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New Year Thoughts

Let us walk softly, friend;
For strange paths lie before us, all untrod;
The new year, spotless from the hand of God,
Is thine and mine, O friend!

Let us walk straightly, friend;
Forget the crooked paths behind us now,
Press on with steadier purpose on our brow,
To better deeds, O friend!

Let us walk kindly, friend; We can not tell how long this life shall last, How soon these precious years be overpast; Let Love walk with us, friend.

Let us walk quickly, friend; Work with our might while lasts our little stay, And help some halting comrade on the way; And may God guide us, friend!

-Lillian Gray

The Needy and the Afflicted

In many of our churches we have members who are feeble and not a few who are poor and destitute. Some of these are suffering for want of the necessities of life. In some instances the local churches are giving them some assistance. These needy ones must not be forgotten. It is our sacred duty to care for them as well as we can. Concerning this I wish to quote the following words from Volume 3, page 511 of the Testimonies:

"I have been shown some things in reference to our duty to the unfortunate, which I feel it my duty to write at this time. I saw that it is in the providence of God that widows and orphans, the blind, the deaf, the lame, and persons afflicted in a variety of ways, have been placed in close Christian relationship to His church; it is to prove His people and develop their true character. Angels of God are watching to see how we treat these persons who need our sympathy, love, and disinterested benevolence. This is God's test of our character."

We must not become so interested in our own welfare that we forget the Lord's poor; neither must we say that we give all to the cause and thus excuse ourselves from helping those in our midst that need our care. Each church ought to have a fund out of which

to help the needy. To visit the sick, to cheer the lonely, and to help those who need help is well pleasing to God. As we do this we bring joy to other hearts and homes, and we receive a great blessing ourselves.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

News from Boston

To our friends in the Lake Union Conference, Greeting.

We are now quite well settled in our new field and home. For some time after we came East we were in a state of uncertainty as to where our home would be. A movement has been inaugurated to move the conference headquarters from South Lancaster, where it had been located for more than forty years, to the city of Boston. Before our goods were unpacked the conference committee voted in favor of the removal. This rendered it necessary to re-ship our effects, and to look for a new location.

Our people have for some time been holding Sabbath services in a large chapel in Tremont Temple. This building is owned and controlled by the Baptist denomination, and is in the most favorable location that can be found in the city of Boston. We were so fortunate as to obtain a suite of offices in this building, on the same floor with our meeting hall. Dr. Myer, the Baptist pastor of the Temple, occupies an office adjoining ours. He is acquainted with our work and fully consents to our occupying the rooms. So the office headquarters of the Massachusetts Conference will henceforth be Rooms 606-608 Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.

The conference is planning a vigorous campaign for the spread of the truth in Boston and adjoining cities, with Tremont Temple as the center. Half the population of Massachusetts resides within a radius of ten miles of this center.

After our long stay in the Lake Union Conference, it seemed like going away from all our friends, but we have found a host of friends here, while we have lost none in the Lake Union, so our circle is really enlarged. Some of these are old acquaintances formed in other parts of the great field, while some are entirely new, but they have made us feel so much at home that the newness has vanished and we can go on with the work hand in hand with them as God's children. The Lord blesses and comforts us, and He is the dearest Friend of all.

We shall never forget the experiences through which we passed during our stay in the Lake Union, nor the loyalty and courage of the dear people of God with whom we were associated.

ALLEN AND CARRIE MOON

When men speak ill of thee, so live that nobody will believe them.—*Pluto*

Early Observations—No. 6

A New Schoolhouse-Moses Hull Preaching in It

A schoolhouse was built in our district the season after the revival described in our last article. Because of exposure in the cold, I was in bed with pneumonia and unable to attend school. But Moses Hull was preaching evenings in the new building and his preaching created more talk than anything else in that part of the country. At that time three of my uncles were First-day Adventist ministers, and two of the three were physicians, and they were giving me medical attention on account of pneumonia. of the two was accepting Elder Hull's preaching. and the other was rejecting it. The other preacher, who was Uncle Jim, the elder of our church, was against the preaching of Elder Hull. Our nearest neighbor was also accepting the preaching at the schoolhouse.

These four men came to my room evenings after the meetings, to sit up with me, and there they would discuss the merits and demerits of the meetings. My physical trouble was serious and my suffering was intense; nevertheless, those four men did not think it improper to engage in earnest discussion in my presence on points of theology. So it came to pass that evenings, after my physicians and elder returned from the meeting, that I got some early impressions concerning the third angel's message. For there, those dark December evenings, fifty eight years ago, while my lungs were bleeding with pneumonia, I listened to the pros and cons of many a point.

True, it was an uncomfortable way of getting a start on a great subject, nevertheless, I could listen and think, and so I did. One preacher was very sure that a wrong position was taken when Mr. Hull taught that there would be religious persecution some time in this country. He said that this could never be so because the Constitution of the United States says that Congress shall make no laws concerning religion. He said that this splendid clause would always assure to the people of our country the blessing of religious liberty. But we know that states do make laws which lead to persecution. And almost all the states in the whole country have laws on their statutes respecting religion. And in many instances people have been persecuted because they have endeavored to obey the commandments of God where statute laws have stood in the way. this alone, but the Congress of the United States has legislated in regard to Sunday closing which is religious legislation, and Sunday itself is only of human devisings. The Supreme Court of the United States has interfered with this same question. It may also be meddled with more seriously in the near future.

Uncle Jim said that Mr. Hull must certainly be preaching error by claiming that the seventh day should now be kept by Christians as the Sabbath, because now the new covenant is in force, and if properly understood it would enjoin the keeping of Christ's resurrection day. He said that the new covenant became of force at the time Christ died and that the old covenant came into force when its testator died, but he was not sure who the testator of

the old covenant was. He thought that maybe it was Moses. But probably as Christ was the testator of the new covenant, God might be the testator of the old covenant. I was suffering severely as I listened, but when he said that it must have been that God the Father was testator of the old covenant. I spoke up and asked if he thought that God died in ancient times to make the old covenant valid. When he heard my question, he said, "Well, I think Will must be getting better. He is not going to die now." Their discussion stopped at that point. and so none of them could tell who the testator of the old covenant was, nor how any one could be saved through the merits of a document so faulty as the old covenant is, or was. But these men were no more confused than many people are now who claim to be teachers of God's word. Who now is clear enough in his theology to tell who the testator of the old covenant was? When and by what authority did the old covenant come into force? Was anyone saved by it? If so, who, and how? WM. COVERT

Indiana Conference

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Among the Churches

During the week of prayer I met with the following churches: Middletown, Muncie, Noblesville, Rochester, Inwood, and South Bend.

My first meeting with the Middletown brethren was Sabbath evening, December 11. On the Sabbath we had a fairly good attendance. The Spirit of the Lord came in and all reconsecrated themselves for the finishing of this work in this generation. They had not yet raised their entire mission quota, but they thought they would be able to do so.

At Muncie I found the church in a prosperous condition. Through the gift of a non-resident brother, Muncie will be able to meet her mission quota.

The members at Noblesville are doing what they can to let their light shine by the distribution of literature. The church school which was started several years ago is still conducted in the home of the elder. The children manifested a deep interest in missionary work, and with the Harvest Ingathering papers, added several dollars to their junior missionary fund.

I spent two days with the Rochester brethren. This is one of the oldest churches in Indiana. There are a few faithful ones still rejoicing in the hope of Christ's soon return. The brethren and sisters are endeavoring to meet their obligations to God in offerings.

There are a few believers at Inwood who are zealous in the cause of the Master. I was glad here to meet a pioneer member of the church, Brother I. Stone, the father of Prof. C. L. Stone, educational superintendent of the Columbia Union.

The last two days of the week of prayer were spent at South Bend in connection with the missionary convention. The church at this place is doing a large amount of missionary work. As a member of this church Brother J. W. Mace is manifesting his characteristic energy along this line. Here I was glad

to meet Brother and Sister H. H. Rans, he having been our former state secretary-treasurer.

C. N. SANDERS

Southern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 304 W. Allen St., Springfield, Ill. President, A. J. Clark

The Week of Prayer

The week of prayer for 1914 is past, and I believe that each one of us should ask ourselves if we derived the benefit from it which we should have received. Did we indeed make it a season of seeking God, or did this week pass as all other weeks passed during the year?

In almost every instance, the workers reported most precious seasons with the churches, and I am sure that this was my experience personally. I visited the Du Quoin, Carterville, Herrin, and Maeystown churches. At Du Quoin we had Sabbath services in the church and also Sunday evening services. Sunday afternoon the church met at their new schoolhouse, at which time the little building was dedicated to the work for which it was built. In all of these meetings the Lord came very near.

At Carterville, Herrin, and Maeystown, we conducted the regular week of prayer services, read the readings and gave a short talk in each place. I was particularly interested in my visit at Herrin. I believe that situation will soon straighten out. It looks as though some would drop out of the church and out of the organized work. Of course we dislike to see this, but I believe that those who remain will band themselves together and make a success of the work there. Let us all pray that the Lord will come divinely near to that little company.

This was my first visit at Maeystown. I read the reading and an interpreter translated it into the German language, but I believe that all enjoyed the service very much.

I sincerely hope that every church in the conference had a real spiritual uplift during this week of prayer.

A. I. CLARK

An Encouraging Report

We have a home department company at Mapleton, Ill., consisting of seven members. Two or three men working in the mines supply the living expenses, yet they have thus far (Dec. 23) turned in \$84.43 to missions on the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund, with pledges of \$55 more which they expect to pay before the end of the year. With their December Sabbath school money, which will come at the end of the month, they will have paid the quota of an additional seven, or in other words, a little better than an average of \$20.80 per member. This company expects the blessing of the Lord the coming year and we believe they have a perfect right to.

A Report

It was my privilege to visit Stewardson, Kingman, Charleston, and East Alton during the week of prayer, spending two days at each place. The enemy has been sowing seeds of discord in some places, but I am

glad to report that there is a general awakening to the call of the hour, "Prepare to meet thy God," and as some of the readings were given, hearts were touched and confessions made. All seemed eager to do their part in giving the last message of mercy to a perishing world.

C. W. Curtis

Notice

We received a postal card order in October for one "Coming King," cloth marble, to be sent to Mrs. Ollie Card, Vandalia, Ill. The person sending the order did not sign his name, so we do not know to whom to look for the settlement of the account. If you see this notice, please advise us at once.

F. H. JOHNSON

East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich. President, Wm. Guthrie

Conventions

Arrangements have been made to hold young people's conventions at Jackson, Bay City, and Lansing. It is hoped that a large number of young people may attend these conventions from the near-by churches. We especially urge that at least one young person attend from each of the churches or companies mentioned in the following list:

Jackson (Jan. 15–18)—Napoleon, Rives Junction, Bunker Hill, Hillsdale, Ann Arbor, Spring Arbor, Hanover, Adrian.

Bay City (Jan. 22–25)—Midland, Freeland, Coleman, Saginaw, Reese, Vassar, Fairgrove, Watrousville, Rapson, Otter Lake.

Lansing (Feb. 5-7)—St. Johns, Alaiedon, Leslie, Mason, Bancroft.

Miss Bell, Elder Kittle and others will be present at each of the above conventions, and with the Lord's blessing much good will be done.

Plan to be there and take the Lord with you.

WM. GUTHRIE

Field Report

During the week of prayer I visited the companies at Leslie and Williamston, the greater portion of the week being spent at Lansing. We feel that a wave of refreshing has begun in all these places. At Williamston one is ready for baptism. The church there seems to be of good courage. Their offering for missions was good for the number represented.

At Leslie the work is onward. Another young man accepted God's call to repentance, and has since been baptized. About a dozen have taken their stand for the truth in Lansing and others are much interested. Five were baptized just before the quarterly service on Sabbath, December 26. At the same time seven were added to the church. Others were ready for baptism, but being absent at this time will be baptized later. Our Sunday night meetings continue to draw a good attendance. These services are preceded by health talks, Brother Sayers of the local treatment rooms giving instruction along this line. This feature of the work is much appreciated by the church and others. Surely God is going before to finish the work. Our responsibility is to "move in exact order like a

company of soldiers," each in his place to do the work assigned him, and every one to do his best.

B. L. Post

Jackson Convention January 15-18

Let all the people in and about Jackson plan to take advantage of every meeting in this convention beginning Friday evening.

By counseling together we may keep in touch with the best methods of aggressive missionary effort and promote the Volunteer and educational work in this section of the state.

These meetings being purely missionary in character are alike interesting to young and old.

Good preaching services will be combined with the regular convention work.

LOTTA E. BELL

Detroit West Side Church

God was with us in a wonderful manner during the week of prayer. In spite of the cold weather the meetings were well attended. It is our prayer that God will help us to make a complete separation from the world that we may be used of Him in winning souls for the kingdom.

JAMES MILLER

Northern Illinois Conference Office Address, 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill. President, G. E. Langdon

News Items

A letter from Sister Anna Hibben of Princeton says, "I have been out with the Harvest Ingathering *Review* and my receipts thus far have been \$12." Miss Rosa Vaas, the young Hungarian sister who works in the conference home, who is just learning English, has been out several times in the Harvest Ingathering work and has collected \$4.50. Miss Wilhelmina Mueller, while out in her Bible work and distributing literature, has called attention to the Harvest Ingathering work and has received \$30. Mrs. Bradfield, one of the new members of the Central church, has had good experiences in the Harvest Ingathering work this winter. She has received \$15.

Brother F. P. Hildom, local elder of the Englewood church, was in our office yesterday. He said, "The Englewood church brings good news in that we are up to date on our apportionment to missions and by the end of the year we will be ahead." Several of our churches are saying the same; others are making a strong effort to reach their apportionments. We trust they will not be disappointed. We hope all the brethren and sisters who made pledges to missions for 1914 will do their very best in sending in their amount to the church treasurers so that it may reach the office by the 5th of January, at least, so our books may be closed the 8th, according to the recommendation of the General Conference. G. E. LANGDON

News Notes

Roy Van Vuren of South Holland, Ill., is the latest recruit in the colporteur field. He is selling "Coming

King" among the Holland people of his own neighborhood first. The first day he sold five copies.

Gilbert Barber of Pittwood expects to be in the field in the near future. He will work in Kankakee County with "Coming King."

A brother writes that the Lord has caused him to lose a position that he held for a number of years, and that he is now free to enter the work. A sister in Chillicothe wants to sell "Daniel and Revelation." The value of Brother Clarke's Christmas delivery was nearly \$400.

Elder Langdon is still in the colporteur work. Recently he sold \$46 worth of books in two days. All the proceeds of these sales were to apply on the academy debt. Who else wants to sell some books in this way?

Miss M. Wilson is making a success of the work with "Bible Readings" in the city of Chicago. Let us remember her in prayer, for this is a hard field.

J. A. APPLEGATE

Fox River Academy Items

Elder Burdick was with us during the first days of the weck of prayer, and gave several very helpful talks.

Our enrollment has been increased by the arrival of three new students, Mr. Emil Messinger of Chicago, Miss Ruby McWilliams of Charleston, and Miss Freda Sauer, of Chicago.

The girls gave the boys a reception on the evening of December 20. A pleasing program was rendered; "The Girls' Kitchen Symphony Orchestra," being one of the interesting numbers.

After a stay of ten days, Mrs. Sauer, who accompanied her daughter to the academy, returned to her home in Chicago. She expressed herself as being greatly pleased with the school and the home influences.

All but thirteen of the students went to their homes to spend the Christmas vacation.

Because of the failing health of his father, Professor J. B. Clymer has gone to his home at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, for a few days' stay.

The heating system is undergoing repairs, and a new supply of coal is being hauled; so we do not fear the coming winter months.

Mr. Paul Rank, who is home from the College at Berrien Springs, was a guest at the academy December 26.

Sunday afternoon the students and some of the teachers who remained at the academy went skating on Fox River. The sleigh-ride to the river and back, as well as the skating, was greatly enjoyed by all.

North Michigan Conference

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President, J. J. Irwin

A New Field

November 6, Brother A. Misegon and I left Zeba for Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., where we spent Sabbath and Sunday with Elder and Sister E. F. Peterson; then went over to Ontario, Canada on business, and on our way back stopped at Garden River, Ontario, Canada,

Indian village. It was my first privilege to gain a new experience in missionary labor among my native people. We held five meetings. Brother Misegon assisted me in securing places for meetings and the meetings were held according to appointments. This afforded an opportunity to talk with the people on the Sabbath question and of the conditions of the present times and their relations to Bible prophecy. Our impressions are that a good work was begun and should be followed up. They are very desirous that a tent effort be held there next summer; many there are hungry for truth and looking for light.

God's command to Seventh-day Adventists at the present time is to go into the highways and hedges and seek those who are lost. Let us pray that the glad tidings of salvation may reach the hearts of the people there. A deep interest was manifested in the studies each evening. I was compelled to leave for Traverse City to attend the elders' meeting held there December 2–6. This was my first time and experience in elders' meeting, and I learned many spiritual things. I returned with Elder R. J. Bellows and Brother R. W. Coon to Gladstone, then home. I found my home church doing nicely.

I wish to give further report regarding the week of prayer. The meetings were well attended by our people and some from the outside. The Spirit of the Lord came near. Most of the brethren and sisters reconsecrated themselves to God and His service. On Thursday Elder E. F. Peterson was with us, taking charge of the meeting, and also conducted the Lord's supper. This brought us closer to the Lord.

Pray for us that we may do more and accomplish much among my native people. There are many precious jewels among them.

W. S. BONNAR

News Notes

Elder R. C. Horton, who is spending the winter visiting the churches he has raised up in north Michigan, was at Colfax, Cleon, and Mesick during the week of prayer. He remained at Mesick for the week following, conducting revival services which proved to be a great blessing to the church. Many who have been in a backsliden condition have given themselves anew to God and all seem to be much encouraged. A number of outsiders are interested in the message and are giving our truths a deep study. We hope that they will unite themselves with God and His truth. Brother Horton is now at Gaylord conducting similar meetings.

Our church clerks are requested to be prompt in sending in their quarterly reports. Your secretary must compile the conference report and send it forward to the Union conference office before the 15th of January.

Quite a number of our Sabbath schools are ordering the large Picture Rolls for class study. In every school where there are children one of these rolls should be in use. The price is only one dollar for the roll containing pictures for the entire quarter. Send your order in today.

During the last quarter about thirty thousand War Extras were distributed in the conference, yet, judging from the reports received, we conclude that there

is hardly any missionary work done in North Michigan. This is because our people do not sense the value of reporting. Cooperate with your missionary secretary by handing in your reports of missionary work done every week. It would be a means of encouraging others, and would enable the officers of the denomination to know how the work is going.

Brother Williams is attending the East Michigan canvassers' institute at Owosso. We expect that Brother Johnson will attend our institute to be held sometime in February.

The Gaylord church had a very interesting experience recently. A day was set apart for the Harvest Ingathering campaign and every member went out with the papers, and as a result over \$18 was gathered in.

S. E. Kellman

Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis. President, W. H. Thurston

Week of Prayer

The week of prayer is now in the past but its blessings continue with us. I was with the Madison church and the sanitarium family the closing days of the week of prayer and it was a profitable time to us all. Sabbath we held quarterly meeting and on Sunday a missionary business meeting of the church. A full corps of officers was elected. The church records were gone over carefully and recommendations were made and action taken to correct the membership and place the church record in a normal condition. The attendance at the meetings was good and all participated cheerfully.

On Monday, the 21st, the conference committee met in the sanitarium, and Elder L. H. Christian met with the committee for the consideration of some matters necessary before the annual meeting of the Lake Union Conference Committee which is called for January 11.

Monday evening a public meeting was held in the sanitarium and after a brief discourse by Elder C. Edwardson, Brother Larson was ordained as elder of the Madison church. The outlook for the Madison church is hopeful.

From Madison I went to Beloit to counsel with Brother and Sister Woodbury relative to conference matters.

From there I went to Milwaukee to attend the funeral of Sister John Steinel. Her obituary will appear soon.

The following Sabbath and Sunday I met with the the New London church for quarterly meeting. The weather was very cold. The attendance was not large, but we had a good meeting. The business meeting passed off harmoniously and a full set of officers was elected for the ensuing year. The church records were carefully considered and proper revisions made and all will enter upon of the new year with faith, hope, and charity. As all take hold in our churches, unitedly, complying with the conditions and cooperating with the body, teaching no other doctrine (1 Tim. 1: 3, 4), but by prayer and study live the truth and impart it in our lives, the work will prosper and we will triumph with it. So may it be.

W. H. THURSTON

In the Field

The latter part of November I visited Barron. The members here are scattered and could not come together for meetings because of unfavorable weather. From there I went to Bashaw Lake where we had good meetings. The elder was ordained and two more joined the church. They have a good church There are too many to assemble with school. comfort in private houses, so we decided to build a meeting house. The same is true of Hines, so upon reaching home the brethren and myself went to the woods and cut logs for a building. We think that by the first of the year we shall have our meeting house ready for use. During December I have visited Spooner, Bear Lake, Bruce, Ashland, and Washburn. The people are not rich in these northern woods many of them have no money at all and some hardly know how they will get through the winter. But all feel interested in the missionary work. One sister said, "I have no money whatever, but I have a calf and I will try to sell it and send the money." A brother told me that he could give no money but he had a cow he could sell. Nearly all feel like doing something for those who need help.

At Washburn good meetings were held. Three young people gave their hearts to God and were baptized and received into church fellowship. It greatly rejoiced our hearts to see these dear young people follow the Lord. The time is short and what is to be done must be done quickly.

JOHN HOFFMAN

A Cause for Rejoicing

As the year 1914 draws to a close we thought it a very fitting time to make known to our dear people how the prospering hand of the Lord has been with us. At the beginning of this year the Review and Herald Publishing Association held notes against the Wisconsin Tract Society to the amount of \$1,350; with the payment of \$1,000 December 28 this whole amount has been paid off since January 1, 1914. The tract society is now entirely free from debt. We know our brethren and sisters all through this conference will rejoice with us and will offer an offering of praise and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for the way He has prospered us this year. Of this \$1,000 that was paid December 28, there was one note of \$400 which was due April 1, 1915, and on which had already been paid \$200 earlier in the vear. note of \$400. due April 1916, 1. another note \$400 due April 1, 1917. This lifts a burden from our hearts and we know it will be good news to all of our people in Wisconsin as well as in the whole Lake Union Conference.

WISCONSIN TRACT SOCIETY

The Thirteenth Sabbath

The Thirteenth Sabbath is a definite time set for doing a definite thing in a definite place by our Sabbath schools.

Beginning with Jan., 1915, how would all the Sabbath schools in Wisconsin like to unite in a plan for becoming personally informed regarding our missionary work in some of the foreign lands?

The plan is for each Sabbath school to make a study during the first twelve Sabbaths of the quarter of the field to which we are to send our thirteenth Sabbath offering. Study its climate, wealth, products, enterprises, education, religions, our work as a church; then the number of our missionaries; their names and the work each is doing, thus becoming intelligent givers.

Those living in cities will find in their city libraries much valuable information in addition to what we all may read in the reports from our workers in the *Review and Herald*, *Signs of the Times, Instructor*, etc.

Those of us who live in smaller towns will have to find out what we can from our school books and our libraries and from the reports in our denominational papers.

The denominational Year Book will give a list of the names and location of workers, also indicate the work which each is doing. Let us all become members of this "Lookout party" and know what is being done to finish the work in this generation.

Let the results of this study come before the Sabbath school each Sabbath in the form of wide-awake five minute exercises, and round off the quarter with a thirteenth Sabbath program.

IDA E. THOMPSON, S. S. Sec'y

Church Clerks, Attention!

Please see that your report reaches us by January 8. Be sure to answer questions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 on the reverse side of your report. If your membership list has not been sent in, send us the revised list at once.

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE

News Notes

Dr. A. I. Lovell leaves the state the first of the year for Union College. He will visit his family and then take a little further work in fitting himself along his line.

One day's mail brought the following reports on the Harvest Ingathering work: Sister E. M. Bisbee sent in \$16, with good experiences related. Sisters Tillie Bingham and Elsie Roth of the Debello church have been out to near-by cities, and send in \$40. Sister Emma J. Martin says, "Please find enclosed missionary report and membership list. We have done much more work in the way of giving out literature than we have reported. I used 60 copies of the Ingathering Review and received \$30. I received \$5 from a Catholic railroad man; also a good donation from a lawyer who asked many questions relating to the war. I sold him a Watchman and gave him the tract, 'Is It Armageddon.' This work affords many opportunities for doing good." If every church would but be a working church, have a live missionary society, and report the work done, what a blessing to the members, the churches, and the conference, and there would be joy in heaven.

We give the following item from a letter received from Elder S. Sorensen who is now working at Neenah: "I spent the first days of the week of prayer with the Merrill church. While there we held three meetings each day and enjoyed a blessed meeting together. From there I went to Moon and spent three days. We held two meetings each day, and enjoyed rich blessings."

West Michigan Conference

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Among the Churches

During the week of prayer I visited and held meetings with the companies above named. Although few in number in each place, they were of good courage and ready to do all in their power to advance the work of the Lord. Nearly all expressed their great appreciation of the week of prayer readings.

At Albion three brethren, though poor in this world's goods, decided to place literature in each home in Albion, a city of six thousand inhabitants. Truly their hearts were touched with love for their fellowmen.

At Quincy we held the annual business meeting. A full corps of officers was chosen and installed, and a deacon ordained.

At Coldwater we held the annual business meeting, also quarterly meeting. Perfect love and unity prevailed. It was good to be there. A full corps of officers was elected and installed; also an elder ordained.

I could not accomplish much at Coldwater in the circulation of literature, as the brethren and the sisters do not have much of this world's goods. Their crops were nearly a complete failure the past season on account of the drouth, but I trust they will place literature in every home in Coldwater, a city of seven thousand inhabitants. It looks like a heavy load, but I believe the brethren already feel the burden of responsibility that rests upon them.

I visited two days with the Kinderhook company, which numbers four members, though there are six who are keeping the Sabbath. I greatly enjoyed my stay with Brother and Sister Abbott, and especially to find them deeply interested and very active in missionary lines. I wish all were as earnest in the work.

For the last four days I have been visiting the Brookfield company. Thus far I found every one deeply interested in the progress of the message, and of good courage in the Lord, and His work. We had a very pleasant time Sabbath as we met together in quarterly meeting. All the adults present took part.

I am grateful to Brethren Wilton and Lawrence for the help they gave in visiting the homes of our brethren and sisters, and to all for their hearty cooperation in the work.

The first Sabbath and Sunday in January I expect to meet with my home church at Potterville.

As I visit the homes of our brethren and sisters in West Michigan, I find a welcome that cheers me in my work. To those I have not yet visited, I would say, I am coming your way before long.

E. I. Beebe

Urbandale and Bedford

It was my privilege to meet with the churches at Urbandale and Bedford during the week of prayer, and it was a precious season we spent together in earnest prayer and heart searching.

The Lord is blessing the church at Bedford where they are having an excellent school this winter. The

young people and children are taking an active part in the church work.

I was also encouraged when I saw the interest manifested by the young people of Urbandale in the meetings during this season, especially did the children at this place enjoy the little lessons brought out in their department. The thought that "If our business is to win souls, we ought to be at it," was felt more keenly by all, and I believe that the sentiment of each heart was, In the strength of the Lord I will put away sin and go forth in my place to win souls.

FOREST A. SCHOONARD

Notice

The Auditing Committee for the conference is called to meet at 9 a. m., January 21, 1915. The following named persons were elected to serve on this committee at the Charlotte conference: Geo. M. Woodruff, R. F. Hoffmaster, O. A. Thompson, Geo. Israel, A. L. Curtis, J. A. DeSpelder, W. W. Robinson, and C. C. Rathbun.

C. F. McVagh, *Pres.*

News Notes

The churches visited appreciated very much the help of the young men of E. M. C. during the week of prayer. Quite an encouraging outside attendance is reported from Coldwater.

Clinton Lee reports a good experience at Eaton Rapids, Dimondale, and Potterville. The Spirit of the Lord came very near. Church officers were elected at Eaton Rapids.

Not all the laborers have reported, but the reports that have come in from the week of prayer speak of a spiritual refreshing. Some tell of souls converted and reclaimed, and of the liberal offering to missions, activity in the Harvest Ingathering, and in other missionary lines.

We would like to send the present number of the *Liberty* Magazine to every judge and lawyer in West Michigan. Who will contribute something to this special object? We will get the names and papers and mail them if friends will furnish the funds. It would require about \$15.

We received from Daniel and Emma Maynard a deed to the West Michigan Conference of one-half acre of ground near Barryton in Mecosta County. The lot has on it a church building which has not been in use for some time, but we hope that the work will be revived in that part of the field.

A. L. Van Fossen and F. Lemon called at the office on their way to start Brother Lemon in the canvassing work in Barry County.

Judging from the number who attended the Canvassers' Institute in Otsego and the earnest enthusiasm that was manifested in all the meetings we may look for some good reports from this branch of the work. Do not forget to pray for the canvassers as they go from door to door.

The elders' meeting will be held at Grand Rapids, Jan. 18-21. A program will be prepared and copies sent out to the different churches in the near future.

The workers in the conference office wish to thank the laborers in the field and in the churches for patient and faithful cooperation during the last year and wish them and all our people a Happy New Year.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby Curtis

Editor

Reached the Goal on Foreign Missions

We hasten these few lines to the LAKE UNION HERALD early January 1, to let the brethren know Northern Illinois Conference has reached the goal on foreign mission apportionments for 1914. This is the first time in our history. We know you want to sing the song of Jubilee with us. We thank the Lord for His good Spirit that has been cherished by the brethren and for their deep interest in the work in the far-away lands. The sum of \$14,600, has reached our office and been forwarded to headquarters. G. E. LANGDON.

College Debt Fund

Previously Reported	\$2,420.04
J. H. Haughey	100.00
Chas. Glidden	1.00
Louise Dedeker	5.00
O. J. Graf	10.53
Newberg Church, N. Y.	24.00
Mrs. John Armitage	5.00
Dena Woodruff	5.00
Myra Hodges	5.00
Total	\$2,575.57

"This above all—to thine own self be true; And it must follow, as the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending December 25, 1914

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Ralph A. Goodwin	CK	39	6	9 00	1 00	10 00			
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