

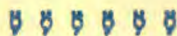
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NORTH MICHIGAN CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

The fifth annual session of the North Michigan Conference was held at East Jordan, Mich., in connection with the camp-meeting, Aug. 29 to Sept. 9, 1907. The Hancock Church with a membership of nineteen was admitted to the Conference.

The following resolutions and recommendations were adopted:--

1. RESOLVED, That Liberty shall be supplied to all the members of the legislature of this state regularly, and that our Conference bear its portion of the expense.
2. WE RECOMMEND, That a fund be created in our conference for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Religious Liberty Department, and that the Conference Committee be authorized to devise plans for the raising of this fund.
3. RESOLVED, That our people be encouraged to engage in the sale of Liberty of the regular and special issues at five and ten cents per copy.
4. RESOLVED, That we urge our young People's Societies to make a special effort in placing the Christian Endeavor Number of Liberty before other young people's societies.
5. RESOLVED, That our Religious Liberty Leaflets be given a wide circulation throughout this conference.
6. RESOLVED, That our people be urged to write their respective Congressmen and state legislators whenever issues arise involving the principles of Religious Liberty and the rights of conscience.
7. RESOLVED, That our churches continue the holding of one or more Religious Liberty Conventions each year.

WHEREAS, The Lord has said that we should shun debt as we would the leprosy, therefore,

8. WE RECOMMEND, That the local tract societies, Sabbath-school Secretaries, and individuals send cash to the Conference Tract Society with all orders for supplies.

WHEREAS, The Lord has continued to bestow His blessing upon the work of the colporter during the past year, for which we are grateful to our Heavenly Father, therefore,

9. WE RECOMMEND, That all our people do active work in placing in the hands of the people, our books, pamphlets, tracts, and periodicals, and that suitable persons be urged to devote their whole time to this important work.

10. WE FURTHER RECOMMEND, That our young people be encouraged to avail themselves of the scholarship plan in securing an education in our schools.

WHEREAS, There is a great dearth of church school teachers in our conference,

11. WE RECOMMEND, That all suitable persons be urged to fit themselves for this important work, and that we continue in the good work of assisting such worthy persons as are in need of help in securing such training.

12. WE RECOMMEND, That our church school boards adopt the use of the Teacher's Contract recommended by the Department of Education of the Lake Union Conference.

WHEREAS, The Lord has given to this people great light in reference to the subject of health reform, and,

WHEREAS, This phase of the truth has a special influence in preparing a people to stand the tests of these last days, and,

WHEREAS, The Lord, through the Spirit of Prophecy, is now calling upon His people to take a leading part in the work of temperance reform in our nation, therefore,

13. WE RECOMMEND, (1) That an earnest, prayerful study be made by every Seventh-day Adventist in this conference, of the instruction given to us by the Lord's servant. (2) That to this end the book, "Ministry of Healing", be placed in every family in the conference. (3) That this book be used extensively in missionary efforts for our neighbors, thus bringing the great truths of Christian temperance before them, and to create a fund from which this work may be pushed in this conference.

WHEREAS, Uniformity of text book is necessary to the successful development of our church school work, therefore,

14. RESOLVED, That we hereby adopt the text books recommended by the Educational Departments of the General and Lake Union Conference.

15. WE RECOMMEND, That our churches where schools are supported by donations, devise some plans by which means may be coming into the school fund during each month of the calendar year.

WHEREAS, The unmistakable hand of Providence is seen in the mighty forward movement among our youth, therefore,

16. RESOLVED, That we hereby express to God our heartfelt gratitude for the beginning already made in the development of our young people's work.

WHEREAS, The young people of this denomination are steadily becoming a more important factor of the cause in numbers, education, and efficiency for much needed service, therefore,

17. RESOLVED, That the young people's organization in the North Michigan Conference be known as the "Seventh-day Adventist Young People's Society of Missionary Volunteers."

18. WE RECOMMEND, That, as soon as consistent, our Young People's Societies be organized under the new name, and that only those who really love Jesus and are willing to engage in active service for Christ, be asked to join the new society.

19. RESOLVED, That we urge our young people to follow the light given in the chapter in "Ministry of Healing", headed, "The False and the True in Education," on the subject of literature for the young, and that they institute a crusade against harmful reading.

WHEREAS, Our old and young people need to be encouraged to read good, wholesome literature, therefore,

20. WE RECOMMEND, That each of our churches establish a church library adapted to the needs of the children and youth, and that this work be under the supervision of a committee composed of the librarian, the Sabbath-school Supt., and the leader of the

Missionary Volunteers; and that the books for such libraries be selected from the list prepared by the General Conference Missionary Volunteer Department.

WHEREAS, The book, "Education" is especially designed to instruct our people in the principles of Christian education,

21. WE RECOMMEND, That all our people make a careful study of this book.

22. WE RECOMMEND, That the officers of the Missionary Volunteer Societies be elected by the church for a period of six months in the same manner as the Sabbath-school officers are elected. And we suggest that the Volunteer Society be represented on the church nominating committee by one of its members who is also a member of the church..

WHEREAS, The Spirit of Prophecy has said, "Everywhere Christians should present to the people the principles of true temperance, and call for signers to the temperance pledge, " therefore,

23. WE RECOMMEND, That our Volunteer Societies use the temperance pledges, tracts, and leaflets prepared by the General Conference Department.

WHEREAS, The Lord has said that we should "watch for souls as they that must give an account" and we have the statement in the Testimonies to the Sabbath-school teachers, "Never rest till every child in your class is brought to the saving knowledge of Christ", and realizing the need of more earnest personal work,

24. WE RECOMMEND: The importance of following the instruction given be urged especially upon the Sabbath-school teachers of the children.

WHEREAS, There is great need of well trained workers in our Sabbath-schools, therefore,

25. RESOLVED, That we recommend that our conference arranged to hold frequent, short Normal Institutes, gathering the workers from two or three schools to some central point for the study of methods in Sabbath-school work.

WHEREAS, Our Sabbath-school lessons as given in the INSTRUCTOR and LITTLE FRIEND have met with the general approval of our people since the adoption of the present plans, therefore,

26. WE RECOMMEND, The use of these lessons in our Sabbath-schools throughout the conference.

WHEREAS, The West Michigan Conference has come to our aid in time of need, and especially during the past year, therefore,

27. RESOLVED, That we hereby express our appreciation for their assistance.

Ministerial credentials were granted to S. E. Wight, W. R. Matthews, M. C. Guild, M. W. Lewis, Geo. G. Johnson, O. Montgomery, C. A. Hansen; ministerial licenses to E. A. Bristol, R. J. Bellows; honorary ministerial license to H. S. Guilford; missionary credentials to H. W. Johnson, Edith McClellan, Inez Lay, Myrta M. Kellogg, Ethel Peters, Isabella Campbell; colporter's licenses to A. M. Byers, J. O. Stedman, K. V. Bjork, Mrs. E. E. Goff, Jas. Lowry.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, S. E. Wight; Secretary, Edith McClellan; Treasurer, E. A. Bristol; Secretary of Tract Society, E. A. Bristol; Field Secretary, H. W. Johnson; Superintendent of Educational Department, Myrta M. Kellogg; Secretary of Religious Liberty Department, to be filled by the Conference Committee; Executive Committee, S. E. Wight, Geo. G. Johnson, O. Montgomery, C. A. Hansen, M. Stephens; Trustees of North Michigan Conference Association, S. E. Wight, E. A. Bristol, Geo. G. Johnson, M. C. Guild, M. Stephens,

Edith McClellan, Sec'y.

Many times during the camp-meeting we were made to think of the brethren and sisters who were not able to be with us. At times there seemed to be a deep moving of the spirit of the Lord and many received a blessing. Six Testimonies were sent to us, one to the young people, one to the conference committee, two to the ministers and workers, and two to the people assembled in camp. These made a deep impression on the minds of all and the good spirit manifested throughout the camp-meeting, we believe, was the result of carrying out the instruction given in these Testimonies.

Several revival services were conducted and in all over thirty new converts were baptised, and there were some re-baptised.

It seems that this meeting was but the beginning of the manifestation of the spirit which is to characterize the church in the last days. On the day of Pentecost they considered not that which they had as their own, and so it was at our camp-meeting. We have looked forward to the time when people would sell houses and lands and give to the cause and this was the case there. When the call was made to raise our portion of the \$150,000 Fund, also the Educational Fund, gifts of land, cattle, and money were given. If the same liberality is shown throughout the conference the coming year by those who did not attend the meeting many thousands of dollars will be raised for the cause of God.

Elders Allen Moon, W. D. Curtis, and Brother J. B. Blosser were with us the first part of the meeting. Prof. J. G. Lamson was with us one day and Elder G. B. Thompson was present the last week of the meeting. The latter gave a very impressive service the last Sunday evening on the importance of obeying God and taking Him at His word. Misses Margaret Haughey and Edith Shepard of West Michigan represented the Cedar Lake Academy. Sister C. F. Salisbury was present and gave timely instruction on the subject of healthful dress.

It was gratifying to have with us Elder C. A. Hansen from West Michigan, formerly a North Michigan laborer. On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 8th, he gave a very interesting talk on his work and experiences in India.

Owing to bad weather and the small amount of help secured to clear up the camp the tents were not all put into the car until Thursday afternoon, Sept. 12th.

#### CEDAR LAKE INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY.

There will be nine months of school beginning Sept. 17. Ten grades of work will be offered, the primary department comprising the first six grades, the intermediate, all the grades from the seventh to the tenth inclusive. If necessary, special classes below the seventh grade will be formed in the intermediate department.

The following subjects will be taught: bible, reading, penmanship, spelling, language, drawing, nature study, physiology, geography, arithmetic, orthography, U. S. history, civil government, advanced English, rhetoric, agriculture, botany, general history, algebra, bookkeeping, vocal and instrumental music.

The total estimated expense is fifteen dollars per month, which can be reduced by manual labor. The cost of the music lessons is fifty cents each for the organ, and seventy-five cents for the piano. The library fee is fifty cents. All school supplies can be purchased here. Board is on the European plan.

All students should bring a mattress, or straw tick, two comfortables, one pillow, two pillow slips, three sheets, one bedspread, one mattress cover, six towels, and two napkins. Also, if he desires, lace curtains for two windows, and rugs or carpet for floor. All articles should be plainly marked with indelible ink.

Further information can be obtained by correspondence. Address all letters to W. C. Mathewson, Principal.

#### SABBATH-SCHOOL SECRETARIES ! ATTENTION !

All mail and Sabbath-school reports intended for the Sabbath-school Department should be sent to Mrs. Jennie Willaman, 222 Michigan St., Petoskey, Mich.

Will you be numbered with the donors to the \$150,000 Fund?

ALMOST OUT.

At the time the General Conference decided to raise the \$150,000 Fund the number of church members in North Michigan Conference was 809. Our portion was figured for convenience at two dollars and fifty-three cents for each member. The total amount for this conference is \$2046.77. Deducting from this the amount reported in the REVIEW at this date, Sept. 6th, there was left \$1629.77 still to raise.

Friday afternoon, Sept. 6th, Elder G. B. Thompson presented the needs of the cause and asked the people in the camp to take the money they are not using and put it into the cause. The Lord moved upon hearts until \$1405.00 was raised in cash and pledges. There was one gift of five hundred dollars, one of one hundred and fifty, five of one hundred dollars each, and others of fifty, twenty-five, ten, and one down to one dollar. Less than one-third of the conference was at this meeting. If the representation had been larger this fund would have all been raised.

I will take this opportunity to call for the remainder of this fund. Who will give one hundred, fifty or twenty-five dollars? Do not be afraid of giving more than is needed. Sometimes some pledges are not paid so we must exert ourselves and not fall behind. Please do not put it off but send in your pledge or money now so we can close this work out at once.

The Lord gave us a great blessing and now who will share it with us?

S. E. Wight.

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY AT MOORESTOWN.

The Young People's Society was organized Feb. 23, 1907, officers being elected and committees appointed. There were thirteen active members and six honorary members.

Interest in the work being aroused we sent for an order of LIBERTY which was sold and distributed. Then wishing to take up the Religious Liberty work Brother A. Cowles was appointed secretary on April 27th. On this date fifty copies of SIGNS were ordered for one month making two hundred copies in all which have been distributed mostly to the officials of our county.

A question box had already been placed in our Society and many questions of interest have been answered by leader or someone appointed by him.

On May 18th there were enough LIBERTIES ordered to supply every attorney and justice which has been done and also personal letters have been written to the same.

On each Sabbath afternoon at the appointed hour, three o'clock, there have been meetings something after this order: Usual opening exercises, Scripture reading, answering questions and other necessary business. This is followed by a prayer or social meeting, a Bible reading or a Scriptural talk, or a select reading by someone who has been appointed to instruct for the day as God should direct them.

A reading rack is already made and ere this report reaches you will be placed in the Post office at Moorestown and filled with religious matter.

Jessie Currier, Sec'y.

TITHE RECEIPTS FOR AUGUST 2, 1907.

Alpena - - - - -	\$31.51	Grant - - - - -	\$12.75	Omer - - - - -	\$89.11
Baldwin - - - - -	6.37	Gaylord - - - - -	18.50	Petoskey - - - - -	57.00
Cadillac - - - - -	7.80	Hancock - - - - -	49.28	Scottville - - - - -	38.80
Clarence - - - - -	4.22	Iron River - - - - -	30.60	Soo - - - - -	4.00
Chase - - - - -	4.55	Leetsville - - - - -	5.40	Stephenson - - - - -	86.50
Eastport - - - - -	14.23	Mesick - - - - -	23.29	Traverse City - - - - -	16.65
Ewart - - - - -	9.74	Menominee - - - - -	21.19	Wildwood - - - - -	5.00
Emigon - - - - -	17.19	Munising - - - - -	7.15	Total - - - - -	\$525.85

NOTICE

I trust that all will read Recommendation No. 8 in the Conference Proceedings. Hereafter cash should accompany all orders to the Tract Society for supplies.

E. A. Bristol.

THE NEXT GENERAL DONATION  
OCTOBER 5, 1907.

The work in behalf of the colored people in the United States of America is one of the most interesting missionary works that we have to do in our home field. Not that these people are not intelligent and susceptible to religious influences, they are more than all this, but many of the people have no knowledge whatever of the Third Angel's Message.

We are very anxious that the colored people shall be brought in touch with the living teacher of the Third Angel's Message. This means a large outlay of money, because there are but few who can work in behalf of any class of people on a self-supporting basis.

It has been arranged by the General Conference that at the quarterly meeting the first Sabbath in each October, a donation shall be taken in behalf of carrying the Third Angel's Message to the colored people in the United States of America. This fund is distributed to the South and to the South-western territory, ten per cent going to the work in the Atlantic Union Conference in behalf of the colored people in that territory. If our people fully understood the great need of funds with which to carry forward the work in behalf of these people, I am sure there would be a very liberal donation. There is great need of more work being done, and we are encouraged by the good results that we see from the labor already accomplished. School houses and churches have been built for the people in nearly every conference in the South, and there are one or more workers giving their exclusive time to preaching the Third Angel's Message to the colored people in each state.

We earnestly entreat our people everywhere to make a liberal donation this year in behalf of the work in the South. Send all donations through the regular channels of your state treasury. Let us pray that blessing of God may be with the workers who are giving their lives to the spread of the message among the colored people.

L. H. Evans.

CHURCH CLERKS.

Kindly send me at once the present membership of your church. It is very necessary that I receive the same as soon as possible.

Edith McClellan, Petoskey, Mich.

Have you a copy of "Ministry of Healing?" Dr. S. P. S. Edwards, who was with us at our camp-meeting, gave a very interesting description of this book and emphasized the great need of a thorough study of it and of living out the principles set forth. Price \$1.50. See Resolution 13.

Elder W. R. Matthews expects to locate at Cedar Lake.

Conference workers will be located as follows: Elders M. W. Lewis, and Geo. G. Johnson, Menominee; Elder M. C. Guild, Beulah; Brother R. J. Bellows, Manistique; Elder O. Montgomery, Hancock; Sister Isabella Campbell, Hancock; Elder C. A. Hansen, Traverse City; Sister Inez Lay, East Jordan.

The next issue of the NEWS SHEET will be omitted.