service.

The yearly religious liberty offering is to be taken up in all our churches the first Sabbath in February.

As a result of the meetings which Brother H. M. Kelley held at Mecca, several persons are observing the Sabbath.

Elder W. A. Young accompanied Elder Lukens on his

visit to the Ligonier church and remained to hold a series of meetings there.

Brother Albert Yazell of Sheridan, when in our office last week reported a number of individuals in his community interested in the truth.

Brother Thomas Hubbard recently began a series of meetings at the Rocklane church, expecting to continue for several weeks if the interest demands it.

After visiting the Kennard church Sabbath, January 21, Elder U. S. Anderson expects to hold a series of meetings near Greentown, where some meetings were held last winter.

The conference executive committee recently voted that Brother N. H. Pool devote a part of his time to the financial interest of the conference and the sanitarium, and that he be authorized to receive money for the conference.

Last week our missionary secretary sent out a number of letters urging the wide circulation of the February *Signs Monthly*, which is "the best yet." We hope for many prompt and favorable responses this week. Order from the conference office,

Next week we purpose to give an interesting financial statement of tithes and offerings received from the churches and individuals in Indiana during the year 1910. This statement will merit considerable study, especially on the part of all church officers. Watch for it.

The program for the fourth Sabbath missionary meeting next Sabbath may be found in the *Review* of January 10. We trust that all churches in Indiana will hold regular missionary meetings, at least monthly, on the fourth Sabbath as provided for by the *Review* programs.

In addition to our conference president, the representatives from Indiana at the Lake Union Council at Berrien Springs, January 9–13, were Elders W. A. Young, A. L. Miller, U. S. Anderson and Brother N. H. Pool. The need of working our cities at this time was considered and plans for more aggressive effort adopted. The General Conference was represented by the Treasurer, Elder W. T. Knox.

At a recent meeting of the conference executive committee, it was voted that Indiana pay 10 per cent of its tithe to the General Conference for missions and 5 per cent of its tithe to the General Conference for the Sustentiation Fund in addition to the 10 per cent, or tithe, that it has always paid to the Lake Union Conference, making 25 per cent of its tithe, in all, to be used outside of the State.

Our president, Elder Morris Lukens, returned to the conference office on the 17th instant, having been to Boggstown (in attendance at the auditors and elders' meeting), Berrien Springs (in attendance at the Lake Union Conference Council), Ligonier, South Bend (where he visited the Lake Union and Review and Herald offices), Kokomo and the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, during his absence.

On Thursday, January 5, the auditing committee met at Boggstown to audit the accounts of the conference workers for last year and to settle upon their wages for the present year. Dr. S: L. Strickler and Brethren J. H. Crandall, J. W. Mace, H. E. Sanders, Roy Fattic, and Lee Horlacher were invited to act with the conference executive committee, all of whom were present, namely, Elders Lukens, Young, Miller, and Brethren N. H. Pool, T. A. Goodwin, W. P. Cunningham, and William Applegate.

Wabash Valley Sanitarium Notes

Geo. Zirkle and wife of Middletown were patients at the sanitarium a week ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crandall of Albion, Indiana, are patients at the sanitarium.

Doctor Loope made a business and professional call in Indianapolis one day last week.

J. W. Lecklider, one of our graduate nurses of Marion, is assisting in the institution at present.

Elder Morris Lukens made the sanitarium a short call on his return home from the Lake Union Conference Council.

We are glad to announce that several people are considering building the much needed-cottage previously mentioned.

Brother Harry Ford, a member of the sanitarium training school, is just recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. E. M. Jackson returned to her home in Angola, Ind., last week. She has recovered from a surgical operation at the sanitarium.

Miss Millie Lampher, a graduate nurse from Lebanon, is matron of the ladies' bath department during the increased patronage.

Miss Ruth Pinkerton, a member of the training-school family, visited her parents recently. They expect to move West soon.

Miss Lydia Gunderson, another member of the training school family, has been obliged to have some surgical work done but is improving rapidly.

The sanitarium is hanging about two hundred large photographs, nicely framed under glass, in various places in the State as an advertising feature.

The wind has been very strong in the vicinity of the sanitarium during the last few days, having blown down our arch sign in front of the main building.

At this writing the institution is full of patients. Never in its past history has there been as many occupants in the main building at this time of year.

We must apologize for the absence of this column on account of the illness of our sanitarium correspondent for the past two weeks. We promise our readers to do better in the future.

Mrs. Olive Hauser of Zionsville, Indiana, has returned to allow nature to complete its work in restoring her health. Mrs. Bernard Smith also accompanied her at this time paying the sanitarium a very pleasant call

The sanitarium has some property in the way of lots which we would be pleased to exchange for an automobile or some other suitable conveyance for transporting patients between the institution and depots. At the present rate of increase our business will soon demand several conveyances

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Mrs Lily informs us that she conducts a Sabbath-school in a suburb of Detroit for children not of our faith, and not a "Sunday school" as was reported in the East Michigan News Notes of the HERALD bearing date of January 11. The attendance averages twenty every Sabbath.

The cover page of the January *Watchman* has a magnificent picture of George Washington, "The father of our country." Underneath the picture appears a very rarely published statement from him respecting religious legislation. A splendid number to send to legislators throughout the land.

Emmanuel Missionary College Notes

Mr. Fred Thompson is with us again.

We are pleased to have Mr. Walter Elliott in school again. Miss Anna Garton was called home by the sickness of her mother.

Brother J. B. Blosser is attending the Bookmen's Convention at College View, Nebr.

Miss Georgia Strickler, who has been visiting her sister in Washington, D. C., also relatives in Indiana, returned home last week.

The second number of the Lecture Course was given last Saturday night. It was a very interesting lecture on the Yellowstone National Park by Professor Rathbun who spent some time there last summer.

Religious Liberty Fund

The General Couference Committee has appointed Sabhath, February 4, as a time for taking up contributions for the Religious Liberty work. During the past few years the funds of the General Conference have been drawn upon quite heavily for the purpose of carrying on a campaign in the interest of Religious Liberty.

Bills are now pending before Congress, which, if passed, will violate the principles of liberty established by the Constitution of this government. A large amount of literature is printed and circulated by our people in opposition to these measures. Besides men are continually employed to direct the work. All this involves a heavy expense.

In addition to this, literature must be secured for use in our State legislatures, and men employed to look after the work, locally. So it has been provided that local conferences retain one-third of all the contributions received from their people, to be used in the work by the local conference.

We are all interested in this matter, for our liberties are involved. We are confident that due liberality will be shown toward the support of the work at this time.

Let us keep in mind the date, and let the matter be taken up in all our churches. Allen Moon.

Workers' Meeting

Our conference laborers and church officers are hereby asked to keep in mind the workers' convention appointed for 213 Oak St., Chicago, Ill., February 7-12. Much valuable instruction will be given at this time relative to church and evangelistic work and not one of the officers or laborers can afford to miss it. In addition to the various interests which will be considered from day to day, there[•] will be arrangements made for evening services among our churches in the city. E-cellent board at reasonable rates will be provided in the bui ng where the convention is to be held. Ravenswood Local on the Elevated stops at Oak Street, also Wells Street, on surface line crosses Oak Street near the place of meeting. WM. COVERT.

Eleventh of Daniel

"If you are unable to understand the eleventh chapter of Daniel, 'the hard chapter', the pamphlet written by Prof. J. G. Lamson is just what you need. It will enable you to master the chapter much more quickly and easily than any other work I am acquainted with. It is also in entire accord with the views held by Seventh-day Adventists."—W. E. Videto, Instructor in Bible, Emmanuel Missionary College.

Supplies of this book can be obtained of the East Michigan Tract Society, or Prof. J. G. Lamson, Stuart, Iowa. Paper cover sells at 25 cents, cloth, 50 cents, black morocco \$1. Send orders through your Tract Society.

FOR SALE.-Wesson's Cooking Oil, 5-gallon can for \$4.80. Address Bethel Academy Store, Bethel, Wis.

WANTED.—A goodly number of consecrated young men and women to enter the Nurses' Training Class beginning March 15, 1911, at the Madison Sanitarium, Madison, Wis. P. L. Larson, Manager.

FOR SALE.—Beautiful S. C. White, S. C. Buff, and S. C. Brown Leghorn cockerels. A few Barred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Price \$2 each. You should secure one early. College Poultry Yards, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Two good houses and six acres of land in the village of Holly, Mich., for sale. This property has been held until recently, at \$3,500, but is now offered for \$2,800 for quick sale. Half cash, balance time. For particulars write East Michigan Tract Society, Holly, Mich.

Send your order with \$4 50 to the East Michigan Tract Society, Holly Mich., for five gallons of the best grade of pure vegetable Cooking Oil. We are also shipping ripe Olives in five-gallon cans, at the same price, although olives have advanced twenty-five cents a can.

WANTED.—A young man who is desirous of obtaining an education, to begin work immediately in the Farm Department of the College. Also another young man to begin work March 1st. A splendid opportunity to secure a knowlledge of practical agriculture. Write at once, stating age, previous experience, what school work you have completed and giving references as to ability and Christian experience. Address Farm Department, Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs Michigan.

Kites rise against, not with the wind . . . No man ever worked his passage anywhere in a dead calm.—*Jno*. . *Neal*.