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Happy Ingathering Days Are Here!

By C. E. GUENTHER

Deep snow may still cover the landscape outside the window, but the calendar on the office wall says spring is here. And with spring-time comes Ingathering inevitably and inexorably.

Ingathering begins officially, Sabbath, April 7. Most conferences, churches and workers in the Northern Union have been Ingathering early this year. Indeed some may already have completed the task for 1951. Whether we are begin-

ning or finishing this major missionary project at this time, we ought to be happy. Those who begin should be happy that another opportunity is theirs to extend the knowledge of Jesus to others. Those who are finishing have a double reason to be glad. Ingathering is work, but it brings joy, especially to the one whose work is done and done well.

This year the individual minuteman goal is \$20.41. We invite and

expect every church member in our field to solicit or give at least this amount. If every one will take this responsibility seriously, working to reach his goal within six weeks, Ingathering will be an easy and pleasant task for all.

Let us each pray that the Lord will lead us to honest souls in the course of our Ingathering visits this year, and also that we may gather in thousands of dollars more to advance the work at home and abroad.

News About the Laymen's Congress

Here are the answers to some of the questions asked about the coming laymen's congress for North America.

1. *When will it be held?* August 29 to September 2, 1951

2. *Where will it meet?* On the Michigan Conference campground at Grand Ledge, Michigan.

3. *Who authorized it?* The General Conference session at San Francisco in 1950.

4. *Why is it necessary?* Because our church membership cannot be doubled in the immediate future nor the work of God be finished until our laymen become active in direct soul winning.

5. *How can the congress contribute to this end?* By inspiring and training for service representative laymen from every district of every conference in the nation, who will in turn do the same for other laymen of their home church and district.

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"Beware!"

"Beware lest any man spoil you through . . . vain deceit." Colossians 2:8.

From the days of the apostles there have been those who have seceded from the true church, "speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." (Acts 20:30) In the early days of the Advent movement Sister White wrote: "The Captain of our salvation leads His people on step by step, purifying and fitting them for

translation, and leaving in the rear those who are disposed to draw off from the body, who are not willing to be led, and who are satisfied with their own righteousness."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 1, p. 333. And further. "The work of God moves steadily on. Yet notwithstanding all the evidences that God has been leading the body, there are, and will continue to be, those who profess the Sabbath, who will move independent of the body, and be-

lieve and act as they choose."—*Ib.* p. 420.

OUR FIRST OFFSHOOT

And so it has been. Back in 1865 there were a few who, though professing the Sabbath, left the church and formed a "party" of their own. Though small in number, and now divided into two groups, they are still endeavoring to recruit members from us. And there have been other groups who have left the

church, but still "the work of God moves steadily on."

OTHERS FORETOLD

Nearly seventy years ago this significant prediction came through the Spirit of prophecy: "As the coming of Christ draws nigh. . . men and women will arise professing to have some new light or some new revelations whose tendency is to unsettle faith in the old landmarks. Their doctrines will not bear the test of God's word, yet souls will be deceived."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 5, p. 295. This forecast is being fulfilled today, so "beware lest any man spoil you through . . . vain deceit."

"Beware," wrote the Lord's messenger, "Beware of those who arise that have a great burden to denounce the church." — E. G. White, MS, 21, 1893. There are not a few such groups whose "great burden" is "to denounce the church," claiming that the denomination has rejected vital truth or entirely apostatized. And they are doing just what was foretold: "There will be messages of accusation against the people of God, similar to the work done by Satan in accusing God's people, and these messages will be sounding at the very time God is saying to His people, 'Arise, Shine: for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.'"—*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 42.

Yes, now at this "very time" when the call is sounding forth to all our people to seek God for a deeper experience,—a genuine revival of true godliness, these "messages of accusation against the people of God" are heard. Some of these accusers of the brethren even make light of our efforts for revival and reformation. And it is stated that we are really calling for "a revival without a reformation;" that the leaders do not really believe that God's grace is "strong enough to cope with the wiles of the devil in this world."

PROPAGANDA METHODS

Note the following accurate description of the character and methods of those who bring messages of accusation against the remnant church: "It will be found that those who bear false messages will not have a high sense of honor and integrity. They will deceive the peo-

ple, and mix up with their error the 'Testimonies' of Sister White, and use her name to give influence to their work. They make such selections from the 'Testimonies' as they think they can twist to support their positions, and place them in a setting of falsehood, so that their error may have weight, and be accepted by the people. They misinterpret and misapply that which God has given to the church to warn, counsel, reprove, comfort, and encourage those who shall make up the remnant people of God."—*Ib.* p. 42.

It is a favorite method of those detractors who profess faith in the testimonies, to quote many excerpts from those writings. However, discerning readers easily recognize the truth of the above statement that "they misinterpret and misapply" what "God has given to warn, counsel, reprove, comfort, and encourage." The warnings and reproofs which God has graciously given down through the years are gathered up and presented as though none of them has ever been heeded by the church.

Years ago Sister White wrote "An Appeal to the Church" in which she spoke of the church as being in a backslidden state and warning that nothing short of perfection and holiness would give the members success in carrying out the principles God has given them. She mentioned one man by name as being especially reprehensible in spite of the great light and opportunities he has been given. In the midst of this testimony of reproof she said:

"Warnings and reproofs are not given to the erring among Seventh-day Adventists because their lives are more blameworthy than are the lives of professed Christians of the nominal churches, . . . but because they have great light, and have by their profession taken their position as God's special, chosen people, having the law of God written in their hearts. . . . They are God's representatives upon the earth. Any sin in them separates them from God, and, in a special manner, dishonors His name. . . . God rebukes, reproves, and corrects them, that they may be refined, sanctified, elevated, and finally exalted to his own throne."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 2, pp. 452, 453. We have never known

of the critics quoting this statement. Neither have we seen in their literature the following encouraging words from Sister White's last message to a General Conference session, which was held in 1913: "I am encouraged and blessed as I realize that the God of Israel is still guiding His people, and that He will continue to be with them, even to the end."—*The Remnant Church*, p. 70.

However sincere may be some who have joined these offshoots, it is certainly true of their leaders that they do not have "a high sense of honor and integrity." Not only do they "misinterpret and misapply" the testimonies, but they make false statements regarding the church. A professedly inspired leader of one of these groups says that one of the seven blasphemous

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"Beware"

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heads of the leopard beast of Revelation 13 represents the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and that the organization is forsaken of God. The leaders are called "conference prelates," who yield to a "demon power" "to prolong their lukewarm condition indefinitely." Thus is fulfilled the words of the Spirit of prophecy, which, in speaking of opposing groups that would arise, says: "They will deride the order of the ministry as a system of priestcraft." And this advice follows: "From such turn away, have no fellow-ship with their message, however much they may quote the testimonies."—*Review and Herald*, September 5, 1893. And we have been warned that, "The worst enemies we have are those who are trying to destroy the influence of the watchmen on the walls of Zion."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 5, p. 274.

The institutions of the church are maligned. Our sanitariums are called "slaughter houses." Our colleges and our theological seminary are denounced. It is said that the very church which is urging people to keep the Sabbath, is making an image to the beast by the way our meetings are conducted; that we "beg, press, coerce, and steal on God's Sabbath day."

These are only a few samples of the scurrilous statements that are made in printed and mimeographed documents which are broadcast to our people in North America and to some overseas. Very few of our people pay any attention to them, but as Sister White foretold, some are deceived. Several months ago a man in a distant state held "an effort" for our Takoma Park church, by mailing to a large number of members, through a period of weeks, letters and leaflets, promoting the teachings of one of these groups, though not revealing its name.

"CUNNING CRAFTINESS"

It is not unusual to find the Takoma Park address on literature of this kind. More than one dissenting group and several individuals, have used this address, evidently believing that this would influence favorable consideration.

An outstanding manifestation of the lack of "honor and integrity"

is the effort of some of those who carry "messages of accusation" is to try to make it appear that they have the support of some of our denominational leaders. In their efforts to persuade individuals to come with them it is said that some General Conference men approve of their efforts. One writer of scurrilous diatribes against the church, in a letter to the president of the General Conference, denouncing the sanitariums, the schools, our teachings on prophecy, etc., said that he had "testimonies" regarding these things from some of the leading men of the General Conference, the Sanitarium, the *Review and Herald*, and from the ministry and laity. This same man, in one of his missives, quotes a letter from a leader of one of these offshoots which says: "I am with you 100% for a real revival and reformation." And the letter assures this man that "there are honest men and women from the General Conference to the rank and file of the laity that are praying for you that you weary not in well doing."

The man thus quoted was asked about this. The conversation ran substantially as follows: "Do you mean to say that there are General Conference men who are in sympathy with your work?" "Yes, they have told me so." "Do you mean that members of the General Conference Committee have said that?" "Well, I don't know that they are members of the General Conference Committee now." "Then you refer to men who were members of the General Conference Committee?" "Well, I'm not really sure that they were members of the Committee, but I think so." We leave it to the reader to evaluate this statement that men and women from the General Conference right down through the rank and file of the laity are praying for the success of those who are denouncing the leaders and institutions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. We warn our people not to be ensnared "by the sleight of man, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive." Ephesians 4:4.

Our General Conference Committee wants it clearly understood that we have no sympathy whatsoever with those who carry on these

campaigns of criticism and denunciation of the church. We know that the church is not perfect, and we thank God for the messages which "God has given to warn, counsel, reprove, comfort, and encourage." We believe with all our hearts that a "revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs." This was especially emphasized at the last General Conference session and also at the recent Autumn Council. Nothing said here is meant to encourage a spirit of self-satisfaction. Quite the opposite. Let all our ministers and people unite together in prayer for a great revival in our own hearts, and for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that will finish the work. Let us all be admonished by these words from holy writ: "Seek ye the Lord, . . . seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger." Zephaniah 2:3.

We thank God that "The church of Christ, enfeebled and defective as it may be, is the only object on earth on which He bestows His supreme regard," and that "He is leading, not stray offshoots, . . . but a people." — *Testimonies to Ministers*, pp. 15, 61. Let us then heed the counsel given concerning these false movements: "From such turn away, have no fellowship with their message." Let us thank God for the words of encouragement in that last message of Sister White to the 1913 General Conference session: "We are to cherish as very precious the work that the Lord has been carrying forward through His commandment-keeping people, and which, through the power of His grace, will grow stronger and more efficient as time advances."—*The Remnant Church*, p. 71. The church is soon to triumph. Let us triumph with it.

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Laymen's Congress

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6. *Who will go as delegates?* Laymen selected by the conference committees on the basis of one delegate for every one hundred church members in the conference. In the Northern Union it means that probably one or more persons will be chosen from each district of each conference.

7. *How will the expense be met?* Delegates will be responsible for their own meals and lodging, which will be very reasonable, thanks to the Michigan Conference. Lodging will cost only one dollar per person in a cabin, and seventy-five cents per person in a tent. Meals are expected to average about one dollar and fifty cents per day. Transportation cost will be low, as delegates are expected to go by auto, at least four to a car. Transportation costs will be met by an offering received in every church.

8. *What is expected of me?* If you are selected as a delegate, you will be expected to go, sacrificing personal and business interests. If you are not asked to go, you will be invited to help send others to represent you by contributing at least one dollar on Sabbath, April 7.

9. *How will this offering be received?* Special envelopes will be provided to each church for this purpose and the offering received in them plus the loose home missionary offering on Sabbath, April 7, will be used for this purpose.

10. *What features are planned for the congress program?* Address by Elder Branson, personal evangelism, workshops, screen presentation "Laymen Through the Ages," a Field Adventure to capture an entire city for Christ, soul-winning stories, tour of historic Adventist points, prayer bands, and many others.

Brethren, one dollar is very little to ask to help start a new lay soul-winning movement for Christ on a national scale. Yet the success of the entire project depends upon that small contribution from every member in our ranks.

Thank you for your help on April 7.

C. E. GUENTHER.

While it is Day

"It is, indeed, fitting that Adventist believers should, at this advanced time in the history of the church, give special thought and study to those truths of the Bible that relate, particularly, to the work of the church in its closing aspects." So states W. H. Branson, our recently elected General Conference president.

Our Sabbath school lessons for the second quarter of 1951 are to be on the subject, "Finishing of the Work." Everyone who has had access to the lesson helps used in conjunction with the Sabbath school lessons in the past few quarters will be happy to know that a new help has been prepared for the second quarter of 1951.

While It Is Day is the title of this helpful new volume. The author, C. J. Ritchie, is a worker of long experience in various parts of the world field who is at present serving as Sabbath school secretary of the Oregon Conference. You will find this book of real help in the study of every Sabbath school lesson during April, May, and June. There are thirteen chapters in the book, one chapter for each lesson in the quarter. Some of the topics of outstanding value and interest found in this volume are:

Christ's method of service.

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An outline of coming events.

The course we should follow under Sunday legislation.

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The glorious triumph of the remnant church.

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By ordering early you assure yourself of having this helpful volume for the first lesson study in April. Attractively bound in a sturdy cloth binding, this volume sells for only \$1.50. Please add sales tax where required. You may place your order now with your church missionary secretary or your book and Bible house.

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"The kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."
—Romans 14:17.

"Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."
—Matthew 4:19.

Foreign Language Signs

The circulation of foreign language literature has been a fruitful part of Seventh-day Adventist evangelism since the earliest days of the movement. Beginning as early as 1860, tracts and publications in German, Dutch, French, and the Scandinavian languages made their appearance. The writings of many of the early leaders, including James White, and Uriah Smith, were translated into these languages. As the result of the foreign literature that has been circulated, a great harvest of souls has been gathered. From these peoples have arisen a large number of the outstanding leaders in our world-wide work.

Today, literature in more than a score of languages is being circulated in America and in 190 languages around the world. The printed pages are seeking out the peoples of every nation, kindred, tongue, and people to give the message of the soon-coming Saviour.

In reports come thrilling accounts of soul-winning as the result of the circulation of foreign literature.

In New Jersey, a family of four is rejoicing in the truth as the result of an interest that started when a German *Zeichen der Zeit* was found in an ash can.

In Michigan, five persons have been baptized and there is a branch Sabbath school with twenty-two members because of a Spanish book sold by a colporteur.

From Saskatchewan, Canada, has come a report about five people that are keeping the Sabbath because of reading the Ukrainian *Signs of Our Times*. This writer says "Precious to me and my family are the instructions and teachings regarding the keeping of the Sabbath."

Everyone can give the third angel's message to foreign friends and neighbors by sending our missionary publications. Danish-Norwegian, *Evangeliets Sendebud*; German, *Zeichen der Zeit*; Italian, *I Segni Dei Tempi*; Spanish, *El Centinela y Heraldo de la Salud*; Swedish, *Sions Vaktare*; and Ukrainian, *Signs of Our Time*; are ready to serve as messengers of truth in every community.

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in areas where there are foreign speaking peoples should provide missionary journals for mailing and distribution to their communities. Churches that have no foreigners in their communities, may contribute funds to send missionary journals to the heavily foreign-populated sections. Order from your book and Bible house the amount your church will provide. Names of those to whom foreign-language periodicals may be sent will be supplied by the publishing house.

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UNION COLLEGE



Last Part of Spring Devotional Week

On Tuesday evening, March 6, E. W. Dunbar continued his presentation for the spring Devotional Week by challenging his audience to yield the avenues of the soul to God. The gateways to the soul, or mind, are the senses. By permitting only what is good, virtuous, ennobling, etc., to claim our attention and enter our thinking our thoughts will be right. If our meditation is thus acceptable to God, the words and actions will likewise be correct, "for out of it are the issues of life."

Wednesday morning's convocation began with a speech by Joe Lehman, a senior ministerial student, who acted as spokesman for the Ministerial Seminar. Elder Dunbar followed with "Standing for God." If we stand for God, God can use us, speak through us, and make us instrumental in helping others to stand for him. A portion of time this morning was devoted to testimonies by members of the

audience who volunteered to stand for God.

The evening meditation was based on Isaiah 60:1-3. Even though the world is engrossed in darkness, the speaker pointed out that God is anxious to veil us in heavenly light and glory. As we respond to this divine desire our lives will be loving and Christlike, and men and women will be won to God by the saving power manifested and demonstrated in our lives.

Norman Sharp, a junior theological student, was the spokesman for the Colporteur Club at the Thursday morning service. "Knowing God" was Elder Dunbar's subsequent topic. The entire audience was forcibly reminded that there is a vital difference between "knowing about God" and "knowing God." True Christians must *know* God. A few moments were set apart this morning also for expressions by such who wanted to *know* God.

Ephesians 6:10-16 formed the basis for a presentation of "The Armor of God" at the evening meeting. To the youthful audience was brought experiences of fellow young people in other lands, who have stood firmly for their Master amidst adverse circumstances, inasmuch as they themselves have been arrayed in His armor. Elder Dunbar stirred his audience to emulation.

Friday was the high day of this week of heart searching and renewed consecration. The Master Guides were represented at the convocation by Eunice Grant who spoke on character. Elder Dunbar in his speech emphasized that only those who have formed characters according to the divine similitude will have their names permanently written in heaven. "This," he said, "is the greatest attainment possible for a Christian."

This service ended with a period for testimonies. The time was not restricted this morning and thus the testimonies numbered into the hundreds, and the time stretched into hours. But as we dispersed we realized that many victories had been won for God under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

In the last vesper service of the Devotional Week the appeal came to everyone to make "Straight

Paths," because even though God will forget the past, He cannot change it," the speaker warned.

Sabbath morning, March 10, our spring Devotional Week under the spiritual leadership of Elder Dunbar came to a close. In his concluding message the speaker stressed the urgency of bringing the message of salvation to those around us inasmuch as "many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in." "How long must they wait?" the speaker searchingly asked. At this challenge the entire audience determined with God's help to reach a helping hand before it would be too late.

May the results of this week be visible in eternity!

A. V. WALLENKAMPF.

News Notes

✪ The Union College Symphonic Band, under the direction of Charles J. Watson assisted by Clifton Cowles, was featured in joint convocation Wednesday, March 14.

✪ The American Temperance Society, Union College chapter, whose president is Bill Neptune, sponsored the annual temperance contest the night of March 17. Winner of the oratorical contest was Reuben Beck who had as his subject "Legislation Against the Liquor Traffic"; second was Joe Engelkemeier; third was Elwood Boyd; fourth was Robert Hoag; and fifth was Clifford Graves. First in the poster contest was Joe Eyman; second was Mark Dickinson; and first in the jingle contest was Mrs. Doris Boyd.

✪ Friday, March 16, was Iowa Day at Union College. Master of ceremonies was Bob Britain, a junior at Union College. W. A. Dessain, president of the conference, gave a talk and others on the program included Charles Davis, Lawrence McCune, Don Prior, Jean Wilmot, Paul Penno, Dean M. S. Culver, and President Harvey C. Hartman.

Talk unbelief, and you will have unbelief; but talk faith, and you will have faith. According to the seed sown will be the harvest.—Ellen G. White, "Historical Sketches," p. 142.

Do You Know Anyone Living in Omaha, Nebraska?

If you have relatives, friends, business associates, or if you know of any former church members who reside in the Omaha, Nebraska, area, please send the names and information regarding them to: Elder James E. Chase, 509 South 41st Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

This information is vital to the evangelistic campaign to open in Omaha on April 1. Thank you.

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April 1—Letters to Angels

April 8—Letters to Churchmen and Martyrs

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News Note

It has been brought to the attention of the office that occasionally there are unauthorized people going through the state approaching our churches asking for the privilege of speaking—or not asking, but offering their services. It is perfectly proper for the local elder to ask such visitors to show their credentials; and if they do not have credentials from the conference office, it is better, as a rule, for the local elder to go ahead with the program he had planned.

F. E. THOMPSON.

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★ We are happy to report increasing attendance at the Jamestown spearhead effort. Pray for the contacts that are being followed up from these meetings, that we may search out those who are seeking for truth.

★ D. C. Butherus, L. H. Netteburg, and J. H. Lantry attended the academy finance committee meeting on March 13 at Harvey.

★ In looking at the calendar we find that the Ingathering campaign opens April 7. Let us continue our work that we may all be through by that time.

★ On Sabbath, March 17, D. C. Butherus spoke at the Bismarck church, J. H. Lantry spoke at Cleveland, and R. D. Steinke at Oakes, and L. H. Netteburg at Gackle.

★ The week end of March 24 and 25 will be one of colporteur activity at Sheyenne River Academy.

★ The treasury department reports a gain in tithe receipts over the first two months of last year.

EVERY MAN A MINUTEMAN

Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh: for the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.—Prov. 23:20, 21.

Special Camp Meeting Notice

Here is good news! Don H. Spillman, the North Pacific Union Evangelist, and his evangelistic group, will be with us for camp meeting this year. Plan now to attend and enjoy this spiritual feast. Let us pray that God's Spirit may be poured out upon His people and a reformation may take place in our lives as a result of these meetings.

Elder Spillman will speak each night. Remember the place, Jamestown, North Dakota, and the date, June 8-16. D. C. BUTHERUS.

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Evangelism

The Northern Union Conference session was one of the most outstanding meetings that I have ever had the privilege of attending. It was held in St. Paul, and Jere D. Smith, our union conference president, led out in a strong way, and I hope all have read the article in the NORTHERN UNION OUTLOOK that Elder Smith wrote concerning his desire to see a great forward movement in soul winning.

Now in South Dakota we have accepted the challenge and every worker and layman must join hands and go out in a great forward movement at this time. We need many more men and women to enter the colporteur work and spread the message through the printed page. We just received word from one of our church elders who is planning to cut down on his own personal work so that he can devote more time to soul-winning, and he stated that the church was on fire to go out and win souls for Christ. Now if that same spirit prevails in the heart of every church officer and layman, a great movement will go forward and as a result many more souls will be won.

May the Lord bless and direct in this great program for 1951.

L. L. MCKINLEY.

Lay-Evangelism Congress Offering—April 7

For the first time in the history of our work, a national Lay-Evangelism Congress will be conducted, at Grand Ledge, Michigan, August 29 to September 2, 1951.

This will be a great step forward in active lay evangelism. Delegates from each conference will be sent to attend this meeting. The delegates will be proportioned according to membership, one delegate per hundred members. South Dakota will send seventeen delegates representing this conference. All of these delegates will be laymen.

The cost of board and room will

be held at a minimum expense. The transportation cost will be met on a pooling expense arrangement. All the conferences will be asked to share on an equal basis. Our share in this transportation pooling will amount to \$55.30 per delegate, or a total of \$950.10.

In order to meet this obligation the union conference committee is suggesting that a special offering be given on April 7 in all of the churches of the conference. This offering will be strictly for Lay Evangelism in South Dakota. By means of this offering we expect to cover most of the transportation expense for the delegates. May we urge all of our believers to take an active part in the program by giving liberally, thus making it possible to send delegates from each district of the conference.

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Time Marches On

The shining rays of eternity are piercing our horizon. These shining rays are the signs of Christ's coming. Everywhere, in every situation of life, there is evidence of the return of our Lord. Yet there is delay!

The Lord is finishing His work. Every Adventist in every part of the earth not only believes it but is also ready to proclaim it. Yet there is delay!

Paul tells us that the Lord will cut His work short in righteousness. A quick work will the Lord do in the earth. The final movements will be rapid ones. Where will we fit into this rapidly-moving picture? Will we be swept by worldly interests into eternal darkness? Will we stand like the brave, fearlessly witnessing for our crucified Lord? Where are the Daniels among us? Will we be among those who are quickly proclaiming the message of salvation, thinking only one thing? Our Lord will return shortly and these souls about us will be lost.

Our Lord is confronted with two problems, both of which are most important to Him and to us. There is a world to be prepared for His return. There must be a group of His followers prepared in order that they may prepare the world for His return. Are we willing to be thus prepared to go and finish the work of God quickly? To go from door to door distributing literature, giving Bible studies, praying for and helping the sick, encouraging the brokenhearted, and uplifting the fallen? This is the work that Christ did to prepare the way for the early disciples and their ministry. This is the work that the laymen of this movement must do to prepare the way of the Lord and the outpouring of His Spirit upon the world to lighten it with His glory.

A new step is being taken that this finishing of the work may be very rapid. A national Laymen's Congress is being planned for August 29 to September 2 at Grand Ledge, Michigan. Here is an opportunity to develop an interest in the finishing of the work that will be far reaching. Everyone in the field will have an opportunity to help with this Congress. A special offering will be received in the Iowa Conference on April 7. This is an important offering because we want to send our full quota of thirty-six laymen to this Congress. We know that you want to do that also. While there is time, let us arise and move forward. Let it not be said of Iowa,—yet there is delay!

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