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

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## Now

- There's only one time in eternity, One time to be and live,
- One time when mortals may labor with God, One time to serve and give.
- There's but one time 'mid shadows and ' sunshine

The soul aglow may bow, One time for the arduous duties of life, The wonderous time called *now*.

Yesterday lies with the numberless dead, The great, eternal past;

While to-morrow stretches a boundless sea, Too great for souls to grasp.

But now like a river of blessing flows, Ever at our right hand,

In which to labor, to love, and to give, To answer God's command.

--Selected

## **Religious Liberty**

In the struggle between liberty and despotism in the United States we have certainly entered upon a new The Catholic question has become an acute phase. crisis. The whole country is astir, and the press everywhere is discussing the subject. Harper's Weekly, one of the leading journals in this country, has had at least six articles on this question in the past few months. The first was written by Dr. Gladden, "The Anti-Papal Panic." entitled After this came a contribution from a leading Catholic prelate. Two articles from the pen of W. W. Prescott on this issue have been printed in this journal. A very strong opposition to Rome has arisen in many places. Anti-Roman lecturers abound. Just recently several of those have been killed by the papists, and riots have not been unknown.

In the elections last fall, as never before in the history of our country, religion was made a dominant factor in politics. Thus when Governor Glynn, of New York failed of re-election, it was generally conceded that he owed his defeat to the fact that he was a Catholic. And when Mr. Hogan lost out in his race for United States Senate in Ohio, this was ascribed to his being a Catholic. At a meeting

recently held in Washington by the Romanists, it was claimed that forty-eight candidates for Congress this last year were outvoted merely because they were members of the Roman Church.

We have all read the sensational journal called The Menace, which now has attained a circulation of nearly a million and a half. But this paper is only one out of many anti-Catholic journals. We understand that there are as many as thirty of these papers. While these papers may do some good, of many things in them we cannot approve. There are some of them which we would not tolerate in our homes, nor can we employ in our work the methods they make use of. But we Adventists have two splendid journals, The Protestant Magazine and Liberty, as well as a very select series of books and tracts on liberty of conscience. We should give this literature a wide circulation. The above named journals ought to be sent to every legislator, judge, lawyer, minister, editor, and teacher in the Lake Union. Just now seems to be a very opportune time to work. We quote the following from a letter that has been received from Elder Longacre, the secretary of the Religious Liberty department.

"If you could have been present at the hearing on the bills which aim to restrict the liberty of the press, last Monday, before the Post Office and Post Roads Committee, and witnessed the dragon spirit and voice in the fiery and threatening speeches which were made against the publications which cast a reflection upon the Catholic religion, you would have had no doubt as to the necessity for the Religious Liberty Department continuing the good work it has been doing. There are now six Sunday bills before Congress, pending action. The Lord's Day Alliance is planning to introduce a Sunday bill into the next session of Congress, which they claim 'will give the District of Columbia a clean white Sabbath day'. The general secretary, at a meeting held in Washington, said they were organizing their forces to send fifty barrels of petitions into Congress favoring their Sunday law to every barrel the Seventh-day Adventists There is no time could send in, in opposition to it. for us to rest on our oars. According to the present arrangement all our churches are supposed to take up a special offering the fourth Sabbath of each month for home missionary work. What would you think of requesting all our churches to devote the special offering of the fourth Sabbath in February to religious liberty literature and needs in the local field, and have them send the funds to the conference treasury for this work? A special religious liberty program has been prepared for the fourth Sabbath of February in the Worker's Gazette."

At the Lake Union Committee meeting in Berrien Springs, January 14, the following action was taken:

"Moved, By C. F. McVagh, seconded by J. W. Mace,

that a Religious Liberty offering be called for on February 27, 1915, one-forth to go to the Union and three-fourths to the local conference. Carried."

In previous years our people have taken up a collection for the religious liberty work on the same date in every Union. At the fall council of the Division Conference last October this was changed. It was decided there that each Union take up a collection for its own work at the time it might think best. Thus this action of the Union committee is in full harmony with the decision of the Division Council.

We hope that our brethren will respond favorably to this request. Let us take up this matter in every church and among all the scattered Sabbath keepers. Plan for a good program on Religious Liberty and ask for a liberal collection. L. H. CHRISTIAN

#### Early Observations-No. 13 Preacher's Time, Salary, Pay

The questions of time, salary, and pay were not so well regulated for our workers in times gone by as they are now. There was a time, not yet out of mind, when ministers were expected to account for every day reported, with actual work done. A week to be considered by the Auditing Committee was to represent full time out at work. The days reported and the number of sermons preached were much more nearly equal then than auditing committees have to consider now. As many as three hundred sermons in one year have at times been reported by one minister, and this would represent about as many sermons preached as days reported. I well remember when Elders S. H. Lane and H. M. Kenyon pitched their tent three times and raised up three companies during one tent season in Indiana. In those times it was customary to conduct an average of eight meetings a week while giving a course of lectures in the opening up of a work. And as many services were held in a week, while doing work among the churches as was done in the same period of time in a new field. The salaries paid then were scarcely more than half as much as now, while the sermons preached were two or three times as many as at present.

Our people had not been taught upon the subject of tithes and offerings very well when I first began to labor, and the treasury was poorly supplied with In our church the first effort to regulate funds. the matter of funds for evangelistic work occurred in the early seventies of last century. It was proposed by those having the business in charge for the church members to assess the value of their respective properties and pay each year one per cent to the church fund for evangelistic purposes. It was thought that property should yield ten per cent, and that one per cent of the valuation should be equivalent to a tithe. In our church some estimated their property at the amount for which they were willing to sell it. Others sought for the town assessor's list, which was less than half the cash value, and gave in the amount as a basis upon which to pay to the evangel-And those who did not have property to istic fund. list did not state what they could do. The money was called "Systematic Benevolence." But the method did not prove satisfactory, and it was discontinued with us

after two years' trial, and tithing according to the **h**acome of the individual was adopted in its stead.

Before the Systematic Benevolence plan was adopted there was a time when ministers were paid from collections and irregular contributions, and then a stipulated amount was scarcely expected. In those uncertain times the minister would get this thing and that and the other according to the will and ability of One of the early years of my the contributor. ministry I was charged the sum of \$20 for the commission on books, tracts, and pamphlets which I sold to the people while doing evangelistic work among them. I carried these books about in an extra valise and sold them as I went from place to place. These books did much good for those who bought them, and the publishers were glad to have them sold. while the conference was enabled to pay \$20 of my salary to me out of what I cleared on the books which I sold. I think my salary that year was \$6 a week. If my memory registers correctly I had to sell \$120 worth of this literature in order to clear \$20 after paying freight and covering losses on that which was soiled.

I felt glad to help the conference in its finance, but a testimony was sent out saying that ministers should not be charged with the margin which they could make on the sale of our books, and so that income to the conference was turned over to those who would sell books.

I wish I had space for more but these will tell a little about the experiences connected with the past when the precious seeds of truth were being planted.

WM. COVERT

## **Teachers'** Institute

A series of teachers' institutes has just been concluded which in some respects we believe, were the most helpful ever held in this conference. These were conducted in every conference, save one—North Michigan. Nearly every teacher in each local conference attended. At the last two held, East Michigan at Holly and Northern Illinois at Chicago, not a teacher was absent.

These institutes continued from two to four days. Mrs. Williams, of West Michigan, and Miss Bell, of East Michigan, exchanged labors during their respective institutes. Miss Kellogg rendered valuable assistance at Holly and Chicago.

A pleasing feature at several of these gatherings was an exhibit of industrial and other school work. Judged from the excellent character of the work presented, our schools are progressing along the lines of industrial training. If *all* our schools were doing as well as *some* are in this matter, it would indeed be a source of great encouragement. It can be done if the heart is in it, and definite plans are laid for this work as for the other classes. Some of our teachers having eight full grades made the best industrial exhibits.

Another very encouraging feature was the interest shown in the work by the members of school boards. At the Holly institute nine schools were thus represented. Nearly that number were present at Chicago. Important board problems were freely discussed.

At several institutes, practical classroom demonstra-

tions were given. Round table discussions, and a question box contributed much to the inspirational uplift. Best of all, a deep spirit of devotion and consecration prevailed. A deeper sense of the sacredness of the work of character building gripped the consciousness of the teachers, and an enlarged vision of what God can do through the earnest efforts of a Christian teacher was opened up before them.

We believe all returned encouraged to greater faithfulness, deeper earnestness, and increased efficiency in this work. C. A. RUSSELL

# Indiana Conference

Office Address, 521 E. 23d St., Indianapolis. President, E. A. Bristol

## Have You Any Plans?

What are you planning for your life work? Are you laying wise plans to make something of yourself, or are you simply drifting through life without a definite purpose?

Almost every boy and girl wants to amount to something useful in the world, and yet how few of us, rich or poor, have made of ourselves all that we might be. Too many of us are willing to stand around and wait for success to come to us. You who have been standing idly waiting for success to come to you, why not plan to make your way to success?

The first requisite for success in this day of many schools is a good education. If you have not this, then plan at once to get it. Plan to get an education that will not only make you successful for this world, but will also train you as a worker for the cause of God.

Beechwood Academy is the place for every boy and girl in Indiana to get this education. Every plan made to enter the academy is a plan for success in life. You cannot begin to plan too early. Write to the principal now. E. A. VON POHLE

### News Notes

Brother Larimer writes, "I canvassed a Catholic family last week. They said they did not care for the book, but would keep me that night. They asked questions, and became very much interested in the truth, which resulted in securing their order for 'Daniel and Revelation.' I found a man who asked me about the Sabbath. I told him, and he gave me his order. I delivered his book and gave him a copy of the *Watchman*. Three days later he came to my home and gave me his subscription to the *Watchman* for one year."

Sister Larimer says, "I delivered every book. All my customers were anxiously looking for my book though they all know I am a Seventh-day Adventist."

Elder C. N. Sanders has been visiting several churches during the past few weeks in the interest of the religious liberty work.

The Lord is certainly working in behalf of our faithful canvassers. Sales last week were over \$500.

Our churches in Indianapolis have distributed over 7,000 *Protestant* Extras. The Elwood church has ordered 1,000, and other churches are ordering likewise. What are you doing along this line?

Elder C. N. Sanders visited the Connersville church

last Thursday, and at the evening service spoke on the Eastern Question. There were a large number of outsiders present, and the local paper devoted a full front page column to reviewing the sermon and passing favorable comment upon it. Elders Lauda and Dudley have charge of an effort at this place.

Several new colporteurs are planning to enter the work as soon as they learn their canvass. We hope to see them in the work soon.

Elder Bristol spent Sabbath with the Wolf Lake church and reports a very interesting meeting, at which the officers for the ensuing year were elected.

Elder G. W. Rader reports a good interest at Jasonville and that a number are ready for baptism.

Brother E. E. Franklin recently visited Brethren Vance, Plake, and Pierce at Richmond and Connersville. He found them of good courage.

Due to a mistake in copying, Brother Lewis Williams was credited with but \$3 for last week's book sales. This report should have read \$30.

# **Beechwood Academy News Items**

A few loyal persons from the Wolf Lake, Salem, and Ligonier churches have donated toward a set of harnesses, but the amount received is not enough to make the purchase. Perhaps some of the HERALD readers would consider it a privilege to increase this amount. If so, we assure you that any donation will be much appreciated.

Our well has been giving us serious trouble lately, making it necessary for us to haul the water we use. We have some men repairing it.

Will Hopkins, a former Beechwood student, made a short call at the academy Monday afternoon.

## East Michigan Conference

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

## A New Church in Midland

While conducting a series of meetings in a rented chapel here last spring Brother Ira Woodman announced that Elder Guthrie would speak on "Rome and Liberty." In a short time, through Catholic influence, he was notified that he could not hold another service in the building. Even the privilege of Sabbath meetings was denied. He and Elder Guthrie tried to secure the use of another building but failed. The small company of believers had to meet for worship in the home of one of the sisters.

Brother Woodman began plans for a church building. A structure twenty-four by forty-five feet with a six by nine vestibule was started on a lot in a desirable part of the city. When the frame was erected and the roof on, Brother Woodman was called away. Last fall the writer was sent there to assist the company. Work on the church was resumed and with the blessing of God it is now finished. We are indeed grateful for "a house of prayer."

Only a small portion of my time has been spent here, but February 11 I opened a series of meetings in the new church with an excellent attendance. We are praying that a strong church map be built up.

A general meeting will be held here February 26-28

at which time a church will be organized and the building dedicated. It is expected that Elders Guthrie, Kittle, and Guild will be present. An invitation is extended to all near-by churches to unite with us at this time. Entertainment will be free to all who come. Come and enjoy the blessing of these services with us. H. H. HICKS

### Lansing Convention

This general meeting closed the winter's campaign for the Volunteers. Further efforts will assume the nature of local gatherings.

The meetings in Lansing were well attended. Both the opening and closing sermons were delivered by Elder Wm. Guthrie. A spirit of deeper consecration, of greater sacrifice, and a willingness to bear heavier responsibilities in missionary efforts characterized the results.

The two most encouraging features were the organization of the Missionary Volunteers for service and the response to the call for a church school?

The unanimous desire and spirit of liberality that took possession of the members bespeak success to the local pastor, Elder B. L. Post, in introducing these two important lines of work to meet the demands of the children and young people in his church.

Elder Kittle delivered an interesting sermon on Saturday night calling for loyalty to all lines of missionary work as the only sane method of making a complete church and hastening the second coming of Christ.

The interest taken in the educational features of the Volunteer department were gratifying indeed. The new officers are ambitious and energetic and our prayers will attend them in their untried duties.

LOTTA E. BELL

# Report of Bay City Convention

Beautiful indeed was the auditorium with its decorations of palms and pink and white carnations that greeted us as we entered the church on Friday evening.

In spite of the severe weather every seat was taken before the hour for the opening. Elder Guthrie spoke to an attentive audience and brought a fitting message that opened hearts for the following sessions of the convention.

The representation from near-by churches was excellent. Six Volunteer societies were represented and more than that number of churches.

The Educational Symposium on Sabbath morning was well received and we trust it means that all will cooperate for a church school. The pastor, Elder Westcott, is working to that end.

The interest in the educational features of the Missionary Volunteer movement ran high and many pledged loyalty to the Standard of Attainment, Reading Circle, Morning Watch, Bible Course, etc.

The temperance work received some attention and the Lincoln pledge was presented with many signers as a result.

- Perhaps the most inspiring feature of this convention was the closing service on Sunday evening with Elder Kittle in charge. Seven or eight gave their hearts to the Lord for the first time. An after service attended by more than fifty closed the convention.

We trust the seed sown will grow and the local societies may reap the fruit. LOTTA E. BELL

## News Item

Mr. Clifford E. Soule and Miss Mary E. Barr a sister of Miss Tillie Barr, secretary of the East Michigan Conference, were united in marriage by Elder M. C. Guild, Feb. 10, 1915, at Saginaw, Mich. They will reside at Edenville, Mich.

## North Michigan Conference

Office Address, 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich. President, J. J. Irwin

## Very Important

In a recent HERALD I mentioned a plan favored by the council of workers which recently met at Petoskey, with the object of attaining our full quota of mission funds for 1915. You will notice in the statement for January that the amount we raised in this conference was \$334.47 which was some four hundred dollars short of our apportionment for January. Our church leaders should keep the standard for each church continually before the members that all may take hold heartily in raising our mission funds. I feel certain that the giving of a definite amount each week through the Sabbath school by each member will do much towards attaining the full quota this year.

I want to mention another financial feature of our work that is giving us much concern, and that is the Two-Per-Cent Fund. I have been much interested in looking into the returns to find that in 1915 many of our churches seemed to have lost interest in this fund. The following statement shows how the receipts in 1914 compare with the previous year:

Two-Per-Cent Receipts by G	1914		
First Quarter	\$200.71	\$179.55	
Second Quarter	246.40	180.63	
Third Quarter	226.55	240.68	
Fourth Quarter	_250.18	224.30	
Total	\$923.84	\$825.16	

Already the report for January shows a further deficit this year. In 1914 we raised \$68.08 while last month we only raised \$47.18. I trust that every member of the conference will remember how much the success of the work in this conference depends on the faithful performance by each member of his duty.

S. E. Kellman

#### News Items

The demand for the *Protestant* free press extra has been beyond our expectations. This question is arousing the Protestants to the dangers that are before them. This is an opportune time for soliciting subscriptions for the *Protestant* and *Liberty* magazines.

Indications point to a large gathering of souls during 1915. Our church members are meeting with success in their home missionary efforts and we are receiving many calls at the office for ministers to develop these interests. We cannot supply all of these calls and the gathering of these into the fold will rest largely upon our church members. The Lord is laying bare His mighty arm and His Spirit is going before us and preparing the hearts of the people for the reception of the truth. Now is the time for everyone to be faithful to God and plan definitely to bring lost sinners to the Saviour. Each must seek God for himself to get power and wisdom for winning souls.

Our annual colporteurs' institute will be held at Mesick, Mich., March 5-14. We expect Brother Blosser and J. W. Mace in addition to the local conference help. We are especially glad to announce that Brother H. W. Johnson, who had charge of this work in North Michigan at one time, has promised to be with us at this institute and help in giving the instruction. God is calling upon His people to give their time to finishing the work. From this institute we expect many to go forth scattering the printed page.

The March number of the *Signs* is now ready. It contains thirty-six illustrations of the exposition now being held in California. This makes it very attractive and you will find your friends and neighbors will be glad to get it. This number gives the message in a definite way.

Have you sent in your order for the Temperance Instructor? We are holding your supply for you. Ten cents a single copy; five cents for five to forty; four cents for fifty or more.

Present Truth Series No. 2 on the "Origin of Sin and the Plan of Salvation" is now ready. This cannot fail to interest. Every church should order a good supply for home missionary work. Remember the prices: 15, 10 cents; 25, 15 cents; 50, 30 cents; 100, 50 cents; 1,000, \$4. Extra No. 3 will be ready March 8. Please order these as follows; P. T. S. No. 1, P. T. S. No. 2, etc. Be sure to give the number or we may not know just what you want.

S. E. Kellman

## Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis. President, P. A. Hanson

## Notice

A meeting of the conference workers, church elders, and leaders of companies of the Wisconsin Conference has been called by the conference committee to meet at Oshkosh, March 1–4, the first meeting to be on Monday evening at seven thirty.

All desiring to attend this meeting, coming in by train, should take the street car on High Street and get off at Forest Avenue, than walk two blocks east. Those coming in on the interurban, should get off on Scott Street, walk west to Elm Street, then one block north. The church is on the corner of Elm Street and Forest Avenue. LOUIS DREWS

#### Raymond

The pupils of the Raymond church school, taught by Sister Francis DeVinney, put forth an effort to raise some missionary money. Last spring the teacher gave each one a dime which they were to return with as much increase as possible. Nearly every one returned more than the ten cents. One dollar and

thirty cents was given out and six dollars and seventythree cents was returned. This they are sending to Sister Grundset in Manchuria. She was a former member of the Raymond church and taught the church school one term. Louis C. BENSON

## **Teachers'** Institute

The third annual meeting of the Wisconsin church school teachers was held at Bethel, December 21-24. Nearly a full representation was present.

Besides the teachers, those present who rendered valuable assistance were C. A. Russell; P. E. Sheppler, of Walderly Academy; and Miss McDermid, methods and critic teacher in Wood County Training School, Grand Rapids, Wis.; H. T. Elliott, P. L. Thompson, J. N. Kimble, and Miss McDill of the academy.

One of the interesting features of the session was the musical program rendered Tuesday evening by the students and faculty under the direction of Miss Wright, teacher of music in the academy.

A most encouraging feature of the institute was the note of courage that marked each session on the part of both teachers and instructors.

Many practical lessons were brought out in the talks, papers, and the discussions which followed. Greater efficiency and a greater degree of spirituality in our schools is the aim of the teachers of Wisconsin.

F. L. CASE

## Waukesha

Elder Lewsadder accompanied by his wife spent two days at our home here recently. Truly these few days were feasts of good things as we employed many profitable hours together in searching the wonderful truths of God's Word.

Though but few besides ourselves attended the parlor and public meetings conducted by Elder Lewsadder, yet we fully believe this visit will result in fruit for God's kingdom.

We ask the prayers of all for this town, which is difficult to arouse to a realization of the perilous times in which we are living. MARY HOWELL

## Merrill

The work is onward in Merrill. People are inquiring for the truth. Elder Louis Drews was with us recently for quarterly service. He held an evening meeting with a congregation of more than half outside people. One of the Presbyterian ministers was present and also a prominent lawyer. A Catholic lady is interested.

On looking over our financial record for the past year we find our little company has paid into the conference treasury nearly \$400 tithe, \$250 for missions in cash and pledges of which over \$60 was Sabbath school offerings. SUE JONES

Make a rule and pray God to help you keep it, never, if possible, to lie down at night, without being able to say, "I have made one human being, at least, a little wiser, a little happier, or a little better this day." You will find it easier than you think, and pleasanter.—*Kingsley* 

## **Items of Interest**

There is a maxim which says, "A poor beginning, a good ending." I do not believe this. I think we ought to start out this year with a good beginning in our offerings to missions. If we do this and keep up these offerings month by month we will come in easily on the home stretch. I don't believe in spurts because a lull usually follows. Let us keep diligently, faithfully, and continuously before our minds that we are working for the Lord, and for His people scattered in the far ends of the earth who need our constant care and support. I hope each church will have a blackboard or bulletin on which may be placed before the members each week their standing on foreign missions. Make an effort to reach the figures every week.

A new Extra has just been issued by the *Review and Herald*, giving Bible readings and instructive writings on the origin of sin and the plan of salvation. It gives a new setting to the old story. The first article is by Mrs. E. G. White. It is surely a valuable Extra to put into the hands of any person. Price \$4 per thousand, 50 cents a hundred, and 15 cents for twentyfive. Order from the tract society.

The educational institute conducted in the Humboldt Park church by Professor Russell and Miss Edith Shepard was a source of much encouragement to our teachers. The last Sunday night of the institute the school taught by Miss Seitz offered a papier mache and bead portiere of rope design for missions in Africa supported by the Junior Societies. The portiere was made by the pupils. Twenty dollars was realized.

Sister Kershaw has been working with our magazines in the city of Chicago for the past few weeks. She reports an average profit of \$16 per week. This is doing good work and at the same time receiving ample reward. During this time Sister Kershaw has been caring for three children. Other sisters could circulate many of our magazines at the same time receiving reasonable remuneration.

It will be encouraging to our brethren to learn that the work in Ottawa is onward. Brother E. A. Dunn and wife, who are operating treatment-rooms in that city, report the conversion of five people to the faith. These are regular attendants at Sabbath meetings. We trust others of our churches will reap a similar reward from the faithful circulation of literature.

The conference committee is planning a workers' institute to be held at Aurora in connection with the dedication of the church about the last of March. The institute will hold about four days. Let all our ministers, Bible workers, and local elders plan to attend. G. E. LANGDON

## Joliet

I have recently baptized five people. This makes fifteen, including the three who were baptized at camp meeting last summer, since we came to this place to labor. Three others are keeping the Sabbath who have not yet been baptized. A physician and his wife have recently accepted the Sabbath, and they send their little boy to our church school. Several others are interested. We have a working church here. We are told in the Testimonies that others will be added to the church when the lay members do the work the Lord wants them to do.

It brings great rejoicing to all our hearts when others accept the truth; so it would seem that all who love this truth would go to work for others. How will we stand in the judgment if we do not arise and do what we can while mercy is extended to the sinner?

The Lord is blessing our church school. Nearly all of the members cheerfully help in its support whether they have children to send or not.

We are getting along nicely paying for our beautiful little church building. If the Lord impresses any of our dear brethren and sisters to help us with a donation for our church it will be appreciated as our membership is small, and many of them have no income. Some of the members sell papers so that they may help in our finances.

J. C. AND MRS. HARRIS

## Echoes from the Field

I canvassed a man and his wife for "Daniel and Revelation," but they did not feel able to take the book. They had "Bible Readings" which they had bought of me five years ago and "Great Controversy," which they bought of me two years ago. A few days later I was able to call on them and stay over night. I had a very pleasant visit, and they decided to take the book.

I canvassed a lady Tuesday morning who did not want to take a book without her husband seeing it. At five o'clock Thursday evening I was about two and a half miles from her home. The snow was deep and the weather very cold, but I started for the place arriving about seven, cold, tired, and hungry. The husband asked me to stay for supper, and at the table invited me to stay over night. In the morning the hired man took a book in the cloth binding and the lady one in the leather binding.

LORENZO CLARKE

# West Michigan Conference

Office Address, 1214 Madison Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich. President, C. F. McVagh

## **Religious Liberty**

For years it has been our custom to make a special appeal one Sabbath in the year for an offering for religious liberty work. This year the Lake Union Conference Committee voted to call for this offering in all the churches Sabbath, February 27, the proceeds to be divided as follows: three quarters for religious liberty work in the local conference and one quarter for general religious liberty work in the Union.

As long as we believe the third angel's message, our interest in religious liberty work cannot lag. Just now the opponents of religious liberty are showing special activity. The secretary of our Religious Liberty Department writes that six Sunday bills are now before Congress, besides the two bills introduced limiting the freedom of the press. The Lord's Day Alliance is planning to introduce a Sunday bill which they claim will give the District of Columbia "a clean white Sabbath day." Their general secretary said that they were organizing their forces so as to send fifty barrels of petitions to Congress in favor of their Sunday bill to every barrel the Seventh-day Adventists could send against it.

The Roman Catholics are behind the bills for excluding certain literature from the mails and both Catholics and Protestants would support Sunday laws. Every Seventh-day Adventists ought to be wide awake and the offering February 27 should be a liberal one.

Church officers will find a suitable program for that day in the *Gazette*. In West Michigan we are sending the *Liberty* Magazine to every legislator and we sent the last issue to every judge and lawyer in our territory. Shall we keep up the good work? Your offering February 27 will be the answer.

C. F. McVagh

# News Notes

Elder J. M. Hoyt reports that he has finished the Ministerial Reading Course for 1914 and has started on the books for 1915. All our laborers should find time to do some systematic reading for self improvement, and they are not likely to find anything better than the denominational reading course.

Elder N. M. Jorgensen reports encouragingly of the work at Edmore. He feels hopeful that there will be a number of additions to the church.

It has been decided to hold the camp meeting at about the same date as last year, August 12–22. The place will be definitely annouced a little later.

Prof. W. E. Straw is spending a few weeks in Wisconsin visiting friends and doing some work that was interrupted by his call to Battle Creek. We hope to see him back by the first of March.

Elder Westworth and the male quartet are planning to take a very active part in the temperance campaign in Calhoun County beginning early in March.

Sister Jorgensen tells of a number who have taken a firm stand for the Sabbath in Muskegon during the last half year.

Several church treasurers failed to report in January. Notwithstanding, funds received at the conference office were nearly \$300 higher than for January, 1914. We hope to receive a report from every treasurer for February. If the officers and people will take hold of the plan of systematic giving we feel sure that the mission funds every month will be greatly increased over the corresponding month for last year.

Don't forget that the religious liberty offering will be taken in all the churches February 27. Do not fail to have a part in it.

Elder U. S. Anderson spent Sabbath and Sunday at home in Berrien Springs. The appointments at Charlotte were filled from Battle Creek.

We thank the church clerks for their prompt and painstaking cooperation in correcting our directory of church members for the conference office. Only a few are lacking to make the list complete.

A letter from Elder G. E. Peters tells of the

prosperity of the work among the colored people in South Carolina. He also spoke appreciatively of the clothing sent by the Otsego church.

Elder W. A. Westworth announces that a missionary convention will be held at Battle Creek, February 26–28. It is expected that Brethren Paap, Beebe, Russell, Mace, and others will be present.

Elder J. M. Hoyt is spending a week at Grant. He reports that those who took a firm stand for the truth are of good courage and others interested.

A baptismal service will soon be arranged at Fremont. The date will be given later.

A letter from Elder W. W. Prescott tells of a very interesting hearing on the bills introduced into Congress limiting the freedom of the press. He has the assurance that the bills will not be favorably reported this time but the effort will be renewed. Now is the time for us to work. Circulate the Free Press Extra of the *Protestant*.

#### **Business** Notices

WANTED.—A middle-aged woman, Sabbath keeper, to do house work. For particulars address W. Walworth, R. R. 1, Homer, Mich.

HOME WANTED.—A good home wanted for a handsome brown-eyed baby boy. About two weeks old. Address all correspondence to the Madison Sanitarium, Madison, Wis.

BASKETS AND BROOMS.—Several men wanted to sell no salary or commission. You can earn good wages in your own neighborhood, either city or country. For particulars address B. M. Butterfield, Berrien Springs, Mich.

FOR SALE.—30 acres adjoining academy farm, six-room house; young orchard,—apple, peach, pear, plum, cherry, quince; grapes, strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, gooseberries; some timber. Will sell all or a part. M. E. Hastings, Cedar Lake, Mich.

FOR SALE.—Either thirty or forty-five acres of good land, three quarters of a mile from Cedar Lake Academy. Small house and barn, some fruit, and a good well. Address Jas. Olmstead, Edmore, Mich.

OLIVES.—High-grade, medium-sized, ripe, \$1 per gal.; \$5.75 per case of six, from Holly. Cooking oils; Wesson, (genuine Snowdrift), 5-gal can, \$4.25; 2 cans, \$8, from Chicago and Holly. Brotherhood, 5-gal. can, \$3.75; 2 cans, \$7.25, from St. Louis and Holly. Adelphian Mercantile Co., Holly, Mich.

WESSON OIL.—One five gallon can, \$4.25, 2 cans, \$8. Write for prices on barrels. Snowdrift Shortening: all sizes, \$6 per case of 50 to 54 pounds net, f. o. b. Chicago. Two case lots delivered within 200 miles. Write us. Bethel Academy Store, Bethel, Wis.

HONEY.—Best grade, at lowest prices: 1 gallon, by parcel post, 1st and 2d zones, \$1.70; 1 case, 2-cans, (120 lbs), \$12; 1 case, 10 one-gallon cans, \$13.20. Several persons may unite and obtain the lowest prices, in case lots, by freight. Address J. H. Haughey, Berrien Springs, Mich.

HYGIENIC VEGETABLE COOKING OIL.—Fresh from the factory to your home. Not a compound. No more healthful shortening or salad dressing known—f. o. b. Louisville, Ky., 5-gal. can, \$3.90; two 5-gal. cans, \$7.80; 32-gal. bbl., \$21.44. Address Dr. O. C. Godsmark, Chattanooga. Tenn. F-3.

An engine that expends all its stream in whistling, has nothing left with which to turn the wheel. Then let us cultivate silence. All that we can save in noise we gain in power.—*Chas. Wagner* 

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## Thanks and Courage

At last we see the reward of long patient effort. Week after week we have given ten cents, twenty cents, fifty cents, a dollar or more. Some said, "There is no use, we cannot reach the goal anyway."

But now doubt gives way to hope. The Lake Union Conference has had over \$12,000 returned to it on the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund, to apply on the debt of our institutions. Last week Emmanuel Missionary College received its part of the fund \$2,512.90. When the letter accompanying it was read to the students in chapel and the check was shown them enthusiasm ran high.

Surely everywhere doubt, fear, and discouragement should give way to thanks and courage. And the Lord will help us to do better in 1915 than we did last year. O. J. GRAF

### College

A movement is on foot among the students of Emmanuel Missionary College to assist in carrying Berrien County, Mich., dry next April. To this end they are planning to distribute more than a thousand copies of the Temperance *Instructor*. At the invitation of the temperance leaders of the locality nine young men will go out from the school to give temperance programs in the schoolhouses and small churches of our township.

To arouse the interest of the student body and of the Adventist families in the vicinity, a program was given by the young men in the College chapel Saturday evening, February 13. After the program the students ordered 1,050 copies of the Temperance *Insructor* and the older people pledged eleven or twelve dollars for the expenses of those who are to go out in the campaign. Professor Graf then made a plea to every loyal Seventh-day Adventist to use his influence and his vote for the furtherance of this worthy cause, saying he regarded this as a Christian duty.

#### **College Debt Fund**

Previously Reported	\$2864 93
Refund on Twenty-cent-a-week Fund	2512 90
Total	\$5377 83

The March Watchman has a very striking cover

design. Uncle Sam looks across the ocean at the threatening war cloud and meditatively inquires, "Is it going, or coming?" The magazine is filled with fresh up-to-date matter. Everyone will want to read it.

#### Postage to the Bahamas

Sister Almeda Nelson desires to inform her friends that since January 1 postage to the Bahamas is only two cents.

## Canvassers' Report for Week Ending February 12, 1915

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