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The Old and the New

Wm. Guthrie

In forty minutes from the time my pen first touched this sheet the year 1919, according to the popular reckoning, will have passed forever into eternity, with all its deeds both good and evil.

It seems but a small thing indeed, so many years have come and gone that we scarcely mark their entrance or chronicle their departure. Yet in spite of our unconcern, they are fraught with most important events, crowding each other both on and off the great stage of human affairs.

The person who will allow the years to come and go without a careful accounting of the deeds of each day will have a very large and unexpected account to settle at their close. But he who takes particular notice of the passing of time and is careful to have it well filled each day with deeds of kindness and words of comfort will find at life's close an unexpected balance to his credit.

How wonderfully good is our God. He has filled each day with numerous opportunities and supplies the grace so that we need not fail at the most distant point. His love seeks our happiness and paves the way with thorns and roses. Hidden away under the flowers of opportunity are the thorns of defeat revealed most often by neglect and carelessness. How many cruel pricks we would escape if we were only more careful to gather up these beautiful roses of opportunity rather than trample them under our feet.

Reader, the records of 1919 are made with their victories and defeats and no amount of regret and sorrow can change them. Therefore let us not waste precious moments in 1920 bemoaning the failures of 1919, but rather use the precious time and our vigor of life to gather the most of God's blessings and bestow them upon the unfortunate as the golden moments pass.

Today only is yours. Use it while it is here. Soon it will be gone and may find *your record* closed

or *your* opportunity passed. He only is wise who stores his garner with the precious seeds of kindness while God so graciously leaves them strewn along our pathway. We may make them ours if we take the pains to gather them from among the rubbish of life's busy day. Let us therefore not look back over the year except it be that by so doing we may be led to better fill life's swiftly passing days of 1920 with more of the good that waits to be woven into life's lasting web.

As my pen traces these lines the bells are bidding adieu to the old year and ringing in the new. So let our life in joyous strains ring out the old year with its sorrows, failures, suffering and woes and welcome the new, for the sake of those whom, with God's help, we may bless during its swiftly flying hours.

Of all years 1920 is the most important because it is one year nearer the close of earth's dark night of sin. "Where sin abounded did grace much more abound," and God's grace is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rejoice in my infirmities that the power of God may rest upon me for service. Live in love and you live with God. Live in envy and hatred and the angels of the bottomless pit will be your guides. Let all that is unlike God pass from our lives with the old year and all that is born of love come into our lives with the joyous sounds of the new year's bells. To God be all the glory, to men all the blessings, to you all the joy of each day's activities for 1920.

"It isn't the thing you do, dear,
It's the thing you leave undone
That gives you a bit of heart-ache,
At the setting of the sun;
The stone that you might have lifted
Out of a brother's way,
The word of heart-some counsel
You were hurried too much to say."

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The Hinsdale Fire

The sanitarium was given considerable excitement Friday night, December 19, when fire started about seven o'clock in a temporary partition in the boiler room. The contractors were putting in a new boiler and had taken out one side of the old boiler room, closing up the opening by a board partition. This must have caught fire from the automatic stoker, and when first discovered the flames had reached the ceiling of the boiler room. It extended to a storeroom and garage near the coal chutes and completely destroyed that, together with two automobiles. The water softener was ruined, but the power-house, although on fire several times, was not destroyed. The fine large dynamo and steam engine seemed to be in good condition although blackened by fire and water. Early in the fire a steam pipe broke in the boiler room which deluged the room with steam and assisted in keeping the fire within limits. The Hinsdale fire department responded and in the course of an hour the blaze was under control.

Damage may reach about \$10,000, but the sanitarium was planning a new boiler house to be erected as soon as the new building was completed, so with the exception of the inconvenience, no irretrievable amount of damage was done.

The consulting engineer was on the ground before the fire was put out. The steam, water, and electric light contractors responded quickly. The architect of the new building was there and in eighteen hours after the heat was turned off the sanitarium it was turned on again from our own boilers and all the patients nicely taken care of.

The sanitarium was filled to its capacity with patients, many being serious cases, some just out from the operating room a day or so. With few exceptions they showed splendid control and there was neither panic nor furor during the entire time.

The Chicago Telephone Company, through the courtesy of Mr. Ralph Pierce, sent out one hundred oil stoves and two barrels of kerosene by truck. The rooms had not become cooled before everyone was provided with an oil stove and everybody was kept comfortable. Several

oil stoves made the dining-room warm enough for breakfast, every meal was on time, and patients and helpers were as unconcerned as though fires were a matter of their doctors' prescriptions.

The gymnasium could not be heated for the Sabbath morning service so none was held, but at 3:45 the patients and family united in a praise service in the sanitarium parlor.

One of the pleasantest memories in connection with this experience is the splendid friendship shown by the citizens of Hinsdale. Automobiles soon began to arrive to carry away the patients, telephone calls were sent in offering accommodations, and some of the best homes in the city were thrown open to take care of the Hinsdale Sanitarium people if the fire should spread to the main building. We are very grateful indeed to the Hinsdale people for this cordiality.

We trust that the lesson of the fire may be learned by everyone of us, and we are grateful to God for sparing us all suffering and sorrow in connection with it.

J. G. LAMSON

The Midwinter Convention

The regular midwinter convention of Hinsdale Sanitarium held its first service Friday evening, December 26, in the gymnasium. A large attendance listened to Elder A. E. Serns of the tabernacle, Battle Creek, who pleaded with the people to take to heart the question of the Lord to Elijah, "What doest thou here, Elijah?" and there was a most earnest exhortation for each one to know what he is called to do.

Sabbath forenoon, in a very impressive sermon, Elder Serns reinforced the talk of the preceding evening, holding forth Jesus as the one great need of the world, showing the duty of every one in training at the sanitarium and those connected otherwise with the work to come out of the caves of indifference and indolence and be busy in ministering Jesus to the world.

In the afternoon Dr. E. A. Sutherland of Madison, Tenn., presented the "Sanitarium Pattern" as given to this people, giving special attention to the thought that if we are really and truly missionaries our sanitariums are not to be run

for the money that can be obtained. Our ability as nurses is not to be sold for what the world can afford to pay, but we are to consider that we are debtors to all men and live lives that will bless others. The scripture was drawn from the story of Naaman who came to God's people for help because of the faithfulness of a little girl missionary. Contrast was drawn between the real true missionary Elisha and Elisha's business manager Gehazi, and those who were present at the meeting will not soon forget the close insistent application of the lesson drawn from the biblical incident.

Evening after the Sabbath a reception was held in the gymnasium at which thirty-five or forty guests joined with the sanitarium family, and after some time in social intercourse, a program was carried out consisting of reports by Dr. Olive P. Ingersoll of Madison, Wis., who also related experiences in Florida and India, Dr. Clara B. Otis of Santo Domingo, Dr. E. A. Sutherland, who told of the rural sanitarium work in the South, and Elder Serns, who drew lessons from the story of the "Battle Creek Idea." Mr. Julius Paulson, the manager of Hinsdale, responded to the theme, "Hinsdale Idea," and Mr. J. D. Clark, the desk clerk of the sanitarium, responded to the subject, "The guest at the desk."

Sunday afternoon, Dr. Sutherland presented further words concerning the work in the South, and later there followed reports from the Good Samaritan Inn, the Rescue Home work, city work of our nurses, the jail work, and the mission of the *Life Boat* magazine.

The convention closed with a powerful setting forth of the lessons to be drawn from the tabernacle of Israel and the application of these lessons in this twentieth century. Elder F. C. Gilbert, whose training in Jewry well qualifies him to be an authority upon these questions, held a large audience in the gymnasium to a thorough consideration of the meaning of the types and ceremonies of the tabernacle in the wilderness. It was a new subject to many of the hearers, but so convincing that none could go away doubting. Several Hebrews were in the audience and they expressed high approbation of the theme presented.

While not as long nor covering as much ground as conventions in former years, I believe that the net results will be for lasting good. We are grateful for the help given us by those not of our family and for the cordial cooperation of all who were asked to take part.

J. G. LAMSON, *Chaplain*

Most trials, whether fanciful or real, are best borne in silence. A year afterwards we are glad we never mentioned them.—*Jowett*.

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A Prosperous Year

Good reports continue to come from the workers concerning the week of prayer. Nearly every company in the conference was visited during this special week. We would be glad at this time to give you a statement of the financial results of the mission work of this conference, but will have to delay this as the reports are just coming in. We do not have to look back many years to see the great advance on the part of our people towards missions. Now it seems to be the interest of practically every one to see that the work in foreign fields is advanced as well as in the fields at home. I am sure that the full twenty-five-cents-a-week per member will be met by the conference if all the church treasurers' reports get in on time. Now that the old year is past and the new year is upon us with new responsibilities, let us take hold earnestly and see if we cannot make this the best year in the history of our people. This can be done only by each and every individual relating himself to the Lord in the right way. Let us labor and pray earnestly that the work may be successful this year from God's viewpoint.

J. J. IRWIN

The Two-per-cent

A number have asked how we figure the two-per-cent. Thinking that others might wish to ask the same question, I will say it is simply making an offering of two cents on each dollar of income. In other words, if an individual received twenty-five dollars, his tithe would be two dollars and fifty cents and the two-per-cent would be two per cent of the twenty-five dollars, or fifty cents. A very simple way of figuring the two-per-cent is to divide the amount of tithe we pay by one-fifth. Thus, if an individual hands the church treasurer five dollars tithe, he would also pay an extra dollar for two-per-cent.

I am sure that our people in North Wisconsin will be glad to know that this plan is meeting with favor wherever it is presented. I have visited a few churches and in every case the response was good. Other workers who have written in say that they are having the same experience, and that our people are glad to know that a definite, clean-cut plan is being established for the meeting of our educational expenses as well as other expenses. In some of the churches the children are taking hold of this

plan because they understand that it is to be used largely for fitting up our schools in which they hope to receive their training. I would appeal to our parents everywhere to instill in the minds of their children a plan of systematic offerings that the cause of God may be sustained.

J. J. IRWIN

Among the Churches

As we went from house to house, we took the names of the children and young people that a complete census might be obtained. On our visits we found a number of young people ready and anxious for Walderly. As soon as rooms can be provided for them, they too can begin a preparation for service. As at Zeba, so at Hancock and Dollar Bay, the brethren were ready to respond to the two-per-cent plan that the young people may have an opportunity to enter our schools and push forward in the closing message.

As Brother Hamara and I counted our blessings resulting from the week of prayer, we felt that this had been a week well spent, and that our hearts were again refreshed by the Lord's Holy Spirit. We were in the Copper Country. Over the first Sabbath we were with the Chippewa Indians at Zeba. Meetings were held each evening. During the day we went from house to house, not only visiting our own people, but others in the community.

Our brethren and sisters are of good courage. Their hearts are stirred to see the work finished. As the tithe and two-per-cent were presented, they were willing to fall in line. Monday night being our last meeting at Zeba, we took up the regular offering. This was very liberal indeed. The remainder of the readings for the week were given to different members.

Tuesday night was spent with the little company at Chassel. They were of good courage in the Lord's work. As they hold their membership at the Hancock church, the most of them spent the last Sabbath there. The rest of the week was spent at Houghton and Hancock. Although the weather was cold and stormy, all were willing to attend the readings.

On the evening following the Sabbath, a combined Senior and Junior M. V. society was organized. The young people were very anxious to do real missionary work that the cause of God may be advanced.

Sunday afternoon a meeting was held with the people at Dollar Bay. Some of their members have moved away, leaving only a few to hold up the light of truth. They are very faithful, going from house to house doing missionary work.

If all could get a bird's eye view of the Cop-

per Country, you could see homes of thousands of people of forty different nationalities, reaching out for present truth. Let us pray that the Lord may abundantly bless our faithful brethren in this part of the field, that the hope of the soon-coming Saviour may be a beacon light to all.

T. S. COPELAND

Two-per-cent

Occasionally I am asked if the plan of the two-per-cent is being taken up by our people in North Wisconsin. Judging by the large number of signed pledge cards that are being returned to us, I feel justified in saying that the majority of our people approve of this plan, and we expect to see good results from it. If every individual in the conference could realize the benefit this plan would be to the field, I am sure no one would feel like rejecting it.

The needs of our schools appeal to us in a very strong way. The better training a consecrated worker has the more souls he can win. This shows the need of equipping our schools in such a manner that this work may advance as God would have it.

J. J. IRWIN

Item

The many friends of Brother J. D. Rathbun of Bear Lake, will be pained to hear of his death. Brother Rathbun has been in poor health for several weeks. He was one of our pioneer members in the conference and his loss will be keenly felt.

J. J. IRWIN

Walderly Academy Notes

The teachers' institute, elders' meeting, and week of prayer are in the past, but they are landmarks in the progress of the work in this conference and especially at Walderly. Those who had the privilege of being present during these sessions returned to their various fields of labor feeling renewed in courage and power to carry forward their work.

Mr. Bryan Robinson was at Walderly during the last two days of the week of prayer. We were pleased to have him with us, and feel assured that when he gets to his field in South Africa, Walderly Academy will not be forgotten, but that he will be looking forward to the time when many of our students will be giving the gospel to the heathen.

Our Christmas holiday season began December 19 and lasted until the 29th. This allowed all who went home to be there over two Sabbaths.

The church-school children enjoyed a Christ-

mas tree in their school room. A good program was rendered by the children.

Mr. E. A. von Pohle visited the churches at Trego and Spooner during the two Sabbaths of the week of prayer, while the writer had the privilege of meeting with the company at Rice Lake.

O. P. WILSON

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Duties and Obligations

The year 1919 is now in the past and we are just entering upon the year 1920. Naturally the question comes to our minds, What has the new year in store for the Illinois Conference? Judging from the past, we believe that it has only prosperity for the work of God. The brethren who have stood loyally by the working during the year 1919 can be depended upon for the year 1920, and the same God who has so graciously spared our lives and helped us both in sorrow and in joy, and who has been with His people throughout all the ages of the past, will certainly be with us to accomplish great things for His cause during the ensuing year.

We are not yet prepared to give a report of the growth of our work for the year 1919, as all statistics are not in, but we feel confident that it has been the best year of our history. We believe all goals have been passed; offerings to missions have greatly increased, and we have gone way over the top on the Twenty-five-cent-a-week Fund. The tithe has increased several thousand dollars; our workers have had success in the field in the winning of souls. Very soon we shall be able to give exact statistics showing what has been accomplished.

December 15 to 21 we held our elders' and workers' meeting in the city of Moline, and it has been the testimony of all who were there that it was the best meeting of the kind any of us ever attended. The Lord certainly came near and blessed abundantly. It was a real spiritual feast. The papers read and the instruction given were the very best. The Lord's Holy Spirit was there throughout the meeting in a marked degree, and when we left for our homes, we felt that we had been abundantly fed, and resolved within our hearts to put forth a stronger effort than ever before to make our part of the work in the Lord's vineyard a success.

We can never forget that good field day which was held on Thursday forenoon, when every one went out for about two hours and gathered in \$193.44 Harvest Ingathering money. This was done after the Moline church had al-

ready raised over \$400. We are satisfied that there is still much money in all our cities which can be gathered in for the Lord if willing hands will only go forth to gather the Harvest.

Now for the duties and responsibilities of the year 1920. Brethren, let us cooperate and work as we have never done before. Our goal for missions this year is fifty cents a week per member. The Sabbath school is to raise twenty-five cents a week per member. Let us start right in to raise our goal the first month, because if we get far behind on this large goal, I fear we shall be swamped in a multitude of responsibilities that we will not be able to lift. The only way to succeed is to lift the load from the very first, and if we lift it faithfully month by month, it will not get the heavier as we go along, but will in fact become the lighter as we become accustomed to the weight of the responsibility.

May the Lord bless the Illinois Conference during the year 1920, even more than in the past. Without doubt we shall receive blessings according to our faithfulness in cooperating with the Lord.

W. H. HOLDEN

Peoria

We have closed our Sunday night meetings. A good interest was developed, and some are beginning to obey. We are now holding cottage meetings in various parts of the city with good attendance. The church has been busy. Our Harvest Ingathering record is about double that of last year. The Sabbath school goal for the fourth quarter was \$150; \$196 was given. The total receipts for last quarter were about \$1,200; the tithe was about \$700. These figures for the last quarter of the year double those of the first quarter. The gain has been consistent throughout the year. Twelve were added to the church by baptism from the summer's effort, three or four more are ready for baptism, and still others are advancing in an encouraging way. We have had heavy losses by removals and apostasy. We look for a harvest of souls during the present year. Pray that our faith fail not.

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South-Side English

We closed our Sunday evening meetings at Seventy-fifth and Engleside Avenues the last Sunday evening in November. Since then we have been following up the interest with personal work. We baptized three more two weeks ago and expect another baptism in two weeks.

We are planning to hold Sunday evening meetings in a nice hall at 111th and Michigan Avenue, beginning the first Sunday evening in February. Will you remember this coming effort in your prayers that God will send the people to bear His message. I. J. WOODMAN

November

Chicago	Tithe	2%	F. M.	Prairie Ave.	Tithe	2%	F. M.
Bohemian.....	\$59 35	\$2 51	\$28 59	Aroma Park.....	\$668 58	\$7 69	\$181 72
Dearborn St.....				Aurora.....	57 87	2 13	51 49
Englewood.....	174 16	4 42	79 45	Broadview.....	356 85		126 99
N. S. German.....	2027 02	5 15	175 32	Brookfield.....	159 98		248 48
Humboldt P.....	350 05	3 00	116 44	Conference.....			
Hungarian.....	27 19	2 00	13 61	Elgin.....	52 45	2 63	73 03
Italian.....	394 56	2 39	285 48	Harvey.....	160 95		41 70
46th Street.....	1009 90	21 86	276 83	Hinsdale.....	856 71	9 38	202 79
North Shore.....	283 33	8 13	208 67	Indiana Harbor.....			
Polish.....	29 41	1 69	28 38	Joliet.....	104 42	2 74	39 72
S. S. German.....	201 85	1 30	116 44	Kankakee.....	108 03	7 36	28 33
S. Side Scan.....	57 16	21 86	31 86	St. Anne.....			
Swedish.....	264 87		84 11	Individual.....	51 82		34 24
West Central.....	712 14	16 36	271 86	Total.....	\$8168 65	100 74	2753 04

Among the Russians of Chicago

It is some time since my last report appeared in the LAKE UNION HERALD, but I am glad at this time for good news to present to the readers of this paper. We have been helped by your prayers and cooperation in the Lord's work among the Russians here.

We were planning to organize a church of twelve or fifteen members before the close of the year, but later we thought it would be better to more fully establish those who have accepted the Sabbath truth.

The enemy has been working, but we are glad that two of the three that he discouraged have returned to the fold. We are still praying for the other to return.

Our meetings continue with good success. During the month of November we received \$30 donation to help pay the expenses, and during December we have received \$37. Our meetings are attended by very good Baptist members, although their minister is working to prejudice their minds against the truth.

We have been successful in reaching a number of Russelites, and showing them the fallacy of the future probation theory. Those that have accepted the truth are firm.

We are glad that the Russian Bible worker is back. She is doing good work visiting the people in their homes. At the present time Brother Kubrock is canvassing among the Russians and we pray that he may have success, not only in selling books, but in interesting many in the truth.

We also have thirteen Russian students at the Broadview Theological Seminary. Others will enter after the holidays. A number of these stu-

dents are not believers as yet, but we are working for their salvation there.

Our Russian publications are increasing. Beginning with January, we shall have every three months a special of the monthly *Signs of the Times*, and a bimonthly Russian church paper, also we shall begin to print *Present Truth*. We hope that all the brethren who have any Russian neighbors will order from the Pacific Press Publishing Company, Brookfield, Ill., a number of these for distribution. Soon there will be published beautifully illustrated "Steps to Christ" and "World's Hope" in the Russian language.

We ask the brethren to pray for the success of the Russian work in Chicago.

S. G. BURLEY

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Bay City

About a year ago Miss Anna Graham began Bible work in this city. In April I moved from Detroit and commenced meetings in the church. After camp-meeting Brother E. L. Peterson came and assisted in a series of tent meetings, which continued until September. The attendance was fairly good most of the time, and some accepted the truth.

At the close of the tent effort Brother Petersen went to another field of labor and Sister Graham left for school at Emmanuel Missionary College. October 5, Sunday night meetings were started in the I. O. O. F. Temple and continued until December 21. These meetings were fairly well attended. Professor Metcalf of Detroit rendered valuable assistance in the music. Thirty-two have been baptized and many others are deeply interested. Nearly \$10,000 in tithes and offerings has been received.

FRANK DUDLEY

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Kalamazoo

It was a pleasure, that little visit to Kalamazoo schoolroom. The new adjustable chair seats had arrived. The hard coal burner was set up and the adjustable shades at the windows made it possible to better regulate the light.

Window boxes were placed on shelves that had been built by teacher and children. Several large hanging baskets with ample ivy trailing far over the windows made one think he were in

the tropics instead of a winter season in Michigan.

A large box of new pencils stood on the table. These the children were selling to secure a large flag for the schoolroom. A paper band consisting of two sections—boys against the girls—was an interesting feature. Old papers are collected, baled and sold. Just now the girls are a little over one dollar ahead in the contest. This money goes to the library, and I learned there was a live interest among the children in the use of this library.

Some plans were divulged to promote the manual training for this school and I am sure more will be heard from this later.

At recess time one of the older girls put on an apron and started preparations for a hot lunch for the children at noon. This was a special day, for once a month the birthdays are celebrated; so two hot foods were prepared. Potatoes were put in the oven to bake and a kettle of soup placed on the stove to cook. Neither of these seemed to demand much attention until time to serve. Then the desks were neatly covered with paper and a happy dinner hour began. A large birthday cake was an exciting feature. Ordinarily, one hot dish is served daily. One end of one of the cloakrooms had been turned into a kitchen cupboard and a good supply of dishes were neatly packed away.

A big sign over the door is the last thing you see as you pass out. It says, "Come Again." Who wouldn't?

A little visit with a member of the school board showed me the board is alive and enthusiastic. The Parent-Teacher Association is so well organized now that it almost runs itself. A well prepared program is announced and carried out. They not only plan the work but work the plan as you can see by the foregoing. A good program is an asset but results accomplished is much better. One new book has been added to the library at each parent-teacher meeting this year.

It is easy to see how the enrollment has steadily crept up nearly to the twenty-five mark, and more applicants than seats I am told. One eighth-grade girl is earning all her expenses by selling small books outside of school hours. She told me she was the oldest child of a large family and this was her only means of securing an education.

A church that can conduct a school of this character is a live church that can stand at the top on every other missionary endeavor or enterprise. It does not make them poor. Look up the records and see if this is true.

If your church is languishing in missionary spirit, get under your school and boost it.

Watch for the working temperature of your church to rise as a result.

One comes from such a trip with renewed zeal and spirits, buoyed for any emergency.

Other schools will be heard from later. West Michigan may well be proud of its corps of primary teachers this year. They are doing most excellent work. Visit and encourage your teacher.

LOTTA E. BELL

Glenwood

Brother Byron Hagle was with us last week and assisted in the quarterly services. We were grateful for his help. A large number of interested people were present at the Sunday evening meeting. Some determined to take up their cross and follow the Master. EARL W. MOTT

November

	Tithe	F. M.		Tithe	2% F. M.
Albion	\$77 08	\$10 29	Grand Rapids	466 87	36 89 138 44
Allegan	86 62	4 97 107 11	Greenville	133 16	13 13 73 29
Allendale	49 62	5 66 17 06	Hartford	32 25	
Bangor	18 27	5 75 12 12	Hastings	104 41	3 00 12 48
Battle Creek	3810 94	175 25 411 55	Holland	23 05	57 63 04
Bauer	49 11	50 11 99	Homer	5 78	92 24 41
Beldord			Howard City	17 06	3 50 9 99
Belding	16 00	55 53 45	Kalamazoo	320 92	12 62 192 68
Benton Harbor	109 18	4 17 39 12	Kent City	47 96	33 37
B. S. College			Kinderhook		
B. S. Village	174 30	66 71 90	Lakeview	45 57	29 40
Bloomington			Long Lake	16 10	6 42
Brookfield	70 30	25 1 75	Lyons	8 00	2 15
Buchanan	80 18	3 30 9 72	Maple Grove	54 40	10 3 50
Bushnell	55 14	7 42 41 55	Mendon	15 14	2 85 2 79
Byron Center	8 64	1 73 3 00	Monterey	31 00	30 5 55
Carlton Center	171 07	17 51	Muskegon	185 98	15 77 165 30
Carson City	375 09	29 99 26 42	North Liberty	101 15	17 16
Cedar Lake	331 87	57 34 239 42	Otsego	492 79	5 12 52 80
Charlotte	350 67	59 02	Palo	20 00	3 10 14 36
Clifford Lake	36 79	3 32 9 60	Paw Paw	44 85	50 22
Coldwater	23 36	3 25	Portland	23 87	1 69 12 51
Covert	61 25	5 23	Pottersville		
Cedar Springs			Quincy	43 72	2 30 10 75
Decatur			Sand Lake	87 52	89 30 08
Dimondale	45 41	4 54 16 62	South Bend	300 95	12 48 50 61
Douglas	92 85	17 44	Sturgis		
Eaton Rapids	29 20	30 11 76	St. Joseph	28 90	4 10 39 65
Edmore	67 7	1 54 53 83	Three Rivers	23 96	5 32 40 99
Elkhart	153 69	8 63 88 03	Trufant	13 70	10 20
Fremont	65 66	3 40 46	Union City		
Frost	79 86	05 26 96	Urbondale	35 21	30 22 28
Glenwood	97 41	20 31 84	West LeRoy	30 21	14 71
Gobleville	68 31	18 48	Wright	71 79	6 02 42 27
Gowen	9 10	1 80 10 00	Conference	40 60	3 51 20 95
Grand Haven		32 87	Individuals	81 95	1 56 55 84
Grand Ledge	31 05	2 00 30 24	Total	9644 63	479 99 2876 00

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Notice

After January 1, 1920, we shall be obliged to run our Tract Society on a strictly cash basis with everyone except our regular workers, colporteurs, and church societies. We find the increased business and additional work in handling personal accounts demand this method.

Orders placed with the church missionary secretary will receive prompt and careful attention. If you wish to send your order direct to us, please send money with your order. Catalogs will be furnished upon request. We are making no discriminations but feel that this principle is an advanced step in our work and will make it possible for us to serve you better. We anticipate your hearty cooperation.

NORTH MICHIGAN TRACT SOCIETY

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Wabash Valley Sanitarium

Sometime ago an article appeared in the HERALD stating that Dr. Dunscombe had decided to remain with the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. At the time of this decision he had already signed his contract with the Porto Rico Sugar Refining Company. After he had decided to remain at the sanitarium, he found he was unable to be released from his contract, so had to go to Porto Rico. We are very sorry to have Dr. Dunscombe leave, but we know that he is going to a mission field and can be a great blessing to our work in Porto Rico.

We have been very fortunate in securing Dr. H. C. Nelson to take the superintendency of the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. He has been there for the last few weeks and is getting in touch with the work. He is a man of experience, and I believe will be a great blessing to our work at the sanitarium. We solicit your cooperation, and hope that you will speak a kind word in behalf of the institution whenever you are able to do so. There are many of your neighbors who need physical help and should receive the treatments that are being given at the sanitarium. Agitate the Wabash Valley Sanitarium so that by your influence you may send patients to the institution. I am sure you will find Dr. Nelson a capable man, and therefore need not fear to recommend any of your acquaintances to go to the sanitarium for medical treatment.

C. S. WIEST

News Notes

The majority of the conference workers have been spending the past week at the academy assisting in getting the building ready for the students when the second semester begins. We are planning to get into the basement of the girls' dormitory by the first of the year and continue our school work as usual.

Elder Hubbard baptized nine persons at the Union church, Indianapolis, recently.

Have you done your part for the educational campaign—in raising \$10 per member?

The Lafayette church has been successful in buying a nice property on Eighth Street. There are two lots fenced in and a large building that was formerly used for a dwelling, but it looks much like a church, and can easily be converted into a church building, with little expense. The property was offered for \$5,000 but they were successful in buying it for \$4,000.

The Beechwood Academy building has been sold to Wm. Watson of Boggs town.

"In Life's Morning Watch, When My Spirit Was Young."

This is the beginning of a new year. But—

"Every day is a new beginning,
Every hour is a life made new;
Ye who are weary of sorrow and sinning
Here is a beautiful hope for you,
A hope for me, and a hope for you."

After all, it is from day to day we live, not so much from year to year. This first of January has only brought us a new day. "We live in days, not years."

Life is only a short day, say the poets, and one of them sings, after speaking of the noon of middle-life and the evenfall of age, of "life's morning watch, when my spirit was young."

From the Spirit-swept lyre of the Psalmist comes the strain, "Out of the womb of the morning thou hast the dew of youth."

"O give to me the blushing dawn,
And the golden gleam of morning,
That floods and fills
The peaceful hills
The verdant vales adorning;
When the splendor shines on the sparkling lawn,
Or a field of flowers upturning,
When a carol of song
Is sweet and strong,

And the soul of the youth is burning!"

And so today, my fellow Volunteers, I am glad and grateful for the fresh morning hours of youth! If ever the heart has a right to be exultant, surely the red blood of youth's enthusiasm can leap high in the thrill of life's morning watch! There is all the sparkling radiance and the sunlit beauty of the spring dawning in the glory of being young!

"In life's morning watch when my spirit was young." And half-hidden in these words lies a mystic secret that none of us need ever grow old. It has eluded all the philosophers and scientists of the ages. It has eluded the search of full many a man who, like Ponce de Leon, gave His life to seek what men and women still vainly seek—the Fountain of Perpetual Youth.

It flows from the Morning Watch.

"Every day is a new beginning
Every hour is a life made new."

Come to the Fountain! A plunge every morn-

ing in its revitalizing, cleansing flood is perpetual youth, continuous joy, enduring power! Come to the Fountain the dawning of every day and bathe in its purity and partake of its refreshment!

Then through all the day its regenerative, renewing power will be with you, for "they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint!"

"In life's morning watch." Every morning we are standing, you and I, at the door of the day, at the gateway of life. What lies beyond the threshold, who knows? Temptation and allurements, and trial! Besetting Sin is crouching there, just ready to spring. Evil is trying to force an entrance. Shall it break in and bear dominion over you and me today?

O Missionary Volunteers, keep the gateway of the morning guarded well with prayer! Fortify your souls by the Morning Watch against the wild demons of temptation that will hurl themselves against you today!

In the quiet of the dawning stands Jesus, inviting us, "Come unto Me!" How can you refuse Him? How can we disappoint Him? Every morning He waits to keep tryst with me. Can I not watch with Him one hour? "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation!" This is our only guarantee of safety throughout the day. If we do not keep watch with Him, how can we expect Him to keep watch over us?

We have no surety that through the day His protection will go with us if we have not asked Him for it. The Saviour never forces Himself upon us. His holy angels wait to be our convoy through the danger zone into the haven of perfect peace at the end of the day, but how can we be sure of the divine guard if we have not asked for it?

Are you satisfied with your present experience? Would you be an overcomer? Do you long to live the victorious life? Here is the secret—"Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation!" "In the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will keep watch."

Missionary Volunteers, won't you do it? Will you not give the first few moments of every day unto prayer? "Not a pause for a moment in His presence," but personal communion with your Lord? Speak to God before you speak to any man. Read God's book before you read the book of any man.

For the sake of Jesus who died for you and who calls you, "Come unto Me," and for the sake of your soul, will you not keep the Morn-

ing Watch through 1920—and let Him keep watch over you?

If you only will, it will be to you the new life, the transfigured life, the life triumphant.

Won't you do it?

LLEWELLYN A. WILCOX

Our Work

"Just where you stand in the conflict,
There is your place;
Just where you think you are useless,
Hide not your face.
God placed you there for a purpose
Whatever it be,
Think! He has chosen you for it;
Work loyally.

"Gird on your armor! be faithful
At toil or rest,
"Which e'er it be, never doubting
God's way is best.
Out in the fight or on picket,
Stand firm and true;
This is the work that the Master
Gives you to do."

A new year has begun. The year 1919 is no more. Whether we have made the best use of the hours and days and weeks that have gone, we know best. If we would we cannot change the past. But God in His mercy has given us a new period of time. We call it 1920. It would be much better to name it "Today."

We have wonderful organizations for effective service. The religious world stands aghast at the results that are accomplished by us as a church. Other church organizations accomplish much, but per capita we far surpass them. Perhaps the principal reason for this is, they *think* they have a long time to do their work, while we *know* we must finish our task in this generation. The path has been outlined for us. The plan calls for each one of us. Activity is the keynote. No need to ask where we shall begin. God has placed us where He wants us. Begin where you are. No higher honor was ever bestowed on mankind than God has bestowed upon you. He has chosen you for the place you now fill.

Are you fitted for the task? Do you feel that you can accomplish all that needs to be done in the field you now occupy? If not, "gird on your armor." Take up the work that lies nearest you. Never question the wisdom of the Almighty in placing you where you are. "O the depths of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out!" Rom. 11:33.

It may be in His infinite wisdom you are called to labor in what to you may appear unprofitable work. In your judgment it is a waste of time to labor in some neglected corners of the vineyard. Your vision does not see the full

scope of the divine plan. Shall we not let sink into our minds and hearts the thought of the following verses and go forward doing our part to advance God's cause during 1920?

"I passed a stagnant marsh that lay
Beneath a reeking scum of green,
A loathsome puddle by the way
No sorrier pool was ever seen.
I thought how lost to all things pure,
And clean, and white these foul depths be.
Next day from out that pond obscure
Two queenly lilies laughed at me.

"I passed a house around whose door
The signs of penury were strewn;
I saw the grimed and battered floor,
The walls of logs from tree trunks hewn.
I said, 'The gates of life are shut
To those within that wretched pen.'
But, lo, from out that lowly hut
Came one to rule the world of men."

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Bethel Academy Is a Good Place

It was my privilege to spend the last half of the week of prayer at Bethel Academy. When I reached the school I found that prayer bands had been formed and were meeting both forenoon and afternoon; the faculty was also meeting for special prayer each day. The readings were given at chapel time and a short service followed. Special consecration services were held each evening. The Holy Spirit was present from the first, and as a result seventeen persons gave their hearts to God for the first time and many others were reclaimed by the Lord. With one exception all gave themselves to God for service at the Friday evening meeting.

A baptismal class of twenty-one members was organized, and these will meet regularly to receive instruction for baptism.

I wish that all who have given of their means to help make Bethel what it is might have been present at these meetings. They would have been led to exclaim: "Praise God for Bethel, and praise Him for giving me a part in establishing this school where our boys and girls may be won for Christ and be prepared for His service!"

In the after meetings held for the new converts, the faculty members, with tears of joy, spoke of the great happiness that had come into their lives by seeing their boys and girls give themselves to God. Dear parents of South Wisconsin, do you not wish your children had been at these meetings, under the influence of consecrated Christian teachers and students? Decide *now* to heed God's call and send them to school before it is too late.

It was a great pleasure for me to spend a week with the young men in their plain, substantial, comfortable new home. This dormitory shows

that we appreciate our boys. It is a credit to our conference and our school.

I am led to praise God for what He has done for Bethel during the past four years, since I have been in this conference and a member of the school board. The greatest improvement is seen in the attendance—from seventy to one hundred and thirty-three with more planning to attend soon. Other improvements are: From a ten to a twelve-grade school, a new dormitory for the boys, new chapel, new dining-room, new laundry and engine room, a splendid electric-light plant, sewer and water system, silo, all buildings painted, several more acres of land cleared and under cultivation, and the farm well stocked with horses and cattle. The water supply is inadequate, but a new well is being drilled, and it is expected when this is read, plenty of water will be flowing through the pipes to meet the needs of the school.

Surely God is blessing Bethel Academy, and let us all unite in giving it our support. "Not unto us, but unto God be all the glory," for what He has done.

H. H. HICKS

Teachers' Institute

As the teachers' institute held at Bethel Nov. 26-30 has not been reported I have been asked to send some word to the HERALD regarding it.

In spite of the storm and the congested railway conditions prevailing at that time, the attendance of teachers was one hundred per cent. It was much to be regretted that our conference educational superintendent—Mrs. Augusta Jorgenson—was absent on account of illness.

Through the courtesy of the Bethel faculty, the institute was held at the academy, where much was done to make the stay of the teachers and instructors pleasant. The boys' new dormitory had but recently been completed, and was the home of many of the guests during the institute.

Brethren Russell and Fattic were present and not only had charge of the institute but contributed much toward making it profitable by their instructive talks, suggestions and discussions.

Miss Dorothy White, director of the normal at Emmanuel Missionary College, was also present and gave excellent help.

The teachers added much to make the institute practical by giving actual experiences in school work.

The consideration of the Junior Missionary Volunteer Society, and the Harvest Ingathering reports were of special interest. The total amount reported at that time was \$333.27, but more has come in since. Two children secured \$14.80 and \$10.50 each. Almost every Junior

society more than reached its Harvest Ingathering goal.

One of the attractive features of the institute was a splendid exhibit representing the manual training from the various schools. This consisted of cooking, sewing, drawing, wood and raffia work, and other specimens.

We were pleased to have the privilege of dining with the students on Thanksgiving day and partaking of the good, wholesome meal provided at that time. The Thanksgiving talks given in connection with the dinner were also much enjoyed. Our students are highly favored by having a pleasant environment and thoughtful care daily.

Thursday night a program was given by the students and Bethel faculty consisting of musical and literary selections, which were enjoyed by those attending the institutes and the friends from the community.

The work of the institute closed Sunday night. My impressions were that this was one of the most practical and helpful institutes I have attended. The interest and attendance were good throughout.

MAY BELL

Elementary School Notes

I was indeed thankful to continue my visits to the schools after the interruption by sickness, and here want to express my gratitude to the Great Physician for my health, and to the many friends who wrote me telling me they were praying for me.

During the week of prayer I visited the Madison and Baraboo schools. The response from the teachers and pupils during the devotional meeting were an inspiration to me. Definite consecrations and determinations were expressed and the prayers offered showed they were in the habit of talking with Jesus. There are sixteen enrolled with Miss Grace Bush as teacher, at Madison, and the school board and patrons are working to add the necessary library, etc., toward becoming a standard school.

At Baraboo, Miss Alice Grimm has nine pupils. They have started a school-equipment fund with which they hope to get some of the needed items for the school. The children will sell "Epidemics."

At Moon I found the school closed for a week previous to occupying their new room. What a beautiful new room they have! It is in connection with the new bungalow church, but a further report of this school will appear after my next visit there.

At Marshfield I found Mr. Hallock's company of sixteen busily carrying on their full pro-

gram. They have a good beginning in the wood-working equipment, which we hope will soon be completed.

The school at Bethel is doing good work under Miss Olive Jensen. The enrollment there is thirty-six. This large number fills to its capacity their school. It was a real pleasure to find that the walls inside and out had had a fresh coat of paint and the woodwork revarnished. The new blackboard in the front of the room is also a help. It was with enthusiasm the children reported that they had earned since my last visit \$15.10 toward their school desk, which I learn has been ordered. They began at once to plan to earn enough for their much-needed set of wall maps.

At Franksville I found Agnes Nelson and her flock of six, happy and busy in their all but new quarters. The freshly painted walls and woodwork had transformed the atmosphere. Since my last visit they have also put in a new floor, added ventilators to the windows, purchased a new teacher's desk, organ, and water cooler, jacketed the stove, added a work bench and tools, and put up some playground equipment. They have just sent in eight subscriptions for the *Educator*, which brings them a twelve-inch globe. The children and teacher have more than fourteen dollars in their fund to purchase a bookcase and books for the library. They have ordered one hundred "Epidemics," and expect to use these to add to their equipment fund until they have reached the standard.

Miss Jordan writes from Poy Sippi: "You will be glad to know we have more than reached our Harvest Ingathering goal (\$26). The boys went 'over the top' and so got their flag. (The device was that of a hill with a small flag at the top; a little boy—'Jack'—on one side of the hill, and a girl on opposite side, were trying to secure the flag first.) The girls surprised them by serving a dinner at my home here last Monday noon. The center-piece was a fruit jello with their 'Jack' in the center, holding his flag over his head." Not so bad for fifteen pupils.

From Oneida come these interesting items: "During the week of prayer seven prayed aloud, only one of whom had ever prayed aloud before and four of whom had never prayed before in their lives. These four are Catholic or say they are, but I doubt whether they are as well acquainted with Catholicism as with Seventh-day Adventism.

"At my last parents' meeting I had a Thanksgiving program. The schoolhouse was just packed and the children did real well for their first appearance in public. For Christmas I am sewing little stockings of pink tarleton and am

going to fill them with candy and nuts for them. I love these little 'red' children."

AUGUSTA BLOSSER-JORGENSEN

Bethel Academy Harvest Ingathering

"Better late than never." Bethel Academy teachers and students definitely planned a Harvest Ingathering campaign to take place during the last week in October. At that time it was impossible for us to secure papers and we had to put off the campaign. When the papers came, the weather was cold and we could not see the wisdom of taking the boys and girls out. In fact we began to doubt whether we could do very much in the Harvest Ingathering this year.

When Brother Jorgensen came Wednesday, December 17, he told us that the best we could do, he thought, would be to give papers to the students, and let them solicit on the way home and back, and all do what we could. Wednesday morning Brother Jorgensen and the principal spoke at chapel time on Harvest Ingathering. At the close, one of the students arose and said, "I move we go Harvest Ingathering tomorrow if it meets the mind of the faculty." The motion was carried.

A rally was held Wednesday night in which instruction was given, and Thursday morning at the ringing of the bell, at six o'clock, four sleighloads went out, three of them to Grand Rapids and Port Edwards and one to the regions west and north of Klondike. Those who stayed at home worked. Thursday night another most enthusiastic meeting was held.

The actual amount secured by the forty-two people who went to Grand Rapids was over \$175, an average of about \$4.50 for each one. The other sleigh load brought back an equal amount, so the cash solicited was over \$250. This, together with the money given by those who stayed at home and other pledges of students, brings the total for the day to something over \$375. This is an average of almost \$3 apiece for the entire school.

The percentage of students actually having a part in the campaign is over seventy. We feel to praise God for His blessing to us. I have been with a great many young people in Harvest Ingathering campaigns, but never before saw them so enthusiastic about their work. They all stuck right by it until time to return home. One girl brought back \$17, another \$15, and another \$14, and a great many had more than \$5.

H. T. ELLIOTT

La Crosse

A good report comes from Brother Worrell, who has been stationed at La Crosse since the close of the Fort Atkinson tent effort. Three of his Bible readers, a man, his wife, and daughter, a very influential family in the community, have decided to obey God's commandments. They have already kept several Sabbaths and are studying other points of our message. Their decision is having a good influence on others, and much interest is shown by many regarding the purchase of a church building in a good location. A talented lady who is somewhat interested in the truth, the wife of a prominent physician, has offered to give all the silver offerings taken up at her music recitals if our people in the city will just say that they wish to purchase the church. A Baptist family is deeply interested and has attended one Sabbath school. Brother Worrell writes that on a recent Sunday he gave the forty children in the City Mission, besides a number of adults from the various denominations, a study on the law and its binding claims, using his law chart. He read not only from the Bible but from the writings of the different churches, and the people present so enjoyed the study that they asked for his address, giving him theirs.

Colporteur Work

I am pleased to report a visit made to our conference by Brother J. W. Davis, Union field secretary, and a very pleasant and profitable ten days' recruiting campaign at that time. Beginning at Milwaukee, November 28, meetings were held in the English, German, and Italian churches, with good interest and response to the talks given by Brother Davis. The churches at Fort Atkinson, Fond du Lac, Sheboygan, Green Bay, and Sturgeon Bay, were visited. We found several prospective canvassers and others interested in the colporteurs' institute to be held early next spring. The week of prayer I spent with the churches at Sturgeon Bay and Fish Creek, and a good degree of interest was manifested in the studies.

I am glad to hear the reports of courage and hope that come in the letters from the regular canvassers who are staying by the work this winter. I know that the blessing of the Lord is new every day to those who remain faithful at the helm.

Soon our institute announcement will be ready to send out, and I sincerely hope and trust that all our faithful band that had a part in the work this year will plan definitely to attend this meeting; in the meantime earnestly seeking the Lord in daily prayer that the com-

ing year will be the best yet, not only in our department of the Lord's work, but also in our own individual Christian experience.

C. C. KING

Harvest Ingathering at Milwaukee School

We have enjoyed immensely the Harvest Ingathering work with our children here in Milwaukee. The children have been very enthusiastic over gathering in money for missions in this way.

As a school we set a goal of \$85. The twenty-nine primary children have gathered in \$32.08 and the seventeen grammar grade children have \$69.49, making a total of \$101.57.

While Mr. and Mrs. Jorgensen were visiting us, we first started our campaign on a Sunday forenoon. Ten children went out with us for only two hours. After all had returned we were happily surprised to find that we had collected \$26.49. The children felt so encouraged that we had to take them out the following Sunday for two hours. We did not take any time from school, only letting some of the older ones go when they had prepared lessons ahead.

The smaller children were building a school-house of red bricks. As soon as one would bring ten cents he could add one more brick to the building. The older children each had a grapevine and were seeing how large a bunch of grapes they could get, for each grape meant another ten cents. There were some large bunches. Margaret Christianson and John Bowyer were our champions, Margaret gathering in \$14.80 and John \$10.50.

We are all glad that we can have a small part in helping to carry the gospel to all parts of the earth and hasten Jesus' coming.

BERNICE HOWARD
ALICE WEHNER

News Notes

January 17, 1920, is Missionary Volunteer Day and should be observed by every church and company. A program for the occasion is given in the *Review and Herald*.

Interesting reports of the Investment Ingathering are being received. Milton Junction reports \$264.14.

A meeting of the Bethel board, Sanitarium board, conference committee and auditing committee is being held at Madison this week.

Brother and Sister W. H. Wohlers, of the Bethel Faculty, have accepted a call to South America, and have already severed their connection with the academy and left for their new field of labor. A farewell reception was held for them at Bethel, where they will be missed.

Brother Wohlers will connect with our school in Argentine as farm manager, and his wife will act as preceptress, also teaching some branches.

Brother Chas. W. Johnson was one of our recent welcome callers. He was accompanied by his sister Helen, who is this year teaching our church-school at Green Bay, but is having a brief vacation during the holidays.

A home missionary and educational convention was held with the Raymond church December 19-21. This was attended by Elder Bristol, Brother Walter, and Brother and Sister Jorgensen, from the offices. A further report of this good meeting will appear later.

We have already reached our Harvest Ingathering goal and the prospects indicate a good surplus over this amount.

Brother C. C. King spent the holidays with his aged father in Greenfield, Ind.

Mrs. L. G. Jorgensen enjoyed a brief visit from her father, J. B. Blosser, our former Union field secretary.

Miss Wilma Walter and Miss Ella Paddock, former stenographers in this office, are enjoying the holidays with their parents. Both plan to return to Emmanuel Missionary College for the reopening of the school on January 5.

"When the out-look is not good, try the up-look."

Following up the Harvest Ingathering Work with the "Signs"

The excellent plan of following up the Harvest Ingathering campaign with the weekly *Signs of the Times* has been worked with good results in a number of places. After the Ingathering effort was completed in a certain town last autumn, the missionary leader of the church sent us the following interesting report:

"We somehow felt that our work was not entirely finished, and that there would be a real loss if we did not follow up the little openings made and the interests created by the Ingathering campaign. Therefore we decided to retain our territory arrangement and the formation of bands, and to follow up the effort with the weekly *Signs*. We were confident that the *Signs* weekly would appeal to the people and accomplish the desired end,—awaken an interest in some of them to study the truth for these times and yield to the Spirit of God. And we were not disappointed. We remembered the slogan, 'More *Signs* means more souls,' and set to work to get more *Signs* to work with. These were obtained, and we went to the homes in the spirit of prayer and faith. We gathered a large num-

ber of names of persons who expressed a desire to read the *Signs* weekly. Some subscribed for the paper. To others, the paper was mailed free for a time, and the expense was met by certain members of the church. Still others were supplied each week by members desiring to make personal calls. We had some very interesting experiences, which, of course, cannot be related in a short letter. The chief thing, and the best thing to report, is the encouraging fact that up to date, we have four new families in the church because of the follow-up effort with the weekly *Signs*. We plan to conduct a similar effort after the next Ingathering campaign."

This experience is only another evidence that among our people everywhere there is a growing confidence in the soul-winning power of the *Signs* weekly. They know it brings results. Thousands have been partly or wholly persuaded through reading the *Signs* weekly, since it was first sent forth on its divinely appointed mission to win souls.

In God's world, for those who are in earnest, there is no failure. No work truly done, no word earnestly spoken, no sacrifice freely made, was ever in vain.—*F. W. Robertson*.

"Present Truth" for 1920

Beginning the first of January *Present Truth* will be published semi-monthly. This change in frequency of issue is made in order to bring out, during the year, as many as possible of the most important subjects of the message. The subscriptions will be, 25 cents domestic, and 50 cents foreign. (24 numbers) The constantly increasing cost of labor and material, force the following slight advance in prices of copies in bulk: 1—25 copies, 1 cent each; 50 copies, 40 cents each; 100 copies, 75 cents each; 1,000 copies \$6.

The "Life Boat" for 1920—A Special Feature

During the year 1920 there will be published in *The Life Boat* under the title, "Footprints of Faith," the remarkable story of the wonderful providences and experiences connected with the founding and maintaining of the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Life Boat work. The "Story of Hinsdale" alone is so interesting that it is usually read at one sitting. The personal experiences of Dr. Paulson, founder of the Hinsdale work and editor of *The Life Boat* magazine for fifteen years, are so closely connected with the story of the work that much of his own life history will be woven into it.

The first chapter of this series of articles will be published in the January number, giving Dr. Paulson's early struggles in getting an education. Don't fail to subscribe. Only one dollar for one year. Address, The Life Boat, Hinsdale, Illinois, or your local tract society.

January "Signs" Magazine

The first number of the *Signs Magazine* for 1920 is built about a subject dear to every Seventh-day Adventist heart—the prophecies relating to the second advent and the world's

immediate future. At the beginning of a new year, the *Signs* feels that it should call attention to the temporary and pseudo-peace that has come, and to some of the events we can expect in 1920. At this time, when the peace treaty is being ratified, the adversary would like to have the world believe that a secure epoch is about to begin, instead of the turbulent days that will precede the appearance of the Son of God.

This January number of the *Signs Magazine* will be a big help to that friend or relative who is trying so hard to unravel the puzzling and perplexing conditions of things in our world. And this number contains timely truth in such an attractive dress that it could easily win a soul to Christ and His church if it had the opportunity.

Foreign-Language Magazines

January and first-quarter issues of fourteen foreign-language magazines will be devoted to a discussion of "Epidemics—How to Meet Them." The contents will, to some extent, be translations of portions of the English work which is enjoying such a splendid sale.

Following is a list of the languages and titles: Danish-Norwegian: *Evangeliets Sendebud*, Swedish: *Tidens Tecken*, German: *Zeichen der Zeit*, Bohemian: *Znameni Casu*, Finnish: *Totuuden Valo*, French: *Les Signes des Temps*, Hungarian: *Az Idok Jelei*, Italian: *I Segni dei Tempi*, Polish: *Naki Czasu*, Rumanian: *Semnele Timpului*, Russian: *Znamenie Vremeni*, Serbian: To be announced, Slovakian: *Znamenie Casov*, Yiddish: *The Messenger*.

These special magazines should have a wide circulation. They contain the health message and will be appropriately illustrated. The front cover will be a photographic reproduction of nature at rest; the text will be made interesting by a liberal use of pictures showing approved methods of giving treatments.

Retail prices will be 15 cents per copy on all except the Danish-Norwegian and Russian, which will sell for ten cents, in quantities of 5 or more the bulk rate of 8 cents per copy is granted. On the Danish-Norwegian and Russian the bulk rate on 5 or more copies is 5 cents per copy. Please note that 5 or more of each number must be ordered to one address in order to take the bulk rate.

Advance orders are solicited for these "health specials" in each language. They will, in many instances, prove to be an entering wedge for other truths of the message. Will not all of our people interest themselves in the "strangers within our gates" and bring them this important message? All orders should be sent to your Tract Society.

PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASS'N

Obituaries

FISHER.—Donald was born in Northwest Delta, Michigan, Jan. 14, 1907, and died Nov. 25, 1919, aged 12 years, 10 months, and 11 days. He was a model Christian, always paid an honest tithe and made the Sabbath services a part of life's routine. His sudden death was a terrible blow to his father, mother, and two brothers who mourn but not without hope.

S. T. SHADEL

DRUMB.—John V. Drumb was born in Onego County, New York, June 28, 1843, and died at his home in Shelby, Mich., Nov. 27, 1919, aged 76 years, 4 months, and 29 days. In 1894 he was married to Mary Eyestone. To this union were born four children, three of whom and the wife mourn, but not without hope, for in his last sickness he accepted Christ and claimed forgiveness for all his sins and union with his Saviour. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Hosea 13:14.

W. C. HEBNER

"Of speech unguarded
Man doth oft repent
But not of keeping silence."

Canvassers' Report for the Week Ending December 27, 1919

East Michigan							
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
J. Pengelly.....	OD	38	22	76 50	29 65	106 15	.....
A. W. Alderman.....	OD	11	11	27 50	.....	27 50	.....
G. D. Cornwell.....	.....	23	22	.....	41 10	41 10	41 10
J. H. Herrington.....	OD	26	6	19 50	5 75	25 25	.....
Floyd Myers.....	OD	36	22	61 00	.....	61 00	.....
Lawrence Lee.....	BR	6	8	37 50	1 70	39 20	1 70
		141	91	222 00	78 20	300 20	42 80
Indiana							
Eva Cox.....	OD	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 05	.....
Albert Mobley.....	GC	16	4	16 00	10 40	26 40	115 90
G. A. Jones.....	OD	22	6	15 00	5 95	20 95	18 75
W. B. Ware.....	OD	.....	.....	.....	.....	168 70	.....
G. M. Wagner.....	BR	20	6	29 00	11 45	40 45	.....
John Manuel.....	BR	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 10	.....
W. H. Plake.....	OD	41	23	59 50	2 55	62 05	249 85
		99	39	119 50	30 35	149 85	664 35
Week Ending Dec. 20.....		153	52	195 00	19 90	214 90	758 50
North Wisconsin							
F. H. Hall.....	BR	10	5	29 00	2 00	31 00	.....
Emanuel Remsen.....	PG	69	11	51 00	5 45	56 45	452 95
Joe Levens.....	PG	25	.....	.....	.....	176 00	.....
H. F. Henner.....	GC	45	72	32 00	6 15	38 15	105 15
Mrs. E. E. Brewer.....	PG	20	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....
H. C. Kovsky.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	78 00	.....
W. E. Tharp.....	OD	20	2	5 00	6 00	11 00	100 00
		209	90	117 00	19 60	138 60	1062 10
Week Ending Dec. 13.....		207	85	381 00	26 50	407 50	320 25
Illinois							
Katherine Drury.....	BR	.....	.....	.....	.....	323 50	.....
Edward Drury.....	BR	6	.....	.....	.....	43 00	.....
*J. E. Fox.....	DR	46	4	24 00	3 40	27 40	149 75
*G. W. Kimberlin.....	DR	79	15	61 00	1 75	62 75	136 75
O. A. Morse.....	DR	36	7	33 00	3 00	36 00	.....
J. Suda.....	BR	29	12	50 00	1 70	51 70	.....
		196	38	168 00	9 85	177 85	553 60
South Wisconsin							
A. C. Hirsch.....	OD	23	7	22 50	27 70	50 20	.....
Fred Breyer.....	BR	17	6	26 00	1 50	27 50	.....
		40	13	48 50	29 20	77 70	.....
Chicago							
D. J. Graham.....	BR	31	11	68 00	2 50	78 50	25 00
*E. A. Clough.....	PP	57	18	91 50	16 15	107 65	24 15
A. M. Tatton.....	BR	17	.....	.....	.....	137 00	.....
*H. L. Spiers.....	BR	16	18	41 00	.....	41 00	.....
		121	47	200 50	18 65	237 15	228 15
West Michigan							
T. H. Pusey.....	OD	10	4	11 50	5 25	16 75	5 25
R. L. Geisinger.....	OD	33	26	72 50	4 50	77 00	.....
		44	30	84 00	9 75	93 75	5 25
34 Agents		763	311	811 50	184 10	995 60	2345 65
*Two weeks							

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.—By Seventh-day Adventist work on farm. Experienced, married. Have no children. Will consider other employment. Chas. Anderson, Harpster, Ill.

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.

FOR SALE.—Twelve-room brick house with electric light, water, and sewer connections up stairs and down, 2 large lots with small fruit, good garage. Would exchange for farm. Give price, full particulars in first letter. L. Macomber, Gladwin, Mich. 3

FOR SALE.—Our 80-acre farm, clay-loam soil, 70 acres in cultivation, 10 acres timber. Small creek o living water touches back corner of farm. Fine front, lots of shade, 8-room house, besides hall, pantry and clothes closets, large cellar, cement floor, furnace heat. Cistern, well and windmill, tank at house and barn. Barn 32x60, tool house 20x50. Double cribs and driveway, good henhouse and woodhouse. Orchard and small fruit. One-fourth mile to Joppa station with store and stockyards. Ten miles south of Battle Creek. Another Adventist church three and three-fourths miles west. Good gravel road to both. Free mail delivery and telephone. Reason for selling—poor health and age. Price \$8,000, half cash. Write John W. Covert, East Leroy, Mich.

Hinsdale Sanitarium Notes

Professor Osborn of the Swedish Theological seminary gave a piano recital one night last week, which wa smost thoroughly enjoyed by all the guests present. Ex-Chief Wilkie, of the United States Secret Service, was visiting his mother, who is a guest at the sanitarium, and furnished a very interesting part of the program, by relation of one of the interesting cases of smuggling that came under his observation during his work for the Government. Mr. Wilkie is a very interesting speaker and the patients thoroughly enjoyed what he had to say.

December 23, Robert Henry Becker of the Adventurers' Club gave a stereopticon lecture on the "Andean Lands" showing pictures of places in Peru where some of the graduate nurses of Hinsdale Sanitarium are at present working as medical missionaries and teachers. Mrs. Becker accompanied her husband for a first visit to the sanitarium.

Four more working days and the brick construction of the new addition will be practically completed. The men have certainly been busy during the last few weeks and the contractor is showing creditable speed.

Just as a year ago at this time when the sanitarium management had expected a very large falling off in patronage on account of the holidays, the building filled to overflowing, so this year the patronage has again increased so that reservations are necessary. This is very gratifying and shows that the management made no mistake in making provisions for larger accommodations.

Among other guests of the week we notice the names of Mr. Pearl, editor of the Yiddish magazine, *The Jewish Messenger*, published at Brookfield, Ill., Clara B. Otis, M.D. of LaRomana, Santo Domingo; Mrs. S. G. Hadley of Portland, Ore., with a large number from Chicago and its suburbs.

Important to Conference Workers

I am advised by the passenger associations, both east and west that persons carrying clergy certificates should not make applications for renewal of same until about two weeks before the expiration date issued in the margin of the cover. The Passenger Traffic Manager requests care in this particular, and that in no case should applications be made earlier excepting when the clergy certificate is exhausted. It might be well to apply when you have reduced your certificate to eight or ten trips. In writing either the Eastern or Western Association state the time when your certificate expires or that the certificate is exhausted.

WM. GUTHRIE

Broadview Theological Seminary

It was with great anticipation that the teachers and students looked forward to the Swedish workers' meeting, which was held here, December 19-29, and which provided a feast of good things for all. Aside from a large number of visiting brethren, there were present forty-six Swedish workers, many of whom were former students of the Seminary. These workers represented seven Union Conferences: Atlantic, Columbia, Lake, Central, Northern, North Pacific, and Pacific.

Elder G. E. Nord, secretary of the Swedish department, delivered the opening address at the 9:15 A. M. meeting on the morning of December 21, the day preceding having been devoted to the dedicatory exercises. The purpose of the meeting was to bring the workers into closer relationship and to lay plans for the advancement of the work of this department.

Elder L. H. Christian, General Conference Secretary of the Bureau of Home Mission in America, told those who were present at the two o'clock meeting on the same day that a true minister of Christ must have a real call from God.

On the evening after the Sabbath, December 20, Elder William Guthrie in his sermon emphasized the fact that the successful life is preeminently the Christian life, and that any life apart from this can in no wise be counted a success.

Elder P. E. Broderson on the afternoon of December 21, spoke to the foreign department of the Seminary. The speaker's words and lessons from John the Baptist, encouraging all to become qualified to labor efficiently for the people which they individually represent, were especially adapted to and appreciated by his audience of ten nationalities.

During the convention nothing was more

helpful and inspiring than the Bible studies and sermons by Professor W. W. Prescott. Beginning December 21, Professor Prescott spoke twice a day until he left for Washington on the evening of December 24. In all he gave eight studies, the grand theme of which was Christ. The following sentences express thoughts of the respective studies: The gospel is not a philosophy, a mere theory; it is a person, and that person (Christ) is known through revelation, not through laws of human reasoning. "Except ye believe that I am He, ye shall die in your sins." John 8:24 R. V. As Christ took on humanity to save humanity, so humanity must take on Christ to be saved by Christ. After the new birth, take time to be holy. Our fellowship is with Christ or it is with demons. 1 Cor. 1:9; 10:20. As Jacob's ladder joined heaven to earth, so Christ connects God with man. Scripture is a revelation of two persons—of Him who is true, and of him who is false. The Jews perused the Scriptures to find a Messiah who would suit their fancies and ideas, but it is incumbent upon us to unprejudicedly search the Scriptures to find Christ as He is.

Wednesday evening, in a stereopticon lecture, Elder S. F. Svenson took us on an interesting trip through Sweden.

At the two o'clock meeting, December 23, Elder Bernhard Peterson, attired in a Chinese garb, told a few of his experiences and spoke of the progress of the message in Manchuria where he has been laboring.

An exceptionally pleasing program was enjoyed Thursday evening at eight o'clock, when the school of music favored the Seminary and its guests with a recital of piano music given by Professor James William Osborn, assisted by Curtis Benedict, reader.

Statistics of the foreign publications of the International Branch of the Pacific Press, were given December 26 by the manager, Brother S. N. Curtiss.

Elder S. F. Svenson, on the evening of the twenty-seventh, gave a very instructive stereopticon lecture on "Rome."

The crowded auditorium and the quiet attention on the part of the listeners from the moment the organist began Gulmant's "O Salutaris Hostia" until the audience joined the Seminary chorus in the Doxology, gave evidence to the appreciation with which the organ recital and the sacred cantata, "The Peace of Jerusalem," were received on the closing Sunday evening of the institute.

E. Lois Carmichael and Arthur Larson went to Des Moines, Iowa, where they represented the Seminary at the quadrennial convention of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions.