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

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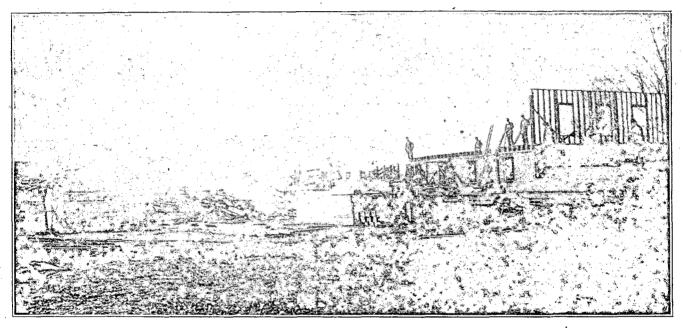
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#### Fishers of Men

"Down by the sea of mild Galilee
The Saviour passed time and again.
From the shore of that sea
He called, "Follow me,"
And I'll make of you
Fishers of men.

"He is calling today
In the same earnest way,
He is calling for fishers again,
And the brightest names known
Up around God's throne
Will be those who were
Fishers of men."



Girls' Dormitory in Process of Construction

### The Education of Our Children

C. S. WIEST

"By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as vet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith." Does your faith take in all your house? Does it include your children? Is your whole household upon the altar? "Workers are needed all over the world. The truth of God is to be carried to foreign lands that those in darkness may be enlightened by it. God requires that a zeal be shown in this direction infinitely greater than has hitherto been manifested. Cultivated intellect is now needed in the cause of God, for novices cannot do the work acceptably. God has devised our college (academy) as an instrumentality for developing workers of whom He will not be ashamed."—"Testimonies for the Church," IV, p. 426.

"The wants of the cause will continually increase as we near the close of time. Means is needed to give young men a short course of study in our schools to prepare them for efficient work in the ministry and in different branches of the cause."—Volume V, p. 156.

"The youth should be encouraged to attend our training schools for Christian workers. Some will be trained to enter the field as missionary nurses, some as canvassers and some as gospel ministers."—Vol. VIII, p. 230.

There is no greater investment than that which is made for the training of our children. Upon

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the young must rest largely the finishing of the third engel's message. Old men for counsel and men for service says the word of God. Nothing is so precious as God's heritage. How do we preserve it? Are you and I preparing our children for earthly positions? Are we holding before them the dazzling vanities of this world? Are we impressing upon the mind of our youth the uncertainty of earthly riches, or do we place our children where they may receive a vision that will reveal to them the real conditions of today, and point out the signs of the times and the day of our visitation? Does your boy or girl believe that we are in the last days? that Jesus is coming in this generation? that this earth will be laid desolate and the sinners thereof destroyed? that this old earth is even now "reeling to and fro as doth a drunkard" under the heavy burden of lawlessness and strife? Why not send your boy or girl where he or she will receive a divine vision?

I am thinking of two families who claim to be Seventh-day Adventists. The parents had great ambitions for their children; they manifested great love for them, and planned great things for their future. However, there was a vast distinction between them. The one family was greatly blessed by the Lord in earthly goods. When I visited them, they had a large farm with about forty thoroughbred Jersey cows, horses, seventy-five of the finest sheep, hogs, geese, chickens in abundance, two automobiles, and everything seemed prosperous and all were exceedingly busy and eager in their work. Talking the future over with them, I found they had bought two forty's joining the old homestead, and was told that these two farms were for their two sons who were married, and as soon as the two girls were married, they planned to buy other farms that joined the homestead. In this way their children would all be with them and they could live in comfort and enjoy the fellowship of their companionship. But, where was the altar? It could not be found; it was broken down. No prayer was heard from the lips of the parents. Did they attend campmeetings? No, they were too poor. Did they have our good old Review and Herald? Did their children go to any of our schools? No, they had no money. Did they pay tithe? They needed it for their personal use. Their vision was to have their children live around them, and they had need to save every penny to buy more land, secure more cows, horses, etc. The two younger children never heard a Seventh-day Adventist minister preach, yet the parents claimed to believe in the second coming of our Lord. In their greed for money they lost their hold on God and their light was exceedingly dim.

The other father and mother were also poor when they started out in life together. They bought a nice farm in the beginning of their married life. When the first-born came to the time of school age, since they lived isolated, they hired a church-school teacher and called it a home school. Soon the second child reached school age, and by and by the third. 'A teacher remained in the home until the children were old enough to go to the academy. It became somewhat heavy to the father to finance two of his children in the academy at the same time. However, the children said, "Father, if you can give us \$100 each, we will earn the rest during the year." He glady toiled and worked by himself on the farm that his children might have the Christian education. During that year the influenza prevailed everywhere. The boy was taken with the disease and stricken in death. This great disappointment broke the hearts of the parents. They had hoped that in a few years this boy would be in the ministry, but now their hope had vanished. Was this sacrifice in vain? Ah, it is not far hence when the shackles of the tomb will be broken and this father and mother may again embrace the beloved boy, for they had not trained him for this world, but for the world to come. The father pledged that the money he intended to put into the education of his own boy should be used for some other father's boy, and not for the comfort of himself and family. I thought, Here is true religion, and surely an offering and covenant made by sacrifice.

Are house and lands, horses and cows of greater value than our boys and girls? Think it over.

### The Relation of Our Academies to the Finishing of the Work

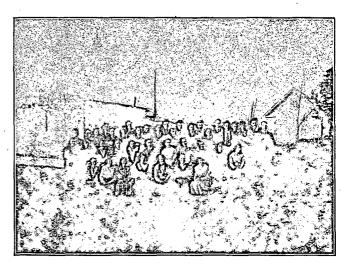
It ay seem to the reader on a casual observance that our academics bear very little relation to the finishing of the message, however, I am inclined to the opinion if we give time and thought to a careful consideration of this relationship, we shall find it very great indeed.

I wish, therefore, for a brief moment to call vour attention to this matter in a way which I hope will awaken your interest more than it ever has been in the past. I might strengthen the argument by stating first of all that the finishing of the work God has given us to do depends upon two things,-first upon the mighty workings of God's Spirit upon the hearts and minds of the men whom He may choose as His servants and representatives here upon this earth. To this point I need give little emphasis as all are acquainted with the fact that the work will be finished "not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit saith the Lord." But before the Spirit of the Lord can work upon the minds and hearts of men, they may be brought in touch with the great truths God has given to the world. The bringing of men in touch with the Master's work is dependent upon the instruction in the home, in the school, in the church. The instruction in the home, perhaps, has the greatest influence either for good or evil because it takes a child in the more receptive days of his life; however, I am inclined to the belief that the influence upon the mind of the child during the academic age counts for almost as much, if not more, than during any other period of his life. Therefore, I am persuaded that as we seek for workers to finish the message God has given us we must lay the foundation for these workers in the church school, and academy. The final structure is no doubt built in the college, but there is difficulty in building a structure that will be valuable to the cause of truth and a benefit to humanity unless we have a foundation upon which to build. This foundation, as I have biready stated, is laid very easily during the days spent by the boy or girl in the academy, or in other words, in the academic age of life.

Here it might be well to mention a few statistics without going into actual detail. It is to say we are losing at the present time from our boys a logical a large per cent to the world and world'y occupation, and yet from those who stend our academies and college, we are losing very a all per cent, in fact the per cent is so and that for the past two years the graduating closes of Emmanuel Missionary College are all given and the work except one interest that. This, of course, takes in a portion of

the college life, but the foundation that is laid from these wonderful results is largely laid during the academic age of the student. In fact the one student not now engaged directly in the message is one whose whole academic education was in the public school.

It appeals to me, therefore, that the finishing of this message as God has given it to us is largely dependent upon the work done in our academies. With a little more than one-half of our children in our schools, and 40 per cent going to the world (a very small per cent of those attending our school go to the world), it is clear where the loss comes in, hence I appeal to the parents of Seventh-day Adventist children in the Lake Union Conference to stop the loss of our youth to the world by placing their children under competent teachers in a Christian institu-



THE SCHOOL FAMILY

The Temporary Kitchen and Dining-room and the
Farm Cottage are shown here.

tion. Place them in the church school first, and then in the academy. I can assure you that the officers of the Union are doing all in their power to place compentent teachers, men and women of Christian experience and devotion, in all our academies.

You will assist us in this by sending your boy and girl who are religiously inclined to these institutions to get a training that they may train others. The training received will be in harmony very largely at least with the profession of the institution in which the training is received. In a state institution its profession is to train for citizenship or statesmenship. In a religious institution the profession is to train for manhood and womanhood, the strength of this manhood and womanhood to be spent in the general uplift of humanity with a willingness to sacrifice our own desires and wishes for the benefit of others. This truly will make good citizens, but it will make more than that, it will

make Christian men and women of service in the cause of truth. This may be done, it is true, and has been done without the benefits or advantages of a Seventh-day Adventist academy, but because it has been done in a few instances is no excuse for running the risk with so large a number of our young people.

Therefore, I appeal to our fathers and mothers: Do all you can to encourage the academic spirit in the youth, and then do all you can to help them in working out the best results that are possible in the academy itself. These few remarks I think will help you to understand the relation of our academies to the finishing of the message.

WM. GUTHRIE

#### Indiana Academy and the Conference

Activity is a law of life. When directed along right lines, it spells progress. Inactivity means stagnation, death, decay.

This law holds true in the spiritual realm as well as in the temporal. Definite, well-laid plans for the social, moral, and spiritual uplift of humanity, react upon the one who executes them, watering and refreshing his own soul.

The world is dying for love and its expression. Broken hearts and broken hearthstones are everywhere. The expression of love is a paradox—the more given, the more you have.

"Talk not of wasted affection, affection never was wasted;

If it enricheth not the heart of another, its waters, returning.

Back to the springs whence they came, shall fill them full of refreshment.

That which the fountain sends forth, returns again to the fountain."

"We want our children to believe the truth. We want them to be blessed of God. We want them to act a part in well-organized plans for helping other youth. Let all be so trained that they may rightly represent the truth, giving the reason for the hope that is within them, and honoring God in any branch of the work where they are qualified to labor."

"What rich blessings would come to our schools if teachers and students would consecrate themselves, heart, mind, soul, and strength to God's service as His helping hand."

"With such any 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 the whole world."

The foregoing quotations from the spirit of prophecy point out the way. There is no mistaking their meaning. Duty and privilege strike hands in the training of our God-given heritage for service. The future of the Indiana Conference depends upon the youth of today. The conference will grow stronger, or weaker in exactly the ratio that its young people are trained for God's work or the world's work. The conference looks to its training center for recruits. The factory must be kept running if the finished product is turned out.

When the commodious buildings at the academy are ready for occupancy, they should be filled to their capacity by Indiana's sons and daughters. Not a more complete or attractive academy may be found in the Lake Union Conference, than this school will become when the plant is completed. Indiana may well be congratulated upon this splendid achievement which, under God, will make for the stability and success of the cause in this great state.

C. A. Russell

#### Some Results of Christian Education

Training in a Christian school embraces far more than the mere study of text books or even of the Bible. It means an actual experience in the things of God. The time has passed for thinking of the coming of Christ as an event of the somewhat distant future, and today every experience of our daily existence must be applied in some way to our plan for God's work.

Every person who has passed through the years between twelve and twenty-five recognizes that he has been through a dangerous period. No matter how good a heritage he has received from his parents, his entire life is molded by the experiences of this period. He changes very little in his habits, desires, and character after reaching the latter age. How extremely vital it is that the proper environment be thrown about him then!

Not every young person who attends a Christian school is converted and becomes a worker, but the chances are infinitely greater than if left to associate with worldly young people. The most unpromising child, placed in daily association, with earnest Christian young people often develops into a consecrated worker. You who read these words can verify them by instances known to you.

A young man whom most of you know entered one of our schools because his parents wished him to. He was a well-meaning boy, but easily led, and his first few months in the school were apparently of no profit either to him or to the school. The years that followed brought various experiences. He has worldly ambitions to fight constantly, and honors were about even. There were times when he was ready to give up to

them; there were times of glorious spiritual awakening. After a time, he began to lose out. He knew it, and so did others, and a crisis came in his life. He came to the place of deciding for or against God.

But the lessons of that Christian school were too firmly imbedded in him to be thrust aside, and from that crisis he came out a man with a definite purpose. Today he is a worker for God. The influence of a Christian school meant to him the difference between a worldly career and God. Was it worth while?

Last year a worldly young lady was persuaded by Adventist friends to enter one of our academies, and with rings on her fingers, and no thought of a Christian experience, she came. She entered a Bible class with the others, and attended the Sabbath meetings, because everyone else did. Her interest was gradually awakened by the evident ring of truth in the Bible teachings. Her mother became alarmed, and used every possible means to show her displeasure. Finally she began to keep the Sab-She continued studying and listening to the points of our message, until her mind was made up, and she asked for baptism. Through the influence of a Christian school, one whose home experience would have made it impossible, was won to the truth.

These are only two instances among a thousand. The truth, when clearly and logically presented, as it can be by consecrated teachers, makes lasting impressions.

The pioneer experiences through which our young people at Indiana Academy are passing, are a splendid preparation for future work for God. We can say little as yet concerning results, but the strengthened purposes as indicated by the earnest spirit in our classes and meetings, give promise of many sturdy workers for God as a result of Christian education.

CHARLES W. MARSH

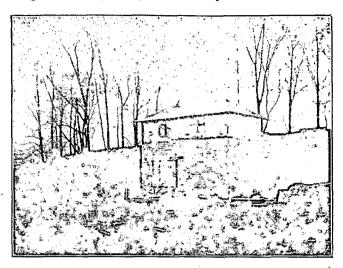
## The Relation of the Missionary Volunteer Department to the Indiana Academy

Here are 500 words. May the brevity of the article be an invitation to you to read it: Its content is for "you and your children and as many as the Lord our God shall call."

If you realize the relation of the training of our young people to the finishing of the work,—and that realization is not merely a conviction of the head, but a conversion of the heart,—and if you love your own son or daughter supremely enough to send him or her away to a school where your child will be anchored to the faith by a Christian education, you don't need to read

further. You already know the relation of the Missionary Volunteer Department to the academy.

For it is "this one thing" the department is established for—everything else that enters the departmental work and all the campaigns we carry on as a department can only lead to this one great end—to save your boy or girl, or your neighbor's boy or girl. If they have wandered



HEATING PLANT

away, it is to win them; if they are still abiding in the truth, to hold them; but it is by all means to save them for service.

Therefore the mobilization of the army of young people in Indiana into this training camp of the great Captain, if it is anything at all is Young People's work.

The relation is reciprocal. Each Missionary Volunteer Society is a recruiting agency to enlist young men and women in the great crusade of truth that triumphs in this generation. It turns their footsteps toward the cantonment of the academy that they may be more efficient soldiers.

And in answer to this, the Missionary Volunteer Society is counting on those boys and girls in the school to go forth to win other young people to Christ, and inspire those whom they left behind them in the home church to nobler ideals and deeper consecration.

The academy trains for service, and the society flings wide to them the gates of opportunity to train in service.

Surely no little part in the proclamation of this message that in the spirit and power of Elijah is to sweep the world, is the turning of the "hearts of the fathers to the children and the heart of the children to the fathers." And terrible is the ominous and impending warning immediately following—"lest I smite the earth with a curse."

This brings to you that mighty work which the

department through the school is striving to do. But it never can be done, and we will fail in the commandments of God, and cannot hope to avert the curse unless we heed the testimony in Volume VI, page 106: "The work that lies nearest our church members is to become interested in our youth."

As one whom you have called to this work of supreme importance in this conference, to serve as the pastor of the youth in this state, I earnestly, seriously, call upon every parent whose eye falls here to read the chapter from which this excerpt is taken.

Will you do it? Will you remember that first the hearts of the fathers must be turned to their children? Then the other part of the text, for which you so long have yearned and prayed, shall follow. But not until then.

And if you will only permit your Father in heaven, who loves infinitely His children, to touch your affections with His eternal tenderness, and turn your heart to the heart of your, perhaps, wayward, wandering boy, nothing that you can give of yourself or all you have will be enough if only you can see him a soldier in God's conflict and a conquerer in God's kingdom.

And you will have grasped this very close relation in the answer God will help you make for your boy to this challenge of Isa. 42:22,23:

"This is a people robbed and spoiled in snaring all the young men of them; they are all hid in prison houses; they are for a prey and none delivereth, for a spoil and none-saith, Restore. Who among you will give ear to this? Who will hearken and hear for the time to come?"

During this week of prayer, may God give you no rest until you have done everything in your power to save your boys and girls from perdition.

LLEWELLYN A. WILCOX

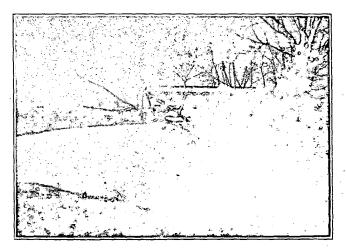
## The Relation of the Church Schools to the Academy

Each Sabbath as I visit the Sabbath schools here and there about the state it is my privilege to talk to the school. The little ones are called to the front seats, if not there already. As I gather these children about me and look into their trustful eyes, the thought usually comes, Where will these boys and girls spend eternity?

The possibility that heaven might be closed to some of these dear children, that some might never walk the streets of gold, that some voices who are singing the Sabbath school songs so cheerily today might never have that privilege in the city above, brings deep anguish to my heart. And yet unless many parents awaken quickly, in the judgment they will be asked: "Where is thy flock, thy beautiful flock?" I pray

that the realities of that day may dawn upon blinded eyes, so that parents and churches will cease to feel that it is too much trouble, or of too great expense to train their children for immortality, and will at once begin to build around them, by their prayers and a Christian training, such a strong wall of defense that each child will be able to withstand the tests that we know every one must meet in the near future and be trained to enter the Lord's work.

This year we are conducting twenty-one elementary schools, which are being taught by twenty-five teachers. We are thankful for the interest these churches are taking in their schools and for the good work being done by the teachers, but there are several other churches that have six or more children in their midst that have not church school privileges. The Lord tells us that "it is no longer safe to send our children to the public schools" and that He will hold every church responsible for the training of these youths." Some of these churches are



Cicero Creek and Bridge at the South Side of the School Farm

waking up to their duty to the children and are definitely planning to conduct schools another year; surely others will follow in this good work. This thought cheers my heart, but with it comes the question, How can we increase our teaching force?

Where shall we find recruits for this, "the nicest work" that man can do? We cannot expect to find them in the factories or shops of the world, for they have had no training for this work; we cannot pick them out of the public school teaching force, for they have no love for this blessed truth, no special desire to see the children give their hearts to Jesus, no anxiety for them to enter the Lord's work. Then where shall we go for our church school teachers? To our academy, of course. This institution has been planted to train our youth to fill the calls for workers in Indiana. Many noble boys and

girls have heard these calls and have gone there for this training. Recently, when we visited the school, many students asked, How long will it take to fit me to be a preacher? a teacher? a Bible worker? They have a vision of the needs of the work and are studying hard to prepare themselves for service.

But these boys and girls are not comfortably situated. Winter is coming on and we fear some of them will not be able to endure the cold weather under present conditions. We therefore plead with you to lay bricks fast, give our young people and instructors there buildings which will bring the necessary comforts; buildings that will be an honor to the cause of Christian education; then send the youth from every church that the many calls for workers may be quickly answered and the message of Jesus' soon coming be heralded in every county in Indiana.

EDITH SHEPARD

#### The Financial Needs and How to Obtain Them

I am confident it would be an encouragement to you if you could see the daily progress that is being made in the erection of the girls' dormitory. It is about enclosed, and the basement will be finished as quickly as possible so that we can move into it with the dining-room, kitchen, etc. At this writing, the engine building is about finished. The second story will be used for a chapel.

I am glad to tell our people that the material we have on hand for the new building is all paid for. Thus far we have been able to pay our bills as they came due. We hope this may continue, that we may build up an unshaken confidence among our creditors. I am somewhat fearful that we shall come into a narrow place unless all will keep on lifting.

The building of our academy is not the work of a day, nor a month—it will take two years to establish the proper place of training for our boys and girls. Our need for this year will be about \$15,000. At our elders' meeting it was enthusiastically voted that we raise an amount equal to \$10 per member by the first of the year. Our mission fund of twenty-five cents per week will be fully reached by the end of the year without any special effort, therefore we can put forth a special endeavor in behalf of the Indiana Academy. If we all step into the current, we will surely raise the \$10 per member by December 31. The enthusiasm for this noble cause should spread throughout the conference until the name of the Indiana Academy is upon the lips of all, from the smallest child to the oldest When such an interest prevails, grandma.

effort will be put forth to give it financial support. Let me appeal most earnestly that you make the academy a subject of prayer in your daily devotions. I know the cause that has the sincere prayer of two thousand believers must prevail—it cannot fail.

Now there may be those who cannot give \$10. So we suggest that you order the book "Epidemics." Forty of these if sold will net you \$5 profit. Every penny profit on this book will go toward the academy. You will be surprised how easily you will be able to sell eighty of the books and earn \$10. We have just had a Field Day, and in a few hours a large number of these books were sold. You can do it in one day. Do it for the sake of the boys and girls in Indiana. Work until your church has gone over the top. Make the academy a Christmas gift of \$10. I have confidence that you will. C. S. Wiest

#### Things Hard to be Understood

There are some things that I cannot understand. One is this, that people can stand it to lose a large sum, and cannot stand to give the same large sum. I once asked a man to give twenty-five thousand dollars for a college. He said it was utterly impossible. Two weeks later he, by accident, lost two hundred and fifty thousand dollars—a quarter of a million. When I met him and offered him my sympathy, he said, "Our house is a very strong one, and it will not affect us." I asked another for sixty thousand dollars, and his wife said it would beggar them. He told a friend one year afterward, that the wished he had given it to me, for, as I talked, he thought of the money it would take if he did do it, and that he put it elsewhere and lost it all and more than an equal sum to get out; but he would not feel it much. A farmer is shocked to be talked to about giving one hundred dollars. But, when his best horse dies, nobody sees that it makes any difference. I cannot understand this thing. Will not those people please give us their testimony whether it does make any difference in the bank whether money is checked out to pay gifts or to pay losses? -G. P. Hugo, in Review and Herald, Oct, 1, 1901.

#### The Field Day of December 10 and 11

"The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church-membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers."—Testimonies, Vol. IX, p. 117.

All of us from the General Department officers down to the humblest layman, have read this quotation many times, but it is evident that in the past we have not sensed its true meaning. Time after time elders' and workers' meetings have been held, inspiration a plenty has come to those in attendance, then all have gone home and forgotten or neglected to put into practice the instruction of the hour.

But this is not to continue. At last a plan has been devised for overcoming this defect. There is nothing startling or sensational about it, but it works. It is just a Field Day. What is a Field Day? Well, it's just a day when every one, old and young, learned and unlearned, wise and unwise, every one goes out to work for one thing.

We have just had a Field Day here in Indianapolis in conection with the elders' and workers' meeting. Every one went out selling "Epidemics." General Conference workers, conference president, conference secretary-treasurer, ordained ministers, department workers, Bible workers, office stenographers, church elders and missionary secretaries—everybody went our for service.

What were the results? In money the average received by the forty who participated was \$1.58 per hour. In increased spiritual strength for the workers and blessing brought to hundreds of homes, there is no way to set a price, for they were priceless. All said it was the best day of their experience.

So it was voted to let you share in this blessing. December 10 and 11, Wednesday and Thursday of the Week of Prayer, are set aside for a Field Day for all our conference. On those days it is desired that *all* of us shall take up the sale of the book "Epidemics" and let the profits apply on the academy ten-dollar-per-member fund. Those who were here and took part in our local field day will need no urging. Those who have never tried, try once and you will always be glad.

But if you are to succeed, you must have organization. Order your books (about forty for each member of your church.) Plan to meet at a given point, have a prayer service, take God into partnership; then go out and put in seven or eight hours of faithful service, then meet and have an experience meeting. No one should seek to escape this work. Remember, "Our time belongs to God. Every moment is His, and we are under the most solemn obligation to improve it to His glory. Of no talent He has given will He requires a more strict account than of our time.—"Object Lesson", p. 342.

O. B. Hall

Heaven will pay for any loss we may suffer to gain it; but nothing can pay for the loss of heaven.—

Baxter.

#### Financial Statement

The Indiana Conference wishes to express through the Lake Union Herald, its sincere appreciation to the General Conference and also to the Lake Union Conference, for their substantial help in the erection of our academy. The general and Lake Union Conference have each paid the sum of \$6,000. This liberal gift should be a wonderful inspiration to Indiana in behalf of this splendid movement. Let us rise and build a home for the training or our boys and girls. The amount received and expended up to October 31 is shown below. This statement shows that we need at least \$15,000 to go ahead unrestricted with our program during the winter and early spring.

STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL FUNDS TO OCTOBER 31, 1919

Receipts

Educational and I. W. A. M.

Funds	\$13,420.14
Lake Union Conference	6,000.00
General Conference	6,000.00
Institutional Relief	1,423.59
Commission on Farm	280.00

\$27,123.73

Expenditures

Real Estate (Academy

Farm) \$ 7,500.00

Miscellaneous Expense

Miscellaneous 10.50

\$24,123.73 3,000.00

Balance of Cash on Hand....

#### Will You Respond?

"I have read of a man who, journeying on a winter's day through the deep, drifted snow, became benumbed by the cold, which was almost imperceptibly stealing away his vital powers. And as he was nearly chilled to death, and about to give up the struggle for life, he heard the moans of a brother traveler who was perishing with cold as he was about to perish. His humanity was aroused to rescue him. He chafed the ice-clad limbs of the unfortunate man, and after considerable effort, raised him to his feet; and as he could not stand, he bore him in sympathizing arms through the very drifts he had thought he could never succeed in getting through. And when he had borne his fellow-traveler to a place of safety, the truth flashed home to him that in saving his neighbor he had saved himself also. His carnest efforts to save another quickened the blood which was freezing in his own veins, and created a healthful warmth in the extremities of the body."—Volume IV, p. 316.

Men and women are perishing outside of Christ. Many of God's people are like the traveler-benumbed; their spiritual vitality is slipping away. Our opportunity is before us; many cannot preach, but they can take the truth-la-. den literature and carry it to their neighbors. Some are not even prepared to do this, but let none be discouraged. At our canvassers' institute, which convenes December 19-28, instruction will be given that will help beginners to do efficient work. At this time such subjects as "Who is Called," "Entering Homes," "Conduct in the Home," "Securing the Order," and "Equipment" will be considered. Each day a portion of the time will be devoted to drill work, when the principles we are taught will be put into actual practice before all.

Come, and get a preparation for the work. The same liberal courtesies practiced in former years toward our canvassers, will apply this year. We should have forty men present. Write me at 421 Castle Hall Bldg., Indianapolis, telling me that you will come, so that I can arrange for your entertainment. Only four weeks remain.

W. B. MARIS

#### Illinois Conference

Office Address, 304 W. Allen St., Springfield, Ill.
President, W. H. Holden

#### Fox River Academy

On a recent visit to the Fox River Academy, I found the school in excellent spirits and the faculty of good courage. There seems to be a happy, healthy spirit of cooperation in the school, and the Spirit of the Lord is molding the hearts of the young people for service in His cause. I felt to rejoice while I was there, to know that God has been so good as to give us this school for the training of our boys and girls.

Last week I wrote an article to the Herald in regard to our primary schools, especially mentioning the ten-grade school at Duquoin, and I now wish to urge our people to keep their minds on Fox River Academy, and in the training of your boys and girls in the church school and in the ten-grade school at Duquoin, remember they are getting only a foundation for more advanced studies. It is not convenient for parents to move to Fox River and rent or buy homes as they can do at Duquoin, but we have a splendid spirit in the school home. I believe we have a school family at Fox River which will be a blessing and a help to any boy or girl sent there for training.

There they have the conveniences of home life, and under the careful supervision of Professor Arthur J. Skeels, and Mrs. George Saether, the boys and girls in the school home are having true parental training for service in this life and for a home in the kingdom of God.

That our church schools may be conducted in harmony with the principles of Fox River Academy, we are calling our teachers from the various church schools to meet in a teachers' institute at Fox River, which institute will be over by the time this report reaches you, but the influence of the institute will last throughout the year to come in the church schools where your children attend. I earnestly hope that parents everywhere will cooperate with the local teachers in the self-sacrificing work they are doing to train for service the children God has given us, and when our teachers labor to encourage your children to attend Fox River Academy, and later Emmanuel Missionary College, I hope you will find it possible to cooperate with them in furnishing the necessary means to complete their Christian education.

What we do for our children must be done quickly. The harvest is great, the laborers are few, and the times are strenuous and intensely important in the financial, physical, scientific, and spiritual world, indicative of the fast approaching close of probation, when all efforts to save our own and the children of others will be at an end.

W. H. HOLDEN

#### ' Mounds

Sunday evening, November 16, we began our winter effort in a hall which is well located. The hall was filled and many had to be turned away for lack of room. We are now holding meetings every other night with good results.

We are binding off our summer's tent work. Thirty-two have already taken their stand for the Sabbath, eighteen of these are heads of families and fourteen are young people. These dear people are putting up a strong resistance against the forces of the enemy, and need your prayers.

Sabbath, November 22, we organized a Sabbath school of fifteen members, which has grown every week since. Brother Benjamin is conducting Bible readings with thirty families. Most of these are deeply interested in the truths presented to them.

Mounds is only a small town. No work has been done here before by our denomination. God is getting a people ready for His kingdom, and we expect to soon have the largest colored church in the conference. We ask your prayers.

FRED C. PHIPPS

#### **Chicago Conference**

Office Address, 28 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

President, A. J. Clark

#### Our Home Foreign Missions

Our Chicago Conference covers an era of 5,641 square miles. This territory embraces the counties of Cook, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Kankakee, Lake, McHenry and Will, and Lake County in Indiana.

Our present estimated population is 3,025,000. Of this total, 2,000,000 miscellaneous language peoples are given as a conservative constituency. This is truly one of the large foreign mission fields of the western hemisphere. As a conference we can not blind our eyes nor stop our ears to the mighty appeals that a small empire of 2,000,000 souls can make for the message we proclaim.

We have already launched a campaign which we hope to carry on in our English-speaking churches that will better acquaint our people with the character of the work that must quickly be done for the foreign peoples in our midst.

Sabbath and Sunday, November 22 and 23, were spent with the First German church in a home-foreign missions convention. No phase of English work was considered. Brethren Steen Rasmussen, K. Offerman, A. J. Dominski, and the writer took the lead in this effort.

The church was almost full at both services on Sabbath. The Sabbath morning services consisted of the Sabbath school, followed by preaching on the topic: "Our Home-Foreign Mission Field."

The afternoon service was conducted by Brethren Rasmussen and Offerman. Brother Rasmussen spoke on the subject: "How to Do Miscellaneous Language Work in Chicago." Simple, but most practical lines of work were presented in a very forceful manner. Brother Offerman followed with a terse presentation of "The Vision; the Burden; How Shall We Respond?" To this appeal fourteen members responded, stating that they would meet Sunday at the church at 9:30 A. M., to enter into a field-day program of house-to-house work.

The next morning nineteen men and women were present. A large strip of territory in the twenty-seventh ward was chosen for the field of labor. This is almost solid Polish. A brief outline of plans were made, closing with practical instruction from Brother Dominski who heads the Polish work here. A most enjoyable morning was spent in the field. All found that the Polish people were as willing to accept our literature as any other people would be. We gave the Polish *Present Truth*, some tracts, and

a few of the Harvest Ingathering papers. Our plan is to open up these foreign districts with a wide and systematic distribution of free literature, followed in due time with the sale of our magazines and small and large books.

We believe under the watering of the Holy Spirit this kind of work will not only open a field but will actually produce an abundant harvest in due time.

Our meeting closed on Sunday evening with a stereopticon lecture by Steen Rasmussen on, "A Glimpse of Our Activities in the Home-Foreign Fields."

E. C. TOWNSEND

#### Chicago Colored Work

I am glad to report that the work among the colored people of Chicago is still moving forward. The interest is growing daily, and the people are becoming more eager to know the truths of the message. Some are getting ready for baptism.

We are laying a good foundation for more aggressive work through the Bible training class that is being conducted to train the lay members in the preparation and giving of Bible readings intelligently.

Each quarter shows an increase in tithes and offerings. All previous records were broken last quarter. The total amount of tithes and offerings was \$1,845.91. The Harvest Ingathering campaign is still on and may be continued to the end of the year.

The church school has increased beyond the seating capacity. Several outside children have been turned away because there was no room for them. We now employ two teachers. We look forward to greater things to the Master's glory for 1920. May the readers of the Lake Union Herald pray that the prospering hand of God may continue to be on His work.

W. D. FORDE

# West Michigan Conference Office Address, 8 Pearl Street, Grand Rapids, Mich. President, E. K. Slade

**News Notes** 

In the sudden death of Mrs. Maude Donker, November 13, the Grand Rapids church has lost a faithful member and Sabbath-school teacher.

We are glad to announce the arrival of Elder J. F. Piper, the new president of the West Michigan Conference.

Prof. G. F. Simpson, principal of Cedar Lake Academy, was a caller at the conference office Monday.

Miss Edith Wilbur, of the conference office, has just returned from a pleasant vacation with

her sister Mrs. Heatherington who is teaching church school at Traverse City, Mich.

Christmas time will soon be here. You will wan to pleasantly and profitably remember that young person with a suitable present. Ever thought what a splended present the Junior Reading Course would make? It consists of the following books: "Stories worth Rereading," 75 cents; "Red, Yellow, and Black," 75 cents; "Stories of Brotherhood," 50 cents; "Jack of All Trades," 40 cents. While our stock lasts we will mail you a set for \$2.20 postpaid. Mail your order today.

The next Thirteenth Sabbath Offering comes December 27, at which time West Michigan will join all the other conferences in raising \$48,000 with which to build suitable homes for our missionaries. Do you have the special coin envelope with the chain of twenty links? If not, address the office for a supply. They are free. The Mission Bonds will be sold again this quarter.

A Christmas package for Korea! The children of Grand Rapids are bringing tablets and pencils to Sabbath school which they plan to send at once to our mission school in Korea.

From an isolated Volunteer: "I read the "Goal Dollar Day" program material to some neighbors and received \$3 for missions."

Elder E. I. Beebe and Mrs. M. E. Wilson have completed the Testimony Reading Course in less than the allotted two-year limit. They have already chosen their gift books.

The following persons are to receive gift books from the General M. V. Department for having finished either five Junior or Senior Reading Courses since January 1, 1918: Mrs. Anna Arntz, Grace E. Howard, Alta Canright, I ula Palmiter, Grant Butterffeld, Edith Presley, and Margaret Griffin.

Here is just what you have been looking for: "Social Plans for Missionary Volunteers." This is a book of 144 pages, full of games and helpful suggestions for showing our young people how to be "socially saved." Price 40 cents postpaid.

#### What Is Success?

He has achieved success, who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty, or failed to expres it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration and whose memory a benediction.—Bessie A. Stanley.

#### South Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Rooms 257-69 Washington Bldg., Madison, Wis. President, E. A. Bristol

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#### The Life That Counts

The life that counts must toil and fight; Must hate the wrong and love the right; Must stand for truth, by day, by night— This is the life that counts.

The life that counts must hopeful be; In darkest night make melody; Must wait the dawn on bended knee— This is the life that counts.

The life that counts must aim to rise
Above the earth to sunlit skies;
Must fix its gaze on Paradise—
This is the life that counts.
The life that counts must helpful be;
The cares and needs of others see;
Must seek the slaves of sin to free—
This is the life that counts.

The life that counts is linked with God; And turns not from the cross—the rod; But walks with joy where Jesus trod— This is the life that counts.

-A. W. S.

Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure, than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy nor suffer much, because they live in the gray twilight that knows neither victory nor defeat.—Theodore Roosevelt.

#### College Notes

Miss Lillian Gibson, music teacher at Adelphian Acadamey, spent the week-end at the College.

Next week the New Central Heating Plant will be connected with the printing office, training school, and home economics building, and will enable the three buildings to be heated from the one furnace.

E. M. C. was pleased to receive a visit from students of the Berrien Springs high school last Friday.

The Misses Gladys Witt and Gladys Shaw, former students of E. M. C., now on the faculty of Cedar Lake Academy, Cedar Lake, Michigan, spent Thanksgiving and the week-end at the college.

Mrs. M. E. Hitchock and son "Bobbie" of Chicago visited her sister-in-law, Margaret Hitchcock, over the week-end.

The college dairy consists of 34 milch cows. Eleven are being milked three times a day, four of which are registered Holsteins, giving an average of 60 pounds of milk daily. One two-year-old is giving 55 pounds daily. Aside from these there are two two-year-olds, twelve yearlings, and sixteen thorough-bred calves.

A fire team of 120 young men has just been organized. Every fellow knows what to do in case of fire. As far as possible electric power and hot-plates are in use in order to reduce the danger of fire.

Prof. Harry Pearson, intsructor in expression, leads the entire school in physical culture exercise daily just before chapel.

One of the students, Earnest Mansell, is paying his expenses by cobbling shoes. He has a good outfit in a little room above the Central Heating Plant.

The furniture for the Music Hall lobby has arrived. This was purchased by the students and teachers during a campaign last week. Two hundred and twenty-five dollars furnished a beautiful and serviceable rug-carpet and several reed upholstered rockers and a library table.

The farm department at the College is preparing to do its own feed-grinding. Some neighborhood grinding may be done.

Despite the moderate weather this fall, the coal pile at the college is decreasing in size very rapidly. Wood cutting has begun again. Fifty trees are to be taken from the grove.

Lamont Thompson has accepted a call to act as Missionary Volunteer secretary of the Atlantic Union Conference. He leaves with his family this week.

The young men of Maple Hall are raising

voluntarily a fund to purchase a victrola for their reception room. Seventy-five dollars was raised in a few minutes. A large number of the young men have not yet had a chance to help.

#### Annual Meeting at Hinsdale

The evening of November 25 was the occasion of the annual meeting of the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Benevolent Association. For some weeks, Mr. R. O. Spohr, an auditor of Chicago, had been getting out the annual statement, superintending inventories and otherwise making it possible for us to have one of the most comprehensive reports that the institution has ever received.

About sixty-five of the constituents of the Hinsdale Sanitarium were present at the annual meeting. It may not be generally known that any one twenty-one years of age who has labored in the Hinsdale Sanitarium for one year immediately preceding the date of the annual meeting, is a member of the constituency and has just as much power by his vote in determining the policies of the institution for the coming year, and in the election of the managing board, as the physicians and heads of departments themselves. There is no aristocracy in the constituency. One third of the twelve members of the Hinsdale Sanitarium board is elected each year thus providing for a continuous administration. At the election this time, Elder E. A. Bristol, Miss Rose J. Andre, and Mr. H. N. Paulson were elected to succeed themselves, and Dr. A. B. Olson was placed upon the board as its new member.

The board now consists of Julius Paulson, N. W. Paulson, Wm. Guthrie, C. S. Weist, E. A. Bristol, A. J. Clark, J. G. Lamson, A. B. Olson, M. D., together with Dr. Mary Paulson, Mrs. C. L. Clough, Miss Rose J. Andre and Mrs. F. F. Johnson.

Immediately following the elections the board met and organized as follows: President and manager, Mr. Julius Paulson; secretary and treasurer, Mr. N. W. Paulson; medical superintendent, J. F. Morse, M. D.; acting medical superintendent, A. B. Olson, M. D.; steward, N. W. Paulson; head nurse, Mrs. F. F. Johnson; matron, Miss Rose Andre; chaplain, J. G. Lamson.

The treasurer's report showed a very satisfactory gain, larger than any preceding year, and one of the very gratifying items was the one of charity which amounted to over \$17,000 for the year. In the president's address it was stated that we had the largest pay roll, the largest receipts, the largest net gain of any year since the

institution began, and that with the completion of the new additions we would have one of the most complete institutions of its kind that he knew anything about.

J. G. Lamson

#### Hinsdale Sanitarium News

Dr. and Mrs. Nelson have now taken up their residence at Lafayette at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium where the doctor is to succeed Dr. W. C. Dunscombe who has accepted a work in Porto Rico, thus relieving Dr. J. F. Morse who comes to be the superintendent at Hinsdale Sanitarium. As Dr. Morse cannot reach the states much before May 1, 1920, Dr. A. B. Olson of Indiana and formerly of Caterham, England, has been secured and elected as acting superintendent of Hinsdale Sanitarium.

Among recent visitors we note the names of Mr. Carson, business manager of Wabash Valley Sanitarium, and Dr. John Hopkins of Washington Sanitarium.

On a recent Sabbath Elder H. A. St. John of Chicago, and the chaplain of the sanitarium exchanged pulpits.

Two more of the Hinsdale Sanitarium family were received into the church by baptism last Sabbath, Miss Clara Salchow and Miss Martha Peter. This makes sixteen who have been baptized during the year.

Harvest Ingathering money is still coming in. Dr. Mary Paulson and Mr. Julius Paulson have both reached a personal goal of one hundred dollars.

We were glad to welcome to the sanitarium our old friends Judge Williams and wife of Carmi, Ill.

Thanskgiving Day was more than ordinarily pleasant at the sanitarium. A fine special dinner was served to patients and helpers which put everyone in good humor. Then at four o'clock special services were held in the parlor, a short sermon by the chaplain, while in the evening Dr. Edgar J. Banks gave a stereopticon lecture on the "Dwindling of the Territory of the Turk", a most interesting and instructive lecture.

During the year just closing there have been many changes in church membership. Hinsdale church numbers about fifty who do not live here at all and approximately fifty workers in the institution who have never brought their letters here. This made the reported membership a really fair statement of the actual situation. For some weeks a regular effort has been made to get all absent members to take their letters elsewhere, and to get those who are here and expect to be here for a year or more, to bring their letters here. As a consequence there have been

many changes in membership during the last two months, and it is hoped that the report made out for the conference in December will be very nearly accurate. The policy of establishing goals on almost everything has forced the churches to pay attention to their membership so that goals are a good thing in more ways than one. No member has any right to feel offended when it is suggested that he join the church nearest him, and yet there are still some people who feel that this is an indication that the church wants to get rid of them. We will need to get our sensitive nerves converted as well as all the rest of the body before the Lord comes.

Elders Wiest, Clark, and Guthrie came to attend the annual meeting. Elder Bristol was unable to be present.

The sanitarium managers have set the evening of December 26 and Sabbath and Sunday following as the date for the midwinter convention, an annual institution which the Hinsdale Sanitarium has conducted for many years. Programs will be published later.

#### **Obituaries**

EWING.—Doris Jane, daughter of Clifford and Hale Ewing, born June 19, 1919, died near Kokomo, Ind. Nov. 5, 1919, aged 4 months, and 16 days. The comfort of God's word was brought to the sad hearts of the parents.

W. A. Young

BATSFORD.—Leanard Floyd Batsford was born at Sanzark, So. Dakota, March 7, 1910 and died at Bethel, Wis. Nov. 9, 1919, at the age of nine years and eight months. One of his last acts was to cheerfully pay his tithes and offering. His conduct and disposition bore eloquent testimony to a Christian profession. Therefore the bereaved parents and children look forward to a happy reunion.

C. J. Tolf

HAYES.—Paul Arthur Hayes was born in Hartford City, Ind., March 16, 1919, and died November 4. He was the eighth and youngest child of the family. The sleeping babe now lies at rest in the Hartford City Cemetery, and if only the father and mother will be as little children, in innocence and implicit trust, it will be but a little while until they will be reunited on a fairer dawn and in a better country.

L. A. WILCOX

Vore.—William D. Vore was born in Wayne Co., Ind., July 10, 1827. He was married to Hannah A. Aker Nov. 29, 1849, who died last year. Four children were born to this union, three of these yet live. He died in Richmond, Ind., Aug. 26, 1919, aged 92 years, 1 month, and 16 days. W. A. Young

Wasson.—Elias Wasson was born Aug. 20, 1852, at Muncie, Ind. He was married to Emma Brown, April 21, 1888. Of the four children born to them, three survive as also the wife and other relatives. He departed this life of suffering Aug. 18, 1919, aged 67 years. W. A. Young

KIRKPATRICK.—Mary Branson, daughter of C. N. and Lydia Branson, was born in Wayne County, Ill., March 21, 1879, and died October 30, 1919. She was married to C. M. Kirkpatrick, July 13, 1906. She has always been a staunch believer in the truths of the third angel's message. During her long sickness she never murmured. She studied her Bible daily, always knowing her Sabbath school lesson. She died trusting in Jesus. She is survived by her husband,

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her parents, and one sister. Funeral services were conducted by the writer at Duquoin, Sabbath, November 1, 1919.

W. H. HOLDEN

Jones.—John Jefferson Jones was born in Render, Ky., Nov. 8, 1889. He was baptized at the age of twelve years and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He went to Colorado in 1909 on account of his health, and while there completed a three years' course in nursing, graduating with the class of 1912 from the Boulder Sanitarium. He was married to Miss Gaynel Link April 23, 1918. He died at Battle Creek, Mich., Oct. 19, 1919, age 29 years, 11 months and 11 days. During his long illness the Lord come very near, and gave him wonderful experiences. He rests, awaiting the call of the Life giver. He leaves to mourn, his wife and baby, father and mother, two sisters, and a brother. They sorrow but not without hope. He rests near Campbellsburg, Ind.

W. A. Young

#### **Business Notices**

Approved advertisements will be published in the HERALD at the following rates: Forty words or less, fifty cents for each insertion, and one cent per word for each additional word. Each group of initials or figures counts as one word. Cash must accompany copy for all advertisements.

Wanted.—Men to work in woods and on farm. L. M. Richards, Cutcheon, Mich. 2

BROOMS FOR SALE.—Now using this year's crop of natural color (green) broom-corn straw, and prices advanced slightly. Write for wholesale prices. Elmer C. Pinchon, 7 W. Brown St., Seymour, Ind.

WANTED.—Girl to do housework and go to church school in own home. Can take minth grade work. Would employ middle-aged woman. Farm for sale or to rent. Reference Mrs. Flora Williams, Holly, Mich. Address H. H. King, R. F. D. 2. Ypsilanti, Mich.

WORK WANTED.—A Seventh-day Adventist widow lady desires employment in a small Adventist family as housekeeper. Elva Reynolds, S. H. P. O. Battle Creek, Mich.

WANTED.—By married man, work on a farm by the month, near Adventist church. Have worked a farm all my life. Have no children. State wages in first letter. Henry F. Johnson, R. F. D. 3, Box 76, Tomah, Wis.

FOR SALE.—Bosch and Lomb stereopticon in good condition, 2.000 candle power. Nitrogen lamp, for connection with any ordinary electric-light socket. Correspond with Chicago Conference.

For Sale.—Large seven-room house, electric lights, city water. Can be used for two families. Six maple trees, cement sidewalk in front of house, double lot 105 feet front 200 feet deep. This is a fine home or good investment. Write H. J. Strego, Holly, Mich.

HONEY.—The Bible sweet, also that of nature, is the concentrated nectar of flowers. It is a kind of medicine as well as a food, and should take the place of candies and other injurious confectioneries. Send for prices. J. H. Haughey, R. F. D. 1, Berrien Springs, Mich.

FARM for SALE.—Sickness compels me to sell my farm. On contract, or will exchange for small place suitable for raising chickens, in or near Muskegon or Holland. Contains 110 acres, sandy loam, some mixed with clay, best of land for small fruits; 30-acre woodlot and pasture, 10-acre apple orchard beginning to bear. Peaches, cherries, strawberries, grapes; 24 acres rosen rye. Fair buildings, windmill, silo, telephone, rural and cream route, 1½ miles from Farmers' Cooperative Creamery, pickle and canning factories; in Oceana fruit belt. Price \$5,000. Stock, crops and fruit for sale. Dry wood and coal for winter. Chas. Baragar, Shelby, Mich.

FOR SALE.—Large store building and living rooms, only five minutes walk from Cedar Lake Academy. Just the place for Seventh day Adventist to do business and send children to school. Address Mrs. Nettie N. Phillips, R. F. D. 2 Glendale, Arizona.

"SPIRIT OF PROPHECY."- I am very desirous of obtaining the old four volume edition of "Spirit of Prophecy." Perhaps some readers of this item would be willing to part with their copies or may know of their existence in some library where they are not appreciated. If any reader knows where I can secure these, please address me at Hinsdale, Ill., care of Sanitarium. J. G. Lamson, Chaplain.

FOR SALE.—Farm of 76 acres, 10 miles south of Battle Creek, Mich. Good gravel road, good land. Good 10-room brick house, butternut finish, 2 barns 20x30 each. Corncrib, machinery shed, garage, and hen-house, 10 acres timber, apple, plum, pear, and cherry orchard, Brook runs through farm. Joppa station, where there is a store, elevator, and stockyards across from farm. Many close neighbors. Seventh-day Adventist church within 3 miles. East LeRoy  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Price \$80 per acre, 3 per cent off for quick sale. Reason for selling: want to go into colporteur work. M. D. Shasky, R. F. D. 1, East LeRoy, Mich.

### Canvassers' Report for the Week Enging November 29 1919

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#### Complete the Training Course

Those who have been taking the Sabbath School Workers' Training Course are now ready for the closing exercise of the year's work. How satisfying it is to exert one's powers to accomplish something, to see it through to the end, and to win evidence of having accomplished it! Only growing teachers are live teachers. Each year must find the true teacher with keener enthusiasms, renewed purposes, and deeper devotion to this most sacred of all trusts.

Those who have read the textbooks are now asked to write a few paragraphs based upon the subjects studied. This is not a rigid examination, but a proof of your having studied the year's course. On page 2 of the December number of the Sabbath School Worker, ten questions are offered, five on each book, which will furnish topics for your paper. These questions are given so that there may be uniformity of subjects. It is always preferable to use pen and ink. Write on one side of the paper, taking care to make your writing as legible as possible. No restrictions regarding the use of the textbooks in preparing your paper are made so long as quotation marks are used when the words of the text are copied verbatim.

Mail your paper to your conference Sabbath school secretary, who will examine the paper and send to you a certificate issued by the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference, showing that you have compled the Sabbath School Workers' Training Course for the current year

Sabbath School Department

#### 100,000 Goal Week

Week beginning December 14 is designated by the General Conference Missionary Department as "100,000 Goal Week" for the Signs. During this special week, every member who has not subscribed for the paper should do so, and secure a subscription from someone else. The Signs weekly certainly should be in the homes of all our people. Just a little effort will place it in the home of a friend or neighbor.

The close of this special week, December 21, will reveal a list of 100,000 subscriptions for this

splendid soul-winner, if the above suggestion is carried out. Why not do it? It requires but very little time, and a small amount of money.

#### Gift Books of Distinction

The holiday season is almost here. We all follow, more or less, the time-honored custom of making gifts to our relatives and friends at this time of the year. Just what to give is often a puzzling question. Especially is this true when several gifts are to be made and economy reckoned with. Neatly bound books and Bibles make inexpensive and appropriate gifts for old and young. A good book is perhaps more universally appreciated than any other gift.

Did it ever occur to you that among our books there is one to convey each sentiment that you might desire to express in a holiday gift and at the same time sow a few seeds of truth in soil that you might not be able to reach in any other way? The simple fact that a book is a gift from a friend will nearly always insure its being carefully read. Look through a catalogue of our books and see how many you can use for holiday gifts, or better still, make your selections from the Special Holiday Offer circular sent you by the Review and Herald Publishing Association a few days ago. If you did not receive one of these circulars, write to your tract society for one. It is brimful of suggestive gifts and will also tell you how to save money when purchasing them. J. D. SNIDER

#### Additional Rulings on Reinstatement

A series of decisions issued by the Director of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury provides more liberal conditions for reinstatement of lapsed or canceled insurance.

The provisions of Treasury Decision No. 47, allowing eighteen months from the date of discharge for reinstatement upon payment of only two months' premiums on the amount of insurance to be reinstated, are retained. That decision is liberalized, however, by a new provision that men out of the service are permitted to reinstate by merely paying the two months' premiums without making a statement as to health at any time within three calendar months following the month of discharge.

After the three months following the date of discharge have elapsed, a statement from the applicant to the effect that he is in as good health as at the date of discharge or at the expiration of the grace period, whichever is the later date, will be required together with a written appli-

cation for reinstatement and the tender of two months' premiums on the amount of insurance he wishes to reistate.

In order to give all former service men whose insurance has lapsed or been canceled, a fair chance to reinstate their insurance, including men who have been out of the service eighteen months or more, and who are therefore barred from reinstatement under the former ruling, a special blanket ruling is made which allows all ex-service men to reinstate their insurance before December 31, 1919, provided that each applicant is in as good health as at date of discharge or at expiration of the grace period, whichever is the later date, and so states in his application. Of course it is necessary that he tender the two months' premiums on the amount of insurance he wishes to reintate.

Service men who reinstated their insurance by payment of all back premiums prior to July 25, 1919, when the decision requiring payment of only two months' premiums went into effect, upon written application to the Bureau may have any premiums paid in excess of two applied toward the payment of future premiums. For example, if after a policy had lapsed for six months, a man reinstated and paid six months' premiums instead of two, he may secure credit for four months' premiums.

The provisions for reinstatement do not protect a man until he actually reintates. If he waits he may not be in as good health as he was at the time of discharge and consequently may not be able to secure reinstatement.

Don't put off reinstatement. Do it now!

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Bureau of War Risk Insurance

The above statement from the Treasury Department has been sent to me for publication. I am having it published at once in the LAKE UNION HERALD with the hope that any of our boys who wish to take advantage of reinstatement under the insurance act may do so at once. You will note the period of reinstatement ends December 31, 1919.

WM. GUTHRIE

#### Calendars

In a letter just received from Brother C. V. Leach, I am informed that the calendars to be published by the Home Missionary Department will be about twelve by eighteen inches. From what I learned in conversation at Washington a few days ago, these calendars will be very full of suggestions, facts, and other information concerning the Home Missionary work, and will be a daily reminder of the privileges in the cause of Christ. I hope, therefore, that each individual in the Lake Union Conference may have access

to one of these calendars. There should be one in each home if we are to be a missionary people. The price is 25 cents per copy, postpaid, to your address. Send all orders through your young people's secretary to the tract society of your local conference. These calendars may be sent by express or parcel post to the tract society and mailed out from there, or mailed direct from Washington to the individual as may be desired by the tract societies. Most of the unions have a nice order for these calendars except the Lake Union. Let us make amends for our short coming, by leading out in this aggressive movement.

WM. GUTHRIE

#### "Astronomy and the Bible"

Are the revelations of the telescope in harmony with the Scriptures? Is there a conflict between astronomy and Bible concerning this earth we inhabit and its place in the great unmeasured universe? Dr. L. A. Reed, for several years editor of the Signs Magazine, has contributed a number of intensely interesting articles on this important subject. Recognizing the keen interest of our readers in this question, the doctor has prepared a book on "Astronomy and the Bible." There are twenty-four chapters in all, making a book of 267 pages. In addition to the text, there are thirty-three full-page halftone engravings. Many of these are from photographs and drawings made by the world's greatest astronomers. The famous 40-inch Yerkes telescope contributes a beautiful "close up" view of the moon, showing its curious mountains, craters, plains, etc.; while the marvelous beauties of that mysterious nebula in Orion are startlingly revealed by the great Lick telescope. This book of absorbing interest is now ready and has been placed at the low price of \$1.50. Order of your tract society.

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