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## Lake Union Conference Notes.

MARCH 20, 10:30 P. M.

This being the first session of the Conference proper, the assembly engaged in a season of fervent prayer for the spirit and blessing of God to lead in the deliberations.

The list of delegates was read. Elder M. C. Kirkendall, pastor of the 46th Street church, welcomed the delegation in a few well chosen words.

Elder A. Moon responded, weaving into his remarks a short history of the work that has been done in Chicago.

The President's annual address was read, and showed a most encouraging situation.

The Chair was empowered to appoint the necessary committees. He stated that he should call the Lake Union Conference Committee and the General Conference brethren into counsel before making the appointments.

The Treasurer's report was read and copies passed to the delegation. The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

2:30 P. M.

The Chair announced the various committees after which reports were called for from the departments. Committees were as follows:

Committee on Plans: E. K. Slade, A. G. Daniells, G. A. Irwin, A. G. Haughey, N. W. Kauble, L. J. Otis, M. E. Kern, O. Montgomery, J. B. Blosser, R. B. Thurber, A. W. Hallock, Miss Pearl Hallock, Mrs. R. W. McMahan, Miss Myrta Kellogg.

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Committee on Credentials and Licenses: Wm. Covert, W. R. Matthews, R. T. Dowsett.

Committee on Distribution of Labor: A. G. Daniells, and the presidents of the local conferences.

Elder A. G. Haughey reported for West Michigan. The statistics have already been published in the HERALD. A little more than half of all the funds handled were used outside the Conference. No other reports being ready, adjournment of the conference session was taken until Sunday morning.

At 4 o'clock Elder G. A. Irwin took up the study of the book of Acts, the history of the early church. We do not study the Word as we ought or as much as we ought. This book deals largely with the lives of Peter and Paul, the two extremes. One illiterate, self-

confident, impetuous; the other a learned Pharisee.

At 7:30 p. m. Elder I. H. Evans preached, taking for his text Rev. 14:9-12, the "Third Angel's Message." Every man that takes this message in his heart will take it to others. I believe that every man who goes through to the Kingdom will be a worker in God's cause. We can not all do the same thing but we must all be workers where we are. Every individual has a duty to see that the message goes to China and to every other nation, kindred, tongue and people.

SABBATH, MARCH 21.

The pulpits of the several S. D. A. churches were filled by the visiting ministers. At the 46th Street church Elder A. G. Daniells gave a missionary talk to a large audience. In the afternoon all the Missionary Volunteer Societies in the city met at this church and were addressed by Prof. M. E. Kern and Elder A. G. Daniells. In the evening Elder G. A. Irwin spoke to an interested audience, giving special attention to the needs of the great continent of Africa.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22.

At 9 a. m. the delegates assembled for devotional exercises. The order of business at 10:15 a. m. was the continuation of departmental reports. Elder E. K. Slade spoke for East Michigan, giving statistics that showed a good gain for the two years.

Elder C. A. Hansen gave a very encouraging report of the conditions in North Michigan, and appealed for additional workers for that field.

Statistics and interesting items



in Wisconsin were given by Elder C. McReynolds.

Northern Illinois, through Elder Wm. Covert, brought in a favorable report.

Elder S. E. Wight, while he had only been in the conference for about ten days, reported for Southern Illinois.

At 2:30 p. m. a report of the Indiana Conference was read by Elder W. A. Young, because of the absence of the President, Elder W. J. Stone.

Elder A. G. Daniells expressed the appreciation of the General Conference for the help of this Union Conference in raising their proportion of the \$150,000 Fund.

The Emmanuel Missionary College reported through Elder N. W. Kauble. In spite of some discouragements, on the whole there has been a very good showing the last two years.

At 4:15 p. m. the study of "Church Organization" was taken up with the plan of continuing each afternoon. Two instances were referred to where churches have separated themselves from our organization on the ground that it was a papal outgrowth. The speaker showed how Satan is using his every effort to disorganize the work of the Lord and bring in confusion, but one shall chase a thousand, and two shall put ten thousand to flight.

At 7:30 p. m. Elder N. W. Kauble took for his text II Cor. 5:7. He was more disposed to have a heart to heart talk with the listeners, than to deliver a sermon. When the body of canvassers really "walk by faith" we will see much greater results. I am not going to speak in parable. I would not say what I am going to if I had not learned for myself that these things are actually so. By walking by faith, I mean just what the Bible says, walking by an evidence that is not in sight, that we do not see. That evidence is the Word of God.

We find out that the Lord has

said certain things should be done, then we consider our own feelings and judgment and act accordingly. The Bible says that Abraham went out not knowing whither he went. When we walk by faith we will walk sometimes in paths we do not know. Elder Haskell once said "If the Lord wants me to fill a white man's grave in Africa that is the place I want to be." If we know that God wants us to go in a certain direction that is sufficient.

We have no evidence that Moses knew all the time where God would lead Israel, but he led them. The great danger with human beings is that they will think they are walking by faith when they are walking by sight. We have been told that we should study the history of Israel. Why? Because history repeats itself. I believe that today because of our lack of walking by faith, the work of God is hindered. Why was it that Israel did not go straight across to the promised land? For fear that they would return to Egypt. Every difficulty they met was because of a lack of faith.

The Lord saw that if they came in contact with the enemy they would flee. Don't you believe that if we had had enough faith in God we could have been in the kingdom tonight? I do. I believe that we should have enough faith in God to put laborers in the field when the field needs them.

If God should answer our prayers word for word and literally, we would be surprised many times. It is our privilege to believe God so fully that we will ask no questions when the Lord makes his will clear to us. Millions of the heathen are as bright people as can be found anywhere and our commission is to carry the gospel to them. Isn't it time we were walking by faith?

Did you ever go to a social meeting when you hesitated to speak because you had not lived right during the week? Yes. Then you walked to church by sight and not

by faith. When we find nothing in ourselves to recommend us in the sight of Heaven, it is time for us to accept Christ and be led by him.

I have in my mind tonight a picture of the people of God when they are clothed with the Holy Spirit. But it is not until every human ambition has been taken out of the heart. The disciples were so full of ambition as to ask who would have the highest position. When they confessed their faults to one another and their sins to God, then the pentecostal shower descended upon them. I never before was so hungry for the power of God as I am tonight. I pray him that our minds and our bodies may be so consecrated that he can increase our faith in such a way that it will be but a short time until we are in the kingdom of God.

(To be continued.)

### Where Are You?

We have been told that there will be a "revival of the canvassing work." Ere this comes we must be revived individually. Again we have been told that "there should be one hundred canvassers where there is one." Reader, are you one of the ninety-nine who has failed to enter upon the work the Lord is calling you to do?

It is said that New York City is a very pessimistic place in the time of a money panic, and yet canvassers are having excellent success selling our books there; taking from \$45.00 to \$85.00 worth of orders per week. Just a few days ago it was stated that of four thousand buyers who were in New York City representing the various lines of business of the leading cities and towns of the East not a note of discouragement was heard. Now is our opportune time to scatter pages containing the message for this time. This must be our banner year in the sale of literature. We must have many re-



cruits. Will you be one? If not why not?

There will be an institute for training canvassers at Cedar Lake from April 13-24. While it is rather late to announce it, it was not intentional. A notice was sent to the printers to be inserted in last week's HERALD, but by some mistake got mislaid. Come anyway and get what you can and help to swell the chorus.

A. C. HAUGHEY.

**Life and Health.**

The April number of LIFE AND HEATH is principally a Mothers' Number. The articles contained in the Household, Mothers, and Home Treatment Departments pertain entirely to the home. These articles discuss the privileges and responsibilities of parents, and deal with many practical questions in the relation of the mother to her child.

In this number of LIFE AND HEALTH appears an article by Dr. Lauretta Kress entitled, "Baby's First Six Months of Trouble." "The Mother's Sacred Charge" is an inspiring article by Mrs. E. G. White.

A very interesting and practical lesson is "Woman's Place in the Home," by Nannie Beauchamp Jones.

The training of a child for a life of usefulness is considered by Mrs. D. A. Fitch under the subject, "The Mother's Privilege."

The eyes of many will be opened by reading the article by Dr. G. H. Heald, in which he asks in a very forcible way "Some Questions for Parents to Answer."

This is not all. We haven't room to mention the good things contained in this number. Order a quantity of this number to sell to your neighbors and friends.

Two to twenty-five copies, five cents; twenty-five to five hundred copies, four cents. Yearly subscription, 75 cents. Address this office.

**From the Field.**

**Grand Rapids.**

Give the Lord the glory due to His name (Ps. 96:8), says the Psalmist, and I feel that it is due to His name to write a few words and say that He is bringing me to souls that are hungry for this truth. I realize how helpless I am to feed them if it were not for His power in the word, "give ye them to eat." He has given us something first, and laid upon us the responsibility to impart to the hungry that spiritual food which alone can satisfy the soul, and woe unto us if we let them starve. May the Lord fill us so full of His love that it will constrain us to help spread this last warning message. I am so thankful the dear Lord has given me a part in it and I want to do that part faithfully.

Three weeks ago one of my readers invited an evangelist to the reading, and the lesson on the 2300 days gave him such a desire to know more, that he bought "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation" to take with him, as he was going to New York. He invited me to call and see his wife, who is not strong enough to accompany him, and read to her. I did so and found her very much interested. She expressed herself as knowing that it was God's will for her to stay and hear this truth, and I know the dear Lord will not disappoint her. Pray earnestly for this family, and also many others who are on the decision point. O how much we as workers need to watch for souls as those that must give an account. May the Lord fill us with his Holy Spirit is my prayer.

**Labor done during the month:**

Bible readings held	-	63
Families visited	-	129
Papers distributed	-	44
Pages of books and tracts	-	6,414
Subscriptions	-	7
Book sales	-	8
Family Bible Teacher	-	7

JENNIE DEYOUNG.

**Lake Odessa School.**

Another month of school has passed. Besides trying to be faithful in the duties of the schoolroom, we have mailed six missionary letters, ninety-three papers, one hundred and five tracts given away and one book loaned.

The book of Daniel was finished about three weeks ago. After that book was finished we took up the United States in Prophecy, the Two Laws, and the Second Coming of Christ.

Last Tuesday night the meetings closed. About fifty were present. Many hearts are tender. During the fourteen meetings over four hundred people have attended. We praise God for the precious souls he has sent to hear the truths of Daniel.

Many all about us are thinking deeply. The law of God and the Sabbath cause much opposition, but we must all remember that the word of God is sharper than any two edged sword.

During the meetings a Disciple minister sent a list of questions to Brother Steele to be answered. Brother Steele consented to go and give a reason for his faith but not to argue on the Word of God. The meeting was held the evening after the Sabbath at a near neighbor's home. When we came they were all anxiously waiting. We felt that everything would work out to God's glory for we had asked him to guide in everything we did and to send His angel before us. As soon as the minister commenced talking we could see that it was only to ridicule Seventh-Day Adventists and start an argument, so never a word was said. He talked for nearly an hour trying to show that the law of God was nailed to the cross. We bore the harsh sayings with patience and after distributing some tracts, Brother Steele invited them all to our meeting Tuesday night, as the Two Laws was the study for that night. After the meeting was closed, they



asked me to sing. So I sang "What Says the Bible." It seemed as if an angel of God stood there by me while I sang. I felt as never before the value of souls for whom Jesus died. Oh, what a controversy between truth and error.

When people will not take a "Thus saith the Lord" then they are certainly not seeking light and argument will do no good. For some time this minister had been preaching to his congregation against what we have been studying from Daniel. He has asked for no more debates or arguments since. He finally told the people that we were the deceivers of the last days and to close their eyes to the things we taught.

"More like Jesus would I be;  
Let my Saviour dwell with me,  
Fill my soul with peace and love,  
Make me gentle as a dove.  
More like Jesus while I go,  
Pilgrim in this world below;  
Poor in spirit would I be,  
Let my Saviour dwell in me."

EDNA L. COOPER.

#### Battle Creek.

The report of the S. D. A. Y. P. S. of M. V., since adopting the plans laid at the Mt. Vernon Convention is indeed an encouraging one. While some things have been entirely new to most of the members, yet God has helped and blessed our efforts. But we hope this is only a beginning.

The report for the quarter ending March 31, 1908, is as follows:

Missionary letters written	33
Missionary letters received	20
Missionary visits made	100
Bible readings and cottage meetings held	4
Papers sold	87
Papers mailed or given away	892
Books loaned	7
Pages of tracts given away	161
Hours of Christian Help work	20
Persons supplied with food, clothing, etc.	11

One of the bands also sent out a barrel of clothing containing 250 garments.

About three hundred copies of the Special WATCHMAN have been sold or given away by the society.

This shows what can be done by the Battle Creek young people when they are engaged in one united effort. So "let us do with our might what our hands find to do" ever remembering our "Motto," "The gospel to the world in this generation."

JENNIE L. STAGG, Secretary.

### SPECIAL NOTICE.

Word has been received that the Johnson District Sunday Bill comes before the Senate Committee within a few days. It is very important that every person who possibly can do so should send a prepaid telegram to Senator Gallinger, Washington, D. C., who is chairman of the above Committee, protesting against recommending the passage of this bill. These telegrams should be sent on Thursday, the 16th, or early Friday morning at the latest. Please circulate this notice as widely as possible as the more telegrams sent the greater effect it will have on the Committee. **BE SURE TO ACT PROMPTLY.**

#### News and Notes.

Miss Edna Wilbur spent a day in Otsego with her sister last week.

Brother S. S. Gray is in Otsego and will assist in the work here for a time.

Elder A. G. Haughey has gone to Washington, D. C. to attend the council which meets from the 14th to 29th inclusive.

Those who find this paragraph marked with a blue pencil may know that their subscription expires during the month of April.

J. I. Snow, of Otsego, has sold his store to L. J. Philo, of Battle Creek, and will leave with his family for Liberal, Kan., about the first of May.

Clifford Russell was in Mendon one day last week. He spent the Sabbath in Monterey in the interest of the church school and Sabbath School work.

A proof of the cover of the forthcoming Naval Number of the SIGNS which we have received indicates that it will be attractive and the paper should sell at sight. Better place your order early.

We have learned that the Michigan Home for Girls has not been entirely closed as some might have inferred from a note in this column a few weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. McKee have gone to California for a much needed rest and while they are away no new occupants can be received. The farm work is being carried on as usual.

The Sabbath School lessons the present quarter take up a study of the Second Advent Movement, and it will be a good time to give the subject a thorough review. No one in the denomination is as well qualified to write this history as Elder J. N. Loughborough, and in his book entitled "The Great Second Advent Movement," he presents a graphic account of the struggles and difficulties of the early pioneers. Price, \$1.25. Order of this office.

We take pleasure in commending to our readers two new and beautiful songs entitled, "Mercy's Final Call" and "Joyful News." These contain a stirring exhortation to make speedy preparation for the soon coming of our blessed Lord. The publisher is an evangelical singer in feeble health; and the author of these songs has given them to the publisher, Brother Chas. P. Whitford, to assist him in his declining years. All orders will be promptly filled at the low price of 25¢ for the two. Published in folder form. Address Chas. P. Whitford, Orlando, Florida.