

Lake Union Herald

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

Vol. IV

BERRIEN SPRINGS, MICH., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1912

No. 50

Lake Union Conference Directory

Office Address, 215 Dean Building, South Bend, Ind.
President, ALLEN MOON. Office Address.
Secretary and Treasurer, A. N. ANDERSON. Office Address.
Field Agent, J. B. BLOSSER, Berrien Springs, Mich.
Educational Secretary, CLIFFORD RUSSELL. Office Address.

Executive Committee

Allen Moon.	O. Montgomery.	E. A. Bristol.
C. F. McVagh.	W. H. Thurston.	J. B. Blosser.
G. E. Nord.	H. H. Burkholder.	O. J. Graf.
G. E. Langdon.	J. J. Irwin.	J. W. Mace.
		Clifford Russell.

turn for this, the person receiving the training promises to be employed as teacher in that conference three years. If the teacher leaves before that time, or is called to another field, the conference is to be reimbursed for the unexpired portion of the three years. If the teacher leaves at the end of one year, two-thirds of the \$100 is to be paid the conference by the teacher or the conference calling him; if at the end of two years, one-third of the \$100 is to be paid.

ALLEN MOON, *Chairman*;

A. N. ANDERSON, *Sec'y*.

Lake Union Conference Committee Meeting

At the session of the Lake Union Conference Executive Committee held at South Bend, Ind., November 22 to 27, 1912, many important matters came up for consideration. The following are some of the actions taken at this meeting:—

That we favor the holding of a Young People's Convention at Emmanuel Missionary College, the date to be fixed by the secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department of this Union in counsel with the Union president and the General Conference Department officers.

That the Lake Union Conference proceed to raise just as soon as possible \$1,500 for the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, Cal., the amount to be divided among the local conferences in the Union pro rata according to membership.

That we adopt the recommendation made at the recent Auditor's Convention to keep separate the books of the legal association, the conference, and the tract society; and further, that we adopt the new system of conference accounting recommended by the General Conference.

That a letter bearing on the matter of the Two-per-cent Fund, and containing scripture and quotations from the Testimonies touching this question, be sent out by the Union Conference president, to be read in every church in the Union; and further, that a leaflet be prepared to describe this plan more in detail, and furnished to the churches so that each family may have a copy.

That a campaign in behalf of the Broadview Swedish Seminary be inaugurated January 1, 1913, and continue until the full amount due on our appropriation (about \$4,600) is raised.

Whereas the Lord has said that we should not come before Him empty, and

Whereas there is great need of a large increase in our offerings to missions; therefore,—

We recommend, That all our churches in the Lake Union Conference take up an offering for foreign missions in the regular church service each Sabbath; and further, that all loose money in the collection be devoted to this purpose, the envelope being used for all other purposes.

Whereas Thirty-third Place, Chicago, is not a suitable place for a training-school for workers; therefore,—

Resolved, That we do not deem it wise to encourage young people to seek a training at that place.

A plan whereby assistance may be rendered persons desiring a better training for teaching, was considered and recommended to the local conferences. The plan is for the local conference to furnish students for training in the normal department of Emmanuel Missionary College, and to pay the College \$100 for each such student sent. In re-

From China

Elder Evans writing from China gives an account of his visit to the Province of Hunan where he attended a meeting. His account is as follows:—

"From morning till night they sit with Bibles in their hands, searching the Scriptures, turning to every text that is quoted, and intently studying every point of doctrine presented. Wednesday forenoon was a good time for us. After the morning talk, those who wanted to reconsecrate themselves were asked to rise. Almost the entire audience stood at once. We turned the service into a testimony meeting, and as the people bore testimony we asked them to walk to the front, as a manifestation of their desire for prayers and help in studying the Word of God. In this way practically the whole congregation changed seats during the morning service, which lasted till twelve. As I heard these believers testify, my heart went out to them in great sympathy. When one saw these men with tears streaming down their faces, and heard them confess with broken voices how wicked they had been, one could only say with the apostle, that the Lord hath surely made of one blood all nations of men. These Chinese earnestly ask for prayers in their behalf, because of their tempers, their idle tattling tongues, their love of money, dishonesty in deals, etc. I believe I was never in a meeting where greater sincerity was manifest.

"Thirty-two precious souls were baptized. Fifteen others were anxious to receive the ordinance. It took several days to examine the candidates between the services. Some had come long distances and endured great privations, hoping to be baptized, and were disappointed when advised to wait a little later, until they should receive further instruction.

"The believers are multiplying in Hunan. It is distressing to think of the companies already keeping the Sabbath and holding regular meetings, that have never been visited by a foreigner. There are some twelve companies in Hunan. We were compelled to leave the meeting before its close, in order to reach our next appointment, and it seemed distressing that there was but one foreigner in that whole province able to preach the message in the native tongue. Yet in spite of this, God's message seems to be going forward, and souls are continually coming into the truth."

The Morning Watch

[The following spirit-filled paper was presented at the Chicago Missionary Volunteer convention. By request, the writer courteously passed it over for publication and we trust it may prove the same inspiration to the family of HERALD readers that it was to those who were privileged to attend the convention.—C. A. RUSSELL.]

There is nothing so important to Christians as to learn to

pray. Jesus prayed. The stillness and darkness of the night found Him, though weary with the cares and burdens of the day, amid the solitude of the mountains praying. "And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed."

Morning is the golden time for prayer and for the study of the Bible. "Satan well knows that one whom he can lead to neglect prayer and the searching of the Scriptures will be overcome by his attacks. Therefore he invents every plausible device to engross the mind."—*"Great Controversy,"* pages 341.

Ten minutes' talk each day with the eternal God will transform the life, and do much to fashion us after the similitude of the Infinite. The children of Israel gathered the manna "in the morning," and those who failed to gather this food of the angels at that time secured none, for it melted and vanished away. So we, like Israel of old, should gather the heavenly manna every morning. It is in the morning that we should secure the "rations" for the day's march and its conflicts. "As the Oriental traveler sets out for the palm-tree's shade, and fills his flagons from the cool fountain that sparkles at its roots, so doth God's wayfarer draw his fresh supplies from the unexhausted Spring." One precious promise from God's word, lodged in the memory in the morning, and well digested, will be a breakfast for the soul and furnish much-needed strength for the day. It is thus that the servants of the Lord in all ages have won the victories. "Martin Luther, in the thick of his campaign with the pope and the devil, said he could not get on without two good hours each day with his private devotions."

Henry Ward Beecher once said, "Let the day have a blessed baptism by giving your first waking in the bosom of God. The first hour of the morning is the rudder of the day." This is suggestive. Why should not each of us have a "silent time" each day for prayerful meditation and study of the Bible? "As those who keep clocks wind them up daily lest the weights should run down, and the clocks stop, so we must set apart some portion of every day for meditation and prayer, lest our hearts should so far descend, through the weight of the cares of this world, that our course in godliness should be hindered and stopped."—*Cawdray*.

"One morning," says a writer, "I called to see a man at his place of business. 'He is in, but you cannot see him for twenty minutes,' I was told. I urged that my card should be sent to him, for it was important. The clerk replied, 'I cannot do it; come with me.' He led me through the basement till we were beneath the side-walk of Broadway. He bade me look quietly down along the corridor, at the other end of which I saw my friend upon his knees. The clerk then said, 'He spends thirty minutes there each day, and there is not a man in the house who would dare to interrupt him.' "What a splendid example is this for all, especially the youth who are looking for the Lord to come.

Truly that day is not wholly well spent that is spent without a quiet hour. Prayer is the breath of the soul. We may not be able to pray eloquently, but the Lord is our father; and remember that parents take more pleasure in the stammering of their children, than in the words of the most gifted orator. Jesus has bidden us to "watch." "And what I say unto you, I say unto all, watch." We are to watch against the spirit of the world; watch against temptation; watch against Satan; watch against sin. We are also to watch for opportunities to do good and be useful. We must constantly watch and pray.

"Many people think of God's will as something hard to be endured, when really it is the very best thing we could ask. Several years ago a woman, with her little baby, was riding in a stage-coach in western Montana. The weather was bitterly cold, and, in spite of all the writer could do to protect

her, he saw that the mother was becoming unconscious from the cold. He stopped the coach, took the baby, and wrapping it warmly, put it under the seat, then seized the mother by the arm, and dragging her out upon the ground, drove away, leaving her in the road. As she saw him drive away she ran after him, crying piteously for her baby. When he felt sure that she was warm, he allowed her to overtake the coach and resume her place by her baby. Can we not imagine her gratitude when she realized that he had saved her life? He had done as God sometimes does, to shake us out of soul lethargy and moral sleep which would end in death."—*Youth Instructor*.

A Christian woman, according to the *Sunday School Times*, was employed in a home where a loved mother lay ill. Her daughter, a girl of fifteen, had never given her heart to Christ, fearing that by so doing she might lose some of her youthful pleasures. When she grew older, she said, she would give herself to Him. One day she came into the house bringing a bouquet of beautiful fresh carnations for her mother. The nurse commented upon their loveliness, and then said, "We will not take them up to mother now—they are too fresh and beautiful; we will wait a few days." The young girl was surprised, almost indignant, and sought an explanation. Said the nurse, "Is not this what you are doing to your loving Heavenly Father? Are you not by your conduct reserving for yourself the beauty and freshness of your young life, and waiting to offer Him the faded blossoms from which all the lovely beauty and freshness have departed?" The girl felt the force of the illustration, and yielded her young life to the Master's service.

"Is Our Christianity Worth Propagating?" was the subject considered by George Sherwood, a missionary to India, before the great body of Student Volunteers at their last international convention. That is a question which every one of God's messengers should ponder. Touching his experience, Mr. Sherwood said, "I remember fifteen years ago before going to India, sitting down one night with my roommate, who is now in China, and saying to him, 'What are we going to tell them in the field? What message have we for them? Are we merely going to tell them about Christ? If so, it would be cheaper to send Bibles and tracts. Can we tell them that we know that Jesus Christ saves and satisfies, that He keeps us more than conquerors day by day?' I continued; 'I am not satisfied; I do not feel that I have a message such as I need for men out there, nor the experience, nor the power. If we have not, is not that the one great thing we need before leaving this country—to know Him?' From that day to the end of our student days we rose every morning at five o'clock. From five to six we had an unhurried hour for the Word of God, and from six to seven an unhurried hour for prayer. These two hours changed our lives and we were unspeakably blessed."

Let the voices of the world be shut out for a time every day, and the soul will hear God speaking. "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear!"

As a help to Christian living, we urge our young people's societies to endeavor to place a Morning Watch Calendar in the hands of all the young people.

"A moment in the morning, ere the cares of day begin,
Ere the heart's wide door is open for the world to enter in;
Ah, then alone with Jesus, in the silence of the morn,
In heavenly sweet communion let your duty day be born.
In the quietude that blesses with a prelude of repose,
Let your soul be soothed and softened, as the dew revives
the rose."
LUELLA RASMUSSEN.

That land is henceforth my country which most needs the gospel.—*Zinzendorf*.

"Live so that those who know you and do not know Him will want to know Him because they know you."

Northern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill.

President, G. E. Langdon; Sec'y-Treas., H. E. Moon, Y. P., S. S., and Ed. Sec'y, Edith Shepard; Field Agent, J. A. Applegate, 184 Woodland Ave., Aurora, Ill.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912				\$8,729.50
Received by Union	"	10	"	5,473.83
Balance due	"	"	10	3,255.67

Aurora

What a blessed privilege to be allowed time and opportunity to labor for God in the advancement of His truth! No greater favor was ever bestowed on man than the work of calling sinners to repentance.

Our Sabbath-schools and meetings are becoming positive powers for good, and just now we are rejoicing over newly found souls for the Master's kingdom. Four new Sabbath-keepers were in attendance at our meeting and Sabbath-school last Sabbath. We hope to see others enter the congregation with us soon.

We are also glad to note that our Sabbath-school offerings are larger this year than ever before, and that our missionary quota for the entire church-membership this year is much more than full. Our church-school is growing in members and becoming an agency for much good.

We are beginning to agitate the question of a church edifice and room for our church-school and young people's meetings. This agitation is to be kept up until our desires in this matter are realized. We earnestly request the readers of the HERALD to unite their prayers with ours for the success of these undertakings. WM. COVERT.

Aurora

The Lord is blessing the work here. We are thankful to see some taking their stand for "the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus." Since closing our tent effort we have been visiting from house to house, distributing literature and holding Bible readings with the people as opportunity affords. A man and his wife with whom we have been laboring have begun the observance of the Sabbath, and it does one's soul good to see the eagerness with which they seek after truth.

Last Sabbath a lady and her son attended services for the first time and both gave testimony as to their appreciation of the truth. A man who has been attending Bible studies at the home of one of our sisters has become deeply interested in the Sabbath truth. After we presented the change of the Sabbath, he said, "There is no proof in the Bible for Sunday observance." May the Lord impress him with the importance of obeying his convictions.

Our church-school, which was started with difficulty, is prospering. From an opening with six pupils, it has increased in attendance to twelve and still others are thinking of attending.

We are of good courage and are thankful to see some fruit of our labors. C. R. MAGOON.

News Items

Our tithes at present show an increase above \$1,000 from last year's receipts. Should there be some "windfalls" as there were last year of about \$5,000, then we would be far above. We trust God's Spirit will inspire all hearts to faithfulness in His great work. Present indications of war clouds show the angels of mercy cannot long hold the winds of strife.

The Tri-City Sanitarium Board met last week to consider the problem of adding more rooms to the institution to accommodate the increasing demand. It was decided to partition the chapel on the second floor into four rooms, and

continue the worship in the parlors until a chapel could be built. It is understood that money must be raised for a new chapel before these changes are made.

The mission offerings for the last two months have amounted to more than our apportionment during this time, but during the months before, some of the churches fell far below. If all will take hold of these mission offerings in deep earnestness, we can yet raise our portion, \$10,000 a year. We have something over \$3,000 yet to raise. Our annual offerings and Sabbath collections to the close of the year ought to reach this amount.

Remember that January 10-20 is the date of the conference session to be held in Chicago. If the delegates chosen cannot attend let the names of others selected be sent in. Those who are planning to come should send in their names so we can secure rooms in time. Rooms will average about three dollars per week, furnished for two. This will be an important gathering, and we look for a large number. We will have abundant help from the General and Lake Union conferences.

West Michigan Conference

Office Address, Otsego, Mich.

President, C. F. McVagh; Sec'y-Treas., H. H. Todd; Ed. and Y. P. Secretary, Flora H. Williams, 467 Hamblin Ave., Battle Creek, Mich. Religious Liberty Sec'y, S. B. Horton, 564 Cass Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich., Field Agent, A. L. Van Fossen.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912				\$15,444.00
Received by Union	"	10	"	9,827.90
Balance due	"	"	10	5,616.10

Grand Rapids

The work is onward here. Six souls, one a Roman Catholic, were buried with the Lord in baptism, Sabbath, November 23. One of those baptized accepted the truth under the labors of Sister DeYoung in Muskegon, afterward uniting with the church there. Others are preparing for baptism later.

A Thanksgiving service was held at the Cass Avenue church, in which Dr. Collins H. Johnston gave a stereopticon lecture on "Health and Sanitation."

The girls at the Michigan Home for Girls enjoyed a Thanksgiving service and dinner. A well-arranged program, in which the writer took part, was greatly appreciated. A beautiful Christian atmosphere pervades the work at that place.

Monday afternoon, November 25, funeral services were held in memory of Godfried Ruefle, husband of sister Ruefle of this church. The deceased passed away November 21, 1912.

Elder O. A. Olsen was in Grand Rapids on business this week, and we were glad to have him at our Sunday evening service. S. B. HORTON.

Kalamazoo

The work here is onward. We are having the largest Sabbath attendance since coming to the city. The brethren and sisters are waking up to the situation and calling for tracts with which to do missionary work. The congregations at our Sunday evening service are good and a deep interest is manifested in the subjects presented, the last two being on the Eastern Question.

Our plan is to give a full course of lectures on present truth. As the result of one lady's coming to our Sunday evening meetings we are now holding Bible readings in her home with an attendance of from ten to twelve at each service. Five or six families are represented at each reading. One family has decided to take the *Watchman*.

Our Bible workers are having a good interest and some of their readers are attending our Sunday evening meetings. One of our Bible workers has a class of our own people taking up the study of the Testimonies. We feel sure this will

be profitable to all. As workers together with God, we all need your prayers.

We are made glad by the recovery of our esteemed Sister A. P. Van Horn.

I was called to Gobleville Sabbath, the 16, Elder A. C. Bourdeau conducted the Sabbath service here and at that time gave a very helpful discourse from Revelation 22:17.

The offering reports from Otsego show that we are a little ahead on our fifteen-cent-a-week. To the dear Lord be all the praise and glory.

W. C. HEBNER.

Hastings

At the suggestion of our conference committee I came here to labor in the city and vicinity. Meetings were started at our church November 10. The interest has steadily increased and some evenings the house is crowded.

The Lord has blessed our efforts to reach some of the hearts of the people of Hastings, and a few have decided to follow their dear Lord and Master. Our Sabbath-school attendance has also increased. The people of this place are interested in our meetings and are advertising them for us. Some are also coming from the country.

As our place of worship is at one side of the city, it has been thought best for us to locate in the central part so we may gain access to more people, and especially those within the business circles. The brethren are looking for a place now, and we are praying that the Lord will direct us in securing the right place.

U. S. ANDERSON.

News Notes

Elder Hebner writes very encouragingly of the work at Kolamazoo.

A. N. Anderson was in Otsego last week auditing the conference books.

Sister Hebner, who has been compelled by illness to take a rest, is recovering.

Elder McVagh's second lecture on the Eastern Question in the church at Otsego was well attended.

Elder E. L. Stewart will join Elder Horton and other workers in a two days' meeting at Hollad, December 14, 15.

F. R. Eastman has taken up his duties as secretary and treasurer of the tract society and conference, having moved his family to Otsego.

Elder McVagh visited Hastings and Carlton Center last Sabbath and Sunday and will be at Cedar Lake the last half of the week of prayer.

Elder U. S. Anderson reports that several have taken their stand to obey all the commandments of God in Hastings. The interest is still good.

Wm. Reefman will visit as many churches as possible in District 1 during the week of prayer. This district is composed of Muskegon, Oceana, and Newago Counties.

Elder S. B. Horton will be at Emmanuel Missionary College for the first few days of the week of prayer and Elder W. A. Spicer is expected there for the latter part.

C. H. Thompson has been calling on churches and professional men in Branch and Saint Joseph counties, and reports some success in getting subscriptions for the *Protestant Magazine*.

Elder A. J. Haysmer of Huntsville, Ala., secretary of the North American Negro Department, is visiting his old home in Michigan. He will visit a number of churches during the week of prayer and later.

We are sorry to announce that Sister Sarah E. Griswold, who had recently been chosen as conference Sabbath-school secretary, has found it necessary to resign her duties. The work will be carried on at the conference office as heretofore.

A very enjoyable and interesting Harvest Ingathering program was carried out by the Sabbath-school and Young

People's Society of Otsego, Sunday evening, December 1. There was a full house and donations amounting to \$18 were taken.

J. N. Hoyt, the brethren from Cedar Lake Academy, and Elders Van Deusen and Covert hope during the week of prayer to be able to visit all the churches in District 3, which is composed of the counties Mecosta, Montcalm, and Ionia.

Many calls are coming in for ministers to speak at different places in the conference concerning the war in Turkey. The developments in the Balkan States have aroused a deep interest in the prophecy of Daniel 10 and 11. The secular papers have also printed articles from our ministers on the subject.

Miss Jennie DeYoung reports new Sabbath-keepers as a result of her work. One of her readers was recently baptized by Elder Horton. The Spirit of the Lord is working upon hearts, and, as might be expected, the adversary is at work also. Pray for those who are about to step out in obedience to the truth.

Mrs. Cleora Green reports some good experiences and openings for work in Holland, Mich. They are feeling the need of a church building and the company there are putting forth every effort to secure one. Elder O. A. Olsen and Elder McVagh spent a few hours counseling with the workers about the location.

The meeting at Sand Lake, held November 29 to December 1, was a very encouraging one. The laborers present were Elder McVagh, Elder John Covert, J. M. Hoyt and wife. Four churches were represented: Sand Lake, Cedar Springs, Kent City, and Trufant, besides some representatives from Howard City and Grand Rapids. All manifested a deep interest in the conference work and a better preparation for the coming of the Lord. The outside attendance was good especially in the evening. The four churches named arranged for a quarterly union meeting hereafter. The committee on program was selected with J. M. Hoyt as chairman. The next meeting will be at Sand Lake in February.

Indiana Conference

Office Address, 521 E. 23d St., Indianapolis.

President, O. Montgomery, Office Address; Sec'y-Treas., H. H. Rans, 521 E. 23d St., Indianapolis; Ed. Sec'y, Marian C. Bissett; S. S. and Missionary Volunteer Sec'y, R. M. Grey; Medical Sec'y, Dr. F. A. Loop, Wabash Valley Sanitarium, Lafayette; Field Missionary Agent, O. Morris, 1722 South E St., Elwood.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912	\$11,641.50
Received by Union	“ 10 “ “ 5,988.69
Balance Due	“ 10 “ “ 5,652.81

Among the Churches

Since my last report my work has been mostly in the south-eastern part of the State among the isolated Sabbath-keepers. Previous to this I visited in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering the following churches: North Liberty, Mt. Vernon, Logansport, Honey Creek, Peru, Grass Creek, and Rochester. At all these places the members were of good courage and showed a willingness to enter heartily into the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and but one company took less than one hundred copies of the *Signs*.

At Honey Creek two were baptized and united with the church.

I visited isolated Sabbath-keepers at the following places: Glenwood, Laurel, Brookville, Dillsboro, Pierceville, New Marion, Dupont, Deputy, Nabbs, and Chestnut Ridge. I found a good spirit among the Sabbath-keepers and a full determination on the part of all to remain faithful to the blessed truth that has done so much for them. Quite a number of subscriptions were obtained to our various periodicals and some for our books. Besides these isolated ones, the following churches were also visited in this part of

the State: Connersville, North Vernon, and Seymour, and seven subscriptions to our periodicals were obtained. The brethren at these places were of good courage and intend, by the grace of God, to be faithful to the end. I greatly enjoyed my visits at all the places named in this report, and my prayer is that these, and all God's Israel elsewhere, may remain faithful and at the soon coming of our dear Lord be transported to the mansions above.

I am now visiting the Salem church, a report of which visit will appear later.

J. M. ELLIS.

News Notes

Order your lesson quarterlies early.

Prof. C. A. Russell spent two days at Beechwood last week.

Elder Montgomery spent a few days last week with the Salem church.

Brother H. K. Smith of Cromwell is planning to canvass in Sullivan County soon.

Brother Oren Richardson of Muncie who has recently entered the canvassing field is doing well and is of good courage.

Our schools are now ordering their Memory Verse Cards for the first quarter of the new year so that they will have them on time.

The Morning Watch Calendar is excellent this year. Have you secured your copy? Order from the tract society. The price is only five cents.

The teachers' institute held at Indianapolis was a success. Every church-school teacher in the conference was present and all returned to their work with renewed courage.

Our churches are still working on the Harvest Ingathering campaign. This afternoon the elder of the East Side church of Indianapolis placed another order for 150 copies to be used in his church.

Our tithe for November was more than \$2,500. This is the largest November tithe we have had for several years. Let us all help to make December also show a gain over the same month of 1911.

Brother H. H. Rans spent Sabbath, November 30, with the North Liberty church. This church was organized in 1862 by Elder Joseph Bates, being the first organization in the conference. It is encouraging to know that this church is still holding up the banner of truth.

The conference workers, church elders and deacons' meeting will be held at the 23d Street church in Indianapolis, January 3-7. We are planning to make this the strongest and most important elders' meeting ever held in the State. A full announcement of the same will no doubt appear later.

We are greatly rejoiced by the success that is attending our lay members who are engaging in the sale of our small books in different parts of the field. One sister sent in an order for \$13 worth of books, two days after she received the Home Workers' prospectus. Another sister sold \$30 worth in a short time. Truly there is a great field of usefulness open to the members of our churches who are willing to work.

Wabash Valley Sanitarium Notes

Mrs. A. Kincaid of Lebanon is here for recuperation.

Mr. and Mrs. Castle spent Thanksgiving with friends at Hartford, Mich.

Elder O. Montgomery and Prof. C. A. Russell were visiting here Dec. 1.

Miss Nannie Hanson of Donovan, Ill., is spending a week here with her mother.

Mr. E. P. Ohmer of South Bend has come to spend a fortnight for rest and treatment.

Miss Linnie M. Vance of New Castle has come to take a place with the workers here.

Mr. C. H. Snyder of Thornstown came the 25 ult. for a course of much-needed treatments.

Russell Harrison is leaving for home, rejoicing over his splendid recovery from appendicitis.

J. S. Clark, of Cherokee, Iowa, is improving very much under the treatments he has received here.

Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Hanson are each making good recovery from the operations reported in our last items.

The Wabash Valley Sanitarium is blessed with a larger patronage now than ever before at this time of the year.

Mrs. Cora Clouser and daughter of Elwood, came November 22; she for treatments and the daughter for employment.

Miss M. H. White, after a two weeks' vacation spent at Battle Creek, Mich., has returned and again taken up her work.

Mr. and Miss Thompson have so far recovered that they are leaving for San Diego, Cal. Miss Carlson, a nurse, accompanies them.

R. Finnell of Baltimore, Md., who made this place his headquarters for nearly a year, made us a very pleasant visit the 30th of November.

East Michigan Conference

Office Address, 426 Trumbull Ave., Detroit, Mich.

President, Wm. Guthrie, Office Address; Sec'y-Treas., Frank Hiner, Holly, Mich.; Tract Society Sec'y, S. S. Sec'y, Tillie E. Barr, Office Address; Ed. and M. V. Sec'y, H. A. Boylan, Office Address; Field Missionary Agent, A. V. Morrison, Holly, Mich.; Field Missionary Sec'y, E. I. Beebe, Ovid, Mich.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912	\$11,388.00
Received by Union	" 10 " " 7,426.33
Balance Due	" 10 " " 3,961.67

Annual Offering

For many years it has been the custom of this people to make a Christmas offering for the support of missions. As the work has enlarged the demands upon our funds have undergone a corresponding increase. We are glad for this, because it is an evidence that the work of the Lord is prospering, and with this prosperity souls are being won to Christ.

I notice, however, that our offerings to missions are not as large as they should be. We are nearing the close of the year, and I feel sure we are all deeply concerned about this matter. We have left to us just two ways by which we may increase the offerings of the year. These are the Harvest Ingathering and the annual offering. Up to this date we have sent to missions \$7,963.79. In order to make up our Fifteen-cent-a-week Fund we must raise \$5,864.21 before December 31.

In doing this we must have an active Harvest Ingathering campaign, and be very liberal in our annual offering. We can easily raise \$5,000 during the week of prayer, and reap a great blessing from the Lord as the result. Are there not several who can and will give at least from \$100 to \$500, and many more whose offerings will range from \$25 to \$50, besides the mass who will give the smaller amounts?

Have you experienced the forgiveness of sins? If so, remember those who have never heard the gospel. The Lord loveth a cheerful giver.

WM. GUTHRIE.

Field Notes

Encouraging progress is being made in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. We are now but one hundred thirty-nine copies short of the number ordered last year, and I trust the next report will show us a little in advance of last year.

One brother has gathered \$125 already this year and no doubt will bring in more before the close of the campaign.

The Detroit mission desires to extend thanks to the Vassar and Alameda churches for fruit and vegetables sent.

One young man took his stand for the truth in Detroit Sunday night, December 1.

We are looking for a splendid feast during the week of prayer, and as a result a large offering for missions. The General Conference is many thousand dollars short of what was planned for missions for 1912. Are there not some in our conference who by large offerings, together with the many liberal offerings of those less favored, will supply the lack in the fields beyond?

A good interest is manifested in the Detroit church and we believe we shall soon see a rich harvest of souls as the result of the work there.

We are still searching for two men to do strong evangelistic work in Detroit. Let all pray that we may find the men so much needed.

Are you taking subscriptions for the *Protestant*? If not, why not? It is a splendid magazine to put into the hands of the thinking people of today.

Take close notice of the report of the Union Committee's work at South Bend, November 23-28. It will be reported in the *HERALD* and will be of special interest to you.

How much have you invested in the salvation of the Chinese? Investments there are paying large interest just now.

He that is so possessed of Christ that he is Christlike when in the midst of false brethren, has learned the secret of Christian growth.

All the East Michigan workers will be among the churches during the week of prayer. How many of the people will meet with them? Will you? WM. GUTHRIE.

North Michigan Conference

Office Address, 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich.

President, J. J. Irwin; Secretary, S. E. Kellman; Treasurer, North Michigan Tract Society; Tract Society Secretary-Treasurer, S. E. Kellman; Ed., Sabbath-school and Young Peoples' Secretary, Miss Florence Crouch; Field Missionary Agent, B. F. Williams.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912	\$5,492.50
Received by Union " 10 " "	2,238.14
Balance Due " " 10 " "	3,254.36

News Notes

Orders for quarterlies are now being filled from the tract society. Many were disappointed last quarter by ordering late.

Elder J. J. Irwin returned last Friday from the convention at South Bend, Ind. He spent the Sabbath with the Petoskey church.

We handle the best Oxford Bibles, and will be glad to help you select one for your boy or girl. They make excellent Christmas presents.

Memory Verse Cards are now ready for January-March quarter. Price 6 cents per set, or 5 cents each when five sets or more are ordered at the same time.

Miss Crouch visited the Sabbath-school at Horr last Sabbath. On her return she will visit the Cedar Lake Academy, and the Traverse City church-school.

On Sabbath, December 14, the annual offering will be taken for foreign missions. All will avail themselves of this privilege of contributing to the spread of the third-angel's message.

The new Morning Watch Calendar is very much improved over the present one. It contains a sunset calendar for every Sabbath in the year, and is interleaved with a diagram for recording your daily missionary work. Send orders in early to the office.

Brother S. E. Kellman, after being in attendance at the South Bend convention, spent Sabbath and Sunday with the church at Mt. Pleasant. Sunday evening he spent with the Mesick church and returned to his duties at the office Monday evening.

We have seen the new book issued by the Review and Herald office on "Capital and Labor." It will prove to be valuable in this time of strikes and unions. It is attractively

bound and illustrated, and is listed as a home workers' book. Missionary secretaries should get orders from their churches, then a special discount will be given. It retails at seventy-five cents each.

Our mail bag continues to bring us good tidings of the result of the Ingathering campaign. One brother reports \$10 gathered in for a few hours' work. A good sister of the Reed City church collected \$7.16 with very little effort. One of our workers remitted \$16 as a result of distributing 100 papers. Orders are still being filled, and several churches are still to report.

The next quarter's lessons for the senior division of the Sabbath-school are on "The Mediation of Christ." The book "Patriarchs and Prophets" will contain excellent help in the study. A special price has been arranged in order that all may have this valuable book. During the lesson period we will mail you a copy postpaid for only \$1.80. The regular price is \$3.

Cedar Lake Academy Notes

Mr. Garrett was in Holland one day last week.

Reuel Root was a visitor at the academy one day.

The orchestra has been organized by Mr. Wilson.

Miss Frances Fishell, a former student, visited the academy recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler spent Sabbath with Mr. Butler's parents at Sumner.

Mr. Fisher has moved here from White Pigeon to send his children to the church-school.

Leon Wilson, William England, Tait Buck, Anna Oberholtzer, and Adelia Nash have been enrolled lately.

Guests entertained at the dormitory over Thanksgiving were the Misses Amy Woodruff, Florence and Euphemia Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Fishell of Springfield, Ill., visited relatives in Cedar Lake. Mr. Fishell gave the students some helpful talks on consecration and service.

On the evening after the Sabbath November 15, Mr. Wright from Washington, D. C. gave a stereopticon lecture in the chapel. He showed pictures of scenery and children of the many countries where he has traveled. It was very instructive as well as interesting.

School was held as usual on Thanksgiving day. The dormitory students enjoyed the special dinner served on the American plan. In the afternoon the new piano was brought up from the freight house, and all enjoyed it. The music students will appreciate this improvement in that department.

Southern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 304 W. Allen St., Springfield, Ill.

President, E. A. Bristol; Secretary, Edith McClellan; Tract Society Secretary-Treasurer, Nettie Eaton; R. L. Sec'y, E. A. Bristol; Field Agent, E. M. Fishell; Medical Sec'y, R. B. Craig.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912	\$3,952.00
Received by Union " 10 " "	2,856.41
Balance due " " 10 " "	1,095.59

Du Quoin

It was a great pleasure for me to visit the church at this place and assist in the closing work of a five weeks' meeting. Dr. W. C. Dalbey and Miss Bertha Wright, formerly a Bible worker in California, have been doing a good work. Studies were given each evening and synopses of the same were published in the daily papers which are read by a large number of people. Special work was also done in the church-school. Miss Bertha Ford, the teacher, is striving to lead the children to the Lord. Several of them were baptized. Baptismal service was held Sabbath, November 23, when eleven followed their Lord in this ordinance.

Sister Wright is holding two cottage meetings each week and we hope to see results from this effort.

Surely the church has great reason to rejoice. My prayer is that the work which has been begun may continue, and that every member may engage in active service for the Master. Brethren, let us all awake and put on the armor. It would be well if all our churches would carry on some line of aggressive work and win souls for the kingdom of God.

W. W. WOODFORD.

Canvassers' Institute

The annual canvassers' institute of the Southern Illinois Conference will convene at Springfield, December 17-24. It is expected that this institute will be the most profitable one ever held in this conference. A number of recruits have expressed their desire to come, so we expect a large number to be in attendance. Good instructors will be present.

Meals and lodging will be furnished free of charge to the prospective workers as well as to the regular canvassers. It will be advisable for each one to bring a bed blanket with him. The plan that was adopted by the Lake Union will be followed this year in regard to railroad fare. The fare of all regular canvassers to and from the institute will be paid, and the fare of those new in the work will be refunded when they have delivered \$125 worth of books.

As usual, the institute will be held at the church.

A general invitation is extended to all who feel a burden for this work. Is it not time for many to respond to the earnest calls that are being made for workers? I should be pleased to hear from all who are planning to attend.

E. M. FISHELL.

News Notes

Elder Bristol made a business trip to Noble last week.

Sister R. J. Colvin of Nebo recently visited Springfield.

Elder Bristol and Brother Fishell visited Maeystown and Bellville the first of the week.

What part are you to have in the annual offering for missions, Sabbath, December 14?

Some of the members from the Noble church report good experiences with the Harvest Ingathering Signs.

The Stewardson church has ordered six dollars' worth of tracts. We hope for good results from this missionary effort.

The Missionary Volunteer Society of the First Springfield church have been distributing tracts on the Eastern Question.

Mrs. W. C. Dalbey writes from Du Quoin that they are having most interesting Sabbath services and that the donations are increasing.

Sister S. Le Greid of Centralia recently underwent an operation at the Hinsdale Sanitarium. She will remain at that place for a time.

Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis.

President, W. H. Thurston; Sec'y-Treas., John McReynolds; S. S. Sec. Mrs. Mary Howell; Ed. and Y. P. Sec'y, Miss Frances L. Case; Sec'y and Treas. of the Tract Society, Mabel L. Cutler; Field Missionary Agent, H. W. Johnson, 227 Oak St., Stevens Point, Wis.

Required for Mission Fund 1st 10 months 1912	\$16,783.00
Received by Union	7,671.31
Balance due	9,111.69

From the Field

On my return trip from the Bookmen's Convention at South Bend, I stopped over night in Chicago with Professor Straw and counseled with him relative to the work.

The next day I spent five hours in Milwaukee with Elder Post, and found the work moving forward. From there I went to Mauston and remained over Sabbath and Sunday. O. B. Thompson and daughter Lucile have returned from California and are again located in Mauston. We had good

meetings and at the business missionary meeting we gave careful study to the church and its needs. There were ten members enrolled and two more added during the meeting. They have been somewhat neglected and have not held a quarterly meeting since 1907. We planned to notify the few absent members and hold a quarterly meeting early in January. From Mauston I went to Madison where the conference committee convened December 3, and counseled regarding the needs of the field and formulated plans for the winter. It was decided not to hold an elders' meeting this winter, but instead hold five or six general meetings and in this way reach, if possible, all the churches. Our educational convention will be held December 26-29, and the canvassers institute is to be held December 27 to January 5. As soon after this date as possible we shall begin the general meetings. The time and place will be announced when arranged. We have provided help for the churches during the week of prayer as far as possible, and it is hoped that it will be a profitable time to all of our people, and that a good offering may be received for missions. May it be indeed a week of prayer.

It is the object of prayer, not to bring the will of God into conformity to the will of man, but to bring our purposes into line with the great purposes of God.

So may it be this week.

W. H. THURSTON.

News Notes

An educational institute will be held at Bethel, December, 26-29.

The Wisconsin Conference Committee met at Madison to plan for the winter's work.

Mrs. Mary Howell is again at her desk in the office considerably improved in health.

After an extended stay at the sanitarium, Brother Ray Fillner has recovered his health and returned to his home. He plans to begin canvassing for "Coming King" in the near future.

Brother H. W. Johnson called at the office last Wednesday, returning from the Lake Union Convention. He left at noon to look up a location for the canvassers' institute to be held December 27.

Miss Mabel Cutler reached the office Tuesday last, returning from the Lake Union Convention at South Bend via Berrien Springs, Mich., and Waukesha, Wis. At the former place she visited over Sabbath and Sunday with her sister Irene who is a student at Emmanuel Missionary College.

Attention of Churches!

In case you have questions concerning the Fifteen-cent-a-week Fund cards sent out each month by the conference treasurer, write him. He will gladly explain.

Bethel Academy Notes

A new hardwood floor is being laid in the store.

Prof. Floyd Gardner was in Marshfield on business, Monday.

Miss Gertrude Benson is enrolled as a student at the academy.

Mr. Theodore Wilson spent Thanksgiving with his parents at Grand Rapids.

Misses Myrtle Serns and Edith Clark were in Grand Rapids last week on business.

The Messrs. Gottlieb Scharffenferg and Guy Raymond spent Thanksgiving day at Grand Rapids.

The academy chorus will render the sacred cantata, "The Everlasting Light," at the church, December 14.

On account of the large number of young men taking music at the academy a piano has been installed in their dormitory.

(Continued on page 8.)

LAKE UNION HERALD

ISSUED WEEKLY BY THE

Lake Union Conference of Seventh Day Adventists.

PRICE. FIFTY CENTS A YEAR.

Printed by Emmanuel Missionary College Press, Berrien Springs, Michigan.

Entered as second-class matter November 3, 1908, at the post-office of Berrien Springs, Mich.

All subscriptions should be sent to your local conference tract society office.

All matter intended for publication should be sent to the Editor, Lake Union Herald, Berrien Springs, Mich.

Approved advertisements will be published in the Herald at the following rates: Forty words or less, fifty cents for each insertion, and one cent per word for each additional word. Each group of initials or figures counts as one word. Cash must accompany copy for all advertisements.

Mrs. Lou Kirby-Curtis - - - Editor

Brother Reid Shepard is engaged in teaching at the Swedish Seminary at Broadview, Ill.

Elder Moon went to Chicago on Monday, the 2d, to meet with the local board of the Swedish Seminary who had under consideration matters regarding the faculty.

Hereafter the columns of the *Signs of the Times*, our pioneer missionary paper, will be open to the discussion of the Eastern Question along the line of the denominational belief of the fulfillment of Dan. 11:36-45.

On Sabbath afternoon, December 7, a union meeting of all the Seventh-day Adventist churches of Chicago was held in the Baptist church at Union Square on the West Side of the city, to consider plans for advancing missionary effort in the city.

Elder Baharian, the Armenian brother in Turkey, writing from old Cappadocia in Asia Minor, says, "Experience has taught us that the four winds must be held yet for a little time. On one side, we greatly desire that the end may come, but as there is much to be done for the Lord we pray God to have pity on His children who must be called out of Babylon."

(Wisconsin continued)

Two of the sons of Mr. John Wood of Richland Center came Thursday to attend school. One will board with his aunt, Mrs. J. Phillips.

Mr. Lee Foote, an employee of the Wisconsin Tract Society, was at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foote, for a few days at Thanksgiving time.

Miss Ella Keizer, the church-school teacher here, is spending Thanksgiving at her home in La Crosse. When she returns she will begin teaching school in the new schoolhouse, which is now ready for occupancy.

Thanksgiving day at Bethel Academy was enjoyed by all. After a pleasant dinner and afternoon, the study period was held early, so that there might be time for the ladies' reception in the evening. The young men were pleasantly entertained by an appropriate program.

Business Notices

FOR SALE.—One hundred sixty acres, or in smaller tracts, 10 acres or more. Sandy lome mostly improved with buildings, orchard, good water, 3 miles from depot and stores. Church and church-school privileges. Price \$20 per acre. F. Hartson, Route 6, Vassar, Mich.

COOKING OIL.—Refined Cotton seed oil direct from refinery. Pure, wholesome, and delicious. Eight 1-gallon cans, \$7.50; 5-gallon can, \$4.20; 10 gallons, \$8.20; 30-gallon barrel \$22; 50-gallon barrel, \$36. Cash with order. Sanitarium Cooking Oil Co., Louisville, Ky. 2-5-13

FOR SALE.—Granoil,—a pure cotton-oil product, highly refined, tasteless, and odorless, easily digested and assimilated. One bbl., 50 gallons, \$32.50; one-half bbl., 30 gallons, \$19.80; 2,5-gal. cans, \$7.30; 1,5-gal. can, \$3.75; 5,1-gal. cans, \$4. These prices are subject to change without notice. For descriptive list and full information concerning the more than thirty varieties of scientifically prepared health foods, address Nashville Sanitarium-Food Factory, Madison, Tennessee. 12-25-12

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

November 29, 1912

Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
Northern Illinois							
John Hicks.....	P.G.	27½	16	50 00	.....	50 00	.....
L. Clarke.....	B.R.	25	16	48 00	.....	48 00	.....
		52½	32	98 00	.....	98 00	.....
Wisconsin							
O. O. Potter.....	G.C.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 80
Louis Scholz.....	B.R.	25	6	19 00	14 00	33 00	.....
Martin Foss.....	B.R.	16	1	3 00	.....	3 00	.....
F. Passer.....	C.K.	48	13	14 50	8 50	23 00	.....
		89	20	36 50	22 50	59 00	18 80
Southern Illinois							
Mary DeWitt.....	G.C.	27	2	6 00	17 75	23 75	2 50
Hugh Stearns.....	G.C.	39	7	24 00	1 70	25 70	34 65
Jerry Suda.....	G.C.	36	16	47 00	10 90	57 90	.....
Ivan Falconer.....	G.C.	20	13	38 00	6 00	44 00	.....
R. J. Watson.....	G.C.	30	.....	.....	2 35	2 35	147 65
Mr. and Mrs. Langston.....	.....	8	.....	.....	2 40	2 40	3 30
Grace Thomas.....	C.K.	22	5	8 00	1 25	9 25	.....
Hugo Mitselfelt.....	G.C.	26	8	24 00	5 50	29 50	.....
Frank Crail.....	C.K.	25	5	7 50	.....	7 50	39 50
A. P. Lager.....	G.C.	50	13	32 00	10 60	42 60	.....
		275	77	186 50	58 45	244 95	227 60
East Michigan							
Geo. McClenathan.....	G.C.	18	7	22 00	3 00	25 00	3 00
Mrs. Countryman.....	C.K.	28	15	24 50	19 65	44 15	49 10
Floyd Myers.....	G.C.	31	3	9 00	8 95	17 95	2 50
J. A. Lamb.....	G.C.	31	3	9 00	1 00	10 00	1 00
		108	28	64 50	32 60	97 10	55 60
Indiana							
H. W. Plake.....	C.K.	46	14	23 50	2 00	25 50	.....
O. O. Richardson.....	G.C.	37	3	9 00	4 00	13 00	1 00
		83	17	32 50	6 00	38 50	1 00
* North Michigan							
Ida Orth.....	C.K.	50	8	12 00	3 50	15 50	.....
Florence Orth.....	C.K.	40	13	19 50	8 00	27 50	.....
Ralph Denton.....	E.S.	48	9	31 00	8 25	39 25	.....
E. C. Collard.....	P.G.	47	4	12 00	21 10	33 10	.....
E. W. Jackson.....	B.R.	40	9	33 00	6 50	39 50	.....
Estene Murner.....	E.S.	13	3	10 00	1 25	11 25	.....
Mrs. R. A. Balfour.....	.....	3	1	1 50	.....	1 50	.....
K. V. Bjork.....	B.R.	105	12	13 25	10 05	23 30	68 81
		346	59	132 25	58 65	190 90	68 81
West Michigan							
*Anna Gilbert.....	E.S.	2½	1	1 00	85	1 85	.....
J. B. Fletcher.....	G.C.	20	.....	.....	75	75	40 00
*E. C. Schoonard.....	B.R.	64½	7	21 00	4 45	25 45	60 00
		87	8	22 00	6 05	28 05	100 00
34 Agents		1049½	241	572 25	184 25	756 50	471 81

PERIODICAL REPORT.

Wisconsin			
Paper	Hours	No.	Value
E. M. Bisbee.....	19	163	16 30
*2 Weeks			

" 'I am thy guide,' He said;

'Leave all with Me.'

And so I went with Him

All trustingly.

"And now we journey on,

Day after day,

I have no need of care;

He knows the way."