

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

Vol. IV

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# Indiana Conference

## **Teachers'** Institute

The Indiana Conference teachers' institute was held Deember 26-29 at Beechwood Academy. Besides our own teachers and Elder and Mrs. Montgomery, we were glad to have with us Mrs. Carrie R. Moon and Miss Myrta M. Kellogg who gave valuable instruction throughout the institute.

The first session was called Tuesday, December 26, at 7 P. M. Elder Montgomery gave the first address of welcome. He spoke with deep earnestness of the great work of training the boys and girls to take their appointed places in the work of God. Prof. W. L. Avery gave the teachers a hearty welcome to Beechwood. Professor Castle gave us a warm welcome to the home. Mrs. Mc Mahan responded in a few words, expressing in behalf of the teachers our appreciation of the kind welcome accorded us, and the neat orderly rooms furnished for our comfort.

Wednesday forenoon Mrs. McMahan presented the subject of "The Aim of Our Church-schools," basing her remarks on John 17:3, and Isa. 54:13. Miss Jennis Grey of the Middletown school read a paper on "Bible Nature in the First Three Grades." "How to Develop the Spiritual Life of Our Pupils," was discussed. Miss Susie Blake spoke of the importance of prayer bands in the developement of the spiritual life of the children, and Mrs. Castle spoke of the influence of these in the academy. Miss Tarbell thought parents' meetings an important aid. Sister Moon suggested earnest prayer on the part of the teacher. Elder Montgomery emphasized wholesome discipline.

Wednesday afternoon Miss Blanche Hicks read a paper on "Methods of Teaching Geography." It was discussed by Miss Grey, Elder Montgomery, Miss Kellogg, Mrs. Moon and others. It was the general opinion that the earth should first be taught as a whole, beginning at creation. The discussion on "How to Conduct Opening Exercises," was participated in by all. Many helphful suggestions were given: as Morning Watch texts, study of certain books of the Bible, and testimony meeting.

One of the most helpful features of the institute was the question box, conducted each day by Mrs. Moon. One Wednesday evening Professor Avery spoke on the "Relation of the Church-school to the Academy." He emphasized the importance of doing thorough work in the church-schools, that the student may be able to take their proper places in the academy.

Elder Montgomery spoke' on the "Benefits of Churchschools to the Conference." He said the church-schools are the "nursery" of the conference.

Mrs. Lawson read a paper on "The Home School," showing by her own experience what can be done by a consecrated mother in training her children for the kingdom. Miss Frieda Huber conducted a model first grade reading class, using her own pupils, and illustrating the lesson by the use of the blackboard. Miss Kellogg followed with helpful suggestions on "Methods of Teaching Reading." Mrs. Grace Ebeling gave a short talk on industrial work. Miss Kellogg supplemented this with helpful hints, and an industrial exhibit.

Thursday afternoon Miss Tarbell talked on "Intermis-

sions,"<sup>2</sup>and gave a calesthentic drill as one method of using the recess period. Miss Kellogg gave interesting suggestions on games suitable for the schoolroom, memory tests, and perception drills. Mrs. Moon presented the importance of the "Teachers' Reading Course and our Educational Journal."

Miss Kellogg gave important instruction on "Method in Number." In closing she gave the teachers an interesting and instructive lesson plan. All felt that the institute was a great benefit, and an inspiration to better and larger things in the work to which God has called us.

> MRS. R. W. MCMAHAN, Chairman. SUSIE BLAKE, Secretary.

### Report from a Canvasser

From a letter received at the conference office a few days ago, from Brother Sunday, we quote the following, which will be read  $\frac{1}{2}$  with interest :--

"Last Monday I canvassed a man, and when through showing the book he told me he had a copy. He said he first bought a two dollar binding and used it till it became much worn, then he purchased one in the three dollar binding. The last book he had used for ten years. He said they kept the book on the stand by the Bible, and that he would not sell it at any price if he could not get another. That did me more good than if I had sold him a book."

#### Tithe Report for January 1912

Akron	96 00	Ind'apolis,W.S.	31 94	Northfield	37 1
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Denver		La Fayette	6 00	Pleasant View	66 29
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Fort Wayne		Marion	21 12	Salem	3[70
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Glenwood		Michigan City		Soldiers' Home	39 81
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Haven		Muncie		Unionville	
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A. N. ANDERSON, Treas.

# Wisconsin Conference

### Work at Rhinelander

I spent the week ending January 22 with the Rhinelander church. I visited all our people in their homes and held both cottage meetings and regular preaching\*services.

The Lord came especially near. Though few in number

their hearts are in the message and they are doing what they can to give a knowledge of the truth to others.

Quarterly meeting was held Sabbath, January 20. It had been nine months since they had celebrated the ordinances. The Lord by His Spirit softened all hearts and drew us together in brotherly love. I am now at Polar, and will report in regard to the work here soon.

L. E. Wellman.

## "Go, Work To-day in My Vineyard"

We have now started on the new year of 1912, and the question comes to us, What are we going to do to assist in carrying forward the Lord's cause in the earth during this year? We are now in the midst of a campaign with the book "Ministry of Healing," and the call is coming, Who will go? To whom is this question addressed? We find by studying God's Word and the Testimonies that it is to every one who has a knowledge of the third angel's message.

Christ has given His commission, "Go ye into all the world." Mark 16;15. For what? To preach the gospel to every creature. How can we preach the gospel? One way is by selling our books and other literature. To such apply the encouraging words of the Lord, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings." Many of those who hear the "well done," will be from among the ranks of our canvassers and periodical workers. The call to serve has come to many. Some have resisted this call. Do so no longer, for the night soon cometh "when no man can work."

A. Belding.

### Spooner

On Sunday evening, January 14, I began a series of meetings in Laurel schoolhouse. In spite of the cold weather the attendance was good from the beginning. One man and his wife have taken a firm stand for the truth and are ready for baptism. Others are interested and we hope to see some of these with us soon. The meetings closed Sunday night, February 4, and we hope to begin another meeting elsewhere soon. E. E. TROWBRIDGE.

### Announcement

Elder Thurston and Brother J. B. Blosser find it impossible to attend the Baraboo canvassers' institute earlier than February 3. For this reason the date for beginning the institute has been changed from the 19th to the 23d, continuing ten days.

H. W. Johnson.

### Merrill

For the past month I have been working with the Watchman and find that it sells quite readily. I spent a few hours last week distributing the Ingathering Signs, securing ninety cents for four copies. Even at this late hour I feel that these good papers cannot be left on the shelf doing no one any good. I am thankful for even a small part in the service of my Master, and ask an interest in your prayers for the work in Merrill. A WORKER.

## Bible Training-School, Milwaukee

We are a happy band, striving each day to grasp the precious truths placed before us, that we may be able to supply both the physical and spiritual wants of humanity. Many precious experiences are enjoyed from day to day as we work for the Master. A STUDENT.

#### Another Report

There are nine students here getting a preparation to give the truth to others. I am so thankful for the opportunities afforded by the school and for the faithful work of the instructors. We are of good cheer and have peace in Him who has overcome the world.

A STUDENT.

#### A Report

I have been doing magazine work since the middle of September and God has blessed my efforts. From the 5th of January to the close of the month I sold one thousand copies of *Life and Health* and *Signs*, mostly the former. Wherever our magazines have been sold I find ready purchasers.

To those who would like to take up this work but fear they cannot earn a living by it, I would say that I am keeping my three daughters in the school at Bethel, Wis., solely by the sale of our magazines. God's kindly care is over His faithful servants and the way to work in His vineyard is to let Him lead, trusting all to His care.

MRS. E. M. BISBEE.

#### **Bethel News Notes**

Mr. Patterson, the bookkeeper, has returned after a visit home.

The school board met last Tuesday to consider the faculty for the coming year.

Mrs. Bisbee, our periodical worker, spent Sabbath and Sunday with her daughters here.

A very enjoyable program was rendered during the chapel hour last Thursday by three members of the senior class. Three departments of the school were represented, the history, scientific, and musical.

The United States history class enjoyed the two days given to Brother S. E. Pearl. He resides in the neighborhood, and was a member of Co. G. of the 8th Wisconsin in the Civil War. He traced in minute detail the campaigns of Grant and Sherman, giving many incidents of interest regarding the movements of the armies of both the North and the South that are not found in our text-books.

> ''Our lives are songs: God writes the words,
> And we set them to music at leisure;
> And the song is sad, or the song is glad,
> As we choose to fashion the measure.''

> > -Gibbons.

The Cross of Calvary challenges, and will finally vanquish every earthly and hellish power. In the cross all influence centres, and from it all influence goes forth. It is the great centre of attraction: for on it Christ gave up His life for the human race. This sacrifice was offered for the purpose of restoring man to his original perfection; yea, more. It was offered to give him an entire transformation of character, making him more than a conqueror. Those who in the strength of Christ overcome the great enemy of God and man, will occupy a position in the heavenly courts above the angels who have never fallen. -Mrs. E. G. White.

"The chief difference between success and failure lies in the single element of stay.

"It is a sign of a meagre and half-developed nature to be too economical and sparing of thanks."

## East Michigan Conference

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Westphalia	105 63		13 50
Willis	17 10		15 92
Individuals	76 00		1 00
Total	,649 85	17 15	537 08

# West Michigan Conferance

#### Receipts for January, 1912

Church	Tithe	24	Miss	Church
Albion				Grand Rapids
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Allendale	29.62	85	57	Greenville
Bangor				Hastings
Battle Creek				Holland
Bauer				Holton
Bedford				Homer
Belding				Kalamazoo
Benton Harbo				Kent City
Berrien Spring				Kinderhook.
Bloomingdale				Lake View
Brookfield				Lowell
Buchanan	. 18 70		5 87	Lyons
Burlington	. 23 06		1 91	Maple Grove
Bushnell	10 80			Mecosta
Byron Center.				Mendon
Carlton Center				Monterey
Carson City				Muskegon
Cedar Lake	. 58 30	1 20	13 19	Otsego
Cedar Springs	8 08		9 58	Palo
Charlotte	171 08		847	Paw Paw
Clifford Lake	14 88		85	Portland
Coldwater			<b></b>	Potterville
Covert				Quincy
Decatur	14 77		9 27	Rothbury
Denver	25 22	1 02	7 71	Sand Lake
Dimondale				Shelby
Douglas				Sturgis
Eaton Rapids.				Trufant
Edmore	159 49		25 02	Urbandale
Fremont	36 75	1 79	66 4 3	Union City .
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Glenwood	. 31 32	3 14	6 26	Wright
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Wright		798	12 90
Individuals	. 12 50		22 30
Totals\$	2,752 58	81 98	849 76

# North Michigan Conference

## January

Church	Tithe	2 %	s. s.	Miss'ns	An'u'l	\$300,000	Misc.
Alpena	\$ 24 54	\$ 79	\$ 3 52	\$ 4 10	\$ 4 70	\$	\$
Alden	38 50	80	6,22	10	1 00		
Cleon	10 00			30	1 10		
Cedar Run	2 00		50				
Colfax	7 56		3 19		1 00		
Clare	9 43	10	2 82	5 50		·	
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Conference	10 00	2 00	·····	3 00		20 00	
Dighton	45 65	2 62					
Eastport	23 20	1 27	3 64	70			
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Gaylord	15 89	32					
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Iron River	20 75		10 11		·		
Leetsville	20 87	1 27	96	4 00	1 00		
Mesick	47 10	49	11 40	15 95	10 34		
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Mt. Pleasant	33 79	346	9 50	15 66			
Omer	51 50	51	248		3 00		
Onaway	40 47	181	47	2 50	2 15		2 50
Petoskey	49 76	4 25	3 37				7 75
Reed City	6 00		12	1 35			
Riverside	23 61	1 15	8 00	3 12	7 75		
Stephenson	4 37			6 50	3 00		
Scottville							
Traverse City	30 94	1 87	11	1 85			
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Whittmore			•••••				
Wildwood		1 28		1 67		•••••	
Wilson			5 96	4 12	25		10 OO
Cedar Lake	54 55						
Miscellaneous	144 75		35 11	28 06	13 35	1 00	1 00
Total	\$870 40	\$25 10	\$123 99	\$113 60	\$57 31	\$22 00	\$21 25

Missions includes the following: Harvest Ingathering \$81.49, Weekly Offerings \$2.99 and Missions \$29.12.

Instead of raising 10 cents a week we are now raising 15 cents a week for missions. This fund includes Missions \$113.60, Sabbath School \$123.99 and Annual Offerings \$57.31, a total of \$294.90 for the month.

Miscellaneous is made up of Camp Fund \$2.50 Gen. Fund \$1909, \$1 and Acre Fund \$17.75.

S. E. KELLMAN, Sec'y and Treas.

### Read Slowly and Think

In a recent young people's service, the leader, in her remarks, read the following questions. I do not know the author of them, but they impressed me as being very practical.

- "Does my life please God?
- "Am I studying the Bible daily?

"Am I enjoying my Christian life?

"Is there any one I can not forgive?

- "Have I ever won a soul to Christ?
- "How much time do I spend in prayer?

"Am I trying to bring my friends to Christ?

"Have I ever had a direct answer to prayer?

"Is there anything I can not give up for Christ?

"Just where am I making my greatest mistake?

"How does my life look to others who are not Christians?

"How many things do I put before my religious duties?

"Have I ever tried giving one tenth of my income to the Lord?

"Am I doing anything I would condemn in others?" I believe this would be a good list to cut out and place in our Bibles for frequent reference, especially for young people. -Selected.

"In all affairs of life, courtesies of a small and trivial character are the ones which strike deepest to the grateful heart." Church member: Yes, I have been thinking of entering some line of the Lord's work, but I want to be sure to enter the most important branch of the work.

General agent: The canvassing work is more important than many regard it. "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the people, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."

Church member: True; but I want to enter the highest order of missionary work when I enter the work.

General agent: "The canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order."

Church member: Oh, well, but I want to engage in a better and more successful method of placing the truth before the people.

General agent: "The canvassing work is as good and successful a method as can be employed for placing before the people the important truths for this time."

Church member: Well, I suppose I must admit that, but I would like to enter that work which God has ordained to get the message before the people.

General agent: "God has ordained the canvassing work as a means" of presenting before the people the light contained in our books; and canvassers should be impressed with the importance of bringing before the world as fast as possible the books necessary for their spiritual education and enlightenment."

Church member: Well, then, I wish to know just what the Lord would have me do just now.

General agent: "The canvassing work is the very work the Lord desires His people to do at this time. All who consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers are assisting to give the last message of warning to the world. We cannot too highly estimate this work; for were it not for the efforts of the faithful canvasser, many would never hear the warning."

Church member: Well, that sounds very good. But are there not more canvassers already than other workers?

General agent: "From the light given me," says the Lord's servant, "I know that where there is one canvasser in the field, there should be one hundred. Canvassers should be encouraged to take hold of this work not to canvass for story-books, but to bring the truth before the world at this time."

Church' member: Well, now if I should decide fully to enter the canvassing work, what book do you think I should begin with."

General agent: Oh, we have so many good books that it will be no trouble to find a good one that will just suit you. I will go home with you now, and we will soon decide on the book. And then, too, we have some good printed canvasses that will help you to get the idea, and I will go out with you a few days, and we will enjoy the work together.

-Selected.

"Persistent people begin their success where others leave off."

"In every position in life there is a demand for ability and common sense."

"Do not rely on the criticism of friends if you ever expect to develop your talents."

"Ridiculing another for doing something is a good way for you to advertise your own failures."

"Your choice is always determined by a conflict in which you always follow the strongest motive."

## Obituaries

FLETCHER.—Lois M. Fletcher, the little daugher of R. C. and Bertha Fletcher, was born in Bay County, Mich., Oct. 18, 1899, and died Jan. 23, 1912. She was a member of the Bay City Sabbath-school, and was loved by all who knew her. The father, mother, and three sisters mourn their loss. The writer conducted the funeral services in the Methodist church at Auburn; the text chosen was Amos 3:6.

F. G. THUEMLER.

MILLER.-Mrs. O. F. Miller was born in Stuben County, N. Y., May 19, 1839, and died Jan. 28, 1912. In 1856 she was married to Oscar F. Miller. To them five children were born, four of whom survive her. In 1886 the family united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Sister Miller was an earnest Christian and a devoted mother. Her intimate friends will greatly feel their loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Ps. 116:15.

T. L. THUEMLER.

YOUNG.—Mrs Lodemia Burdick Young was born in Jackson County, Mich., May 5, 1841, and died Jan. 23, 1912, aged 70 years, 8 months, 18 days. On July 2, 1869, she was married to Henry Young. To them were born two sons and two daughters. Early in life she accepted Christ, and later embraced present truth, to which she remained faithful until her death. She leaves a husband, three children, one sister, and a brother to mourn their loss. Services were conducted by the writer in the Universalist church at Horton.

D. P. WOOD.

FUGATE.—Edward G. Fugate was born near Franklin, Indiana, Aug. 16, 1841, and died Jan. 19, 1912. At the age of twenty he enlisted in the twenty seventh Indiana infantry and served his country for three years, during which time he saw the need of a a Saviour and promised the Lord that if he ever reached home he would live to glorify Him. In 1865 he united with the Methodist Church. In July 1911 he heard and accepted the three-fold message at Newcastle, Ind. Words of consolation were spoken by the writer and the remains were taken to Franklin, Ind., for burial.

G. W. RADER.

VARSAILLE.—Mrs. Angel Varsaille was born in Saint Paul, Canada, June 8, 1822, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Josephine Mailloux, Jan. 14, 1912. Most of her life was spent in the vicinity of Saint Anne, Ill. In 1838, she was married to Mr. Wm. Varsaille, and in 1872 they both accepted the truth under the labors of Elders Bourdeau and Andrews. She leaves an aged husband, four sons, and one daughter to mourn their loss. Her beautiful Christian life and patient endurance assure us that she now awaits the resurrection of the just. Services were conducted by the writer in the Baptist church of Saint Ann.

J. M. BURDICK.

CUTRELL.—Lora Lee Watson, daughter of Albert and Alice Bennett Watson died at the Christian Hospital in Saint Louis, Mo., February 2, 1912. She was born in Carterville, Ill., May 17, 1881. At an early age she joined the M. E. Church and remained a faithful member of the same until she heard the truth about three years ago. She was an active member of the Du Quoin Seventh-day Adventist church. She was married June 6, 1904. She leaves a husband, three step-children, a sister, and two brothers, and many other friends to mourn her loss. The burial took place at Hurricane near Carterville. W. C. Dalbey of Du Quoin spoke words of comfort from Rev. 14.13. The writer assisted.

JOHN E. HANSON.