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Camp-Meeting.

The annual camp-meeting for the West Michigan Conference will be held August 9-20, 1906, in the beautiful shady fair grounds at Hastings, the county seat of Barry County, a thriving city of four thousand population, located on the line of the Michigan Central Railway thirty-two miles southeast of Grand Rapids, also of the Chicago, Kalamazoo and Saginaw Railway about the same distance northeast from Kalamazoo.

WORKERS' MEETING.

The conference laborers expect to arrange the camp. They will begin their work Monday, August 6. Three short meetings will be held each day. Elder Wm. Covert, Vice-president of the Lake Union, will give instruction to the laborers. If any of the brethren want to

enjoy these meetings, the privilege is here extended. You will be lodged and boarded during the workers' meeting, providing you become one of the workers.

RATE DAYS.

On August 8, 9, and 14 return tickets can be purchased at one and one-third the regular one-way fare. These tickets will be good for the return trip until midnight Tuesday, August 21.

RENT OF TENTS.

Our conference tents will be for rent at \$2.50, \$3.00, and \$4.00 for tent and fly. The size and quality of the tent will govern the price to be paid.

STRAW AND LUMBER.

Lumber is very high and all who plan to use it should expect to pay the market price. The ground is a grassy plot, and where possible, all should economize in the use of lumber. A small rental will be asked for the straw.

DINING HALL.

A very fine dining hall has just been erected upon the grounds. We have the use of this and will furnish meals at twenty cents and twenty-five cents for breakfast and dinner respectively.

GROCERY.

A small stock of groceries will be kept for the benefit of those who desire the benefit of such convenience.

BAGGAGE.

We have employed a transfer company to handle the baggage on the rate days only. Remember we only agree to meet the trains on the rate days. Should you come at any other time, you will need to look after your own baggage.

PASSENGERS.

We will meet all the regular trains on the rate days and have the transfer companies transfer the passengers from the depots to the grounds. You will be expected to purchase a ticket of our agent when you leave the train.

MINISTERIAL HELP.

Elders G. A. Irwin, Allen Moon, Wm. Covert, C. McReynolds, E. K. Slade, and all the conference laborers are expected to be present. You should plan to attend.

A. G. HAUGHEY.

Educational.

The General Conference Educational Council is a thing of the past, but I firmly believe that an influence has gone out from that assembly which will be felt as long as we have a work to do. There was no attempt on the part of any to interpose personal aims or ambitions, but all felt to work in harmony, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

The General Conference Committee, which was in session during a part of the time, after a most earnest presentation of the needs of the field by Elder Daniells, selected several of our most active workers to bear responsibilities in the foreign field. Elder Daniells stated that the Mission Board has its eye upon our schools as the place above all others, from which to select workers for the foreign field.

In view of this fact and of the magnitude of our work, the needs of the field should ever be kept uppermost in the minds of our students, from the church school to the college. Every school should be provided with a missionary map

of the world. Information concerning these maps may be obtained by addressing Mission Board, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

Complete proceedings of the Educational Council will soon be published in pamphlet form. Full particulars later.

Our Normal Institute is now in progress at Emmanuel Missionary College. There are about forty teachers in attendance, and more are expected soon. With the assistance mentioned in our last week's issue, we hope to give a thorough training in Bible, general principles, primary methods, and the common branches. We must maintain the highest standard of excellence in all these essentials, that our students may get out from our schools prepared by culture and education to meet all classes of society.

Our work must be carried on in an orderly and systematic manner. The conference refuses to give its sanction to the employment of any teacher who is not provided with the proper papers issued under conference authority. We think all can see the wisdom of this, inasmuch as it protects our churches from being imposed upon by those desiring to teach, but who lack the necessary qualifications.

We call your attention, also, to the following General Conference recommendation endorsed at the recent council, viz:

"We recommend that no schools be established or discontinued without advice or counsel from the conference officials."

We trust that our churches everywhere will now rally to the support of our schools, that not one school in our conference will be discontinued, but that others will be established wherever there are children to be trained as workers for God.

The correspondence of those interested in this work is earnestly solicited.

CLIFFORD A. RUSSELL.

A Missionary Educational Movement.

We, a representative body of Seventh-day Adventist teachers and educators, assembled in convention at College View, Nebraska, June 29 to July, 10, fully and firmly believe that the Holy Scriptures plainly teach:—

1. That it is God's purpose to finish in this generation His work in behalf of mankind.

2. That this will be done by the proclamation to all the world of the gospel as set forth in the great three-fold message of Revelation 14:6-14

3. That the proclamation of this message to the world will be made by the church, the Lord's people who are called out and developed by the message itself.

We also believe in the following instruction from the Spirit of Prophecy:—

1. That "it is the purpose of God that through the excellence of the work done in our educational institutions, the attention of the people shall be called to the last great effort to save the perishing."

2. That the primary object of our training schools is to afford young men an opportunity to study for the ministry, and to prepare young persons of both sexes to become workers in the various branches of the cause.

From the experience through which God has led us, we have found:—

1. That in doing this work, the church must make use of varied lines of service, such as preaching, Bible-work, writing, translating, teaching, medical work, colportage, Christian business management, etc.

2. That this work for the Master may be efficiently and acceptably performed, men and women should receive a definite, thorough education.

To-day we face a great missionary problem. Notwithstanding all that has been done to finish this work, there are still vast fields un-

entered, millions of men and women unwarned, and many pressing Macedonia calls unanswered.

In view of this situation, we feel deeply impressed that the time has fully come when we should put forth the highest efforts of which we are capable to place in the field the number of qualified workers required to finish the Lord's work according to His purpose.

To this end we recommend that immediate, earnest, and continued efforts be made:—

1. To create a more intelligent and profound conviction regarding the field to be occupied and the service to be rendered.

2. To unite conference and school into closer and more sympathetic touch for intelligent, harmonious co-operation.

3. To press the demands for the fields more heavily upon the schools for the supply called for.

4. To inaugurate and carry forward a steady, well-grounded, and persuasive movement, the great aim of which shall be to provide qualified workers for the work to be done.

That the above lines of work may become effective, we urge the Department of Education to take immediate steps to secure the realization of these ends—

(a) By promoting a general, thorough, and continuous study of home and foreign missions.

(b) By aiding all our schools to arrange a definite course of study for missions.

(c) By encouraging school boards to provide suitable literature on missions for use in their schools.

(d) By encouraging teachers to give the subject of missions more careful study and to speak on the subject more frequently to the people.

(e) By providing suitable articles regarding missions for all our papers.

(f) By enlisting the co-operation of all the children, youth and young people in the financial sup-

port of some teacher or classmate who leaves them from time to time for mission fields.

(g) By making our motto: "The advent message to all the world in this generation," a guiding, determining factor in the life-plans and in the use of the time, money, and opportunities of our young people.

(h) By leading all who can not go, to reckon themselves members of recruiting bands in behalf of their comrades at the front.

In view of the importance of our educational work as related to the entire work of God, of the large place it has come to hold in that work, and of its great possibilities as a factor in preparing and supplying trained workers for the mission fields of the world,—

We earnestly request that arrangements be made for either the chairman or the secretary of the Department of Education to devote his entire time to the general work of the department.

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Why We Use Tents for Religious Meetings.

BY MRS. R. C. HORTON.

"Foxes have holes," the Master said,
"Birds of the air have nests,"

Nowhere had he to lay His head,
No place or time for rest.

And yet he bore a message true
Unto the sons of men.

And left command for us to go
And warn the world again.

The world loved not the humble man
Nor the message that he bore;

The proud priests scorned salvation's plan,
His doctrine they ignored.

Despised and scorned our Master was,
So shall His servants be;

They hated Him without a cause,
This hatred still we see.

And yet "the common people heard
Him gladly," all day long:

They listened to His sacred word,
And crowds around Him thronged.

His meeting house the mountain side,
The starry roof above;
The Book of Nature open wide
Displayed His wondrous love.

The world has gorgeous temples rare,
With steeples grand and high,
Carpets and cushions fine and fair,
All pleasing to the eye.

The rich and gay from Pleasure's halls
In gold and rubies gleam,
And there within those gilded walls
Dame Fashion reigns supreme.

The sermon's short and scarcely heard,
But the music, Oh! so grand!
Swells on the air; but scarce a word
That we can understand.

We look with pity on the crowd
And think, Oh! could they see
How near the day when all the proud
Shall as the stubble be.

O will they let us stand and speak
Of the humble Nazerene?
And urge them earnestly to seek
To shun that awful scene?

Ah, no! their preachers never dwell
On scenes so dark and sad,
But pleasing themes, smooth stories tell
That make the people glad.

And so we sadly from them turn,
Some other way to find
These truths which they so coldly spurn
To bring before the mind.

We think how God in ages past
His chosen people led,
How they drew water from the rock,
On holy manna fed.

He told them how a house to make
To carry where they went,
So will we do; for His dear sake,
We'll buy a meeting tent.

And this is why you now do see
Our cotton houses frail,
Where worshipers may bow the knee
Tho' foes do oft' assail.

We gladly welcome all who come,
And try to do them good;
Within our humble tent there's room,
God's Word our daily food.

And Jesus deigns to meet us there
And angels hover near,
And sinners bow in earnest prayer
And drop the silent tear.

So we use tents to shelter all
Who humbly seek a place
To hear God's Word, on Him to call,
And learn His saving grace.

O yes! We welcome all in love,
We open wide the door,
We'll gladly meet them all above
Where parting is no more.

News and Notes.

Emmanuel Missionary College board held a meeting last week.

Elder B. F. Kneeland spent last Sabbath with the church at Bloomingdale.

Thomas J. Brownlow is having good success selling the earthquake number of the "Signs" in Muskegon.

Read what it said in another column about the camp-meeting and then make your plans to attend.

We hope the Sabbath-school secretaries who have not sent in their quarterly reports will please do so at once.

The Executive Committee held a meeting to-day at Berrien Springs. We will hear more about it next week.

The house of Brother Clifford Russell was burned last Sunday. We have not learned the cause of the fire, but we understand that they did not save anything, not even a change of clothing.

Edward W. D. Curtis, educational secretary for the Lake Union Conference, has promised us a series of articles on the subject of school organization and management. We bespeak for these papers a most careful perusal.

One of our subscribers in renewing his subscription to the "Herald" sent an extra twenty-five cents with the request that we send the "Herald" one year to some worthy brother or sister who could not afford to pay for it. This example is worthy of imitation. Another subscriber says, "I have a warm place in my heart for the 'Herald.' It has been an inspiration to me and has helped me in my work. If I had to do without it, I would miss it very much." Another one says, "I am glad to see that the 'Herald' is a real newspaper of the West Michigan Con-

ference." We hope all of our workers will help to make it a "newspaper" of the conference by letting us know where they are and how the Lord is blessing them.

From our Sabbath-school superintendents, secretaries, and children:—

"I read your letter to the children and talked to them about the little orphans of India, and as a result nearly all of the children have a missionary garden."

"The children seemed much interested in your letter to them some time ago. I have tried to keep this field before the minds of the children by speaking frequently of it to them, and I think they will have a small donation if they stand by their good resolutions, for they voted to give their Fourth of July money for this purpose."

One little girl says, "It seems to me if all the children take hold, there could be enough money raised to support two orphans."

One little boy brought in forty-two cents one day and said it was his donation to the fund that is being raised to support an orphan in India. His grandma gave him one egg each day until he had a little basket full, and he brought them to town and sold them and brought the money to us.

The second number of LIBERTY will bear date of July, and is now ready for mailing. The magazine is published quarterly, as all our readers know, the first number having been issued in April. 45,000 copies of the first number were circulated during April, May and June, and we hope to circulate at least 100,000 of the second number, which will answer the question, "Are Sunday Laws Essential to Good Government?", in the discussion of the following subjects: Sunday Laws and Good Government; Does the Sabbath Need Protection; State Sabbath Versus Divine Sabbath; Recent Sunday Crusade Developments in Pennsyl-

vania; Do Working Men Need Sunday Laws; The Lesson of the California Earthquake; A Rejoinder; A Modern Christian City; The Question of "Whose Ox?" Things Move; Christian Liberty; Notes on Current Religious Legislation; Man in the Place of God; The Railway Rate Bill and the Sabbath; Sunday Legislation in Louisiana; The Present Church Federation Movement—What does it Mean? What will Save the Nation? etc.

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"The world watches to see what fruit is borne by professed Christians. It has a right to look for self-denial and self-sacrifice from those who claim to believe advanced truth."

"We need not say, The perils of the last days are soon to come upon us. Already they have come. We need now the sword of the Lord to cut to the very soul and marrow of the fleshly lusts, appetites and passions."

"Our efforts, our self-denial, our perseverance, must be proportionate to the infinite value of the object of which we are in pursuit. Only by overcoming as Christ overcame shall we win the crown of life."

"The book of nature and the written word shed light upon each other. Both make us better acquainted with God by teaching us of His character and of the laws through which He works."

"God is displeased with those who are two careless or indolent to become efficient, well-informed

workers. The Christian should possess more intelligence and keener discernment than the worldling."

Battle Creek News.

Last Sabbath afternoon a number were baptized in the Tabernacle.

Elder Lindsey will speak in the Tabernacle next Friday evening, next Sabbath morning, and Sunday evening, July 22.

The Sanitarium family is very busy these days entertaining its many guests. July and August are usually the very busy months.

Elder Daniells and H. E. Rogers made a short stop in Battle Creek on their way to Washington returning from the educational convention.

Sabbath, July 14, Elder D. E. Lindsey occupied the morning hour in the Tabernacle, and Elder F. C. Gilbert the four o'clock hour in the afternoon. The day, although so very warm, was still a very profitable one. Elder Gilbert also preached Sunday evening in the Tabernacle on the work among the Jews.

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