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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*of the Lake Union Conference, S. D. A., 1937-1941*

IT IS WITH great pleasure that we greet you as delegates to this important Lake Union Conference Session and to this the first meeting of the Session. Were the opportunity afforded all could no doubt find expressions of thanksgiving for a kind and providential care since last we met just a bit more than five years ago. In these recent years terrible things have happened to this sin-wearied world, but how good is our heavenly Father to those who trust Him!

Since we met here in 1937 many have been called upon to part with those near and dear and we expectantly wait for that glad reunion day so soon to be. Even in the deepest sorrow the trusting heart is cheered by the anticipation of the blessed hope that is to be real in that glad day.

Changes have taken place in the personnel in the Lake Union working force. Many of these changes have been in the stenographic division. We hope those now with us will not leave too soon. Three of the seven Union men have gone from us, Elder T. E. Unruh leaving in June 1940 to Wisconsin as conference president, Professor V. P. Lovell taking his place in the Educational Department. Elder E. W. Dunbar accepted a call to the Pacific Union Conference and left us in September of 1941, Elder R. R. Bietz of Michigan was selected to take Brother Dunbar's place in the Missionary Volunteer Department. This month Brother H. P. Bloum, the auditor for the Union, was called to be secretary-treasurer of the Michigan Conference. His successor will need to be selected at this meeting.

By Jay J. Nethery

Other changes have taken place affecting the membership of the Union Conference Committee. The departure of Elder V. E. Peugh to Minnesota where he was invited to act as conference president occurred shortly after the Union Session five years ago. Elder W. H. Holden, former president

of the Union was asked to take the leadership of Wisconsin, which responsibility he carried until June 1940 when he requested release from presidential duties due to his need for a less arduous program in the interest of his health. Elder C. B. Haynes, for many years president of the Michigan Conference was called to the General Conference as Secretary of the Commission on National Service in Sep-

### YOU'RE DRAFTED—FOR SERVICE AT HOME

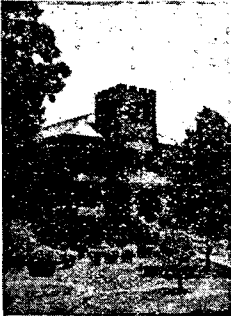
WE ARE IN Class 3A . . . deferred from army service for family service. *Boys and girls are still just as important as Panzer Divisions.* While fighting power is essential, the loving care and education of children are also vital.

That's a big responsibility for any of us to face. Excused from one job we've got to make good on the other. How can we best protect our homes and families through the uncertain times ahead?

One line of defense we dare not neglect is Christian education. This is one safe sure ally—which has grown steadily through the wars and depressions of almost a century—and is distinguished today by its accomplishments.

Broad protection for our young people can easily be established through the support of the Educational and Improvement Fund. The best time to begin is April 18 when opportunity will be given you to contribute to a tried, experienced system organized for family counsel—and family defense.

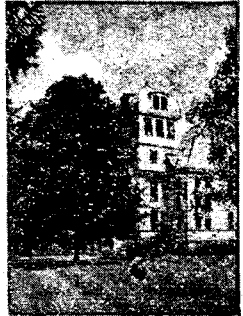
THEODORE LUCAS



## Educational and Improvement Fund

**Next Offering**

**April 18**



Our Academy

Our College

"He who saves the youth saves the church"

Use "Above the Din—God Speaks" and "After Tomorrow, What?"

tember, 1940. Elder T. G. Bunch, pastor of the Tabernacle Church, was invited to the presidency of the Michigan Conference. Due to our tenure of office policy Elder S. E. Wight, our veteran but active worker, accepted conference district superintendency and Elder F. O. Sanders is now serving Indiana as conference president.

In the summer of 1941 Elder M. V. Campbell of the Illinois Conference, was called to the presidency of the Minnesota field and Elder L. E. Lenheim, president of the Florida Conference, was called to Illinois as president.

We can most happily say that a fine spirit of fellowship is manifested in the family of the Union workers. There has been a commendable attitude on the part of all to serve faithfully and well. This they have done. The reports to be given by the Union Treasurer and Departmental Secretaries as well as by the conference presidents and those representing our institutional work, will, of course, tell the story of progress and of things accomplished and the present state of these various phases of the work. Anticipating that these active leaders will bring to your attention many facts and figures, I will refrain from mentioning that which would only be repeated when the above-mentioned reports will be given. You will note financial items in the treasurer's report, for he has an interesting one to give. Our four local conference presidents will inform you as to the state of funds in their conferences and academies and

most of all, concerning that which is most important, the spiritual state of the membership and those won to the faith in their respective conferences.

The manager of the Hinsdale Sanitarium will tell us of recent plans for that institution. The work at Hinsdale is greatly appreciated in this Union Conference. The general manager of the College Wood Products will be enthusiastic as he indicates the progress made in the development of this interesting industry.

The president of Emmanuel Missionary College will have a cheering report of the years of operating and progress of the College. It is not assuming too much to say that all are intensely interested in the work of this important institution where our young people are called to receive their training.

Brother B. L. Grundset, Manager of the International Branch of the Pacific Press at Brookfield, while located far from the home office of the Pacific Press of Mountain View, California, finds fellowship in this Union and he will tell us of the good work done among the people reading the literature provided by his organization.

The busy, hard-working, mostly-away-from-home Union departmental secretaries are perhaps the most zealous in writing reports and we will listen with great interest. Perhaps in a special way, they represent the activities of the membership in their soul-winning endeavors. All believe in the Departmental activities which are indispensable.

We are hopeful that the spirit of discussion will be evident at this session and that discussions will be had by the delegates on all important phases of the work largely represented by the reports given. There are some lines of our work that will need to be given attention that may not be discussed in these reports and time will be afforded for these matters to be brought to our attention during the time designated on the program as the Round Table Hour.

We give expressions of appreciation most heartily to the loyal workers in all the conferences and institutions as well as the church leaders and the faithful membership in the territory of the Lake Union in their endeavors the last five years, to warn friends and neighbors of the issues that are before us. Our most important duty at this session is to discover most sincerely in our own individual hearts the conviction that we have the message for the world in this hour and that we may have the endowment of the Holy Spirit to prepare us for the hours of labor that are before us until the work is accomplished. We trust that the spirit of good fellowship and counsel may be in our midst as we confer together concerning the work that is before us.

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 "FIVE minutes spent in earnest, face-to-face talk with anyone, generally is worth more than a sermon, a letter, a tract, or any other 'long-distance' contact."—O. S. Davis.

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**Found**

A BLANK loose-leaf notebook of special songs, left in the Battle Creek Sanitarium hall at the time of the Lake Union Conference Session. Owner please notify Indiana Book and Bible House.

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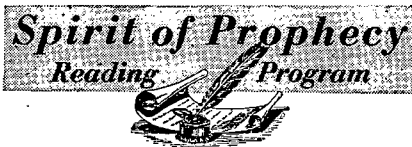
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**Assignments for Seventeenth Week,  
 April 19-25**

Volume: "Desire of Ages"  
 "Give Ye Them to Eat"  
 "A Night on the Lake"  
 "The Crisis in Galilee"—1st 6 pp.  
 Apr. 19—364-365      Apr. 22—377-379  
 Apr. 20—365-368      Apr. 23—380-382  
 Apr. 21—368-371      Apr. 24—383-385  
 Apr. 25—385-388.

## Summary of Treasurer's Report of Lake Union

By R. M. HARRISON

TRULY, the past five years have been years in which God has richly blessed His people in the Lake Union Conference. In bringing to you this treasurer's report, I shall endeavor to point out some of the "financial blessings" that have come to our people in the Lake Union Conference during the five years just passed. When I say "Lake Union Conference" I mean the 25,492 constituent members scattered throughout these four states.

Many individuals say figures are dry and uninteresting, but I want to state that much of this report is the direct result of the spiritual work of the delegates seated here today. These figures represent the financial blessings of our united efforts for God. As such, I believe these figures will be of keen interest to you.

As the comparative figures are presented we must keep in mind that the years 1932-1936 were years that caused much anxiety and worry to administrators. Those were the years of depression. Nineteen hundred thirty-three was the low year in our tithe and offerings. Let us think kindly toward those trying years as we note comparisons.

In order to set before you a clear picture of the results of the two periods, kindly consider a few of the main avenues of denominational support:

Received by Conferences	1932-1936	1937-1941	Increase	% Gain
Tithe	\$2,204,867.20	\$3,513,697.20	\$1,308,830.00	59%
Sabbath School	705,435.52	892,525.81	187,090.29	26%
Harvest Ingathering	294,794.53	506,901.70	212,107.17	71%
Total Missions	\$1,154,296.68	\$1,557,460.35	\$ 403,163.67	34%

Note the splendid gain in tithe of \$1,308,830. or 59% gain. Taking the tithe as our base, representing 10%, that means that \$13,088,300. more money passed through the hands of

our constituent members during the past five years than the previous five-year period. However, out of those thirteen million additional dollars we gave on the average less than 1½ cents out of each dollar to the Sabbath school, as represented by the gain in Sabbath school funds of \$187,090.29. Surely this item is worthy of prayerful study. The excellent gain reflected in Harvest Ingathering funds of \$212,107.17 shows a good cooperative spirit on the part of the church members in the Lake Union Conference.

In this short report for the HERALD I am leaving out most of the figures, and giving just a few comparisons for the five-year period.

The balance sheet and operating statement are very encouraging. During the past five years the assets in the Union Conference have increased \$45,948.93. We have no liabilities excepting "trust funds" that are being held for various projects throughout the field.

The net gain to present worth during the period was \$28,948.25. Our tithe income has gained from \$629,425.80 in 1937 to \$919,927.28 in 1941, in the four conferences. Our total mission offerings were \$296,799.15 in 1937 and \$386,233.54 in 1941. The total mission offerings for the five-year period was \$1,557,460.35.

During these years the Lord has richly blessed His people in a financial way. The extra tithe and mission offerings have helped immeasurably to carry the gospel to the world field.

It will be of interest to know that during the five-year period just closed the Lake Union Conference sent on to the General Conference treasury a grand total of \$2,648,609.43 to assist in the mission program of this denomination.

At the same time the Union Committee has been very liberal in making donations to local conference projects and to Emmanuel Missionary College. Our aim is to strengthen our educational work and our evangelistic work, and to carry a well-balanced program in all lines of departmental work.

During the last five-year period there were 7,602 converts by baptism and profession of faith. After deducting the deaths, apostasies and transfers by letter, our net gain in membership was 2,541. It is interesting to note that the ratio of baptisms and professions of faith to our total membership is 17+. In other words, it took on the average better than seventeen members to bring in each convert per year.

In closing this report we recognize that only through the divine blessing of a kind Providence could such gains be obtained. We take this occasion to thank the loyal workers and our faithful constituent members for the part each had in making possible this financial and statistical report.

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"When men of promise and ability were converted, as in the case of Timothy, Paul and Barnabas sought earnestly to show them the necessity of laboring in the vineyard. And when the apostles left for another place, the faith of these men did not fail, but rather increased. They had been faithfully instructed in the way of the Lord, and had been taught how to labor unselfishly, earnestly, perseveringly, for the salvation of their fellow men. This careful training of new converts was an important factor in the remarkable success that attended Paul and Barnabas as they preached the gospel in heathen lands."—*Acts of the Apostles*, pp. 186-187.

## Recommendations and Resolutions Adopted at Union Conference Session, March 18-23

WHEREAS, We are conscious of the uncertainty of life and of the fact that in God we live and move and have our being, and that through all the vicissitudes of life He has tenderly cared for us who are here gathered in session and for the work and institutions represented by this gathering, and has given His people unprecedented prosperity, and that through His goodness we have a part in the finishing of His work, and that while a world gropes in darkness and uncertainty He has kindled in our hearts a flame of hope; and

WHEREAS, God has greatly blessed in the development of the work in this field and prospered our labors; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we express to God our deepest gratitude for all His blessings and that we here dedicate ourselves anew to Him, making room in our hearts for His presence that the work may be quickly finished in the world.

### Appreciation of Courtesies

We, the delegates, assembled at the Sixth Quadrennial Session of the Lake Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, do hereby express our appreciation and thanks to the management of the Battle Creek Sanitarium for their kindness in making available for our use during this Lake Union Session, the facilities of their fine institution.

Also we express our thanks to the board and members of the Battle Creek Tabernacle for making available their church during this union session.

### Sabbath School Offerings

*Resolved*, That we as workers take an added interest in strengthening the Sabbath school offerings:

1. By encouraging the Sabbath

school members to set higher individual weekly offering goals, commensurate with increased earned income.

2. By occasionally giving a talk in the Sabbath school or preaching service on systematic benevolence.

3. By adding our influence to that of the Sabbath school officers to obtain a far greater percentage of participation of the membership of the Sabbath schools in the unlimited possibilities of the Investment plan.

### Irregular Offerings

WHEREAS, The objective of our giving in the Sabbath school is for the support of our great world-wide missions program, and that the regular authorized channels through which the Sabbath school offerings are gathered are the weekly, the Thirteenth Sabbath, the Birthday, and the Investment offerings, and

WHEREAS, Irregular offerings are taken up in some schools which offerings are often used for purposes outside the Sabbath school program;

*We recommend*, That all offerings taken up in the Sabbath school except the Sabbath school expense fund be dedicated to the support of the mission cause.

### Sabbath School Missionary Activity

Inasmuch as the Sabbath school teacher must adapt his teaching to the religious experience of his class, and

WHEREAS, We are instructed that to enjoy a healthy Christian experience the individual Christian must witness for his Saviour;

*We recommend*, That we encourage the Sabbath school teacher through personal effort to make the class a real missionary unit, and that the pupils be encouraged to extend personal invitations to their friends and neighbors to attend the Sabbath services and follow up the interest created

in the class and thus develop more fully the Sabbath school soul-winning plan.

### Home Missionary Department

#### *Missions Extension*

WHEREAS, The annual Missions Extension program constitutes a splendid opportunity for encouraging a large number of our church members to engage in active literature ministry; and

WHEREAS, The present world turmoil presents new and urgent needs for increased financial obligations in connection with our world mission work, as well as the need for a deeper spiritual experience on the part of all Seventh-day Adventists;

*We recommend*, 1. That we vigorously promote the Missions Extension offering to be taken up in all our churches on Sabbath, May 2, 1942.

2. That our church members be encouraged to sell the special literature prepared for this year's effort and that the profits be dedicated to this fund.

3. That our churches endeavor to raise the goal of not less than \$2. per member.

#### *Bible Service Training School*

WHEREAS, The Spirit of prophecy says, "Every church should be a training school for Christian workers" and wherever the Bible Training Class has functioned in our churches, scores and hundreds of the laymen have qualified to teach the Bible and brought men and women into church fellowship;

*We recommend*, That as far as possible, a Bible Training Class be organized in every church in the Lake Union, and that the classwork be maintained continuously, so that as one class completes the work and certificates are granted, another group will be ready to take up training, thus keeping a full staff of Lay Bible Workers available for service as the program of the church demands.

#### *Harvest Ingathering*

*We recommend*, 1. That the 1942 official Ingathering campaign date for the Lake Union Conference be July 4 to August 29.

2. That every conference in the Lake Union carry forward a vigorous campaign which will enlist all its working forces and successfully conclude the endeavor with the full amount of the goal in hand within eight weeks.

3. That the promotion goal of the Lake Union Conference be \$127,000.

4. That our churches, in harmony with the General Conference recommendation, make a complete list of the names, addresses and other helpful information, of firms or individuals that make substantial contributions to the fund and preserve such records for use by solicitors year by year.

5. That we use the blanks prepared by the General Conference for this purpose.

#### Missionary Reporting System

WHEREAS, There is urgent need of greatly simplifying the present reporting system in our churches, so that less effort and machinery will be required to obtain necessary information on the missionary activities of the church, and at the same time reduce actual expenses of the same, and lessen the office burden of compilation;

*We recommend*, That the Lake Union Conference in session approve the revision of the Home Missionary reporting system in this field as outlined below and request the General Conference for approval to use this revised system in the Lake Union Conference beginning January 1, 1943:

1. That no individual reports be taken up in the churches as heretofore.

2. That report blank Home Missionary Number Two be rearranged to incorporate four major items, namely, (a) Organization (b) Three missionary activities required (c) Financial statement (d) Attainments, all such information to be furnished by the Church Missionary secretary.

3. That this missionary report be made out and forwarded to the Conference office quarterly.

#### Colporteur Evangelism

WHEREAS, we realize that time is short to accomplish the task of giving the message so much needed by the people in these troublous times, and recognizing the large place that the distribution of literature occupies with reference to the broader, more extensive plans for greater evangelism;

*We recommend*, 1. That our union and local conference committees give special and earnest study to plans that will build up and strengthen the colporteur work in their respective fields in conjunction with their plans for more intensive evangelism.

2. That they request all our ministers, district leaders, other workers, and church elders to keep before the membership of our churches the importance of colporteur evangelism in their personal and public ministry.

3. That we ask each church board together with its pastor or district leader to give study and make recommendations to the Conference Publishing Committee of such members as in its judgment ought to be encouraged to engage in the colporteur ministry with our books or magazines. When the members selected have been approved by the Conference Publishing Committee, the workers should be given the encouragement and moral support of the church organization.

4. We recommend further that in these ominous days we encourage our people everywhere to use more of our truth-filled books and magazines in all their contacts with their fellow men.

#### Work Among Foreign Language People

WHEREAS, The foreign-speaking peoples of the Lake Union Conference must also receive the warning message that we are charged to give to the world, and

WHEREAS, We should dedicate ourselves anew to the reaching of this vast group in our territory;

*We recommend*, 1. That a small group dedicate themselves as mis-

sionaries to the various nationalities as, for instance, one or two take upon themselves the contacting of all of the Polish or Greeks or Hungarians in the church territory or any other nationality in the area, and that they consider themselves permanent missionaries to this group, learning a few words of their language, Ingathering from them, distributing literature to them, etc.

2. That we endeavor to place upon each church where there are foreign-speaking people the burden of distributing our foreign literature, and emphasizing particularly the securing of clubs and single subscriptions to our foreign periodicals.

#### Study of Conflict of the Ages Series

WHEREAS, We are living in the end of the prophetic age, in the time when the last movements will be rapid ones, and

WHEREAS, There are arising among us varied interpretations and applications of prophetic development, and

WHEREAS, The strength of a movement lies in its united presentation of truth,

*We recommend*: 1. The workers of the Lake Union Conference be urged to study the Conflict Series of the Spirit of prophecy to discover the great principles of prophetic interpretation revealed there, testing all prophetic utterances by "The Law" and "The Testimony."

2. That the pastors and district leaders lead their churches in a systematic study of the Conflict Series to acquaint them with the teachings of the Spirit of prophecy in the field of prophecy.

#### Christian Home Council

WHEREAS, The Lord has warned us through His servant that "Never will education accomplish all that it might and should accomplish until the importance of the parents' work is fully recognized, and they receive a training for its sacred responsibilities," and

again that "upon fathers as well as mothers rests a responsibility for the child's earlier as well as later training;"

*We recommend,* That all our district leaders and pastors encourage and foster plans for more extensive and thorough home training, and that as fast as possible in cooperation with the local educational superintendent that the Home and School Association or the Christian Home Council be properly organized in all the churches to promote the program.

### Temperance

WHEREAS, There is a revived interest in the world today in temperance and temperance education, and

WHEREAS, This provides unparalleled opportunity for Seventh-day Adventists to present temperance work to the world as a whole, and

WHEREAS, Our young people's societies are organized and equipped to better serve the field in this respect;

*We recommend,* That a temperance band be organized in every Missionary Volunteer society wherever practical, and that teams be organized to present temperance material in non-Adventist churches, young people's organizations, schools, parent teachers' associations, etc.

### Medical Cadet Corps

WHEREAS, These momentous times indicate the necessity of deeper consecration and better preparation on the part of our young men, and

WHEREAS, The benefits of the proper preliminary Medical Cadet training, and other training to serve our country along noncombatant lines is of inestimable value in this emergency;

*We recommend,* That in each local conference the Medical Cadet Corps training, Red Cross classes, and other suitable training be made available for our members wherever possible.

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 "The advance of the gospel message must not be hindered by the prejudices and preferences of men, whatever might be their position in the church."  
 —"Acts of the Apostles," p. 200.

# A New Questionnaire

By CARLYLE B. HAYNES

THE SELECTIVE Service registrants of February 16 will receive a questionnaire not heretofore sent to former Selective Service registrants, and the men in this registration from 35 to 45 years of age will quite possibly receive this new questionnaire before the regular Selective Service Questionnaire itself.

This is an Occupational Questionnaire by which the government seeks to ascertain the occupational background of registrants. It will not be sent to the 20-21 year old men, at least at present, but will go now only to the 35-45 year old men registering on February 16, and will be the only questionnaire which will be sent to the 45-65 year old men after their registration on April 27.

The Occupational Questionnaire will be sent out by Local Boards, the data obtained will then be forwarded to the National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel, in order to discover the occupational background about persons with professional and scientific qualifications. The data will also be sent to the United States Employment Service to classify those with "critical and essential" occupations.

There are two lists of occupations on the questionnaire. One is headed "Professional and Scientific Workers," the other is "Selected Occupations." Many detailed questions are asked in order that the government will have the data, to prevent the fitting of square pegs into round holes.

The Questionnaire has been prepared under an order to the Selective Service System to make an occupational inventory of all persons now or later registered, except those already inducted into the armed forces.

The purpose is to obtain information regarding the present employment and activities of registrants, and their skills

and aptitudes. The data will serve as an important aid in achieving a more complete and efficient utilization of the manpower of the country in connection with the war production program.

For the present the Occupational Questionnaire will be sent only to the registrants of the Third Registration. Later it will go to those of other registrations.

The new questionnaire is in the form of two pages, and is to be filled out in duplicate. It lists 36 professional and scientific groups, from accountant to veterinarian. It lists also 319 skilled labor occupations, arranged alphabetically, from airplane fabric worker to woodworking machine operator.

This Occupational Questionnaire calls for the Social Security number of the registrant, the date of his birth, his race, his citizenship, his marital status, his dependents, the number of children living with him under 18 years of age, the number of other persons living with him supported by him, the number of persons not living with him whom he supports, his education, his present work status, and his employment class in his present job. He is to describe in detail his present job, giving its title, the length of his employment in it, the products he works on, or the service which he performs, the machines he operates, the tools he uses, his present employer and place of work, the business engaged in, to describe the job for which he thinks himself best fitted and its duties, to describe the job for which he thinks he is next best fitted with its duties.

This Occupational Questionnaire has nothing in it dealing with religion or the question of noncombatancy. That will be covered in the regular Selective Service Questionnaire, which will go

also to all registrants of February 16, but will not be sent to the registrants in the 45-65 age group who are to register on April 27.



### Use Foreign Language Literature During Missions Extension Week

THE LARGE variety of literature which is rolling out from the Seventh-day Adventist presses and scattered in profusion along the highways of life, may be termed the Christian soldiers' ammunition in the closing conflict against the powers of evil and darkness. This ammunition, which should be scattered "like the leaves of autumn" and "in perpetual downfall" does not destroy life, but on the contrary brings a Heaven-sent message of life and salvation to find friend and foe. As church missionary workers we thank God for our wonderful literature, suited to the needs of every individual. With renewed earnestness and sincerity, now that we are standing upon the very verge of the eternal world, holding the truths we do, having so great light, and so important a work, we must double our diligence! (See "Testimonies," Vol. V, p. 461.)

In our endeavor to increase the circulation of literature during Missions Extension Big Week, we must not forget our people of foreign speech in America. From the very beginning of our work to the present day, the literature ministry has been one of the best means for bringing the truth to the many nationalities living in our midst.

As Seventh-day Adventists we hold in our very hands the key that opens the door to the hearts of our neighbors and friends of a foreign speech. This key is our literature in the language of these foreign-speaking people. Today the whole American continent is dotted with churches and meeting places in which people of many tongues gather to worship God in some form or another. To illustrate—in Chicago alone there are 179 churches where

all the services are held in a foreign language, and 342 churches in which some English is used with the foreign tongue. Hosts of these people were taught the religious knowledge they have from a Bible written in a language other than English, and for religious teaching that we can give them to be effective it must be heard in the mother tongue of the hearer. As an indication of their loyalty to their own tongue it may be noted that there are still over 1,000 newspapers and weekly and monthly magazines published in foreign languages in the United States, and of course there are hundreds of thousands of subscribers to these papers and millions of readers. The best way to reach these people

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#### SERVICE

I wonder if we'll help Him, you and I;  
Or shall we look across His work with  
careless eye?  
Shall we not offer some dear service in  
His name?  
Set burning in some heathen heart God's  
flame?  
Or better yet, our truest, best lives give  
That He who died on Calvary may live  
In some sad heart—perhaps not o'er the  
sea;  
That heart may wait next door to you and  
me.

—Author Unknown

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is to give them the gospel message in the language they understand.

A special effort will be put forth during the Missions Extension campaign this year to reach some of the many thousands of foreigners with our literature. New books have been prepared in different languages, pointing out the seriousness of the times in which we live. Many people are not only anxious but eager to read these books. For example, a Lutheran lady in one of the northwestern states waded through the snow and slush for nearly three miles to borrow one of our books in the Scandinavian language, which gave an explanation of world events from the Bible standpoint.

Eternity alone will reveal the results of our literature work. Every member

of the church should now definitely plan for a part in this work. And please do not forget your neighbors and friends of a foreign speech. It was Christ's wish that His message should be carried to every nationality. He is no respecter of persons. He died for all. "Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all."

LOUIS HALSWICK

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### A New Day

HOW IS the *Signs of the Times* going this year?" To this frequent question we are glad to reply: "In a wonderful way. There has never been anything like the response this year." When you see our church members doubling and trebling their former subscriptions, and many making up lists for *Signs* with 50, 75, 100, 200, or more names for the year, you realize that something is happening. From our leaders in all parts of the country comes the same heartening word: "Our people feel that this is the time to work. They believe this is the hour for the *Signs*. We have never seen such an interest as now."

This means that our larger churches are rolling up subscriptions usually much increased over former years. In churches, for example, with memberships of from two hundred fifty to three hundred fifty, ordinarily using 200, 300 or 400 *Signs* regularly, they have this year in their *Signs* subscriptions gone up to 600, 800, 1000, and occasionally far beyond that. In the average size church the gain in relation to membership is likely to be even greater. The same spirit for larger activity is found in scores and perhaps hundreds of the smaller churches. In one conference with great distances, where churches are small and scattered, the idea of "The *Signs* Community Crusade" has stirred our people. The company of three or four families, for example, gets the vision of sending the

*Signs of the Times* to all the farmers within a certain radius. This may call for fifty, sixty, or seventy-five subscriptions. They are providing these. Most inspiring are the reports of the response in this program.

At the same time large churches in populous centers are listing professional people for the *Signs*—ministers, teachers, lawyers and others—in addition to all of the personal work members will do, and their *Signs* distribution grows in accordance with the large vision and planning. This all means that from east to west and north to south there will be a much stronger work with the *Signs* this year. Truly the Lord's spirit has been felt during these weeks when the *Signs* is under consideration.

Evidence multiplies daily that this work cannot be pushed too vigorously, or too rapidly. Families are searching for truth. People are making their decisions quickly. On January 5 of this year a lady in Massachusetts wrote us that for two years she and her husband had been looking in vain for a church with teachings they could accept. Unexpectedly one day two copies of the *Signs of the Times* came to light and the articles brought such comfort that they hurried in a subscription. That man and his wife and four children are now regularly in the Sabbath school and church, are attending a series of meetings, and have voluntarily asked for baptism.

A woman in San Francisco recently saw the *Signs* for the first time. She recognized in it the kind of information the world needs now, and enthusiastically ordered a subscription. In a Montana city the *Signs* has so broken down prejudice among the ministers that our Seventh-day Adventist pastor is being asked to prepare a paper on the Sabbath question to read before the Ministerial Association, of which he is a member. Pastors tell him freely they are using material from the *Signs* in their sermons. People are calling up Adventist members, asking a b.o.u.t.

world happenings and what prophecy says about them. The *Signs* has prepared the way. From Brighton, Colorado, the pastor of a Presbyterian church writes that he finds the *Signs of the Times* so true to the word of God that he is using it in the preparation of his sermons. He asks to know about health principles we teach. From Spokane, Washington, a man writes that the *Signs* touches his heart. "I never was more interested," he says. He orders five copies of the February 17 issue to send to friends widely separated. He wants them to have J. L. Shuler's "Shall We Know our Friends in Heaven?" His concluding word is "your little-big magazine has got me." This man reads the *Signs* that comes into the home of his grandson.

There is no end to such testimony. The Lord's Spirit is working. A new day has come. That the fields "are white already to harvest" (John 4:35) must be significantly true now. All

former ideas of circulation may need to be swept away. Why shouldn't we be putting out 200,000 copies of the *Signs* a week this year? Even a higher mark may be reached. Through the years the prophecy of Isaiah 52:10 has strengthened our missionaries, as they have pushed the gospel work to the ends of the earth. Today we know that this promise applies—that "The Lord hath made bare His holy arm," to make known the way of salvation to the people. In the work with the *Signs*, providing as it does the light of prophecy to guide in this dark time, this is especially felt. We are glad to give you a good report, and to express our appreciation of the wonderful interest, spirit, and response in this year's *Signs* campaign. As the many orders coming in are entered on our lists, our prayers are united with yours that through the larger work you are doing with the *Signs* this year, many more souls will be won for the kingdom.

J. R. FERREN

## Colporteur Evangelism

### I'll Pay for It All Now

We called on a home Friday. Brother Wilber canvassed the lady of the house, but she was undecided about buying the set. She said that none of the children cared much about the Bible—that only her husband read the Bible. Just then her son came home, so Brother Wilber gave him a brief canvass and then he said to him, "You would read these books if they were in your home, wouldn't you? He said, "I guess so."

The mother said she did not know how she would be able to pay for them, so the son said he would help her and he gave her a twenty dollar bill. Then she said all she had was the twenty and could we change it, and how much was the down payment. Brother Wilber said some pay for the first book right away, or she

could pay the usual payment which was two dollars. The young man said, "I'll pay for it all now." So we closed the deal. It's wonderful to know that people trust us with so much money (\$16.95). I am sure it is the Lord that impresses them with our sincerity.—James Harsany.

### Best They Had Ever Seen

In answer to my rap, a woman came to the door and said her father was very sick and she didn't have much time to read. I told her I had some small books he might enjoy having her read to him as she sat by his bedside. She said he was so hard of hearing and for that reason she couldn't read to him, but he did read some. So I handed her two small books which she took to show him, and as his bed was where I could see



I stepped in to answer—not even expecting to show “Bible Readings.” And in our talk I learned that he had read all of Judge Rutherford’s books except the last one and Russell’s books before him. They both liked my books and bought two and ordered three more. I then handed her “Bible Readings” and together they looked at it and said it was the best they had ever seen. So I took their order for it also. He is paralyzed and his heart is so bad he is not expected to live very long, but I am earnestly praying that God will strengthen him that he may learn the truth through these books before he is laid away.—Mary Grider.

### Three Sets in One Day

I worked in a Polish-Catholic neighborhood and it was very hard. I worked for five hours without even getting in once. But the Lord blessed me for I sold three sets in that section and all in one day.

One set was to a Catholic who works in a building where some of our good brethren are holding efforts and he read some Adventist literature and now he wants to know more about the Bible.

Another family wanted something to help them to understand the book of Revelation. They, too, can hardly wait until they get these wonderful, truth-filled books.

I’m glad I can have a small part in this literature ministry. — James Harsany.

### A Soul-Winning Work

Is that an Adventist book? That was the question that was asked me as I started showing “Bible Readings” to a lady in her home at Onaway one morning. “Yes, it is,” I said, “and a very good one too.” “I thought so,” she said. “I have one of their books in the home.”

As I gave her the canvass for “Bible Readings” she became very much interested. We talked about world conditions and the soon coming of Christ and then about the Sabbath of God.

She and her sister had been attending the Spiritualist Church but had been convinced that it was not God’s church and seemed to be much concerned about being in the right church when Jesus comes.

After our little Bible study, she ordered “Bible Readings” and I left it with her that day. I asked her if she would not like to come to our church the next day, which was the Sabbath. She met with us in our little church and the Spirit of God spoke to her heart. Today she is rejoicing in this blessed truth.—C. L. Finney.

### Knew the Lord Had Sent Him

One lady I canvassed recognized the author’s name on the Bedtime Stories and said immediately, “You’re a Seventh-day Adventist, aren’t you?” I answered that I was. She said that a young man had canvassed her a number of years before and had had prayer with her. She said she knew the Lord had sent him to help her through a very trying time. We had a lovely talk and she ordered four paper-bound Bedtime Stories before I left.—Althea Waite.

### Happy in the Work

I am so happy that I am in just the work the Lord would have us do at this time. It has taken on greater significance. People are looking for light and asking questions.

One morning I stopped in a cafe where they never buy, but I thought I must give them the opportunity. One of the patrons walked up to me and began pulling a magazine out of my pack. He said, “I want two.” Another said, “I’ve been looking for that magazine,” He wants one each month.

Pray for me that the Lord will use me in a greater way in soul saving.—Hilda Christensen.

### Time to Study Bible

I worked with Brother Skaggs Thursday morning and we saw a wonderful working of God’s Spirit on the hearts of the people as they listened to the canvass for “Bible Readings.” An order was taken in

every home with the exception of one where the aged mother said significantly, “I cannot do anything today under the circumstances.” And as soon as her son went out of the room she asked the price of the book, but as he came back again she listened respectfully and agreed to everything and wished us well when we went away. So, I plan to see her again when she is alone.

In one home, as I showed the lady “Bible Readings,” she said, “I have often remarked to my husband that we ought to really study the Bible.” She also told me that in the homes of all her brothers and sisters who are married that she has never known any of them to study or even read it. In fact, the only one of her relatives she ever saw reading the Bible was her grandmother. She said, “I am sure it is time for us to do something about it, and I intend to begin as soon as I get this wonderful book.—Mrs. G. W. Riebe.

### Want All the Help I Can Get

LAST WEEK while canvassing with Brother Walker, we called on one lady whom we had interviewed two or three times, but had not succeeded in getting her order. I gave her a canvass for the “Home Physician” and “Ministry of Healing,” then suggested that we have prayer. As soon as we arose from prayer the lady said, “Well, I have decided I want all the help I can get, so you may enter my order for the full set.” This amounted to \$17. I handed her the order blank and asked her to place her name and house number on it, and pointed to the place where the advance payment is recorded and asked her to put down the amount she wished to pay in advance. To our great surprise she put down \$10., then walked in the other room and got a \$10. bill and 15 cents for the current issue of *Health* magazine and gave it to us.

You may be sure we went away from that home well pleased and rejoicing.

R. G. CAMPBELL

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### President's Report of Lake Union Conference Session

AT THE RECENT Lake Union Conference Session a report of the progress of the work in Indiana was given by the president. It is felt the constituency of Indiana would be interested in fragments from this report given as follows:

Five years ago the total membership of Indiana was 3,549. During the past five-year period 1,792 have been added by baptism and profession of faith, as compared with 1,401 for the previous five-year period. The year 1941 closed with a membership of 4,408—a net gain for the five-year period of 24.2 per cent.

Evidences of divine leadership are seen in the remarkable records given by Brother Petersen, from the Book and Bible House, and Brother Smith, our field secretary. The sales for the past five years in the Book and Bible House totaled \$126,487.26, reaching the peak in 1941 with a total sales of \$36,611.99. During the same five-year period a band of consecrated colporteurs delivered books valued at \$87,599., the peak being 1941 when books were delivered valued at \$25,222. Last year's record was over one-half the total value of books delivered during the previous five years of 1932-1936.

Thrilling indeed are experiences and letters reported by workers and colporteurs of books long unused that are, today being uncovered and are turning men and women to this truth. Surely we are living in the day of God's power.

While we are definitely interested in the souls of the strangers, still we are not unmindful of the youth of Indiana.

Approximately 2,500 children and young people between the ages of six and thirty abide in the homes of Seventh-day Adventists in our State. Twenty-eight Senior and twenty Junior Missionary Volunteer societies are organized to care for this army of youth.

The year 1941 witnessed the largest enrollment in the Junior camp ever seen in Indiana. Ninety-seven boys and girls joined in this period of recreation and spiritual training. A large number of these juniors requested baptism, showing their youthful hearts had been touched during the camping period. Approximately 46 per cent of the total baptisms in Indiana last year were juniors and young people.

During the past ten years an average of sixteen to twenty-two church schools have been manned by faithful teachers with an average enrollment of 345 pupils. This is in addition to the successful work being done by our academy with an enrollment of nearly one hundred. Four hundred fifty-nine children have completed the eighth grade during this period and 315 have completed advanced work within the church schools.

In 1937 Indiana had 74 organized Sabbath schools with 3,790 members. There were no branch schools in 1937. At the close of 1941 there were 79 organized schools with 4,371 members, and six branch schools—or a gain of five regular schools and six branch schools during the past five years. One remarkable item is that during the period as many as 898 of the regular attendants in one year were not church members. During the past five years 1,234 persons were baptized who were members of the Sabbath school at the time of their baptism.

The mission gifts for this period amounted to \$120,937.58. In 1937 the per capita gift was 11 cents; in 1941 it arose to 13 cents.

During the past five years the various missionary organizations have reported nearly one-half million hours

spent in home missionary work, and 2,200,000 pieces of literature distributed. We are also justly proud of the gain in the *Review and Herald* circulation. A few years ago less than 300 copies of this paper went into the homes of Indiana; today 878 homes are receiving this periodical.

During the five-year period \$86,129.26 have been raised in Harvest Ingathering. We raised in 1941 the largest amount ever raised in Indiana.

Last, but not least, is the remarkable gain in tithe during the five-year period. The abnormal business condition with its attendant inflation has meant a good gain. During the past five years, \$545,201.53 in tithe has been paid by our people in this State.

This good gain has made possible a forward movement and gains in soul winning which have already been mentioned. For these years of plenty we feel thankful to God. Indeed there is a challenge as never before to finish the work God has given to man. Tomorrow may bring lean years filled with trouble. This challenge is courageously faced by a band of loyal and consecrated workers as they look into that tomorrow, believing God will grant eternal victory. F. O. SANDERS

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“God will move upon men in humble positions to declare the message of present truth. Many such will be seen hastening hither and thither, constrained by the Spirit of God to give the light to those in darkness. The truth is as a fire in their bones, filling them with a burning desire to enlighten those who sit in darkness. Many, even among the uneducated, will proclaim the word of the Lord. Children will be impelled by the Holy Spirit to go forth to declare the message of heaven. The Spirit will be poured out upon those who yield to His promptings. Casting off man's binding rules and cautious movements, they will join the army of the Lord.”—“*Testimonies*,” Vol. VII, pp. 26-27.

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### Missionary Volunteer State Institute

ALL Missionary Volunteer roads lead to Bethel May 1, 2 and 3. The occasion is the annual state meeting of our young people's leaders.

Outstanding speakers and leaders of our youth will attend. Reservations must be made for delegates immediately. Remember:

The Date— May 1, 2 and 3  
The Place— Bethel Academy  
The Occasion— M. V. Officers' Institute

THEODORE LUCAS

### Spring Week of Prayer at Bethel

It was the writer's privilege to spend nine profitable days at Bethel Academy, March 6 to 14, assisting the faculty in conducting the spring Week of Prayer. On my arrival I found that things were well organized for a good week. There was an earnest desire on the part of the young people to gain a deeper Christian experience. Every evening after the regular meeting a twenty-minute Christian fellowship meeting was conducted. The first few minutes were devoted to a brief study on prayer. The remainder of the time was spent in prayer and testimony service. The attendance at this meeting was entirely voluntary, and there were never less than twenty-five present. Surely this revealed a genuine interest and eagerness to get in closer touch with God. It also revealed the fine spirit prevailing at Bethel Academy. Many of the young people had a real Bethel experience during this week. They got a new conception of the Ladder—Jesus Christ. Eleven joined the baptismal class and many others made definite decisions which will spell progress in their Christian experience.

United, sincere, and devoted cooperation of every faculty member, two daily meetings, prayer bands, many personal talks and prayers with the youth, Christian fellowship meetings—all these helped to make this Week of Prayer a real blessing to the entire student body and faculty.

Once a visitor asked a teacher of a certain school, "Where in your day's schedule do you teach religion?" The teacher replied, "We teach it all day long." This is true in Bethel. Because of the fine Christian atmosphere prevailing and for many other good reasons, every eligible youth in Wisconsin should be in attendance at Bethel Academy. R. R. BIETZ

### Academy Day

Tuesday, April 21

ALL graduating church school students and prospective Bethel students for next year are invited to visit Bethel Academy. A special program for the day is being arranged. Details of the plan are being sent to the church elders, district leaders, and church school teachers. Plan now to come.

A. H. PARKER

### "Signs" Completion

EACH MAIL brings in more orders for the *Signs of the Times* and we are happy to note that in practically every instance the assigned goal is reached or surpassed by the order enclosed. The heartening feature of the *Signs* is the fact that it does win souls to Jesus.

As never before questions are coming from thinking men and women and the *Signs* goes quickly to them to answer the question and provide further suggestions of thought to soothe troubled minds and longing hearts.

One sister called on a minister of another faith who had been receiving the *Signs* to inquire of his attitude toward its weekly calls. He expressed his joy at getting it and stated that he

used it for sermons. This was just during the present campaign and similar experiences could be multiplied.

Radio owners and announcers should receive the *Signs* as well as public officials and ministers of other denominations. Now is our time to work without stint or circumference. Put forth a special effort now to finish up your lists and add any new ones. Send them in and have the *Signs* begin to win souls. C. C. KOTT

### Wisconsin Dorcas Federations

Milwaukee Area

Sunday, May 17—Milw. Ger. Church Southern Fed.

Monday, May 18—Oakland Western Fed.

Tuesday, May 19—Richland Center Central Fed.

Wednesday, May 20—Wis. Rapids Northern Fed.

Thursday, May 21—Rhineland Fox River Fed.

Sunday, May 24—New London

The churches and Dorcas societies in the above designated areas are encouraged to send delegates and officers to these meetings with reports of their activities and samples of the work which is being carried on by each local group. C. C. KOTT

"Do not put the shackles upon humble men whom God would use. . . . Not a hand should be bound, not a soul discouraged, not a voice should be hushed."—From "Remove the Barriers," p. 7.

"The Lord will raise up men to bear the message of truth to the world and to His people. If those in responsible positions do not move onward in the opening providences of God, bearing an appropriate message for this time, the words of warning will be given to others who will be faithful to their trust. Even youthful Christians will be chosen to 'cry aloud and spare not.'"—"Testimonies on Sabbath School Work," p. 56.

"It is a mystery that there are not hundreds at work where now there is but one."—"Testimonies," Vol. IX, p. 42.

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### "Signs" Progress

THE *Signs of the Times* orders from the churches of Illinois will far exceed the high record of 1941. With the all-time low prices of \$1. per year in church clubs and \$1.25 to separate addresses, Illinois will reach a new high in subscription records.

On April 30 the prices will be raised, so all orders for *Signs* at the special rates should be sent in before that date.

### Notice

THE PUBLIC meetings in the Bethel Bible Auditorium continue with good interest. Public presentations are held each Sunday night at 7:30 P. M., and a Health Preservation class at 7:00 P. M. each Tuesday. The Auditorium is located at 2914 W. North Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

M. N. SKADSHEIM

### Elder Wellman's Itinerary

WE FEEL very fortunate in securing Elder S. A. Wellman for a series of Sabbath School Conventions this month. We will schedule meetings in a number of churches and invite members of near-by churches to attend the convention nearest them. Only evening meetings will be held in the downstate churches, and these meetings will begin at 7:30 P. M. For the Chicago area churches, a central meeting place has been arranged for Friday night and all day Sabbath.

The conventions will be held in the following churches:

Monday	
April 20, 7:30 p.m.	Alton
Tuesday	
April 21, 7:30 p.m.	Decatur
Wednesday	
April 22, 7:30 p.m.	Springfield
Thursday	
April 23, 7:30 p.m.	Peoria
Friday	
April 24, 7:30 p.m.	West Central (Chicago)
Sabbath	
April 25, All day	West Central (Chicago)

The West Central Church, 5701 Midway Park Avenue, is easily accessible to the Chicago membership and a good attendance from all the Chicago churches is expected. Come and receive the benefit of the counsel which will be given by this representative from the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference.

J. C. CHRISTENSON

### Missions Extension Means Expansion

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA started with thirteen colonies and about three million people. Through the years it has grown, developed, and expanded until today we have 48 states and a population of about 135,000,000 people. It is our privilege to live in the greatest nation in the world, and as we look north, south, east, and west, we can say from the very depth of our souls that our wonderful country has grown and expanded under the blessing of God, and today her influence extends to the uttermost parts of the earth.

In the early beginnings of our publishing work the first edition of *Present Truth* weighed about twenty-five pounds and was carried in a carpetbag eight miles to the nearest post office. This work has grown and developed until today our combined publications and periodicals are being shipped out from our publishing houses by the carloads every month. Truly our work has been a program of expansion and extension. We are commissioned by the Lord Jesus Christ to extend "the gospel of the kingdom to the far corners of the earth."

"Missions Extension" implies a program of expansion. Seventh-day Adventists are not to stand still. They are not to remain neutral. We must constantly be on the alert in order to avoid stagnation. To us has been committed the great responsibility of warning every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. The story of the cross must be carried into every land, and

a lost world must be told of the coming of Jesus Christ.

In a very short time we shall have the privilege of contributing to the Missions Extension Offering which is to be received in all our churches on May 2. This offering each year has enabled our work to expand and because of your liberality the cross of Christ has been planted on new soil and the heathen in jungle lands have heard our missionaries relate the story of Jesus and His coming. The Missions Extension Offering means nothing more or less than expansion for God's work. The individual Missions Extension goal is \$2. per member. In these war-torn days, I believe that many of our believers will want to give much larger sums and have the assurance that their money is working for the Lord in these tremendous times. Do not forget that May 2 is the day for this important offering. Let us resolve, as individuals before high heaven, that we shall have some definite part in the expansive program of God and personally help to extend the territory of the kingdom of grace until it shall have covered the face of the whole earth. L. E. LENHEIM

### Report from District Twenty-four

EARLY in February of this year a class in Home Nursing was organized in the Alton church, with an enrollment of twenty-two. The instructor is one of the church members who is a graduate nurse and at present is in the employ of the county, acting as school nurse for the Roxana Public Schools. Upon completing the course the entire class will take two examinations, one based on their textbook, "Health Preservation and Home Nursing," and one on First Aid, to be given by the Red Cross. The certificates granted these persons will not only show that they have completed their course of training but will put them in a position where they can serve their country in a time of emergency. May the spirit of the Master possess every member in

this district and help him to relieve souls from the burden of sin as well as the agony of pain and suffering.

Elder L. E. Lenheim, our conference president, met with the members of the East St. Louis church Friday evening, March 6, and the following morning he spoke at the Alton church. His timely messages to these churches were greatly appreciated, and he was urged to return soon for another visit to this district.

On Sabbath afternoon, March 7, four young people and one adult followed their Lord in the rite of baptism. These individuals had been carefully instructed in the fundamentals of Christian living, and when questioned before the church, they agreed unanimously to accept the instruction, and expressed their determination to follow Jesus all the way to the end of the world.

A number of film projectors have been purchased by the members of this district and are being used in a schoolhouse effort, cottage meetings, and home studies in and around Alton and East St. Louis. In the near future we hope to have another baptismal service when many of those who are now studying this message will take their stand for the truth of God, as a result of the work of our faithful lay members. May this spirit of service for the Master characterize every member in district 24, and may none rest until some active daily work has been done for those who are lost in sin.

T. J. KROEGER

“Let not any living hand of minister or layman, be laid upon you with the statement, ‘You cannot go here, you must not go there; we shall not support you if you do not go at our bidding; or if you do not give yourself to the work of bringing souls into the truth in some certain place designated by us.’ God will bless you as you continue to search for lost souls in out-of-the-way places.”—From *“Words of Encouragement for Self-supporting Workers”*, p. 13.

## MICHIGAN

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### Another New Worker

W. A. HIGGINS of Ohio is the new Field Missionary Secretary of the Michigan Conference and has entered upon his duties. This departmental office was recently made vacant by the resignation of A. G. Sutton to accept a call to the Central California Conference. Brother Sutton has very efficiently and successfully carried this work for the past four years.

Brother Higgins has had years of experience in the literature ministry both as a successful colporteur and as field secretary, and we bespeak for him a hearty welcome on the part of all our colporteurs, ministers and people, together with a pledge of cooperation that will mean new achievements for Michigan in literature evangelism during 1942 and onward. The possibilities for ever-increasing success in books sold and souls saved in this state are unlimited.

We hope and pray that many who are now engaged in secular pursuits especially as successful salesmen will hear the “still small voice” of conscience calling them to use their talents and experience to help finish God’s work in the earth through the literature phase of evangelism.

I often think of the following statements from the Spirit of prophecy: “The book work should be the means of quickly giving the sacred light of present truth to the world.”—*“Testimonies,”* Vol. IX, p. 69.

“The world is to receive the light of truth through an evangelizing ministry of the word in our books and periodicals.”—*“Colporteur Evangelist,”* p. 100.

“In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who

comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the earth with his glory.”—*“Testimonies,”* Vol. VII, p. 140.

While every member should scatter our truth-filled literature on every fitting occasion, we are seeking for the regular colporteur ministry those who now have good positions where they are making a good living and are in demand. We do not want those who make a failure of everything they do, and, having nothing else in sight turn to the colporteur work as a last resort. This class will surely be disappointed and will bring embarrassment and disappointment to those who try to train and nurse them along. It may be a noble experiment but an expensive and useless one.

On the other hand men and women who have already proved their abilities in business lines can be just as certain of success in selling our literature on a paying basis. We know this is true because it is being demonstrated by ever-increasing numbers. I pray that as some who are now successful in business and salesmanship in the world of commerce read these statements, the Holy Spirit will speak to your hearts and you will be constrained to say, “Here am I, send me.” If you are interested please write W. A. Higgins, Box 900, Lansing, Michigan.

T. G. BUNCH

### Health Foods and Student Employment at Cedar Lake

MR. H. O. BUTLER, who for many years was connected with our sanitariums and schools, combined his interests in health foods and Michigan young people and built a health food factory near Cedar Lake Academy in 1940. From the time the excavation was begun throughout the entire construction period student labor was used exclusively wherever possible.

In the spring of 1941 the food factory began manufacturing staple health foods such as vegetable meat substitute, soy cheese, soy milk, soy butter, vari-

ous kinds of health flour and a yeast extract. Brother Butler states that from the first the reception from our own people and others has been beyond his fondest expectation. During the first nine months of operation the sales amounted to over \$4,000. This year the sales are larger.

Brother Butler is making a unique contribution: the students profit from the labor, the purchasers receive health foods. Since the project was first launched, he has paid the sum of \$3,069.91 to students of Cedar Lake Academy.

We deeply appreciate the sincere interest Brother Butler takes in the education of our young people. I am sure our people will be glad to patronize an establishment which has been dedicated to the dual objective: better health for our people and a better chance for Christian education for our youth.

G. M. MATHEWS

### News Notes

ELDER H. P. Evens spoke at the eleven o'clock hour in Lansing Sabbath morning and conducted the quarterly services. In the afternoon the young people of the church gave a very inspiring program of sacred music. At five o'clock a large number gathered for a class in "How to Give Bible Studies" conducted by Elder H. F. Brown.

Elder D. W. Hunter was in Benton Harbor for an all-day Missionary Volunteer rally. Churches from the district joined in this and in the evening a large number came in for the social hour held at the Y.M.C.A.

On Thursday, Elder G. M. Mathews met with the believers in Ionia to discuss their church school situation for next year. On Friday he visited the school at Muskegon and that evening spoke to the young people, thus closing their Spring Week of Prayer. He spoke at the eleven o'clock service on Sabbath morning and in the afternoon conducted another in the series

of Parents' Institutes. A number of classes were organized for the study of parents' problems. In the afternoon Miss Camp's room from the church school gave a very excellent program on the Passion of Jesus as taken from "Desire of Ages."

Brother Leonard Wartzok visited the Eaton Rapids church on Sabbath afternoon and spoke at their service.

Elder Bunch visited the churches of Riverdale and Frost on the Sabbath.

### A Garden Project

IN THESE days when it is very patriotic to plant gardens and also when it is quite likely that garden projects will be financially successful, I am suggesting to our Michigan Home and School Associations that they follow the example of the Charlotte Home and School Association and try a garden project this year. The following is a report of such a project conducted by the Charlotte Home and School Association last year under the leadership of Mrs. Alleta Lawrence:

"Last spring the Projects Committee of the Charlotte Home and School Association decided to try a garden project. The use of a parcel of land was donated. The agriculture class, under the supervision of the teacher and a member of the committee, planted a bushel of peas, a bushel of onion sets, and a quantity of white icicle radish seed. The three boys of the class cultivated the garden, some of the Home and School members helped harvest the crop and the school girls did most of the selling. We received more than \$40. for our Home and School."

G. M. MATHEWS

### Your Mexican Neighbors

THE newspapers tell us that due to the shortage of labor, many thousands of Mexicans will be brought in from Texas to work the beet fields of Michigan. We have been encouraged as we have seen the interest that some of our people have taken in these people.

Now the publishing house writes us that the following literature is available in Spanish:

Better Meals for Less.....	\$40
Crisis of the Ages.....	35
First Aid in Emergencies.....	35
Home Nursing and Hygiene.....	40
Golden Stories No. 2.....	35
Sanctified Life.....	35
Science Speaks.....	35
What Next?.....	35
Light for Today Series of Tracts, 12 numbers (per 1000)	2.75

### Brief Bible Readings

28 studies in envelope.....	15
El Centinela (monthly missionary paper) Special Campaign Price (one year).....	60

*El Centinela* subscriptions will count on your *Signs of the Times* goal, and during the *Signs* campaign the subscription price of the paper will be only 60 cents instead of \$1.

Secure a supply of this literature in advance, and give it to the Mexicans you will meet on the streets of your towns. Many of them would pay you for it. The "Light for Today" series of tracts are so cheap that you could hand them out freely. These publications may be ordered from the Book and Bible House.

Remember that Jesus tells us to be kind to the "stranger within our gates."

HENRY F. BROWN

### The Vendens in Kalamazoo

BEGINNING March 1, 1942 the Venden brothers opened another series of meetings. This time it is in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Assisting them in their work are Mrs. B. Davison, Mrs. A. Collard, Elder and Mrs. T. S. Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. George Schram. We are glad to say that the effort has been meeting with good success so far and that there is a fine attendance both during the week and on Sunday evenings.

Before the Venden group had a chance to get started in their present

effort the local Ministerial Association met and took action that they would discourage their church members from attending, so when the meetings did start everyone in town had probably heard of the Vendens one way or another. This did not seem to produce the results desired by the local ministers, for the opening night saw a crowd of nearly 1000 gathered in the Masonic Temple. Thus far the average attendance has ranged around 1000 for the Sunday evening lectures and 300 to 400 during the week.

Speaking for the group as I am, I feel that I state the general opinion of them all when I say that we feel the Lord had a definite hand in the choosing of this place for a series of meetings. There seems to be a good interest and we look for a good harvest of souls as a result of these meetings.

The work of visiting the people in their homes has just begun and it is of interest to note that without a known exception the people know that the meetings are being conducted by Seventh-day Adventists, and their ministers have warned them to stay away for fear of the "confusion" that will result. In spite of all this they are interested and receive us gladly into their homes. Surely the Lord has gone before and prepared the way.

I visited a home the other day and the lady frankly told me that her minister had told her and all his congregation to stay away from the meetings. She said that she didn't like his attitude at all and that she was not going to stay away on his account. In another instance a minister told his members that if they went to hear the Vendens they wouldn't ever need to put their foot in his church again. One woman was just about to join another church when she attended the meetings and heard the Bible explained so much more clearly than she had ever heard it before that she felt the Lord had intervened on her behalf and kept her from joining this other church. She attended a Seventh-day Adventist

church for the first time last Sabbath.

As a group we realize that nothing can be done of our own power and we are indeed thankful to the Lord that He has so definitely blessed the meetings so far. We ask an interest in your prayers that God may continue to be with us and bless us with wisdom, understanding, and love for souls who are seeking after God and His righteousness. We know that many have felt a real burden for our work and have consistently remembered us in their periods of worship and to all we extend our heartfelt appreciation.

GEORGE M. SCHRAM

#### HYMN

(To the music of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Praising Thee their sun above,  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Centre of unbroken praise:  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Blooming meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals join the mighty chorus,  
Which the morning stars began;  
Father-love is reigning o'er us,  
Brother-love binds man to man.  
Ever singing march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music lifts us sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

—Henry Van Dyke

#### 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.

**Wanted.**—Bookkeeper and Stenographer (Young Lady) also Typist (Young Lady). Write a letter giving your qualifications and references. Also tell us something about yourself, enclosing your photograph. Address F. G. Winters, Business Manager, Takoma Hospital and Sanitarium, Greenville, Tenn. —A21

**Wallpaper.**—Attractive patterns for every room in the house. Numerous stripe and floral designs in a large variety of colors. A sample book containing over 200 carefully selected patterns will be mailed upon receipt of request. Address E. G. Johansen, 9513 Ogden Avenue, Congress Park, Ill. —A 21

**Wanted.**—The College Wood Products plant at Broadview is in need of additional workers. Preference will be given to young men who plan to take school work next year. There are also some openings for full-time men who would live in the community. Give age, and whether you desire to come as student or full-time worker, also give name of conference worker to whom we may write for reference. Apply to T. Ray Lukens, General Manager, College Wood Products, LaGrange, Ill.—A21

**Wanted.**—Man to drive and assist on truck. Light work, small salary and board, must have chauffeur's license. Church privileges. Adventist family. Address, A. V. Marmaduke, 3038 Alice Ave., Dearborn, Mich.

**Wanted.**—Someone to live and work in our humble home, take mother's place when she is gone, care for Buddy and Sister of pre-school age, and share in a per cent of her nursing wage. Mrs. John H. Grimm, Jr., Route 2, Marshall, Wisconsin.

**Wanted.**—A capable, experienced dairyman and family to care for a herd of 30 registered Holstein cows, dairy barn and dairy. Owned and managed by S.D.A. Good salary, comfortable living quarters with bath and electricity. Good road, near S.D.A. Church. Apply to D. L. Millam, in care of Catocin View Farms, Lewistown, Maryland. —M5

#### Special Notice

All health-minded Adventists will want a FREE copy of "Carrot Juice." An especially prepared treatise telling how to get the best results from raw carrots in the treatment of stomach ulcers, colitis, constipation, arthritis, sinus infection and other chronic infections. Highly recommended by leading physicians, dietitians, dentists, and health experts. To insure immediate attention inclose 3 cent stamp and clearly print your name and address. Write Mr. Cross, 1960 Cherokee St., St. Louis, Missouri.

#### Sunset Table

April 17, 1942

Chicago	7:33	Lansing	8:23
Detroit	8:15	Madison	7:43
Indianapolis	7:25	Springfield	7:39

#### Lake Union Radio Log

		K C	Local Time
Chicago, Ill.	WIND	560	6:00 p.m.
Detroit-Windsor	CKLW	800	8:30 p.m.
Indianapolis, Ind.	WIBC	1070	6:00 p.m.
Milwaukee, Wis.	WISN	1150	8:00 p.m.
Rock I., Davenport-Moline	WHBF	1270	6:00 p.m.

## Missions Extension for the Foreigner

NEVER was there such an opportunity as now to spread the gospel to the people of other tongues who have come to our country from lands across the sea. We are told in the Spirit of prophecy that "God's hand was in their coming to America, that they might be brought under the enlightening influence of the truth revealed in His word, and become partakers of His saving faith." Surely each one will want to do his part in fulfilling the great commission, and one way to do so is to visit your foreign neighbors and friends with the books which are available in the different languages. Some of these books are just off the press, and all will lend themselves beautifully to the Big Week soon before us. Following is the list:

### Bohemian

1. Power and Prophecy (new)
2. His Glorious Appearing

### Croatian

1. Signs of Christ's Coming
2. Steps to Christ

### Danish-Norwegian

1. Impending Conflict
2. Steps to Christ

### Finnish

1. World's Hope
2. Bible Made Plain

### German

1. Signs of Christ's Coming (new)
2. Impending Conflict

### Greek

1. His Glorious Appearing
2. Messages of Comfort

### Hungarian

1. Marked Bible
2. Steps to Christ

### Polish

1. Steps to Christ
2. World's Hope

### Russian

1. What the Future Brings
2. Steps to Christ

### Rumanian

1. His Glorious Appearing
2. Steps to Christ

### Serbian

1. Our Changing World
2. World's Hope

### Slovakian

1. Power and Prophecy (new)
2. Steps to Christ

### Swedish

1. Prophecy Speaks (new)
2. Impending Conflict

### Ukrainian

1. Power and Prophecy (new)
2. Great Changes in our World

### Italian

1. Power and Prophecy (new)
2. His Glorious Appearing

### Yiddish and Yiddish-English

1. Future Unfolded

## E. M. C. Concert

THE Little Philharmonic Orchestra of Chicago under Dr. Erich Sorantin is the last number of the winter lyceum-concert series. It will be featured at the College on Saturday evening, April 18, at nine o'clock eastern war time. This group of fourteen musical artists promises to be the treat of the season. Admission 50 cents or by season ticket.

Price 25 cents each, with the usual discount. Place all orders with your local Book and Bible House.

B. L. GRUNDSET

## Lake Union Music Festival

ON THE week end of April 25-26, the music departments in all our academies of the Union will send student and teacher representatives from their various music departments to Broadview Academy where they will participate jointly in a music festival. The first program will be given Friday night. Part of the evening will be given to an address by Professor H. B. Hannum, who is head of the music department at the College. Special numbers will be furnished for the Sabbath school and the regular eleven o'clock hour. Elder Lenheim, president of the Illinois Conference, will address the assembly at this time. Then at three o'clock in the afternoon a sacred concert will be presented by all the academy groups, arranged and organized by Mr. W. A. Schram, who is festival chairman and head of the Broadview Academy music department. At eight o'clock Saturday night the festival concert will be given by all the participating groups.

This music festival is to be similar to festivals conducted in other unions, which have proved to be so inspirational and educational that they are being repeated year by year. We gladly welcome all those from the churches near by or even far away who can provide for their own entertainment while

there, as the Broadview Academy will be more crowded with all these academy groups.

Since music occupies such an important place in our work, let us pray that our first music festival will prove a great blessing to this phase in the training of our youth.

V. P. LOVELL

## "After Tomorrow—What?"

JUDGING from the way orders for the new book "After Tomorrow—What?" are pouring in to the Southern Publishing Association from our Book and Bible Houses, the title of this newest publication to come from our presses is the question uppermost in the minds of men and women today.

It was only about three weeks ago that the first copies of a 50,000 edition of "After Tomorrow—What?" came from our presses. This morning upon taking inventory, we learned that 43,100 of these had already been absorbed in the field. Later in the morning another telegraphic order for 3,500 came in, thus reducing our stock to 3,400. We have gone to press with another rush order for 20,000.

This rush of orders reaching us not only tells us that "After Tomorrow—What?" is a live question with men and women everywhere today, but it also tells us that our devoted Seventh-day Adventist membership are alive to their responsibility and are taking to inquiring minds God's answers to man's questions. What better investment can we make today than to secure enough of these message-filled books to supply our neighbors and friends and relatives? A few dollars spent in this way today may pay large dividends throughout eternity. If you have not secured our supply for this purpose, why not do it today?

What a treasure house we have in our good literature! We should be using it in ever-increasing quantities.

C. E. WEAKS

"Both religion and butter are far more satisfactory when not too thinly spread."