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Margaret Haughey, Editor.

Remarks Made at the Closing Session of the West Michigan Conference Worker's Meeting, Held at Cedar Lake, Oct. 29-31, 1906.

Elder Haughey:—We were pleased to share the privileges of this place and of this school, and a number who have been here the past few days, have never visited Cedar Lake before. Some have never had the opportunity of viewing this land of plenty, especially the stumps, and of course various impressions have come out to us as we have heard about Cedar Lake. Of course many of these impressions were not correct, and I am sure that many who have had the privilege of attending this council and visiting the school, and meeting the friends in the surrounding country, have highly appreciated the opportunity and would be pleased now to state how they have been impressed by these things; and so now we will give them the opportunity to speak.

Perhaps it would be well to ask the youngest to begin first and we will call on the boys first.

Brother Gray:—I do not claim to be a boy, but guess I am the youngest worker in the Conference. I have heard of Cedar Lake, and the special thing impressed upon my mind that it was a place of PINE STUMPS; but since I have arrived

here, I have got a different impression; I have found some beautiful buildings, and a well equipped school, and some very nice young people; and as I have listened to some of the class recitations, it was my impression that these students were getting a practical education.

A few years ago I was in some of our schools where I was convinced that the work was not thorough, but I have a different idea of this school; and the thing that impressed me most is the spirit of Christian discipline taking hold of the school, which is surely the most important thing.

Brother Pitton:—Several years ago, it was my happy privilege to attend this school as a student, where I learned lessons valuable to me today. Here also I learned to know the things of God's spirit. Today as I compare the circumstances under which we worked then with those we have today, I am greatly encouraged; I believe we have every reason to be thankful for the way the Lord has blessed us; and I wish to compliment the citizens of Cedar Lake upon having so well an equipped school in your midst. The days I have spent here will ever remain as green spots in my memory. I believe that those who have gone out of this place to take up the work of God will always feel thankful for the days passed here, and I trust that the influence of this school will grow and extend until it finally reaches God's eternity.

Brother Collier:—There is an old saying "Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise." I have been in blissful ignorance for about six years of the beauties of this school

at Cedar Lake, but I do not now consider that it would have been folly to be wise. I am happy to know that we have such a school up here. I am surprised at the beauty of the location; surprised at the products and developments which have been made, and am glad that we are not now meeting with so many difficulties as attended the work at first. I am surprised at the push, energy and determination that seem to breathe in the very air around us. I am glad to see the sweet, even tenor of life that seems to prevail in this place. Surely God's blessing is here. I am sure Cedar Lake as a school is a permanent feature in West Michigan, and I would like to come up here sometime again.

Miss Bellows:—This is my first visit to Cedar Lake. I am especially interested in this school, as my sister is a student here, and I have been very pleasantly surprised at the work done here and the situation of the school. I am glad I came; I would be glad to come again.

Miss DeYoung:—I feel to praise my dear Heavenly Father for the privilege of coming here to Cedar Lake. Just a few weeks ago I was very ill, but the Lord has raised me up and done great things for me. I have heard various reports from this place, but like the queen of Sheba, who said she could not believe until she came and found out, I can say with her, "the half has never been told." The praise belongs to the Lord, for surely He has been here. When I see these young people, my heart rejoices and I just covet them for the Lord; for the Bible says "The harvest is

great and the laborers are few." I hope everyone of us here will so consecrate ourselves to the Lord, that we may be ready to meet Him when He comes.

Miss Snyder:—As others have said, this is my first visit to Cedar Lake Academy, and surely it has been a very enjoyable one. As I have had the privilege of visiting the different parts of the work here I have been very much impressed, especially by the devotion of the students as they seem to be a very devoted class of young people. I shall do all I can in urging other students to attend this school to prepare themselves for work in the Master's vineyard. Surely the Lord is here.

Brother Irving:—I do not think it is necessary for me to speak anything of the stumps; I am sure that the students have enough of that already.

I learn that they have a Young People's Improvement Society here. This is a good thing; a good experience; if nothing more than reading something out of the Review & Herald. I remember my own experience,—and these other ministers may think it a very feeble one,—when I first came to this conference and labored at Nunica. One student came to this school as a result of the work done at Nunica. As this student comes up from Sabbath to Sabbath, the result may be souls for the kingdom of heaven. And so, young people, stand right by this Young People's Improvement Society and do the best you can. One boy tells me that he came here four years ago and commenced from the bottom and is working upward. I notice Brother Collins in building his new house, has the same idea, for he is laying a good foundation.

I visited some of the rooms today, and I must say they are more pleasantly situated than when I was in school. The impression has gone out throughout the field about the pine stumps and what an awful place Cedar Lake must be;

from this time on I shall bend every effort to have students come to this school.....The Lord has called us to prepare to do a special work. Jesus is soon coming. This is the reason this school exists. Some years ago Mordicai said to Esther, "Who knoweth but thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" And this same message appeals to you, young people at this time.

Brother Hofstra:—I really had the same impression that the buildings were built upon stumps; that the tables were small stumps; that the chairs were stumps and that the seats in the school were also stumps. Well, it explained the situation somewhat when I saw the class of people who are here, for a person afraid of stumps is also afraid of hard work in school and I think these stumps have served a good purpose in keeping out a class of people who are too lazy to work. I believe the people I have met here have proven that they are not afraid of hard work.

When I started out in this work some one said to me at the head of this conference, "Now remember it is either 'root hog, or die,'" and I believe it is a good deal that way with this school. I do not know as I can find words to express my appreciation. I am glad to be called one of the boys even if I have a few gray hairs. I know the effort it has cost me to secure the little education I have gotten. But our young people, who are the cream of society as I call them, for they have not needed to be redeemed out of the depths of degradation as many have to be, for they have been kept pure, the majority of them, have the privilege of being in a place like this, where good things flow from all sources, and I say what shall the harvest be of the work done at Cedar Lake.

I was anxious to know what kind of a place this was. From what I have learned I believe those who work here have the skill and wisdom of God. All things

here are arranged in such a way as to help the student. Everything that has been done, here stirs my heart with gratefulness. I shall tell the people; when I go out of here I shall remember Cedar Lake, and urge young people to come here for an education.

I feel thankful that I have been here because I can place before the people now just what this school really is. I feel thankful for the privilege.

(To be continued.)

The End of the World in This Generation.

About the middle of November there will be a special issue of the WATCHMAN bearing the above title. Its object will be to show the momentous character of the present times. Events long foretold in God's word indicate to the Christian that these are the very last days.

In this "End of the World" special is presented an opportunity for every one—man, woman, boy or girl who believes in the soon coming of the Saviour, to carry the message to those who are not ready to meet the crisis.

The cover-page of this number will have an appropriate two-color illustration of Christ on the Mount of Olives, saying "Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass away till all these things be fulfilled." Two panels will also appear on this page, showing the fulfillment of Christ's words. The paper will be well illustrated, and will be printed in three colors. Its twenty pages will be very attractive, so that interest will be quickly aroused in the good articles published.

Besides the Editors, some of the writers are: Mrs. E. G. White, K. C. Russell, J. S. Washburn, Geo. B. Thompson, C. P. Bollman, and Dr. Frank Washburn.

The following is a partial list of the subjects considered:

"Christ's Return at hand,"
 "Signs of the End,"
 "Last Day Delusions,"

"The Gospel of the Kingdom,"
 "God's Warning,"
 "The Coming Conflict,"
 "The Increase of Lawlessness,"
 "The Increase of Intemperance,"
 "The Sabbath and the Lord's Day,"
 "Without Hope and Without God in the World,"
 "The Coming Crisis,"
 "Having the Promise of the Life that now is, and of the Life that is to come".

This special WATCHMAN will be ready to mail about November 19, but will bear date as the regular issue for Christmas day, and will be appropriate for distribution for many months. Order at once, go out with the papers as they come fresh from the press, and asking God to be your helper, you will be surprised to see how easily you can sell 300, 500, 1,000 or more papers. Think of the good accomplished by such a work.

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A Report of the Publishers' Convention.

Our Publishers' Convention is in the past, reports of which have doubtless already been read in the REVIEW. The meeting was a success in every particular, far beyond our highest hopes and expectations.

This meeting should mark an era in the history of our publishing work. For the first time in its history, the members of the Gener-

al Conference Committee, presidents of state conferences, members of the Publishing Department, general and field missionary agents, and tract society secretaries united for a full week in giving their attention almost exclusively to the publishing and tract society interests.

The discussions were enthusiastic beyond description. Perfect unity prevailed in every meeting. This convention has given abundant evidence of the fact that our leading workers throughout the world are ready to present a solid front to the enemy, and unite in building up the work of this great evangelizing agency.

The chief object of this note is to tell you that we are publishing a very complete report of these meetings. The discussions will be reported very completely, as they used to be in the General Conference Bulletin. The name of each speaker, and the substance of what he said will be given, together with the names of these in attendance, the subjects considered, and the recommendations passed.

Through the generosity of the General Conference, this report containing about two hundred fifty pages will be furnished to all our people for ten cents. This nominal price will cover only a part of the cost of printing. The report will be ready November 1. Please place your order with our publishing houses, any of their branches, or with your state tract society.

This bulletin should be one of the greatest facilities for interesting our people everywhere in the publishing work, and we trust that Conference officials will all unite in giving this notice wide publicity, so that our people may secure this report.

We trust that the sound of this convention will ring around the world, and be the means in God's hands, and under the influence of His spirit of arousing the people to a sense of the opportunities of this important time. Better days are

before us. Doors are opening in every land. Let us enter every open door, and take possession in the name of the Lord.

Your brother in the service,

E. R. PALMER.

General Conf. Pub. Dept.

From the Field.

NILES.

The Niles tent meetings closed October 21 after seven weeks of successful effort. It was a season of much interest to the workers, and a steady attendance of intelligent people testified to the interest they experienced. As a result seven of the brightest and most influential are rejoicing in the glad experience of Christian obedience. Much labor remains to be done in this place, but we feel that an excellent nucleus has been formed for a large work.

H. C. PITTON,
 E. F. COLLIER.

BENTON HARBOR.

I was very much interested in an editorial that appeared in the Herald recently, telling some of the perplexities of editors and printers. When I read the following statement, "If you fail to receive the Herald sometime in the future, you will know that the editor and printer are taking a vacation with our contributors," I thought that I would feel very sorry to lose one copy of the good little Herald and I am selfish enough to hope that they will postpone their vacation indefinitely. I thought I had better send in my report and help a little.

The canvassing work in Benton Harbor is not languishing by any means, and the enthusiasm has not waned. I was called to Illinois on account of my mother's illness, but since I returned I have taken up the work with renewed zeal, and I find earnest souls longing for light and truth.

I wish we had a Bible worker to follow up the canvassing work.

Recently I was canvassing a lady and she had given me her order, when she asked me abruptly, "What church do you belong to?" I said, "I am a Seventh-day Adventist," she said, "I thought so, I am buying this book for my husband and I would like for him to see it before I take it. Have you one that you could leave for a few days?" I felt impressed to comply with her request and left one. When I called for the book, she said, "I do not feel able to take this book, but I must have it, my husband feasted on it, he had read but a little until he asked me if it was not a Seventh-day Adventist book, I told him that it was and he read on and finally said, "well, that is the truth, it is all Bible." She has used her influence among her neighbors and when I am passing she comes out to talk about the book and the truth. There is an opening for Bible work.

Another family invited me to come and study the Sabbath question with them, which I expect to do. Pray that I may do just right.

At present I have twenty-six orders for Desire of Ages. I am having some precious experiences, and the Lord is blessing the work. My hope and courage is good.

"We'll work till Jesus comes,
And we'll be gathered home."

ELLA PORTER.

News and Notes.

Miss Lucy Shorey, who has been canvassing in Belding, has returned to her home in Wisconsin.

Are you a reader of Life and Health? The November issue is full of interesting matter.

Elder E. VanDuesen and James Irving spent Thursday of last week visiting the brethren and sisters in Greenville.

Miss Eva Howe spent a few days last week at her home in Decatur. While there she attended her sister's wedding.

Clifford A. Russell and Eugene Waller attended the Ingathering Service at South Monterey last Sunday evening.

Miss Maude Henry who is teaching at the Michigan Home for Girls was in Otsego Friday in the interest of the work at the Home.

Brother Howard will remain in Cairo for the winter and continue the work. A Sabbath-school has been organized there.—Southern Illinois Herald.

We notice by the "Southern Illinois Herald" that Miss Nina Parkhurst is kept very busy. She has more calls than she can fill. At present she is nursing a patient at Pawnee, Illinois.

We hope the children will send in all their donations to the India Orphan Fund as soon as possible, as we desire to dispose of this fund and begin on something else. We will tell you about it later.

The tent meetings continued quite late this season and we understand that some of the companies had some interesting experiences with their "cotton" houses. The tents have been shipped to their winter quarters.

The workers' meeting that was held at Cedar Lake last week was well attended. Many things were said, and some plans made, and if the good resolutions are carried out that were made, there will be something DONE. We hope to be able to give a report of the meeting in our next issue.

They have a good attendance at the Cedar Lake Academy this year. The majority of the young people have a definite aim in view. Several improvements have been made the past summer which make the dormitory and school building more attractive and homelike. We were glad to find the teachers and students in good spirits.

The citizens of Grand Rapids have been holding mass-meetings to discuss the proposed city ordinance to close Sunday theatres. Elder K. C. Russell, president of the International Religious Liberty Association, and Professor J. G. Lamson, Religious Liberty Secretary of the Lake Union Conference, were invited to speak.

The quarterly meeting held at Allegan last Sabbath was quite well attended, several being present from the Otsego and South Monterey churches. Brother J. W. Hofstra occupied the hour for the service, using I John 3:1-3 for the basis of his remarks. Mrs. Ella Brackett, superintendent of the Allegan Sabbath-school, had charge of the Sabbath-school. A young people's meeting was held in the afternoon.

The West Michigan workers at the recent council at Cedar Lake were very pleasantly entertained at the Academy dormitory Wednesday afternoon, October 31, at five o'clock. Substantial refreshments were served in the dining hall, after which short speeches were made by Elders Haughey, Campbell and Heckman. All spoke in the highest terms of the cordial way in which the visitors were entertained and expressed the hope of again sharing the hospitality of Cedar Lake.

CLIFFORD RUSSELL.

The pain we feel so keenly may depart,
And e'en its memory cease to haunt the heart:
But some slight thing, a perfume, or a sound
Will probe the closed recesses of the wound.
And for a moment bring the old time smart.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Appointments for Dist. 5.

No preventing providence I will meet with the churches named below, as follows:

Rothbury, Nov. 10 and 11.
Holton, Nov. 17 and 18.
Fremont, Nov. 24 and 25.
Denver Center, Dec. 1 and 2.
Hesperia, Dec. 8 and 9.
Shelby, Dec. 15 and 16.

W. C. HEBNER.