

# THE Welcome Visitor

"Surely I Come Quickly. Even So, Come, Lord Jesus."

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## THE OHIO CONFERENCE

### RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Adopted at the Forty-sixth Annual Conference of Ohio

YOUR Committee on Plans would respectfully submit the following partial report:—

*Whereas*, The Columbia Union Conference recommends that each conference provide for the more thorough work with our literature, by enlisting the services of all our numbers in the distribution of periodicals, tracts, trade and forty per cent. books, and—

*Whereas*, The Columbia Union Conference recommends the appointing of a Field Missionary Secretary—

*Therefore*, we recommend that this conference elect a Field Missionary Secretary whose duties shall be the supervision in the field of the circulation of periodicals, tracts, trade and forty per cent. books; also, the selection, instruction and direction of the workers, the holding of institutes in the interest of home missionary work; the organization of home missionary work; the increasing of the clubs of our papers and the sale of literature provided especially for home workers; and auditing librarians' books.

*Whereas*, The Constitution makes no provision for this department—

*Therefore*, we recommend that the constitution be amended to provide for this department.

*Whereas*, The General Conference recommended that our connection with the Lake Union Conference be severed, and that we unite with the Columbia Union Conference for the strengthening of the work, therefore—

*Resolved*, That we express ourselves as being in harmony with the plan suggested, and that we approve of the steps taken by the Conference Committee toward this end, and—

We would therefore respectfully request that the Lake Union Conference grant us release from our present union conference relations that we may assume the new union conference re-

lations, as recommended by the General Conference.

*Whereas*, The officers of our churches hold positions of great responsibility, therefore be it—

*Resolved*, That we encourage the holding of institutes where church officers may be instructed more fully in their important duties.

*Whereas*, The Scriptures teach that the tithe is reserved for the gospel ministry, and—

*Whereas*, It is evident from the tithes reported by different conferences that our funds for mission fields would be largely increased if full tithes were paid by all the members in our conferences, therefore—

*Resolved*, That we urge our church officers to make most earnest efforts to secure the payment of a full tithe in their respective churches. And to preserve order and harmony of action in all our churches, and, that due credit may be given to the church—

*We recommend* and urge that all members pay their tithes and offerings to their respective churches.

*Whereas*, Eternal vigilance is the price of religious liberty, and as the enemy knows no rest, the issue before us demands earnest effort—

*Therefore*, In order to render the cause more efficient service we recommend the selection of a Religious Liberty Secretary in each church whose duty shall be to watch local developments, take charge of the circulation of petitions, and rendering such services as may be required in this department.

*Whereas*, The Ohio Conference now becomes a part of the Columbia Union Conference, and,—

*Whereas*, The Columbia Union Conference has taken steps toward making the Mount Vernon College the Union Conference school—

*Therefore* we recommend that the College Board of Trustees take such steps as will place the institution under the ownership and control of the Columbia Union Conference.

*Whereas*, Arrangements have been made between the Columbia Union Conference Committee and the Ohio Conference whereby the WELCOME VISITOR becomes the official organ of the Columbia Union Conference, therefore—

*We recommend* that the WELCOME VISITOR be placed under the ownership and control of the Columbia Union Conference.

*We recommend* that the Constitution be changed as follows:—

In Article V, Section A, and Article VII, Section 6, the words Missionary Secretary be stricken out, and the words Tract Society Secretary be inserted. In Article V, Section A, and Article VII, Section 8, the words Field Secretary be stricken out, and the words Field Missionary Agent be inserted.

That Article VII, Section 7, be stricken out and the following be inserted in its stead:—

It shall be the duty of the Medical Missionary Secretary—

(a.) To have charge of the medical missionary department of this Conference.

(b.) To give lectures and instruction on the principles of healthful living and care of the sick, combining medical missionary work with giving the gospel message.

*Whereas*, The rapidly advancing Message is continually increasing its financial demands upon us, therefore in order to give greater strength and permanence to the support of our foreign missionary work,—

*We recommend* that in all our churches, we encourage, not only a faithful payment of the tithe, but also the laying by of a sum not less than ten cents per week by each member, for the support of this work.

*Whereas*, Our Lord has instructed that no sanitarium should be established independent of the church, be it—

*Resolved*, That such sanitariums in Ohio as—

(1.) Are owned and operated exclusively by Seventh-day Adventists—

(2.) Are conducted in harmony with the Ohio Conference and pay their tithe in such a manner that it will go through the Ohio Conference treasury, be recognized by the Ohio Seventh-day Adventist Conference as self supporting medical missionary institutions, and a part of the medical missionary department of the Conference, on the following conditions:—

(a.) The Conference is to be consulted concerning their business policy.

(b.) The Conference is in no manner to be held responsible for the financial success or for debts incurred by the institution.

(c.) The Conference is to have supervision over the religious work of the said institutions.

That the self-supporting medical missionary workers in Ohio may be brought into close union with those in charge of our Conference work, be it—

*Resolved*, That such persons as are connected with the active work of recognized sanitariums, who—

(a.) Are graduated physicians or nurses,—

(b.) Are in harmony with all points of our faith,—

(c.) Are, in the judgment of the Conference Committee, worthy of such recognition,—

(d.) Do not hold other Conference credentials or license—

Be recognized as medical missionary workers, and granted self-supporting Medical Missionary licenses and have the same privileges in participation in the work of our annual Conference sessions as are granted other Conference laborers.

C. V. HAMER.

## EDUCATIONAL

### OUR CALL TO SERVICE

WANTED! Young men and young women who are sound in the faith, and have tact and patience; who walk with God, and abstain from the very appearance of evil; who stand so closely connected with God, that they can be channels of light—in short, Christian young men and women—to enlist as soldiers to fight in the great conflict that is being waged between good and evil. Come and join the ranks for the right before you are compelled to fight on the side of the enemy.

Satan, the adversary of all good, is going about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. When the plan of salvation had been carried out, and Satan realized that he was defeated,—his kingdom lost, and that he must die,—his efforts against Christ did not stop; but instead were greatly increased, and aimed at the followers of Christ. The greater part of the whole world, as yet, are not acquainted with the plots of this enemy. Have we not some noble youth, who, if need be, are willing to risk their lives to warn them? You will need to "put on the whole armor of

God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not with flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, . . . having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation; and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

There is not one excuse for every young man and woman not joining this army; for all will not even need to leave home and friends, although it will be necessary for some to do so, and perhaps go to other lands. Some of our greatest warriors have been those right in their own homes. They may not have received worldly honors, but nevertheless the records kept in the book of remembrance will some day reveal what victories have been won.

We have a Captain who has never known defeat, and if we keep our eyes fixed upon him, and carry out his instructions carefully, we shall gain the victory in every battle.

There are many places through which the enemy may enter the land, and take possession, therefore we will all need to be guards. "The wicked watcheth the righteous and seeketh to slay him." "Watch ye therefore and pray always that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man." If we do this, no guards will be found sleeping.

We must be drilled in order to make good soldiers. So we need to study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that need not be ashamed, "rightly dividing the word of truth." "We need, and must have fresh supplies every day. And how many souls we may help by communicating to them! All heaven is waiting for channels through which can be poured the holy oil, to be a joy and a blessing to others." Let us open wide our hearts to the Comforter, for there is no time when we will need his presence and help more than just now—in the "sifting time."

Do not pass by the little things, and look for a large work. You might do successfully the small work, but fail utterly in a larger, and fall into discouragement. Take hold wherever you see that there is work to be done.

It will be by doing with your might what your hands find to do that you will develop talents and aptitude for a larger work. It is by slighting the daily opportunities, neglecting the little things, that so many become fruitless and withered.

If you have not yet offered your service, young friends, do so right now. Now is the accepted time—tomorrow may be too late. "All that heaven contains is awaiting the draft of every soul who will labor in Christ's lines." The judgment of the living is taking place now. We know not what moment our names will be brought up for consideration. Shall we be found wide awake at our post of duty, or shall we be weighed in the balance and found wanting? That remains for each to decide for himself.

It is through a daily, living connection with God that we can be able to hold the fort. "Pray without ceasing." Pray for one another, for the effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Let us all fight the good fight of faith, and we shall come off victors.

E. VADA WELCH.

## THE SABBATH-SCHOOL HOME DEPARTMENT

THE Sabbath-school has been well defined as the church at study. It has for its aim, the instilling into minds the truths of God's word, and the Message for this time; also the training of missionaries for further work in the broad fields before us.

We realize that many of our people are debarred from the privilege of meeting with others in this manner from Sabbath to Sabbath. In order that we may keep in touch with these, and be of mutual assistance, the Home Department of the Sabbath-school has been organized.

There is much danger of our isolated members being gradually drawn away from the church by their worldly surroundings; but if they consider themselves as helpers in this grand work, and are encouraged to take part in the different missionary movements, they become what the Lord requires of each, bright and shining lights to those around them.

We cannot be too careful in organizing home departments in our Sabbath-schools. Each school should carefully guard the welfare of those who live within its reach yet are unable to attend its weekly services.

If there are those who are completely isolated, we will gladly welcome them if they will join the ranks of our State Home Department.

Leaflets fully describing this work, also Home Department envelopes, will be furnished to all who desire them. In union there is strength. May we not work together during the coming year?

BESSIE E. ACTON.

### Cincinnati, Ohio

DEAR WELCOME VISITOR: This is my first report to you. But thinking there might be those who would be interested in the Young People's Society of Cincinnati is what led me to pen these few lines. Our membership is small, yet the promise of Christ, found in Matt. 18:20, has been verified many times.

At our last meeting twenty-six were present, and we enjoyed an excellent study together. We have taken up a great many different subjects. At present our study is the "Life of Paul," a very interesting one indeed. So often we complain of our lot, while from the lips of Paul, through all his tribulations, there continually fell only words and songs of praise to the One who died for us all. We are endeavoring to do what we can to lighten this city of darkness with the word of truth.

Several hundred copies of *Signs* have been sold, also some *Instructors*, *Watchman* and *Liberty*, one hundred more copies of *Liberty* have been ordered, and several yearly subscriptions have been sent in; besides giving away a great number of papers and tracts. The signs that are fulfilling each day tell us that we only have a short time left in which to labor for souls in darkness. Before closing I want to ask the dear brothers and sisters to remember, at the throne of grace, one little band of missionary volunteers in Cincinnati, that we may each day grow more like the perfect Pattern, and indeed be a bright and shining light to this world of sin. Your sister in the blessed hope,

BESSIE M. GIBSON, Sec.

### Fernandina, Fla.

BROTHER N. S. MILLER, Dear brother: Enclosed find thirty cents for which please send me some "New Testament Sabbath" tracts from Bible Students' Library. I am in the South, having accepted the "call to service." Do remember, and pray for the needy South. Trusting much of the blessing of the Lord to rest upon you in the work, I am yours for the advancement of this fast closing Message,

MARGARET W. PORTIES.

## OUR WORKERS

### THE PEACE OF GOD

O BLESSED, wondrous peace of God.  
Which cometh from above  
To comfort, in each trying hour.  
The children of his love.

The world cannot bestow this peace;  
It comes through Christ alone;  
He gives to us his own sweet peace,  
When his dear name we own.

When we believe that Jesus' blood  
Has cleansed us from all sin,  
He lifts the burden from our heart,  
And gives us peace within.

It passeth understanding,—  
This wondrous peace divine;  
And yet, through faith in Jesus' name,  
This blessed peace is mine.

Dear sinner, come to Christ to-day;  
Accept his pardoning love;  
Then perfect peace shall here be thine  
And endless peace above.

MARY E. MOUNT.

*Sinking Spring, O.*

### Richmond, Va.

WE welcome the VISITOR with joy. We are glad to read the Ohio reports, for at Springfield, wife and I were brought to a knowledge of the Third Angel's Message, in 1897. We are glad to send back a few crumbs of encouragement from our present field of labor.

Three have recently accepted the Message and united with the church; others are expecting to soon enter our ranks. We are holding Bible readings every night, and frequently during the day. In our Sunday night meetings we have been presenting the book of Revelation, and interest and attendance is on the increase. In our Sabbath meetings we have been studying the character of the remnant church. Our people show a decided interest.

The canvassing work among the colored is being carried forward by Sisters Jemerson, McGlocklin and Warnick. They are having some rich experiences, and through their efforts many souls are receiving the light.

February 1 the writer ordained Brother Wallace Taylor as local elder. We were hoping for the presence of the president of the Conference, but pressing duties prevented him.

A few Sabbaths ago a brother took his stand for the truth under trying circumstances. His employer, for whom he has worked ten years, told him that if he kept the Sabbath he would get another man. When he informed his wife, she raged all night and burned his tracts, and in the morning threw all his shirts and collars into a tub of water, and hurled

his Bible down stairs. Not satisfied with that she packed his trunk and ordered him to leave. He tied his handkerchief about his neck, and came to the church in his working clothes—happy in obeying God. Many prayers ascended for his wife and employer, and the brother returned to his residence and was received with almost surprising kindness. The angels had visited his house. He is still pressing his way onward amid a volley of persecution.

Many of the city pastors are devoting special attention to our work, and are making the people "hope that they will confirm their word," yet the dear Lord is revealing more openings for the truth than we can fill, and the angels go before to soften hearts. Ps. 76:10 and Isa. 59:19 are daily fulfilled in this city.

This has been the most trying winter during our connection with the work. Yet we praise the Lord for the privilege of giving the Message and for its fruit. Rom. 8:28. With an allowance of eight dollars a week—the very best our over-burdened Conference can do—and eight in family, with a monthly rent nine dollars, you can see that we cannot provide the necessary clothing; but we praise the Lord for the experience and if funds give out we trust to find some way of carrying forward the work. We are of good courage, knowing that "the end is at hand." Jer. 12:5.

We are now raising funds for a house of worship. We hope to accomplish this task between now and the close of spring. We can build the house ourselves if we can secure the lot and material, which we hope to obtain inside of the \$1,000 mark. Who will place an offering in a monument for God and truth in this city—the capital of the State? Who will co-operate with the angels of God in this effort to save many of the colored race? The Lord says that this branch of the work has been neglected. Brethren, will you now give us the "crumbs from the table?" The Message is closing, and the signs plainly tell us that soon, VERY soon, Heb. 3:7 (margin) will be fulfilled. The intensity in every walk of life whispers in unmistakable tones in the ear of every Seventh-day Adventist, "Go out quickly into the highways and hedges." One soul is worth more than the world, and if we can get our building on foot, the workers' hands will be free to scatter the Message in other places. Donations for our building can be sent to Wallace Taylor, 1008 Third St., Richmond, Va., or to the writer, and will be acknowledged in the VISITOR.

We expect to soon be placing 100 *Signs* in the hands of the people.

A new interest is opening at Martinsville, where Sister Jane Wooding is doing Bible work. The Spencer church recently had some additions. A cheering report also comes from the News Ferry work.

We trust that the VISITOR may have a wide circulation in this State.

Yours in the Master's work,

FRANKLIN G. WARNICK.

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS: I have felt impressed for some time to write to you of my experience and work here, with the hope that I might be able to arouse someone to a sense of the importance of the great work that is to be done in this State before the Lord can come.

It has been quite a problem in the minds of those who have the advancement of the cause of God at heart, as to how we are ever going to reach the millions of people who make up the great cities of our land, with this last Message of warning and mercy. It has been thought for years that it is impossible for our canvassers to make a living at their work anywhere near New York City or Philadelphia or any such congested centers. No doubt it would be a hard proposition right in the heart of the city, but is there no other way than to commence right in the heart of the city? No wise general in trying to take a foe would try to force his army into the midst of the enemy. No, he would rather try to surprise the enemy by surrounding him. So I believe the better way to reach the millions of our large cities would be to work the suburban towns first, and then press the battle as near the gates of the strongholds in the great cities as possible.

There are thousands of the very best of these city people who have their business in the city, but who seek the country or village life in preference to the congestion of the city. This class is easily approached with the truth for this time and with our publications. This section of this State is literally filled with just such people; and as yet the great work that must be done for them has only been touched with the tips of our fingers, "the harvest truly is great but the laborers are few."

Will not some who read this, and who are now living in territories where the Message has already been presented to the people, come over and help us in this less favored portion of the Master's vineyard?

Space and time would forbid my telling you here about the many good experiences I have had since I came

here, but I think I have proved the fact that this is a good place to sell our literature. It is true I have not done anything so great, but my success has been steady, and I can always find room for improvement. In a little over six weeks' time I have taken fifty orders for "Great Controversy," valued at \$137.75. I made a delivery February 3, and out of twenty-five orders I delivered twenty-three. If you want to hear more of my experience and to have a part in the good work come to the canvassers' institute which we are going to hold in New Jersey from April 12-26. This will be the first canvassers' institute ever held in New Jersey. Yours for the progress of the Message,

DAVID W. PERCY.

Cleveland, O.

DEAR SISTERS IN CHRIST: Jesus is soon coming again. Do we believe it? and are we working for precious souls by telling them of it, so they may prepare for his coming? are we living to-day so that if he should come tomorrow, he would find us ready to receive him?

When we expect earthly guests, how careful we are to have the house in order, the children clean, and ourselves ready to welcome them. If we know the time of their arrival, we will be watching and waiting for them. How much more then should we be ready and watching for the most royal guest this world has ever known?

We need a preparation for the terrible time just before us. The "time of trouble such as never was" is just before us, and in order to pass through it triumphantly, we need an experience we do not now possess. We have been told that we will be tested and tried: that Satan will try to find some defect in our character. But as Jesus kept his Father's commandments, and Satan could bring no accusation against him, those who shall stand in the time of trouble must be found in this same condition.

We have also been told that "only those who are diligent students of the Scripture, and who love the truth will be shielded from the strong delusions that will take the world captive. We have the wonderful Bible truths for these last days, and by this Bible testimony God's people will be able to detect the deceiver in his disguise.

Some may say, "I do not know how to tell this truth." Have you not been studying the Sabbath-school lessons? Surely you can tell them what you have learned in these studies; or you can hand out a paper; lend or sell a book containing the truth. You cannot tell how much good it will do.

The busy mothers, whose mission field lies within their homes, and where their first call to duty is, can pray for workers in the field. The dear "shut-in" whose strength is insufficient for active work, can, like Aaron and Hur hold up the arms of those upon whom the great responsibilities rest, by their earnest, persistent prayer, that God may continue to strengthen them for their work, and keep them faithful and true to the truth. We are in the testing time, and prayer is the key by which we may obtain great things from the Lord.

Remember the work and workers in Cleveland. Your sister in the truth,  
MRS. CARRIE RANKIN.

Philadelphia, Pa.

WELCOME VISITOR: Perhaps it would be of interest to your readers to hear of what the Lord has been doing at Stroudsburg, Pa. This is a city of about 12,000 inhabitants, and was entered last summer by Elder Charles Baierle. As a result of the tent effort, a company was raised to step out and accept the Message.

Sabbath meetings were commenced in a hall at the close of the tent season with a regular attendance of between fifty and seventy-five. The interest begun at this place has spread throughout the country districts and nearby towns, and many earnest appeals have come to Elder Baierle requesting him to come and hold meetings. The Lord has given many evidences of his approval and call to the work in this field, and the outlook is bright for a large number of commandment keepers to be gathered out to join God's remnant church.

Not only has God shown his special favor in the preaching of the Word from the pulpit and desk; but the marked help of the Lord has been shown in the health work now being established by the means of the sanitarium at Mount Pocono by Elder Baierle and his wife, Dr. Nina Mae Baierle. This work was begun in the weakness of man, and dependent on the strength of infinite power; and at times when the human could do nothing but simply wait on the Lord, not knowing how to proceed, then the Lord came and showed his hand. The giants were removed, and the work pushed forward, and the prospects for a splendid building, well equipped for true medical missionary work, are bright. The sanitarium itself is well under way and will be completed and ready to open by spring.

Considerable interest has been manifested by the physicians in the various towns, and a feeling of true sympathy and appreciation has been ex-

pressed by many. The indications are that the work will open in the spring with a good attendance. This work has been truly a work of faith and prayer, and the prayers and hearty support of all those who believe in the gospel of health should follow this effort, as the object from the beginning has been that this institution may help the poor and needy sufferers as well as the rich.

JAMES F. OGDEN.

84th and Brunswick Ave.

NEW JERSEY NOTICE

It has been arranged to have the workers of our Conference visit the various churches, spending a week with each in an effort to advance the spiritual interest of the church. Those that still remain to be visited, with dates, are as follows: Vineland, March 2-8; Atlantic City, March 9-15; Cape May Court House, March 16-22; Bridgeton, Union Meeting, March 26-29; Camden, March 30-April 5; Paulsboro, April 6-12. Elder George W. Spies will have charge of the efforts at the above named places.

In North Jersey, the following meetings will be held by Elder W. H. Smith, assisted by J. H. Carroll: Paterson, March 2-8; Plainfield, March 9-15; Hackensack, March 16-22; Newark, Union Meeting, April 2-5; Jersey City No. 1, April 6-12; Morristown, April 20-26; Jersey City No. 2, April 27-May 3; Elizabeth, May 4-10.

Elder J. G. Hanhardt will arrange for the meetings at Jersey City, German and West Hoboken churches.

Meetings will be held at Trenton, March 16-22.

The writer, accompanied by Elder W. J. Fitzgerald, will attend the union meetings at Bridgeton and Newark. A canvassers' institute will be held April 12-26. Arrangements will be made to furnish board and rooms and traveling expenses to all who enter the work as regular canvassers. Brother I. D. Richardson, the Columbia Union Canvassing Agent, will have charge of the institute, and we hope to see a good corps of canvassers in attendance.

We trust that our brethren and sisters throughout the Conference will enter heartily into the spirit of these meetings and make them a season of genuine spiritual refreshments. Let us pray for the great blessings, and push forward earnestly the work of this Conference.

B. F. KNEELAND.

ELDER W. H. SMITH, of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, has ac-

cepted the call to connect with the work in New Jersey. He expects to locate at Newark, and is planning a vigorous campaign among the churches of North Jersey. We are sure that our brethren will gladly welcome Elder Smith, and stand by him in his work.

A letter just received from Sister Welsh, the Bible worker that we have secured from Philadelphia, states that she will be ready to enter on her work in a few days. She expects to locate at Jersey City. We hope to be able to train other Bible workers in the near future.

B. F. KNEELAND.

THE general testimony from our leading brethren is that the World's Missions Number of the *Signs of the Times* is the best special ever issued. The following is an extract from a letter received from the president of the Washington Foreign Mission Seminary, dated Jan. 5, 1908:—

"I wish to tell you that the World's Missions Number of the *Signs of the Times* is one of the grandest numbers that ever came from your office. I have been sending copies of it to friends of mine before whom I have longed to get the truth. I could not

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CANVASSERS' REPORTS

Ohio, Two Weeks Ending Feb. 14, 1908

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
E. M. Horst,	Medina Co.,	G O	10	71	17	\$45.50	\$22.35	\$67.85	\$9.20
I. R. Harden,	Clerm't Co.,	D R	5	23			1.50	1.50	
E. J. C. Sharp,	Pike Co.,	B F	8	49	70	70.00	1.00	71.00	
N. O. Coffman,	Piqua,	B F	4		13	13.00	3.35	16.35	
L. Waters,	Mah'ning Co.,	C K	10	79	58	72.00	2.45	74.95	5.45
R. French,	Lucas Co.,	C K	4	41	2	2.00	.50	2.50	53.75
Totals			41	264	160	\$203.00	\$31.15	\$234.15	\$68.40

Ohio, Week Ending Feb. 21, 1908

E. M. Horst,	Wayne Co.,	G C	5	40	13	\$32.50	\$7.60	\$40.10	\$3.10
R. French,	Wood Co.,	BR CK	3	21	8	14.25	2.75	17.00	
L. Waters,	Mah'ning Co.,	B F	5	42	61	77.00	16.30	93.30	2.80
E. J. C. Sharp,	Pike Co.,	B F	4	27	19	19.00	1.00	20.00	
F. Wagner,	Summit Co.,	Miscellaneous,	December, January, February					152.00	
Totals			17	130	101	\$142.75	\$27.65	\$170.40	\$157.90

Eastern Pennsylvania, for Week Ending Feb. 14, 1908

J. F. Phillips,	Scranton,	G C				\$20.00	\$25.50	\$45.50	\$31.50
H. Gerhart,	Telford,	D R	5	22	5	12.50		12.50	
R. G. Detwiler,	Telford,	D R	1	2	2	5.00		5.00	
G. Siegel*,	Jersey Shore,	C K	7	51	9	9.00	.35	9.35	7.00
W. Siegel*,	Jersey Shore,	C K	10	62	29	29.00	8.00	37.00	20.50
H. J. Detwiler*,	Ephrata,	C K	10	90	15	15.00	4.50	19.50	46.75
A. S. Miller,	Ephrata,	H M	4	27	7	12.25		12.25	1.75
O. Vaughn,	Jersey Shore,	H M	4	29	5	8.75	.85	9.60	20.00
Totals			41	283	72	\$111.50	\$39.20	\$150.70	\$127.50

West Pennsylvania, for Week Ending Feb. 8, 1908

J. O. Nollinger,	Cl'rfeld,	D R		40		\$56.00	\$14.55	\$70.55	\$7.05
Totals				40		\$56.00	\$14.55	\$70.55	\$7.05

Virginia, for Week Ending Feb. 7, 1908

J. A. Hayes,	Norfolk,	D R		44	2	\$6.00	\$23.15	\$29.15	\$27.50
A. Schenk*,	Bedford City,	D R		37	5	13.50	1.05	9.55	
M. Jemerson*,	Richm'd,	C K		20	3	3.00		3.00	1.70
Totals				102	10	\$22.50	\$24.20	\$46.70	\$29.20

West Virginia, for Week Ending Feb. 21, 1908

A. T. Halstead,	Boone Co.,	B R	1	13	4	\$7.75	\$7.75	\$15.50	
J. Marlatt†,	Marsh'l Co.,	D R		45	4	9.00	2.40	11.40	\$3.25
J. Moyer,	Wood Co.,	G C	4	35	12	33.00	3.50	36.50	
L. Moyer,	Wirt Co.,	C K	4	30	7	7.00	10.00	17.00	.50
O. Fletcher,	Moundsville,	G C	4	23	2	5.00	.25	5.25	.95
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THE blue pencil mark here means  
that your subscription has expired.  
Renew at once.

WE are glad to record the fact that  
another new union conference has  
been added to the list of those desig-  
nated by the star on our fund page.  
This is the recently organized Colum-  
bia Union.—*Review and Herald.*

"IN the universe of God there are  
no two souls alike. There are no two  
souls with the same work to do.  
There are no two whose talents are  
rivals, or whose gifts conflict or in-  
terfere. How this thought ought to  
put an end at once to all envy of life,  
grieving at another's good."

THE WELCOME VISITOR is the Colum-  
bia Union Visitor although still  
appearing under the old name. This  
is on account of not being able to se-  
cure the new form as yet. However,  
we hope it will ever prove a welcome  
visitor, and that the friends who have  
been loth to use the new name will be  
reconciled to the change of name.

WANTED.—Seeds, bulbs, plants,  
etc. The Graysville Sanitarium at  
Graysville, Tenn., is in position to  
make good use of flower and vegetable  
seeds, plants, bulbs, vines, etc. With  
considerable ground to improve and  
with limited means, it feels warranted  
in giving others an opportunity to  
assist in this way. Address as  
above.

## OHIO CONVENTIONS

WE are prepared to announce in  
this issue of the VISITOR a second call  
for a convention of church elders and  
deacons at Springfield, March 13-25;  
and a third call for Akron, March 27-  
29.

Church organization, order and  
discipline will be studied and an ef-  
fort made to answer many questions  
that have hitherto perplexed the local  
brethren in the performance of their  
respective duties.

The brethren and sisters of both  
the Springfield and Akron churches  
join us in extending a cordial invita-  
tion to all our brethren who desire  
the help these meetings are designed  
to furnish.

H. H. BURKHOLDER.

## OHIO CONFERENCE

THE election of officers resulted as  
follows: President, H. H. Burkholder;  
Vice President, R. G. Patterson;  
Secretary and Treasurer, C. V.  
Hamer; Auditor, E. R. Brown.

Conference Executive Committee:  
H. H. Burkholder, R. G. Patterson,  
R. R. Kennedy, A. C. Shannon, W.  
E. Bidwell, W. E. Beebe, M. V. Dow-  
ing.

Tract Society Secretary, N. S. Mil-  
ler; Educational Superintendent, Bes-  
sie E. Acton; Educational Secretary,  
Bessie E. Russell; Field Missionary  
Agent, E. R. Numbers; Medical Mis-  
sionary Secretary, H. M. Jump; Re-  
ligious Liberty Secretary, A. C.  
Shannon.

Ohio Conference Association: H. H.  
Burkholder, R. G. Patterson, R. R.  
Kennedy, A. C. Shannon, W. E.  
Beebe, M. V. Dowing, W. E. Bid-  
well.

School Board: W. H. Heckman,  
B. F. Kneeland, I. N. Williams, H.  
W. Herrell, J. M. Rees, W. J. Fitz-  
gerald, Morris Lukens, J. B. Clymer,  
G. C. Quillin, Dr. W. J. Venen.

### Credentials

Credentials were granted H. H.  
Burkholder, R. G. Patterson, A. C.  
Shannon, R. R. Kennedy, J. G.  
Wood, Francis M. Fairchild, W. E.  
Bidwell, C. T. Redfield, F. D. Starr.

### Ordination and Credentials

John P. Gaede, Fred. M. Fair-  
child.

### Ministerial License

N. S. Miller, John W. Shultz, G. P.  
Gaede, Fred M. Henderson, Walter  
C. Moffett, Howard M. Jump, W. J.  
Venen, J. J. Marietta, L. R. Will-  
iams, G. C. Quillin.

### Missionary License

Charles V. Hamer, J. B. Clymer,  
Ernest R. Numbers, L. Clyde Mitch-  
ell, Homer Lefevre, W. M. Camp-  
bell, Cora Campbell, Cora E. Gibson,  
M. Hortense Howell, Bessie E. Rus-  
sell, Anna E. Smith, Ida M. Walters,  
Ella M. Talmage, Bessie E. Acton,  
Anna C. Rice.

Just before the close of the session  
the following resolution was intro-  
duced, and was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The enlargement of our  
work makes an additional department

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do it with other periodicals in the past  
on account of their opposition; but  
the extremely interesting way in which  
that is gotten up, which appeals to  
every lover of truth, has made it a  
most desirable number to send to  
those whom I have wished to interest  
in our work and its progress."

Are there not many others who would  
like to embrace the opportunity of  
sending this Missions Number to their  
friends? There is still an opportu-  
nity. Five or more papers will be  
mailed direct from the Signs office at  
eight cents per copy.

necessary, therefore—

We recommend, That provision be  
made for the Young People's Volun-  
teer Missionary Department.

C. V. HAMER, Sec.

## OBITUARY

WILLIAMS.—Charles Clayton, infant son of  
Brother and Sister M. C. Williams, of Charles-  
ton, W. Va., died February 25, aged 2 years  
and 4 days. Thus another little one is laid  
away to rest until Jesus, the Life Giver, shall  
claim his own in the resurrection of the just.  
Little Charles was dearly loved by all who  
knew him, and while we shall see his bright  
little face no more in this world, we believe  
we shall again behold this precious flower,  
transplanted into the garden above. While  
hearts are sad, and the home lonely for the  
little one, we cannot but feel that in our Father's  
mercy these little ones are safely and se-  
curely laid away, hidden from the severe con-  
flict and trials just before God's remnant peo-  
ple, and when the storm is past, we shall see  
that the Good Shepherd has done all things  
well, and soon, if faithful, with smiles of ap-  
proval will give each precious lamb that he  
has taken back into the mother's arms, and  
wipe away the falling tear. Words of com-  
fort were spoken by the writer from Rev. 1:18,  
after which the remains were laid to rest in  
the beautiful Spring Hill Cemetery of Charles-  
ton.  
L. E. SUFFICOL.

WATSON.—Sister Susan Lewis died Feb. 4,  
1908, at Mason City, W. Va., aged 62 years and  
21 days. Sister Watson was born at Bu-  
chanan, Va., Jan. 14, 1846. In 1862 she was mar-  
ried to Brother Charles Watson, and twelve  
children were born, seven boys and five girls.  
Shortly after the marriage, Brother and Sis-  
ter Watson were converted, giving their  
hearts to God, uniting with the Missionary Bap-  
tist Church. Living up to all light the Lord  
gave, they lived a consistent Christian life, re-  
maining a member of said church until the  
fall of 1898, when, under the labors of Elder C.  
B. Rule, she embraced the truths of the Third  
Angel's Message, uniting with the Seventh-  
day Adventist church in Mason City, W. Va.  
Her faith and hope grew brighter as she neared  
the end, and we believe that Sister Watson  
sleeps in Jesus, soon to hear the voice of the  
blessed Life Giver, and will come forth in the  
first resurrection. The writer being unable to  
officiate, Elder Gilmour [Methodist] spoke  
words of comfort to a large audience in the  
Weish Baptist Church, and the remains were  
laid to rest in the Mason Cemetery. The de-  
ceased leaves a loving husband, three boys,  
and four girls to mourn the loss of a loving  
companion and devoted mother.  
L. E. SUFFICOL.