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## THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

I. J. HANKINS.

The proceedings of the session are published in the Bulletin, which will, I hope, be read by every Seventh-Day Adventist in the State. Important measures were adopted, and broad plans laid for the prosecution of the work in all parts of the field.

There is only one object worthy of our efforts now, and that is the giving of the last message of salvation to men. Every other enterprise in this world will soon come to naught. To invest in worldly projects now, simply for the sake of personal gain, is a denial of our faith, and a stumbling-block also to those who might otherwise embrace the truth.

The appeals of Sister White were for unity in all departments and institutions, also among workers and church members. The cities in America should be given the light without delay. Sanitariums should be established in all countries, but *not in the cities* of those countries. Schools are to be planted everywhere for the proper education of children and youth. Many should enter the canvassing field at once, for *now* is our opportunity to reach the people through our publications. One thousand Sabbath-keepers in England are circulating every week 32,000 papers. Most of these are sold by single copy. Why cannot 2,000 Sabbath-keepers in Indiana circulate 64,000 papers every week? Are not our papers as good as those published in England? And are not Americans as able and willing to buy papers as are the English people? Surely here is an open field for all. Who will enter it? The demand for laborers in every branch of work is imperative. Good home workers make good foreign workers, and only such are sought by the committee.

## A MODEL CHURCH SCHOOL

EVA MILLER-HANKINS.

During our recent trip to California we visited a church school worthy of notice. It is in St. Helena, and is conducted by Miss Sarah Peck, one of Sister White's helpers. The school building, consisting of one well-lighted room, is situated at the foot of a mountain. Nothing can be seen from the building but trees, brush, rocks, and the sky above. Neither is there a sound except that made by the birds or the squirrels, and by a brook tumbling over its stony bed near by. Nature is primeval everywhere. The children are clearing away the brush, and making little garden patches here and there where the sun shines through sufficiently to insure growth of flowers and vegetables. The pupils perch themselves on the rocks to eat their noon-day lunches.

Inside the school-room, across one end, is a carpenter's bench; in the cupboard near by are planes, saws, hammers and nails. We asked, "Who is going to teach carpentry?" The teacher replied brightly, "I am." "Do you know how?" "No; but I am going to learn."

On top of the work-bench was a row of cane chairs and rockers in process of re-seating. After lunch, the boys came in, and taking down the chairs, began their work of weaving the cane, which they did most deftly. This year the proceeds of the work in caning chairs are devoted to missionary purposes. If necessary, however, a child can earn enough at this work in one school year to buy his carpenter's tools for the next.

While the boys were caning the chairs, the girls were busy with their sewing. All seemed very happy. The order was good, although much freedom was allowed during the work hour.

The class recitations were excellent, and the instruction given was both practical and very natural in the methods of presentation. The youngest pupils are dismissed at noon, and the next older grades soon after. The oldest pupils only were kept during the entire afternoon session.

This school is large, numbering about thirty-six; but every church in the land could, if it would, have a school of the same kind, doing the same work, and meeting the same good results. The Lord has said that where there is a church having six children, there a school should be organized. Are we obeying this instruction in Indiana? If not, what is the reason? Please write, and tell us plainly why your church does not have a school for its children. Perhaps we may be able to help you.

## LIFE BOAT WORKERS BOUND FOR HOME

JOHN AND FLORENCE NIEHAUS.

We learn that some of our dear friends in Indiana received their first information about our extended trip to the coast, and now back again, through the Reporter, so we will use the columns of our dear State paper to let you all know that we are now homeward bound. We left San Francisco April 16, and spent the following Sabbath at Portland, Ore. It rained during our stay there, so we did not dispose of many papers.

We are now in the city which Mormonism calls its home—Salt Lake City. We find that the Life Boat sells readily here, and much time is taken up by coming in contact with the followers of this religion, they are so persistent in their efforts to gain converts. We trust that we may be instruments in the hands of God to point those with whom we come in contact to the true religion of Jesus Christ. They seem so sincere in their belief, that we marvel at the hold the adversary has upon the minds of this people. In presenting the paper to some, they answer, "Why that paper might do for a child to read." There are six or seven Mormons who have embraced the truth living here. We leave in a few days for Leadville, then Denver, Omaha, Council Bluffs, and Chicago. We ask the dear readers of the paper to remember us when they send up their petitions to the throne of God.

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## FROM THE FIELD

### GREENFIELD

We commenced meetings here April 3. The interest has been quite good from the first. The weather has not been the most desirable, but the people have turned out well, and have manifested a deep interest. Much of the power of the Lord has attended the preaching of his word. We have given the straight testimony, and it has had effect. Sister Huntzinger has been doing faithful work here for some time; and some with whom she had held readings gave their hearts to the Lord, while others decided to obey. One evening, as the special power of the Lord was felt in the meeting, while singing the closing hymn, a lady came forward without any invitation, and said she wanted to accept Jesus. The following Sabbath she with four others were taken into the church. The next day six precious souls followed their Lord in the ordinance of baptism. There are still others deeply interested, some of whom we hope will soon take a decided stand for the truth. The church school is doing nicely, and all seem well pleased with it. We trust that much of the rich blessing of the Lord may continue with the Greenfield church.

A. L. MILLER and J. C. HARRIS.

### BEDFORD.

We are about four miles from Bedford, holding meetings in a small place called Needmore. A good quiet, sociable people live here, and they are very much interested in the message. Although the weather has been very unfavorable, the house is crowded to its utmost capacity every night; they begin to gather long before time to begin services. There is a church house about half a mile from here, and we are asked to hold our meetings there to accommodate the people. There is a good interest throughout the neighborhood, and the citizens are very anxious to have tent meetings held at Bedford this summer. The people are very friendly, and some have already acknowledged that we have the truth, and as soon as we organize a church they expect to unite with us. Brethren, pray for the success of the work here.

U. S. ANDERSON and S. S. DAVIS.

### IN NORTHERN INDIANA.

Since my last report, I have, so far as my health would permit, been at work in the third angel's message. I have distributed about 100 Object Lessons. I

have four churches, and one of them has nearly, if not altogether, completed its share of the work, while the others are doing good work. Four have accepted the truth as the result of labor at Jonesboro, Etna Green, Inwood, Rochester and Denver. At South Bend I found several desiring baptism, and after instructing them, five were baptized and united with the church. I think others will soon follow their example. Brother H. C. Winslow rendered good help. I have been at home for several days, trying to recruit up, but do not gain as fast as I would like. My wife is also quite poorly, but we hope to rally again. The work is onward, and I was never of better courage. As I read the Bulletins, and see what, to me, means advancement, I am glad. May the Lord help us all to keep pace with the message, for the time is so short. So let earnestness and zeal, with consecration, characterize our work until it is done.

F. M. ROBERTS.

### OLIVET CHAPEL

Owing to the fact that the church building at Olivet Chapel was being repaired during the winter, no meetings or Sabbath school were held there for about five months, but were reorganized April 4. Their building is now in good condition, and the church appears to be in good working order. At the quarterly meeting, all present renewed their covenant with God, and are going forward. Those who are faithful in paying their tithes are making progress spiritually; but those who are not are going backward. A little is being done with Object Lessons by the faithful.

J. E. DUNN.

### OBITUARY.

Died in South Bend, March 26, 1903, Emil Huber, husband of Sister Huber. He was born in Germany about forty-two years ago; he came to America, and settled in Illinois; from there moved to South Bend. He was a kind and affectionate husband and father, and had many friends. During his sickness he sought God for forgiveness, and said his innumerable sins were forgiven, and that if God should spare him to get well, he would ever after keep the Sabbath of the Lord. He leaves a widow, one son and four daughters. They mourn not as others who have no hope. Funeral services were conducted by Enoch C. Swartz.

Jesse E. Jones, son of John and Mary A. Jones, of Jonesboro, Ind., died April 5, 1903, aged 10 years and 6 months. He enjoyed children's sports and plays as do other children, though afflicted for nearly two years. His parents, brothers and sisters hope to meet him at the first resurrection. Words of comfort by Elder F. M. Roberts, from 2 Samuel 14:14.

After an illness of four days, little Genevieve, daughter of Bro. and Sister R. D. Jones, passed away Friday afternoon, March 29, 1903, at their home in Plymouth, aged 9 months and 9 days. Burial was in North Liberty cemetery.

WANTED—A boy to do chores and light work. Will take as my own, board, clothe and educate in our own schools; age, from 12 to 15 years. Must give good reference, must be healthy, and be of good morals.

JOHN J. FELLOW.

## BOOK WORK

### OBJECT LESSONS CAMPAIGN

BY ENOCH C. SWARTZ.

I have visited Winamac, Grass Creek, South Bend, Peru, Denver, Walkerton and North Liberty in behalf of Object Lessons. Elder Roberts visited most of these places, so I suppose he will report them. Grass Creek was visited last week, the delay being caused by the smallpox. The members have some books on hand from the other campaign, but some said they would do their best as soon as they get time. The spring work prevents some doing anything now, but they will canvass at the first opportunity. I have promises for ten or twelve books, and others will do their best.

Winamac has taken its quota of ninety books, and so far have cash in for nearly sixty, with some orders yet out. The members will sell the rest.

At South Bend thirty books were on hand from last year. They will dispose of those, and expect to order more. Some members are quite poor, but willing to do what they can. Some have about sold their quota, while sickness and death kept some out of the work.

Walkerton has ordered books, but they have not sold all of them. They will keep the books until sold. I have not learned how much they still owe on them, nor what they have collected so far. They also had books on hand from last year.

North Liberty and myself have ordered, since last December, over 100 books. I sold a goodly number at Clinton, but on account of smallpox there I lost some. All the members of the North Liberty church have not taken hold as yet, but a fair percentage of its members have done very well. One sister and her family gave \$21.25 on the books. Another family promised to take twelve books, and so far have one out; they are responsible, and as soon as money comes in, will get the others. One sister took three books, and pays when she sells them, because she has no ready money to get them outright. One brother sold seven in two and a half days. Others say that as soon as they get money they will sell the books. Some I have written to do not answer. In a few weeks I shall be able to better understand the situation. Last year North Liberty and Walkerton churches took 150 books, and some of were on hand this year. They will sell them, and get straight with the society as soon as possible.

### A GOOD OPPORTUNITY

All our people are anxious to do something for the Master. A good opportunity is before us. Beginning with July, the International Sunday-school lessons till the close of December, 1903, will be in the Old Testament, on subjects considered in Patriarchs and Prophets. By becoming acquainted with Sunday-school superintendents and teachers, and showing them the help this book will be to them on these lessons, we can sell a goodly number of books. All our people can have a part in this. This book will disarm prejudice, be a great help in the study of these lessons, and will open the way for us to do missionary work, and also for

others of our large books to follow. Who will improve this opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_  
J. E. DUNN.

### ENLIST THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The plans of the Southern Union conference committee to raise means to aid the Southern work, from the sale of the little book, "Story of Joseph," was heartily endorsed at the General Conference. It was recommended that women and children of our own and of other denominations be enlisted in the work of raising means from the sale of this grand book for children. It is in three bindings, and sells for 15, 25 and 40 cents. We will be glad to hear of this work being done in this field, and would be pleased to see not only the children, but our young people as well, engage in the grand missionary work of selling our smaller books. Why not enlist our young people in the sale of such books as "Making Home Happy," and "The House We Live In"?

From North Vernon, Elder J. S. Shrock reports that he and Mrs. Shrock have delivered 23 books, and have quite a large number of orders for future deliveries. They also report quite a good interest to hear the truth. One person who is interested is a Baptist minister to whom they have loaned Steps to Christ, The Sanctuary, History of the Sabbath, and Great Controversy. Elder Shrock has also responded to an invitation from the Christian minister there to lead prayer meeting in the Christian church. Bro. and Sr. Shrock and Earl have furnished vocal and instrumental music for meetings at different churches in the town. They do not expect the testing truths of the Third Angel's message to prove quite so popular. Bro. E. P. Holden is there, and is canvassing for Plain Facts. Sr. Shrock is having a good degree of success with some of our small books and tracts, as well as with Object Lessons.

A brother in southwestern Indiana writes that he is desirous of connecting with the canvassing work, for in this work he can be giving the Third Angel's message to the world, and at his work he cannot. Where are scores of others who will draw the same conclusion, and then connect with this branch of the work?

Miss Mary Ballard, of Battle Creek, Mich., writes that she will arrive in South Bend, April 30, to connect with the canvassing work in Indiana. She will work with Ladies' Guide.

The Object Lesson work will soon be completed at Anderson. Only a few more books remain to be sold.

### OUR LONG PRIMER BIBLE OFFER

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The Industrial school is in need of a good horse, for use in general farm work. Who will loan us one for the summer—or, better still, give us one?

## THE KEYNOTE

C. H. BLISS.

I presume the readers of the Reporter would like to hear a few words from the delegates who attended the General Conference from Indiana. The keynote of the conference from beginning to close was the Third Angel's Message to all the world in this generation. The simple, plain message which we heard from the beginning—the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, should be heralded everywhere. All other teaching should be secondary to this. All our energy should be directed to this one great truth—A preparation to meet our coming King.

Very encouraging reports were brought in from all over the field. A better system of organization was introduced, which will result in closer union of all our forces, and more harmonious action of all parts of the body. One important feature of the meeting was the numerous calls for laborers. In every land the doors are open, and these calls are so urgent that one said "The whole side of the house is knocked out." But to answer these calls requires both men and means; and both are lacking. How can our brethren withhold the tithes and offerings at such a time as this? Certainly those who are robbing God will be called to account in the Judgment.

Sister White labored very earnestly during the first part of the conference. The second Sabbath she spoke with as much vigor as she did twenty years ago. The Lord came specially near, and the large congregation of nearly 2,000 responded to the call to reconsecrate to God.

Large plans were laid at this meeting, which, if carried out, will require a larger amount of means than during any year since the work began. But God, who who is in this work, and who has said that this message shall go to every nation, kindred and tongue, will find the men and the means. Somebody will go, and somebody will furnish the means. We are invited to have a part in this work. A share in the work means a share in the reward. Let us do our part faithfully, then we shall hear the "Well done," said to us at the close of the work.

## CONFERENCE ECHOES

The gospel message must be finished in this generation.

"My warning is: Keep out of the cities. Educate our people to get out of the cities into the country, where they can obtain a small piece of land and make a home for themselves and their children. \* \* \* Ere long there will be such strife and confusion in the cities that those who wish to leave there will not be able. We must be preparing for these issues."

"I have been commissioned to instruct our people to be economical and always ready to give of their means to the Lord's work. If you have a thousand dollars to spare, God wants it; it belongs to him. If you have twenty dollars to spare, God wants it. \* \* \* Our means is not to be bound up for years where it is not available for missionary work. This God forbids."

Bro. John Weimer, of Indianapolis, recently made the Industrial school a present of a good top buggy. Thanks for a gift so useful.



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