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

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Did You Think to Pray?

"Ere you left your room this morning,
Did you think to pray?
In the name of Christ, our Saviour,
Did you sue for loving favor,
As a shield today?"

"When you met with great temptation,
Did you think to pray?
By His dying love and merit,
Did you claim the Holy Spirit
As your guide and stay?"

"When your heart was filled with anger,
Did you think to pray?
Did you plead for grace, my brother,
That you might forgive another
Who had crossed your way?"

"When sore trials came upon you,
Did you think to pray?
When your soul was bowed in sorrow,
Balm of Gilead did you borrow
At the gates of day?"

The Year 1919

The advent of the year 1919 found Emmanuel Missionary College closed for the second time this year on account of the influenza. We had no assurance as to the length of time that we would be closed, though we hoped it would be short; and we are thankful to say that only five days of school work were lost at this time because of being closed. Tuesday, January 7th, our work began, and is being carried forward with enthusiasm by teachers and students. At the opening of our school, after the holiday vacation, we have only one student ill, and the prospects for his immediate recovery are excellent. We have had this year in the school and neighborhood one hundred and twenty-five cases of influenza. There have been four deaths; and we feel that our methods of treatment have saved us from more deaths. The four who have died are Mrs. Elmer Erickson of Granton, Wis.; R. Leonard Guild of Otsego, Mich.; William V. Hall of Berrien Springs, Mich.; and Karl K. Kratzer of Kokomo, Ind. Great sadness has filled our hearts at the death of these young people. Each of them died an earnest Christian. They were all diligent students. They are missed very much by teachers and students.

The financial loss to the school because of the influenza has been very heavy. It will probably amount to five or six thousand dollars in rebates and expenses caused by the sickness.

While we have been passing through these waters of affliction and trouble, our trust in God has grown greater, and we have a strong belief in the success of the school year. Our students are as loyal and true a company of young men

and women as have ever been brought together. They love Emmanuel Missionary College, and they work devotedly for its upbuilding. The campaign for three hundred students this year which they have entered upon is bound to be of large value to the school.

The prospects for the completion of a very successful year are most excellent. Upon the ending of the school year 1918-19 in May, we must enter a vigorous campaign to bring every one of the young men and women of the Lake Union Conference who should be in college here. We have several hundred who are not here who should be. We must provide home and school facilities for all of our young people. This will require a large building program, so that when the school year of 1919-20 opens in September, we shall have room for all who come.

In this great work of educating our children and youth we are to be all united. Every member of every church is to have a deep interest in the advancement of our educational work. We look for our people to loyally respond to our needs in the upbuilding of this college. Our building enterprises should be prosecuted most vigorously this coming summer, and this will mean an outlay of money, which we believe our people will bring forward. The plans which the Board of Managers have laid are economical and none too large, if indeed they are large enough, for the needs of our work. By united effort in the work of educating our children and youth we will succeed in preparing many additional workers for the cause or truth.

FREDERICK GRIGGS

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Wabash Valley Sanitarium Notes

During the last quarter our Sabbath school donations have been larger than during any previous quarter for years. We set our goal at one hundred dollars per quarter, feeling that inasmuch as there were only forty members in our Sabbath school and about three-fourths of these were nurses receiving no salary, if we attained the one hundred dollar goal, it would be doing remarkably well. Our offerings have actually amounted to over two hundred dollars. This is in addition to money raised for Sabbath school expenses. Never before in our history have we had a more enthusiastic Sabbath school with every member sacrificing to the full extent of his ability. The new chapel is now finished and furnished, and for the first time in our history we have a suitable place for our Sabbath school and church services. Brother Nash of Monti-

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cello, Ind., very kindly donated the use of a fine piano.

The onset of the cold weather found practically all of our outside work finished. We have been blessed with splendid patronage for this time of the year, and this has enabled us out of our own earnings to complete a great deal of the unfinished work which was left as the result of the extensive building operations we have been engaged in during the last year.

Last week a Catholic lady who has become interested in our work, knowing of our new improvements, felt that perhaps we needed some money. She had only twenty-five dollars to give and she brought it herself, telling us how glad she was to be able to help us in this good work.

During the last year a large amount of surgical work was done, and all the surgical cases excepting one have made splendid recovery. The completeness of many of the recoveries has been a great surprise to us. Again we feel God's protecting care has been over us. During the last eleven months there has not been a single death following an operation.

Perhaps our most urgent need today is larger and better equipped bathrooms. Our bathrooms have needed remodeling for many years. Last week I presented our needs to two or three of the leading business men of Lafayette and they have promised to put their names at the head of a subscription list and give generous amounts that this very necessary work may be carried out in the near future.

During the last year we have been unable to do any advertising because all of our old booklets were used up. A new booklet is now being printed, which will be a credit to us, and as soon as this is off the press we shall be able to start in some energetic advertising, which we feel will give us larger patronage than ever before.

W. C. DUNSCOMBE, M. D.

"The sweetest life is that which is ever making sacrifices for Christ; the hardest life a man can lead is always to be doing his own will, and seeking to please himself."

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News Notes

Elder and Mrs. Holden returned early last week from a visit among the churches in the northern part of the state. They were also present at the teachers' institute held at the sanitarium at Hinsdale. They report a very pleasant and profitable time in getting acquainted with our people who have recently become a part of the newly-organized Illinois Conference.

We hear encouraging reports of the progress Brother R. J. Watson is making in the recovery of his health. However, it will probably be several weeks before he will be able to buckle on the harness for field service.

Miss Grace Evans was in attendance at the teachers' institute recently held at Hinsdale Sanitarium. She also visited Fox River Academy before returning to the office.

A baptismal service was held at the First Springfield church Tuesday evening, January 7. Elder Holden officiated.

A meeting of the conference executive committee was held at the conference office January 8. Matters of importance were considered relative to the extension of the work in our enlarged field.

As has been already announced in the columns of the HERALD this conference hereafter will be known as the Illinois Conference, the word "Southern" being omitted, inasmuch as our territory now covers the greater part of the state. Those of our people having to make remittances to the office will kindly bear this in mind.

Elder P. C. Hanson recently conducted quarterly services at the Danville church. An election of officers for the coming year was held at the same time.

The canvassers' institute has been postponed until spring as stated by Brother Blosser in a former issue of the HERALD.

East Michigan Conference

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Adelphian Academy Notes

After escaping entirely the first spread of influenza in the fall, our school at last had to take its turn. On December 5 a case developed among the students. School was closed immediately, but before the students could get away about twenty students and teachers were taken sick. The others went home, some of whom were sick after they got there. For many days our homes were turned into hospitals. The preceptor and preceptress were down and nursing help became scarce. Everett Sheldon did valient work nursing the boys till he had to go to bed with them. Mrs. Swartz, our matron, took the main burden of the nursing all the way through. Two mothers of students, Sisters Burgess and Midgley, came to help, and rendered excellent service. Of our ten teachers only three escaped.

God mercifully spared us any serious cases, and so death did not invade our ranks. We give

Him the praise, and also attribute our success to the untiring and efficient nursing the patients received. All were up and went home in time to enjoy the Christmas vacation. Only twelve school days were lost, and we hope to make up this work by diligent effort. School opened again December 30 and over half the students were back on that date, others coming in a little late because of lingering illness.

In appreciation of her nursing efforts, Mrs. Swartz was given a beautiful Oxford Bible by her influenza patients.

Keineth Hinkson, one of the late arrivals among the students, had a hard time to pull through the epidemic, but he is well over it now. We are glad to note that he gave his heart to God during his sickness, and was baptized at Saginaw during the vacation.

G. P. Eckard was compelled to leave his music teaching in the school and move to California for his health. Miss Mabel Reed, of Alma, has been asked to finish the year's work.

On the reopening of school the students and teachers unanimously voted letters of sympathy to the relatives of Leonard Guild and Zeno Stoddard, two former students of Adelpian Academy who have recently died of influenza.

R. B. THURBER

Cantonment, Fla.

To our dear brethren and sisters of East Michigan: We wish to assure any who may have doubted our coming to a good location for missionary work, that we know God directed us here. We came as farmers, desiring to show these southern people how to make an attractive home and thus draw them to us, Jesus, and this truth. As a result of the first tent effort here a number have accepted the Sabbath, some from other states and even from the city of Detroit. Our daughter, Metha, though still cherishing the memory of Adelpian Academy and past associations there, has found another school of God's planting at Ooltewah, Tenn. Pray for us that we may be faithful to our many opportunities here.

ERNEST AND MRS. LOHR

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Cadillac

I enjoy reading in the LAKE UNION HERALD the reports from our workers, and there are no doubt those who would like to hear of the work here at Cadillac. In the winter time the attendance at our Sabbath services is cut down some because many of the members live in the country. We have real winter here and it is difficult to go very far through the cold and deep snow, especially for those who are not as rugged as some of us are. This leaves the work in the city to be done by the few, but the few who are here are at work. We are using each month 1,000 of the *Present Truth*. We find many people who tell us they enjoy reading the paper, and read every word of it. This gives us an opportunity to visit many people. What a satisfaction it will be when we come up in the judgment to feel that we have done what we could

to bring the blessed truth to our neighbors, yes, and to see some of them saved as the result of our efforts.

We are having a live interest in our Sabbath services, and are holding Sunday evening meetings. The attendance is not large but there are some interested ones. The newspaper publishes a synopsis of my sermons each week.

Pray for the work in Cadillac.

J. C. HARRIS

Week of Prayer Visits

On December 12, I met Elder Chancy Wood at Mt. Pleasant. Elder Wood had just completed a visit among the churches in Oceana County, in the interest of foreign mission fields. He had succeeded in raising several hundred dollars. At Mt. Pleasant we held only one service with as many of the brethren and sisters as could come together upon short notice. Several dollars was contributed to the mission fund at this small meeting. We then spent the whole of the week of prayer with the churches in Midland and Iosco counties. The rich blessing of the Lord was with us in every meeting held, and also as we visited and talked with the brethren in their homes. As we studied the Bible and the Testimonies with them they seemed readily to grasp the idea that the Lord is giving us just now what seems to be the little time of peace, spoken of on page 268 of Volume I, in which to complete and bind off our work in the earth. As we made earnest calls for the mission fields, the brethren and sisters responded liberally. Our collections among these churches for foreign missions amounted to between three and four thousand dollars. We found the brethren and sisters loyal and very anxious to do all that they can to help lost, perishing men to have an opportunity to hear the message. Surely the rich blessing of the Lord will rest upon all those who will be loyal to this message, and who will liberally and faithfully support it.

F. J. HARRIS

In Recognition

Sufficient announcement has been made concerning the recent changes in the North Michigan Conference. The object, therefore, of this brief item is to recognize, so far as possible the excellent spirit, the cordiality, the Christian zeal and fervor that I constantly met in my labors among the lay-membership. I shall ever look back to my work and sojourn of three years in that field as among the most pleasant experiences of my life.

There is a real spirit of earnest endeavor to be met with among those who love the truths of the message which caused a hearty response to every appeal that was made in the interests of the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer departments. It was indeed a great pleasure to note many lines in which definite progress was made because of such excellent cooperation.

While cheerfully accepting the call to the Chicago Conference, I have at the same time with sadness separated from the work in North Michigan.

It is a great pleasure to introduce to the churches and societies of the conference my suc-

cessor in the Home Missionary department, Elder Chancy Wood, and Brother L. M. Peterson who takes charge of the Missionary Volunteer department. These brethren are worthy of the utmost cooperation from every member of the conference who comes under their respective lines of work. It is my earnest prayer that God will speed on to a hasty consummation the great work of redeeming love in both the outside field and in the hearts of all His people in North Michigan.

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Report from Superior

It has been several weeks since our readers have heard from the work in this part of the field. Our community has, with many others, been visited by the influenza epidemic, which has caused our cup of sorrow to overflow. We lost three of our number in death. While many of our brethren suffered with the disease, we feel sure it was the special care of God that spared their lives.

Harvest Ingathering

Superior has done nobly in this campaign. Every one in the church did his and her part faithfully, and despite the influenza closing ban we were able to raise \$225.

Mission Goal

We are happy to say we went beyond our mission goal for 1918, which was \$825, and reached the \$1,000 mark.

Tithe

It is gratifying to see the increase in tithe and in the number who are paying tithe. Both of these items are double those of 1917. A wave of prosperity has been and is sweeping over us at this time, and it behooves us to take advantage of it and give to God that which will advance His kingdom. The tithe for 1918 was \$3,450. Every member a tithe payer is our aim.

Church School

Under the blessing of God, and the efficient and zealous labors of Brother A. L. Denler, our school has reached a membership of forty. We see in our children of today the zealous Christian workers of tomorrow, and we feel that to withhold our means for their education today would be to rob the mission field of its recruits for tomorrow. A well-supported and properly operated church school is certainly conducive to the spiritual life and salvation of any church or company of believers.

Evangelistic Effort

Since our coming here the first of July we have been blessed of God in seeing a nice company of new believers take their stand in the message, keeping all the commandments. Six of these have been baptized and twenty-five others are expecting to receive the rite very soon. I am enjoying my work in this northern field and desire to do all in my power to strengthen the North Wisconsin Conference. Pray for a harvest of souls to be gathered this coming season, for it is surely time to make great gains in the cause of God.

F. A. WRIGHT

Educational M. V. and Sabbath School Work

The Morning Watch! This little leaflet is one that should be not only in the hands of the Missionary Volunteers, but in the hands of every Sabbath school pupil. This contains an outline for the Bible year. Only five cents. Please send your order at once.

The following Sabbath schools reported very promptly at the close of the quarter: Cumberland, Bloomville, Clearwater Lake, Iron River (Mich.), Plum City, Merrill, Bear Lake, Bashaw Lake, Ironwood (Mich.) Trade Lake. Who will be next? It surely will be appreciated if every report can come in within the next week. All who have been on the Perfect Attendance Roll, please see that your secretary reports your name. If you have been on the Honor Roll for four consecutive quarters please send in your name at once.

The following Missionary Volunteer societies have reported: Superior Junior, Bone Lake Junior, Plum City Senior, Clear Lake Junior. Can we not have all the reports in before the fifteenth of this month?

All who have finished reading the Bible through the past year will please send me their name and address at once.

All who have finished the Senior or Junior Reading Course books, will you kindly send in your name at once. These Reading Course books should be in the hands of every young person in this field. You who do not have them, please send in your order at once and start the new year with the reading of good literature.

Almost every church school has reported a good time during the week of prayer. The largest school in the conference, which is located at Superior and is being taught by Brother A. L. Denler, sends in this report: "Every student in my school has given his heart to the Lord." This is the first year that we have had a church school at Superior, and surely it is a great victory on the part of those who have just come out of the public school to have this record. Is not this one of the best testimonies for the getting of our boys and girls into our church schools? There are many other places in the field where we have not as yet started a school that may be more interested now than heretofore and if so will you kindly write me that we may begin definite plans to this end for another year.

We are glad to know that the influenza ban has now been lifted in most of our churches and our schools and that our schools are all now in session. Much time has been lost and most pupils are behind in their work, but we hope to make up what we have lost. The mid-year examination will come early in February.

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Among the Russians in Chicago

Recently I went out with our new Russian edition of "Great Controversy" into the Russian district of Chicago and had some experiences that I want to pass on. It has opened my eyes to the possibilities in this field.

Learning that the best time to secure results

is at night, I made the first attempt one Monday evening after the men had returned from their work. After climbing two, three, or four flights of stairs, usually in the rear of some tenement or store building, I was in every case welcomed, upon knocking, by a voice from within calling "Come in." Stepping inside, I found a group of men gathered around a table eating their evening meal, or lounging around while one of their number was busy preparing it. Their meals consist of one dish that might be called soup, cooked in a large kettle, and set in the center of the table, from which each man fills his plate. Soup and bread make up their meal.

Surprised at seeing a stranger, especially one not of their own nationality, every eye would turn toward the visitor. No trouble here for the canvasser to get attention. Holding the book up I would tell them that I had something fine that I wanted to show them. In almost every case they would leave their meal and gather around me, as I pointed out the chapters, giving them an English canvass. One can imagine their keen interest. They are far away from home, in a foreign land, with no books on religious subjects in their own language. So eager are they to get the book that before the canvass is finished they will ask what the price is.

In one place, the first night out, I had canvassed the men and had taken one order. One of the other men upon being asked for his order replied that he could not read, but evidently it dawned upon him that he could have some one read it to him, for he turned to one of the other men and borrowed three dollars, and in turn handed it to me saying that he wanted a book. Having only one copy with me, and not wanting to stop work, I told him that I could not sell this copy, but that I would take his order. "No," he said, "I want it." I reluctantly handed it to him, and put the money in my pocket. By this time I was so interested in my work that I didn't want to stop; so I again asked him if he wouldn't give the book back to me and let me bring him one a few days later. So eager was he to have the book immediately that he folded his arms over it, and in a manner that touched my heart, indicated to me in his own way that he could not part with the book. Oh, I thought to myself, what a field for service, and how blind we have been to these hungry souls right here in our neighborhood. I was so impressed by this experience that I resolved to do all I can to place the truth in their hands. Before leaving this place the man from whom I had taken the order told me that if I would come back the next night he would take me around to some of his fellow-countrymen. I put in twenty hours that week among the Russians and took orders amounting to \$75. To one business man I sold two copies of the book. My deliveries were good.

Chicago is a great foreign field. Statistics for 1914 show that in Chicago proper, not to say anything of its many suburbs, there are 399,977 Germans, 231,346 Poles, 227,958 Austrians, 166,134 Russians, 116,740 Swedes, 108,346 Italians, and 102,749 Bohemians, with a host of other nationalities. Not only is this true of this city, but there are about the same proportions in other cities of this conference. Now that we have the new

edition of "Coming King" in the Italian, "Great Controversy" in the Russian and "Our Day" soon to be out in the German, what a challenge this presents to us. In times past we have been devoting our energies in the book work to the rural districts until there is scarcely a home in the greater part of the United States where one or more copies of our books are not found. Is it not time to turn our attention to the cities?

We read in Volume VIII of the Testimonies: "Wake up, wake up, my brethren and sisters, and enter the fields in America that have never been worked. After you have given something for foreign fields, do not think your duty done. There is a work to be done in America that is just as important. In the cities of America there are people of almost every language. These need the light that God has given to His church."

At our coming colporteurs' institute to be held in Chicago Jan. 31 to Feb. 9, methods for working our cities will be presented; also how to work among the foreigners with our books. I am confident that there are many of our brethren now engaged in business who are not satisfied with their Christian experience. They are planning sometime in the future to enter the Lord's work. Why not decide now? Tomorrow may be too late. I would be glad to get in touch with those who are interested in this work.

W. A. BERGHERM

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Free for Missionary Work

Persons in West Michigan wishing copies of our papers for tract racks, missionary correspondence, or other lines of missionary work, please write to me stating what papers you wish and how many you can use. I have quite a number of clean, late copies of our various periodicals.

LYLE C. SHEPARD

Cedar Lake Academy

When we opened school Tuesday morning, December 31, we were very glad to find nearly all our students with us. Every one seemed to be happy and ready for earnest work.

We are all sorry to miss the pleasant face of Ethel Hamilton. After an illness of three weeks, she fell asleep Saturday night, December 28, and is buried near her father's home at Traverse City. We are told that this is the first fatality at Cedar Lake Academy, established twenty-one years ago. Practically all our students and teachers are enjoying good health now, and we anticipate a successful finishing of this year's work.

We are from time to time welcoming new students. Edith Murner of Gaylord, Mich., joined us recently; also Gertrude Simpson of Brantford, Ontario, a sister of the principal, has joined our tenth-grade class.

Professor Snyder wears a very broad smile the last few days. It is probably due to the fact that we have purchased a fine new Smith & Hurst piano, to be used especially for instruction in the music department.

Our second semester classes will be organized January 15, and this will be an excellent time for others to enter the school. Let all our young people make the most of these opportunities while the Lord is still protecting our institution.

G. H. SIMPSON

December

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Charlotte.....	226 02		71 03	Otsego.....	289 03	2 65	242 35
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The Bethel Institute

The friends of our educational work in South Wisconsin will be glad to know that we had a splendid institute. Among those who were present to help us, besides the principal and the teachers of the academy, were Professor Russell, Elder G. B. Thompson, Elder C. S. Wiest, Miss White of the College, T. S. Copeland of North Wisconsin, L. Jorgenson, and Miss Bell; also Professor Jackson of the Wood County Normal. All the teachers except one, who was kept away by sickness, were present.

We hope to have soon a permanent superintendent for the educational work in this conference, but up to the present time none could be supplied, and in the emergency I have done the best I could. The teachers have rallied to the situation splendidly, helping in every way they could.

G. R. FATTIC

Watertown

Sabbath, January 4, was an important day for Watertown because of the organization of our church. We had planned for this organization some time before, but it was necessary to postpone it because of the in-

fluenza. We have rented a church, repaired it, put in electric lights, and equipped it for services. It was first dedicated to the Lord, then a church was organized of twelve members. Officers were elected and an elder and a deacon were ordained.

Elder E. A. Bristol, our new president, was with us. The Lord wonderfully blessed us all. Brother Johnson, who helped us in the tent effort last summer, was present and assisted in the services. Sister Robersen, our Bible worker, joined the new church. Brother Christ Gerne, his mother, and brother, who were members of our German church in Milwaukee but who live in Watertown, are very happy indeed because they do not now have to go fifty miles to church. Brother Gerne was elected elder of the new church. Next Sabbath we plan to have quarterly services. Several others are keeping the Sabbath, but they have not been baptized, so were not ready to unite with us. We hope they will be soon. We are now holding Sunday and Tuesday evening meetings for the public—stereopticon lectures.

G. P. AND KATIE GAEDE

A Message from the Field

A letter from Sister Scholtz who is canvassing in Grand Rapids for "Our Day" is of interest, and will show how the Lord is blessing the work of the faithful colporteur.

She writes: "It is a great work to be in to bring the truth before the people, and I believe the time has come for every one that knows the truth to do his bit. It brings a great blessing to the worker, and the Lord alone knows how many will be saved through our efforts.

"One well-to-do lady is very much interested. I had talked with her last spring, and when I stopped in with the book she told me that she had been thinking all summer about the wonderful truths I talked to her about last spring, and so she was anxious to know more, and bought a book.

"I sold three books to business men. I sent up a silent prayer before I entered, and God truly sent His angels before me, for I did not spend more than two minutes on each of the five books I sold.

This is only one of the many letters that are coming in from the field. The Lord is waiting to richly bless others who will respond to the call.

C. C. KING

Madison Sanitarium

We are happy to report a good patronage the last few months, also that good results have followed the operations and treatments given.

Dr. Ingersoll recently made a visit to the southeast section of the United States. He visited our institutions at Washington on this trip. Dr. Olive Ingersoll ably cared for the work during his absence.

Of late many of our own people who needed medical assistance have availed themselves of the advantages of the sanitarium.

We have long planned to give our nurses a practical education in missionary work, so that they would in truth become medical missionary nurses. We are

now very happy to report that the conference committee voted, at its last session held here a few days ago, to employ a visiting nurse who is to spend her time in Madison among the poor and needy, as well as with those in better circumstances. She will train our nurses by taking them with her and teaching them how to do the work.

A number of young sisters have lately entered the course, and still there is room and need for more. If you are interested, write us at once.

We are glad to have a concrete evidence of the close of the war in the return of one of our nurses from Camp Grant, Brother Adolph Ambrasen. Brother Nicholas Farber is still at Camp Grant, but expects to be released soon.

The first partial examination of the nurses in Bible subjects shows excellent results in the study of denominational history and Bible doctrines.

Recently the sanitarium was made the recipient of a fine grand piano for the parlor, the gift of Sister Maxon.

We still desire your earnest prayers in behalf of the Sanitarium. C. J. TOLF

News Notes

Annual Offering at Bethel church amounted to \$330. They are also rejoicing over the fact that more than \$400 was raised there before the close of the year, which entirely cleared the church of indebtedness to the mission fund for 1918. The best of all is that nearly all had a part in this.

Bethel Academy starts in the new year with all buildings lighted by electricity, their new lighting plant having been fully installed in time for this.

The Auditing Board, the Conference Committee and the Sanitarium Board, all met at Madison Sanitarium December 30 and 31.

Bethel Academy News Notes

School reopened January 1, after a ten days' vacation.

Margaret Olson of Covert, Mich., is doing the stenographic work in the principal's office.

C. H. Hansen has entered school for the second semester.

The work of the Students' Recruiting Band is already being felt. Nina Henderson of Victory has enrolled for work.

Dr. Olive Ingersoll of the Madison Sanitarium conducted a medical examination for the school the last four days before vacation. The teachers and students alike underwent the ordeal. Blanks, furnished by the Department at Washington, were filed which will be kept on record for future reference. We as a school feel that this requirement is a step in advancement.

The library room at the school has long been inadequate to meet the needs of the student body. Ever since the campaign of a year ago, when over five hundred books were added to the library, the room has been much too small. One of the new rooms, made from old room 10 and a part of the old chapel, has been painted and varnished and fitted with shelves for library use. This is a pleasant sunny room and large enough to pass muster for academy needs.

The 144,000

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For some time there has been more or less agitation among our people over the question as to just who will compose the personnel of the 144,000. It has been claimed by some that those who have died in the faith of the message will compose a part of this favored company, and by others that only those who live through to the end and do not go into the grave are to make up the number. The writer was listening to Elder Irwin a short time ago while he was speaking in Tacoma at the camp meeting, and heard him read a statement that Sister White made to him, that ought to forever settle the question in the minds of those who have confidence in the inspiration of the spirit of prophecy. Elder Irwin asked her the question direct if those who had died in the message would be among the 144,000. Her answer as written down in shorthand at the time was, "Oh, yes, those who have died in the faith will be among the 144,000. I am clear on this." It is to be hoped this plain statement may settle any doubt that may have arisen in the minds of any, and may encourage our aged brethren and sisters who find themselves near the end of their course. We should ever praise the Lord for the plain statements given to us by the spirit of prophecy.—W. F. Martin, in *North Pacific Union Gleaner*.

E. M. C. Wall Calendar

The 1919 E. M. C. Wall Calendar is ready. A handsome 9x11 calendar, beautifully illustrated with scenes on the College grounds. Seven three cent stamps will bring your copy, and you will be delighted with it. Address Emmanuel Missionary College Press, Berrien Springs, Mich.

"Past, Present, and Future"

We have within the last week received two very interesting letters inquiring the price of that splendid book, "Past, Present and Future." One lady wants to order several copies. Another inquiry with reference to the same book comes from the wife of a bank president. These inquiries are the result of the faithful work of some colporteur. It shows us that we cannot tell where the seed sown may take root in the hearts of those seeking light on present-day conditions.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.—A man, with wife and one child, desires employment on the farm by the year. Wants house, garden patch, and two cows furnished. Church privileges desired. Address John J. Hill, Shipley, Iowa.

Canvassers' Report for the Week Ending

January 4, 1919

Canvasser	West Michigan						
	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
J. E. Herrington.....	OD	37	15	\$30 00	\$3 25	\$33 25	\$2 25
		37	15	30 00	3 25	33 25	2 25
Indiana							
J. A. Jackson.....	OD	18	...	168 00	.....	168 00	204 00
W. B. Ware.....		37	11	24 00	2 25	26 25	2 25
		55	11	192 00	2 25	194 25	206 25
North Wisconsin							
F. J. Olson.....	GC	30	6	26 00	2 00	28 00	.....
Miscellaneous.....		...	...	.....	41 80	41 80	.....
		30	6	26 00	43 80	69 80	.....
Illinois							
A. P. Lager.....	BR	40	12	51 00	9 35	60 35	9 70
G. W. Kimberlin.....	DR	39	23	97 00	.....	97 00	.....
J. Suda.....	BR	36	...	.....	.....	.....	48 73
O. A. Morse.....	BR	17	...	.....	.....	.....	155 00
		132	35	148 00	9 35	157 35	213 43
*Two weeks							
8 Agents		254	62	396 00	58 65	454 65	421 93

College Notes

The addition to the ladies' dormitory is progressing splendidly. The top floor is all plastered and floored, and some of the rooms are being occupied by the new students.

Mr. Albert Clark, Mr. Carr, Mr. Edison Perkins, Mr. Cornwell, Mr. Harold Carter, Mr. Denzil Ferney, Mr. Fred Vaughn, Miss Gladys Kinsey, Miss DeBolt, and Miss Storie are among the recent arrivals for the second semester. Mr. Ferney and Mr. Vaughn are just out of the army.

Among recent visitors at the College are Mrs. R. J. Nethery, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Markle, Mr. H. H. Butterfield, and Mrs. Jacobs.

Mrs. P. N. Pierce is assisting President Griggs with his stenographic work.

Mrs. Freeburn James a former student, Aelola Clark, returned with her husband to attend school. They are occupying rooms in the printing office.

By a recent action of a partial meeting of the College Board, Brook Nook has been turned into a ward. The entire third floor of the ladies' dormitory will be used by the young men.

HARRY W. PERRIN

"Thank God for Missions" is the title of Elder A. G. Daniells' article in the February *Watchman Magazine*. It shows the great influence of the foreign mission work not alone for the church, but for the whole world. Other good articles by well-known writers together with the illustrations in colors, make this one of the best issues yet for doing home missionary work.

From a Subscriber

I enjoy reading the good LAKE UNION HERALD. It is a pleasure to hear from the friends in my home state and from the other conferences in the Union. I live in the mountains, miles from any church. I get to church only once or twice a year. I have been here four years and have been to church only four or five times. I have been a reader of the *Review and Herald* for about fifteen years, and it has been a great help to me; especially do I appreciate its visits since I have been deprived of the church associations. I can't see how any Seventh-day Adventist can do without it. I wish all the readers of the HERALD the richest blessing of Heaven.

HENRY HERSHBERGER

Piru, Calif.

"God's providences will not place you where His grace will not keep you."

"Better to be small and shine, than to be great and cast a shadow."

"Could we with ink the ocean fill,
And were the skies with parchment made;
Were every blade of grass a quill,
And every man a scribe by trade—
To write the love of God abroad
Would drain the ocean dry;
None could the scroll contain the whole,
Though spread from earth to sky."

Ten Reasons Why Every Church Should Have a Club of the "Signs" Weekly

1. Because the *Signs Weekly* is a soul-winner. It has brought more people into the truth than any other publication. Our leading brethren urge that every member of the church engage in its circulation.
2. Because it gives the third angel's message—the life-giving message—a clear, definite ring. One of our general men wrote in December, 1918: "The *Signs* is a mighty preacher. It stands for the faith once delivered to the saints, and fearlessly and without apology gives a certain tone to the message of truth for this time."
3. Because its stirring prophetic studies, its strong doctrinal articles, its striking comments on current world events in the light of Scripture, and its other helpful and timely features qualify it to enter any home as a representative of Seventh-day Adventists.
4. Because our ministers and writers are giving of their best through the columns of the *Signs* and we should cooperate with them by passing on their messages to the people. You would be delighted if these men could talk personally with your friends and neighbors. They want to do the next best thing—talk to them through the *Signs*. Let us bring them and our friends together in 1919.
5. Because it is a weekly paper. The frequency of its visits is an advantage. It slips into the mail boxes of some 60,000 homes regularly every week, giving its messages in a quiet yet persistent manner.
6. Because the contents of the paper are varied. One member of a home is interested in a certain article, and another member is attracted by something else. Its scope is wide, and one issue contains material for a variety of persons.
7. Because the very life of the church is dependent on the work it does for others. The *Signs* is one of the greatest aids in the work of witnessing among friends and neighbors. It is the church's evangelist where there is no other, and a mighty helper where there is one.
8. Because of what the *Signs* will contain in 1919. Our writers will make the paper vibrant with matter that will focus Bible interpretation upon world events, and the tremendous issues before us. The spiritual delusions of the day will be treated by the positive counter-acting Bible truth.
9. Because people, including our relatives, will read the *Signs*, when they cannot be reached in any other way. The *Signs* furnishes an opportunity for individual work, even though home duties prevent, to a great extent, the personal touch.
10. Because of its very low price every member can afford to pay for one to five or more copies. AND BECAUSE more *Signs* simply means more SOULS.