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INDIANA CONFERENCE WORKERS' MEETING

At the recent meeting of the Indiana conference committee the matter of circulating our literature was quite thoroughly considered, half a day being entirely devoted to this subject. The field secretary was present, and the matter of holding an institute, in harmony with the recommendation passed at the conference held at Peru, was considered, and it was decided to hold this institute at Indianapolis, beginning Oct. 27, and continuing about ten days.

It was thought best to invite several of our conference laborers who could be spared from their present field of labor to attend this institute, and then assist in organizing and carrying forward a campaign in behalf of the circulation of our literature from that time until the holidays. We also made quite a thorough canvass of the State, and have invited between thirty and forty of our good brethren and sisters, that we felt could be spared from their home duties to attend this institute, to join the corps of laborers engaged in this line of work.

There may be others to whom we have not written who feel a burden to engage in the sale of our literature. We wish to say that the conference will pay the traveling expense and board while attending this institute, of any of our brethren and sisters who will take up this work and make a business of it.

The Lord says there is no more important work than the circulation of our literature, and we earnestly desire to see this branch of the work receiving far more attention than it has for some time in the past, and to see scores of our brethren and sisters engaging in it.

In addition to a number of our licensed laborers, we expect the general agent of the Lake Union conference, and Bro. Gilbert, who has had such marked success in selling our literature in England, to attend this institute. The conference committee

will hold a council also at this time and will attend the institute a portion of the time, and give it hearty support and encouragement.

We earnestly request that this matter of the circulation of our literature receive the candid consideration of our brethren and sisters throughout the conference, and let us ask ourselves whether we are doing our duty as faithfully as we should in this line of work. Shall we not make a grand rally, and make this institute and the few weeks that shall follow, the beginning of a campaign in this line of work that shall continue until the printed page has been scattered like the autumn leaves throughout the length and breadth of this conference, as predicted years ago by the spirit of the Lord?

I hope to meet many at this institute who will consecrate their talent to this line of work until the Lord shall call them to some other work.

W. J. STONE,

President Indiana Conference.

GENERAL COUNCIL.

When our conference committee was in session Oct. 4 and 5, it was decided to hold our general council for this conference beginning Oct. 29. This will give us the benefit of the plans laid at the Washington council which is now in session. We decided also to audit the accounts of all our laborers at this council, from Jan. 1 to Sept. 1, that we might know better the financial standing of our conference.

The following named persons were chosen to act upon the auditing committee: B. F. Anderson, T. A. Goodwin, Milton Overman, Evermont Nash, J. W. Johnston, Thos. Harrison. We request that these brethren make a note of this appointment, and so arrange their affairs that they may be with us on the auditing committee and at the council at that time. Important matters will come before us for our consideration, and we earnestly request these brethren not to let any trivial matter keep them from attending this council.

Remember the date, Oct. 29 to Nov. 3. By order of the committee.

W. J. STONE,

President Indiana Conference.

A JOINT MEETING

October 4 and 5 the members of the Indiana conference committee met for counsel in Indianapolis.

On Sunday afternoon a joint meeting was held, consisting of the members of the committee and five members of the building committee of the Indianapolis church.

It is quite generally understood by our brethren throughout the conference that the property formerly owned by the Indiana Conference Association has been sold, also that it was voted at our conference that \$8,000 of this money should be used to put up new buildings for the Indianapolis church, and that the mortgage upon the property should be liquidated.

Some objections have been raised by those not having a full understanding of matters to this amount of money being expended in Indianapolis, and there was not a union of sentiment among the brethren of the Indianapolis church and the conference committee as to how and when this money should be expended. We are glad to say, however, to our brethren throughout the conference that in this council an agreement was reached which, we believe, will be entirely satisfactory to all concerned.

It was agreed by the members of the building committee present to let the conference association retain this money until it shall be needed to erect buildings in Indianapolis. The building committee had hoped that a new church building might be erected this fall; but after counseling together, it was decided to postpone building until spring. This will give ample time to secure a proper location. Meantime it was proposed to let the Review and Herald have a few thousand dollars of the money to use in work at Washington. It was also unanimously agreed by all present

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that when a lot is purchased for the new church building for Indianapolis, that it shall be deeded, as heretofore, to the Indiana Conference Association of Seventh-Day Adventists. Should the church ever become extinct, the property would belong to the conference as heretofore. We feel certain that this will meet the mind of our brethren and sisters throughout the conference.

Indianapolis is an important center for our work in Indiana; it is a large city, and the conference must spend more or less means in placing the light before the thousands living here. Some here have desired one central church; others felt that we should have two or more churches in the city. The conference committee have counseled that one church be built for the present, at a cost of \$5,000 or \$6,000, including lot, and that a portion of this money be raised among the members of the church and from the citizens of Indianapolis; then later, when a second church is needed, the remainder of the money be used to assist in another building. These matters have not been definitely worked out, but we believe that before the time comes to erect the first church building the Lord will give us light, and there will be concert of action and perfect harmony regarding the erection of the buildings and the course that should be pursued in carrying forward the work here.

The brethren of the Indianapolis church have looked at this matter in a candid and fair manner, and we have been much pleased as we have seen their willingness to take counsel of our committee, and to see such a union of sentiment as to the manner in which the work should be carried forward. We believe the Indianapolis church feels the burden of the work and desires to work in harmony with the counsels of the Lord.

W. J. STONE.

SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY AT WORK.

I have been much interested in noting the progress of our work, as shown by the reports from different parts of the field. I have thought that our little State paper might be made the channel of great blessings; both to our workers in the field and those at home. Our hearts are made glad as we read of dear souls accepting the message of truth in one place, and the revival of fainting ones in another.

Every true Seventh-Day Adventist should be stirred by Bro. Stone's article in the last Reporter, "Are we Preparing our Children for Translation?" Some are awakening to their responsibility in this matter, and are providing church schools, that their children may receive that preparation and experience which they must have to prepare them to pass through the time of trouble into which we have already entered.

Sabbath evening, Sept. 18, I held a meeting with the youth of the Marion church to interest them in the young people's work. On the next day (the Sabbath) we organized a society, with eight members. We hope that others will soon be added. May the Lord Jesus help these dear young people to grow in the knowledge and wisdom of his grace, and may they develop into strong workers in the cause of God. And may the older members of that church give to them the help and encouragement which the Lord requires at their hands.

On Sunday, Sept. 20, I attended the meetings being held at Gas City by Elders Roberts and Shrock, and in the afternoon I spoke, by request, on the subject of social purity. A good number of those not of our faith were present and took part in the meeting. These meetings are well attended, and the indications are that some souls will accept the saving message. On Sunday, Sept. 25, I returned to Gas City by request, and presented the school work to the Jonesboro church. A school was organized, to open Oct. 5, with Bro. J. Lecklider as teacher. The spirit of the Lord witnessed in the harmony of all the deliberations.

Our church school at Anderson is progressing, though we must move again into temporary quarters. We hope to have our own building ready to occupy by Nov. 1. We have had to meet difficulties and trials at every step; and we are realizing the truth of what we heard years ago—that the work which should have been done in favorable times would have to be done under great difficulties. Although we see this exemplified in our experience now, we are not discouraged, but glad that the Lord still sustains us, and accepts our tardy efforts.

We very much appreciate the help of Bro. and Sister Hinton, who have recently moved here from Muncie. Also Bro. and Sister Halstead, from Monticello.

May we, as a people, realize the importance of the hour, and press together, uniting our efforts to hasten the soon coming of our Savior.

MRS. R. W. McMAHAN.

TITHES FOR SEPTEMBER, 1903

Akron	.....
Angola	.....
Anderson	.....
Auburn	.....	\$10 00
Barbers Mills	.....
Boggstown	.....	18 50
Rethel	.....
Brooktton	.....
Connersville	.....
Corunna	.....
Denver	.....
Dana	.....
Evansville	.....
Elnoia	.....
Elwood	.....	3 42
Etna Green	.....	10 00
Fort Wayne	.....
Farmersburg	.....	11 10
Frankton	.....
Franklin	.....	26 00
Grass Creek	.....
Glenwood	.....
Greenfield	.....	55 37
Homer	.....
Hartford City	.....
Honey Creek	.....
Huntington	.....	9 51
Idaville	.....	6 30
Individuals	.....	35 56
Indianapolis	.....	143 77
Inwood	.....
Jonesboro	.....	28 50
Jefferson	.....
Kokomo	.....	58 61
Kennard	.....
LaFayette	.....	6 20
Lebanon	.....	15 05
Ligonier	.....	33 09
Logansport	.....	50
Linton	.....
Michaels	.....
Mechanicsburg	.....	3 00
Marion	.....	38
Maxwell	.....
Middletown	.....	13 53
Mt. Zion	.....
Mt. Etna	.....
Mt. Vernon	.....	11 60
Muncie	.....
Michigan City	.....
North Liberty	.....
New London	.....
Northfield	.....
Noblesville	.....
New Marion	.....
Northfield	.....
Olivet Chapel	.....
Olive Branch	.....
New Palestine	.....
Plymouth	.....
Patrickburg	.....	8 90
Princeton	.....	5 13
Priam	.....
Pleasant View	.....	21 20
Petersburg	.....
Rochester	.....
Richmond	.....	4 20
Rocklane	.....
South Milford	.....
Salem	.....
South Bend	.....	5 00
Terre Haute	.....	52 14
Unionville	.....
Waldron	.....
Walkerton	.....
Wabash	.....	8 15
Wolf Lake	.....
West Liberty	.....	7 65
Windfall	.....	11 16
Waterloo	.....
September receipts	.....	\$623 52
Total September disbursements	.....	1,084 50
Overdraft September 30, 1903	.....	\$1,050 12

Pledges to the Indiana Manual Training School

B F Machlan.....	\$10 00	\$4 00	Ethel Parker.....	2 00	Mrs DeWolf.....	5 00	5 00
Maude Henry.....	5 00	1 00	Sarah Moore.....	2 00	Mrs M Teeter.....	2 00	2 00
W J Stone.....	10 00		Anna M Moore.....	5 00	Mrs M M Tucker.....	2 00	2 00
C H Bliss.....	10 00		William M True.....	10 00	Mrs A M Hand.....	5 00	5 00
Lottie Reese (3 mos).....	30		R S Donnell.....	12 00	E M Jackson.....	6 00	6 00
U S Anderson.....	8 00		Lissie Brown.....	2 00	Mrs Haskins.....	12 00	12 00
Theresa Thompson.....	5 00		Mrs H E Collins.....	5 00	Mrs Lucy Buntin.....	50	50
W C McCuaig.....	12 00	6 00	John Moore.....	25 00	Dallas Stone.....	2 50	2 50
E C Swartz.....	8 00		Elder J M Reese.....	10 00	R W Hostetler.....	5 50	
S L Strickler.....	12 00		P T Magan.....	10 00	Ida Cox.....	2 50	2 50
G R Underwood.....	6 00		E Nash.....	25 00	R H Sparks.....	5 00	5 00
Ella Alexander.....	5 00	50	A B Dilworth.....	1 00	Mrs McMahan.....	5 00	5 00
H C Carmichael.....	5 00	1 00	Steward Rogers.....	1 00	Mrs Stradley.....	25	25
Mrs M J White.....	5 00		M D Karr.....	1 00	Mrs Baughman.....	25	25
Sarah A Buchanan.....	6 00	1 00	E Hays.....	1 00	Huntington Co. by E Hayes.....	3 83	3 83
S W Burkhardt.....	6 00	6 00	Rosa Boone.....	1 00	G B.....	5 00	5 00
Lizzie Crum & Fannie Gossett.....	10 00	2 00	Nellie E Fultz.....	2 00	Fred Baker.....	5 00	5 00
W M Sparks.....	3 00		A L Hussey.....	50	North Liberty oh by E C S.....	3 70	3 70
S A Bryant.....	4 00		B T Boyd.....	5 00	Terre Haute & Far'burg dons.....	8 50	8 50
J R Minnick.....	3 00	50	Frances Packard.....	24 00	Mrs Crum.....	2 00	2 00
Jessie Wierfield.....	5 00	1 50	Mrs L V Mann.....	5 00	Mrs Collins.....	62	62
J C Harris.....	12 00	4 00	Lillie Partridge.....	5 00	Lyons church.....	8 00	8 00
Steward Rogers.....	1 20	20	John Miller.....	1 00	Indianapolis church.....	19 30	19 30
S A Shambaugh.....	1 00		Jennie Graham.....	1 00	Grass Creek church.....	1 00	1 00
Mr and Mrs L Horlacher.....	5 00		Bernard Smith.....	5 00	L Cruzen.....	1 00	1 00
A Blake.....	50	50	Lucy F Harrison.....	5 00	Tell City Church.....	4 49	4 49
Todd Maxwell.....	2 00		Omer Welch.....	2 00	Mount Vernon.....	2 00	2 00
Mrs C R Bush.....	5 00		Elmer E Byerly.....	1 00	C J Boyd, collections.....	10 00	10 00
Dora King.....	5 00		Lydia Arnbrecht.....	25	Mrs Maloney.....	1 00	1 00
James D Woodburn.....	10 00		A D Parker.....	2 00	Fort Wayne church.....	75	75
Scott Reno.....	10 00		J F Cummins.....	25 00	J L Locke.....	2 00	2 00
J W McBride.....	2 00		John H Miller.....	5 00	M Wooster.....	5 00	5 00
S L Strickler.....	1 00		W C McCuaig.....	1 00	Windfall church.....	53	53
Mary Kirtley.....	1 00		Dr C R Bush.....	5 00	Mechanicsburg.....	50	50
N C Rogers (per year).....	1 20		Margaret Washburn.....	5 00	J McBride, old pledge.....	10 00	10 00
Nancy Seward.....	1 00		Eva M Hankins.....	2 00	Mrs L V Mann.....	5 00	
Z A Sweeney.....	1 00		Anna Arnbrecht.....	25	George Mann.....	7 00	7 00
Millie Lanpher.....	5 00		Francis Kastner.....	3 00			
A A Thomas.....	1 00		Laura Stone.....	1 00			
Chester Johnson.....	10 00	1 00	N S Welch.....	1 00			
James Blankenship.....	5 00		D C Horlacher.....	10 00			
S L Strickler.....	25 00		Cora Jackson.....	50			
Mrs Gabrielle Havens.....	1 00		Daisy D Ohmer.....	25			
Anna McBride.....	5 00		John McBride.....	2 00			
John McBride.....	10 00		S L Strickler.....	1 00			
Elizabeth Dunlap.....	1 00	1 00	Mary J Kirtley et al.....	3 10			
Mrs Dr Strickler.....	50	50	N C Rogers.....	1 20			
Mrs Mary McDonald.....	5 00		M E Smith.....	1 00			
Blanche Goodwin.....	5 00		Nancy Seward.....	1 00			
Mollie Parker.....	2 00		Etta Marvin.....	1 00			
Amanda Dean.....	3 00		Millie Lanpher.....	5 00			
Flora Patten.....	1 00		A A Thomas.....	1 00			
Mrs E W Gilmore.....	5 00		Chester Johnson.....	10 00			
Mrs Anna McCuaig.....	1 00		James Blankenship.....	5 00			
Mrs H O Ross.....	1 00		S L Strickler.....	25 00			
N C Rogers.....	3 00		Mrs C Havens.....	1 00			
Clara B Turner.....	1 00		Eliza Dunlap.....	1 00			
Mrs L A Dallas.....	30 00		Laura Baker.....	7 00			
Allie M Byers.....	3 00		E A W.....	1 00			
Jessie Wierfield.....	5 00		Mrs S Dumbauld.....	1 00			
Fannie Hanna.....	1 00		L E Reed.....	1 00			
D S Hammond.....	5 00		A friend.....	1 00			
N L Lugenbeal.....	5 00		Ethel and Mrs Nash.....	6 00			
E A W.....	1 00	1 00	Ida Lackey.....	6 00			
Thomas Hubbard.....	2 00		Eva Bradford and daughter.....	5 50			
Frank Zirkle.....	5 00		Lulu Trinkner.....	2 00			
M Rugenbeal.....	5 00		Mrs Archibald.....	1 00			
Arthur Cox.....	5 00		— Fultz.....	1 00			
W O Stevenson.....	5 00		C J Boyd.....	8 00			
Josie Bryner.....	50		Glen Hunt.....	1 00			
Alice May.....	5 00		— Lecklider.....	1 00			
J W Goodwin.....	25 00		Laura Carahoot.....	1 00			
C J Boyd.....	5 00		— Ford.....	50			

TO CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS

"How to Punctuate," by Prof. D. D. Rees, of Union College, is a little book that makes punctuation easy for the grammar student. This text was prepared especially for use in our schools, and has been placed in the suggestive course of study as outlined by the text-book committee of the educational conference recently held at College View, Neb. "How to Punctuate" should be correlated with grammar in all the schools in the conference. The book can be supplied by this office. Substantially bound in cloth, 40 cents.

GOOD PLASTERER WANTED

The Emmanuel Missionary College needs a first-class plasterer to direct in the plastering of the study hall building, now being erected. If any of our brethren who are first-class plasterers are in a position where they can take up this work, they will confer a favor by stating their experience, qualifications, and wages required, to the Business Manager of Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Mich. P. T. MAGAN.

An Anderson dispatch to an Indianapolis paper, last week, tells how the public schools of that city missed 30 pupils formerly attending, and sent the truant officer to hunt them up. After some trouble, the officer found the 30 missing pupils, and about 20 more who had not been reported, in the Seventh-Day Adventist school.

NEWS AND NOTES.

R. H. Sparks and family are stopping in Indianapolis.

WANTED—Experienced farm hand; single man; good wages; Sabbath keeper. W. O. Stephenson, Terhune, Ind.

Elder J. C. Harris has moved his family to Oolitic, and will locate at that place and for the present labor in this part of the State.

Elder Stone has secured a pleasant home at 3840 North Meridian street. This will be his permanent postoffice address. Let all make a note of it.

Elder I. J. Hankins writes that he and his family will sail for South Africa, Oct. 21, on the Oceanic. The Reporter wishes them a safe voyage.

Mrs. S. E. True, of Knightstown, was recently thrown from a buggy, and had an arm broken, with other injuries. At last accounts she was improving.

Among our substantial remitters this week, we mention Nancy Briggs, of North Liberty, Mrs. L. B. Victor, of Brookston, Mrs. Haskins and Mrs. Jackson, of Angola.

Cora Jackson has removed from South Bend to Flint, Mich. The work in Indiana is dear to her. We were also pleased to hear from Sr. Della Swartz, at South Bend.

Prof. Boyd reports that the Manual Training School, near Boggstown, opened with an enrollment of over thirty pupils. A number of other pupils are expected soon.

The articles on the first page concerning the action of the recent council on the Indianapolis work and the workers' institute to begin Oct. 27, should receive careful reading.

Sister J. S. Shrock, of North Vernon, reports quite an interest in her neighborhood as the result of missionary efforts. She asks that meetings be held there to develop this interest.

Elder Bliss has taken down the tent in West Peru, and has pitched a smaller tent in the eastern part of the city, where he is holding meetings each night. He is having a fair attendance.

Sister Cynthia Marvin, of Idaville, writes that they expect to finish the sale of Object Lessons before the coming campaign. If all our churches would do this, and order their share

REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK FOR TWO WEEKS, ENDING OCT. 9, 1903.

NAME.	PLACE.	D. of A.	D. & R.	G. C.	Bib. R.	P. & P.	Misc.	Orders	Value.	Value Helps.	Value Del.
H. S. Browning	Indianapolis	1	1	7	1	24	34		\$69 00	\$17 50	\$21 25
Jas. Blankenship	Medaryville										
Mollie Keener	Anderson										
G. W. Lauffer	Vincennes						5	7	5 00		
A. F. Light	Spencer County								7 50	5 45	
3 canvassers,	Totals	1	1	7	1	36	46		\$81 50	\$22 95	\$21 25

of the remaining books; and work earnestly before holiday time arrives, we might see a finished work before January 1, 1904.

Bro. A. D. Gilbert, of England, who has been in this country since March last, will, in company with our field secretary, visit Anderson Oct. 23 to 26, and Indianapolis Oct. 27 to 30.

We acknowledge receipt of three Reporter subscriptions from Grass Creek church this week. Should each of our churches do as well as Grass Creek, our subscription list would increase materially.

A letter from Sister Lizzie Cruzen ordering the Reporter and Sabbath school helps, says that while she is isolated from those of like faith, her courage is good, and that they are trying to keep pace with the message.

Bro. U. S. Anderson thinks of locating at Bedford. He has awakened quite an interest in that vicinity, a number having embraced the faith under his labors, and he wishes to locate where he can follow up the work.

Elder Stone left for Washington, D. C., last Sunday, to attend the general conference council now in session there. Let us remember these brethren in this council that God may aid them in laying plans to more rapidly advance the work of the Third Angel's message in the earth.

Bro. Cunningham writes favorably of the work at Muncie, but says they are very much in need of more comfortable quarters for their winter services. They had hoped to erect a church building this fall, but have not been able to secure proper help to carry forward this enterprise.

A letter just received from Brother Swartz states he is holding meetings in the M. E. church at Fair Oaks, with good attendance and interest. He says the house is opened and lighted, and members of the M. E. church are assisting in the music. He hopes to continue meetings until he can fully develop the interest.

Our September tithe list may not show many of our churches in favorable light; but the October showing, according to present indications, will show substantial remittances in their favor.

Dr. Mary Saunders, of Ligonier, and Josie Bryner, of Jonesboro, are not slothful in business by any means. We hear from them once a month at least, and know them to be faithful with the Lord's goods.

Bro. Blake, of Marion, has visited the meetings held by Bro. Roberts and Shrock at Gas City, and reports a good interest there. He sends an appeal for one of these laborers to hold some meetings at Marion.

Bro. J. R. Minnick, of Terre Haute, writes encouragingly of the work at that place, and says that he believes the interest there is increasing. They would be glad to have an ordained minister visit them, and we hope his request may be granted.

Mrs. Mary Grounds has made a substantial cash donation to the Manual Training Academy. We give a delayed list of donors this issue. Additional lists will be published later. Some who have made pledges due in one year are already paying.

Elder R. S. Donnell made a short visit to Indianapolis last week, to counsel with Elder Stone concerning the work at Evansville. It was decided for him to continue working as the providence of God opens the way. Elder Donnell returned to Evansville full of courage, to again take up the work.

A special of the Signs will discuss the capital and labor problem, pointing out the only means by which the problem can be solved. It will bear date Dec. 23, but will be ready for circulation ahead of that date. Let us hear at once from our churches as to how many copies they will circulate of the thousands of copies that should be sown in this conference. Prices will be reasonable, and we will note them as soon as possible.