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THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

MRS. R. W. M'MAHAN.

We had hoped that the young people's work might have received such attention at the General Conference that some definite plans for the furtherance of this much neglected side of our work might have been adopted. But we know there are matters of tremendous importance that must take precedence. However, two recommendations were passed by the General Conference in reference to this work, which were as follows:

That the General Conference Sabbath school department be directed to lay plans that shall foster, improve and build up the young people's work.

That the ministers and other workers throughout the field be urged to give this work their hearty support and co-operation.

Elder Luther Warren was appointed to have the oversight of this work. So we may expect, in the near future, that our ministers and other workers will give us much help and counsel, which we shall certainly greatly appreciate. In the meantime we must go to work where we are. I am glad to note that some of our societies are being inspired with the spirit of real service, and the Lord is wonderfully blessing their efforts. When we truly comprehend the aim of our organization—"The Advent message to all the world in this generation"—and realize that this means earnest work and sacrifice, our young people will rise as never before. To give the message to all the world in this generation means that this aim shall dominate every act; that henceforth the giving of this truth is to take precedence of everything in our lives. I was deeply impressed with the incident related in the letter of Bro. McReynolds in the Review of May 15. A sister in western Kansas makes a practice of taking tracts and papers, and generally a book or two, with her when she goes to town or to a neighbor's house. In short, her errand is to take the message to the people, and other matters are of secondary importance. So I pray that our young people may not forget their "errand."

Much depends upon a society having a consecrated, self-sacrificing leader, who will lead out in the work, rather than sit back and direct. There is no work before us of greater importance than the distribution of our tracts and periodicals. We have been told that these are to be scattered as the leaves of autumn. None are better calculated to present these to the people than are our consecrated youth. God has blessed them with health and strength and youthful vigor, that they may use these endowments in his service. While they may meet for Bible study and mutual encouragement, the primary object of the organization is service.

I should be glad if some of our society leaders would write something for the Reporter in reference to their work in their own vicinity. I am sure that the editor

would gladly give place for such an article, and it would be an encouragement to other societies. I trust that all the young people are planning to attend the camp meeting at Peru. This will be a very important meeting for our youth as well as for those who are older. Special attention will be given to the young people's work. We expect to have with us the teachers and young people from our Industrial School at Boggs-town. Dear young people from all over the State, come to the meeting, and learn more of the good work that is being done in our school. May the Lord direct in all parts of his work, and may our youth come behind in no good work, is my prayer.

NOW IS THE TIME

J. E. DUNN.

In corresponding with many with reference to entering the canvassing work, they say in the spring, "I want to begin work in the fall;" others in the fall say, "I want to begin in the spring." To all who have the past spring been saying, "Next fall I will enter the work," let me say, Now is the time to lay your plans to that end. Do not wait until fall comes; if you do you will not be able to enter.

Last winter, one day I was in a hardware store, and a traveling man came in taking orders for heating stoves, to be delivered in time for next fall's trade. The firm represented by that traveling man had their plans all laid, and their men were on the road carrying them into effect nearly a year before their goods were needed. Working as they do, they succeed.

About next November many of our people will write to the State agent or to the office, wanting to know if they may sell some books for the holiday trade. Now is the time to plan what you intend to do in selling our books next fall and winter, and begin not later than the middle of August to put your plans in operation. If we begin about that time, and work faithfully, we will have the advantage in many ways. People know they have more time to read in the winter than in summer, and they plan on securing something to read. Many have said, "If I had not already ordered such and such a work, I would take yours; and really I like yours better than the other, but I am not able to buy both, hence will have to let yours alone this time." By occupying the territory early, many people will read present truth next winter who would not otherwise.

Camp meeting will be held in the early part of August, this year. Are there not many of our people in Indiana who will come up to the help of the Lord, and assist in scattering the printed pages like the leaves of autumn? Don't wait till the camp meeting to decide what you will do. Now is the time to counsel with the Lord about the matter, and then come to the camp meeting and tell the blessed experience you had with the Lord in deciding your work. Please read the earnest appeal on the canvassing work in the Review and Herald of June 2.

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INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL PLEDGE

I. J. HANKINS.

Doubtless many readers of the Reporter received a blank pledge asking contributions to the Industrial School at Boggstown. During the recent meeting there several of our workers pledged one week's earnings, or wages, to the school. It was suggested that we recommend the same thing to our brethren in the State. The school needs help to finish and equip the buildings for the fall term. I am sure our brethren and sisters in Indiana will co-operate in this enterprise, and do all they can to make it a success. If every one would give a week's income, I believe it would accomplish the work. We are anxiously waiting to hear from these letters and blanks. We will never have a better opportunity to invest means in behalf of our children and young people than in this industrial school enterprise.

Many are looking forward to the fall term, and are planning to attend. The Lord says that if we have \$20 or \$100 that we are not needing, it should be invested in his work. I have no doubt many in Indiana could spare even more than \$100, and make no sacrifice in so doing. Shall we not hear from all, at once? Send what you can afford, and plan to continue sending until the work is done. Let us show our love for our youth and children by a hearty contribution toward their education and salvation.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION

We feel sure that those who were present at the Sabbath school convention held in Cummins' grove, near Daleville, last July, will be pleased to know that arrangements have been completed for another gathering to be held at the same place June 21. This site has been decided upon as most convenient on account of its advantage of location, it being connected with Muncie and Indianapolis by traction line; also because of its natural advantages. The park stands on an artificial lake, is covered with beautiful trees, and has a well of cool, refreshing water. All our brethren who can do so should respond to the invitation, and be present on this occasion, to consider the Sabbath school work and enjoy the outing.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL HELP

Prof. Boyd notes pledges on Team Fund at the Industrial School as follows: Dr. S. L. Strickler \$10, J. W. Johnston \$10, Robert Strickler \$10, Wm. Applegate \$10, Thomas Johnson \$10, John Miller \$10, Wm. Barlow \$10, Burt Johnston \$5, Gilbert Johnston \$5, Samuel Johnston \$5, Wm. Cushing \$3, — Carrahoof \$2, Wm.

and Mrs. Wells \$1.50, Collection at Boggstown church during State meeting \$8.34. For farm necessities by Wm. Applegate \$9; one and a half dozen White Plymouth Rock chickens by Dr. Strickler. Plant sales from the school hotbeds have amounted to \$38.34.

THE CAMP MEETING

I. J. HANKINS.

It was voted at the Boggstown meeting that our State camp meeting be held July 30 to August 9, at Peru. Suitable grounds have been selected near the town. A nice grove, free from underbrush, with bluegrass sod, and electric cars running to the grounds, is offered us, free of charge. A hydrant of city water is at the entrance to the grove. Peru is centrally located, and has excellent railway and interurban accommodations. We are to have but one camp meeting, and we hope our people in all parts of the State will make a general rally. Let us begin at once to prepare for this meeting, and let us make it a means of great blessing to the cause in this conference. I trust we may have the hearty co-operation of every Seventh-Day Adventist in Indiana in making this meeting what the Lord intends it to be.

TO CHURCH ELDERS

W. C. M'CUAIG, SEC'Y INDIANA TRACT SOCIETY.

Dear Fellow-Worker:—There will be a special number of the Sentinel of Christian Liberty, bearing date of July 9, 1903, containing articles which discuss the principles of true Christian endeavor and Christian citizenship.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor will hold its international convention in Denver, Col., July 9 to 15, at which there will be a constituency representing 4,000,000 young people in this land. No doubt the most of them would appreciate the Sentinel of July 9th, so we are anxious that our church elders throughout the conference present this matter at once to the members of our churches, and earnestly request them to work for its success. Let them be circulated in your locality. Sell as many copies of it as possible. If you wish, you may send names direct to the Sentinel, as they offer to wrap and mail single copies to the names you send, at the rate of eight cents for five copies. Accompany such orders with money orders or stamps, and address them to 11 W. 20th street, New York city. Ten copies to your address will cost you 15 cents; 25 copies 35 cents; 50 copies 70 cents; 100 copies \$1.25.

The Sentinel expects to have this issue ready to mail several days ahead of the date that it will bear, and we hope that all will render hearty co-operation to make a grand circulation of this issue. Please take up this matter with your brethren at once, as it is but a month until the paper should be in the hands of the thousands who need to know the truth.

Public meetings have been held on Thursday afternoons for the past six weeks at the Covenant Congregational church, by Bro. H. S. Browning, as a result of which a number of our books have been sold, and a good interest aroused. Bible readings are held in the neighborhood on Monday and Wednesday evenings, at which the attendance is from eight to twenty.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD

I. J. HANKINS.

Elder Stanley has shipped his goods to Danville, Ill., where he expects soon to labor. According to the recommendation of the General Conference, Elder Curtis will come from Illinois to labor in Indiana.

A recent letter from Elder Young, who has for some time been home from Ontario, states that he is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism. He does not know when he will be able to resume public labor.

Elder W. J. Stone has been down with fever since his visit to Boggstown, and is now at his home at Franklin, Ky. For this reason his return to Indiana will be somewhat delayed. We are glad to say that at last accounts Elder Stone was much improved.

Elder A. L. Miller and family left Indianapolis on Monday for their new field of labor at Woodstock, Ont. We wish them an abundance of God's blessings in their work in the Ontario conference.

Bro. Collins writes from Lawrenceburg: "I am very busy in my house to house work. I am using papers, the Life Boat, Object Lessons, and am selling hundreds of pages of the special tract; 'We Would See Jesus.' I have the best interest here that I have ever seen in so short a time, and I am now giving Bible readings to three families, with others interested." Bro. Collins has been anxious for a tent, but he thinks now that it may be best to wait until after camp meeting before pitching the tent.

A letter from Bro. Ebert states that he has decided to labor in Tipton in house-to-house work with Object Lessons, other books and papers, and holding readings and cottage meetings as opportunity offers. Tipton is comparatively a new field, although two or three Sabbath-keepers live there.

Elder and Mrs. J. S. Shrock have delivered over fifty Object Lessons at North Vernon. They circulate tracts and papers bearing the message of truth, and report a growing interest there. Harvey and Glenna have returned from Mt. Vernon academy, and are spending the vacation with their parents.

R. H. Sparks and wife are selling Object Lessons and other literature, and doing general colporteur work at Lawrenceburg. They find many Germans and Catholics, and think they have an unfruitful field, but let us hope that they may find among these classes a few of the Lord's jewels.

Brethren Swarts and Anderson have shipped their tent to Oolitic, where they expect soon to begin tent meetings. This town is in the stone quarry region, and their hearers will largely consist of men who work in the quarries. It will afford them an excellent opportunity for developing their ministerial talent.

The new company at Franklin are building a small chapel. They have located the building in a part of the town where people know but little of our work. The building is enclosed, and they hope to have it dedicated before the camp meeting.

Pray for these brethren, asking the Lord to supply all their needs, and bless their work.

REPORT OF TITHES FOR MAY, 1903

Barbers Mills	\$16 01	La Fayette	\$9 95
Boggstown	1 00	Lebanon	16 00
Connersville	3 75	Ligonier	9 45
Dana	4 60	Michaels	35 60
Denver	9 55	Mechanicsburg	22 60
Evansville	9 75	Marion	18 00
Elnora	7 00	Middletown	65 11
Etna Green	65 00	Muncie	22 00
Fort Wayne	19 62	North Liberty	2 00
Farmersburg	1 00	Noblesville	8 75
Franklin	8 38	Olivet Chapel	60 20
Greenfield	11 50	Patrickburg	16 00
Grass Creek	165 50	Rocklane	19 20
Hartford City	5 00	Salem	257 64
Huntington	17 38	Terre Haute	30 00
Individuals	22 96	West Liberty	14 85
Indianapolis	196 99	Windfall	9 46
Jonesboro	22 00	Elwood	6 45
Kennard	7 22		

Total May receipts

Paid laborers in May

Title Fund Dr. to cash June 1, 1903

The tithe receipts for the month of May, 1902, was \$793.87, and the disbursements were \$1,091.86. It is encouraging to note that we have done better than in May of last year by \$422.70. It is also worthy of note that we have not paid out to laborers in May of this year as much as in May of last year by \$310.28. We believe that we will have more of these good reports to make before the close of the year.



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