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

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## Finish Thy Work

"No other hand thy special task can do,
Though trivial it may seen to thee.
Thou canst not shirk
God-given work
And still be blest of Heaven, from sin be free.
O idler in life's harvest-field,
Perform thy task, that rich thy work may yield!

"Ah, sweet the thought that comes at set of sun,
If finished is the work of that one day.
But oh, the joy
Without alloy,
Awaiting him who at life's close can say,
'I'm ready, Father, to go home to Thee;
The work is finished which Thou gavest me'."



The St. Joseph River from the "Point" on Emmanuel Missionary College Estate

## Spring Week of Prayer at the College

FREDERICK GRIGGS

The week of March thirteenth to twentieth was the annual week of prayer for schools. The College entered into the privileges and opportunities of this week with earnestness. Professor W. W. Prescott from Washington, D. C., was with the school during a portion of the week. The studies were of such a helpful and inspiring nature that they were of incalculable benefit to the school.

As Christ was presented as a personal Saviour for

each one, there was a hearty response on the part of students and teachers. Jesus as an all sufficient Saviour was made the clearer by these studies. Elder William Guthrie also gave two very practical studies which well supplemented the work of Professor Prescott

The Friday evening vespers of March nineteenth was one of very deep interest. The students as a united company testified to their appreciation of the

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broader view of the religion of Christ which they had received during the week as a preparation for the gospel message for this time.

The entire school is divided into prayer groups. These meet each morning for ten minutes between classes and the chapel period, for prayer and personal consecration. There is no question but that the excellent results to the school from the week of prayer were brought about in part by the earnest prayers of the students in these bands before and during the week. At this daily prayer hour the faculty meet and engage in seeking God for His blessing upon all the interests of the College.

Of all the concerns of the College, the spiritual is paramount. The transformations of character which are wrought in the lives of students as the weeks and months of the school year go by are a continual source of gratitude and praise to God from the teachers and the Christian students. The Lord is in the work of the College. Scores of men and women are thus being prepared to do a good work for God. They are being prepared for this work in great measure by the personal work which they are doing for their fellow students and for the people of the region round about. Many of the students are working very earnestly as soul-winners in this vicinity.

We trust that the friends of the College daily remember us at the throne of grace. In no other way can this work succeed save by the united efforts, not only of those directly connected with the College, but of its friends everywhere. And nothing counts for the spiritual upbuilding of the school more than these earnest prayers.

#### Results

Since the opening of school last September, it has been clearly evident to all connected with our great educational campaign that the effort has not been in vain. Almost every academy and the College have had a larger attendance than at any previous time in their history. The young people everywhere are grasping the importance of the great work that the Lord has left us to perform for the salvation of men.

It has been very gratifying to me to know that our graduating class at Emmanuel Missionary College this year will be the largest of any year since I came to the Lake Union Conference. There are twenty graduates from the sixteen year course alone, and we trust

that all of these will enter some line of the Master's work. About fifty others will be graduated from the fourteenth and lower grades. During the past two years more than forty workers have gone from the Lake Union to other fields. As I think of their going into the service of the Master, I wonder how many others from the one thousand young people of college age and attainments will come in to take their places during the coming year.

We have been gratified to see so many strong young men at the College this year. We rejoice because we must look to them for the strength of our ministry and the carrying of the larger responsibilities in this great work.

Surely God has blessed your efforts, my brethren, in sending in the money to accomplish what has been done in the building up of our educational work. I only wish that I could say with Moses, "It is enough," but the time has not yet arrived for that. We must finish up some work and meet obligations resting upon us for work already done. We have stopped all advance work until money reaches us for the accomplishment of the same. Our water tank has been connected, but our mains are so small that we still have little fire protection. We have decided, however, that no pipes will be laid and no new work will be begun until the money comes in to pay the bills already made and to do the work so necessary. I am sure that all that will be necessary in order to secure this additional amount of money is the knowledge of the fact that it is needed.

A large per cent of our people have given most liberally and freely. What we now need is not only the small amounts by our common people, but the larger amounts of \$500, \$1,000 and \$2,000 to finish the great work before us.

At our last committee meeting the work of raising funds to meet our present obligations was given in a general way to the Union Conference officials, and we come to you and ask for your fullest cooperation as church elders, deacons, and treasurers in calling the attention of our people to the great possibilities before the local church through the two-per-cent to meet these needs, and we appeal to our men of means who have \$1,000 or \$2,000 that they expect to place with the cause somewhere to place it in the education of our young men and young women at this time. A view of their faces in the chapel, a period with them

in the classroom, a quiet hour with them in their dormitories, or even a few minutes conversation personally, or a visit to the ministerial band will convince the most skeptical of the splendid investment made during the past two years for the training of our boys and girls. Let us not forget that we have seven thousand still of these young people who need the advantages of the church school, the academies, and the college, and 160,000,000 people waiting for the message they can give when their training has been completed and they can go to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Again I wish to extend to you my appreciation of your faithfulness, and pray for the continuance of the same.

WM. GUTHRIE

# Conference Workers and Church Elders Attention!

At the recent session of the Lake Union Conference at Battle Creek, Mich., some time was given to the consideration of home religion and the family altar. Rev. Wm. Matthew Holdersby, General Secretary of the Family Altar League, was present and delivered a most stirring appeal in behalf of home religion and family worship. As a result of the consideration of this topic in conference assembled, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas the spiritual power of the church depends upon the spiritual life of its individual members, and

"Whereas one of the most potent factors in fostering home religion and individual consecration is faithful devotion to the family prayer altar,

"We recommend, 1. That the Union Conference Committee designate a Sabbath early this year to be observed as Family Altar Day in all our churches.

- "2. That we ask the Home Missionary Department to provide a suggestive program and literature for use on this day.
- "3. That we solicit the cooperation of all our conference workers and church elders in encouraging the observance of this day and in endeavoring to establish permanently the family altar in every Seventh-day Adventist home in the Lake Union Conference."

At the Union Conference Committee meeting held at Berrien Springs March 9-14 the following action was taken:

"Voted, that the fourth Sabbath in April be designated as Family Altar day in the Lake Union Conference, and that we encourage all our workers and church leaders to observe this day in all our churches."

We are calling the attention of our workers and church leaders to this matter at this early date so that you may have it in mind and lay plans accordingly. It is the desire of the Union Committee that this matter be presented in every church in the Lake Union Conference and we sincerely trust all our workers and church elders will plan the meeting for Sabbath, April 24, accordingly. Further information will be

sent out to all conference workers in the course of the next few weeks. Articles will also appear in the Herald from time to time and a suggestive program will be printed in the Herald a week or two prior to April 24 for use in the churches that do not have pastors.

J. L. McConaughey

#### Renewed Activity

At our last committee meeting an action was taken by which the Lake Union Conference officials and College faculty are to assume renewed activity in finishing the improvements already under way at the College. To this end we are inaugurating a financial campaign to begin April 18 and continue to May 2. To assist us in this campaign we are getting out a picture book with a story write-up on our educational work, especially Emmanuel Missionary College. With this brief write-up we are furnishing a solicitor's card to be used in connection with the picture book to solicit assistance for the education of the worthy young people of the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana; this fund to be used on improvements in Emmanuel Missionary College.

Our great aim in this drive is to meet the expense of present improvements which had not been met by the donations of our brethren, and we hope to solicit among the outside people largely. We shall be glad to furnish this picture book and solicitor's card to individuals in any of our conferences who will use them during the above period. Your assistance will be a great help to us at this time in raising the \$25,000 shortage in our building program.

We are in need of money to lay the water mains for fire protection, and also for finishing some of the work under way, so that the entire amount needed to finish all improvements now under way is about \$40,000. We can raise this from April 18 to May 2 if our people will help us solicit and do it largely among our friends.

Those desiring to assist in this campaign will please write Brother J. L. McConaughey, Berrien Springs, Mich., for further information and literature.

April 25 to May 2 is the date of the Interchurch Campaign. Let us improve the time while the drive is on.

WM. GUTHRIE

#### An Old-Fashioned Home

J. WILBUR CHAPMAN

Text: "What have they seen in thy house?" 2 Kings 20:15.

If you will tell me what is in your house by your own choice, I will tell you the story of your home life and shall be able to inform you whether yours is a home in which there is harmony and peace or confusion and despair. Let me read the names of the guests in your guest book, allow me to study the titles

of the books in your library in which you have special delight, permit me to scan your magazines which you particularly choose, allow me to listen to your conversation when you do not know that you are being overheard, give me the privilege of talking but for a moment to your servants, and make it possible for me to visit with your friends in whom you have particular delight, and I will write a true story of what you have been, of what you are, and of what you will be but for the grace of God, even though I may not know you personally at all. In other words, whatever may be seen in your home determines what your home is.

I was a man grown before I visited Washington, the capital of the nation. I was the guest of a member of the President's cabinet. Riding with him the first evening, when the moon was shining, we suddenly came upon the national Capitol, and I said to my host, "What in the world is that?" He said with a smile as if he pitied me, "That is the Capitol building, and that is the home of the nation." I am sure he was right in a sense, because the building is magnificent and is in every way the worthy home of such a nation as ours, but I think I take issue with him, after careful thought, in his statement that the Capitol building is the home of the nation. I can recall a visit made to a home which was not in any sense palatial, where the old-fashioned father every morning and evening read his Bible, knelt in prayer with his household about him, commended to God his children each by name, presented the servants at the throne of grace, and then sang with them all one of the sweet hymns of the Church. From the morning prayer they went forth to the day of victory, while from the evening prayer they went to sleep the undisturbed sleep of the just with the angels of heaven keeping watch over

I recall another home in the State of Ohio, where the father and mother were scarcely known outside of their own county. The size of their farm was ten acres, but they reared two boys and two girls whose mission has been world-wide and whose names are known wherever the Church of Christ is known and wherever the English language is spoken. These in the truest sense are the homes of the nation and such homes give us men and women as true as steel.

Napoleon was once asked, "What is the greatest want of the French nation?" He hesitated a moment and then said with greatest emphasis, "The greatest want of the French nation is mothers." If you will ask me the greatest need of America, I wish in my reply that I might speak with the power of a Napoleon and that my words might live as long, for I would say, "The greatest need of the American nation today is homes—not palatial buildings of necessity, but homes where Christ is honored, where God is loved, and where the Bible is studied."

A returned missionary who had been for twenty-five years away from his home because he would not accept his furloughs, was asked, after he had been in

California for a little season, what impressed him most after his absence of a quarter of a century. The reporter expected him to say that he was impressed with the telephone system which bound houses and cities together, or that he was amazed at the wireless telegraphy by means of which on the wave currents of the air messages were sent from one city to another, but the returned missionary expressed no such surprise. He said, "When I went away from America almost every home had its family altar; now that I have returned I have watched very carefully and find that a family altar in a house is the exception and not the rule." Wherever this is true there is some cause for great alarm, for in proportion as the home fails the nation is in danger.

Hezekiah had been sick unto death. The word of the Lord by the mouth of the prophet came to him saying, "Set thy house in order; for thou shalt die." Then he recovered for a season. The king of Babylon sent messengers to Hezekiah and when the messengers had gone, Isaiah asked him the question of the text, "What have they seen in thy house?"

The dearest and most sacred spot on earth is home. Around it are the most sacred associations, about it cluster the sweetest memories. The buildings are not always palatial, the furnishings are not always of the best, but when the home is worthy of the name ladders are let down from heaven to those below, and the angels of God come down bringing heaven's blessings and ascend taking earth's crosses. Such a home is the dearest spot on earth because there your father worked and your mother loved.

Some years ago when the English soldiers were fighting and a Scotch regiment came to assist, the Scotchmen, strangely enough, began to die in great numbers. The skill of the surgeons was baffled. They could not tell why it was that there seemed to be such a rapid falling away of the men, but at last they found out. The Scotch pipers were playing the tunes that reminded the Scotchmen of the heather and the hills, and they were dying of home-sickness. When the music was changed, the deaths in such large numbers almost instantly ceased.

We are drifting away from our old-fashioned homes; fathers have grown too busy, mothers have delegated their God-given work to others. We have lost rather than gained. Wherever the homes are full of weakness the government is in danger. The homes of our country are so many streams pouring themselves into the great current of moral and social life. If the home life is pure then all is pure. I stand with that company of people today who believe that we are at the beginning of a great revival of religion and I am persuaded that this revival is to be helped on not so much by preaching, though that is not to be ignored, or by singing, though that is in itself useful, but by changing for the better the condition of the homes in our land.

I have a friend who says that when God himself

would start a nation he made home life the deciding question. He selected Abraham as the head of the home and in Genesis 18:19 he gives the reason for this in these words, "For I have known him to the end that he may command his children and his household after him."

Here are two great principles which must prevail in every home: First, authority, suggested by the word command; second, example, suggested by the expression, "He may command his children and his household after him."

In order that one may rightly command he must himself be controlled, or be able to obey an authority higher than his own. It is absolutely impossible for one to be the father one ought to be and not be a Christian, or to be worthy the name of mother and not yield allegiance to Jesus Christ. If we are to set before those about us a right example, we cannot begin too soon. Your children are a reproduction of yourself. Weakness in them is weakness in yourself; strength in them is but the reproduction of your own virtue.

A convention of mothers some years ago in the city of Cincinnati discussed the question as to when one ought properly to begin to train the child for Christ. One mother said, "I begin at six"; another suggested seven as the proper age; another said, "I begin when my child takes his first step and thus point him to Christ, or when he speaks his first word I teach him the name of Jesus." Finally an old saint arose and said, "You are all of you wrong; the time to begin to train the child is the generation before the child is born." This we all know to be true.

But the responsibility does not rest simply upon mothers; fathers cannot ignore their God-given position. Judge Alton B. Parker and his favorite grandson, Alton Parker Hall, five years old, narrowly escaped death by drowning in the Hudson River. For half an hour the two played in the water. Then Judge Parker took the boy for a swim into deep water. Placing the boy on his back, he swam around for a while, and then, deciding to float, turned over, seating the boy astride his chest. In this manner the Judge floated a distance from the wharf before noticing it. Then he attempted to turn over again, intending to swim near the shore. In the effort to transfer the boy to his back the little fellow became frightened and tightly clasped the Judge about the neck. Parker called to the boy to let go his hold, but the child only held on more tightly, and, frightened at the evident distress of the Judge, began to whimper. In ? a few moments the grasp of the boy became so tight that Judge Parker could not breathe. He tried to shake the boy loose and then attempted to break his grasp. The boy held on with the desperation of death, however, and every effort of the Judge only plunged them both beneath the choking waves. With his last few remaining breaths. Judge Parker gave up the

struggle and shouted for assistance. The mistake that the distinguished man made was that he went too far from shore with the boy. There are too many men today who are doing the same thing. They are going out too far in social life, they are too lax in the question of amusements, they are too thoughtless in the subject of dissipation. Some day they will stop but their boys will be gone.

Example counts for everything in a home. If there is any blessing in my own life for others, if there has been any helpfulness in my ministry to others, I owe it all to my mother who lived before me a consistent Christian life and died giving me her blessing; and to my father who with his arms about me one day said, "My son, if you go wrong it will kill me." I was at one time under the influence of a boy older than myself and cursed with too much money. I had taken my first questionable step at least and was on my way one night to a place which was at least questionable if not sinful. I had turned the street corner and ahead of me was the very gate of hell, when, suddenly, as I turned, the face of my father came before me, and his words rang in my very soul. If my father had been anything but a consistent Christian man I myself, I am sure, should have been far from the pulpit and might have been in the lost world today.

There are those who seem to think that the height of one's ambition is to amass a fortune, to build a palace, or to acquire a social position. My friend, George Stuart, says that you may build your palaces, amass your fortunes, provide for the satisfaction of every desire, but as you sit amid these luxurious surroundings waiting for the staggering steps of a son or as you think of a wayward daughter, all this will be as nothing, for there is nothing that can give happiness to the parents of godless, wayward children. Some one has said, "Every drunkard, every gambler, every lost woman, once sat in a mother's lap, and the downfall of the most of them may be traced to some defect in home life."

The real purpose of every home is to shape character for time and for eternity. The home may be one of poverty, the cross of self-sacrifice may be required, suffering may sometimes be necessary, but wherever a home fulfills this purpose it is overflowing with joy. One of my friends has drawn the following picture which he says is fanciful, but it is true to life. Back in the country there is a boy who wants to go to college and get an education. They call him a bookworm. Wherever they find him, in the barn or in the house, he is reading a book. "What a pity it is," they say "that Ed cannot get an education." His father, work as hard as he will, can no more than support the family by the products of the farm. One night after Ed has retired to his room there is a family conference about him. The sisters say, "Father, I wish you would send Ed to college; if you will we will work harder than we ever did, and we will make our old dresses do." The mother says, "Yes, I will get along without any

hired help; although I am not so strong as I used to be, I think I can get along without any hired help." The father says, "Well, I think that by husking corn at night in the barn I can get along without any assistance." Sugar is banished from the table, butter is banished from the plate. That family is put down on rigid, yea, suffering economy that the boy may go to college.

Time passes on. Commencement day has come. The professors walk in on the stage in their long gowns and their classic but absurd hats. The interest of the occasion is passing on, and reaches a climax as the valedictorian is to be introduced. Ed has studied so hard and worked so well that he has had the honor conferred upon him. There are rounds of applause, sometimes breaking into vociferation. It is a great day for Ed. But away back in the galleries are his sisters in their old, plain hats and faded sacks, and the old-fashioned mother and father. She has not had a new hat for six years; he has not had a new coat for six years. And they get up and look\_over on the platform and they laugh and they cry, and they sit down, and they look pale, and then they are very flushed. Ed gets the garlands and the old-fashioned group in the gallery have their full share of the triumph. They have made that scene possible, and in the day that God shall more fully reward self-sacrifice made for others, he will give grand and glorious recognition. "As his share is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his share be that tarrieth by the baggage."

This incident describes a home in the truest sense of the word.

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#### Indiana Conference

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#### Fifteen Dollars by Each Member

I have received several letters asking the reason of calling for another special donation for the academy. These letters come from those who paid \$10 or more last fall. Sometime ago a statement appeared in the HERALD, showing the amount of money received and also the amount expended on this fund. December 31, 1919, the records showed that the conference had received on the educational fund the sum of \$31,-702.20. The amount paid out was \$29,976.34, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$1,725.86. Out of this \$31,702.20 we paid Indiana's quota of the Berrien Springs College improvements, which sum was \$10,-910.33. The remainder, or \$20,891.87, has been used in the erection of the girls' dormitory, the power and boiler house, the payment of \$8,000 on the farm, the buying of a team, some farm tools, etc. When you come to camp-meeting you will see in detail how far this money has gone. We do believe that God has

been with us in buying material at a low cost. It is our earnest desire to make every dollar count, and we feel free to inform you that no money has thus far been wasted.

In looking over the figures of \$20,971 you will readily see that we cannot build two dormitories and one administration building, buy a farm and equip it, with so small an amount. Both dormitories and the administration building will each cost \$20,000. It has, therefore, been agreed by the conference workers and the executive committee, that we invite all our people to raise a definite sum equal to \$15 per member between now and the first of September, or as soon as possible. This is not enough to finish the work, but is all that we have faith to ask for in one year. Doubtless if the rich and poor alike would all give according to their ability, this work could soon be completed. But the conference officials will go just as fast as the people of Indiana will permit them. We shall not place upon you a financial debt.

Brethren, help us by your liberal offering, and thus make the work easy. May the Lord help you to assist us in this large financial program for the upbuilding of our school and for the saving of our boys and girls.

C. S. Wiest

#### What Is Your Answer?

Events are fast shaping for the last great conflict. Students of current events as well as students of prophecy, must realize that there is but little more time left us in which to do our work. Millions are unwarned. Everyone of these men and women are judgment bound creatures. They must some day stand before the King and there give an account of their lives. What are you doing to help them to be ready for that great event? Is the world better today, because you have done something since you slept to hasten the coming of the world's Redeemer?

If you do not realize the necessity for immediate action on your part, go into the market place some evening after the Sabbath and count the hurrying crowd. It matters not whether you live in the large city or the small village, examination reveals a like condition everywhere—Christless men and women. And the Saturday night crowd is typical everywhere—it opens a wonderful opportunity to you. Have you ever gone among this crowd with the third angel's message in printed form? They are spending their money for what they see. Give them an opportunity to behold the beauty of our God, through our wonderful literature.

These world-weary people are being deceived by the false teaching of Spiritualism. We can correct their error. Order a supply of "Spiritualism versus Christianity" and go among them on Saturday night on the street, and you will be surprised at the success you will have. Do you say you cannot do this? You cannot in your own strength, but take Christ into partnership; let Him go with you—He will be more than glad to go, for He has said He will go with us "even unto the ends of the earth," and again He said, "Ask what ye will in My name and it shall be granted unto you." This means success if we do our part.

We as a people are believers in a soon-coming King, but He can never come until the work is finished. We must first have the time of the latter rain. How and when will this come upon us? "When we have entire whole-hearted consecration to the service of Christ, God will recognize the fact by an outpouring of His Spirit without measure; but this will not be while the largest portion of the church are not laborers together with God."—Review and Herald, July 21, 1896.

Are you one of the church that is hindering this coming blessing, or are you hastening that day with every power of your being? The call is ringing out for workers today. Will you answer "Here am I send me"?

O. B. HALL

#### Wabash Valley Sanitarium Notes

Brother W. S. Proctor of Stewardson, Ill., has been a patient at the saintarium for some weeks. He is suffering from sleeping-sickness; is now making some improvement.

Mrs. Lloyd Harrison of the Review and Herald Branch office of South Bend, Ind., has been taking a series of treatments here and is feeling much improved.

Sister Emma Wasson of Muncie, Ind., who underwent a major operation here some weeks ago, has made a good recovery and returned to her home.

Mr. L. L. Babcock, cousin of the chaplain, while en route to his home in Lodi, Calif., spent a few days at the institution. His violin music was very much appreciated by the entire family.

C. W. Curtis

#### Illinois Conference

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#### Fox River Academy Building Fund

I am glad to tell the readers of the Lake Union Herald that we have now raised \$6,000 in cash and pledges towards the building of the new boys' dormitory at Fox River Academy. This is about one-fourth of what we shall actually need. It makes us very happy to receive these liberal gifts from a few of our people. There are still others in the state of Illinois who must be interested in the Fox River Academy, and I wish here to quote a testimony which came to us during the week of prayer nine years ago:

"A great work is before us,—the closing work of this world's history. Solemn indeed is the time in

which we are living, and heavy are the responsibilities resting upon us as a people. The third angel's message is now to be proclaimed, not only in far-off lands, but in neglected places close by, where multitudes dwell unwarned and unsaved. Our cities everywhere are calling for earnest, whole-hearted labor from the servants of God. The message for this time is now to be proclaimed earnestly in the great business world. Day after day the centers of commerce and trade are thronged with men and women who need the truth for this time, but who gain no saving knowledge of its precious principles, because earnest, persevering efforts are not put forth to reach them where they are."

There are two points in this testimony that I wish the reader to especially note. One is the lack of earnest, persevering efforts for the men and women who are perishing in our cities, for the want of the knowledge of the truth. There is a reason why we are neglecting this work, and that reason lies wholly in the lack of men and means. For years we have been striving to reach the cities with a very limited number of workers, and at last this great denomination has aroused sufficiently to understand that unless we train workers for service, we are not likely to have them, and it ought to cause every honest heart in this denomination to rejoice when we see the effort that is being put forth in our schools to train men and women for service. If we have workers we must train them, and the writer is glad to tell you that we have twelve earnest, faithful students coming to Illinois from Emmanuel Missionary College to take up work in this field immediately at the close of school. Some of these students are graduating, and some of them will have another year or two in school. At least half of them come to stay with us for a time at least, and help finish the work in the good old state of Illinois, but we must have more workers as soon as we are able to support them, and other fields are crying for men to come over and help them. The only hope I have of meeting the many calls that come to us is through our colleges and academies.

The other point I wish you to note in the testimony is the statement that there are neglected places close by. While the testimony refers largely to the unworked fields lying right at our door, I think it may equally apply to any duty or responsibility nigh at hand which is suffering because of our neglect, and certainly the Boys' DORMITORY AT FOX RIVER IS A "NEGLECTED PLACE CLOSE BY." Therefore it must now receive our first and largest attention. My brother, my sister, if you have one dollar or ten thousand dollars that you can spare, please notify us immediately, because we cannot begin this work until we have at least fifteen or twenty thousand dollars on hand. The Illinois Conference is now enjoying financial prosperity, and we wish to follow the instruction of the Lord in shunning debt, therefore we urge that our brethren everywhere throughout the state, take a deep interest in this neglected institution, come at once to its rescue, and build a good, sanitary, comfortable dormitory for our worthy boys, and we do have a worthy lot of young men in Illinois. I believe I am right when I testify that the student body at Fox River Academy is as fine a body of Seventh-day Adventists young people as can be found anywhere. Parents, you should be proud of them!

I have visited the academy repeatedly within the past two years and know something of the spirit of the school. I have heard as soul-stirring testimonies from that body of students as I ever heard from any company of people, and I have seen them all on their knees before the altar seeking God earnestly for help and strength that they may be qualified to do their part in the finishing of the work. They certainly deserve our financial support, and I am glad that so early the people in the State of Illinois are coming forward to help make Fox River Academy a fit place in which to live. If you cannot send the money at once, please write me a personal letter and tell me what you will be able to do a little later on.

Wishing you the blessing of the Lord, and earnestly soliciting your future cooperation, I pledge my hand and heart for the finishing of this work.

W. H. HOLDEN

#### Galesburg

We are living in an age of activity. Activity is an essential quality of success, and success in any organized work comes as a result of united effort on the part of those who make up the organization. In Volume 9, page 11, we read, "The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis." Now while the evil forces are consolidating, God's people should be consolidating for the finishing of the work. Cooperation on the part of every church member is needed today. This is no time for slackers. Our slogan should be, "Every man a worker."

Now, realizing that the church in Galesburg is a part of this great work, we are organizing our forces for service. An effort is being put forth to enroll each member in one great army for the systematic distribution of *Present Truth*. Each month we have a standing order for six hundred and fifty copies. Most of the members are taking hold of this and we hope by the time we report again that each member will have joined the workers' band.

We have also organized a Bible workers' class in which instruction is being given as to how to conduct Bible studies for outsiders. Quite an interest is being taken in this class.

At the present time, Sunday night meetings are being held and while the attendance is small we are con-

fident that we shall see some fruit as a result of our effort.

The church is busy raising money for the improvement of the church building. The "Friendship Club," which is similar to a Dorcas Society, had a sale of dresses and fancy work last week in which it cleared about one hundred and fifty dollars. In this way we hope to soon raise the amount needed for the necessary improvements.

Remember the work in Galesburg; we need your prayers.

J. C. Nixon

#### North Michigan Conference

Office Address, 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich.
President, R. J. Nethery

#### Coleman

No doubt many will be anxious to learn how the work is progressing in Coleman. For some reason the message has always made slow advancement in this place. We used to have a small church building here, but that was sold a number of years ago, and the membership being very small the church was disbanded.

Last summer Brother F. B. Howard, my son (F. J. Harris), and I held a short series of tent meetings here, with what seemed to be a good interest. Two decided to obey the truth. It was thought best for us to locate here and follow up the interest, which we did, moving here in November. We have Sabbath services, also preaching Sunday evenings.

I am visiting the homes, and giving them reading matter, and as the weather becomes settled we shall have a better attendance. We had a fair congregation and all seemed interested, last Sunday evening. Others told me that they planned to be present but were hindered.

Pray for the work here in Coleman. The people seem friendly and willing to read, and there is no good reason why some of them should not be led to obedience.

J. C. HARRIS

#### North Michigan News Notes

Brother Petersen has recently visited the company at Coleman and also at Rhodes.

We have received our supply of catalogues. One will be sent you upon request.

Elder Wood and Garland Bogar report encouraging results from the schoolhouse effort near Petoskey. Some have taken their stand and a few are interested in present truth.

Signs of the Times Weekly No. 12, is devoted entirely to Spiritism—Satan's greatest means of deception. One hundred postpaid for \$2.

With the assistance of our church clerks we have been revising our Lake Union Herald mailing list. If any home in our conference receives more than one

copy, we would be pleased to know of it, and if any one knows of families not receiving it, we would be glad to have the names handed to us so we may enter same on our list.

The Sabbath-school lessons for next quarter are very interesting, dealing with the ministry of angels. Elder Evan's book, "Ministry of Angels," will be used as reference. This book sells for thirty-five cents in the paper binding and seventy-five in the cloth. Order early.

# West Michigan Conference Office Address, 8 Pearl Street, Grand Rapids, Mich. President, J. F. Piper

#### Colporteurs' Institute

We just closed our splendid colporteurs' institute at Kalamazoo. God's Holy Spirit hovered over us in our meetings. There was a spirit of heart searching and earnest prayerfulness, and a great burden for a life free from sin and powerful in the cause of God.

Brother B. F. Williams from Belding was with us the first days, and gave us some inspiring talks. He was a bookman once and knows how. Elder Horton addressed us one evening and was with us one day. Brethren Waller and Clark from the office each spent a day with us.

We had an enrollment of ten colporteurs—none of whom had ever attended an institute before. These ten faithful ones united in promising the Lord their most earnest efforts during the coming year. We earnestly solicit the prayers of our people for these faithful workers as they go from door to door with precious pages of truth.

The Kalamazoo church manifested untiring kindness towards us and we were comfortably entertained. A lunch was served at six every evening in the church-school room by our teacher, Sister Eyestone, and attendants. We take this opportunity to express our thanks to all these good people.

Again we ask you to pray for our colporteurs and watch their work, and from time to time God will call others from our ranks into this blessed service.

C. P. HALL

#### North Wisconsin Conference Office Address, 620 Tenth Ave., West, Ashland, Wis. Mail Address, Drawer 482 President, J. J. Irwin

#### Seeking to Reach the Standard in Superior

Believing in Christian education and desiring to obey all that God has given this people on the question of providing suitable schools for the children and youth in our ranks, the members of the church here in Superior took their first steps in this direction in the fall of 1918 and opened a school.

This proved so fruitful to Christian growth among the children that other families gladly sent their

children this year, and the enrollment has been forty three with all of the eight grades represented.

The brethren soon saw that such a school was too large for one teacher to conduct so they have recently employed two teachers and are making their school a semi-grade school.

This, to my mind, is a victory worth mentioning, and hoping that it will be the means of stirring some other church and school board to similar action, I bring it before the readers of the HERALD.

FREDERICK ARTHUR WRIGHT, Pastor

#### Institute

The North Wisconsin colporteurs' institute will be held at Superior, beginning April 23 and continuing ten days. We have made provision for about twenty-five workers. This will, no doubt, be one of the largest institutes held in this conference. We extend to all who are planning to take up the colporteur work, a cordial invitation. Our aim is to make this institute a spiritual benefit to all who attend.

Those who will assist us during this time are J. W. Davis, Elder J. J. Irwin, Elder F. A. Wright, H. W. Johnson, and J. D. Snider. We solicit the prayers of all that this institute may better qualify us for service.

C. R. Morris

### South Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Rooms 257-60 Washington Bldg., Madison, Wis. President, E. A. Bristol

#### **Madison Sanitarium Items**

Among our recent arrivals to assist in the work of the Madison Sanitarium are Mr. and Mrs. Gust W. Berg of Chicago, Ill. Brother Berg is doing our cooking.

Miss Selma Bleck of Gillett, Wis., who has been home caring for her mother, has returned. She reports her mother's health materially improved.

For several days past we have been using our gymnasium for a dining-room while Brother Charles Dessain has been repainting and decorating our dining-room. The improvement is very marked and we shall enjoy getting back into old quarters made new in appearance.

During the year 1919 there were 315 operations performed in the Madison Sanitarium. This is a little more than an average of one every day, except Sabbaths, during the year.

March 20 and 21, our matron, Miss Elsie Fliess, was in attendance at the Young People's Convention in Milwaukee.

#### The Colporteur Work

I am now arranging for the placing of a large number of canvassers in South Wisconsin this coming summer. Many students from our schools will be in the field about ten or twelve weeks, and the problem of locating them in their territory, and finding suitable headquarters for them to spend the week-end with our own people, is ever before us for solution.

Now I hope this appeal will be responded to by those who can open their homes for one or two of these workers, and thereby share in the blessings that will come to those who give themselves faithfully to the Master's service. There are many of our people who can not engage in active service themselves in giving the message, and this will afford them an opportunity of service that will be acceptable, and I am sure much appreciated.

Those who will respond to this call will please write me as soon as possible, as we have several now waiting to be assigned territory.

C. C. King

#### East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich. President, Wm. A. Westworth

#### That Impulse

Some time lately you have been thinking about the missionary work that you have done. You knew that you did it, but perhaps not a single other member of your church knew anything about it at all. Perhaps you yourself were inspired to do that work by seeing the blessing some one else got out of the work that he had done. And as you thought about that work, as you realized that your local missionary secretary wanted you to report it, your conference secretary wanted it reported, your Union secretary desired its report, and the General Conference secretary wanted a record of it, you felt impelled to follow an impulse rising within you telling you that you ought to report it.

But it was easy not to report. It would have required an effort to remember what you had done and write it down, so you let it go. And besides, you thought that after all there wasn't much use in reporting anyway. But in failing to report, did you not ignore all of our entreaties? In order to justify yourself in not reporting and putting your own judgment up against the combined judgment of the entire church, did you not ignore the impulse of duty rising up within you? Was it not altogether possible that in this matter of reporting the entire organization plan was right and you possibly wrong?

The next time your missionary secretary asks for a report, why not obey that impulse and see how it feels? Why not think of us here at headquarters who must have complete records of all that is being done? Why not heed our requests? The little effort it takes will not hurt you, but the results will tell large for the onward movement of our work. A still small voice will tell you that you ought to report. Obey it. And the next week obey it again. Then obey it again and

again and again until this matter of reporting will have become a habit with you. As you see what you have done and what your church has done, it will inspire you and the rest to do more and still more again, until finally your work and our work shall be finished and we all shall be gathered home. Therefore report your work.

EDWIN R. THIELE

#### The Book Work

There has never been a time in the history of the book business when books sell as easily as they do now. The colporteurs who are putting in faithful time are more than doubling their sales as compared with a year ago. All we need is more faithful workers. "The work of the colporteur is elevating and will prove a success if he is honest, earnest, and patient, steadily pushing the work he has undertaken. His heart must be in the work. He must rise early and work industriously, putting to proper use the facilities God has given him."-"Manual for Canvassers," page 18. "Christ calls for young men who will volunteer to carry the truth to the world. Men of spiritual stamina are wanted, men who are able to find work close at hand, because they are looking for it.—Id. p. 22.

We know the work is not finished in East Michigan, and the books that contain the message for this time must serve their part in warning the people of the true Sabbath, and the near approach of Christ's second coming. I would say to those who are interested in having a part in the finishing of the work, that you will never find a better time to sell books than now. God does not offer a gold mine, or a large sum of money to get people to work for Him, but He has promised to supply all our needs. Then if we believe the Lord and His promises, why should we delay any longer? Why not take hold of the work by faith, and have a part in the rich harvest that will soon take place if we are faithful?

"And the spirit and the bride say, come. And let him that heareth say, come. And let him that is athirst say, come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." "The night is far spent, the day is at hand." We have territory in East Michigan for forty-five colporteurs. Write for further information and territory at once. We will do our part to help you get started in this good work.

E. F. FLICK

#### **News Notes**

Mrs. John Culver of Royal Oak, Mich., who has been seriously ill, has just returned from the Wabash Valley Sanitarium. She comes home a well woman.

Brother C. B. Graham is planning to move to Flint where he will canvass for "Bible Readings."

The Holly church is going to place a Signs on Spir-

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tualism in every home in the village. A good example is worthy to follow.

Is canvassing a success in our large cities? Look at the two following reports from Detroit: Brother Pengelly sends in his good report of \$138.40. Brother Floyd Myers, who has been out of the field for a time, has been encouraged to take up the work again and as a result the Lord blessed him with \$60 the first day and \$43 the second. A total for two days of \$103. The Lord works with us when we are willing to work for Him. We are praying for more colporteurs. Does this mean you, dear reader? If so say, "Here am I, O Lord, send me."

Can we sell the 25 cent magazine? Four girls from the academy have been testing it out the past week and they say it sells better than it did at 15 cents. They demonstrated it by selling more in one day than they had ever sold at the old price. One girl sold 81 and the others were not far behind.

#### Adelphian Academy Notes

Last week the school had a week of prayer. The Lord came very near, and one meeting will never be forgotten for the whole student body and teachers consecrated themselves to the Lord at this time.

Elder S. M. Butler spent Sabbath, March 20, visiting his niece, Mildred Butler. He occupied the young people's hour in the afternoon.

A new power lathe has been added to the manual training equipment. The students of this class are making great progress, and many neat useful articles of furniture have been made by them.

Two beautiful new pianos have been added to the music department. This department is now occupying the new rooms provided for it in the addition.

The school orchestra and boys' glee club sang at the annual meeting of the Holly W. C. T. U. last week. Their efforts were greatly appreciated.

The reading room for the library is ready for use now. This gives adequate space for the academic library work.

The senior class is hard at work on its closing programs.

The cooking class, which is unique in that it is composed entirely of boys, is winning a name for itself along culinary lines.

#### **Obituaries**

Mott.—Grace M. Mott was born at Cleveland, Ohio, July 19, 1872. She was united in marriage to Frelon A. Mott in 1900 at Chicago, Ill. Her death occurred Dec. 28, 1919 as a result of pneumonia. She accepted present truth nearly twenty years ago, and was a faithful, earnest worker in the Chicago North Shore church, and in the W. C. T. U. work. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might," was actively wrought out in her life work. She was a loving, faithful Christian, and we believe that Jesus has given her rest until He comes as the Life-giver. She leaves her husband, daughter, and other relatives. M. H. St. John

BATES.—Philanda Rawlins was born in St. Lawrence County, N. Y., and died at her home in Jo Daviess County, Illinois, Feb. 28, 1920, aged 78 years, 5 months, and 2 days. She was married to Hiram W. Bates Feb. 7, 1858. Six children were born to this union, three of whom are living. She was a faithful Seventh-day Adventist from childhood. She is resting beside her husband—both awaiting the call of the Life-giver.

M. L. BATES

#### Canvassers' Report for the Week Ending March 20, 1920

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#### An Example

In a circular letter just received from Elder J. J. Irwin, I see omens of success for our home work. I pass on the facts for your encouragement.

His conference report for January showed 40 per cent of the tithe payers paying two-per-cent. For February 56 per cent of the tithe payers paid the two-per-cent, making an increase of 16 per cent in one month. I notice a list of his churches that paid more than 50 per cent of the two-per-cent on the basis of the tithe. Bloomville 120 per cent, Iron River, Mich., 100 per cent, Plum City 100 per cent, Jim Falls 100 per cent, Hancock 93 per cent, Bear Lake 91 per cent, Trade Lake 90 per cent, Spooner 80 per cent, Clearwater Lake 80 per cent, Ashland, English, 79 per cent, Orange 75 per cent, Cumberland 75 per cent, Prentice 73 per cent, Ironwood 69 per cent, Knapp 52 per cent, and Superior 51 per cent.

This conference leads the Union on the per capita in the colporteur work. Which will lead in the two-per-cent? How many of your churches have 100 per cent of their members paying two-per-cent? We shall be pleased to receive a report from each conference.

WM. GUTHRIE

#### "An Old-Fashioned Home"

We wish to call the attention of the readers of the HERALD to an article beginning in this number entitled "An Old-Fashioned Home." This is a report of a sermon preached by the great evangelist, the late J. Wilbur Chapman. Inasmuch as our attention will be called during the next few weeks quite directly to the study of Home Religion, and the last Sabbath in April has been set aside as Family Altar Day in all the churches in the Lake Union Conference, we thought it would be quite appropriate to publish this stirring sermon of Dr. Chapman's at this time.

It is impossible to present the entire matter in this issue of the HERALD so it will be continued next week. We sincerely trust that this stirring appeal by Dr. Chapman in behalf of home religion will reach a responsive chord in the hearts of all the readers of the HERALD.

J. L. MCCONAUGHEY

#### College Notes

Julius Paulson, manager of the Hinsdale Sanitarium, and Miss Lois Carmichael, teacher of English at the Broadview Swedish Seminary together with her sister, Miss Ruth of Grand Rapids, Michigan were guests at the College over the week-end of March 20.

Miss Lois Christian, daughter of Elder L. H. Christian, spent a few days at the College recently. She is leaving, with her parents, shortly for Europe. Her father is to serve as one of the vice-presidents of the General Conference in Europe.

Professor Thomas Little, educational secretary of the Carolina Conference, visited the College last week. Professor Little is a good singer and he favored the men with some pleasing songs at their worship hour in the dormitory.

The Music Department of the College gave a recital Saturday evening, March 20. It was a credit to the department and was thoroughly enjoyed by the students.

The Foreign Mission Band took charge of the young people's meeting last Sabbath afternoon, giving a program on "Lessons adapted from the life of Paul."

Four students of the Home Economics Department are trying their hand at housekeeping. They are living in the Home Economics Building with Miss Klooster. They allow themselves for food an amount based upon the salaries of our workers starting in the ministry. This is approximately nine cents per meal per person.

Elder S. M. Butler of the Washington Missionary College spoke to us in chapel Monday morning, March 22.

H. O. Butler and Robert Boothby recently spent a few days at Grand Rapids, Michigan attending a meeting of the workers of the West Michigan Conference.

The teachers and students surprised President Griggs by presenting him with a very beautiful brief-case on the occasion of his birthday, Wednesday morning.

#### **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 — House help soon. Write Mrs. A. H. Fessler, Sun Prairie, Wis., near Madison.

Wanted.—Dressmaking and sewing of all kinds. Inquire of Mrs. N. L. Snyder one block east of Station 20, Berrien Springs, Mich.

BROOM MAKER.—Are you a first-class broom maker? We can furnish steady employment to all-round, reliable man. Write at once, giving references, to Berrien Springs Broom Works, Berrien Springs, Mich.

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