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

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The Other Half

More than 20 years ago the call of God came to this people to establish church schools. Our answer to this call in this union conference is the 136 church schools in operation this year. Does this meet or even approach God's ideal? In 1897 this message came: "There should be schools established wherever there is a church or company of believers. Teachers should

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."

The past year has seen more of our children enrolled as students in our church schools, academies, seminary and college than ever before—about 2600. But this is only a little more than one-half of our children and youth of school age. *Where is the other half?*



EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE SUMMER SCHOOL OF 1917

be employed to educate the children of Sabbath-keepers." About the same time came this word from the messenger of the Lord: "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. Work as if you were working your life to save the children from being drowned in the polluting, corrupting, influences in this life."

With our hundreds of churches and thousands of members, dare any one assert that we have done our best to answer the call of God all these years?

From Vol. 6 I quote: "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 offence to God that there has been so great neglect in this line when Providence has so abundantly

Are they not just as promising and just as precious as are those in training for a part in God's work?

Statistics show that 90 per cent of those who finish a course of training in our schools go directly into some department of the work. Of those who are laboring in foreign fields, 95 per cent are the direct product of our schools.

What line of work is taken up by the other half? The very work for which they have been in training. Trained in the schools of the world, they enter the work of the world. Public schools are a failure as training centers for Seventh-day Adventist missionaries.

We still have many young people who are giving their time and talent to the schools of the world. In one conference in this union there are more than 20

Seventh-day Adventist public school teachers. We pray that the demands of the hour may be so impressed upon these workers that they may feel the call of God to yield their service to the Master. "Who is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?" "Go work today in *My* vineyard." There is another vineyard. Its lure is attractive. Its emoluments large. Its inducements attractive. The call of the world was never more insistent; its offers never more enticing. It is calling for clean, honest, dependable young men and women. It is willing to pay the price to obtain them. Fathers and mothers are you willing to accept the price? God's vineyard needs tilling. The day is far spent. It is the eleventh hour call. Any sacrifice is none too great that our children may receive a training which will fit them to enter the work of God and quickly finish it.

In this time of military activity, let us who know the meaning of these things bend every energy to enlist, discipline, and mobilize the splendid army of youth among us that the battle may soon be fought, the victory won, and the scepter given to Him, whose right it is to reign. God's volunteer army is being recruited.

Whether your son will fight the battles of the Lord, or in the battle of Armageddon will depend upon his enlistment and training. And upon this depends his eternity.

Procure and read Counsels to Teachers, Parents, and Students. Re-read the solemn appeals in Volume Six. Read that wonderful book, Education. "All God's biddings are enablings." Rally the church. Plan for a school. Send for your conference superintendent. Save the boys. Save the girls. C. A. RUSSELL

Military Training in the Public School

We are pleased to note that many leading educators are opposed to military training in High Schools and Colleges. We quote from two of these:

"It seems to me most unfortunate to put the burden of military training upon the schoolboy of America. Certainly if boys are to have such training, the wage-earners should be included as well as those who are at school. But we all know that very few of the nations now at war have ever imposed military training upon boys in school. They have given such training after school days are over. The physical results of military training for boys are certainly not equal to those achieved by other forms of physical education, and the social and ethical results are likely to be disquieting. Even military authorities would far prefer to have the boys in a summer camp than to have them for a few minutes each day of the school year. I stand with Charles W. Eliot and John H. Finley in deprecating hastily undertaken experiments with school children." —Wm. H. P. Faunce, President of the Brown University.

"Most military countries in the world have not found it necessary to train their school boys as soldiers. In view of this experience, it is difficult to see why we should be urged to make military training part of the curriculum of American secondary education. We do not want military training given to our school boys, because better bodies may be produced by proper physical training and directed school

sports, and because these formative years should be devoted to the development of a spirit of internationalism which shall make war and preparation for war ultimately unnecessary."—Robert J. Alecy, President of the University of Maine, and President of the National Education Association 1916-1917.

It is to be regretted that in spite of what teachers may say military exercises are introduced more and more in the public schools. Our boys should not take this training. The only safe school for Adventist youth are Adventist schools. L. H. CHRISTIAN

The Relation of School to School

Seventh-day Adventists have developed quite a complete educational system made up of church schools, intermediate schools, seminaries and colleges. In the Lake Union we have one college, one seminary, seven academies, and about one hundred and forty church and family schools. Of regular, genuine, loyal Adventist schools, making for union and progress, according to God's ideal, we have none too many. Indeed we are sorely in need of about fifty more church schools in this field. In our school work union and order spell success. It means much that all our schools sustain a proper relation to each other that they work well together and that each does the work for which it was called into existence.

It is generally planned that the church schools do primary work from the first to the eighth grade. Only in special cases, and after proper arrangement and permission, should they teach the ninth or tenth grade. Usually primary schools can not do academic work.

In recent years all our intermediate schools had taught to the tenth grade only with a few classes for overflow work. This year three of these academies have enlarged their staff of teachers and increased their facilities so as to teach the twelfth grade. This has been done in counsel with our general educational department. We believe it to be a step forward, which will bring good results if our schools are supported and encouraged as they deserve. We need to make more of our academies. They are doing an excellent preparatory work for our youth. We must provide better facilities for them. We must secure to them a larger attendance. But we must not try to make them do or have them pretend to do a work for which they are not qualified.

Our academies cannot conduct classes in Red Cross or emergency nursing. They cannot conduct a normal department, though we believe that they should prepare to give some instruction to those wishing to take up church school work. We will have to look to our academies for many of our church school teachers. Our academies cannot train ministers successfully. It would weaken and belittle our ministry to have them do this. Candidates for the ministry should be taught by strong teachers of years and experience. Our fourteen and sixteen grade schools are recognized by the government as "divinity schools." Young men in these schools who study for the ministry, though they may only be in the tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade, will be exempt from draft. Thus in the Lake Union the Swedish Seminary and the Emmanuel Missionary College claim to be and are "divinity schools."

Some have asked which students belong to the college and which to the academies. The answer to this is not difficult to find. That we have twelve grade academies does not mean that all the young people in the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades in these academy districts should attend the academy. Far from it. The college teaches the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades as well as the academies. It would be a great mistake to have all young people up to and including the twelfth grades in this Union attend the academies. The plan is that mature young men and women should take at least the eleventh and twelfth grades at the

ing them to orderly form, has discovered that the money value of four years at college is \$20,000 or a financial return of \$5,000 for every year so spent. Dean Holmes' investigations reveal the fact, which at first seems a little disconcerting to the advocates of university training, that the average earnings of a Bachelor of Arts amount to \$1187 a year, not quite twenty-five dollars a week. But the situation brightens for the colleges when we learn that the average earnings of the non-college man are only \$518—not ten dollars a week. The difference between these two sums is \$669, and, since the average man lives



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College. Personally we have always been grateful we took these grades at a college with strong teachers, older students, larger library, etc. The college costs but little more and is fully worth it.

The school years of youth pass rapidly and are most precious. We must send our boys and girls to the best school we can find. The enrollment at our schools this autumn should be much larger than a year ago. Agriculture and other kinds of manual training at the college and academies is now so strongly developed that any boy or girl can earn an education. No one needs to have their children grow up in ignorance or untrained.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

College Education Doubles Efficiency

In the July number of *The World's Work*, the editor gives the following account of the fruits of a college training:

"Dean Holmes, of the Pennsylvania State College, after spending months gathering statistics and reduc-

ing them to orderly form, has discovered that the money value of four years at college is \$20,000 or a financial return of \$5,000 for every year so spent. Dean Holmes' investigations reveal the fact, which at first seems a little disconcerting to the advocates of university training, that the average earnings of a Bachelor of Arts amount to \$1187 a year, not quite twenty-five dollars a week. But the situation brightens for the colleges when we learn that the average earnings of the non-college man are only \$518—not ten dollars a week. The difference between these two sums is \$669, and, since the average man lives

thirty years after leaving college, his financial rewards for four years of more or less arduous undergraduate toil is evidently something more than \$20,000."

A number of similar investigations have been made by other men, with practically the same results. It is quite apparent that the time and money spent in college yields large returns to the man who enters the world's work where competition is sharp and where efficiency determines the reward.

These words from the Spirit of Prophecy should inspire all our young people with an earnest determi-

nation to secure a thorough Christian education that they may render the Master the most efficient service.

"God requires the training of the mental faculties. He designs that His servants shall possess more intelligence and clearer discernment than the worldling, and He is displeased with those who are too careless or too indolent to become efficient, well-informed workers. . . . The uneducated man who is consecrated to God and longs to bless others can be, and is, used by the Lord in His service. But those who, with the same spirit of consecration, have had the benefit of a thorough education, can do a much more extensive work for Christ. They stand on vantage ground."—*Object Lessons*, p. 333.

O. J. GRAF



WOOD-WORKING CLASS AT E. M. C. SUMMER SCHOOL

Our Youth and Our Goals

"With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to all the world." This striking statement from the Spirit of Prophecy must thrill our hearts. Place the emphasis upon "rightly trained." Our homes, our schools, our Missionary Volunteer movement, all must be factors in this heart and head and hand training.

We trust our elders and other officers in the church and Sabbath school as well as those connected more directly with our society work will catch an inspiration through reading this special to lend the more earnest, intelligent, and hearty support to the plans of organization and lines of work in the Missionary Volunteer department.

The 1917 goals for the Lake Union Conference are as follows:

Total Amount of Goals: \$7500.00
Field Assigned: India

Indiana:

Najibabad School—
Building and well \$325.00
Support of school 200.00
Bullocks and tonga 162.50
Shoto Mitter (Native worker)
(Salary and expense \$10 mo.) 120.00

Illinois (Northern):

Home for teacher (Burma) \$350.00
Native workers:
Maung Deason (\$4 per mo.) 48.00
Elsie Lonsdale (\$9 per mo.) 108.00
R. Peters (Headmaster \$16) 192.00
Madba Nand (\$6.25 mo.) 75.00
Maheshwar Dutt (\$5.25 mo.) 63.00
S. S. Massey (\$5 mo.) 60.00

\$ 807.50

Pertab Singh (\$5 mo.) 60.00
Deb Singh (\$3.75 mo.) 44.00
Chaukidar (watchman or janitor)
(\$3.50 mo.) 42.00
Lakhan Singh (\$6.25 mo.) 75.00
Rhadu Pershad (\$6.25 mo.) 75.00
Sunny Thomas (\$5 mo.) 60.00
Frances Thomas (\$1.50 mo.) 18.00

\$1270.00

Illinois (Southern):

(Bombay Mission)

Kalyan Marathi School

\$500.00

Michigan (East):

(Bombay Mission)

Improvement and Support
of Kalyan Dispensary \$750.00
C. V. Kalle (Salary and Ex.
\$12 mo.) 144.00
Peter Shindi (Salary and Ex.
\$12 mo.) 144.00
Thos. Wood (\$5 mo.) 60.00
Daniel Sardov (\$6 mo.) 72.00
Robert Moody (\$5 mo.) 60.00
David (\$6 mo.) 72.00

\$1302.00

Michigan (North):

(Bengal)

Salary of Teachers
S. N. Bhattacharji (\$20 mo.) \$240.00
Benjamin Peters (\$8 mo.) 96.00
Mohan Besra (\$5 mo.) 60.00

\$ 396.00

Michigan (West):

Garhwal School (Support of) \$500.00
(Burma)

Kalaw rest house (cost \$2000) 1000.00
Native Workers:
Maung Maung (Salary and
ex. \$28 mo.) 336.00
Maung Hpo Hla (\$29 per mo.) 348.00
Maung Ngwe Zin (\$7 per mo.) 84.00

\$2268.00

Wisconsin (North):

Chuharkana Hospital—

Native workers and Supplies \$250.00
Buddha Singh (\$8 per mo.) 96.00
Rhoda Singh (\$3 per mo.) 36.00

\$ 382.00

Wisconsin (South):

(Bengal)

Balance on Houseboat \$100.00
Bengali Boys' School
(Calcutta) 250.00
Bengali Girls' School
(Calcutta) 250.00
Kheroda Bose (Teacher)
(\$8.25 mo.) 99.00
O. Sircar (Teacher) (\$5 mo.) 60.00
Jogeshwar (Teacher)
(\$6.25 mo.) 75.00

\$ 834.00

In some items of the goal, some of our conferences have already reached the mark. In others, particularly in number of reporting members and in the financial goal, we are behind.

The call of God to our young people is a call to service. "Every member a working member is our slogan. Why not every member a reporting member? I fear that not enough attention has been given to this matter of the reports. A little time should be taken at each meeting to pass out reports, collect the same, and to emphasize the importance of faithfulness in service.

Our Missionary Volunteer Department as a potent factor in enlisting, training and mobilizing our army of young people is coming more and more to be recognized. Only today I heard the president of the General Conference say, "I am more interested in young

people's work than ever before." This sentiment prevails among the leaders in our work. It is this precious heritage who are to rise up and in the strength of Israel's God, finish the work.

One doesn't like to be always traveling and never getting anywhere. Like the man who purchased a 1,000 mile ticket, and when asked his destination by the conductor, replied, "O, I'm not going anywhere in particular. Just want to ride up my ticket." We're traveling, but thank God, we're going somewhere. And the end of our journey is almost in sight. A few more sharp, quick conflicts with the enemy, and the battle is over and the victory won. Then—*home*.

Hundreds of our young people will make Sabbath, August 25, a real Goal Dollar Day. Read carefully the various enterprises which will become the beneficiaries of our liberality. Note the number of native evangelists and other laborers who will be able to continue their work of rescue. We may faithfully represent the Master and win souls during the day, and while we slumber at night our representative in far-away India is carrying on the same precious work.

The West Michigan young people will be especially interested in the description of the Garhwal School now in charge of Brother Floyd W. Smith. So short a time ago Brother and Sister Smith were among us working earnestly for other young people.

All will read with interest of the work at Kalyan. Not long ago the Missionary Volunteers of the Lake Union Conference supported Elder and Sister Wood for a year at this important mission station in West India. The volume of work carried on in the dispensary is almost beyond belief. Eternity alone will reveal the full fruitage.

Many other most interesting items are among our 1917 missionary projects. Among these might be mentioned the Najibabad School, a home for one of our teachers, a Marathi School at Kalyan, a Bengali School for boys and one for girls at Calcutta, and the Chuharkana Hospital.

Let us send our dollars and turn our thoughts and our prayers toward India, caste-bound India, Our Field.

C. A. RUSSELL

The Duty and Privilege of Giving for Missions

The aim of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society is "The Advent Message to all the World in This Generation." Every Missionary Volunteer pledges to do "what I can to help others and to finish the work of the gospel in all the world." "What I can" includes giving of my means to support our missionaries. It means more, but surely cannot mean less.

The beloved disciple wrote: "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" 1 John 3:17. Genuine love will express itself in every possible way. Giving money to send missionaries to our unfortunate brothers and sisters who are still in heathen darkness is one way of expressing our love for them. Every true Missionary Volunteer is constrained by the love of Christ to do all in his power to bring salvation to the lost, so every true Missionary Volunteer will give

something, even though it may be but little, to carry the good news of salvation and of Jesus' soon return.

"Money is myself," said a speaker at a great missionary convention. Then he went on to show how that is. When you expend your energy in working and receive pay for the service, that money represents so much of your life's energy, it represents so much of your self. One man goes and buys liquor or tobacco, thus spending himself to weaken and destroy his body and mind. Another man buys a beautiful picture to enjoy. He is spending himself for his own pleasure, and possibly the further development of his higher nature. But another invests that which represents himself in missions, and thus gives himself for the salvation of poor, lost brothers or sisters. How glorious the gift!

In John 3:16, we are told of the great love of God to us in that he gave his only begotten Son for our salvation. In 1 John 3:16 we are told that in view of the fact that God laid down His life for us, we ought to lay down our lives for others. That this *includes* the giving of our possessions is indicated by the next verse, which is quoted above.

It is evident, then, that it is our duty as Christians and as Missionary Volunteers to give to missions. And whatever is a Christian *duty* is a joyous *privilege*.

The Missionary Volunteer Department of the North American Division Conference has set as its goal for 1917 to raise \$35,000 for missions. A large sum, is it not? No, not large when we think that there are over 15,000 Missionary Volunteers in this Division and many more young people that ought to be enlisted in this work.

This financial goal has been distributed to the various Union Conference Missionary Volunteer departments, and by the Union Conference departments to the local conferences. The local conference Missionary Volunteer secretaries have usually distributed to each local society its portion of the conference goal. And it is the plan that the offerings shall equal \$3 for each Senior Missionary Volunteer and \$1.50 for each Junior. At the beginning of the year the budget plan of raising this money was suggested to all our societies. If this has been worked up faithfully, we shall have little trouble in going away beyond our goal.

In order to give this fund a big lift, we have arranged for this special offering on August 25, "Goal Dollar Day." On this day we are considering the missionary enterprises assigned to each Conference and our duty and privilege to support them.

In "Testimonies," Vol. 7, p. 295, we read: "The ardor of the youth is now needed. They should put away vanity and restrict their wants. I would urge upon them and upon all our people that the money usually invested in unnecessary things be put to a higher, holier use."

Surely, we should give the money "usually invested in unnecessary things," but should we not do more? Now is the time of all times, it seems to me, for us to make a covenant with God by sacrifice.

"Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee.

"Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold."

M. E. KERN

Goal Dollar Day

The Missionary Volunteers of the North American Division have undertaken to raise \$35,000 for missions in 1917. That is our goal. Definite missionary enterprises have been assigned the various conferences. Our Missionary Volunteers are thus definitely supporting missions and missionaries in Africa, India, Malaysia, Philippines, China, Korea, Japan, and South America.

August 25 has been set apart for a special program in every Missionary Volunteer Society on "Our 1917 Goal for Missions." Reports will be given on the definite mission enterprises, and the duty and privilege of giving will be discussed. So this is to be our "Goal Day." A special offering is to be made, every Missionary Volunteer being encouraged to give one dollar. So it is our "Goal Dollar Day."

Let all our Missionary Volunteer society officers begin to plan at once for this special program, and let all our Missionary Volunteers begin to plan to have a dollar ready for that day. Our missionaries have given themselves. They have left pleasant homes for the inconveniences and hardships of mission life. The least we can do is to support them.

Let our rally cry be "Every Missionary Volunteer a dollar for Goal Dollar Day." M. E. KERN

Southern Illinois Conference

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President, E. F. Peterson

Our Opportunity

The church that is not looking after the salvation of its children and youth is missing its greatest opportunity. No more sacred truth is delegated to it than the instruction and training of its young. "Planting must be done in seed-time. Tending the field must be done in growing time. We must grind our grist while the water is flowing by the mill. We must teach the child while he is a child." Time is fleeting. The children in our churches today will in a short time have decided to obey Christ or be seeking the pleasures of this world. How important then that the church perform its duty in this matter!

In no more sure way can this duty be discharged than by the founding and maintaining of a Christian school. We are glad that many of our brethren and sisters realize this and are willing to sacrifice some of this world's comforts that their children may be taught after God's plan.

Nine schools were conducted in this conference during the past year. The work of faithful teachers and the cooperation of the members of the school boards has brought a degree of success to our work. We realize, however, that there are many weak places that need strengthening. We must work harder, lift more liberally, and pray more earnestly if we do the great work that lies before us as it should be done.

Plans are being laid for improvement in the way of of equipment, remodeling, etc., in nearly all the schools. Neat little buildings at Danville and Centralia are being equipped preparatory to the opening of school in September. With a corps of consecrated

teachers and God's blessing upon the work we look forward to the coming year as a fruitful one in His service.

GRACE EVANS



DUQUOIN CHURCH SCHOOL

A Glimpse at Our Missionary Volunteer Work

Many small churches and but few young people located in any one place has made it rather difficult to carry on regular organized Missionary Volunteer societies. In some such churches the young people unite with the older members in a church missionary society, taking an active part in the missionary work and programs of the societies. These young people we encourage to report through a special young people's secretary.

Quite a number of our young people are isolated, living where they do not even have church privileges. With these, we endeavor to keep in touch by correspondence and invite them to join our Conference Missionary Volunteer Society.

In six of our churches regular weekly Missionary Volunteer meetings are held. We are thankful for these bands of faithful young people and trust that from these societies may come many who will ere long be directly engaged in the giving of this last message to the world.

In spite of the obstacles that confront the carrying on of this work as we would like to see it carried on, encouraging results can be seen from the effort put forth. Our young people as a whole are loyal to this truth and are ready to grasp every opportunity for development.

The prospects for reaching our conference Missionary Volunteer goal look encouraging. Already one point has been passed and we hope to reach the others in the next six months.

GRACE EVANS

North Michigan Conference

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President, E. A. Bristol

Educational

At this writing we have prospects of starting three new church schools in North Michigan. This gives us courage to work for even a greater number. Let us know if we can be of any service to you in planning for educational work for this year. If you have not thought of conducting a church school, begin to plan now.

Six boys and girls finished the eighth grade work

from the Traverse City school the past spring. At the close of school they gave an excellent program and invited the public to attend. The church building was well filled with friends from the city.

Do our schools send out the right influence? Last year one of our faithful beginning teachers taught such a splendid school that the public school board in that vicinity wishes to have their children under the supervision of a Seventh-day Adventist teacher. A similar report should come from every church school.

The Lord has dealt bountifully with us the past year. We hope the coming year may be one of growth and progress. Our aim as workers for the children and youth is none other than to turn the minds of these young people toward right standards.

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Missionary Volunteer

A keen interest has been shown in the Standard of Attainment. Our ministers and local elders are setting the pace in this matter of Attainment.

The plan of reading the Bible through has resulted in a great awakening in Bible study in North Michigan. Our juniors have taken up the plan with great interest.

Our young people have taken a live interest in raising money for foreign missions. During 1916 our Volunteers raised \$804.22. More than half of this amount was raised through Harvest Ingathering work.

During the past year we have held several conventions. Through the influence of these meetings many have joined the King's Pocket League, and are thus pledged to carry with them some of our literature.

Our conference M. V. Society is growing. Every member is quite faithful in reporting each month. We are anxious to get in touch with all our young people who do not have the privilege of attending a local M. V. Society, that they may become a member of the conference society.

M. V. SECRETARY

Northern Illinois Conference

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

What Will You Say?

The following comparative figures show the report of the church schools of this conference for the past two years. It is only to the glory of God that these figures are given which show a gain in every item:

	1916	1917
Schools	17	18
Teachers	19	20
Membership	214	264
Literature distributed	4379	6572
Foreign Missions	\$234.09	\$410.85
Number finishing 8th grade	9	18
Number Baptized	(?)	27

Another school year is just before us and new records will be made. May the records of the coming year show a much greater gain.

At least three new church schools will be started this fall. Parents, church members, teachers, we must work

and pray as those who must give an account to the One who has said, "Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord." Should your church have a church school? Then *have it! What will you say?*

Has the Lord *loaned* your church, your home, some bright-faced, happy, sunbeam children, to train for Him? One day the thrilling question will be directed to you, "Where is thy flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?" If your children, contrary to divine counsel, have been receiving a worldly training to work for the



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world, can you look the Master squarely in the face and answer, "Here am I and the children whom thou has given me?"

Let us arouse as never before and prepare to meet the Lord with a clear conscience. Even though some of your little flock are not ready to meet the Lord when He comes you should be ready to say, "I have followed divine counsel and done all that I could to give them the right training." *What will you say?*

The Lord says, "While we should put forth earnest efforts for the masses of the people about us, and push the work into foreign fields, no amount of labor in this line can excuse us from neglecting the education of our children and youth." They are to be *trained* to become workers for God."

The Italian Mission School of Chicago has been supported most loyally the past year. We have hoped to be able to support two teachers this next year for this school and throw its doors open to all the children of "Little Italy" who desire to come. The prospects are that if we could do this there would be between 75 or 100 children who would come. Not enough financial support is at hand now to do this. If the Lord impresses you as you read this to "do your bit" for "Little Italy," just follow His leadings and write to

AUGUSTA BLOSSER, *Ed. Sec.*
116 N. California Ave., Chicago.

Volunteer, or Slacker?

Patriotism is at the flood. There is no task but seems glorious if done for one's country. There is a feeling test everyone must and will do his bit. There shall be no slackers is the common feeling. Those who cannot fight, or fly for their country, refuse to

stand back wistful-eyed and empty-handed while others serve. Even the children clamor for the military suits which give them the appearance of being ready for service.

Inaction is intolerable to the one whose heart and soul is aflame with zeal and love for a cause. It has been a real pleasure this past year to act as a recruiting officer for Missionary Volunteers for the army of Prince Emmanuel. The same spirit of enthusiasm and

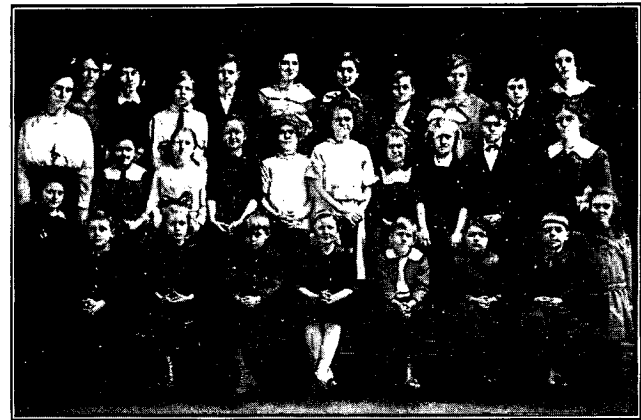
organize one. It is impossible, dear brethren and sisters, to carry forward this Missionary Volunteer work without your help. What can you do? Much, every way. First love, then pray, and work for the children and youth of your church and your labor will be richly rewarded. Resolve to begin *today* to help the children and youth of your church in whatever way opportunity presents itself.

Have ye looked for my sheep in the desert,
For those who have missed their way?
Have ye been in the wild, waste places
Where the lost and the wandering stray?
Have ye trodden the lonely pathway,
The foul and the darksome street?
Ye may see, as ye tread the gloaming,
The prints of my wounded feet.

In conclusion let me emphasize the fact that we must recognize our present Missionary Volunteer methods as a means to one common end, the development of ideal missionaries. Not slackers, but volunteers. Consequently the ideal Missionary Volunteer will be found observing the Morning Watch, for his life will be the prayer life. The prayer band and M. V. Society meeting will find him there. He will read his Bible, and possess, or endeavor to secure a Standard of Attainment Certificate. He will prefer the Reading Course books to cheap, unwholesome literature; and he will cultivate his taste for the higher kind of music. He will not be found enjoying the company of the pleasure seeker, the boisterous, and uncouth, for he is living with Christ above worldly things. To the ideal missionary volunteer service for Christ will be sweetest and most satisfying, and to this end his energies will be spent. He will be a volunteer not a slacker. He will, in short, give Christ the best.

Christ wants the best. He, in the far-off ages
Once claimed the firstling of the flock, the finest
of the wheat;
And still He asks His own, with gentlest pleading,
To lay their highest hopes and brightest talents
at his feet.
He'll not forget the feeblest service, humblest love;
He only asks that of our store we give to Him the
best we have.
Give Christ the best! O young men strong and eager,
And conscious of your own abounding life,
Ready to throw your soul's fresh, growing powers
Into some noble cause or lower strife.
Christ Jesus was a young man, strong and brave;
Give Him your heart's allegiance, give to Him the
best you have.
And you in whom the same young life is throbbing,
But with a steadier pulse and gentler flow,
Whose hearts were made for sacrifice and loving,
Whose soul's ideals grow with you as you grow;
O, give to Christ your first, most sacred love,
And of your heart's devotion give Him the best
you have.
And is our best too much? O friends, let us
remember
How once our Lord poured out His soul for us,
And in the prime of His mysterious manhood
Gave up His precious life upon the cross;
The Lord of lords, by whom the worlds were made,
Through bitter grief and tears gave us the best He
had.

AUGUSTA BLOSSER, M. V. Sec.



JUNIOR M. V. SOCIETY, HUMBOLDT PARK, CHICAGO

determination to "give of the best to the Master" has been demonstrated among the 745 Missionary Volunteers as I have visited them.

The goal set for the Missionary Volunteers of this Conference for the year 1916 was reached and passed by quite a margin. We have now more than passed the half-way mark on our 1917 goal:

	1917 goal	half-way m.	reached June 30
M. V. Offering for			
India	\$1220	\$610	\$667.17
Reporting members	675		325
Standard of Attain-			
ment Cert.	45	23	23
Reading Course			
Certificates	135	63	166
Bible Year	90	45	11
Young People			
baptized	113	66	61

In addition to the above goal items the young people have been active in carrying out the regular lines of missionary work. And yet the 745 Missionary Volunteers of this conference should be more active and exhibit more Christian patriotism.

Several new M. V. Societies have been organized this summer. There have been distributed almost six hundred little celluloid vest-pocket dime banks which hold thirty dimes. These banks are to be filled and handed in at Christmas time to apply on our goal of \$1220 for pleading, bleeding India.

Let us thank God for the results of the Missionary Volunteer work, and earnestly pray for the speedy realization of our great goal—the salvation of all our young people and their enlistment in the Lord's service.

Does your church have an M. V. Society? Then be a faithful and willing supporter of it. Should your church have an M. V. Society? Then write to your Conference M. V. Secretary who will come and help

West Michigan Conference

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President, Wm. Guthrie

Notes of Progress

West Michigan holds many landmarks of the work of this message. Here some of the early workers lie resting awaiting the call of the great life giver. In spite of its being a field longer worked perhaps than any other in this Union, it is encouraging to note that there is a lively interest being taken along educational lines. There are many avenues for progress which are being accepted by our people in the local churches.

I have been able to make two full trips around the Conference since November in the interests of the educational work, meeting many of the school boards



GRAND RAPIDS CHURCH SCHOOL

and organizing a few patrons' meetings. We have some very definite policies to carry out in this feature of the work and the school boards upon whom the responsibility first rests are willingly sharing the burden.

We lose no church schools in the field. This is as it should be though several localities at one time looked doubtful. Two family schools unite in one thus enabling them to do more efficient work. Allegan becomes a real church school instead of a family effort, and at least six additional churches will assume the burden of new schools for the coming year.

Muskegon led in the latter forward move. She has built during the summer months and is now furnishing her school room with necessary equipment. Grand Rapids will receive its permit to build very soon.

The majority of our school boards are studying the problem of "boarding around" and the prospects are most encouraging, in that at the present time, it looks as though there would be few or none who will follow the old-time method.

Many more encouraging features must be left for a future report. There is hearty co-operation among teachers, school boards and patrons, making the work a pleasure and lightening the heaviest burdens.

LOTTA E. BELL, *Superintendent*

Why Educate Now?

The times that we have been looking forward to for years have come. We are approaching the time which is to make men's hearts fail them for fear. Many of

our young men are being called into the army, notwithstanding the exemptions many will no doubt have to serve in some capacity.

The great question with us as parents and teachers is, have we done all that we can for our young people? Have they been properly trained? Will they prove to be Daniels and remember their God under adverse circumstances?

In Vol. 6, p. 203, we read, "Our church schools are ordained by God to prepare the children for this great work." It says the schools are ordained of God, that is, set apart as His plan for saving our young people. As this is God's plan we should certainly work in harmony, and do all in our power to keep our young people in these schools.

Our church schools are now in operation, but we do not know how long they will be permitted to continue their work. At the present time some of our young men will not be permitted to continue their school work; and we do not know how soon the time will come when many more will be compelled to quit.

We wish to call your attention to your little school at Cedar Lake, Montcalm Co., Mich. This school is trying to carry out the instruction given by the Lord. Last year the Cedar Lake Academy had the largest enrollment in its history and graduated the largest class.

This year we have a full corp of teachers and expect to carry eleven full grades of work.

Dear parents, now is the time to sacrifice and educate your boy or girl and take them with you into the kingdom. Write the Principal, R. U. Garrett, for a school calendar.

Battle Creek Academy

Battle Creek was the early home of our educational work. Our first college was located at this place. Many who are now in the work received their preparation in this institution.

After the removal of the college, a large school building was erected in the suburbs of the city in which a ten grade school has been conducted by the church for several years.

More recently it has been felt that this school should be in a position to offer better advantages to the young people of the Battle Creek church.

In harmony with this idea preparations are now being made to add two more grades to our course of study. A convenient laboratory room is being fitted up in the basement and the library will be strengthened.

In the past many of our boys and girls have completed ten grades at our school and then continued their work at the city high school. In several instances this has been disastrous to the spiritual welfare of the student. The present plan will obviate this difficulty and afford added strength to our church work.

We had a very successful school last year. Our enrollment in all grades reached 230 or more. Our work is so organized that one teacher has only two grades to carry. This makes it possible for the teacher to give individual attention to the spiritual uplift of each pupil. The conversion of our boys and girls is the first aim of Battle Creek Academy, and at the same time we hope to offer strong class work so that Battle Creek may still be able to aid in preparing efficient laborers for the field.

With the Volunteers

The progress made by the Missionary Volunteers during the first half of this year is very encouraging. Early in the year a definite goal was given each junior and senior society and enthusiastically the members have set themselves to work.

Since the last report in May the following have become members of Attainment: J. B. Buck, Elder N. M. Jorgensen, Prof. R. U. Garrett, J. B. Krauss, Hazel Royston, Violette Royston, Eldine Dunbar, Mildred Russell, Ruby Harrison, Grace Harrison, Margery Nethery, Esther Haughey, Edith Christiansen, Lucile Ford, Lena Amb, Pauline Santee, Arthur Owens, Marion Owens, Ivy Garber, Clara Garber, Dan Halvorsen, Bernice Howard, Erma Henise, Homer Parish, Mrs. Homer Parish, H. A. Weaver, Mrs. H. A. Weaver, Mabel East-



GRAND RAPIDS M. V.'S HELPING IN A TENT EFFORT

man, Harold W. Bullock, Leon H. McNiel. We now have fifty-four Attainment certificates toward our goal of eighty.

Since the beginning of the year the following have finished Reading Courses: Nettie, Vettie and Hazel Van Allen, Alice and Anna Frieswyk, Eva Wilson, Luella Wells, Clark Wilson, Alice Woodruff, Jennie Siems, Edna Decker 2, Mrs. Bertha Peterson, Bert Jacobs, Irvin Ihrig, Lorene, Zelma and Beulah Palmer, Bernath McAllister, Mildred Miner, Louise and Karl Amb, Ruth Arnold, Dale and Leelan Tice, Ruth Amb, Mrs. Pearl Larabee, Adrian Munick, Grace Howard 2, Mrs. John Kidder 4, Wm. H. Collins, Mrs. C. A. Russell, Ruth Ladd, Edna L. Walker 2, Mrs. S. M. Buck, Ruby Crain, Stephen Butterfield, Beatrice Nevers, Weltha Sanctman, Florence Johnson, Aurlbey Rees, Ruth Nethery, M. E. VanBenthuse, Susan A. Walde, Beulah Avery, Esther Boeken, C. F. Clarke, Carl Montgomery, Ella Wilson, Kenneth Nevins 2, Kendall Nevins 2, Dorothy Nevins 2, Ethan M. Barrett, Ruby Barrett, Faye Strickland, Grace and Alice Slade, Frank Lowery, Shirley Shears, Paul Herrington, Susie Klose, Vera M. Fisher, Warren Perren, Evan L. Garrett, Ruthena, and K. M. Lafferty, Wilma Fishell, Florence McNeill, Eloise Rice, Marjorie Sargent, Maxine Harding, Doris Lane, Bernice Swanson, Helen Babcock, Randolph Reesman, Rose Holcomb, Ellen and Emma Vogle, Frances Jackson, Myra Simpson, Naomi Hayes, Lorena Davis, Helen Zollman, Everett Holcomb, Nettie Hunt, Alice Craig, Norman Farquharson, Raymond Chantrene, Ailene M. Smith, Margaret Beguelin, Pauline Haughtaling, Guin-

evere Washburn, Dorothea Sheldon, Paul Kapelka, Myron Davis, Mrs. J. C. Harris 2, Vera M. Fleming 3, Mrs. F. R. Eastman 6, Letha Eastman 5, Ethel Palmer, Margaret Hitchcock.

If we do as well the next two quarters as we have the first two, our goal of 240 Reading Course certificates will be certain. Let not your interest in good reading slacken but quicken.

The first to report the Junior Bible Year completed is Dollie Olson of Muskegon. The Battle Creek Society is credited with 20 Senior Bible Year.

The result of these educational features has been a deeper spirituality and renewed efforts in soul winning. Here is the testimony of one completing the book, "Advance Guard of Missions." "After reading this book I think of my trials as being small and insignificant when compared to the big difficulties which the missionaries were forced to overcome, and their noble lives inspire me to better living and less complaining." Realizing the power of prayer, nearly 400 of our young people have joined prayer and personal workers bands. About 75 have been converted and joined the church since the beginning of the year.

The Glenwood society has used 100 "World War." A new church is being built in Muskegon. Both Junior and Senior societies there are alive and have been selling books and magazines and taking subscriptions, thus bringing in during the past quarter \$365.43 to apply on the building fund. They report good experiences in handling the literature.

Battle Creek Volunteers are making good use of their new \$100 library. This society has done and is doing some very definite soul winning. The jail work in Grand Rapids is still being conducted by the young people each Sunday. These Volunteers are indeed proving themselves volunteers for they are giving the tent effort excellent co-operation in distributing hand bills, making calls and furnishing music.

Our young people can do more and will do more when they have the encouragement of every church member. Place confidence in them and they will have confidence in you. Let us be thankful for our young people.

EDNA L. WALKER

East Michigan Conference

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Notice

Candidates for the special teachers' examination in East Michigan should correspond with the undersigned for arrangement of place and date. It will be held early the first week in September.

FLORA H. WILLIAMS

The School Work

The time of moving comes to educational superintendents as truly as to the old-time Methodist preacher; and while leaving the old field is a bitter trial, arriving in the new is a pleasure, for Seventh-day Adventists have the same kindly heart everywhere.

Last October 20 found a new superintendent at East Michigan headquarters with practically no knowledge of her field. Twenty-three schools were either in action or watchfully waiting for an opportunity to get

into action. Infantile paralysis, scarlet fever, and various other contagious diseases were sweeping through the cities, temporarily paralyzing school work.

Our Father blessed the schools, and step by step He led all the year through though at times the path seemed to lead through steep and dark places, owing to the fact that from sickness and kindred causes several teachers gave up their work. This necessitated finding new ones, which is usually not an easy matter during the school year, and, of course, interferes more or less with the school work. The One who originated our system of education did not fail the children in their time of need, and provided new workers to take the places of the old; and while a great deal of inconvenience was caused, no serious calamity resulted.

There has been excellent cooperation on the part of the teachers throughout the field, and an admirable spirit among the children in the schools which has shown itself in real efforts to help themselves and to help others.

Their missionary reports showed a good amount of work done, one item of which was \$118 raised by means of the harvest ingathering plan. During the year there has been great rejoicing in some of the schools because of answered prayers. In one case, at least, a parent found his God in answer to prayer. There is nothing more beautiful than the simple faith of little children.

We are seeking to build on the rock—to build for eternity. Nearly all the children passed their grades, but that is not the most important result. If it were, our schools would better close their doors. The passing of grades or the failure to pass them does not prove the school a success or a failure even from a mental standpoint. Mentally considered the question is, Is a proper foundation being laid on which to build a future education? Did the children understand and assimilate that which they have been taught?

But the points to be made foremost are, Are they building pure and perfect characters? Are they forgetting self like their Master and working with one aim in view, to get the best possible education in order that that they may be able to lift others to a higher plane? When we are approaching these standards our schools are succeeding.

FLORA H. WILLIAMS

Adelphian Academy

"Why is the Adelphian Academy building an addition this summer?" This is a perfectly legitimate question being asked by some not in close touch with the school. The new addition will meet four very imperative needs.

First, It will provide adequate room for the science department. The Academy has been raised to the full twelfth grade work, and it is making adequate arrangements for the teaching of Physics and other science classes. A large amount of science equipment has been contracted for, and is now being received at the school. The new laboratory will make adequate provision for this work.

It will also make available six large, new, pleasant rooms for boys. That this room is needed, is indicated by the fact that the largest number of applications in the history of the school have been received

this summer. Every facility of the school will be taxed to its utmost capacity.

Further, It will provide a large assembly room, which will meet the imperative demand for more room for the various school gatherings,—the previous chapel having been a second floor room, altogether too small for the needs of the school.

Lastly, it will provide two well equipped primary rooms for the elementary grades. The needs of the Conference demand that more attention be given to training of teachers for our elementary schools. It is the purpose of the Academy to make its own elementary work an object lesson for the benefit of those who will go out from the school as teachers.

But the reason why the Adelphian Academy Board is providing this new addition is the same reason that has governed all of its policies for some time, and that reason is this: The Board and faculty believe in the rights and worth of the individual student, and that the supreme work of the school is to make possible the training, and better training, of more young people. It is this purpose that has led the Board to provide a thoroughly competent faculty; to secure the many home comforts and conveniences, such as steam heat, electric light, hot and cold running water, and other facilities for the dormitory students; and to make available the library, scientific equipment and industrial equipment for the benefit of all students.

The many unsolicited letters of appreciation coming to us from parents and church officers, together with the liberal donations now being received for the improvements, are a source of great satisfaction to those bearing the responsibilities at the school.

The facilities for work in every department are being improved this summer. The course of study has been enlarged and strengthened. Home comforts have been added and now the large number of applications indicate that the school is about to enter upon the period of its greatest and best work.

To those who have not yet applied, but who feel that they would like to enjoy the advantages offered by this school, we want to say that although it may be necessary to crowd together a little more than we desire, that we will still make arrangements to receive all those who notify us at once. An illustrated catalogue is published giving complete information concerning the various departments, industries, and general information concerning the school.

THOS. W. STEEN, *Principal*

Does the Missionary Volunteer Department Pay?

Let the Missionary Volunteers answer the question. Even the Juniors want to tell how much the Missionary Volunteer work has done for them, and this is what Leston Post, ten years of age, of Detroit, wrote to the East Michigan Missionary Volunteer Secretary in a recent letter:

"The Missionary Volunteer work has made me a better Christian. The things I have been doing are as follows,—giving papers away, selling dandelion greens, carrying wood, mowing lawns, raising garden, reading the Bible to a sick boy, who has to lie in a plaster of Paris cast, carrying suitcases, being manly, taking tin

cans away, not spending money for candy, giving tracts, cleaning sidewalks in winter, witnessing for Jesus, running errands, beating carpets, sweeping sidewalks, having lemonade and ice cream stands, making and selling doll furniture, selling bird houses, selling flowers and vegetables, and carrying away ashes, and being kind to everyone."

This same boy was given a ride to school one morning with a certain delivery-man, who afterward made the statement that that boy had given him the best study on the Saturday Sabbath question he had ever heard. Leston said he "talked the Bible to him" as they rode along.

Howard Clark, another of our Junior boys, said to me a few days ago, "The Missionary Volunteer work has made me more interested, and it has made me work harder. I have planned many ways to reach my Missionary Volunteer goal of \$1.50 this year, *and I am going to double it, and more than double it.*"

The girls are working, too. Erma Owens wrote a good letter not long ago. Here is part of it: "I promised at camp meeting I would save all my money. For tithes, I had twenty-one cents. For missionary money I had two dollars and twenty-one cents, so altogether I had two dollars and forty-two cents. *I did not spend one cent for candy or gum.* I am eleven years old. I have sold two books, and given away some *Little Friends* and *Youth's Instructors.*"

Our Seniors are also busy. In fact, we believe that this, to a great extent, accounts for the attitude shown by the Juniors, who are watching the older ones as their examples. Good reports are being received from the Seniors. The Bunker Hill Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society, which was just recently organized, is doing splendid work; which is characteristic of the activity on the part of the young people throughout the Conference. You will be interested in the report from Bunker Hill, which appears under the title "Like the Leaves of Autumn."

The Missionary Volunteers are proving "God's helping hand" to the church. One Friday evening, a short time ago, as the resident minister of a certain church in this Conference, in company with a visiting brother, was passing by his church, he said, pointing to it, "There is the secret of the success of my Sunday evening services." It was the time of the regular prayer band meeting of the Young People's Society. The bands were assembled there, as they were every Friday evening in special prayer that the Lord might bless in the services the following Sunday night.

We are truly grateful for the interest and hearty cooperation of our East Michigan Volunteers. Dear young people, let us, every one, awake to the wonderful opportunities and responsibilities that come with each new day, so graciously granted to us by our Father, and let us rise and work as Volunteers for Christ more zealously than ever before, that our King may quickly come, to usher in an everlasting kingdom, not of warfare, strife, and sorrow, such as now prevails on every hand, but a glad eternity of joy and peace."

E. LOIS CARMICHAEL

He who waits to do a great deal of good at once will never do anything.—*Samuel Johnson.*

Like the Leaves of Autumn

"Dear Sister: I expect that you will be wondering how the putting out of 'Present Truth' went. Nine left here in two autos and taking different roads started for Stockbridge, a little town east of here about nine miles. They started out with the papers by going to the houses and knocking and as the people came to the door giving them the paper and telling them what it was about. This was found too slow a method, and so after a time the autos were not stopped at all, but the papers were rolled or folded and thrown on the ground by the mail boxes. (We are not allowed to place literature in the mail boxes.) From many of the houses the occupants started out for them at once. Papers were thrown in or at rigs and autos met, or passed, and it was surprising to see how nearly every rig was stopped, and the papers picked up when the efforts to throw them into the rig failed.

"When Stockbridge was reached, the ladies, going by twos, one on each side of the street, made all the streets and left a paper on each porch. These were picked up many times before the lady reached the street again. The men made a trip through the country leaving papers while the ladies made the distribution in town. At noon, the men came back, and the two autos drove out of town a little distance and here all ate dinner, which had been taken in lunch boxes. After dinner they went to Gregory, and then to Pinckney, at each of which places the plan was for the most part repeated. Taking different roads they continued the distribution and reached home about 6:30 P. M., having made nearly seventy-five miles.

"On meeting people and handing them the papers, every one seemed glad to get the reading on the subject. Many, when told the subject matter, would remark that they were glad to get something to read along that line, and would thank the doner very cordially.

"About nine hundred copies were put out during the day. And judging from the roads and streets where we were obliged to travel the second time, more than nine out of every ten copies were taken up and read.

"Monabelle DeCamp."

Indiana Conference

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Educational Work

During the past school year nineteen schools taught by twenty-one teachers have been in session. Two of these were home schools. The aim has been longer terms and standard work. It has been encouraging to see most of the schools reach this goal.

Heaven's spirit visited our schools, and many boys and girls gave themselves to the Lord and were baptized.

The pupils have been active in missionary work and in reaching their goal for India.

At this date, August 1, we are planning for five new schools. Oh, that all S. D. A. parents would see the necessity of giving their children a Christian education.

EDITH SHEPARD

A Word from Beechwood Academy

The summer has been spent in visiting the churches and homes of Indiana in the interest of the school work. Our report is that the prospects are very bright for a full school this coming winter. And in addition to this we are pleased to report that a fine class of young people are offering themselves for training for the Master's vineyard.

There are a number who will need help from the Student's Aid Fund. The first payment on the pledges made some time ago was due, you will remember, on the first of this month. We trust that those who have unpaid pledges will not long delay payment for this first half. It is important that we know how much to expect for the coming year in laying our plans. It is not too late now to make pledges or donations to this worthy Fund and cause.

At Anderson on Sabbath the 28th the members of the Anderson and Middletown churches, with a few from Boggstown quickly pledged over a hundred dollars to buy the school a good cow. Sabbath the 4th, the Sturm Avenue Church and the 23d Street Church, in Indianapolis each raised money for a cow.

There will be a great deal of work for the boys this fall. If anything is different than the situation was last fall in the work line it will be for the better. There is more corn to cut, more to shuck, some building to be done and repairs to look after, so we can keep you busy. We desire a number of both boys and girls to come the Monday after the close of the camp meeting, and get a start on their school expenses. If you wish to come, either write the principal or see him on the camp grounds. We can use ten or twelve boys and five or six girls.

If there are any young people of Academic age in Indiana who have not yet received a copy of our catalogue for this coming year, we shall be glad to have you ask for one. Also booklets of regulations and application cards are yours for the asking. We hope there will be one in every home in the Conference where there are young people of Academic grades.

The crops look very fine, and prospects for something to eat next winter are bright. The coal is now ordered and may possibly be on the way.

A number of changes have been made in the arrangement of the offices, and the building is to be made considerably more comfortable next winter by the new furnace which is waiting for some boys to set it up.

Boys and girls of Indiana, why not come to Beechwood next winter? We are pledged to do our best to bring Beechwood up to the full standard of our denomination. All over the state the people are turning their hearts toward the school and are showing a spirit of liberality in helping us to bring our equipment up to specifications.

The cause, dear to our hearts, demands the young men and young women of Indiana and soon it will be too late. Do not say "next year," but **THIS YEAR.**

FACULTY

Missionary Volunteer Work in Indiana

O smile, Indiana, broad and long,
Our M. V. work goes like a song,
But what good proof, my friend, give you?
Twelve new societies working too.

And are the Volunteers all reading?
With library for every good band,
Yes, with certificates we're leading,
One hundred fifty-six at hand.

The mission spirit shows our colors,
Our Volunteers believe this, too.
Good magazines and truth-filled series
Go to the libraries not a few.

And now O, Volunteers, take heed,
For India calls in accents strong.
To hear these pleas, to send them aid,
O won't you please pass help along?

O yes, we hear and we will do,
Each one his part with cheerful soul.
Each one a quarter or a dime,
We'll ne'er give up, we'll reach our goal.

South Wisconsin Conference

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President, C. S. Wiest

Attention!

A special teachers' examination will be conducted at Madison, Wisconsin, at the Sanitarium two days beginning at 8:00 Wednesday, August 29, for benefit of teachers wishing to raise the grades made at summer school examinations and for any one wishing a certificate in the South Wisconsin conference.

G. R. FATTIC

Educational

"We send our children to the Sabbath school that they may be instructed in regard to the truth, and then as they go to the day school, lessons containing falsehood are given them to learn. These things confuse the mind and should not be. . . . Can we wonder that under such circumstances some of the youth among us do not appreciate religious advantages? Can we wonder that they drift into temptation? Can we wonder that, neglected as they have been, their energies are devoted to to amusements which do them no good, that their religious aspirations are weakened and their spiritual life darkened?" Vol. 6, p. 194.

When Israel was in ancient Egypt, before the Lord passed through the land to smite the older children of the Egyptians, He provided a plan to save the children of His people. The parents were to gather their children into their own houses, and any one of the children of the Hebrews who was found in an Egyptian habitation was destroyed. There were no exceptions made, because of what the parents *meant* to have done, or *wished* they *could* do or *would have done*, if it had been convenient. Any Hebrew home without the blood was visited by the Angel of Death and every Hebrew child found in an Egyptian habitation that night died.

We read all this and apply it to everything but what the Lord left it on record for. Volume 6, page 195,

The youth who surrenders himself to a great ideal will himself become great.—*Emerson.*

tells us it was the type of the appeal from heaven to God's church today to take our children out of the schools of the world and put them in church schools and other Christian institutions of learning, and to cease to be unequally yoked together with unbelievers in the education of our children and youth. And again no exception will be made because of what the parents *meant to have done, or wished they could do, or would have done* if it had been *convenient*.

Parents, it's a vital problem, vital to you as a father or a mother, vital to your child, vital to the church.

"Wherever there are a *few* Sabbath-keepers, in localities where there is a church, schools should be established



GREEN BAY CHURCH SCHOOL. STARTED THIS YEAR

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 this world. We are far behind our duty in this important matter. In many places schools should have been established *years ago*." Vol. 6, p. 199.

Reader, does this message from heaven reach you? Will your children, if you are a father or mother, be given a fighting chance this coming year to win in this struggle? Will you help them by carrying out God's instruction to you? or will you turn a deaf ear to this cry and to their appeal?

Young men and young women who read this, will you not plan definitely and now to identify yourself with God's plan for His young people, and place yourself in a Christian school somehow, instead of continuing to associate with the world?

We have hundreds of children and young people in South Wisconsin whose needs for a change of school environment cry daily to our Father. Reader, are you or yours among them? We have seventeen churches where there are more than six children, but no school. Is your church one of these? May the Lord help us to know what our relation should be to these tremendously important issues.

G. R. FATTIC

Bethel Academy

The enrollment at Bethel Academy the past year was eighty-two, the largest it has reached in the past five years. A splendid Christian spirit of earnestness pervaded the school the entire year. There was almost no disciplinary trouble. All seemed controlled by a purpose to make their stay at Bethel as profitable

as possible. The young men organized and carried on successfully a ministerial band under the guidance of their preceptor. Later the young ladies organized a Bible readers' band. These bands, and other bands, held weekly meetings where the students strove to present the truths of God's word to each other in order to be able to present it better to the world.

Everybody in the conference was made glad when the school was freed from debt this last year, and the students were particularly glad to have had a part in it. Their two-fold slogan,

"Nineteen Sixteen
One Thousand Dollars
Twelve Grades
One Hundred Scholars,"

reveals the plans which are being worked out now. While the equipment is being raised to fit the school for twelve grades of work, the students and all are encouraging the young people of the South Wisconsin Conference to come to school. A unique feature of our students' work is the Students' Recruiting Band. The young people of Bethel have divided the conference into four equal parts and elected a leader for each part. Each leader with his band expects to enroll at least twenty-five students this fall, and, no doubt, they will do it. The outlook for students this year is brighter than it has been since I have been connected with the school.

The work done by the various bands of missionary character in temperance cause, harvest ingathering, during the week of prayer, and indeed all the time, only reveal the spirit in which the Academy lives. Young people do not come away from home merely to have part in these things but these things show the character given to the student life. Youth trained in a school where God's Word and His work in the earth are the purposes held up as the objects worthy of endeavor, must certainly feel the influence to devote their lives to the work of the Third Angel's Message.

The school intends to give a thorough preparation in the branches which it teaches, and to guide the youth in the formation of stalwart character and in choosing of a life aim in the cause of God.

We extend a cordial invitation to parents and young people to become acquainted with Bethel Academy. We invite you to visit the school whenever possible and to correspond with us.

H. T. ELLIOTT, *Principal*

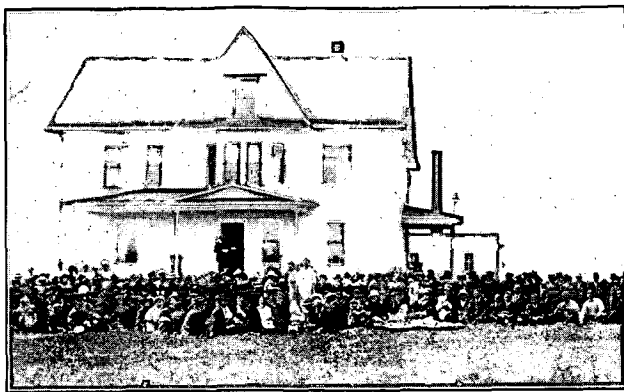
Missionary Volunteer Work

We are glad to tell our friends in the Union and elsewhere through the columns of this special HERALD that the Lord has wonderfully blessed us over here in South Wisconsin in the Missionary Volunteer work during the past two years. To be sure we do not feel satisfied but we feel grateful.

Our registration files show an army of young people in this field. More than seven hundred names are now on our mailing list. Our correspondence with these, and their registration blanks, reveal the fact that a large number of them are actively engaged in some of the lines of missionary endeavor outlined in the plans for our Y. P. M. V. missionary activities. Think what an army these youth if rightly trained might furnish to help in giving the message of a crucified, risen, and

soon coming Saviour to the world! What a tremendous amount of energy is bound up in seven hundred young men and young women! Save them, and we save the church.

The Lord has told us that altogether too little attention has been given our children and youth. On page 196, Vol. 6, we are told that the older members of the church have not looked upon them with tenderness and sympathy so that our young people have failed to develop in the Christian life as they should. "The work



A JOINT SABBATH SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION

that lies nearest to our church members is to become interested in our youth. There ought to be a large number who as stewards of the grace of Christ would feel not merely a casual interest but a special interest in the young."

At present we have our young people enrolled as follows:

115 for Standard of Attainment

296 for Bible Year

107 for Reading Course

1484 for Morning Watch

Can't we double these figures by December 31?

M. V. SECRETARY

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Notice

The special examination for teachers of North Wisconsin will be held August 29 and 30 at the office in Ashland, Wis.

T. S. COPELAND

The Little Log School House

If you would fully appreciate one of God's greatest gifts you should go with me some bright autumn morning down a narrow winding road through a great forest of birch and pine. Here at the edge of the great forest stands a little log school house.

Stepping cautiously upon the step, for the teacher doesn't know we are coming, we listen. Scarcely a sound can be heard. Entering the room unnoticed we see ten little boys and girls happy at their work. As the hour hand points a quarter past the hour the fourth year reading class is called. With a noiseless turn and quiet steps two girls are at the recitation

bench. In firm but tender tone question after question comes until fifteen minutes have been quickly numbered in the past.

As you look over the new pine walls and ceiling, see the windows so artistically decorated with the newly painted vines and leaves of the forest, see the clean kept floor without one single scrap of paper on it, the single seats with unscarred, varnished tops, the drinking fountain and the newly polished stove; all these make you long to be a boy or girl in the little log school house.

Noon hour has come, lunch is over, and all take part in a game of black-man, town ball, or draw base. As we visit for a little time with the teacher about some of her school problems she tells the beautiful story of how her boys and girls won a great victory.

A Junior society had been organized with Edwin, a boy of twelve, as leader. He took hold of the work with much interest, courage, and enthusiasm until it came time to offer prayer in the opening of the first meeting. Neither he nor the other children had ever offered prayer in public, so he called on the teacher. A number of meetings started with the teacher doing the praying. She said nothing but prayed often that Edwin might lead out himself. She could see that he was troubled more and more. One morning the little leader asked if he must always call on her to open the meeting. "No Edwin," was the reply, "you must take part yourself and then call upon the other children." That morning was to be a prayer meeting morning.

The time for victory had come. It was a precious morning. A song had been sung, the scripture lesson read, when Edwin with a quivering voice said that he would lead in prayer and wanted all to take part. As his little prayer ascended to the throne of God it seemed as if all the gates of heaven had been opened and its glory poured into that little log school house. Edwin asked that the Lord would help them all to pray. Needless to say that his humble petition had been granted for one by one little voices were heard until all had taken part. This was a great day in this school for all had won a victory. They had learned how to lay hold of the Master Key that unlocks the store house of Heaven.

T. S. COPELAND

Waldery Academy

One year has passed since the school at Waldery came under the control of the North Wisconsin Conference, and we are glad to report a year of success in spiritual advancement and temporal prosperity.

A New School in a New Country

Waldery is the youngest Academy in the Union, but is already filling a place of usefulness in our field. Situated in a new portion of the country, among a pioneer people, many of whom are of foreign birth or descent, its aim is to be of practical service in carrying the message to the territory it serves and at the same time give a strong, efficient training to the young people who attend.

The Teachers

The Academy board have been able to retain the same force of efficient teachers as last year with but one

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The first Sabbath and Sunday in September have been set apart as days of fasting and special prayer. We are in a day of darkness and perplexity and we need the help of our GOD.

Nearly 1,000 young men of the Lake Union registered on June 5. All of these are subject to the draft. Many are already called. This time of struggle for the Nation is also a solemn test to our people. Many fathers and mothers are deeply burdened. The LAKE UNION HERALD will bring valuable, and at times for our young men, vital information and reports concerning the present conditions. We are sending you this special number with the request that you subscribe for the HERALD, and get others to order it. Every Adventist in this Union will need the HERALD. We are requesting all our Churches to take this matter up. Encourage every member to get the HERALD.

change. Our instructors are now, E. A. von Pohle, H. M. Colburn, Gussie Field-Colburn, L. J. Vollmer, Kathryn Adams, Gertrude Holmes, B. E. Nelson. Our teachers are all well qualified for their work and are interested in young people.

Many Students Work Their Way

One of the prominent points connected with the Schools of the Prophets was that the students all performed useful industrial work in connection with their intellectual and spiritual studies. Last year at Walderly with one or two exceptions, all the students worked more than half their way. About half of the students worked all their way. No students come to Walderly who do not work part of their way. The Academy carries on a number of industries for its boys and girls. For the girls we have cooking, nursing, weaving, general domestic science, garden work, and dress-making. For the young men the following industries are carried on: agriculture, carpentry, painting, plumbing, mechanical work, saw and planer mill, and blacksmithing. As there are a number of necessary buildings to be erected and others to be completed, opportunity will be given a number of young men to get acquainted with the building industry from the cutting of the timber in the woods, sawing and planing it in the mill, to erecting the buildings.

Every shop, barn, kitchen, and garden is a part of our regular school equipment used to advance a student in his education.

Spiritual Life

The value of a Christian school must be measured by its spiritual life. The first work of our teachers is to instil into every boy and girl the foundation principles of Christianity, then to arouse in them the spirit of service. This is done by interesting them in the needs of the world and especially the missionary work of the community. We have found that the greatest stimulant to a strong spiritual life is to be of spiritual service to others. Bible classes, prayer bands, missionary bands, Bible reading in the homes, and public meetings in the school houses in the surrounding country all help in the spiritual life. The students are doing practical missionary work while in school.

Needs of Walderly

The building up of such a work as we are doing at Walderly calls for young men and women who have a mind to work. Young men and women who, while attending school for the education they will gain there, feel that they can serve God as missionaries in school by helping to develop such an institution. There is a place at Walderly for any young man or woman who desires an education, and who is willing to work for it. While the Walderly Academy raises much for its own use, and can accomplish a great deal by its own resources, yet there is much money needed to furnish it with the necessary tools and equipment to make it a school where the students are to be self-supporting and also come up to the standards of the "Schools of the Prophets."

E. A. VON POHLE

Walderly Academy

The work at the Walderly Academy is forward. As we look at the past year we can plainly see that the work is the Lord's and that He is looking after his own.

We are truly living in strenuous times and I firmly believe that the Lord has established our training school to prepare young men and women for just such a time as this. With its strong corps of Christian teachers and its many lines of industrial work Walderly Academy is in a position as never before to aid the young people of our conference.

We have at the school this summer a family of about twenty composed of teachers and students who are working unitedly to better conditions and prepare for the coming school year. The boys' dormitory and principal's cottage are practically completed, including the painting. At present our best efforts are being put forth to can fruit and vegetables and to put up hay for the coming winter.

We extend to the young people of our conference a most hearty invitation to come join our family and make the motto of our school "Efficiency for Service" your motto.

For calendar and further particulars address, Walderly Academy, Hines, Wisconsin.

H. M. COLBURN

Camp Meeting Dates

Indiana, Wabash	- - - -	Aug. 16 to 27
North Michigan, Cadillac	- - - -	Aug. 23 to Sept. 3
Southern Illinois, Pana	- - - -	Aug. 30 to Sept. 9