

# Lake Union Herald

"In due season we shall reap, if we faint not"

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## Lake Union Conference Directory

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power with which the cause swept past them. The stones they have tried to cast in the way were unavailing by reason of the distance that intervened. These men have all learned how fatal were their ravings when it was too late for remedy, so far as they were concerned.

Others may yet learn a like lesson. Faithfulness to the observance of all revealed truth alone can save any individual from such a fate. The truth is plain. The duty of man is made clear in the word of God. The Holy Spirit is promised as a guide to every honest soul in finding the truth.

ALLEN MOON.

## Too Busy

Too busy are we midst the whirl and the stress  
Of our life as the days come and go—  
Too busy to water with prayers and with tears  
The seed we abundantly sow.

Too busy with working for Jesus to pause  
And sit at His footstool of prayer;  
Too busy commanding and guarding His field  
To learn what his orders are there.

Too busy with routine of cares in the home  
To seek Him alone through the day;  
Too busy in striving to faithfully serve  
To listen to Him and to pray.

How Satan doth gloat o'er his subtle decoy  
Of winding our life in this coil!  
He knows when too busy to watch unto prayer  
Our triumph at last he will foil.

O guard us from whirlpools that threaten to wreck  
Our bark, Heavenly Pilot, we pray!  
And teach us the blessing of walking with God  
Through holy communion each day.

—Worthie Harris Holden.

## Progress

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world," says the Saviour. "Shall be" means that there is nothing that can stand in the way of the progress of that message when the time has come for the work to be done. Even the intolerance of nations cannot be a barrier to its onward march.

This is proved by the fact that more than 4,700 people have espoused the cause of truth in the land of the Czar in the last few years, and the work is onward among the Russians. Quite a company of these were in attendance at the late general council in Europe, and gave evidence of being a courageous, heroic band whose faith is undaunted by the yawning prisons and open dungeons of their native land.

Our own lukewarmness in the cause has no effect to bring the work to a standstill. The result may be that we may be left behind entirely and lost sight of, but triumph is sure to the overcomer.

Some have thought that they were themselves carrying so much of the burden that if they stepped out from under it the work would fall to the ground and cease to move. All such have been disappointed and dismayed, for when they ceased to advance they were dazed by the swiftness and

## The Colored People

We have eight millions of these people in this country, the great majority of whom are in the Southern States. They are in the midst of those who once held them in bondage. They have not the opportunity for acquiring means that the white people of the country have, and their recent state of bondage prevented their developing the ability in that direction. But they must have the truth, and the means must come largely from the North. The Lord has, through the Testimonies, sought to arouse an interest in these people on our part. Again and again the word has come, "Hurry the work among the colored people of the South for the work will close up there earlier than elsewhere."

The General Conference has invited us to make a contribution in all the churches on the first Sabbath of October for the purpose of aiding in the work for the colored people. Let us make it a liberal one in all our churches.

ALLEN MOON.

## "We Must Keep in Our Ranks All the Means of Which We Can Gain Control"

Thus Satan counsels his angels. He says more: "The more means the followers of Christ devote to His service, the more will they injure our kingdom by getting our subjects." "Control the money matters if you can, and drive their [Seventh-day Adventists] ministers to want and distress. This will weaken their courage and zeal. Battle every inch of ground."

When it comes to money matters the fallen angel, Lucifer, is at home. He is an adept as a covetous financier. In this counsel he gave his angels, it is made clear that he understands there is a close connection between "money matters" and the winning of souls for Christ. By keeping in his "control" all the money possible, he keeps the third angel's message away from those he fully understands would be saved by it if they had the opportunity to hear it. He purposes they shall not have the opportunity, by making it impossible for messengers who might give it being sent out with it.

All this becomes intensely interesting when we come up to the place where we are to go out among the people to gather money from them with which to send messengers to the people in distant lands whom Satan holds bound in his snares. That he will fight "every inch of ground" we must expect. That he will try to make us not want to go at all, is very probable. But let us look the thing squarely in the face and count every such suggestion as coming directly from God's enemy and set our hearts resolutely toward going out with

the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, believing the Lord will give us success in gathering means for Him.

There are rich men and women who could give a thousand dollars, five hundred dollars, and less large sums; a few who could give even much more than a thousand dollars and not miss it. God needs this money to do His work. Satan wants to keep it working for him. His aim is to not let it out of his coffers. He counts it out of his hands when it gets into ours—into the treasury of the third angel's message.

Through faith and prayer to our God we can divert thousands of dollars this autumn into God treasury, where it belongs, for the purpose of saving souls. Shall we do it?

We have from now until October 30 to pray about it, prepare for it by getting in hand a supply of papers especially prepared for this very thing, and then go out among the people to solicit their help.

If any reader of this paper has not already prepared for this good work, he can still join in it by ordering a good supply of Harvest Ingathering *Signs* of his tract society secretary, and be ready to do his part when the time comes.

T. E. BOWEN.

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## INDIANA

### Indianapolis

The West Side church is of good courage. We enjoy many spiritual blessings as we pray and work for others. We have a membership of fifty. We take 44 Weekly *Signs*, 10 Monthly, 10 *Watchman*, besides a number of our other publications. We have a prosperous Sabbath-school. Our donations up to September 1 amounted to \$42. We have planned for cottage prayer meetings. We have had thirteen additions to the church since the first of April. Seventeen have been baptized.

My wife and I have not been connected with any tent effort, but we have been busy working for the Master. Two more of Mrs. Hadley's readers have begun the observance of the Sabbath.

O. S. HADLEY.

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### News Notes

Sabbath-school quarterlies should be ordered this week.

The Anderson church-school opened last week with an encouraging attendance, Miss Susie Blake being teacher.

The school at the East Side church of Indianapolis began on Monday of last week with Miss Lora Tarbell as teacher.

Printed matter concerning the forth-coming Harvest Ingathering campaign is being sent to all our churches this week. We trust our members will all consider it very carefully and prayerfully.

At a recent session of the Virginia Conference, Elder W. J. Stone, our former president, was elected to the presidency of that conference. We wish Elder Stone a large portion of the Lord's blessing in his new field of labor.

Brother N. L. Taylor, who has served the Indiana Conference for some time as field agent, recently resigned his position in order that he might attend school. He has gone to Emmanuel Missionary College at Berrien Springs, Michigan.

All church treasurers are requested to send their monthly remittances of tithes and offerings to the conference treasurer, A. N. Anderson, promptly each month, which means not later than the 28th instant. Let this month be no exception to the rule.

Last Wednesday, the 13th instant, Elder Montgomery attended the opening of Beechwood Academy. The attendance of both new and old students was encouraging, and many more are expected during the first few weeks of the school year.

On the first of September, the \$300,000 Fund receipts in Indiana amounted to \$3,840.44. At our recent conference

session the members voted to endeavor to complete our share of the fund this year. Can not every church make a special effort now to raise its portion? The foreign fields are greatly in need of help which this fund is intended to provide.

One of the pleasant callers at the conference office last week was Brother Oliver Morris who has begun work in Indiana as field agent, succeeding Brother N. L. Taylor. Brother Morris held this office in the Northern Illinois Conference for a number of years and the book work there prospered under his direction. We trust the Indiana brethren will heartily cooperate with him to make it successful here.

Our missionary secretary, R. C. Spohr, returned to Indianapolis last week after a successful trip with the periodical company which went out immediately after camp-meeting. More than 9,000 of our ten-cent magazines were sold by the company during the three weeks they were in the field. We hope to publish a fuller report of the summer's campaign in next week's paper.

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## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

### News Notes

Elder E. A. Bristol visited Peoria, Sabbath, the 16th.

Our camp-meeting closed Sept. 10. A report of it will follow in a later issue.

Elder Woodford and Brother E. F. Ferris returned to Bluford after the camp-meeting to look after the interest there.

The following was received by the tract society: "It was not my privilege to go to camp-meeting this year. I send check for four dollars for camp-meeting expenses." Are there not others who wish to do the same?

Elder C. H. Bliss will be located for a time at St. Elmo, Brother W. E. Swartz at Findly, and Sister Craig will look after some interests at Shelbyville. Sister Minnie Hooker has taken up work at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium.

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## NORTH MICHIGAN

### Traverse City Camp-Meeting

This meeting was held in the same place as the one last year. Several conditions worked together to make the meeting a success. The weather was ideal for such an occasion, and the attendance was larger than we have had for several years in the past.

The workers from outside of the conference were Elders K. C. Russell, B. F. Stureman, and Dr. D. H. Kress, Brethren C. A. Russell, S. N. Curtis, J. B. Blosser, J. W. Mace, and Prof. O. J. Graf. Each of these brethren rendered valuable assistance, and it was the testimony of those present that we had enjoyed a feast of good things. Twenty-nine went forward in the ordinance of baptism, most of these being young people who gave themselves to the Lord for the first time.

There was a fair attendance from the city' night after night, and they seemed to be deeply interested in the meeting. On the last Sunday of the camp-meeting, while the tent was filled with outsiders, Elder K. C. Russell spoke on the principles of religious liberty, and at the close of his talk an expression was taken as to how many believed in the principles that had been set forth; nearly every one rose to their feet.

The business part of the conference passed off smoothly, and in the election of officers there was practically no change.

J. J. IRWIN.

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### Camp-Meeting

The after results of the camp-meeting in Traverse City are most excellent. Six of those who were baptized will unite with the Traverse City church. Several new faces were seen at our services last Sabbath. One lady has taken her stand

for the truth, and others attend our church who are deeply interested.

Sister Faulkner, our Bible worker, is finding new readers. Many people of the city are very friendly, and our prayer is that God will give us a rich harvest of souls.

M. C. GUILD.

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### News Notes

J. H. Niehaus and wife left Wednesday for a short vacation at their home in Indiana.

Brother E. F. Peterson is holding meetings with the company at Laketon in the Upper Peninsula.

H. W. Johnson was at Mt. Pleasant last week looking after the interest of the canvassing work at that place.

Brethren M. C. Guild, U. S. Struble, and J. J. Irwin attended the meeting of the Cedar Lake Academy board at Cedar Lake, the 12th.

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### WISCONSIN Walderly School

A final settlement has been made with the Walderly school teachers for \$850. This is about one-third of the amount which they could really claim according to the articles of agreement. This was very considerate on the part of the teachers. A compromise was made in order that the conference might see its way clear to make some improvements in the school in the way of building, etc. This \$850 is largely money invested in the school by the teachers.

The school board elected at our annual session of the conference held its first meeting August 29. Prof. A. W. Hallock was elected principal. The school will open October 11 with about twenty students. Twenty more would come if there were facilities to accommodate them.

There should be from five hundred to a thousand dollars appropriated to this school at once for building purposes and equipment, especially in view of the liberal settlement of the teachers, showing their interest in avoiding debt to the conference and in building up the work.

Improvement has been made on the farm in different ways, and the outlook is hopeful if some wherewithal is forthcoming for chinking. The school is designed to be self-supporting, and many young people in that part of the State will work their way through school. However, more buildings are needed and the work should not be delayed.

All connected with the school are of good courage, working hard and sacrificing in order to succeed and keep out of debt. The small crop they had this year was good. Berries produced well, and the income from the apiary is good considering the season. A spirit of cooperation is manifest. Success is sure to follow order and harmonious action. So may it be.

W. H. THURSTON.

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### News Notes

Brother J. A. Dominski is having quite a successful delivery of "Great Controversy" in this (Wood) county.

Brother Archie Patterson of Milton Junction, was a caller at this office last week en route to Bethel where he will attend the school.

Miss Lavina McChesney went to Madison last week to take up the nurses' training course in the sanitarium. On her way she stayed over night with Miss Cutler at Grand Rapids.

Messrs. Laurence and Clarence Georgenson came in Tuesday of last week to make final settlement with the tract society secretary, each having earned a scholarship during the past two months. From here they went to Bethel for another year's work at the academy. These brothers were enthusiastic over the advantages to be gained from canvassing experiences, not only in a wider knowledge of humanity—

thus making one of greater service to his fellow men—but because of the fact that the canvasser must stand alone with God, relying wholly upon His guidance.

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### WEST MICHIGAN

#### Tract Society Report

As we look over the work of the past year we see encouraging signs. The amount of our sales have been increasing year by year, and where they amounted to about \$4,250 in 1907, they have increased to a little over \$7,000 for the year 1910.

The net profits on these sales has increased from \$13.18 in 1907 to \$683.54 in 1910. This gain is shown in spite of the fact that for the first time in its history the tract society paid a fair portion of the office rental for the year 1910.

One reason for the good showing that has been made is the fact that the periodical business in the territory has practically all been handled through the local office instead of being sent directly to the publishers. While the periodical business alone would not account for all this gain, yet, added to the other business, it helps considerably.

There has been a continuous sale of tracts the past year, and we trust that this is the beginning of a revival along missionary lines. A live missionary secretary during the entire year would have done a good work that we have not been able to accomplish from the office. A part of our churches have been doing active missionary work, making reports regularly as to what has been accomplished. Others seem to need help and encouragement such as a missionary secretary is supposed to give. We hope to see an improvement in this respect during the present year.

We wish to call the attention of the delegation especially to the *Review and Herald*. Not nearly as many copies of this paper are being taken in the conference as should be taken. No church should be satisfied until every family enjoys its weekly visits. We will be pleased to cooperate with the church officers in any way we can that will tend to increase the circulation of this best of all church papers.

We feel sure that the new educational magazine is not understood by our people. It contains matter that should be in every home, particularly where there are children or young people of school age. Its importance can hardly be over-estimated and the subscription price of fifty cents per year places it practically within the reach of all.

The sale of our ten-cent magazines has not been pushed in our conference as it might have been. There is a good profit in this line for all who are where they can put in some time at it, even though it may be only a few hours each week. The cities and towns should be worked with these magazines. It depends on the attitude and interest of the officers of each church in getting this work started.

The collections in the tract society have been very good, yet there is occasionally an account that brings rather slow returns. We do not believe that there ought to be any such. The society was established for the purpose of serving the brethren and sisters of this conference, but we cannot feel that it is right for any one to make use of the society and then fail to make proper returns for the services rendered, even though these cases are in a decidedly small minority.

With the force of agents that we have had in the field this summer, the present year bids fair to exceed in volume the sales of any previous year. E. L. RICHMOND, *Sec'y*.

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### Report of West Michigan Sabbath-School Departmentt June 30, 1910-June 30, 1911

The Sabbath-school work has made progress during the past year, and we trust that much good has been accomplished

through this agency. The Sabbath-school is the church at study. We are bidden, "Search the Scriptures forin them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of Me." The Word of God rightly studied leads directly to the salvation of the soul. The Sabbath-school affords a precious opportunity of working for Christ. Some, we do not know how many, consecration services have been held during the year, and a large number of Sabbath-school pupils have been baptized. How far the Sabbath-school has been responsible for this it would be impossible to tell; our ministers, church elders, teachers, and Missionary Volunteer societies are busy. All these agencies are given of God to work together in educating and saving the soul.

For several years we have been working to reach the point where we would give all our regular Sabbath-school donations to missions. We reached that point in the quarter ending March 31, 1911. God has blessed us in this effort, and it is to be hoped that no school will lapse in this matter, but that our schools may present a solid phalanx standing for missions, both in doing their part to prepare workers for the mission fields and furnishing means to fight the powers of darkness in the hard places of earth. The donations are larger by several hundred dollars than those of any previous year.

In one school the average for each person for the quarter was \$4.44 or 34 cents each Sabbath per member. And the members of this school are rich in faith, but not in this world's goods.

The total for the year is \$3,264.77. This does not include the Children's Dollar Fund on which already \$71.74 has been paid. This sum will be largely augmented before the close of this meeting. It is this year applied to the building of a cottage home for a missionary in West Africa. Last year, the dollar fund donation amounting to \$102.70 were given to the forwarding of the work in the Island of Java.

Our Sabbath-schools number 72 with a total membership of 2,222, fifty-seven of which are Home Department members.

Two new schools were organized during the year, Almena and Bellevue. These schools number respectively eighteen and twelve.

The number of the *Sabbath School Worker* taken in this conference has gradually increased till nearly all the teachers and many others in the schools have this excellent magazine.

Am sorry to report that as yet the enrolment in the Teachers' Training Course is small; but we believe that our Sabbath-school teachers are coming more and more to see the value of training for their work, and that the time is not many months distant when we shall see our teachers seeking to make themselves better teachers by professional study.

The members in our Home Department are increasing, but this department still lacks many of being as large as the Home Department membership was several years ago. Shall we not all exert ourselves to interest all Seventh-day Adventists in the study of our good Sabbath-school lessons?

FLORA H. WILLIAMS.

### News Notes

Elder J. O. Corliss was in Battle Creek recently.

Brother B. F. Williams has returned to his home in Adrian. D. K. Oxley, and son, Roy, of College View, Nebraska, will spend the winter in Battle Creek.

Conybeare and Howson's "Life and Epistles of Paul" for one dollar. Order of the Tract Society.

The canvassers are nearly all going to school. We need consecrated men to take their places in the field.

Miss Minnie Hart has gone to Mt. Vernon, Ohio, to take up her work in the Normal Department of the College.

Mrs. Flora Williams was in Otsego the 11th and 12th assisting Miss Rumery in the opening of the church-school.

Elder S. E. Wight spent a few days at the East Michigan camp-meeting. He went from there to Cedar Lake to attend the opening of school.

Brother J. M. Hoyt has again pitched a tent near Coral and started meetings. He thinks the prospects for an interested audience are good.

The canvassers are gathering for a ten days' institute at the Carlton Center church. We hope to see many recruits in the field at the close of this training.

Miss Ellen Oxley, with the Review and Herald Publishing Association at Washington, and Miss Mattie White, with the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, La Fayette, Ind., visited relatives in Battle Creek last week.

## EAST MICHIGAN

### East Michigan Camp-Meeting

EDITOR OF THE LAKE UNION HERALD: We are having a glorious meeting at Oxford, Mich., also conference, which I suppose you know ere this. I write to send you the proceedings of the conference up to this date. We have had but two resolutions presented as yet. I give them to you as follows:—

*Resolved*, That we express our gratitude to God for His prospering hand in the circulation of our subscription books during the past year and we pledge ourselves as canvassers to more faithful work in the future, and as workers and people to encourage this work in every possible manner.

*Resolved*, That we encourage our young people in the earning of scholarships by the sale of our literature, as the most practical, and best way of gaining a Christian education.

The following named persons were chosen to fill the offices of the conference for the coming year: President, H. H. Burkholder; secretary-treasurer, A. R. Sandborn; executive committee: H. H. Burkholder, A. R. Sandborn, Frank Hiner, D. P. Wood, O. D. Kittle; field missionary secretary, E. I. Beebe; tract society secretary-treasurer, Frank Hiner; field missionary agent, W. D. Moore; educational and Missionary Volunteer secretary, H. A. Boylan; religious liberty secretary, H. A. Weaver; Sabbath-school secretary, Tillie E. Barr; medical missionary secretary, J. M. Wilher.

E. I. BEEBE, *Conference Secretary*.

### Itemized Financial Report of the East Michigan Conference for the Year Ending December 31, 1910

#### Receipts

Cash in Bank Jan. 1, 1910.....	2,547.09
Tithe .....	26,677.19
One per cent Fund.....	11.12
Two per cent Fund.....	339.30
Expense .....	12.71
State T. & M.....	2,592.79
Tent and C. M. Fund. ....	1,197.14
Conference Worthy Poor Fund.....	145.67
Academy debt and deposits.....	2,062.16
Accommodation .....	2,497.86
Tithe returned.....	122.57
Personal deposit.....	18.16
Bills Receivable.....	2,317.25
Sabbath-school Fund.....	2,168.15
Foreign Mission Fund.....	1,231.70
Harvest Ingathering Fund.....	674.24
Annual Offering Fund.....	1,329.36
Mid-summer Fund.....	427.68
Weekly Offering Fund.....	227.91
\$300,000 Fund.....	2,699.00
Southern Field Fund.....	231.36

I. R. L. A. Fund.....	117.60
L. L. T. Fund.....	6.50
First Fruits Fund.....	2.69
Loma Linda San. Fund.....	71.20
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	\$49,728.40

**Disbursements**

Lake Union Conference back tithe.....	1,160.00
Lake Union Conference Tithe.....	2,654.89
Laborers' Audit for 1910.....	18,451.62
G. C. A. debt.....	2,000.00
Transferred to Funds from tithe.....	18.60
Expense.....	897.72
Personal deposit.....	80.00
State T. & M. Fund.....	2,592.79
Tent and C. M. Fund.....	1,255.53
Academy debts & deposits.....	2,062.16
Accommodation Acc't.....	2,472.42
Worthy Poor Fund.....	312.90
One per cent Fund.....	25.60
Two per cent Fund.....	339.30
Bills Receivable.....	2,100.00
First Fruits.....	3.94
Foreign Mission Fund.....	1,231.70
Annual Offering.....	1,329.36
Sabbath school Offering.....	2,168.15
Mid-summer Offering.....	427.68
Weekly Offering.....	227.91
Harvest Ingathering.....	674.24
\$300,000 Fund.....	2,699.00
Southern Field.....	231.36
I. R. L. A.....	81.27
L. L. T. Fund.....	6.50
Loma Linda San. Fund.....	71.20
Cash in Bank Dec. 31, 1910.....	4,152.56
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	\$49,728.40

**Auditor's Statement**

OVID, MICHIGAN, Jan. 3, 1911.

*Executive Committee, E. Mich. Conference,  
Elder E. K. Slade, President.*

This is to certify that I have checked the books of the treasurer of the East Michigan Conference for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910, and find the same in balance, with the trust funds and tithe to the Union all paid, and the bank and the conference ledger in agreement after accounting for the outstanding checks not returned to the bank. There was no cash in the hands of the treasurer as a balance, as all had been deposited in the bank the last of the month. Original vouchers and letters from correspondents containing money in them were in the files from which I checked the books. I believe the work to have been faithfully done, and the money honestly handled. Respectfully submitted,

W. H. EDWARDS, Auditor,  
*Lake Union Conference.*

**Financial Statement of East Michigan Tract Society for the Year Ending December 31, 1910**

**Resources and Liabilities**

**RESOURCES**

Property—Inventory.....	\$ 286.88
Expense—Inventory.....	55.23
Merchandise—Inventory.....	2,065.66
First State & Savings Bank.....	689.73
Adelphian Academy.....	.82

Review & Herald S. B.....	1,073.08
Tent.....	150.00
Personal Accounts Rec.....	625.83
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Total.....	\$4,947.23

**LIABILITIES**

Sanitarium Relief Fund.....	\$ 28.30
C. O. L.....	1.25
Personal Accounts Pay.....	36.32
Present Worth, January 1, 1911.....	4,881.36
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Total.....	\$4,947.23

**Gain and Loss**

**GAIN**

Merchandise.....	\$1,184.17
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Total.....	\$1,184.17

**Loss**

Property—10 per cent depreciation.....	\$ 3.75
Expense.....	960.92
Net Gain credited to Stock.....	219.50
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Total.....	\$1,184.17

**Stock**

Net Worth, January 1, 1910.....	\$4,661.86
Net Gain.....	219.50
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Present Worth, January 1, 1911	\$4,881.36

**Auditor's Statement**

OFFICE OF TRACT SOCIETY,  
HOLLY, MICH., Jan. 4, 1911.

*East Michigan Tract Society,  
Elder E. K. Slade, President.*

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the tract society for the year ending Dec. 31, 1910, and find them well and neatly kept, with the ledger in balance. I checked the books from original letters having money represented in them there being original vouchers for nearly all incoming cash. I found three vouchers that had been filed without entry, and these did not aggregate more than fifty cents. The money was all deposited in the bank the last of December, so there was no cash balance, but the bank balance agrees with the tract society ledger for Jan. 1, 1911, with the exception of one small outstanding check not returned to the bank. I can find no fault with the work nor methods in vogue in the office.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. EDWARDS, Auditor Lake Union Conf.

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS**

**Northern Illinois Conference Proceedings**

The ninth annual session of the Northern Illinois Conference was held in the city park at Aurora, the first meeting convening at 7:30 P. M. Tuesday, Aug. 22, two days prior to the opening of the camp-meeting. In all, twelve meetings were held, the last one being held Sunday, Sept. 1.

At the opening of the first meeting 45 delegates representing 29 churches were seated in addition to 25 delegates at large, making a total delegation of 65 present at the first meeting. At succeeding meetings 40 additional delegates were seated, making a total delegation of 105.

During this meeting and the one following, three newly organized churches located at Joilet, Princeton, and Broadview, whose aggregate membership is thirty-five, were voted into the conference.

By vote of the delegates the executive committee was asked to select the standing committees for the conference. This committee rendered the following report at the first meeting:—

Committee on Nominations: F. J. Harris, C. P. Kellogg, L. D. Sautee, J. W. Cummings, and C. R. Magoon.

Committee on Licenses and Credentials: J. C. Harris, C. W. Weber, W. A. Marsh, Jr., P. E. Broderson, and H. C. Winslow.

Committee on Plans: W. E. Straw, J. M. Burdick, H. E. Moon, Thos. Steen, O. A. Olson, E. F. Collier, Nellie D. Plugh, Anna Hibben, Oliver Morris, W. D. Forde, and W. C. Foreman.

The Committee on Plans brought in its first partial report at the third meeting. In all twenty-one resolutions were adopted covering various phases of the work. The discussion of these was most profitable and interesting, and we regret that lack of space forbids reporting these discussions. We can only report these resolutions as they were finally amended and adopted. They are as follows:—

Whereas in the providence of God the work in the Northern Illinois Conference has gone steadily forward and every branch of the work been blessed, and the lives of our workers have been preserved, death's hand having been laid upon but one, the faithful wife of our brother Elder Magoon, whose loss we greatly lament; therefore,—

1. *Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to our Heavenly Father for His preserving providence and His guidance, and devote ourselves with renewed zeal and consecration to the interests of His work.

In harmony with the action of the Lake Union Educational Board,

2. *We recommend*, That the church-schools do not attempt to teach more than the first eight grades.

Whereas, there has been serious laxness on our part in caring for the members of our churches; therefore,—

3. *We recommend*, That a movement be set on foot whereby the officers and members of our churches shall receive full instruction regarding the relationship and duties of both officers and members.

Inasmuch as the message must go to all the world in this generation, and an increased amount of means is required to sustain the work in the world-wide field; therefore,—

4. We approve of the action of our committee in appropriating 10 per cent of the gross receipts of the tithe to the General Conference for mission funds.

5. We also approve of the action of the General Conference in the arrangement of a sustentation fund of 5 per cent of the gross receipts of the tithe for the support of the aged and infirm laborers in the cause.

Whereas the Harvest Ingathering *Review* has been of value both in getting our members to work and aided in placing the truth in the fields beyond,—

6. *We recommend*, That we indorse and continue the plan, and that still greater effort be made with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* during the coming year.

Whereas the Northern Illinois Conference has accepted the responsibility of raising its apportionment of the \$300,000 Fund, amounting to \$6,312, and since more than half the time is past and only \$2,059 has been raised,—

7. *Resolved*, That the matter be taken hold of with renewed energy that it may be raised before the next General Conference.

Whereas we have received repeated messages from the Lord in regard to pushing the work in our cities; therefore,—

8. *We recommend*, That a special effort be made to sell our large subscription books in the cities of our conference, especially in Chicago.

Whereas there are many of our young people who can not have the privilege of receiving an education in our schools because of financial inability, and,

Whereas the Testimonies have repeatedly spoken of the im-

portance of assisting worthy young persons; therefore,—

9. *Resolved*, That we set into operation a movement to provide a fund for the assistance of such young people, and further that the conference president and treasurer and the principal of the academy be appointed a committee to direct the raising and disbursement of this fund, and that we further encourage our churches and individuals to select and help suitable young people to obtain an education.

10. *We recommend* to our young people the scholarship plan of selling our publications to secure an education.

11. *Resolved*, That we express our gratitude to God for His propering hand in the circulation of our subscription books and magazines, and heartily unite in encouraging these faithful self-supporting workers by our prayers, words, and in every consistent manner.

Whereas our churches throughout the conference have manifested an interest in the church building for our colored congregation of Chicago, and since this building has been completed and dedicated; therefore,—

12. *We recommend*, That a unanimous expression of gratitude and praise be rendered Almighty God for the success that has so far attended this enterprise.

Whereas it is essential that our people keep informed with the workings of our State and Union Conference, and as the LAKE UNION HERALD is the principal medium; therefore,—

13. *Resolved*, That we give it our hearty support by becoming subscribers and encouraging others to do so.

Whereas our sanitarium has heartily appreciated the effort that has been made in harmony with the plan devised by the General Conference regarding the sale of "Ministry of Healing" and *Life and Health* for the relief of our sanitarium,—

14. *We recommend*, Our people to further faithfulness in disposing of our quota of two "Ministry of Healing" and five *Life and Health* a year per member.

15. *We recommend*, The holding of at least one workers' meeting or institute during the year, in which Bible and evangelistic work in our cities receive special consideration.

Whereas it has been demonstrated that the Three-per-cent Fund is a wise plan for raising funds for conference purposes; therefore,—

16. *Resolved*, That we reindorse it for the coming year.

Whereas our attention has repeatedly and urgently been directed to the needs of our great cities, and

Whereas God has made us largely responsible for the city of Chicago, be it

17. *Resolved*, That city work be given special attention by the conference committee, and plans be laid to prosecute the work with all possible energy among the English speaking people and among the great foreign population consisting of many different nationalities.

Whereas the Lake Union Conference has voted to donate \$7,000 to the Swedish Seminary, which is in its borders at Broadview, Ill., and,

Whereas the Seminary is in much need of that money,—

18. *We recommend*, That the Northern Illinois Conference raise its quota which is \$800 if possible before the close of 1911.

Inasmuch as the conference has deemed it advisable to relieve Elder Wm. Covert from the arduous and responsible duties of the presidency, which he has carried so cheerfully and faithfully for the past six years,

19. We would hereby express our high esteem of Elder Covert and our sincere appreciation of his faithful and cheerful labors among us, and the kindly and considerate manner with which he has met the many perplexities and difficulties that will always come to the president of a conference, and we wish to assure him of our continual sympathy and good will, and wish him many years of service in this blessed and glorious cause.

Recognizing our two quarterly magazines, *Protestant* and *Liberty*, as filling a very important place in the work of pro-

mulgating the principles of true Protestantism and religious liberty; therefore,—

20. *Resolved*, That we acquaint ourselves fully with these principles by becoming subscribers, and that we do all in our power to set these principles before our friends and neighbors by placing in their hands these timely magazines.

21. *Resolved*, That we express to the Board of Park Commissioners of the city of Aurora our sincere and hearty appreciation for their kindness and generosity in granting us the free use of their city park, on the beautiful grounds of which we have so much enjoyed the rich blessings of this annual conference and camp-meeting, and that we would be grateful if we could secure the same grounds for our camp-meeting next year.

The Committee on Nominations presented its full report at the sixth meeting held Thursday afternoon, Aug. 24. The report was accepted and the following officers were elected: president, A. R. Ogden; conference sec'y and treas, H. E. Moon; conference executive committee, A. R. Ogden, H. E. Moon, W. E. Straw, F. J. Harris, C. W. Weber, P. E. Broderon, and J. A. Applegate; tract society secretary, H. E. Moon; field missionary sec'y, O. A. Wolcott; young peoples' dept. sec'y, O. A. Wolcott; S. S. dept. sec'y, Nellie D. Plugh; educational dept. sec'y, Nellie D. Plugh; religious liberty sec'y, E. F. Collier; board of managers for Fox River Academy: A. R. Ogden, E. A. Bristol, J. C. Harris, W. E. Straw, and Geo. McIntyre.

The report of the Committee on Licenses and Credentials was presented at the twelfth meeting, and after due consideration it was adopted:—

For credentials: Wm. Covert, L. D. Santee, J. C. Harris, F. J. Harris, Wm. Lewsadder, C. W. Weber, P. E. Broderon, M. H. Serns, C. R. Magoon, and Chas. Everson.

For ministerial license: J. Tabor, W. E. Straw, O. A. Wolcott, and H. E. Moon.

For ordination and credentials: W. D. Forde, J. M. Burdick, and Bernhard Peterson.

For missionary license: Elizabeth Harvey, Jean Phillips, Ruth Santee, Anna Hibben, Ella Hancock, Gertrude Merriner, Helen Odell, Oliver Morris, Sophia Wahlberg, Luella Rasmussen, Miss J. A. Lauter, Mrs. C. A. Prescott, Anna Thomson, Marie Olsen, Clara Kugel, Laura Alkire, Dr. Lyman Bedford, and J. A. Applegate.

For canvassers' license: John Hicks, Lorenzo Clarke, Chas. Andrews, Joe Nixon, D. R. Devereaux, Harry Lausten, Geo. Saether, Howard Banty, Carl E. Matteson, and Clarence Andrews.

For church-school teachers' license: Mabel Rank, Mabel Boo, Inez Stevens, May Warren, Adeline McNett, Mildred Holmes, Clara Keller, Vera Pierce, Hulda Berg, Lillian Hershey, Mrs. Lola Taylor, Rose Wildenberg, Carla Hildebrand, Minnie Meleen, Carrie Burdick, Ethel Fosler. All other names are referred to the executive committee.

During the conference the sum of \$272 was raised for the Broadview Swedish Seminary and \$240 on the \$300,000 Fund.

A most interesting meeting was held Monday morning, when we listened to the report of the canvassing department conducted by Brother O. Morris. From this report we gathered that we had twenty-one canvassers in the field during the summer, and that their total sales amounted to \$8,712, or an average per hour for each of \$1.11½. The best record made by any one canvasser was \$3.16 per hour for fifty hours. A considerable portion of the time was given to listening to testimonies from our canvassers who had been in the field during the past few months. These reports were most interesting and inspiring. They all breathed forth courage and thankfulness for having had a part in this glorious work of spreading the message by the sale of subscription books.

The last meeting was held at 9 A. M. Sunday, Sept. 3. The entire session was marked by harmony and brotherly

love, and all felt strengthened and encouraged by the rich spiritual feast we had partaken of during this annual gathering. Elder Covert, our retiring president, expressed words of appreciation for the tender fellowship and co-operation he had enjoyed among his fellow laborers in this conference during the past few years, and that he felt able for several years yet of active service in this cause. The delegates responded by a unanimous vote of the adoption of recommendation No. 19.

There being no further business to be brought before the delegates at this session, it was voted to adjourn *sine die*.

H. E. MOON, *Secretary*.

## Obituaries

MILES.—Mrs. Frances Emily Miles was born in the State of New York, February 16, 1849, and died at the home of her only child, Henry Irving Earll, in Pinconning, Mich., July 3, 1911. Sister Miles accepted the Sabbath and began its observance while on her deathbed as a result of the personal visits of Brother Fred Hoxie and myself during the tent effort in Pinconning. The funeral was held in the tent, which was almost full of relatives and friends who gave good attention to a discourse by the writer, assisted by Brother Hoxie.

ROBERT W. LEACH.

KEISER.—Jacob W. Keiser was born in Richland Co., Ohio, Aug. 8, 1832, and died at his home in Prattville, Aug. 11, 1911, aged 79 years and three days. In 1855 he was married to Miss Anna Gipe. To this union twelve children were born, eleven of whom, with the wife, live. He was an ordained minister in the Dunkard Church when he heard the truth about eighteen years ago. Since that time he has walked in the light. The funeral was held at his home church, a large circle of friends and relatives attending. Text, Rev. 14:13.

D. P. WOOD.

CUMMINGS.—James F. Cummings died suddenly at his home in Daleville, Ind., Aug. 14, 1911, aged 68 years and 6 months. From his obituary which he wrote last winter, I learn that he was born in Iowa, moved to Indiana when eleven years old, and enlisted in the army in 1864. He married Elizabeth Shortridge in 1865. To this union were born one daughter and two sons, who, with the widow and his three grandchildren, yet live. He accepted present truth in 1882. In 1902 he received license to preach the message. He was a man dearly loved in his home, church, and neighborhood. We laid him away, but not without hope, waiting for the coming of the Life-giver.

W. A. YOUNG.

MOORE.—Sadie G. Edwards was born near Kokomo, Indiana, Feb. 26, 1856, and died at her home in Takoma Park, July 26, 1911, having lived 55 years and 5 months. February 17, 1885, she was married to J. W. Moore. To this union two children were born, one dying in infancy, the other, Mrs. Floyd Sanborn lives at Takoma Park. For a number of years Sister Moore served acceptably as secretary of the Indiana Sabbath-school Association. This brought her in direct touch with the brothers and sisters of the Indiana Conference, who will with sorrow learn of her death. About thirty-five years ago she accepted present truth. Her faith never wavered; she died with the full assurance of the soon triumph of the message. The husband, two brothers, and three sisters are left to mourn. Elder K. C. Russell spoke words of comfort to the sorrowing friends in Takoma Park. The remains were then brought to Kokomo Indiana for burial, where services were conducted by the writer.

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MRS. LOU KIRBY-CURTIS - - - - EDITOR

The October *Watchman* points to the "City without a Church," or the New Jerusalem. This world is divided into two classes; one class striving after the things of this world and the other after things eternal. This fact is vividly portrayed on the cover page, illustrating two cities. The leading editorial entitled "The Eternal City" will be an excellent article to hand your neighbor to read. G. B. Starr answers the important question "Will Jesus Come?" Will He come to our world to gather the redeemed? The editor will give a very thoughtful treatise on "Our World an Object Lesson." A full report of the progress of the National Reform movement is given. Do you not think this is a strong number made up from the vital issues of the present hour?

In response to many urgent requests for assistance in teaching the children at home, our educational journal, *Christian Education*, begins "A Home School Department," in the September-October issue, just out. This number contains one article, "Child Education at Home" by a mother, worth more to any parent, with children to be taught at home, than the price of the journal for a full year; in fact, it presents successful methods that cost the mother who wrote the article, years of experience, and will bring results when applied that can not be valued in dollars and cents.

The "Signs of the Times" Special

Elder Knox writes: "A sample copy of the *Signs of the Times* special number for the Harvest Ingathering campaign has come to hand, and it certainly gives promise of being a handsome number. We have now reached the time when every conference should take active steps to engage in a successful campaign. Orders for the paper from all conferences should be in the hands of the Pacific Press not later than the 20th of September."

The time is at hand and it would be well for all to make estimates of the number of copies of the special *Signs* that will be required for the campaign, and place the orders at once. Let the orders be large. Let us move out by faith. This is a prosperous year in the Lake Union. The people will want the *Signs* special, and will give of their means for mission work if we give them a chance. ALLEN MOON.

Emmanuel Missionary College

A car load of grapes will be shipped on Wednesday. A large car load of baskets have been received for fruit. Miss Anna M. Carahooft of Decatur, Ill., is to teach simple treatments, and act as nurse in the ladies' dormitory. School opened at 8:30 Wednesday morning, Sept. 13.

One hundred three students were enrolled at that time, and a number of others have been arriving daily since then. It was interesting to us to know the first day's enrollment for the past four years. It was as follows: 1908-9, 40; 1909-10, 71; 1910-11, 82; 1911-12, 103.

Last Sabbath was a day of unusual privileges. Elders Corliss and Evans were with us. The Friday evening vesper service was conducted by Elder Corliss, after which nearly everyone present testified to God's goodness and their determination to live for Him. Elder Corliss conducted the services Sabbath forenoon and afternoon, relating some of his experiences in connection with the beginning of the work in Michigan. In the evening Elder Evans gave a very interesting talk on China. He told of the many needs of that poor people, and how eager they are to hear the gospel. He gave a brief outline of our work which started there ten years ago. At the close of his talk a number of young people signified their intention of keeping China in view as their field of labor.

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING Sept. 8, 1911

Northern Illinois							
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
Chas. Lausten.....	38	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	235 26
A. J. Klooster.....	D. R.	35	...	.....	.....	.....	187 10
Carl E. Matteson.....	P. J.	49	17	32 25	16 75	49 00	.....
G. W. Saether.....	D. R.	31	9	29 50	1 80	31 30	.....
		153	26	61 75	18 55	80 30	422 36
West Michigan							
Walter Boston.....	C. K.	22	6	9 50	50	10 00	.....
Reuel Root.....	G. C.	42	...	.....	.....	.....	152 60
Tait Buck.....	G. C.	37	1	3 00	.....	3 00	117 25
A. L. Richardson.....	B. R.	38	...	.....	.....	.....	75
I. J. Piper.....	G. C.	...	...	.....	.....	.....	254 24
		139	7	12 50	50	13 00	524 84
Wisconsin							
F. E. Middlested.....	B. R.	28	4	12 00	.....	12 00	.....
V. R. Hellman.....	G. C.	...	...	.....	.....	.....	224 00
Louis Scholz.....	B. R.	27	6	21 00	1 00	22 00	12 50
E. L. Ashley.....	B. R.	33	1	3 00	3 25	6 25	1 75
Wm. Nohr.....	B. R.	...	8	26 00	6 78	32 78	32 78
F. O. Halderson.....	B. R.	30	13	42 00	8 25	50 25	.....
		88	24	104 00	19 28	123 28	271 03
Southern Illinois							
†J. A. Applegate.....	D. R.	108	...	.....	.....	.....	414 15
E. L. Graham.....	D. R.	23	...	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Mrs. A. Reynolds.....	B. F.	40	...	.....	.....	.....	41 50
*W. C. Stearns.....	G. C.	23	2	6 00	.....	6 00	57 00
Hugh Stearns.....	G. C.	26	1	2 00	.....	2 00	96 00
P. J. Wham.....	D. R.	29	6	18 00	.....	18 00	.....
		249	9	26 00	.....	26 00	621 65
Indiana							
Robert Joyce.....	D. R.	43	5	18 00	8 45	26 45	.....
Wm. Sunday.....	D. R.	...	...	.....	.....	.....	254 25
J. E. Collins.....	B. R.	...	...	.....	.....	.....	85 00
R. R. Coble.....	G. C.	...	...	.....	.....	.....	157 00
Miss M. E. Coker.....	P. G.	6	3	9 00	.....	9 00	.....
C. O. Peterson.....	G. C.	...	...	.....	.....	.....	212 00
Tobias Hicks.....	.....	...	...	.....	5 50	5 50	.....
		49	8	27 00	13 95	40 95	708 25
28 Agents		678	74	231 25	52 28	283 53	2548 13

PERIODICAL REPORT

Wisconsin				
	Paper	Hours	No.	Value
F. L. Smith.....	L. & H.	45	322	\$32 23
Mrs. F. L. Smith.....	"	50	533	53 30
		95	855	85 50

\*Two weeks. †Three weeks. ‡Week ending Aug. 26. §Week ending Sept. 1.