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"Am I my brother's keeper?"

"I am a debtor to all men."

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THE COLPORTEUR

Down the valley, up the mountain,
Hither, yon, I see them go;
Some o'er prairies, some by fountains,
Sometimes fast, and sometimes slow;
Now in hamlet, now in woodland,
Busy mart or quiet glen;
Faithful in their Master's business,
Seeking e'er the souls of men.

Rising in the early morning,
Trudging through the heat of day.
Wasting never precious moment,
Yet with always time to pray;
Toiling, trudging, yet with gladness,
Full of faith, and hope, and cheer;
Joyful to proclaim the message
Of the coming Saviour near.

Father, bless our dear colporteurs,—
Men and women, young and old.
Build for each a glorious mansion
Close beside the street of gold;
Give them now Thy Holy Spirit,
Let an angel hold each hand,
Till beyond the rolling Jordan
They shall reach the Promised Land.

J. I. Taylor

OUR RESPONSIBILITY IN THE LITERATURE MINISTRY

I consider the colporteur work a direct evangelistic agency in the field. We cannot expect a harvest of souls unless the seed is sown. While it is true that selling our literature is supervised by our field missionary and Book and Bible House secretaries, yet all of us have a definite responsibility in helping to make it a success. Conference presidents, ministers, and church elders can assist the field men in securing colporteurs. Our ministers and workers in visiting the churches should be looking for recruits to be trained for this work.

When I think of the hundreds of young men and women in the colleges and academies of this Union Conference, my mind turns to the great possibilities before them in earning a scholarship by distributing our message-filled literature. I believe every teacher should definitely carry on his heart a burden to get

these young people into the field for this work. It would seem that we should have at least one hundred students next summer earning their scholarships. What a great help this would be to our schools and our publishing work and the many who would learn of the truth through the literature placed in the field.

With our entire laboring force a recruiting organization, our sales in the Lake Union could largely be increased. The new year with all of its opportunities is before us. We ought to sell a quarter of a million dollars' worth of books in the Lake Union during 1928. May we work and pray for this, train to do this, and uphold the hands of our leaders in getting scores of our church members to make the colporteur work their regular vocation.

WM. GUTHRIE

ANOTHER YEAR OF PROGRESS

I am glad to pass on to the readers of this special number of the HERALD the good word that 1927 represents another year of progress in the circulation of our literature in the Lake Union Conference. I believe as you read the earnest appeals in this number that you will be impressed with the statements that have been made concerning the importance and sacredness of the colporteur work.

For the first ten months of this year we have had an average of 140 colporteurs in the field each month. They report sales amounting to \$158,650.02. The actual amount of books delivered for all classes of literature as reported by the Branch house amounts to \$159,416.48. This represents long hours of faithful service and the answer to many prayers that ascend daily in behalf of these workers.

Beginning with the new year, institutes will be conducted in all of the conferences. A special course in Christian salesmanship and Bible study will be offered to those who desire to be canvassers. A survey of the field leads me to believe that the new year will usher in a period that will represent greater progress in the work. Our conferences in this Union are cooperating with the colporteurs.

E. E. FRANKLIN

MORE THAN A MILLION

Only once before have we sent out a million pieces of literature from the Western Branch of the Review and Herald office within a twelvemonth. That was in 1925 when a special Leaves of Autumn campaign gave us a record for the Lake Union Conference unsurpassed at that time by any other field or constituency of equal size. And now we have passed the million mark again, with good prospects of reaching a million and a half before the present year closes. It should be added that no magazines or periodicals are included in this total.

Viewed at its source this looks like a formidable stream of literature, but after leaving our office it immediately divides and subdivides until the original stream becomes a great number of little channels and rills through which the saving water of life flows on to soul-thirsting individuals in many parts of our field. The one thing which gives us regret is that other parts of this field never experience the refreshing our literature always brings. A million books and tracts do not go far among eighteen million people. Granting that each might be read by three person there would remain yet fifteen million souls here in the Lake Union Conference who had not come in contact with this stream of literature which bulked so large at its source.

The pioneers of our message believed that its dissemination would be accomplished largely by laymen through the medium of the printed page. The greatest leaders in the movement since then have so believed and taught. Some laymen have become great preachers without receiving the "laying on of hands," but much more frequently the layman's best evangelism has been accomplished through the ministry of truth-filled literature which he has distributed. And no layman is so devoid of talent nor so impoverished of brains that he cannot win some souls in this way. To bring the advent truth to a man's attention through a book, pamphlet, or tract is the simplest form of evangelism and often the most effective. It is impossible to trace the onward progress of our message in any conference or mission field without being made conscious of the fact that the literature we have printed and placed in the hands of the public has wrought wonders in our behalf—it has been the leaven that has leavened the whole lump.

At the recent Fall Council representatives from the Inter-American field, when reporting the growth

of our work in Mexico emphasized the fact that our literature is working miracles down there. During the last four or five years the political powers in Mexico have been at war with the Catholic church and Protestants have fared none too well. It was not a time for us to increase our working force, but the few workers we had there report that in those five years our membership has grown from 200 to 2,000. Not because we had sent more workers to Mexico, but because the seed sown by faithful colporteurs over a period of years was bearing fruit so rapidly that the few workers we had there were kept busy reaping the harvest. Again the leaven was at work in the hearts of man. Humble men had gone forth to sow the seed in answer to duty's call and to them the representatives from Mexico gave the credit.

The man of honor rejoices in doing his duty, and there is no honor due to the man who leaves duty undone. These duties are scattered at our feet—every man's life begins "at Jerusalem." We can never hope to do the larger things for God except by first doing little things in a larger way. Shall we not quicken our steps and take more of our truth-laden books and tracts to those about us? Is it right that we should remain idle while fifteen million people in the Lake Union Conference live from one year's end to another without ever seeing a page of our literature?

J. D. SNIDER

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COLPORTEUR EVANGELISTS NEEDED IN ILLINOIS

Believing that the people of the Lake Union will be interested in some details regarding the Illinois Conference, which comprises the territory of the State of Illinois outside of Chicago, I am taking this occasion to tell you that we have a State of which we feel justly proud. As I look over our map, I find scores of towns. These towns range in size from a few hundred to a hundred thousand. Outside of the cities, I find a large population of prosperous farmers. The land in Illinois is productive, and as I travel about and see the large buildings on these farms, I am impressed with the prosperity that is attending the people in this State. In all, there is a population (outside of Chicago) of three million.

Looking at this territory from the standpoint of our work, I find something that at first is a little discouraging. These many towns and cities, as well as the vast population in the country section, to a very large extent have no knowledge of Seventh-day Adventists and their work. The past few weeks I have visited towns with a population of several hundred and have been unable to find any one who even knew their existed such a sect as Seventh-day Adventists.

As I study these needs, I am perplexed to know how to carry the message to all of these people, but I am reminded of the seven years in my early experience spent in the colporteur work, and that many persons are rejoicing in this message today as a result of the books I sold.

As I study this state further from the standpoint of the colporteur work, I am impressed with the fact that there are great opportunities for our colporteurs to do a real aggressive work in this field. The past year we have had some perplexities to meet because of the strike that has tied up the coal field, also inclement weather that has rendered crop conditions not the best this year, but the future never looked better, so far as I can see, for prosperity in Illinois.

This being the case, I believe an excellent work can be done during the coming year in the colporteur field. As I go over our map I find whole counties which at present do not have a single Seventh-day Adventist in them as far as I can learn. Brother Jensen, who was our field man until September 1, left us to attend school. We are now, arranging for another man to take up the work, and trust

that there will be a real response from our people in the matter of scattering the printed page.

Truly in the terms of this scripture, I can say of Illinois, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest, that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

S. N. RITTENHOUSE

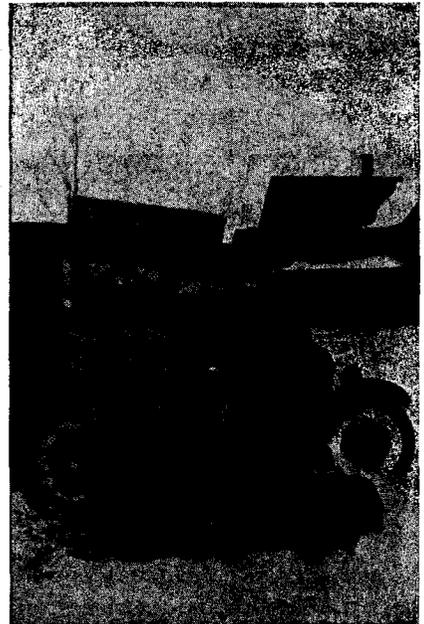
FIVE YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE

I have been in the colporteur work for five years this coming February, and during this time, I have had varied experiences in meeting the people. I have sold approximately \$25,000 worth of books. In the month of January, 1924, I sold \$1,260 and received deposits to the amount of \$257.95.

Just recently I had a delivery to be made in the northern part of the state, but on getting to this territory, I found a blizzard raging with snow piled four and five feet in drifted places. I was unable to get around, so I took some books to Ashland, wrapped and sent them out c. o. d. I had c. o. d. orders out to the extent of over \$1,000. The returns coming in have amounted to almost \$800, and I expect returns on most of them.

I consider the book work an important part in our message, and know the Lord has been with me. My courage is good, and I hope to continue in this work.

D. D. JOHNSON



Brethren Johnson and Ryan digging their way through while delivering books in North Wisconsin

COLPORTEUR WORK—DIVINE SERVICE

The colporteur holds a responsible position. It was God who ordained this work. Angels of God are with him giving him words to speak that will bring light and hope and courage to weary souls.

Even where the people hear the message from the preacher, the colporteur can do a good work. The preacher may faithfully preach the message, but the people are not able to retain it all. The printed page is therefore essential, not only in awaking them to the important truths for this time, but in rooting and grounding them in the truth.

Wherever the colporteur has gone souls have been brought to a knowledge of the truth. Recently a minister said, "During the past few years I have baptized 120 souls. Some of these came into the truth as a result of my preaching. Others as a result of Bible studies, but there were seventy-five with whom I did not have to hold a single Bible study. They knew all of our truths and were ready for baptism. They had read our books which they had purchased from our colporteurs." No Bible worker had visited them, but angels of God had for "the same ministry of angels attends the books that contain the truth as attends the work of the minister," and "as God blesses the minister and the evangelist in their earnest efforts to place the truth before the people, so He will bless the faithful colporteur."

W. I. COLEMAN

SPIRITUAL RESULTS OF COLPORTEUR WORK IN EAST MICHIGAN

It brings joys to our hearts here in East Michigan as we look back over the past months and see the spiritual results of our book work in this conference. A few extracts from the letters of some of our colporteurs will show you, dear readers, the spirit that actuates those engaged in this line of endeavor.

A colporteur in Detroit writes, "Every day brings a new experience that I would not exchange for the wealth of this world. One lady I called on said, 'I believe you were sent to me, because I was just inquiring where I could get some Bible lessons to study, and was thinking of sending for some.' I took her order and delivered the book the next day, and she was very pleased with it."

One of our veteran colporteurs says, "I am enjoying the best of health and the richest of blessings and am having some of the grandest experiences."

Space forbids printing a long list of experiences.

Colporteur evangelistic work is not just selling books. It is a soul-saving work. We get a glimpse of the wonderful possibilities in this line of endeavor when we learn that here in our conference, during the last year, ten persons have taken a definite stand for this truth as a direct result of our colporteur work. This is not taking into consideration a larger number of souls harvested by our tent companies during the summer, who received their first definite impression of this truth through reading our truth-filled books.

In one part of the conference, within a radius of twenty miles, there are eight individuals who are giving their lives in a definite way to the finishing of the work. God is pouring out His Spirit upon us. Let us be used by Him for the saving of lost humanity.

Our faithful band of colporteurs are anxiously looking forward to our annual institute to be held this year at Detroit in the Grand River church, January 5-15. A large number of new workers are joining us at this time, and we are looking forward with keen anticipation to a greater revival of the work than we have ever seen before.

Brethren and sisters, the work is onward, the battle is raging, we are carrying the banner of Prince Immanuel, even to the gates, but God is calling for reinforcements. We must hold that which we have gained, and continue to press onward into the thickest of the conflict which is just ahead. Come, one and all, to the help of the Lord against the mighty and share in the spiritual blessings that come from unselfish labor. You may receive the training that will qualify you for this line of service at the above-mentioned institute. If you have a desire to work for the Lord we invite you to be present. Write to the East Michigan Book and Bible House, Box 337, Holly, Michigan.

S. L. CLARK

THE PRICE OF SUCCESS IN CANVASSING

If the impression I have of what it costs to be successful in the colporteur work is correct, I would say that there are three main factors. They are: Recognizing a call to the work; preparedness; applying one's self to the task, and staying by it.

Some have entered the colporteur work to "try it out," some because they could not find work elsewhere, and others to make a financial gain. And what has been the result in the majority of these cases? Failure.

Since the colporteur work is a missionary work of the highest order, it should be conducted from that

standpoint alone. Men and women who go out canvassing should see the need of the field, should feel the burden of service, and should feel a definite call to action. This is in harmony with a statement from the spirit of prophecy, "Our books are to be handled by consecrated workers, whom the Holy Spirit can use as His instrumentalities."

After hearing the call to service, we should break every yoke that would hinder us from putting in full time.

We should then study our prospectus, become acquainted with the book from cover to cover, and get the canvass so well in mind that we can almost say it backwards. This means hard work for some persons. It was for me. But it is necessary.

When I entered the canvassing field, I learned a lesson from the postage stamp: Its usefulness depends upon its ability to stick to one thing till it gets there. That should be true with us. Although many claim there is a dark side to the colporteur work, I assert that there is not, if the colporteur is truly converted, for, we are working in the sight of Heaven.

I prize the quotations, "To know what to do is Wisdom; to know how to do it is Skill; but better than both of these is, to do it as it should be done in Service."

I talked to a young lady about entering the colporteur work. She had felt impressed to do so for some time. Before I left she said, "Brother Ryan, if I start canvassing, you can depend on me, I will not quit." She has now been canvassing a year, and two weeks ago she started another young lady to work with her. She is of better courage now than when she began.

This is the type of colporteur that is bound to succeed. Those who start with the determination that with God's help they will not quit, but will throw their whole soul and energy into it, until they feel called to another work, cannot fail.

The spirit of prophecy says, "God's servants have nothing at all to do with consequences. They must perform their duty and leave the results with God."

W. E. RYAN

RESULTS AND NEEDS OF COLPORTEUR WORK

The colporteur work is not like any other branch of our organized work in that it is self-supporting. When a person takes a prospectus or magazine and goes out to sell it, he is not promised a salary but has to depend entirely on the promises of God. This

causes him to seek God most earnestly, it binds him to God, it causes him to forget the pleasures of the world, to lay hold on God and to plead for the power of the Holy Spirit to guide in every word and action.

I am sure that all true Seventh-day Adventists would like to have a part in this good work if they could only realize its importance. It is impossible for the ministry to finish the work. They can not go into the rural districts and preach to every one, neither can they get every one to come out to the meetings in the cities. Not more than one out of every hundred will come out to tent meetings. What about the ninety and nine? Some one must go into the highways and byways and compel them to come in. It is only through the colporteur that these will be reached.

We are told in "Testimonies," Vol. VI, p. 313: "God has ordained the canvassing work as a means of presenting before the people the light contained in our books, and canvassers should be impressed with the importance of bringing before the world as far as possible the books necessary for their spiritual education and enlightenment. This is the very work the Lord would have His people do at this time. All who consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers are assisting to give the last message of warning to the world. We cannot too highly estimate this work, for were it not for the efforts of the canvasser, many would never hear the warning."

It is a work that every one should do for we are told that the colporteur will work until probation closes. Many comfort themselves with the thought that they can begin when persecution comes, but I do not think those who wait for some compelling power to take hold of them will ever start. The thing we must heed is that still small voice that speaks to our hearts. It is the Holy Spirit speaking to you. Will you answer as Israel of old, "Here am I, send me?"

I will send to you the invitation, Come and join us in the finishing of His work in the earth and share with us in the rich blessings that God is pouring out on those who are willing to give up wealth, possessions, and the pleasures of this world to do His work.

ARVA NICKLESS

HAVE YOU ENLISTED? IF NOT, WHY NOT?

Ask six believers in this message why they are not actively engaged in the colporteur work and you will receive six different answers. One feels that

his Christian experience is not such that God could bless his efforts. Why not respond to God's call to repentance which always precedes His call to service? Then, hear His voice saying "Who will go for us and whom shall we send?" Another says, "I do not have the ability. You know it takes a good talker to sell our books." God answers this objection in "Colporteur Evangelist," page 27: "The Lord imparts a fitness for the work to every man who will cooperate with Divine power. All the requisite talents, courage, perseverance, faith, and tact will come as they put the armor on."

Brother A feels quite different. He has ability, also a good business, and for him to do colporteur work would be humiliating indeed, besides he has the ambition to accumulate money and have something and be some one in the world. His need is a vision of true values.

The man with the preoccupied mind: This man says he knows that God has called him, and he believes that he could succeed and longs to have a part in the work, but he lives on a little farm, has cows and horses and they are the idol of his heart. He just can't part with them. His need is to realize the true force of the statement found in Volume VI, page 232, "A great and important work is before us. The enemy of souls realizes this and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work.

The fearful in heart: Sister B feels that the Lord has been calling her into His service but she very much dislikes meeting people. She has always felt a prejudice in her heart toward agents and believes that other people would look at her as an agent. The dread of meeting people is one of the greatest drawbacks to missionary endeavor. Very much more would be accomplished in the sale of books and periodicals and personal winning of souls to Christ if it were not for that timidity that comes over us when we think of approaching individuals. "Perfect love casteth out fear."

One of the most common objections is heard like this, "I would go into the colporteur work in a minute if I were sure I could make a living at it and provide for my family." God never makes a mistake in calling men. "Our heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us of which we know nothing. Those who accept the one principle of making this service of God supreme will find perplexities vanish and a plain path before their feet."—*Ministry of Healing*, page 481. R. R. BROOKS

WHAT A VACATION PERIOD AT CANVASSING HAS MEANT TO ME



John Andross

How wonderful it is to contemplate the knowledge that my God has of me. I am happy in knowing that He is acquainted with all my ways. The blessings that I have received during the past summer in the canvassing field mean more to me than all the riches of this world.

This summer seemed one of the shortest of my life. The thirteen weeks which I spent in Chicago seemed to me just a few days. I had no time to think of time, for I had a twofold goal for which to work—to earn a scholarship which would enable me to continue my education, and to save souls for the kingdom.

I was very much impressed one day when a lady gave me here order for "Our Day." She said, "If I had know who you were, you wouldn't have been admitted into my house. I never let any agents in." I told her that I was not an agent, but that I was doing missionary work.

I called at another home. After I had canvassed the lady, she looked at me and said, "Why, you have the same book, and these are the very same pictures that I saw in a dream last night." She called her mother-in-law to join her in listening while I went on with my canvass. When I had finished, she said, "You are the same man that I saw in a dream, and you have the very same book. I know that the book is a good book. I knew some one was coming. I have been waiting for you, and I want this book." She gave me an order and a deposit of one dollar.

It is a privilege to go from house to house and make life-long friends who love the truth. I would not trade the past summer's experience for any school year. It has been a great lesson to me and gives me more courage and zeal in my preparation at school for this great work. I love this work, and want to stick to it, by the help of the Lord, until Jesus comes.

JOHN ANDROSS

A WONDERFUL STORY

While delivering books, I found one family that did not want to accept their book. The lady had

paid one dollar deposit. Her husband was not at home when the order was given, and refused the book. I said, "Why don't you want the book? Your wife has ordered it; she made a deposit on it."

"The priest," he answered, "has announced in our church that no one should purchase such books. He told us these were Protestant books, and we should not have them in our homes. After the sermon, about twenty women who had purchased the book got together and with their books in their hands made a search for the man who had sold them."

I told him I was the man. He looked at me and said, "So you're the man who has been insulting all these homes by placing in them these good-for-nothing books, and charging the people from \$3.50 to \$5 for them."

At this juncture his wife said, "You know when you canvassed me for that book it made me very happy, and I was full of joy when I ordered it, but the sermon of the priest made me very sad and down-hearted. I felt sorry I had ordered it. I told my husband about it and he became very angry."

After she spoke I felt that there was very little hope of delivering the book, and began to talk to them about our message. Soon the man showed some interest, and said, "Is that the way you talk when you show the book to these women?" His wife assured him it was and asked what he thought of it. "Well, all he has said certainly is the truth, and I cannot deny it," was the reply. The man said, "Come in. I see you are all right. At first I thought you were of the ordinary type who go around selling things, and was going to keep you outside. I want you to show me that book."

He glanced at it and said, "I don't want it; it is Protestant." I told him this book had a message for him from God; that I had done my duty in bringing it to him. It contained the word of God. That he was not refusing me, but refusing it, and to remember, he and I are to meet again at the judgment bar of God. Saluting them, I departed.

I had not gone far when he raised the window and called me back, and said, "How much is the book?" I told him. He took the book and looked over the pages from cover to cover, and then with the light of joy radiating his countenance he paid me the \$2.50 due, begged my pardon for the way he had treated me, and asked me to bring him a Bible. As I left him happy with the book, I thanked God for the victories He gives us in the colporteur work.

SAM DiBENEDETTO

VACATION DAYS

Through Divine guidance the Lord led me to go into the colporteur work during my vacation last summer. Here in the country I learned to love nature and also got acquainted more fully with my work. As the poet has said, "Some days must be dark and dreary." It rained and rained and rained some more. This did not hinder very much, because rubbers and umbrellas are good in wet weather.



Fred Burkhardt

Many of the people we meet are looking for Bible truth. Many said, "I haven't been to church for years." Where could the books be needed more than in these places?

To show how kind and congenial the farmers are, let me relate a few incidents. One man saw me walking along and waved to me. I went over and visited for a short time. He could speak German better than English. I, too, can speak it. I secured his order. This man's friendship meant much to me. It is surprising to know how many good people God has, scattered around. Never does a Christian worker get turned out at night or at meal time.

One forenoon slipped by very quickly. I was approaching the last house on that road. Upon introducing my work, I found the lady very much interested in spiritual matters. She wanted the book, but did not want to order it until her husband came in for dinner, which would be in a few minutes.

She related her experience in the hospital a few weeks before. Some one sold her a set of Big Week books. Many things were discussed, yes, even the Sabbath. By this time, I thought best to tell her that I was a Seventh-day Adventist. Her husband came in, and we had a talk about God's book. Not only did he give me an order, but said, "I am going to be baptized into your church some day." When I meet people longing for a knowledge of the Scriptures, my heart rejoices. That is one of the many blessings received.

FRED BURKHARDT

MY EXPERIENCE IN NORTH WISCONSIN

It will be three years, Jan. 19, 1928, since I entered the colporteur work. During this time the Lord has

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Leaders in the Home Field

THIS group of men are the leaders of our book work in the Lake Union Conference. They all began their work as colporteurs in the various local conferences comprising our Union; now they are directing a large army of colporteurs in the field. I am glad that when we need leaders we can select men and women who have come up through the ranks, men who have had a direct and up-to-date selling experience and know how to train others to succeed in the work.

Every colporteur should be a leader. He should delight to excel in his work, not merely to make a large record in sales but to accomplish maximum results in real soul-winning endeavor. He must direct his own efforts and accounts for all of the time and talent that he has at his command. He will become master of all circumstances, and with Divine assistance will make his own work a success. He will lead and encourage others to join the work and lead out in every missionary enterprise of the church as far as is consistent with his particular calling.

We must have men who are true and tried; men who have initiative and perseverance and who have a vision of the needs of the hour. These sterling qualities are developed by many in the colporteur field, and the preparation thus gained definitely qualifies men and

"In many States there are settlements of industrious, well-to-do farmers, who have never had the truth for this time. Such places should be worked. Let our lay members take up this line of service. By lending or selling books, by distributing papers, and by holding Bible readings, our lay members could do much in their own neighborhoods."

"Visit your neighbors, and show an interest in the salvation of their souls. Arouse every spiritual energy to action."



W. I. Coleman
Chicago



S. L. Clark
East Michigan



"Those who have long known the truth need to seek the Lord most earnestly, that their hearts may be filled with a determination to work for their neighbors. My brethren and sisters, visit those who live near you, and by sympathy and kindness seek to reach their hearts. Be sure to work in a way that will remove prejudice instead of creating it. And remember that those who know the truth for this time, and yet confine their efforts

to their own churches, refusing to work for their unconverted neighbors, will be called to account for unfulfilled duties."

"It is not learned, eloquent speakers that are needed now, but humble, Christ-like men and women, who have learned from Jesus of Nazareth to be meek and lowly, and who, trusting in His strength, will go forth into the highways and hedges to give the invitation, 'Come; for all things are now ready.' Luke 14:17. . . There is earnest work for every pair of hands to do. Let every stroke tell for the uplifting of humanity. There are so many that need to be helped. The heart of him who lives, not to please himself, but to be a blessing to those who have so few blessings, will thrill with satisfaction."

women to be leaders for responsible places in all the various activities of our denominational work.

E. E. FRANKLIN

"Work disinterestedly, lovingly, patiently, for all with whom you are brought into contact."



E. E. Franklin
Union

Leaders Abroad

FOR many years the Lake Union Conference has been a training field for workers who have been sent out to other Union conferences and to fields abroad. Many men and women who received their early training in the colporteur work in this Union are now holding responsible positions

of trust in many places throughout the worldwide field. I could not make a complete list, but here are some who are now leaders in connection with



Arva Nickless
Wisconsin



our publishing work. Two men are division secretaries of the publishing work, six are Union field missionary secretaries, and ten are local field missionary secretaries outside of the Lake Union. The partial list is as follows:

L. C. Shepard—Division secretary Publishing Department Southern Asia Division.

L. A. Vixie—Division secretary of South Africa.

W. A. Bergherm—Field secretary, Austral Union, South America.

George Lindquist—Field secretary, Northwest Union, India.

J. B. Blosser—Field secretary, Central Union.

C. R. Morris—Field secretary, West Canadian Union.

E. Remsen—Field secretary, Pacific Union.

E. M. Fishell—Field secretary, Columbia Union.

R. R. Coble—Field secretary, Louisiana-Mississippi Conference.

W. B. Maris—Field secretary, New York Conference.

Walter Pergande—Field secretary, Greater New York Conference.

Marcus Odegaard—Field secretary, Minnesota Conference.

Floyd Meyers—Ass't Field secretary, East Pennsylvania Conference.

M. E. Lowry—Field secretary, Leeward Islands Conference.

Oscar Olson—Field secretary, Sweden.

V. Speranzi—Field secretary, Italy.

Joe Welsh—Field secretary, Porto Rico.

H. H. Ranz—Manager of Canadian Publishing Association.

J. B. Frank—Greater New York Book and Bible House Secretary.

D. A. Bailey—Manager of Eastern Branch, Review and Herald.

C. L. Paddock—Book and Periodical Manager, Canadian House.

E. E. FRANKLIN



W. E. Ryan
Illinois

"The work of the canvasser-evangelist, whose heart is imbued with the Holy Spirit, is fraught with wonderful possibilities for good. The presentation of the truth, in love and simplicity, from house to house is in harmony with the instruction that Christ gave His disciples when He sent them out on their first missionary tour. By songs of praise, by humble, heartfelt prayers, many will be reached."



"The Lord is calling upon His people to take up different lines of work. Those in the highways and byways of life are to hear the gospel message."

"Are you putting forth earnest efforts to win others to the Saviour?"



J. D. Snider
R. and H. Branch



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blessed me with sales totaling approximately \$8,000.

During the past week while canvassing for the "Return of Jesus" during a heavy snow storm, the people readily let me in. As I went from door to door, I could feel the presence of the Lord. Catholics told me, "Man, that's just the book I want." A few paid me in full for a book. I finished canvassing the town about supper time and thought I was all through, but the Lord was not through with me, for while eating lunch at a restaurant, the proprietor told me I was wanted at the phone. Upon answering the call, I was told by one of my customers to kindly bring two books instead of one. She had called at various places to locate me. Another call came before I finished my supper with the same request. The proprietor then asked me what I had that people were so anxious for, and so before returning to my supper, I gave him a canvass and he gave me an order. Then while finishing my supper he showed the prospectus to another person in an adjoining room, and secured another for me with a good deposit.

The Lord is surely working on the hearts of the people to prepare them for our Lord's return. I am thankful for the part I have in this work and trust He will keep me faithful.

J. M. JACKSON

THE LANKFORD NEW SUNDAY BILL

The Lankford new Sunday bill was introduced on the opening day of Congress. The number of this Bill is H. R. 78. Let every one who has been securing signatures on the petitions against this bill be sure to write the number of this new bill on the last line of the petition before sending it in to the congressman from his District. If any one does not know who the congressman from his district is, he can obtain this information by writing to the conference office.

This Sunday bill is very drastic. It does not contain the exemption clause for those who observe another day than Sunday. If it is enacted into law, it will close up both the Review and Herald and the General Conference offices on Sunday.

I trust that our people everywhere will get busy and get as many signatures as possible and send in their petitions sometime after the holiday season, as that will be about the time when our hearings will begin. Let us try to reach our goal of ten million signatures and make it a real educational campaign of scattering our religious liberty literature.

C. S. LONGACRE

BILL H. R. 78

I have just received a copy of the above bill which was introduced into the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., Dec. 5, 1927. This bill provides for the observance of Sunday as the Lord's Day in the District of Columbia and makes it unlawful for people in that district to do any kind of work excepting works of necessity and charity which is interpreted to mean such works as are needful for the good order, health, and comfort of the community.

What the intent of the author of this bill is I of course do not know, but it lays the foundation, if passed, for all kinds of religious persecution, and provides a fine of not less than \$5 for the first offense nor more than \$50, and for each subsequent offense not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 with imprisonment in the jail of the District of Columbia for a period of not more than six months. It also provides that all prosecution for the violation of this be in the police court of the District of Columbia.

I hope every one in whose hands the petitions are will put the number H. R. 78 on the petitions, get them filled as soon as possible and send them in to your representative at Washington.

There should be a full and free distribution of the religious liberty matter published in connection with this. "The church in Politics," *Present Truth* and leaflets should be used freely as far as our time and financial ability will permit. This bill of course affects only the district of Columbia, but it lays the foundation for religious liberty legislation in every State in the Union, and is equivalent to the first step in making the United States religious by law. The old proverb, "England expects every man to do his duty," is applicable at this time, and the Saviour's words, "What thou hast heard of Me in secret, that declare from the house top," is also incumbent. We are set as watchmen to warn the people of dangers and should therefore take advantage of every opportunity to make known the principles of religious liberty to our fellow men; knowing for ourselves, and endeavoring to make known to all others that he who was born of the flesh persecuted him who was born of the spirit, and Paul says even so it is now.

WM. GUTHRIE

THE TYRANNY OF INTOLERANCE

This desire to enact and enforce Sunday legislation is usually well meaning, but misconceived. With those who believe that every person should be per-

mitted to rest one day in seven, we are all in hearty accord. We are not in disagreement with these good people in their ideas that higher spiritual and moral values are to be achieved in religion than in sports and moving picture shows. We stand together in the conviction that a religious renaissance is desirable, that it would accomplish everything that is claimed for it and that all Christians peoples should seek to bring it about. However, a cherished principle forces us to part company with them in their effort to compel the birth of such a revival through the aid of civil power.

Our government has made a number of distinctive contributions to civilization, but none greater than the doctrine and practice of separation of church and state. Through its founders, freedom of conscience was first incorporated in written law. Under our form of government the state has no religious function. That has always been difficult for some to understand. Reformers and zealots accused Jefferson of opposing religion when he was working for the measure that has since proved of such excellent consequences to religion. The state is founded upon force; the foundation of religion is choice. The state must employ force to maintain itself; the church should employ only gentle methods. The state appeals to the police and the courts to preserve order; religion appeals to free choice and the dictates of conscience to direct man's conduct. History proves that both church and state are strengthened when they are recognized as two distinct entities and that both suffer when for any reason they are united.

Religion must be purely voluntary. Otherwise it is not religion at all but hypocrisy. That principle is nowhere more clearly set forth than in the teachings of Christ and throughout the epistles of the New Testament writers. The religion of Jesus Christ does not need any assistance from the state. It is of divine origin and of such a sacred and personal nature that it does not need to lean upon the prop of civil power. Any attempt to have the state enforce religious dogmas is a confession of the weakness of religion which no man who knows the power of religion will admit. Every time the church and state have united in the past corruption has set in on both sides.

President Madison declared that "just government will be best supported by protecting every citizen in the enjoyment of his religion with the same equal hand which protects his personal property; by neither invading the equal rights of any sect, nor suffering

any sect to invade those of another." Intelligent men ought to see this. But many do not. They know the work of the church is to go everywhere with the message of salvation, but overlook the fact that it ill becomes the church to ask aid of the state to enact and enforce laws which are obnoxious to the conscientious convictions of many of the people and antagonistic to the religious convictions of many others. Moreover, if a majority of citizens really desired Sunday law enforcement they would have no moral right to trespass upon the religious liberties of the minority.

These principles are well understood by Seventh-day Adventists who have made religious liberty a tenet of faith. Others not in our position may not foresee the wrong and injustice which a Sunday law is sure to bring upon those who cannot conscientiously comply with it. Make our position clear to all persons in your community.

J. D. SNIDER

Place in the hands of the people a copy of Elder Longacre's new book, "The Church in Politics," for only 25 cents a copy; 50 per cent discount in lots of ten or more. This will help to make our position clear.

THE MISSION FUND

Our mission report for October has just been received from Washington which reveals the fact that on the whole our mission fund is 2.03 per cent less than it was last year at the end of October. This is a sad situation and very unfortunate for the mission field; however, there is an encouraging feature in this, and that is the Lake Union stands third in the list this year, whereas last year at this time it was fifth. Our mission per cent is 74.41 this year or 4.29 per cent above the average for the United States, and only the Atlantic Union and the East Canadian Union are ahead of us. For the first time I think in our experience we stand better than the Pacific Union. Our rate per capita to the end of October is 44.6 cents per week.

It would be a great boon to the mission field if there could come in during the month of December some large offerings that would bring our fund up to the 60 cents per week. Let us each one take this matter to the Lord and after careful prayer and consideration give as the Lord has prospered us that our work may soon be finished.

WM. GUTHRIE

THE OLD PEOPLE'S HOME

Doubtless the readers of the LAKE UNION HERALD will be interested to know the new part to the James White Memorial Home is now complete and ready for occupants with the exception that the rooms have not yet been furnished. It will cost about \$100 or \$125 each to furnish the rooms. Perhaps there are some individuals or churches who would like to furnish a room in the old people's home. If so we would greatly appreciate it and would be obliged if you will immediately take steps to accomplish this result. The money should be sent directly to Frank Hiner, in care of the James White Memorial Home at Plainwell, Mich. The committee will meet in Plainwell on December 21 for the purpose of considering applications for entrance into the old people's home. There are more applications than can be received when the rooms are all furnished so we are anxious to have this looked after at the earliest possible date. Anything you may do will be greatly appreciated.

WM. GUTHRIE

EAST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

OFFICE ADDRESS, HOLLY, MICHIGAN
PRESIDENT, J. F. PIPER

EAST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess and Miss Hazel Griggs attended the morning service at the East Side church in Flint on a recent Sabbath. They report a good service.

Professor G. R. Fattic spent the Sabbath of December 10 at Port Huron in the interest of the Missionary Volunteer work.

Elder and Mrs. Piper and Brother and Sister Munger attended the union district meeting at Wyandotte on the first Sabbath of the Week of Prayer. The meetings were well attended according to reports received, and a splendid interest was manifested.

The churches of Luce and Hazelton enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Clark spend a recent Sabbath with them.

Elder Piper and Mr. Harrison went to Detroit Sunday December 11, and met with the colored brethren on the East Side. A good interest has been manifested on the East Side for some time, and we are glad to state that they are now organized into a mission. Regular officers were chosen for the Sabbath school and church. Remember this new company in your prayers.

INDIANA CONFERENCE

OFFICE ADDRESS, CICERO, INDIANA
PRESIDENT, FREDERICK A. WRIGHT

NEWS ITEMS

Elder Wright is spending the Week of Prayer with the sanitarium family and the Lafayette city church. Elder Detamore is with the Fort Wayne and Marion churches.

Brother Brooks, our field secretary, is extra busy these days assisting colporteurs in their Christmas deliveries. God is richly blessing in this branch of His work and we solicit your prayers for our faithful army of colporteurs. At this time plans are being made for the annual institute which will be held at the Wabash Valley Sanitarium December 30 to January 7. It is expected to be the largest colporteur institute held for some time in the Indiana Conference.

Miss Shepard has returned from attending the educational convention at Berrien Springs. Just now she is busy renewing her acquaintance with the school room as she is taking the Cicero church school for a few days. We are very sorry it was necessary for Miss Johnson to resign this post, but trust that during the coming weeks of rest she will completely regain her health.

We are glad to welcome Brother Gordon Smith who is conducting the Week of Prayer at the academy.

It will soon be time to close our books for another year. What will your church record be? Be sure to get your Harvest Ingathering report and other money into the hands of your local treasurer by the last Sabbath of the year so all funds will be properly credited to the year 1927.

It would be well for all church secretaries to settle with the Book and Bible House before the new officers take their place for the coming year.

Brother Ware while canvassing in Indianapolis met one of his former customers—a Russian Jew who speaks four languages. He is convinced that Christ is the Messiah and is very favorable to our message.

The Sabbath school lessons for the first quarter of 1928 are on the book of Ephesians and prepared by Elder M. C. Wilcox who has written a book, "Studies in Ephesians" which will be a special aid. The price of this book is within the reach of all being only 35 cents a copy. Order from the Book and Bible House.

CHICAGO CONFERENCE

OFFICE ADDRESS, 619 SOUTH ASHLAND AVE., CHICAGO, ILL.
 PRESIDENT, J. W. CHRISTIAN

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE TREASURER

Chicago has reached its 60 cents per week goal for the entire year. Amount of mission goal for the year, \$74,786.64. Amount received at close of November, \$76,878.08. Amount received in excess of year's goal, \$2,091.44. With a comparatively good mission offering during December our conference should reach well up toward the 70 cents a week mark. What a wonderful thing that would be if we could. What an encouragement it would be to our General Conference brethren, and perhaps most of all, to the missionaries away out on the outposts of civilization. The tithe for November was also good, amounting to \$11,116.70. The total tithe for the first eleven months is \$125,525.22. This is \$10,000 more than had been estimated we might receive. Let the good work go on. It may be someone has withheld his tithe or mission offering thus far this year. Don't fail to turn it in to your church treasurer or direct to the conference office. Why not make this the greatest year financially in the history of the conference?

F. S. THOMPSON

CHICAGO CONFERENCE ITEMS

Elder O. Montgomery of the General Conference spent Sabbath, December 10, in our field. He assisted in the Week of Prayer meeting at the South Side church in the morning, and in company with Elder J. W. Christian, spoke to the Russian church at 3 P. M., and to the Czecho-Slovakian church at four. It made a full day but our brethren were cheered by the rehearsals Brother Montgomery gave of the forward march of our mission work.

You will read with interest the report from our treasury department, written by Mr. Thompson. It is marvelous the possibilities of a willing people for the extension of God's work in the earth.

In counsel with our Sabbath school secretary, Miss Rosa Kozel, our committee has voted to suggest to all our Sabbath schools that they observe the thirteenth Sabbath on the thirteenth Sabbath of this quarter which comes on December 24. This is the day before the holiday week begins. We believe it will mean much to our mission work for us to remember God's work first, and certainly it is proper as Christians that we do this. We trust all our schools

will take note of this suggestion and as far as possible comply with this request.

Mr. C. R. Bruns gave a talk and demonstration on penmanship at the church school teachers' council Sunday.

Broadview has a new Sabbath school device in the form of beautiful ship with frosted sails and colored lights appearing when the various goals are reached.

North Shore is leading in the finishing up of the Sabbath School Workers' Training Course. Two more good papers came this week, one written by F. A. Mott, and the other by Miss Emma Peterson. The leader of the Training Course class in North Shore Sabbath school is Mrs. Eda Goedecke.

Our pastors are giving us excellent help in the Week of Prayer meetings in the church schools, and report a splendid response on the part of the children. In the introductory note to the children's lessons for this week Mrs. Cady warns us that "our children, as children, must meet the great crisis of the ages; must pass through the time of trouble."

WEEK OF PRAYER AT BROADVIEW COLLEGE

One week before the regular Week of Prayer, the writer, assisted by Elder L. B. Schick, conducted this season at Broadview College.

No effort was made to conduct an emotional appeal, but we all, by a study of the Bible and the "Testimonies," sought to find the way to a deeper experience. The effort was based rather on a desire for a permanent than a transitory good.

Perhaps the most important feature of the week was the personal interviews with students, a number of whom gained the victory over some definite sin that was hindering the religious experience. A good sized baptismal class was formed by Professor Ochs, the dean of the college. H. A. LUKENS

HINSDALE SANITARIUM YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

I am glad that I can send out a cheering report of the work of our young people here at Hinsdale. Our regular meetings are held on Friday evening. The young people are very much interested and usually the large assembly room is well filled. In our devotional meetings we have a splendid response, frequently nearly 100 per cent of those present being witnesses for the Master. The programs are carefully planned and are proving an inspiration toward missionary endeavor.

On Friday evening, November 26, at the close of the Week of Sacrifice, there was given an unusually inter-

esting program. At its close the society members were given opportunity individually to mention some special blessing for which they were grateful. Each thing mentioned was written by our secretary upon a stone of the altar which had been placed in the center of the platform. The closing number of the program was the offering. As we sang, "They brought their gifts to Jesus" and also that beautiful consecration hymn, "Take my life and let it be, consecrated Lord to Thee," the society members marched forward in the center aisle and placed their sacrifice offerings in a large pumpkin in front of the altar. The offering thus received amounted to \$266. This, of course, did not include the offerings of the older church members which was taken the following Sabbath morning. The total amount received in the church here to-date is over \$1,400.

Earnest work is being carried on by the prayer and personal workers' band which meets each week following the regular evening meeting. The literature and correspondence band is doing some very definite work in its Sabbath afternoon meetings. About thirty young persons are organized into what is known as the C. O. T. M. (carriers of the message) band. This band has a large field. Programs are given and meetings held at the War Veterans' Hospital at Maywood, and in a home for crippled children near by. On Sunday mornings members of the band visit one of the prisons in Chicago. On Sabbath afternoons some read to patients and visit in nearby homes where we find shut-ins. Regular band meetings are held where the young people have practical experience in giving Bible readings and sermonettes. Miss Andre makes this work of the band very practical, acting as critic. It is possible for the band to carry on these several lines of activities by having a leader in each particular line. The young people get a variety of experiences as different ones are chosen each week to take part in the various phases of work.

G. H. Simpson

SOUTH WISCONSIN CONFERENCE

OFFICE ADDRESS, P. O. BOX 513, MADISON, WISCONSIN

PRESIDENT, B. J. WHITE

NEWS ITEMS

Elder B. J. White was called to Milton Junction Sabbath, December 10, to conduct the funeral service of Brother Fred Breyer, who died suddenly at the home of his father-in-law.

At this writing most of the workers are out in the field visiting the scattered churches and companies and holding Week of Prayer services each night.

Mr. Arva Nickless is spending some time in the northern section of the state visiting colporteurs and home workers.

A number of petitions against the proposed Sunday law have been sent to our office, but we request that these be mailed direct to your representative in Congress.

Any lawyer can give you the name of the representative for your district. The new Sunday bill is known as H. R. 78. Remember to put this number on your petitions.

Mr. E. L. Green took charge of the Week of Prayer service at Sun Prairie last night, meeting with a few of the isolated members there.

Conference Office

DO YOU REMEMBER

We told you to order your Home Missionary Calendar early if you wanted one? We are using out of our last box right now. If you want to be sure of getting one, better order right away. Now, remember, if you don't get one, don't blame us. We warned you in time. Price, 25 cents.

E. L. Green

EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE NOTES

Four thousand students are expected to attend the Student Volunteer Convention to be held at Detroit, Michigan, December 28 to January 1. The following four delegates will represent E. M. C.: Miss Mary Henley, Mrs. Norman Wiles, Mr. Wilbur Weaver, and Mr. Alfred Gordon.

The educational board of the Lake Union held its convention at E. M. C. last week. The principals of the academies, the secretaries and educational superintendents of the Union were present to discuss their problems and lay plans for 1928.

A baptistry is being built in the rostrum of the auditorium, and the next baptism, which will take place immediately after the Christmas vacation, will be held here.

Elder H. M. Stevens, home missionary secretary of the General Conference, led out in the meetings of the home missions convention for North America in Maple Hall last week. The purpose of this convention was to lay plans for the coming year, and to lead our church membership to closer adherence to ideals of helpful ministry. The plans assure the establishment of seventeen dispensaries and hospitals, and twelve educational centers in Europe, South Africa, South America, Inter-America, Korea, Java, Burma and India. One of the interesting items in the literature production endeavor includes a small publishing plant on an old Fijian battleground in the Fiji Islands. From this spot of old-time cannibalism is to go forth gospel literature in the Samoan, Fijian, and Raratongan languages.

A "can't-be-done" problem was again solved by our wide-awake Missionary Volunteer leaders at the college. The sum of \$65.50 was obtained from a meal served in the dining room Saturday evening, December 10. Salads, sandwiches, etc., were furnished by those living near the college. This money will be used to pay the expenses of our four delegates to the world-wide Student Volunteer convention at Detroit.

The orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Birt Summers, gave its first public program December 10. The audience was delighted with the varied musical selections.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Two new thirty-six page, illustrated, large type booklets have been published for the children. Their titles are: "The Boy Who Killed a Lion," and "Adventures of Joe and Judy." They are the first two numbers of the "Stories for Little Folks" series. These little books contain true stories, and the children will be deeply interested in them. Boys and girls can readily sell them. Our people receive 40 per cent discount on an order for several copies. Order a few copies from your Book and Bible House, and encourage the children to sell them.

BUSINESS NOTICES

All advertisements must be sent through the local conference office. It will require the conference president's O. K. to get advertisements in the Lake Union Herald. The rate is: Forty words or less, one dollar for each insertion, and two cents per word for each additional word. Cash must accompany copy for all advertisements.

Situation Wanted.—By married man. Will consider renting farm with stock and tools. When writing please give reference. Address Charles McConnell, R. F. D. 2, Box 168, St. Joseph, Mich.

Wanted.—Young or middle-aged man by month or year, who is experienced with cattle and machinery on 45-acre farm. Family of two middle-aged persons. Three miles from Adventist church. State wages in first letter. William Rasseke, R. F. D. 3, Box 109, Fond du Lac, Wis.

Wanted.—Seventh-day Adventist young man or boy wanting to learn the bakery business, who would be willing to work in small bakery in St. Joseph, Mich., starting in at small wages. Board if desired. Bakery run by Seventh-day Adventists and of course no work done on Sabbath. Must have help immediately. Kozy Knook Bakery, 1016 Niles Ave., St. Joseph, Mich.

For Sale by Wholesaler.—Nucoa Nut Margarine in 12-lb. carton, postpaid in 2d zone, \$2.64. Best Foods shortening 12-lb. carton, postpaid in 2d zone, \$2.52. Orders for 3d zone should enclose 15 cents additional postage and 4th zone 44 cents additional. Shortening in 50-lb. tins, 19 cents per pound, transportation additional. Order and remit to H. P. Buzzell & Co., Inc., Kalamazoo, Mich. —j25

COLPORTEUR REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 16, 1927

East Michigan, Sherman Clark, Field Secretary

	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
R. F. Egleston	DR	37	5	\$29.00	\$42.75	\$71.75	\$49.50
G. C. Willette	GC	15	1	5.50	.25	5.75	17.25
J. E. Herrington	RJ	65	14	44.00	25.75	69.75	27.25
Grace Weldon	..	..	14	.....	18.25	18.25	4.75
A Colporteur	..	21	..	.....	18.00	18.00	.....
Millie Ricket	..	26	..	.....	42.50	42.50	.....
		178	20	78.50	147.50	226.00	98.75

North Wisconsin, W. E. Ryan, Field Secretary

J. M. Jackson	RJ	39	19	74.50	6.00	80.50	5.50
Dorothy Butler	HW	26	17	36.25	.....	36.25	7.25
D. D. Johnson	HP	24	16	105.50	9.75	115.25	32.75
Ruth Harkins	RJ	23	9	29.00	4.75	33.75	2.25
Helen Moses	RJ	23	7	21.00	15.25	36.25	3.25
Minnie Savage	HW	22	18	14.25	.....	14.25	.....
Verna Moses	HW	14	12	12.50	.....	12.50	.....
Fern Moses	HW	14	8	6.00	.....	6.00	.....
		185	106	299.00	35.75	334.75	51.00

South Wisconsin, Arva Nickless, Field Secretary

J. T. Ruffing	BR	54	3	19.50	19.25	38.75	47.00
Herman Beyer	BR	44	8	47.00	18.75	65.75	9.75
Mrs. Viola Boehrig	Mag.	38	..	.....	62.50	62.50	62.50
Mrs. H. Beyer	Mag.	28	..	.....	65.80	65.80	65.80
Mrs. S. Stork	Mag.	20	..	.....	69.40	69.40	69.40
Mrs. Chas. Thornton	HWP	..	..	.....	13.50	13.50	13.50
Mrs. Jas. Tuttle	HWP	..	..	.....	10.00	10.00	10.00
Mrs. O. Holmes	Mag.	..	..	.....	12.35	12.35	12.35
		184	11	66.50	271.55	338.05	290.30
Dec. 3		142	11	60.50	139.45	199.95	319.95

West Michigan, D. E. Collins, Field Secretary

L. P. Knecht	RJ	34	4	12.00	24.00	36.00	.....
A. Fleck	RJ	26	6	18.00	7.50	25.50	.....
Mrs. Ural Baker	RJ	26	7	21.00	16.50	37.50	13.00
Ural Baker	RJ	26	1	3.00	8.00	11.00	8.75
Roy L. Geisinger	RJ	20	7	21.00	9.75	30.75	.....
Wm. Kellogg	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	12.50
		132	25	75.00	67.75	142.75	34.25

Indiana, R. R. Brooks, Field Secretary

M. Rodenberg	PP	57	3	16.50	51.50	68.00	21.00
L. E. Hope	RJ	57	6	18.00	10.00	28.00	58.10
W. B. Ware	BF	46	3	9.00	1.50	10.50	53.00
Albert Sutton	RJ	41	6	20.00	13.50	33.50	3.75
Tom Carey	WCS	40	13	.....	32.50	32.50	32.50
M. S. Grim	RJ	40	6	18.00	7.75	25.75	5.00
J. W. Rowe	RJ	37	7	21.00	11.50	32.50	5.50
Beatrice Spohr	HW	28	..	.....	27.00	27.00	2.25
Forest Sags	RJ	34	3	9.00	15.25	24.25	5.25
Hugh Lawson	RJ	22	5	15.00	2.25	17.25	1.25
Lillie Wakeland	..	11	..	.....	.....	.....	6.75
Harold Foss	RJ	11	1	3.00	.50	3.50	.25
A Colporteur	HW	..	..	.....	75.00	75.00	.....
		425	53	129.58	248.25	377.83	194.60

Chicago, W. I. Coleman, Field Secretary

Mrs. A. Beeman	BR	46	7	40.00	32.65	72.65	52.50
Charles Benfield	GC	47	3	16.50	17.75	34.25	6.00
Karl Braun	BR	4	..	.....	.....	.....	9.00
Ethel Clough	RJ	..	2	6.00	6.50	12.50	14.50
Sam DeBenedetto	OD	102	8	31.00	3.75	34.75	10.50
L. M. Frisbee	HP	6	..	12.10	.....	12.10	5.35
L. L. Hayes	GC	35	8	50.00	9.55	59.55	3.00
Ruth Healzer	PP	..	..	.....	.....	.....	19.50
Lydia Helmer	PP	..	..	.....	.....	.....	36.50
L. S. Knickerbocker	PP	4	..	5.50	.....	5.50	5.50
Nils Lindquist	OD	..	..	.....	.....	.....	64.55
Louise Lohman	GC	16	2	10.00	5.50	16.50	2.25
Mr. & Mrs. F. L. McGee	BR	67	9	52.50	16.70	69.20	71.50
Mr. & Mrs. Murray	Mag.	23	..	.....	34.08	34.08	34.08
N. S. Pappas	Misc.	27	..	21.00	.....	21.00	21.00
Emma Peterson	BR	38	10	61.00	26.50	87.50	72.00
Mrs. Jennie Reece	BR	8	4	28.00	.....	28.00	.25
Mrs. J. K. Schuleman	BR	3	2	11.00	.75	11.75	21.50
V. S. Sibbio	OD	44	14	51.50	1.40	52.90	11.90
Gabriel Vas	Misc.	50	..	40.25	.....	40.25	40.25
R. J. Watson	GC	36	7	38.50	40.75	79.25	3.75
		558	76	475.85	195.88	671.73	505.38

BOOK SALES

The report of book sales for the first ten months of this year just arrived and I note the gain in the Lake Union is a fraction over \$4,000. This gain though small is encouraging and shows us if we will put ourselves to the test and our shoulders to the wheel we can make the book evangelism of the Lake Union Conference a success. I am sure that many people will be brought into this truth by the literature we distribute, therefore let us see to it that no home where they will read the literature is left without a visit and a chance to purchase some of the soul-saving truths. Why not every minister, Bible worker, departmental secretary, and conference president appoint himself a committee of one to look out colporteurs, home workers and others for the distribution of our literature, and thus help to build our field work to a point never before reached? Who will devote himself to this task unreservedly?

Wm. Guthrie

H. R. 78

The latest word from the Review and Herald announces that six million of the leaflet, Your Liberties Imperiled have already been ordered since the opening of the Religious Liberty campaign. Some local conferences have reached as high as one million copies. There have been two mass meetings in the city of Washington favoring the passage of the Lankford bill. There is no time to spare in getting petitions signed. Be sure to number them H. R. 78.

Wm. Guthrie

SOME LOSSES

Our brethren throughout the field will doubtless be grieved at the loss that has just come to the North Wisconsin Conference office at Ashland and to the Fox River Academy at Sheridan, Ill. An explosion in the furnace at Ashland caused a fire in the building which destroyed the church building and the stock-rooms of the tract society. Considerable damage was done to the stock but no one was hurt and the records were saved. The damage is partially covered by insurance. This great loss occurred at Ashland on Thursday afternoon, the 8th. On Friday, the 9th, fire broke out in the new barn at Fox River which completely destroyed the barn and contents, the stock only being saved. The origin of this fire is at the present time unknown to me. In close connection with this came the bursting of eight sections of the steam heating plant boiler at Cedar Lake. While this is small compared with the others, yet it all indicates the great card that is needed in caring for our buildings and that we should keep a constant watch for danger. There was no insurance on the boiler at Cedar Lake and I have not learned whether there was insurance on the barn at Fox River. Our property should be kept reasonably well insured to meet such emergencies as this.

Wm. Guthrie

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Our readers of the *Lake Union Herald* will be surprised to learn that fire broke out in our office and church building here at Ashland Thursday evening, December 8, at 7:30. It is believed that the fire started from a gas explosion in the furnace. The firemen stayed at their post of duty very faithfully in the 20 degrees below zero weather which we were having at the time. The equipment was damaged only by the water, but the stock was ruined by fire and water. The building, equipment and stock were insured, and we feel that the adjusters have settled the matter in a very satisfactory way. All mail should be addressed to us at Box 513, Madison, Wis.

North Wisconsin Conference

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Eleven Months 1926—1927

	TITHE				Per Cap.
	1927	1926	Increase	Decrease	
Chicago	\$125,530.76	\$116,870.30	\$8,660.46	\$	\$52.37
East Michigan	102,790.27	106,958.80		4,168.53	38.47
Illinois	40,141.65	36,060.01	4,081.61		27.42
Indiana	63,024.72	60,648.85	2,375.87		28.67
North Wisconsin	27,568.13	24,769.92	2,798.21		25.32
South Wisconsin	67,008.98	66,014.30	994.68		33.74
West Michigan	180,273.83	173,092.20	7,181.63		47.67
	606,338.34	584,414.41	26,092.46	4,168.53	38.90
Net Increase			21,923.93		

MISSIONS

Chicago	\$76,826.99	\$70,088.63	\$6,738.36	\$	\$.668
East Michigan	60,651.87	61,198.09		546.22	.473
Illinois	27,011.31	20,597.60	6,413.71		.384
Indiana	39,734.96	41,001.25		1,266.29	.377
North Wisconsin	13,984.07	14,249.97		265.90	.268
South Wisconsin	43,554.96	45,507.46		1,952.50	.457
West Michigan	92,484.29	83,112.26	9,372.03		.510
	354,248.45	335,755.26	22,254.10	4,030.91	.474
Net Increase			18,493.19		

HARVEST INGATHERING

Chicago	\$25,211.04	\$23,281.10	\$1,929.94	\$	\$10.52
East Michigan	16,722.38	14,363.44	2,358.94		6.26
Illinois	10,954.06	5,171.63	5,782.43		7.48
Indiana	11,763.91	13,142.62		1,378.71	5.35
North Wisconsin	4,230.99	3,180.51	1,050.48		3.89
South Wisconsin	12,855.68	13,341.28		485.60	6.47
West Michigan	20,952.38	18,857.88	2,094.50		5.54
	102,690.44	91,338.46	13,216.29	1,864.31	6.59
Net Increase			11,351.98		

Figured on 1926 membership for 48 weeks.

L. W. Foote

"Who gives but what he'll never miss,
Will never know what giving is.
The widow's mite to heaven went,
Because real sacrifice it meant."

With this issue, the fiftieth number, we close the nineteenth volume of the *LAKE UNION HERALD*, so there will be no paper next week. We wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

THE EMMANUEL MISSIONARY COLLEGE CALENDAR

The school year of Emmanuel Missionary College is divided into three parts known as the first semester, September 13 to January 17, the second semester, January 18 to May 22, and the summer session which usually opens on the week following the close of the second semester.

There are always some who for various reasons find it impossible to enter the first semester, who can come and receive the benefits of the college the second semester. A good variety of studies will be provided. Those listed below are all subjects that may be taken by properly qualified students. Classes running through the year are not listed, as they may be entered only by special arrangement.

The college earnestly solicits any questions you wish to ask concerning the second semester's work.

Classes Which May Be Entered Second Semester

Time	Subject	Days	Credit
7:30	School Hygiene	M. W. F.	3
	Minor Prophets	M. W. F.	3
	Revelation	M. W. F.	3
	Economic Problems	M. W. F.	3
	Secondary Administration	M. W. F.	3
	Problems of Adolescence	T. Th.	2
	Familiar Essay	T. Th.	2
	Horticulture	T. Th.	2
	(Lab. 1:15-4:15 Th.)		
	English Literature (Academic)	T. W. Th. F.	½unit
8:25	English Instruction in the Grades	T. Th. (11:10 F.)	3
	Educational Psychology	M. W. F.	3
	Soils and Field Crops	T. Th.	3
	Philosophy of Education	M. W. F.	3
	Child Psychology and Tests	M. W. F.	3
	Salesmanship	M. W. F.	3
	Office Management	T. Th.	2
	Spirit of Prophecy (Academic)	M. T. Th. F.	½unit
	Poster Making	M.	1
	Teachers' Geography	M. W. F.	3

9:20	New Testament Epistles	M. W. F.	3
	Teachings of Jesus	T. Th.	2
	English Literature	M. W. F.	3
	Advanced Journalism	T. Th.	2
	Auditing	M. W. F.	3
	Cost Accounting	T. Th.	2
	Physiology	M. W. F.	3
	Minor Surgery, or		
	Applied Biology	T. Th.	2
	Home Nursing	M. W. F.	3
	Physiology (Academic)	Daily	½unit
10:15	Methods—Spanish Teaching	T.	1
	Poultry Husbandry	T. Th.	3
	(Lab. arranged)		
	Physical Education (Men)	T. Th.	½
	House Furnishings	T.	2
	(Lab. Mon. 1:30-4:30)		
11:10	Teachers' Arithmetic	T. Th.	2
	Old Testament History	T. Th.	2
	Biology	T. Th.	4
	(Lab. 1:15-5:15 T.)		
	Modern Europe	M. W. F.	3
1:15	Nature Study (1:15-2:45)	T. F.	3
	American Nationality	M. W. F.	3
	Child Nutrition	T. Th.	3
	(Lab. arranged)		
2:10	Revelation	M. W. F.	3
7:00 A. M.	} Physical Educ. (women)	M. T. W. Th.	½unit
5:00 P. M.			
5:30 P. M.			
5:00 P. M.	Emergency Nursing	Th.	1

To Be Arranged

Home Administration	2
Fine Arts	3
Pedagogy of Music	4
Orchestration	4
Expression (Privately)	
Massage	2
Typewriting (Any hour)	2
Chorus	½

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