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

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Can the Work Be Finished in This Generation?

Seventh-day Adventists have proclaimed to the world that we are living in the last generation. We stand committed to the record that the gospel message of salvation will go to all the world in our day. We teach this because we believe that the Bible so declares. Now and then our brethren ask us if it is possible for the work of the Lord to be completed in the few years that remain of this generation. Some seem to think that the Lord might finish it up in the United States and Canada, others suppose that it might be done in North America and Europe. But there are those who seem to doubt that the Lord is able to finish His work in South America, Africa, and Asia, or throughout all the earth in the present generation.

We do not know the length of a generation and consequently we cannot say when this generation will end. We do know that we are getting towards the close of the generation that is giving the third angel's message. We fully believe that the Lord is well able to finish His work on time. Every word, every Bible prophecy has been fulfilled on the very day or in the very year called for.

It is true that when we think of the teeming millions of the world, the problem of bringing the message to all the earth in this generation seems staggering. In the United States alone are fifty millions outside of any church. Of the seventy millions in South America one-half are illiterate, and one-half are of illegitimate birth. These millions generally confess the Catholic religion, but know very little of Christ. There are two hundred millions of Mohammedans in the world. One writer from India states: "If a missionary had begun to go the rounds of the villages of India on the day that Christ was born and had proclaimed the gospel in one village each day from that time until now he would not yet have given the message of Christ to all the

villages." And China has more millions than India. But in spite of Christless millions we are convinced that this message will sound in all the earth in our generation. It appears to us that the present world war is a good illustration of what men really can do when they try. The church of Christ is supporting 8,000 male missionaries in foreign fields. Canada alone a year ago sent 80,000 men to Europe and planned to send about four times as many to aid the The American Protestant Christians gave \$28,000,000 for foreign missions last year, a large increase over the preceding year. But Great Britain spends \$28,000,000 a day for war. What could not the children of God do for His cause if they really tried? Millions of men have laid down their lives the last two years for their country. If the children of God lived and died for His work in that way, it would be speedily finished.

Sometimes we talk about the large offerings which we give to missions. But there are in fact few Seventh-day Adventists who give up many necessities to help the cause of God. We do not believe that more than five in a hundred do that. Many of our members do not spend as much for missions as they do for luxuries. We have known men who gave five cents to the Sabbath school and spent \$400 on a winter trip to Florida. These are the exceptions, of course; but it is a fact nevertheless that some of our people are not denying themselves very much for the cause.

The progress of foreign missions during the past years is an indication of what can be done. A hundred years ago there were only three Christians in China, and only one missionary. Today in that great country, counting Protestant communicants, there are 5,338 foreign missionaries, 20,460 Chinese ministers, teachers and evangelists, 6,716 stations and out-stations, 4,748 primary schools, 902 academies, colleges and industrial, medical, nurses' and normal schools, 330 hospitals, 76 special institutions, such as orphanages, leper asylums, homes for untainted children of lepers, boarding schools for the blind and for deaf mutes, rescue homes for fallen women, opium refuges, industrial homes and an asylum for the insane, 3.880 churches with 330,926 members, a Christian community of 750,000, and property valued at millions of dollars, all this not including the missions of the Roman Catholic Church.

When we thus consider present conditions in the world, and when, seeing all that God has done to bring His gospel to all the earth the past few years, we are persuaded not only that the Lord is able to finish the work in our day but that only a very short time remains of this generation. What we are to do to save ourselves and others must speedily be done.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

[&]quot;Go ye into all the world."

Go Thou and Do Likewise

While out in the field recently, it was my privilege, in company with the educational superintendent of the conference, to visit a certain church and speak to them upon the subject of Christian education. The members of this church had been studying and pondering these principles for some time. Such statements from the Spirit of prophecy as the following had been making a deep impression.

"In all our churches, and wherever there is a company of believers, church schools should be established, and in these schools there should be teachers with a true missionary spirit for the children are to be trained to become missionaries." "I say again, establish schools for the children wherever there are churches; where there are those who assemble to worship God let there be schools for the children."

They had the church; the children; and the determination. God gave them power to act. "All God's biddings are enablings." He said, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." The Red Sea could not hinder the forward movement of God's people when His command came—"Go forward." No Red Seas need ever hinder us from advancing under orders from our Captain. Red Seas are excuses, not obstacles.

On Sunday, a business meeting of the church was called. A school board consisting of three members, chairman, treasurer, and secretary, was elected for three years, two years, and one year respectively, thus providing for a continuous board. The first vacancy will fall December 31, 1917.

An estimated buget of expense was next worked out. The next ten minutes were interesting ones. One elderly sister without a child to send said, "I'll give \$5 a month." A brother with no children of his own, but who, like this sister, felt an interest in the lambs of the flock and believed the statement, "Let all share the expense," gave \$50. The elder of the church and his wife pledged \$100. One sister offered to furnish board and room to the teacher for nine months. In view of the high cost of living, compute this. A brother offered the use of a suitable building for the school and promised to look after the janitor work therein. And so on until the operating expense was all met. Some who could not be present were counted upon to take care of the initial expense, such as providing seating, blackboards, and other necessary equipment. With such a spirit of hearty cooperation, the success of this new school is assured. They should be rewarded by having sent to them as strong a teacher as the conference affords.

What this church has done scores of others can do. The Red Sea will open if, in response to God's command, you go forward. Let there be no evil reports here. Where is your Caleb and your Joshua who will say, "We are abundantly able to go up and possess the goodly land."

This is the week of prayer for our schools. May it result not alone in a great spiritual uplift in the schools themselves, but may it enkindle in the hearts of our people a great longing to see the precious heritage God has given us saved to the cause as workers and saved in the kingdom by and by.

Show your interest in this work by writing to your educational superintendent or to me. We will gladly cooperate with you in anything that can be done to reach and hold and train the boys and girls for a place in the finishing of the work.

C. A. RUSSELL

North Michigan Conference

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Educational Day

Your attention has already been called to Educational Day, April 7. This day has been set apart by the General Conference to be observed throughout the North American Division. We want to make this day one of interest along educational lines and trust all will aid us to accomplish this.

We have planned for the different workers to meet with some of the churches on that day, and herewith is the list:

Alpena, Elder E. A. Piper
Frankfort, E. C. Townsend
Horr, Hugh Stearns
Harris, Elder R. J. Bellows
Traverse City, Miss Rasmusson
Star City, Elder F. J. Harris
Mount Pleasant, Elder E. A. Bristol
Mesick, Elder F. E. Fenner
Riverside, Elder S. C. Hanson
Rothbury, Elder H. M. Kelley

E. A. Bristol

West Michigan Conference

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

Notes

The interest at Douglas is still on the increase. However, some of the people are getting afraid that others will accept the truth. May the Lord help them to do so.

There is a strong call for meetings at Paw Paw. We hope to send a man there soon.

The Rev. (?) I. VanWestenburgge spoke against the Sabbath-keepers at Nortonville on Thursday night March 15. He promised not to "throw mud" but forgot his promise and did little but abuse from the very first. He did confess, however, that he keeps the Sunday without any direct command for so doing.

A large number have acknowledged the truth near Allendale under the labors of Elders Nethery and Harris. We should all pray that they may find grace to accept with the heart what they confess with the head.

Brethren Guthrie, Eastman, and Horton have been out the past week locating the camp meeting which begins May 31, 1917. Announcement as to place will be made later.

Elder Reefman is holding Sunday night meetings at Holland with a growing interest. Elder Guthrie filled his appointment there Sunday night, March 25, while Brother Reefman was doing some work at Maple Grove and Lacy.

Brother Maris has just closed a very profitable insti-

tute at Grand Rapids. Twelve canvassers were in attendance. We are confidently expecting the canvassing work to grow from this time forward.

Souls are accepting the message even in the very midst of war. Let us not forget that our offerings are needed. Ask the elder or treasurer about the condition of the mission offerings in your church. They have the report for February.

Have you seen the first six numbers of Vol. 1 Present Truth? People are waiting for the truth they contain

Now is the time to secure back copies of the *Signs* Weekly. Last quarter 1916, \$3.75 for 1,000 copies. Also copies of 1915–16 *Signs* Monthly at \$7.50 per 1,000. Order of West Michigan Tract Society.

Our subscription list for the *Review and Herald* is falling off. We should be sure to renew. On January 31 we had 741 subscriptions to the *Review* in West Michigan, but February 28 we had only 727. Let all work to increase the list of readers to this good paper.

North Wisconsin Conference

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

Walderly Notes

We have just finished sawing wood at the girl's dormitory. There is enough to last till summer.

It seems strange to some of us to be cutting ice the middle of March. We are now putting in our supply for the summer.

We have made up a mill crew so as to run our mill all day. We hope to finish our sawing so as not to interfere with our spring farm work.

Our telephone is being changed from Mr. Hess' house to the business office.

Some of our students are selling the Temperance *Instructor* this week. About 500 copies have been ordered.

By the vote of the Board, the old buildings at the entrance are to be torn down. This work is already begun.

Fifty new tablet chairs have been purchased for the academy. This was made necessary because the ones we have been using were claimed by some of the former teachers.

East Michigan Conference Office Address, Holly, Mich. President, A. J. Clark

Durand

Durand is a place of about 2,500 people, made up mostly of railroad men and their families. It has been considered a hard field for labor, but the church here, composed almost entirely of women, has shown zeal to be commended for the effort to keep the light of truth burning.

Last fall I located here and worked until after the beginning of the year with no visible fruits. Dúring this time I had made friends with several outside people but with seemingly no result. I also had made good use of the local newspaper, the editor being very

free to publish what I gave him. I believe more than ever that it pays to use the papers, for five who now have promised to keep the Sabbath told me that they first became acquainted with the work here by reading the items in the paper.

Others are now coming to me very much interested. Among these is one of the ministers of the place. He has admitted not understanding some of the great Bible truths, and asked me to his home. Remember us at the throne of God.

F. J. ROWLAND

Young People's Missionary Volunteer Convention

A Young People's Missionary Volunteer Convention will be held April 6-8, at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 426 Trumbull Ave., Detroit, Mich. This is a union convention for all the Detroit churches, to which are invited the young people of the surrounding churches and companies, among which are the following: Ann Arbor, Belleville, Birmingham, Marine City, Memphis, Plymouth, Pontiac, Port Huron, Ypsilanti, and Willis.

Those who are planning to attend will kindly send their names to B. L. Post, 1017 Roosevelt Ave., Detroit, Mich., in order that due arrangements may be completed for entertaining you. When you arrive in Detroit, take a city car, and come directly to 426 Trumbull Ave., where you will be met by a reception committee, and assisted in finding the homes in which you are to be entertained. Come, and enjoy the hospitality of the united Missionary Volunteer Societies of Detroit.

E. Lois Carmichael

News from Our Colporteurs

Brother Sykes is reaching some of Detroit's influential people. He says, "I sold and delivered a book in the home of a millionaire. I believe the Lord wants us to reach the wealthy as well as the poor with this message. I sold and delivered a book to a prominent physician and surgeon here last week. He is one of Billy Sunday's converts and is expecting to take up the evangelistic work soon. I am finding a few interested people each day, so I feel that God is using me."

Brother Miner writes that sickness has kept him in for a few days. He says, "I figure on about ten hours for a full day. I enjoy the good work more than I ever did before."

Brother Budd is disposing of his farm and writes that he expects to again enter the work the first of April.

Clyde Butler, one of our new workers, came in from the field after his first week's work very much pleased. Although almost every one seemed to know that his book was an Adventist book they bought anyway. He sold a book to the first family he canvassed.

We are very glad to welcome to our ranks in East Michigan Brother J. Pengelly who comes from Canada. Brother Pengelly has been in the canvassing work twenty-two years and has supported a family all this time. He has sold and delivered over ten thousand "Coming King" and ten thousand "Steps to Christ," besides many other books. Think of the many sermons he will have preached. Some of these mornings

when the Lord shall awaken the saints from their graves, and together we are taken into the kingdom, the effectiveness of his work will be seen. The secret of his success has been prayer and keeping continually at his work.

Dear reader, can you not do the same?

W. A. Bergherm

Southern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 304 W. Allen St., Springfield, Ill.
President, E. F. Peterson

Our Canvassers

Our work continués to increase in volume for which we praise the great Leader of all departments of this movement.

Brother and Sister John Evitts expect to locate at Carrollton, Greene County. Brother and Sister Crail no doubt will begin work in Coles County April 1. By the time this article is read Francis Teas will have begun work.

Sister Katherine Drury, who rested some during the bad weather, has begun work again and sends a good report of \$109 for thirty-seven hours of work. She says it seems good to be back in the work again.

Brother C. C. Cowen of Harrisburg enjoyed having a part in Brother Drury's delivery recently, and this is what he writes regarding it: "I feel anxious to report to you, at least briefly, of a two days' trip in the country with Brother Edw. Drury. I took my faithful old horse and buggy and hauled his books for delivery, and I have not words to express my joy at the wondrous love of God as displayed in the work. I leave it for Brother Drury to report, but I saw results almost beyond the possible expectations of man."

Brother Carl Saunders has been passing through a few of faithful Job's experiences, but we are glad to say that he is about well. Brother Carl is picking up the work again where he laid it down. Brother R. O. Dickson is much improved in health and sends in a good report once more.

Dear reader, continue to pray for this work. The Lord is answering prayer. Many are now asking for territory. This is as it should be, in order that the work may be finished while we can work.

A. L. VAN FOSSEN

News Notes

One of our sisters recently sold twenty copies of "Armageddon" in three hours. Others are reporting success in handling this book. There is no more opportune time to place this valuable little book in the homes of the people. The new book by Elder Daniells, the "World War," will be even better.

We have a good supply of the new book, the "World War," ordered, and we hope to be able to fill all orders soon. We shall be glad to correspond with any one who desires to take an agency for this book. No doubt, it will be a rapid seller.

Brother O. A. Morse, our colporteur located at Centralia, writes that he has moved and that his street and number are now 317 Davis Ave. While he was out of the field only a few days in moving, he says it seemed as though he had been out of the work for a month. He is enjoying his work, and is reporting good success.

Mrs. Willie Yates, formerly a member of the Kansas Conference, has located in our field at Augusta, Ill. She writes that she would like employment where she can place her boys in church school. She, no doubt, would be glad to hear from any one who can help her in this respect.

Brother G. W. Kimberlin, now working in Cass County, reports a very successful delivery. 'He lost no orders, and delivered books to the value of \$339.50.

Brother C. A. Russell has been visiting some of the churches in the Southern Illinois Conference in the interest of the young people's and educational work. Definite plans were laid for a church school at Danville during the coming year.

A letter from Brother J. O. Ferris, who is working at St. James, says: "We have been holding meetings nearly two weeks now with a full house nearly every night, and the Holy Spirit seems to be arousing an interest and sending conviction to hearts. I expect results to come in time. Some of the backsliders are arousing, and in time will no doubt take a new start. It may take time to see results. Our expenses have been nearly covered by donations."

February

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Bloomington	23 71	2 09	18 46	Martinsville	73 68		8 02
Bluford	33 04	4 28	2 19	Maeystown			
Brownstown				Madison-St. L	4 10		2 19
Carterville	16 40	40	10 78	Mattoon	80	16	69
· Centralia				Noble	5 88	08	1 82
Charleston				Peoria	81 78	2 34	18 39
Danville	43 32	2 77	5 77	Pana	8 21		3 97
Du Quoin	42 95	4 55	15 24	1st Springfield	138 06	11 63	22 94
Decatur	73 70	1 22	41 92	2d Springfield	18 10	04	3 25
East Alton	4 45	24	3 94	Shelbyville	23 95		1 24
Farmington	17 70	1 50	8 11	Stewardson	7 17	1 25	4 60
Foosland	10 90	80	6 00	Twin City	43 40	64	16 26
Herrin	26 10	2 04	6 38	Witt Company	8 45		4 15
Kingman	27 68	1 01	17 27	Conference	88 15	7 55	57 04
				Total\$8	338 37	45 89	283 59

Northern Illinois Conference Office Address, 116 N. California Ave., Chicago, Ill. President, J. H. Schilling

News Items

Mr. Frank Lefevre of Appleton, Wis., was a recent caller at the office.

J. C. Klose, after spending a week in the field, brings in an encouraging report about the canvassing work.

Last week the conference bought property for the Italian work, the same to be remodeled into a hall for regular church services and also for the Italian church school.

V. R. Neall, Elder I. H. Evans' secretary, called at the office Sunday, the 18th, on his way to Washington from California.

Elder Webster and H. H. Todd, both of Moline, attended conference committee meeting Sunday the 18th.

The following decisions of the committee will be of interest to our people:

"Voted that all of our ministers and Bible workers encourage our people, in each one of our churches, to make a strong effort to keep abreast with our requirements on the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund so that when

· fall comes we will not have a deficit of four thousand · dollars, or more, to make up.

"Voted that we accept the recommendations of the Lake Union Conference with reference to the time of our annual camp meeting to be held June 24 to July 2.

"Voted that Chicago be the first choice for the camp meeting, with the members of the conference committee, who reside in Chicago, as a special committee on location, expense, etc.

"Voted that Aurora be the second choice for our annual camp meeting."

J. W. Mace went through Chicago Sunday afternoon on his way to Washington where he takes up work in the Review and Herald office as manager of the book department.

Missionary Volunteer societies have been organized in the following churches: Streator, Rockford, and the South Side Swedish, making a total of 20 senior societies and 18 junior with a membership of 400 and 256 respectively.

Miss Blosser spent Friday and Sabbath with the churches at Joliet and Aurora. She reports that the work is onward in these places in the educational and Missionary Volunteer lines. At Joliet the M. V. Society is composed mostly of young people not of our faith. They are splendid promising young people, and are very much interested in most of the M. V. lines, such as the Reading Course, Bible Year and the raising of mission money for India.

Mr. Hiner spent a few days last week with his family at Berrien Springs.

It is time to order a year book for 1917. Also the book written by Elder Daniells, "The World War," Price, 25 cents, paper and 50 cents, cloth; discount on large orders. We have a good supply of Oxford Bibles on hand.

The book, "Captivity and Restoration of Israel," written by Sister White is now in stock. Prices, \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.50, with the regular discount and \$2' for limp leather, net.

A number have written in for questions on Bible Doctrines and Denominational History and it is quite evident that there will be a number of Standard of Attainment certificates issued this month.

Indiana Conference

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President, Wm. A. Westworth

Wabash Valley Sanitarium

A number of times we have been asked relative to our work at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, and some have even questioned whether or not it was advisable for us to attempt to operate this institution, in view of the fact that in the past such a large debt has accumulated against it. But we are glad to announce to all our brethren and sisters in the Lake Union Conference, that the last two years has proved that the institution can be run without a loss. Under the untiring efforts of Brother C. M. Christiansen as business manager, we have seen a reversal in the financial reports, and God has blessed the manager so that our financial report shows gain instead of loss, but we feel that it is well for our people to know what the Lord Himself has said relative to this institution, and I am quoting herewith

a part of a testimony under date of August 12, 1909, in which the servant of the Lord speaks as follows:

"HINSDALE, ILL., August 12, 1909

"To the Laborers in Indiana,

"DEAR BRETHREN:

"It was our privilege recently to visit the sanitarium at Lafayette. Carriages were furnished, and we were driven about to see the surrounding country.

"We were intensely interested in this sanitarium and its surroundings, for the Lord has presented before me in vision just such a scene. I could hardly believe that I had not seen the place before with my natural eyes.

"I am instructed to say that it is in the order of God that this property has been secured. It is to become important for missionary work in the surrounding cities. Our sanitariums are designed by God to be institutions which He can work through.

"In securing and equipping the Lafayette Sanitarium, our brethren have acted according to their best judgment. They have not moved rashly. Some have tried to discourage this enterprise, but I am instructed to say, Help those who are struggling with difficulties. If they look to Him for counsel, the Lord will bless and strengthen the physician and helpers in the sanitarium.

"Let not our brethren feel it their duty to restrict the investment of means where it is needed. It is in the Lord's order that the sanitarium has been secured. More land should have been purchased, and if possible this should now be done. The grounds around a sanitarium should not be restricted. Provision should be made for the raising of fruit and vegetables, and it should not be made possible for buildings of an objectionable nature to be erected near our institutions.

"The plan of having our sanitariums out of the cities is born of the Lord. This should be borne in mind, and sufficient land should be secured to raise fruit and vegetables. It will be a boon to the sick and to the helpers to be given out-door work on the land. Many of our own workers have broken down in health through excessive mental taxation without the balance of physical exercise.

"There is an important work to be done in the vicinity of Lafayette. Our people generally do not realize how Satan is at work to secure souls through his specious deceptions.

"In the city of Lafayette there should be located without delay ministers of experience, Bible workers, canvassers and medical missionaries. There should be erected in this vicinity a meeting house large enough to accommodate a goodly number, for with judicious labor, many souls here will be converted to the truth. Some may say, We cannot rise and build. But just as surely as a work is begun in faith of opening to the souls in this community the word of God, angels of God will clear the way.

"The work in Lafayette should be carefully considered. Faithful men should be chosen to bear responsibilities. One man should not be asked to labor alone in the city, for this is not God's order. The Lord Jesus sent His disciples to labor two and two, that they might work and plan and pray together. Let wise generalship be manifested, and let men be selected who will labor decidedly, trusting in the Lord. Now is the

time for genuine missionary work to be done in the cities of Indiana.

"Because of distracting influences, the work in Indiana has in the past been greatly hindered. The reproach of God rests upon a people who have a knowledge of the truth, and yet hold their peace. May the Lord forgive those who have known of open fields that have been left without a knowledge of the Scriptures. Let no one excuse himself from helping nor complain because the Lord now calls for efforts and means to atone for the long neglect of work that should have been done years ago. In every place where the sheep have been scattered, let earnest efforts now be put forth for the salvation of souls. Read Jer. 23: 1–7.

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"About a mile and a half from the sanitarium we saw the Soldiers' Home where there are located hundreds of veterans and their wives. Special missionary work should be carried forward at this home. Let men who fear the Lord seek to redeem the time, and take up a work that has been neglected for these old people. Christ has purchased their souls with the price of His own blood. For this field there should be selected discreet men and women who will not fail nor be discouraged. And let no one belittle their efforts, for the Lord will be with those who labor with Him in self-denial and self-sacrifice. This work is as important as is the work in the foreign countries.

(Signed) "Mrs. E. G. White"

We see by this that God's hand is in the move, and we trust that our brethren and sisters within the territory of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium will appreciate the fact that now as never before, are we able to go ahead and render the service such as a sanitarium like this should render. We have recently added about \$2,500 in extra equipment, and with Doctor W. C. Dunscombe as our physician in chief and operating surgeon, and with Dr. A. G. Larson as house physician, in charge also of our X-ray and laboratory departments, we can give to our people a treatment second to none among our institutions.

We trust that you will feel free, therefore, to help us advertise among your friends and acquaintances; let all feel free to write the Medical Superintendent and ask any questions relative to rate or to their own condition. These letters will be carefully considered, and we will be only too glad to do all we can to help all who thus inquire. We believe that by the hearty cooperation of all our friends, that we can soon fill the sanitarium to overflowing and enable it to do the work which God has designed that it should do.

W. A. Westworth

All to Have a Part

Dear Brethren and Sisters of Indiana: An earnest and determined effort is being made to clear the Indiana Conference and the institutions under its control from the heavy burden of debt during the present year. We are working and hoping and praying that Indiana may sing the jubilee song of freedom from debt by Dec. 31, 1917. We firmly believe that with the blessing of God and the cooperation of our people, this goal can be reached.

At the time of our last camp meeting, the debt on the conference and its institutions amounted to nearly

\$63,000. With the amount that has been paid on this debt since camp meeting and with money that we have in sight, we are able to pay nearly \$19,000 toward this indebtedness. This fact is bringing new hope and courage to the hearts of our people. We thank God and take courage, and also thank our brethren and sisters who are helping so lovally.

Besides the \$19,000 that we have in sight, we have about \$10,000 in pledges. When these pledges are paid our indebtedness will be reduced by nearly one-half. This is encouraging. We believe that with the united effort of all our people we can liquidate every debt this year. Such a result will be grand, and is worthy of our earnest and united efforts. Some of our brethren are so much in earnest that they have already given \$1,000 apiece. Many substantial pledges have been made ranging from \$5 to \$1,000.

How You Can Help

We still have a large task on our hands, and the help of every man, woman, and child that loves the truth is needed.

We are going to ask that every farmer among us, who is willing to do so, plant or sow from one to five acres this spring and dedicate it to the cause of God. Some of our brethren have already set apart ground for this purpose and seem very happy in doing so.

Our sisters in the country can devote a portion of the garden, raise chickens, and help in various ways.

Our brethren in the city can give a certain portion of the proceeds of the factory, the shop, the store, or a certain amount of labor.

Our sisters in the cities and towns can devise many ways of helping. Some are already planning to sell our books to their neighbors and give the profits to help in the work. Others are going to make useful articles and sell them.

The boys and girls can have a part. Some can sell our papers and magazines, others can raise a garden, earn money by doing odd chores, and there are many other ways in which our young people can help. One girl expects to set a hen and sell the chickens next fall to help pay the debt.

We shall look to every Sabbath-keeper in Indiana for help in this time of need. With the splendid start already made, let us all earnestly work and pray that Indiana may sing the Jubilee song of freedom from debt by the end of this year.

Please write to me at once and let me know just what you will do. Then we can unite in praying that God will bless your efforts in His cause. It is important that we learn just what each one will do. Address me at 1435 East Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind.

M. C. GUILD

Notice to Sabbath Schools

It has been arranged that Miss Edith Shepard act as the secretary of the Sabbath school department in the Indiana Conference. Sister Wheeler is about to transfer her residence to the Western New York Conference. All matters relative to the Sabbath school department, which have heretofore been addressed to Mrs. L. S. Wheeler, should now be sent to Miss Shepard at 2708 N. Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis.

Canvasser

We trust that all our Sabbath school officials will take note of this, especially so as we are very near the end of the quarter, and we hope to avoid having mail misdirected and thus cause delay.

W. A. Westworth

Beechwood Academy Notes

Pauline Parrish, Burt Potts and Albert Heims spent the past week and Sabbath at their homes. Albert Heims left school, but says that he plans to be back next fall for a full year's work. Kress Saucerman spent several days visiting his sister Panama. He was a student here part of last year.

So far as we have been able to learn, none of the relatives or friends of our students were injured or affected by the tornado which destroyed New Castle.

Mr. Lamson made a hurried trip to Indianapolis to purchase supplies for the water system, before the railroad strike was scheduled to begin.

Sunday evening, the 18th, the members of the Boggstown church surprised the academy family with an entertainment and refreshments. All seemed to enjoy a pleasant evening. We are glad for the friendly feeling and sympathy which was back of the action.

The gate on the south road has been rehung, and a new drive-way built out to the road to Needham. This new gate and the newly-improved road to Needham cut many minutes off the trip.

The evening class in the study of the Testimonies has been dropped until after the Shelbyville meetings are over.

Elder G. W. Rader made a short visit at his home recently, visiting the school at the same time.

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.

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.

Wanted.—Good man, Sabbath-keeper, to work on farm during the summer or longer. Middle-aged man preferred. Must be used to horses and farm work. Need him the first of April. C. J. Trygg, Baldwin, N. D.

FOR RENT.—Farm of 87 acres, nearly all cleared. Sixroom house, and out buildings. This is a good dairy farm. Plenty of good water. Four miles to good city market. Will rent for cash. H. F. Balke, R. F. D. I,

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.

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.—A neat, elderly or middle-aged couple, Seventh-day Adventists, that can milk and would like to make a living on a good farm home. Everything convenient. Good opportunity and near church. For particulars write Mrs. Mary Boettcher, R. F. D. 1, Mosinee, Wis.

FOR SALE.—House and two lots. Thirty fruit trees. Five-roomed house, two screened porches, pantry, bathroom, hot and cold water. Will sell for cash or trade. Close to Loma Linda medical school, and church school. Geo. A. Stiles, Berrien Springs, Mich.

WANTED.—A married Adventist couple desire a place on farm with good Adventist people, the man to work

outside and the woman to help in the house. References given and required. Address Fred Reed, 428 Townsend St., Birmingham, Mich.

COOKING OIL ADVANCED.—Two five gallon cans Mazola cooking oil \$11.75 f. o. b. Chicago or Detroit. Single cans \$6.25, from Holly. Wesson Oil \$1 per can higher, f. o. b. Holly. Snowdrift Shortening \$9.50 per 60-pound case, from Holly. Adelphian Mercantile Co., Holly, Mich.

FOR SALE.—Home in Brookfield, Illinois, eight-room house with two lots, beautiful shade and fruit trees and lawn. Has good furnace, gas for cooking and lighting, hot and cold water. Two blocks from Pacific Press Pub. Ass'n plant, mile and a half from Broadview Swedish Seminary. Reason for selling—called to Cristobal, Canal Zone, to connect with Central American Branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association soon to be established. For further particulars address or call on J. R. Ferren, Brookfield, Ill.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby Curtis

Editor

Brother and Sister Floyd Smith write from Lucknow, India, January 16: "We have just returned to Lucknow from Calcutta conference, and are now hard at work on language again. Examinations come in April. We return to Garhwal after our examinations. It is now mid-winter and we are having June (Michigan) weather. The nights are a bit chilly." Let us remember these self-sacrificing young people in our prayers.

As the *Present Truth* War Special was printed as No. 5 of the Series for this year, and as it will not be a standard topic of the regular series after this year, and as other changes in the series will probably be made during the year to meet emergencies, thereby still further confusing the numbering of the series, it will be best for all to order hereafter by the subject rather than by the number only. It will be but little more trouble, and will insure against disappointments in having orders filled with numbers not desired.

A Sabbath for Missions

The Sabbath is blessed of the Lord. He intended it to be a blessing to His children on earth. While our Heavenly Father gives us good gifts every day, He remembers us with special favors on the Sabbath. We know that this is true not only from the word of God but from our own experience. But the Lord blesses us on the Sabbath in order that we may be a blessing to others. He always blesses His children that they may be a blessing.

More than twenty-five years ago our people decided to make the Sabbath a day of special gift and blessing to foreign missions. The Sabbath school offerings are dedicated to the cause of bringing the light to those who know not Christ. In the providence of God our Sabbath school donations, which is a fitting thank-offering for our Sabbath blessings, have become a great source of blessings to foreign missions.

The last day of this first quarter of the year is a Sabbath. It is the thirteenth Sabbath. All of our brethren know that for some time we have been bringing a special thirteenth Sabbath donation to help open work in needy fields. These thirteenth Sabbath donations are a large factor in our mission funds. We are sorry to say that we did not receive as much money on our mission funds during the first two months of this year as we did for the first two months last year. Our

membership in the Lake Union is larger by nearly five hundred, but the receipts of the twenty-cents-a-week are \$500 lower than last year.

We have been at several Sabbath schools where the brethren are planning to make a strong effort for a large offering on the coming thirteenth Sabbath. Will not our Sabbath school leaders and church elders everywhere bring this important matter to the front and do their very best to gather a large thirteenth Sabbath offering? We wish that it might be a dollar day for every school in the Lake Union Conference.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

Use the "Gazette"

Now that all the Missionary Volunteer leaders are to have access to the *Church Officers' Gazette*, we shall expect better prepared programs. Let every leader study the material carefully, gathering together such other matter on the same general theme as he can collect, and then make his assignments at least a week before the program is to be given. This gives time for the one who is to take part to study the subject and then be able to present it in a bright, original, and attractive manner.

Do not permit the constant reading of articles. It will kill even the most enthusiastic society in time. Let short talks be prepared and given, or occasionally a paper presented; something that will bring in variety and individuality. The *Gazette* simply provides a mine in which to dig for treasure.

Some time ago, each tract society was furnished a list of those already taking the *Gazette*. In sending the journal to M. V. leaders, reference may be made to this list so that there will be no duplications. We are glad to find that practically all leaders are now receiving the *Gazette*. If any are not, kindly advise your M. V. secretary of the fact.

C. A. Russell

Do You?

Who of us know

The heartaches of the restless crowds we meet Each day on passing through the busy street,— The anxious cares that ever round them press, Forebodings which their inmost soul distress,—

Who of us know? Do you?

Who of us care

To try to understand their pain and grief, And toil to bring to breaking hearts relief; To lessen much the burden of their care

By cheering word, by kindly look, and prayer,— Who of us care? Do you?

Who of us strive

To help these slaves in galling fetters bound,— The fallen, ruined, hopeless ones around, The human wrecks on deadly breakers tossed,— By pointing them to Him who saves the lost?

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"Men who want to be Spirit-filled must be self-emptied."

"Charity is never lost; it may meet with ingratitude, or be of no service to them on whom it is bestowed; yet it ever does a work of beauty and grace upon the heart of the giver."