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The Wonderful Story

Oh, I love to list to the story,
Though I've heard it often before,
Of the love and the peace and the glory
That wait on the farther shore.
And though gloom all the earth is shading,
Yet I smile and grow glad to know
I shall walk mid the flowers unfading,
Where the roses of heaven blow.
I know in earth's beautiful places
Are change, and death, and decay,
I have seen my friends' blooming faces
Grow old and vanish away.
I have seen the forms once so youthful
Grow bent by the touch of the years,
And childish lips, once so truthful,
Grow foul with deceit and sneers.
And I long as I'm growing older,
For the far-off shadowless shore
Where the burdens that press my shoulder
Shall fall and be felt no more.
No pain for the friendships slighted,
Where the tear-drops shall never fall,
Where every wrong shall be righted,
And God shall be all in all.

Pasadena, Calif.

L. D. SANTEE

Sanctification

We meet many people who have much to say about their own holiness. They are continually boasting that they are sanctified. They speak of this as a special experience and finished work which came to them in a moment of time when they had a happy flight of feeling. The Scripture doctrine of sanctification is very different from the selfish view of modern holiness extremists. In "Life Sketches," page 237, we find the following beautiful statements of what true Bible sanctification really is:

"On one occasion I spoke in reference to genuine sanctification, which is nothing less than a daily dying to self and daily conformity to the will of God. While in Oregon I had been shown that some of the young churches of the New England Conference were in danger through the blighting influence of what is called sanctification. Some would become deceived by this

doctrine, while others, knowing its deceptive influence, would realize their danger and turn from it. Paul's sanctification was a constant conflict with self. Said he, 'I die daily.' 1 Cor. 15:31. His will and his desires every day conflicted with duty and the will of God. Instead of following inclination, he did the will of God, however unpleasant and crucifying to his nature."

L. H. CHRISTIAN

It Is Coming

What is coming? Compulsory military training in the public schools. The Empire State has taken the lead in this matter and such a law is already upon the statute books. Maine has followed the example of New York. Illinois is about to take the step, and strong forces are at work pushing the question before the legislature. Cadets from the public schools in Chicago are even now uniformed, armed, and being drilled in military tactics.

At this writing, it looks as though nothing short of the strong arm of an over-ruling Divine Providence could possibly keep this nation out of the awful maelstrom of war. Will the angels be commissioned to "hold" a little longer? God alone knows.

This is a time for prayer. In this time of national crisis most earnest supplications should ascend daily from every Christian heart that divine wisdom be granted to him who has been chosen to take the helm and steer our Ship of State across the stormy seas.

In the light of existing conditions, it is no marvel that the nation is aroused and is demanding military training of its sons as an essential part of its propaganda of preparedness. It is the natural and inevitable law of self-preservation.

How slow have we been to heed the counsels which the Lord has been sending us all these years! Where are our children—our boys and girls today? Twenty-five hundred of them are in the schools of Christian training in the Lake Union Conference. But where is your boy and your girl? Have we not been almost criminally negligent all these years in permitting almost another twenty-five hundred of them to be trained by the world for a place in the world's work and to *fight in the world's battles*?

Armageddon is fast approaching. The great battle will be fought. Somebody will fight it. Will your boy? There's another warfare on. Its armies are being marshaled and drilled. Its commander is Prince Emmanuel. Its flag, the blood-stained banner of the Cross. Its recruiting stations are our schools. Its term of enlistment is life. There is no surrender. There can be no defeat. The final muster will be from Time to Eternity.

If ever there was a time when the church of God should arouse and awake it is *now*. No one dares to

predict what even a day will bring forth. In the light of these things, it seems eminently fitting that we engage in a special week of prayer. This is to be observed in all our schools, as stated in another column of this issue. This leads up to the special Educational Sabbath, April 7.

We should set a goal of at least one hundred fifty church schools in the Lake Union Conference for the year 1917-18. "In some countries, parents are compelled by law to send their children to school. In these countries, in localities where there is a church, schools should be established, if there are no more than six children to attend. Work as if you were working for your life to save the children from being drowned in the polluting, corrupting influences of the world. . . . Let these schools now be started under wise direction that the children and youth may be educated in their own churches. It is a grievous offense to God that there has been so great neglect in this line when Providence has so abundantly supplied us with facilities with which to work. But though in the past we have come short of doing what we might have done for the youth and children, let us now repent and redeem the time."—*Volume VI, p. 199.*

We must never cease our efforts, our planning, our praying, until the benefits of a Christian education are placed within the reach of every Seventh-day Adventist young man and woman, boy and girl. Where your child will spend eternity will, in large degree, depend upon where he obtains his training. Is it too much to expect that, after the week of prayer and the special Educational Day program, scores of churches will be stirred by the Spirit of God and will take steps to establish a Christian school? Write to your educational superintendent, showing your interest in this matter. This officer will be glad to plan with you for a school next year.

And may we not hope that our higher schools—our seven academies, the Swedish Seminary, and Emmanuel Missionary College, may be filled with earnest and consecrated students as never before?

Men wanted! Fighting men! For the army of King Jesus! Who will volunteer?

C. A. RUSSELL

The Wabash Valley Sanitarium

It was my privilege to visit this institution last week. I was very greatly pleased with the work done here. As all readers of the HERALD know, Dr. Dunscombe has come to us from South Africa. He is the Medical Secretary of this Union and superintendent of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. Dr. Dunscombe is a capable surgeon and an experienced physician. The sanitarium family is much pleased with his services. He is a godly man, whose life is dedicated to the cause of present truth. While at the sanitarium I met a patient who formerly belonged to another church. She told me with tears in her eyes that she had never been at a place like our sanitarium. The people were so kind and the service she received very efficient. "There is a different spirit here," she continued. "I have studied the religion of these people and I have made up my mind that I will join this church." The business manager and others are very busy on some

needed improvements. They are installing a fine electric bath cabinet and other equipments which will make this institution one of the best prepared sanitariums to care for people in need of physical help. Sister Roth, our new matron, has arrived from Washington, and she is giving efficient service. The spiritual interest at Wabash Valley Sanitarium is good. It is very evident that the institution has come to better days. We believe that all our people in Indiana and Michigan who need medical aid or a place for a good spiritual rest, should have this institution in mind.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

The Spring Week of Prayer

In harmony with an action taken at the St. Helena Council, a week of prayer is to be observed in all of our schools, the first week in April being suggested as a suitable time. Inasmuch as Sabbath, April 7, has been appointed Educational Day to be observed in all our churches by rendering a specially prepared program, it seems especially fitting that the preceding week be thus consecrated to earnest heart-searching, the confession of sin and a reaching out after God, and definite prayer for success in our educational work.

In view of the crisis confronting us as a nation, of the unprecedented demand for trained workers, and of the many appeals made to us through the Spirit of prophecy to give to our children and youth a Christian education, will not all our people unite in the observance of this special week of prayer? Remember our College, our Swedish Seminary, our academies, and our church schools. Pray for our teachers. Pray for the conversion of our boys and girls. Pray that God may lay the burden to become Christian teachers upon more of our consecrated and talented youth. Pray that all our people may sense the responsibility of providing a Christian training for our children and youth. "Wherever there are a few Sabbath-keepers, the parents should unite in providing a place for a day-school where their children and youth can be instructed."—*Volume 6, p. 198.*

If all will unite heartily in making this first week in April a real week of prayer for our schools, it can but result in a great spiritual uplift in the schools themselves and in the conversion of precious souls, also in enkindling in the hearts of all who participate a more sympathetic cooperation in this department of our work.

First of all, let us see that all hindrances to answered prayer are put out of the life—"If I regard iniquity in my heart the Lord will not hear me,"—and, "Then have we confidence toward God, and whatsoever we ask we receive of Him because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight."

C. A. RUSSELL

If you are ever tempted to speak lightly of it, just sit down and imagine what this world would be without it. No Bible! A wound and no cure, a condemnation and no pardon, a lost eternity and no ransom! Alas for us if the ladder of science were the only stair to lead us up to God.—*R. R. Meredith*

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The Prayer Meeting and How to Promote It

(Paper read at North Michigan Elders' Meeting held February 20-22, Mount Pleasant, Mich.)

What is a prayer meeting? In common parlance, we say a prayer meeting is a religious service where two or more persons meet together to pray. In the early history of the church, and even down to the beginning of the sixteenth century, this definition was correct; but I find on investigation that it does not now hold. Circumstances and conditions have changed so that the old definition needs to be revised and enlarged to meet the requirements of these modern times. In order to define a prayer meeting, one must not only tell what it is, but he must be particular in explaining what it is *not*. So I have adopted a revised and enlarged definition which, I think, meets the requirements, and it is this: "A prayer meeting is a religious service where two or more persons meet together to pray" *but not to preach*.

You will observe I have added only four small words to the old definition, but these words spell success to the prayer meeting if they are understood and applied, and ruin if they are not. And it is necessary for the whole church, especially the elder and leader, to fully understand the meaning of this revised definition.

It is necessary to understand what a prayer meeting is, but it is more necessary to understand what it is *not*. *All must know* that it is a place where people come together to pray, and they *ought* to know that it is a place where *all* who come together *ought to pray*. Everybody must know that it is a place where *everybody ought to come together*, and everybody who comes together *ought to pray*, but where *nobody ought to preach*. If *anybody* does not know that everybody who comes together to pray, *ought to pray and not preach*, but tries to preach instead of trying to pray, the said body will occupy the time that belongs to the whole body, and nobody will have time to pray, for the said body will preach all of the time; and when *anybody* preaches *all of the time*, and *nobody* prays *any of the time* everybody in the whole body will die spiritually, and the said body who preaches the whole body to death, is a criminal before heaven and ought to have to spend the *rest of his time* studying the revised and enlarged definition of a prayer meeting which says: "A prayer meeting is a religious service where people come together *to pray but not to preach*."

So let *everybody* in *every church* have, and study this definition that we may have a model prayer meeting; and let all plan for *time* to meet together *to pray but not to preach*. And when everybody in every church comes together to pray *all of the time*, and not to preach *any of the time*, every church will have a prayer meeting worthy of the name and the Lord will hear their prayers *all of the time* and will answer *every time* they pray.

But when all the church members in every church understand that a prayer meeting is a place where people meet to pray but *not to preach*, they ought also

to understand first, what prayer is, second, how to pray, third, what to pray for.

Definition of Prayer

Prayer comes from a Hebrew word meaning 'appeal or intercession whereby we present our desires to God for things lawful and needful. Christ Himself taught us to pray and told us that in this way we honor God and receive blessings from Him.

Prayer is the presentation of our desires to God for things lawful and needful, and may be either mental or audible, either public or private. The parts of prayer are said to be invocation, adoration, confession, petition, pleading, dedication, thanksgiving, and blessing.

How to Pray

We should offer up our prayers to God with a humble confidence and strong faith in the mediation of Christ who has promised to give us all things we ask for that are in harmony with His will. When brethren meet together in a prayer meeting, they should be united in their prayers; for the Saviour said, "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven."

We should also pray fervently. The apostle James says "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much"; but we see from this that fervency is not the only element of a model prayer. It must first be effectual, that is, it must not be promiscuous but specific. The same writer says, "Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss." Many pray for every thing in general, and get nothing in particular.

Then it is the effectual fervent prayer of a *righteous man* that availeth much. The Lord hears the righteous when they cry unto Him. The man who serves the devil all the week need not expect the Lord to answer when he prays in the prayer meeting. Better practice your prayers for a week and then offer the Lord a finished product on the Sabbath day or at the prayer meeting.

Sincerity is also an important element of an effectual prayer. David said, "Hear the right, O Lord, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips." Again: "If I regard iniquity in my heart the Lord will not hear me." Sin in the life acts as an estoppel to our prayers. The power of the Holy Spirit cannot penetrate the insolation of a sinful heart.

What We Should Pray for

We are at liberty to pray for anything lawful and needful, either for ourselves or for others. "Is any among you afflicted? let him pray." In this instance we are admonished to pray for ourselves. Again: "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up." Here we are promised that prayers for others will be answered. But whether we pray for ourselves or for others, we should do so in sincerity and to the glory of God. Sincere prayers offered to God and to His glory will not go unanswered.

Selfishness should not enter into our prayers. Perhaps ninety-five per cent of the time we spend in prayer is occupied in thanking God for blessings we have received or in asking blessings for ourselves or for our

friends. This is a fact, and it is so because it is a fact; and being so much a fact, we cannot deny it; and since we cannot deny it, we must also admit that our prayers are extremely selfish. Inasmuch as we are selfish, we cannot pray in Christ's name, for His name implies all that is pure, noble and good; we cannot pray to God, for He will not answer prayers that are not offered in Christ's name; we cannot pray to the glory of God, for He cannot be glorified by prayers offered on the altar of sinful selfishness. Then since we ourselves cannot pray in Christ's name, nor to God—not to the glory of God, it follows that ninety-five per cent of our prayers are to ourselves and for ourselves.

Unity is also an important element of public prayer. Brethren need not expect the Lord will answer when they pray at cross purposes with one another. The Lord will not answer prayers that go out of feigned lips. Malice, hatred, and all other negative influences of the soul are non-conductors, but *love* is the wire that charges the church above and below and carries our prayers into the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary.

How to Promote the Prayer Meeting

The best way to promote the prayer meeting is *for everybody in every church* to come together at seven-thirty, not seven forty-five, one evening of each week to *pray* but *not to preach*; and *everyone in every church* who comes together to *pray*, *should pray and not preach*. Each and all should not pray *audibly all of the time*, but each should pray audibly *part of the time*, and *all* should pray silently *all the time* that public prayers are not being offered.

Those in charge, the elder preferably, should appoint different ones to lead the prayer meetings, and those who are appointed should not ask to be excused, and others should not feel abused because they are excused.

Those who lead a prayer meeting should make no apologies nor spend time talking about things that are not directly connected with the subject for the evening. But very little time should be spent in introducing the subject, and when it is fairly before the audience, the leader should give way to others. Questions should be asked and remarks made briefly and reverently, and prayers should be offered fervently and in sincerity and to the point. When the apostle said "Pray always" he did not mean that prayer meetings should *always* last *all night*. If you have a burden for prayer, do not burden other people with it. Pray all night if you feel it is your duty to do so, but remember it is your first duty to find the proper place for such prayers—the closet.

Some who lead prayer meetings usually read a chapter from the Bible and direct all present to pray accordingly. Do not pray for and about the Bible, for it does not need your prayers, but pray for yourself or some one else; and if neither you nor any one else needs prayers, there is no object in having a prayer meeting. Be more particular in selecting the subject for prayer than a certain chapter to be read.

Make the service interesting. Have a time to start and start on time; have a time to stop and stop on time; and in the meantime keep something going all the time. Make the people feel that they cannot afford

to miss prayer meeting, and if they do miss, let some one tell them what they have missed, but do not lie to them.

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Progress of the Work

We are glad to report to our leaders and especially the members of our conference that we are putting forth extra effort to promulgate the truth which the Lord has committed to us. Our brethren are all busily engaged in their various winter efforts which promise a good harvest of souls to be gathered in before our camp meeting which will be held June 24 to July 2.

It was my privilege to visit the Pontiac church last Sunday and speak in the theatre there where Brother Gardner, one of our licentiates, has been working with a good degree of success during the last three months. Seven or eight have taken their stand for the truth. These are not, however, all that will obey. The brethren expect to have at least twenty ready for baptism before camp meeting. This is certainly very encouraging.

Last Sabbath, our German worker, Elder J. H. Miller, baptized ten who have recently accepted the truth among the Germans in the southern part of Chicago. According to all appearances there will be a number more to be baptized in the near future as the result of this effort. The Scandinavian work is also progressing in both of its branches, the Danish and the Swedish. How many souls these Scandinavian workers will be able to baptize in the very near future, I am not able to tell. They are working hard and untiringly and the prospects are good. May God bless these brethren and help them to achieve much for Him. Our foreign work in general is picking up. Sometime ago we organized a Roumanian church with eleven members. Next Sabbath we expect to organize a Bohemian church of seven or eight members, and the Sunday following a Polish church with about the same number of believers.

Elder Calderone has been conducting a well-attended effort in the Italian section, and reports a good attendance and a good interest. From the interest manifested he believes that a number will in the very near future take a stand for God and His truth. We are also looking forward to the organization of a Hungarian church before camp meeting. Our Hungarian worker is putting forth earnest efforts in conducting Bible readings wherever he can find the slightest opening, and of course, as we all know, such work always bears fruit.

While it is true that this foreign work does not progress as rapidly as we would naturally expect, yet by earnest, continuous, and untiring efforts the truth gets an even stronger hold on these foreigners than others. If the Lord continues to help us, and we know He will, a year from now will show a stronger foreign work in the city of Chicago.

Since the first Sunday evening in February, we have been conducting a large central effort in Willard Hall in the Loop district of Chicago. Elders St. John and

Hubbard, together with several Bible workers, are conducting these meetings. They have noon and evening meetings. The interest is not as large as we would like to see. Those sturdy, busy, business men are not easily moved. They seem to be too busy to pay any special attention to religious lectures, yet by the Lord's help the brethren have been able to draw a number of them to their noon services. The noon services are mostly attended by business men. They generally have an hour to an hour and a half free during the noon hour, and quite a number are spending this time in the hall. The attendance at the evening service consists more of the general public.

These meetings demand a great deal of attention. They are also expensive as every one must imagine, and if we do not get as large a harvest of souls as we expect, one thing is certain—we are giving the cream of humanity the best opportunity of hearing the last warning message they ever had. May God give us wisdom to know just how to work for these men. Pray especially for the ministering brethren who are carrying the burden of these meetings that they may hold out under the burden.

Remember the effort also with your means. In a city like Chicago it is impossible for us to accomplish anything for God without the expenditure of a large amount of money. Notwithstanding the fact that we try our utmost to economize, the advertising and hall rents run up so that we hardly know what to do under the pressure. The cause must advance; the message must be preached; the people must be warned, but to do this we need money. If there is, therefore, anyone in our conference who would like to donate to this central effort, that we may have means enough to do the work, we would certainly appreciate it and use it as economically as we know how.

As far as our departments in the conference are concerned, we can say that harmony exists among the workers. The Lord is with us. Every departmental secretary tries to do his duty. I might also state that the cooperation from the field in general is most excellent. Our brethren stay right by us, which of course is a great source of encouragement. Our tithe and offerings of the first two months of this year are higher than during the same two months of last year—six hundred dollars more.

So looking at the advancement of the work in a general way in our conference, I can say that the progress is a healthy one. We can all rejoice and be exceedingly glad for the way the Lord is leading in His work. Let us hope and pray and work. Let us pray to God and work shoulder to shoulder, for it is the Lord who leads and if we follow Him and work under Him, we shall have success.

J. H. SCHILLING

The Colporteur Work

I am glad to tell our readers of advancement in the canvassing work. The reports coming in from those who are making an earnest endeavor to put in faithful time are certainly encouraging.

Last week Brother E. A. Rideout put in thirty-eight hours in four days and took orders amounting to \$47.75. He writes, "We are surely nearing the crisis and I feel that we have no time to lose. We need to seek

God for strength and guidance. I am anxiously waiting to see the reports of all who attended the institute. May the Lord help each one to be faithful."

Brother Hibben, after spending fifteen hours in the field without an order finally was blessed on Friday with \$13 worth of orders in four hours. He says, "I thank God for leading me to the right place to stay on Thursday night, and also for the results of Friday."

Brother Graham, who is working in Chicago among the colored people, has had some precious experiences. He says, "I know from the many experiences I have had that I am called to work for the Lord."

Our books can be sold now; people realize that we have truths for them that they can not get anywhere else! On Tuesday of this week while working with Brother Tatton we sold \$20 worth of books in four hours. The people were so anxious for the books that we delivered the same day and they paid us for them.

The Lord blessed us greatly at the institute at Fox River Academy, and we soon shall have a large army of workers in the field. Several, however, who attended the institute and partook of the "loaves and fishes" have not yet started for the field. We can not afford to lose any time. How can we, when we know and believe the third angel's message and see the closing prophecies fulfilling before our eyes, remain inactive?

J. C. KLOSE

Thirteenth Sabbath Offering

Before the end there will be a greater spirit of sacrifice among us, such as was seen in 1843 and 1844. Sacrifice means to give until we *feel* it. "We can give without loving but we cannot love without giving." "God so loved that He gave." "He gives to us as though we were kings; we give to Him as though He were a beggar. He gave us the *best gift* that Heaven could give; we give Him *what we can get along without*."

Let us try to reach our goal of one dollar per member March 31. If we do, some will have to give from five to twenty-five dollars. How many of you will join me in giving five dollars?

When thirteenth Sabbath is mentioned as *dollar day*, many say to themselves, "I cannot give a dollar." Well that settles it as far as you are concerned. You don't even give the Lord a *chance* to help you to get it. Wouldn't it be better to say, "I will pray over this matter, and will try to have a dollar"? Then you are walking by faith, not by sight. "God longs to have us expect great things of Him." I wish every member would test out this plan before our next thirteenth Sabbath offering. "God limits His blessings to us just in proportion as we limit our offerings to Him."

MRS. CLEORA WEBSTER

News Items

Elder E. R. Lauda of Joliet called at the office last week. He reports success in house-to-house work with the *Present Truth* Series, and in holding Bible studies. He plans to conduct a series of lectures in the near future.

Donald Hiner, from Berrien Springs, visited his father, Frank Hiner, a few days last week.

J. B. Blosser visited his daughter, Augusta, recently.

After making a farewell visit with his parents, in Strasburg, Dr. Riley Russell has returned to Chicago

to complete some post-graduate work prior to sailing for the Orient. Dr. Russell plans to leave for Korea sometime in April. He spent Sabbath, the 10th, with Brother Gardner in Pontiac and reports a good interest.

New Oxford Bible catalogs will be furnished upon request; also a 1917 list of publications.

The sale of our magazines was never better. There is a great demand for the *Watchman*. Our canvassers in the city are meeting with good success. There is room for others.

Miss Asta Smith, a stenographer from the Glendale Sanitarium, was a recent caller at the office.

Elder G. G. Roth from South Lancaster, Mass., has spent ten days in this conference and reports gratifying prospects for the French work.

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A Call for Faithfulness

The first two months of the year are already past, and as we take a retrospect of what has been accomplished, we do not feel satisfied, but believe we should press on to better things.

The tithes and offerings for these two months have been rather low. God blessed us last year and we believe He still has a heaven full of blessings for us if we will reach forth after them. However, each has a duty to perform in faithfully sustaining the cause of the Lord both in the homeland and in the regions beyond. The addition of one or more laborers to our working force means increased financial responsibilities; also the wages of some of our workers had to be increased this year in order to meet the rapidly increasing cost of living. It is evident from this that we shall also need an increased income in tithes and offerings or our work will suffer. The following statement made by Sister White some years ago shows what would be accomplished if all were faithful:

"If all both old and young would do their duty there would be no dearth in the treasury. If all would pay a faithful tithe and devote to the Lord the firstfruits of their mercies, there would be a full supply of funds for His work, but the law of God is not respected or obeyed and this has brought a pressure of want." In Judges 5:23 we read: "Curse ye Meroz said the angel of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty." The inhabitants of Meroz were cursed because of doing nothing. A crisis came to God's people and they did not come to the help of the Lord in this crisis and thus they were cursed.

The warring nations today depend upon the faithfulness of their subjects, and so God depends upon the faithfulness of His people in maintaining His cause at this time. We cannot expect the blessing of God if our hearts are not moved by the great needs which are present with us in our field. I do not believe it would be pleasing to God to have the coming months continue as the past two months.

We have a great work to do with fifty-one counties in our conference where there is no organized church.

Surely this is not a time to retreat or retrench, but a time to go forward. Our faithfulness should be manifested in tithes, two-per-cent, and offerings to missions.

In order to carry on our work properly this coming summer, we will need to buy some new tents which will mean an outlay of several hundred dollars, but we can not buy tents without funds as we are trying to operate on a no debt policy.

While we received a larger amount of tithes and offerings last year than ever before, the liberality of last year will not meet our present or future needs. Now is the time to get the blessing of God and not the curse as spoken of in Judges. We should realize the experience told us in Mal. 3:10-12: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord God of hosts." God here pledges Himself to bless those who will obey Him. Surely with these plain words of truth before us we can not afford to do other than carry out our part in being faithful to God and then trust Him for His blessing. Calamities of every shape and of every degree are coming upon the earth and the Lord's restraining power is being removed from among men. While probation still lingers we must press our work as never before. I trust the coming months of this year will show an increased devotion on the part of God's people in this conference in coming to the help of the Lord against the mighty at this time.

E. F. PETERSON

Our Work and Workers

Knowing the interest of our people in the work of our ministers and Bible workers, I give a statement as to the location of each worker and the work being done.

Elder E. N. Sargeant has begun Sunday night meetings in the Odd Fellows Hall at Peoria. On the first Sunday of the series about eighty-five came out to hear the subject, "The Significance of the Turk Leaving Europe." He says, "They seemed to be a nice class of people and very attentive." A liberal donation was contributed by those attending.

Elder P. C. Hanson and Sister Rika Wohlers are still at Bloomington; however, they have not been able to carry on a continuous series of meetings through the winter as Brother Hanson has been away much of the time to meet other urgent calls in different parts of the conference. Sunday night meetings are held whenever Brother Hanson is at home and through the week they are engaged in personal and house-to-house work. Their courage is good, and they are pressing on for results as they have several of a real substantial class of people interested in our truths.

Elder C. W. Curtis is working at DuQuoin and Herrin. He writes that some outsiders are attending the meetings at both places and he hopes to see additions made to these companies.

Elder L. O. Drews, our German minister who has been located at East St. Louis, is planning to move to Belleville as he will be in a larger German community there. At East St. Louis the Germans were so scattered it was difficult to do much for them. In his work there he found considerable interest among the English speaking people, and we hope some day to have a strong church in that city of so many thousands.

Brother C. J. Smith has just begun meetings in a Jewish temple at Quincy. He reports that his first meeting was well attended and the people paid good attention to the topic presented. We shall look for further reports from time to time.

Brother J. O. Ferris, who has been binding off the work at Witt, is holding meetings at St. James in the town hall. He pays the sum of ten cents per night for the hall. In the vicinity of St. James we have a few isolated Sabbath-keepers, and it was at their urgent request for about a year that help has been sent. We trust that the work there will develop some interest and results. To date we have no report from Brother Ferris as to attendance.

Sister Mary Craig is busy at Decatur studying the truth with a number of persons, some of whom have begun to keep the Sabbath as a result of her work since last camp meeting, and we are still hoping for others to take their stand with God's remnant people.

Brother F. C. Phipps, our new worker who came to us from Chicago, started work March 1 in Springfield for our colored population and is finding many opportunities for service. He is holding a series of Sunday night meetings for the public in the colored church building. At the first of a series last Sunday night a number of outsiders were present. We hope to see many accessions to the present membership of our colored church as a result of the work of Brother Phipps.

All of our workers seem to be busy, yet we have many unanswered calls and unentered places. The times call for diligent, consecrated effort on the part of each loyal believer, and we trust that the close of the first quarter of this year will show many additions to our membership. Our goal for this year is one hundred and fifty baptized and added to our churches. If this is accomplished it will mean prayerful and diligent work on the part of each laborer, and the hearty co-operation and prayers of all of God's people. Let us pray God that the goal may be reached and even passed as we enter into labor together for the salvation of souls.

E. F. PETERSON

East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich.

President, A. J. Clark

Flint

We are glad to report to our brethren throughout the conference, notwithstanding the fact that, to a large extent, the work has been hindered because of a series of repairs on our church building, that we are moving on unitedly to finish the work our great Leader has given us to do.

Sometime ago, we felt the need of districting the city for missionary effort.

This has been done, and we are witnessing in a

measure at least, a revival of the old-time missionary spirit which serves as a stimulus to urge us on to greater activity.

Those who were elected to lead out in the regular departments of our church are all taking a deep interest in their work, each inquiring, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"

A general awakening is seen throughout the city, and we feel certain a harvest of souls will be our reward.

M. SHEPARD

Lansing Missionary Volunteer Convention

A Missionary Volunteer Convention will be held at the Lansing Seventh-day Adventist church, March 23-25. The following named churches and companies are heartily invited, together with all others living in the vicinity of Lansing, who can plan to attend: Alai-edon, Bunker Hill, Jackson, Leslie, Napoleon, Rives' Junction, St. Johns, and Westphalia.

Will those who expect to be in attendance please write at once to Brother Austin Pender, the leader of the Lansing Young People's Society of Missionary Volunteers, in order that proper arrangements may be completed for the accommodation of guests. Brother Pender's address is 1333 St. Joseph St., Lansing, Mich.

E. LOIS CARMICHAEL

Flint Missionary Volunteer Convention

The Seventh-day Adventist church at Flint, Mich., will entertain the churches and companies named below at a Missionary Convention, March 30 to April 1: Arbela, Clio, Davidson, Dryden, Flushing, Holly, Imlay City, Lapeer, Metamora, Milford, North Branch, Ortonville, Otisville, Otter Lake, Oxford, Pontiac, and White Lake.

If you can come—and be sure to plan that way—write at once to Elder M. Shepard, Flint, Mich., General Delivery.

E. LOIS CARMICHAEL

February

| | Tithe | 2% | F. M. | | Tithe | 2% | F. M. |
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| Ann Arbor..... | 36 08 | 3 33 | 7 22 | Jefferson..... | | | |
| Alaiedon..... | 20 98 | 3 45 | 17 35 | Luce..... | 17 88 | 2 35 | 7 31 |
| Alma..... | 31 12 | 1 12 | 15 81 | Linden..... | 140 25 | 1 32 | 7 79 |
| Arbela..... | 11 20 | 1 45 | 14 00 | Lapeer..... | | | |
| Adrian..... | 40 89 | 23 | 4 14 | Leslie..... | 23 99 | 32 | 1 58 |
| Bancroft..... | 106 95 | 11 00 | 12 89 | Lansing..... | 245 74 | 19 | 24 31 |
| Belleville..... | 18 60 | | 2 10 | Memphis..... | | | |
| Birmingham..... | | | | Marine City..... | 26 00 | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| Bay City..... | 37 42 | 76 | 12 17 | Napoleon..... | 36 64 | 2 46 | 7 21 |
| Breckenridge..... | | | | N. Branch..... | 8 79 | 67 | 5 34 |
| Bunker Hill..... | 71 60 | 3 24 | 3 65 | Ola..... | 33 80 | 3 30 | 5 45 |
| Clio..... | 12 74 | 2 34 | 1 44 | Owosso..... | 7 05 | | 1 84 |
| Chesaning..... | 14 44 | 2 49 | 1 89 | Oxford..... | 16 30 | | 11 20 |
| Chapin..... | 17 44 | | 65 | Otter Lake..... | 8 52 | | 2 00 |
| Dansville..... | 57 41 | 41 | 3 94 | Pontiac..... | 44 57 | 3 91 | 11 98 |
| Detroit W. S..... | 184 90 | 1 80 | 27 83 | Pt. Huron..... | 13 06 | | 8 03 |
| Detroit No. 2..... | 85 32 | 3 83 | 15 44 | Prattville..... | 22 96 | 88 | 10 72 |
| Durand..... | 15 93 | 10 | 5 36 | Rapson..... | 23 20 | | 3 54 |
| Elwell..... | 23 85 | 95 | 11 11 | Reese..... | 10 82 | 16 | 15 15 |
| Elkton..... | 28 97 | 1 73 | | St. Charles..... | 58 55 | 46 | 207 88 |
| Elmwood..... | 10 00 | | | Saginaw..... | 52 24 | 1 73 | 10 09 |
| Fairgrove..... | | | | Sandusky..... | 3 00 | | 1 37 |
| Flint..... | 160 44 | 44 | 17 85 | St. Johns..... | | | |
| Flushing..... | | | | St. Louis..... | 54 59 | 5 00 | 3 74 |
| Gibson..... | | | | Sumner..... | 4 00 | | 2 22 |
| Greenbush..... | 9 36 | | 4 11 | Trumbull Ave..... | 438 65 | 5 98 | 86 36 |
| Hillsdale..... | 16 27 | | 7 23 | Vassar..... | 49 41 | 67 | 3 52 |
| Highland Park..... | 51 31 | | 15 78 | Watrousville..... | | | |
| Hazelton..... | 285 75 | 4 28 | 9 20 | Willis..... | 54 20 | 4 88 | |
| Holly..... | 190 77 | 24 41 | 72 18 | Westphalia..... | | | |
| Ithaca..... | 49 15 | 1 43 | 17 14 | White Lake..... | | | |
| Jackson..... | 245 99 | 6 72 | 81 42 | Individuals..... | 65 68 | 23 | 4 00 |
| | | | | Total..... | \$3294 77 | 114 02 | 826 53 |

North Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Room 5, Ashland National Bank
Building, Ashland, Wis.
President, J. J. Irwin

February

| | Tithe | 2% | Miss. | | Tithe | 2% | Miss. |
|------------------------|--------|-------|-------|--------------------|-----------|--------|--------|
| Antigo | | | | Knapp | 302 13 | 60 00 | 1 65 |
| Ashland (Eng.).. 66 00 | 5 66 | 6 15 | | Ladysmith | | | |
| Ashland (Scand) 12 63 | | 3 10 | | Lucas | 35 00 | | 1 78 |
| Barron | | | | Maiden Rock | 9 52 | | |
| Bashaw Lake | | | | Merrill | 38 20 | 35 | 7 08 |
| Bear Lake | 7 33 | 62 | 2 86 | Menominee, M. | | | |
| Beldenville | | | | Orange | 18 60 | | 9 00 |
| Bloomville | 11 50 | | 1 95 | Plum City | | | |
| Bone Lake | | | | Polar | | | |
| Bruce | 4 81 | | 2 00 | Pound | | | |
| Clear Lake | 2 00 | | | Prentice | 25 47 | 25 | 4 47 |
| Clearwater L. | 33 65 | 2 63 | 11 52 | Rhineland | 60 78 | | 1 65 |
| Conference Ch. | | | | Rice Lake | 7 90 | | 8 78 |
| Crandon | | | | Spooner | 13 16 | 40 | 5 12 |
| Cumberland | 10 70 | 1 47 | 5 82 | Superior | 69 66 | 1 52 | 32 27 |
| Hancock, M. | 208 64 | 32 98 | 17 70 | Trade Lake | 18 98 | | 2 97 |
| Hines | | | | Walderly | 60 05 | 80 | 21 12 |
| Iron River, M. | 5 00 | 25 | 2 88 | Washburn | 75 81 | 2 20 | 11 96 |
| Individuals | 17 40 | | 7 50 | Zeba, M. | 10 72 | 50 | 1 28 |
| | | | | Total | \$1125 69 | 109 63 | 170 61 |

Indiana Conference

Office Address, 2708 Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis.
President, Wm. A. Westworth

February

| | Tithe | 2% | F. M. | | Tithe | 2% | F. M. |
|---------------------|--------|-------|--------|----------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| Akron | | | | Logansport | 42 73 | 2 15 | 7 19 |
| Anderson | 28 34 | 70 | 18 24 | Marion | 91 85 | | 12 95 |
| Barbers Mill | 47 05 | 87 | | Maxwell | 9 25 | 46 | 11 29 |
| Beechwood | | | | Michael | | | |
| Bicknell | | | | Middletown | 34 44 | | 11 79 |
| Bloomington | 5 05 | | 9 22 | Mt. Vernon | | | 5 82 |
| Boggs town | 58 76 | | 4 70 | Mt. Zion | 21 18 | 2 00 | 1 88 |
| Connersville | | | | Muncie | 71 45 | | 10 71 |
| Elkhart | 34 94 | 1 69 | 14 48 | New Marion | 2 00 | | 5 00 |
| Elnora | | | | New Harmony | | | |
| Elwood | 8 25 | 1 72 | 6 64 | New Hope | 33 29 | 1 05 | 1 22 |
| Farmersburg | 28 80 | | 1 69 | Noblesville | | | |
| Fortville | 12 43 | | 8 60 | N. Manchester | | | 29 |
| Fort Wayne | 23 55 | 3 44 | 11 72 | North Liberty | 24 70 | | 5 10 |
| Grass Creek | 110 15 | 4 00 | | Northfield | | | |
| Greenfield | 4 25 | 73 | 2 99 | North Vernon | 37 22 | 1 59 | 5 65 |
| Hartford City | 93 47 | 8 94 | 33 85 | Oolitic | | | |
| Honey Creek | 6 25 | | 7 92 | Pleasant View | | | |
| Idaville | 8 87 | | 1 25 | Patrickburg | 11 78 | 2 20 | 5 20 |
| Indianapolis | | | | Peru | 10 38 | | 4 15 |
| East Side | 106 93 | 5 54 | 18 85 | Richmond | | | |
| 23d Street | 206 57 | 6 04 | 50 60 | Rochester | 19 00 | 73 | 6 00 |
| Colored | 49 06 | | 4 67 | Salem | | | |
| Union | 507 58 | 27 12 | 165 84 | Seymour | | | |
| Inwood | | | | South Bend | 185 51 | 2 76 | 27 28 |
| Jasonville | 13 18 | | 8 49 | Soldiers' Home | 14 35 | | 3 72 |
| Jefferson | | | | Sunman | | | |
| Jonesboro | 47 92 | 1 58 | 12 60 | Terre Haute | 40 78 | | 17 41 |
| Kennard | | | | Unionville | | | |
| Kokomo | 52 72 | 2 59 | 16 58 | Waldron | | | |
| La Fayette | 64 23 | 1 58 | 7 03 | Wolcottville | | | |
| Lebanon | | | | Wolf Lake | 34 31 | 2 33 | 19 44 |
| Linton | 26 15 | | 2 07 | W. V. San. | 60 22 | 2 87 | 22 07 |
| Ligonier | 44 90 | | 21 83 | Conference | 76 11 | 3 04 | 3 75 |
| | | | | Total | 2410 05 | 87 72 | 617 77 |

South Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Room 305 Ruh Bldg., Fond du Lac, Wis.
President, C. S. Wiest

Items of Interest

The *Review and Herald* in each Seventh-day Adventist home in South Wisconsin by July 1, 1917.

Elder Wm. Lewsadder has been in Kenosha for a

month and reports a very good interest; from twenty to thirty are attending the Bible studies. He also reports that business people have given enough money to pay the rent on a hall for one year. Brother Lewsadder will secure a place for worship. Pray for the work in Kenosha.

Elder E. E. Trowbridge has begun an effort at Granton and reports a good growing interest, one already requesting baptism. Elder E. L. Peterson plans to join him in his effort. They solicit the prayers of God's people.

February

| | Tithe | 2% | Miss. | | Tithe | 2% | Miss. |
|--------------------|--------|------|-------|----------------------|-----------|-------|--------|
| Albany | | | | Milton Junct. | 103 60 | 35 | 43 36 |
| Almond | 50 00 | | | Mil'kee, Eng. | 150 01 | 1 00 | 67 50 |
| Albion | | | | " Ger. | 50 53 | | 7 75 |
| Appleton | 16 83 | | 3 99 | " Scand. | 5 67 | | 3 63 |
| Baraboo | 45 05 | | 10 12 | Moon | 65 95 | | 3 66 |
| Beloit | 58 05 | | 10 54 | Mt. Sterling | | | |
| Bethel | 145 67 | | 16 89 | New London | 26 52 | | 10 51 |
| Berlin Co. | 5 63 | | 5 80 | Neenah | 26 00 | | 2 00 |
| Biramwood | | | | Oneida | 6 25 | | 50 |
| Clintonville | | | | Oakland | | | |
| DeBello | 14 97 | | 9 54 | Oshkosh | 8 74 | | 5 37 |
| Eau Claire | 85 20 | | 13 63 | Oxford | 14 00 | 20 | 16 71 |
| Fish Creek | 17 25 | | 2 70 | Plainfield | 137 30 | | 4 97 |
| Fond du Lac | 134 30 | 2 52 | 1 59 | Portage | 9 45 | | 6 00 |
| Gr. Rapids | 53 25 | | 1 69 | Poy Sippi, Dan. | 29 97 | | 2 98 |
| Granton | | | | " Eng. | 15 45 | 2 40 | 11 42 |
| Green Bay | 52 72 | 1 44 | 6 75 | Raymond | 27 78 | 3 02 | 8 67 |
| Hebron | 6 50 | | 10 00 | Racine | 27 64 | | 16 45 |
| Hintz | | | | Robinson | 19 10 | | |
| H. M. Grove | 48 82 | 38 | 8 80 | Sand Prairie | 12 35 | | 6 38 |
| Kickapoo | 15 75 | | 4 45 | Sheboygan | 23 18 | | 9 16 |
| Kenosha | 18 72 | | 4 00 | Sparta | | | |
| LaGrange | | | | Starr | | | |
| La Crosse | | | | Stevens Point | 20 60 | | 4 71 |
| Lena | 77 06 | | 12 50 | Sturgeon Bay | 79 83 | | 10 65 |
| Linwood | 15 00 | | 2 32 | Victory | 56 60 | | 5 22 |
| Madison | 172 86 | 06 | 26 20 | Washburn | | | |
| Marshfield | 45 73 | | 12 84 | Waterloo | | | |
| Ch. Falls, | 13 08 | 1 01 | 3 54 | Wausau | 13 40 | | 4 25 |
| Eureka | 8 00 | | 3 00 | Welcome | 22 35 | | |
| Jim Falls | 12 70 | | 12 86 | Individual | 71 23 | 62 | 49 22 |
| | | | | Total | \$2209 46 | 13 00 | 484 82 |

West Michigan Conference

Office Address, 8 Pearl Street, Grand Rapids, Mich.
President, Wm. Guthrie

Camp Meeting

Once more the springtime draws nigh and we look for the swelling of the buds and listen for the warbling of the birds. With the bursting forth of all nature into new life; the swelling and enchanting music of the birds, what is more fitting than that God's people should come together for a spiritual refreshing? To this end we are planning our work for this conference. Like God's people of old, who met on or about April 1 to 15, we are to meet May 31 to June 11 to bring our tribute of praise and thanksgiving to our bountiful Father.

The season is one when we will have the benefit of the full moon and the pleasant weather of early June. We plan for a full program with the hope that God will supply all our needs in Christ Jesus. It is time now to begin laying our plans to attend and to pray for the success of the meeting. We ought to get from fifty to one hundred converts besides a great spiritual refreshing to all who attend. This work will soon close in triumph and God is waiting to anoint us for

service in the finishing of His greatest appeal to humanity.

Only the sins of Israel kept His blessing from them. Nothing less can keep the Holy Spirit from us at this time. Let each worker and member plan and pray to do and dare great things for God and man. Be present and encourage others to come. WM. GUTHRIE

New Sabbath-Keepers in Three Rivers

Six persons here have decided to keep the Sabbath. One family of five have yet not taken a full stand, but have been attending our meetings and have expressed a love for the truth. This family is moving to Elkhart, but they have promised to attend there. I think that they will take a full stand. Three of the six have commenced paying tithe.

Three from the Methodist Church have decided to obey, and one of them has asked for and received her dismissal from that church. Sunday evening, March 4, the Methodist minister took as his subject, "Seventh-day Adventism, What Is It?" This has been a benefit to us as it has brought some to a decision and has aroused an interest in others. We expect to present the Sabbath to a number this week.

C. W. LEE

Educational Day April 7

It has been arranged to provide help as follows for April 7:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Battle Creek | L. H. Christian |
| Bauer | F. A. Wright |
| Berrien Springs | R. B. Thurber |
| Carlton Center | L. C. Shepard |
| Cedar Lake | W. H. Sherrig |
| Charlotte | J. M. Hoyt |
| Covert | T. D. Rowe |
| Edmore | J. H. Tiney |
| Frost | R. U. Garrett |
| Greenville | S. B. Horton |
| Kalamazoo | W. J. Blake |
| Otsego | C. W. Lee |
| Wright | R. J. Nethery |
| South Bend, Ind. | W. H. Wakeham |
| Elkhart, Ind. | U. S. Anderson |
| Hartford | O. L. Ice |

Grand Rapids and Muskegon will have the help of Prof. C. A. Russell on April 14, and Miss Bell will meet the Allegan church on April 21.

We earnestly request the one visiting either of the above places to report the conditions to Miss Lotta E. Bell as soon after the meeting as possible.

A general attendance is desired at all these meetings.

WM. GUTHRIE

Niles

After the tent effort conducted by Elder U. S. Anderson during the summer, the Niles Sabbath school was organized September 16 with nine members. The membership steadily increased to seventeen. Then in February two Adventist families from Trenton, N. J., added eight more.

Not being an organized church, all officers are changed each quarter to afford training to as many as possible.

Eleven are taking the Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course. Six attend the class, while five are Home Department members.

The company is at work. In January a test was made with the children. I had eight of the Temperance *Instructor* and one Harvest Ingathering *Signs* from last year which were given them to sell to help make their Sabbath school money and teach them the tithing system. These they sold very quickly and I ordered ten copies of *Life and Health*, which they also readily disposed of. Then I tried them on books. Having bought at camp meeting twenty copies of "World's Crisis" and "Shadow of the Bottle," fourteen were placed at their disposal. These they sold, and two adults each ordered six more and others a smaller number.

We have also started a church building fund. This is a bold effort for so young a company, but God can do great things, and we are looking to Him. Remember the work in your prayers.

FRANCES P. GOODWYN

| February | | | | | | | |
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| | Tithe | 2% | F. M. | | Tithe | 2% | F. M. |
| Albion | 17 98 | 3 56 | 8 34 | Grand Rapids .. | 237 60 | 14 31 | 21 91 |
| Allegan | 36 07 | 5 04 | 8 54 | Grandville | | | |
| Allendale | 6 43 | 1 17 | 85 | Greenville | 53 06 | 7 68 | 11 42 |
| Bangor | 10 15 | | | Hastings | 74 32 | | 17 74 |
| Battle Creek .. | 1357 51 | 17 20 | 166 24 | Hartford | 38 51 | 4 70 | 6 79 |
| Bauer | 35 54 | 2 23 | 15 43 | Holland | 81 24 | 2 44 | 15 06 |
| Bedford | 153 34 | 7 10 | 12 66 | Holton | 10 49 | | |
| Belding | | | | Homer | 14 22 | 2 62 | 5 99 |
| Benton Harbor | 21 84 | 1 82 | 12 41 | Kalamazoo | 61 50 | 8 15 | 36 89 |
| Ber. Spr. Vil. .. | 104 03 | 1 31 | 46 01 | Kent City | | | |
| B. S. College .. | | | | Kinderhook | 6 25 | | |
| Bloomington .. | | | | Lakeview | | | |
| Brookfield | | | | Lyons | | | |
| Buchanan | | | | Maple Grove | 4 48 | 89 | 9 75 |
| Burlington | | | | Mecosta | | | |
| Bushnell | | | | Mendon | 11 75 | 80 | 4 82 |
| Byron Center .. | 1 10 | | 3 56 | Monterey | 15 00 | | 1 93 |
| Carlton Center .. | 109 24 | 5 05 | 3 32 | Muskegon | 161 62 | 9 30 | 29 86 |
| Carson City .. | 13 00 | 05 | 3 32 | Otsego | 144 15 | 15 15 | 24 78 |
| Cedar Lake | 205 71 | 5 49 | 58 82 | Palo | | | |
| Cedar Springs .. | | | | Paw Paw | 61 35 | | 16 81 |
| Charlotte | 80 67 | 1 21 | 18 42 | Portland | 18 27 | 3 05 | 7 10 |
| Clifford Lake .. | | | | Pottersville | | | |
| Coldwater | 15 76 | | 5 69 | Quincy | | | |
| Covert | 5 00 | | 1 11 | Rothbury | | | |
| Decatur | | | | Sand Lake | 36 12 | 3 12 | 7 83 |
| Denver | | | | Shelby | | | |
| Dimondale | 14 48 | 1 56 | 4 66 | Sturgis | | | |
| Douglas | | | | Three Rivers .. | 46 24 | | 16 15 |
| Eaton Rapids .. | 15 91 | 1 07 | 1 51 | Trufant | | | |
| Edmore | 123 74 | 1 62 | 4 80 | Urbandale | 23 29 | | 20 05 |
| Fremont | 34 93 | 1 10 | 6 00 | Union City | 7 03 | | 5 58 |
| Frost | 67 85 | 1 73 | 9 39 | West Leroy | | | |
| Glenwood | 41 11 | 2 50 | 20 39 | Wright | 159 72 | 19 31 | 7 08 |
| Gowen | 11 68 | 2 20 | 1 60 | Individuals | 227 51 | 20 | 22 64 |
| Grand Haven .. | | | | | | | |
| Grand Ledge .. | 24 16 | 2 43 | 4 36 | Totals | 4003 95 | 153 15 | 721 55 |

Teachers' Institute at Cedar Lake Academic Section

The teachers of the Cedar Lake Academy, together with several from the Battle Creek Academy, were very glad of the opportunity of conferring together during the recent institute over the problems confronting academic teachers. The following were some of the subjects discussed: "How to Reach the Standard for Accredited Schools," "How Shall Our Schools Relate Themselves to Advancing Prices?" "To What Extent Should Monumental and Art work be Continued in Academies?" The presence of Professor Graf, Professor Russell, and Elder Guthrie at the session meetings was much appreciated and the discussion

was of great help to all the teachers. We are certain that the privilege of coming together and talking over common problems will prove of mutual benefit to all the teachers who attended, for it was certainly appreciated and improved to the fullest extent.

J. H. TINEY,
Secretary Academic Section

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

March 15, 1917

Southern Illinois

| Canvasser | Book | Hrs | Ords | Value | Helps | Total | Del |
|--------------------------|------|-----|------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| Katherine Drury..... | BR | 37 | 28 | 103 00 | 6 00 | 109 00 | ..... |
| A. D. Kaufman..... | BR | 33 | 12 | 44 00 | 2 75 | 46 75 | ..... |
| Mrs. C. W. Saunders..... | BR | 11 | 4 | 14 00 | 2 25 | 16 25 | ..... |
| G. W. Kimberlin..... | BR | 40 | 10 | 36 00 | ..... | 36 00 | 339 50 |
| R. O. Dickson..... | BR | 33 | 9 | 32 50 | 1 20 | 33 70 | 7 60 |
| A. P. Lager..... | BR | 43 | 20 | 73 00 | 15 00 | 88 00 | 3 50 |
| O. A. Morse..... | BR | 39 | 11 | 42 50 | 75 | 43 25 | 16 00 |
| R. J. Watson..... | BR | 35 | 22 | 79 00 | 8 25 | 87 25 | 5 25 |
| P. R. March..... | BR | 56 | 26 | 97 00 | 9 75 | 106 75 | 28 00 |
| Rav Carter..... | BR | 28 | 10 | 35 00 | 75 | 35 75 | 6 00 |
| | | 355 | 152 | 556 00 | 46 70 | 602 70 | 405 85 |

Indiana

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| Raymond Brooks..... | BR | 16 | 4 | 14 00 | | 14 00 | |
| C. F. Colton..... | BR | 40 | 14 | 49 00 | 2 17 | 51 17 | |
| Clinton P. Hall..... | BR | 40 | 26 | 99 00 | | 99 00 | |
| C. C. King..... | DR | 40 | 5 | 18 50 | ..... | 18 50 | ..... |
| Wolber Moore..... | BR | 14 | 7 | 24 50 | ..... | 24 50 | ..... |
| Fred Possman..... | BR | 34 | 10 | 36 00 | ..... | 36 00 | ..... |
| W. H. Plake..... | BR | 65 | 5 | 17 50 | 10 25 | 27 75 | 63 50 |
| W. B. Ware..... | BR | 29 | 9 | 31 50 | 75 | 32 25 | ..... |
| Miscellaneous..... | | | | | 250 00 | 250 00 | |
| | | 278 | 80 | 290 00 | 263 17 | 553 17 | 63 50 |

South Wisconsin

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|------------------------|----|-----|----|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| J. C. Frank..... | BR | 31 | 8 | 30 00 | | 30 00 | |
| Mrs. E. M. Bisbee..... | BR | 38 | 1 | 3 50 | 6 40 | 9 90 | 2 65 |
| Emelia Roberson..... | GC | 25 | 3 | 10 50 | 9 50 | 20 00 | |
| Fred Breyer..... | HM | 41 | 15 | 37 50 | ..... | 37 50 | ..... |
| C. Remsen..... | DR | 49 | 8 | 25 50 | ..... | 25 50 | 96 00 |
| H. F. Bernitt..... | BR | 56 | 11 | 38 50 | 8 25 | 46 75 | 55 65 |
| W. A. Griffith..... | BR | 21 | 17 | 68 50 | | 68 50 | |
| | | 261 | 63 | 214 00 | 24 15 | 238 15 | 144 30 |

West Michigan

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| J. T. Worrell..... | BR | 45 | 7 | 24 50 | | 24 50 | 31 80 |
| Grover F. Boodv..... | BR | 8 | 2 | 7 00 | | 7 00 | 3 85 |
| W. H. Roose..... | BR | 26 | 5 | 17 50 | 25 | 17 75 | |
| H. Kent Nelson..... | HM | 36 | 22 | 55 00 | 1 00 | 56 00 | 11 00 |
| Wilbur Noss..... | BR | 9 | 3 | 12 50 | | 12 50 | |
| | | 124 | 39 | 116 50 | 1 25 | 117 75 | 46 65 |

East Michigan

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| J. Pengally..... | BR | 46 | 14 | 64 00 | 22 75 | 86 75 | 1 50 |
| M. D. Day..... | BR | 28 | 16 | 61 00 | 50 | 61 50 | 50 |
| E. V. Sykes..... | BR | 37 | 7 | 26 50 | 1 00 | 27 50 | 22 75 |
| N. Radosavlyevich..... | ARM | 26 | | 18 00 | 8 50 | 26 50 | 26 50 |
| | | 137 | 37 | 169 50 | 32 75 | 202 25 | 51 25 |

Northern Illinois

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| E. A. Rideout..... | PG | 24 | 7 | 25 50 | 3 50 | 29 00 | 2 50 |
| F. G. Hibben..... | BR | 43 | 11 | 39 50 | 4 50 | 44 00 | 3 75 |
| A. M. Tatton..... | BR | 11 | 8 | 31 00 | 1 00 | 32 00 | 28 00 |
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Correction

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an article entitled "The Spring Week of Prayer." For some reason the Department has appointed the last week in March instead of the first week in April as suggested on page 210 of Council Proceedings. Let us all take notice and unite heartily in the observance of the week of prayer March 25-31.

C. A. RUSSELL

Obituaries

BEEBE.—Catharine Ferry was born in Vienna, Canada, Sept. 10, 1853, and died at her home in Ovid, Mich., March 14, 1917, aged 63 years, 6 months, and 4 days. In July, 1875, she was united in marriage with Eugene I. Beebe. In 1884 Sister Beebe united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and from the time of her conversion early in life, she remained a faithful Christian. She is survived by her devoted husband, Elder E. I. Beebe, her aged mother, and many friends. Funeral services were conducted by Elder L. T. Nicola, Sabbath afternoon at two o'clock from her late home.

STONE.—Joel Rasmus Stone was born near Hillsdale, Mich., May 27, 1846, and fell asleep Feb. 8, 1917, in his seventy-first year. His companion, six children, one brother, and two sisters are left to mourn. Many years ago he accepted the third angel's message, and at the age of sixteen became a member of the Hillsdale church. He held every office to which his brethren in the church could elect him, and always found pleasure in the performance of the duties thus laid upon him. He sleeps in Jesus. J. G. LAMSON

AYARS.—Benjamin Franklin Ayars was born March 13, 1849, in Erie County, N. Y., died at Otsego, Mich., Feb. 1, 1917. When seventeen years of age he removed with his parents to Michigan. He was married Feb. 9, 1878, to Miss Caroline Miner. Brother Ayars was born in the message, his parents being in the 1844 movement. He was a faithful member of the Otsego church. He leaves a wife, daughter, two sons, three sisters, and a brother to mourn. Funeral services by the writer. S. B. HORTON

Publications Wanted

The persons named below desire late, clean copies of our publications, sent postpaid, for use in missionary work.

Mary White, Box 1032 Kewadin, Mich.

Mrs. T. B. Kirby, Box 35 Eastport, Mich.

Business Notices

WANTED.—A young man to work on a farm by the month, for the summer. Good wages paid. Address Paul Wehner, Cooks, Mich. 2

WANTED.—One single and one married man to work on farm by month or year. Church and church school privileges. Address L. M. Richards, Cutcheon, Mich.

WANTED.—By Seventh-day Adventist, with wife and two children, position on farm near Flint, Mich. Address George Pyke, Gaylord, Mich.

WANTED.—Young or middle-aged Seventh-day Adventist for general farm work. To commence work March 25 or April 1. Address C. E. House, Copemish, Mich.

WANTED.—A quiet boy to work on farm during summer, between the age of fifteen and eighteen years. Must be a good milker, also kind to horses. Mrs. M. Steele, Clarks-ville, Mich.

WANTED AT ONCE.—Work. Blacksmithing and horse-shoeing, where I can keep the Sabbath. I am almost twenty years old, and have had considerable experience. Write Lyle P. Knecht, R. F. D. 1, Bitely, Mich.

WANTED.—I would like to correspond with ladies or gentlemen nurses who feel thoroughly competent to operate and manage treatment rooms. Only workers of experience and consecration are needed. Address W. H. Addis, Terre Haute Treatment Parlors, Terre Haute, Ind.

WANTED.—Partner in florist and landscape business. Must have knowledge either as a florist or landscape gardener. Must be tithe payer. Unable to handle work alone. Also young man physically able to assist in that line of work. Could make his home with us if so desired. State wages expected with or without board. Address Peter Schilt, 1200 Wesley Ave., Evanston, Illinois.

WANTED AT ONCE.—A man by the month or year. One used to farming, steady, industrious, reliable, and a good milker. Address D. E. Dean, R. F. D. 1. Milford, Mich.

FOR SALE.—Eighty-two acres partly improved land, one mile from Walderly Academy. Excellent soil, near good market, on good road. One and a fourth miles from station. Some buildings. Small river running through the place. T. J. Crawford, Poy Sippi, Wis.

EXTRA LOW PRICES.—To reduce our large stock of Red Raspberry plants we offer them at 35 cents for 25; 100 for \$1—the following varieties, King, Lowden, and Cuthbert. Prices on larger lots quoted on application. Fountain Valley Nursery, Poy Sippi, Wis.

BUY YOUR COOKING OIL NOW.—\$11.25 will now buy two five-gallon cans of Mazola Cooking Oil (nothing better, we guarantee every can to please you) f. o. b. either Chicago or Detroit. Single cans \$6 f. o. b. Holly. Wesson Oil \$1 per can higher. Snowdrift Shortening \$9.25 per case of 60 pounds in pails. Both f. o. b. Holly. Adelphian Mercantile Company, Holly, Mich.

Alone with God

This little book is a timely and stimulating call, *first* to prayer and *then* to service, which, of course, is the true order. It is a call to young and old to "live in the *highlands* with God," and then go forth with His Spirit to battle for the souls of men in the *lowlands* of sin. The reader of this genuine helpful volume will surely be drawn into closer fellowship with the Son of God and have his faith in the power of prayer greatly enlarged. Bound in cloth, price 50 cents postpaid. Order of your Tract Society.

Books for Sale

Since my husband's death, I have decided to sell the following books from his large library:

Encyclopedia Britannica, 12 vols.; Macaulay's History of England, 5 vols.; Mosheim's Church History, 2 vols.; Rollin's Ancient History, 4 vols.; Payson's Works, 2 vols.; Goldsmith's History of England, 2 vols.; History of Our Navy, 4 vols.; Beecher's Sermons, 2 vols.; The Last Quarter Century 1870-1895, 2 vols.; Hanna's Pulpit Assistant, History of the Denominations of U. S., Eusebius' Ecclesiastical History, The Everlasting Covenant—E. J. Waggoner, The Story of the Seer of Patmos—S. N. Haskell, Prophecies of Jesus—J. G. Matteson, Church and State—Schaff, Fathers of the Catholic Church, Perils of the Republic, Two bound volumes of Bulletin 1893 and 1895, General Astronomy—Young, The Great Consummation—Taylor, American State Papers—Two Editions, White's History of the World, Robbin's Outlines of History, Yale Lectures on Preaching—Beecher, Great Disasters and Horrors of the World's History, Dowling's History of Romanism, Man's Nature and Destiny—Smith, Murdock's Syriac New Testament, Conebeare's Life of Paul, Dictionary of American Politics, Geikies' Life of Qhrist, A Critical Greek and English Concordance, Ecclesiastical Empire—A. T. Jones, Great Empires of Prophecy—A. T. Jones, Empires of the Bible—A. T. Jones, The Great Nations of Today—A. T. Jones, The Two Republics—A. T. Jones.

List of Charts for Sale

Full set of Dr. Kellogg's Temperance Charts. The Great Tribulation Matt. 24. This is a large chart illustrating the signs of the end and the coming of Christ on the cloud announced by angels with golden trumpets; A large chart illustrating Rev. 6, on the seven seals; The Three Angels' Messages Rev. 17; One old prophetic chart; One commandment chart; Chart on the 9th of Revelation; The First Great Deception, illustrated by a tree; A chart of the Great Image, also illustrating the ten kingdoms represented by the ten toes; A large map illustrating the travels of Paul. Write to Mrs. R. C. Horton, 108 Portage St., Kalamazoo, Mich.

A Mistake in the Fog

One morn, a century ago,
Along the coast of Spain,
A thick fog hung on the waters low,
And covered the land and main.

Two huge and hostile squadrons lay,
With sails hung idly down,
Their grim sides wet with the salt waves' spray
The fog hid cannons' frown.

*Briton and French the broad flags said;
Fog-veiled was each from sight,
Though not unknown, for the drum-rolls spread
Afar in the early light.

Two tall and gallant frigates sailed
Out from the English line
To view the foes, for glasses failed
To discern their full design.

In fog they sailed till, coming where
They thought the French fleet stood,
One ship's crew descried the other there,
And, being in fighting mood,

Her broadsides roared; she fired toward
The ship they thought a foe.
Fog-blind, that company tried full hard
To lay their comrades low.

The breeze at last the dense fog raised,
Each flag blew out in air,
And, with hands to brow and sight half dazed,
They deplored their error there.

There's danger now, this world of fog
Ofttimes obscures the view.
There are foes enough, known or incog.,
To oppose us all life through.

So let's be sure we ne'er oppose
Those who are true and tried;
There are sin and Satan and more like those,
And all on the enemies' side.

And, oh, be sure we agree with God,
Nor fight His help and love!
Stay in His ranks and walk in His road;
'Twill lead to heaven above.

—T. R. Williamson

College

Prof. J. L. Shaw, assistant secretary of the Mission Board, was with us from Friday till Tuesday. His sermon on Sabbath morning upon the gospel commission was a great inspiration to all to put forth every effort toward the finishing of the work. In the afternoon he gave a vivid account of his recent visit to the West Indies. The message is making remarkable progress in those islands. Monday evening Professor Shaw gave us a stereopticon lecture on India.

Professor Florer of the University of Michigan gave us a lecture on the life of Luther last Saturday night. He had slides illustrating the scenes of Luther's life as painted by artists of his day.

Miss Martha Ewing has returned for the remainder of the school year.

Miss Margaret Hitchcock, who has been visiting her brother Milton at Beechwood Academy, stopped at the College Wednesday on her return to her home in Muskegon.

Miss Esther Frank and Miss Patterson are visiting here this week.

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Statement of Twenty-Cents-a-Week Fund for Two Months Ending February 28, 1917

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| N. Wisconsin | 752 | 1,303 47 | 387 61 | 915 86 | |
| S. Illinois | 769 | 1,315 06 | 618 83 | 696 77 | |
| S. Wisconsin | 1891 | 3,277 73 | 917 98 | 2,359 75 | |
| W. Michigan | 2598 | 4,503 20 | 1,903 14 | 2,600 06 | |
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To Our Students

We have many students in our academies, our Seminary, and the College. Not a few of these finish their education this year and most of them are planning to enter the work. Some of these students seem backward about letting us know that they desire employment in some conference or office. We desire to get in touch with all these young people. Every man and woman has a right to work, and it is an honorable thing to seek honorable employment. We are always glad to hear from students or others who wish to go to work in the cause. We wish our young people who have a burden to labor for the Lord, would make this known. Speak with your teachers about it. Write to the conference president. We need Bible workers, ministers, teachers, and other laborers.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

The March Examinations

It is not too late even now to take the Standard of Attainment examinations.

Your church elder has received a set of questions, or if not, will order from the conference Missionary Volunteer secretary, and will arrange for the examination. Both Bible Doctrines and Denominational History may be taken at this time, or either subject, as may be desired. After writing, the papers should be sent at once to the conference Missionary Volunteer secretary. School credits in either of these subjects are accepted in lieu of the regular examination.

The Lake Union Conference has a goal of two hundred sixty new Standard of Attainment members for 1917. Let us make it an even three hundred. What do you say?

C. A. RUSSELL

Educational Sabbath—April 7

The first educational Sabbath in 1917 is set for April 7. It is highly fitting that a work of such vital importance and far-reaching influence as that of our schools should be specially considered in all our churches twice a year. For this reason the North American Division Conference Committee, through the Department of Education, has set apart two Sabbaths for studying the principles of Christian education and praying for the prosperity of our schools. The first one, April 7, is devoted to the following four topics:

1. Questions and answers on why we conduct denominational schools, with emphasis on the elementary schools.

2. A symposium on "My Past Year in School," by students.

3. A symposium on "How I Secured an Education," by leading workers.

4. A reading on "All Can Obtain an Education," with illustrations drawn from the lives of successful men and women who had serious obstacles to overcome in securing an education.

Let every church member and every Sabbath-keeper rally to the services of this day, and pray for still greater progress in our educational work.

W. E. HOWELL

The *Signs* Magazine for April is one of the best excuses for getting the attention of neighbors that has ever come from our presses. They are sure to be interested in some one of the several vital topics. Who for instance, would not be glad to know how we can keep the Sabbath on a round world? And who is there, even among unbelievers, that would not like to know the origin of Easter, and the significance of the egg and rabbit symbols so commonly used in connection with its celebration?

Have you one of those little five cent maps showing the route of Paul's three missionary journeys, and his trip to Rome? It is only six by four inches in size, but it is plain. You can carry it in your Bible, open the Book to the verse you are studying, and consult your map without losing the place.

For a Motto

One thing I am resolved upon: I will not be a sponge or a parasite. I will give an honest equivalent for what I get. I want no man's money for which I haven't rendered a full return.

I want no wages that I haven't earned. If I work for any man, or any company, or any institution, I will render a full, ample, generous service. If I work for the city, or the state, or the nation, it shall have my best thought, my best effort, my most conscientious and efficient endeavor.

No man, no body of men, shall ever be made poorer by their dealings with me; if I can give a little more than I get every time, in that shall be my happiness. The great commonwealth of human society shall not be the loser through me. I will take good care to put into the common fund more than I take out.—*Washington Gladden*