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"THEY REHEARSED ALL THINGS THAT GOD HAD DONE WITH THEM"

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CHESAPEAKE

A Word to Delegates and Workers to the Union Conference

The time is drawing near for the fourth biennial session of the Columbia Union Conference. Since this important meeting is to be held in the city of Baltimore, the committee in charge of arrangements, desire to do all in their power to have everything in readiness for the very first meeting. In order to be successful in this effort, the members felt that it would be best to pass along to those planning to attend some information and to make certain requests.

LOCATION

The conference session and ministerial institute are to be held in the First Seventh-day Adventist church, North Avenue and Ninth Street, Walbrook.

HOW TO REACH THE CHURCH

All delegates and other workers coming via Pennsylvania Railroad will arrive at Union Station. Step to front of station, take any car going north and transfer to any 1300 car going west on North Avenue, get off at Ninth Street. Those coming via Baltimore and Ohio Railroad on through trains east or west can get off at Mount Royal Station. Upon leaving the station, climb the steps, walk one block west from station, take John Street or Westport car and transfer to any 1300 car going west on North Avenue and get off at Ninth Street. Those who arrive at Camden Station on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, take Columbia Avenue or Westport car going east and transfer to North Avenue as stated above.

BUREAU OF INFORMATION

Delegates and workers are requested to come direct to the church where the committee will operate a bureau of information. Delegates will be received here, after which they will be taken to their rooms.

ENTERTAINMENT OF DELEGATES

The Chesapeake Conference plans

to furnish lodging for all accredited delegates free. All other workers or visitors from the churches should send in their names at once to the conference office, in order to give the committee time to secure accommodations for them. There will be furnished rooms at reasonable rates for those who will bear their own expenses. There will be a limited number of cots and mattresses placed in the basement of the church and in comfortable rooms at small rental, but those desiring cots should be sure to bring bedding as cots will not be furnished complete.

Singing is a very important part of the worship of God and this part of our worship cannot be made a success without church hymnals, therefore let all the delegates bring "Christ in Song" as our congregation have only a limited number of extra books.

This Union Conference meeting if a success will prove a great blessing to the cause in this Union. It will surely be a success if all work in harmony with the mind of God. Shall we not pray earnestly that the Lord will grace our meeting with the power of the Holy Spirit? Our business is to win souls for the Lord. Matthew Henry said: "I would think it greater happiness to win one soul for Christ than to gain mountains of gold and silver for myself." The ministerial institute will be very helpful to our workers. The Lord through his servants will give timely messages that will give courage to those engaged in the battle for truth.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE,
ROSCOE T. BAER, *Chairman.*

News Notes

Elder R. T. Baer spent Sabbath with the church at Blythedale, Md. He reports an excellent meeting and a good attendance on the part of the members. This is quite an active and growing church, although comparatively new in the truth. He met with the church at Hagerstown, Md., on Sunday, where they had a good meeting, and stopped over in

Frederick to visit Elder Shadel on his way back to the office.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Robinson, who have been canvassing for *Bible Training School* in Baltimore for several weeks have gone on to Washington, D. C. This was the special number for the work for the blind, and they report quite a good interest in this work.

Mr. Arthur Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Weller are entering the canvassing work this week. We trust they may succeed.

Dr. H. N. Sisco went to Rock Hall to conduct the funeral of a child. He held a meeting in the church there on Sunday night, and reports a pleasant visit with the people.

Elder H. M. J. Richards, of Philadelphia, made a short visit at the office Tuesday.

We have a large number of beautiful wall mottoes, in colored art velvet with landscape panels or floral designs; appropriate Scripture texts are embossed in white. We also have some high grade waterproof mottoes with silver beveled edges. They vary in price from 5¢ to 30¢ according to size of motto. We shall be glad to receive orders from any of our friends.

Our committee is busy in planning to make every thing pleasant and comfortable for the coming Union Conference.

EMMA S. NEWCOMER.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburgh

I came here to help fill the vacancy made by the removal of Elder W. A. Westworth the first of December. We have enjoyed our acquaintance with the dear brethren and sisters very much. We have found them

hospitable and ready to help push the work forward in this great city.

Our greatest need is more help, full of helpfulness. The city has been stirred up along the lines of Bible study until many who never before have taken any active part in religious matters, are now reading their Bibles and inquiring after salvation. So now is a good time to find many inquiring after truth. We need fifty or a hundred devoted Bible workers, who can go from house to house and in the love of Christ tell the good news of Jesus' soon coming and help the people get ready to meet him.

We have been trying to develop some new workers from our church who could leave home and give the message. However, it seems to take about all the talent to provide for the rent and keep soul and body together in these great cities. We are glad to say that a few have made some effort along this line. But we need trained workers and need them badly. We have organized a missionary society and "Ladies Aid" or "Dorcas Society," hoping to develop some new talent.

We had a very good lecture in one of our fine city halls by Professor C. S. Longacre, of Washington, D. C., on Religious Liberty. His talk was right to the point. Nevertheless, the churches are going right along urging their members to enter politics. Consequently there is no place to stop. Our work is to give the third angel's message.

Our Sabbath-school is growing in interest and also in numbers. We have had seven baptisms and eight added to the church since we came.

Our Bible worker has her hands more than full. Three of the eight have been from her readers (just of late) and she has three or four more to come soon.

You can see the "field is ripe." Come over and help us. All can remember us in your prayers.

Yours in the Master's work,
E. J. VAN HORN.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Colporteurs' Institute

Our colporteur's institute closed March 29, and while the number in attendance was small, yet those present seemed thoroughly in earnest and desirous of obtaining all the help possible in order to make their future efforts even more efficient.

It seemed that Satan made a special effort to hinder the work of the institute through the illness of the instruct-

ors, Elder Richardson having to leave at the close of the first week to seek medical help, and part of the following week the writer was confined to his bed, but in spite of the enemy's plans the blessing of God was manifest and we believe a good work was accomplished. All expressed themselves as being well paid for the time spent and left for their fields of labor with renewed courage and determination to accomplish greater results as Christian colporteurs than ever before. Particularly was it shown that in regard to the amount of time spent in actual field work much more could be done.

The courage and enthusiasm manifested by those who had been at work previous to the institute were an inspiration to the few who were planning to take up the work for the first time.

It is too soon after the return of the colporteurs to their respective fields to determine the practical benefits received, although one very encouraging report has been sent in. The prospects are good for a healthy growth of the colporteur work in this conference from now on.

We cannot believe that God's true children in this conference can much longer, under the pressure of the increasing signs of the times, remain indifferent to the earnest call of God to active missionary effort for our neighbors whom we are admonished to love as ourselves. If we stand off and actually see their souls wrecked on the rocks of sin and disobedience how will we fare when our names come in review before the Judge of all the earth for settlement?

C. D. WOLFF.

The Colporteur Work

January is generally looked upon as an unfavorable month for the book work, but one of our faithful colporteurs has proved otherwise.

Brother Wm. P. Hess spent 202 hours in the field and took \$202.25 worth of orders and delivered \$203.00 of books. 168 hours of the time were used in taking the orders making an average of \$1.20 per hour. 34 hours were spent in delivering showing an average per hour of \$5.97 worth of books delivered. This is a splendid record and puts Brother Hess on the honor roll with 2 hours to his credit.

Canvassing over here is a success with the colporteur who makes wise use of his time. There is abundant territory in this conference just as good as that in which the above record was made.

Magazine Sales for Month of March, 1914

CHURCHES

311 Protestant Magazines
1076 Temperance Instructors
1026 Signs of the Times
200 Bible Training School
10 Life & Health
2622

COLPORTEURS

400 Protestant Magazines
100 Temperance Instructors
75 Signs of the Times
50 Life & Health
625

OHIO

Bookmen's Notes

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather which has prevented a full time report for last week our colporteurs are of good courage. Several have been detained by sickness. They ask an interest in our prayers.

Our sale for ten cent magazines during March was \$1,221.20. This with \$2,743.75 worth of orders taken for books makes a total sale of \$3,965.25 for the month. We praise God for this degree of success. But if all were at work who should be, a much greater work would be accomplished.

Brother Richard DeGarmo is again in the field. He accompanies his report with a list of seven persons who are definitely seeking for truth. He has sold them books and requests that we follow up the interest.

Brother J. L. Sauder reports that a lady to whom he sold a book is deeply concerned about keeping the Sabbath. We have sent her name to a consecrated sister in an endeavor to fully establish her in the truth.

Brother J. B. Reichenbach was led of the Lord to give his canvass with such power and tenderness that a very wicked man was led to give his heart to God. After Brother Reichenbach had left, the man in a truly repentant spirit, began at once to make wrongs right and ask the forgiveness of those whom he has treated unjustly. We believe that where such an impression as this has been made by the giving of the canvass that the family

will accept the truth when they have read the book.

Brother W. E. Wagner, who sold Great Controversy in Summit County last summer, has the joy now of seeing the fruits of his labor. A lady has accepted the truth, and has become an active home missionary in scattering tracts that others may see the light. Brother Wagner for a time doubted his call from God to this work, but since this experience he feels encouraged to continue faithful no matter what obstacles may confront him.

Never before in my experience as a field agent have I received so many letters from colporteurs telling of visible results as during the past week. The Holy Spirit is working mightily with the people. Surely Seventh-day Adventists cannot help but be impressed to leave their secular work and go out into the highways and hedges that precious souls for whom Jesus died may be brought to the light of truth. Let us pray that a conviction may take hold on many men and women in our churches, that this is the very work God would have them do at this time.

J. H. MCEACHERN.

Missionary Volunteer Report

We are sending herewith a report of the work done by Missionary Volunteers of Cincinnati during the first quarter of 1914. We have a membership of 13 members; however, they do not all report regularly. The average number of members present at our meetings, which are held every Sabbath afternoon, is nine, but we generally have a large number of the brethren in attendance from the church.

Letters Written	66
Letters Received	86
Personal Missionary Visits	89
Bible Readings or Cottage Meetings Held	52
Papers Sold	266
Papers Mailed, Lent or Given Away	236
Books Sold	12
Books Lent or Given Away	27
Tracts Lent or Given Away	322
Hours of Christian Help Work	203
Articles of Clothing Given Away	36
Number of Meals Provided	24
Offerings for Foreign Missions	\$15.17
Offerings for Home Missions	\$9.19
Treatments Given	5
Bouquets Given Away	3
Scripture Cards Given Away	7

Signers Obtained to Temperance Pledge 1

In connection with our young people's society, we have a personal workers' band, and each week we try to assign a certain work for the different members to do.

We give all the praise to God for these many blessings and opportunities and ever strive to reach a higher plane.

EMMA SILBER, Secretary.

OHIO TITHE RECEIPTS

FEBRUARY, 1914

Akron	\$110 48
Alliance	22 67
*Barnesville	..
Bellville	5 00
Bellefontaine	21 10
*Broughton	..
Bowling Green	..
Bucyrus	5 04
Camden	6 99
Canaan	22 93
Canton	..
Chagrin Falls	..
Charloe	..
Chillicothe	..
Cincinnati	104 35
" Msn.	33 02
Cleveland Eng.	176 78
Cleveland German	75 49
Clyde	30 33
Columbus	194 00
Columbus S. D. A. Mission	..
Conneaut	..
Corsica	..
Coshocton	..
Dayton	..
Defiance	2 50
Delaware	..
Delta	..
Derwent	4 00
Dowling	..
Dunkirk	..
East Liverpool	28 21
Elgin	..
Findlay	10 50
Greenspring	2 88
Gilboa	..
Hamler	..
Hamilton	264 58
Hicksville	4 60
*Jackson	..
Jefferson	..
Killbuck	11 00
LaGrange	53 56
*Lakeville	17 56
Lakeview	14 27
Liberty Center	..
Laura	1 00
Lima	..
Locust Point	..
Leeburg	..
Mansfield	37 60
Marion	28 87
Marshfield	..

Medina	..
Mendon	..
Mount Vernon	300 00
Newark	37 53
Norwalk	30 39
New Philadelphia	17 49
Nova	..
Ohio City	..
Piqua	33 59
Pleasant Hill	6 44
Powell	..
Ravenna	49 42
*Reedsville	..
Rows	11 00
Sherwood	..
Spencer	21 20
Springfield	161 78
Toledo	86 05
Troy	..
Van Wert	..
Walnut Grove	..
Washington C. H.	..
Waterford	75 79
Wilmington	65
*West Mansfield	..
Wheelersburg	45 98
Youngstown	53 13
Zanesville	53 19
Individuals	123 55

TOTAL 2,396 49

*Companies

H. D. HOLTOM, Treas.

TOTAL RECEIPTS, ALL SOURCES

FEBRUARY, 1914

Tithe	2,396 49
Tract Society	1115 10
Sabbath-school Donations	382 78
Missions	101 40
Harvest Ingathering	21 20
Religious Liberty	107 12
Annual Offerings	1 00
Weekly Donations	63 20
Mount Vernon College Fund	13 50
Colored Work	25
Refund Labor Expense	..
Ministry of Healing	..
Loma Linda	..
Stereopticon Fund	..
Orphans and Aged	..
Clinton Seminary	7 00
Tent and Hall Collections	..
Cooperation Fund (Signs Times)	..
Expense Refund	1 25
Mid Summer Offering	..
Ingathering Missions	..
Gospel Herald	..
Philippines	..
Mission Literature	..
South America	..
China	..

TOTAL \$4210 29

H. D. HOLTOM, Treas.

"Let others bask in glories won,
Be thou content with duty done."

AT THE COLLEGE

Extracts from the Summer School Announcement May 27 to July 7

The Faculty

ELON G. SALISBURY, Principal

NED S. ASHTON

Bible

A. EARL HALL

Histry

HUBERT O. SWARTOUT

Science, Mathematics, and Language

BESSIE E. ACTON

Normal Department

GRACE V. PURDHAM

English and Latin

MARION L. KELLEY

Commercial Branches

OTTO M. JOHN

LAWRENCE R. ANDERSON

General Assistants

Courses of Study

Normal Course

FIRST YEAR.

Daniel and the Revelation.

Psychology.

Pedagogy.

General Methods.

School Management.

Special Methods.

Nature Study.

Manual Training.

Teachers' Music.

SECOND YEAR.

Acts and Epistles.

History of Education.

Special Methods.

Advanced Physiology and Anatomy.

Drawing.

Observation Teaching.

Regular Academic

Combined Business

Expenses

The management desires to reduce the expense as much as possible, with safety to the institution. They therefore offer the following terms for the session of six weeks:

Tuition	\$ 6 00
Light and room	9 00
Board, cafeteria plan, about	12 00

When to Come

We invite all students of the summer school to come two or three days earlier, in order to be in attendance at our commencement exercises, which will be held this year as follows:

Class day exercises, Thursday evening, May 21.

Baccalaureate sermon, May 23, at 11 o'clock
Commencement exercises, Monday evening, May 25.

However it will be well for students coming for these exercises, to notify us immediately, in order that we may secure rooms, for we shall be crowded at that time.

How to Reach Mount Vernon

Mount Vernon is situated near the center of the state of Ohio, at the junction of the Baltimore and Ohio, and the Cleveland, Akron, and Columbus branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad. On arriving at either station, take the electric car which makes regular trips to the Academy grounds every twenty minutes. Conductors will answer all questions, and direct you carefully. Those coming on the Pennsylvania line, do not change street cars in Mount Vernon.

The Canvassers' Institute

Mount Vernon College, April 1-10, 1914.

A large canvassing band has been organized for several months at the college, under the leadership of Brother Ray Corder. The canvassing spirit has been very good in the school all the year, and there are sixteen per cent of our students who have been materially helped in the school this year by canvassing done during the summer of 1913. The aggregate book sales by our students last summer was approximately \$10,000.

Brother I. D. Richardson was with us during the institute and had charge of the work. It was evident from the first that the blessing of the Lord was to be with us, and we are glad to report a large attendance during the afternoon sessions for general instruction, after which the different divisions separated to various recitation rooms for the study of their particular canvass and prospectus. A large number are planning to take up the sale of the new "Bible Readings for the Home Circle;" others will sell "Practical Guide," "Great Controversy," and "Daniel and the Revelation." Besides the students several of the regular colporteurs of Ohio were present during the institute.

Brother Richardson was assisted in the work by Brother McEachern, the Ohio field agent; Brother Kirk, West Virginia field agent; and Brother Panches, West Pennsylvania field agent. We should have been glad if it had been possible for the field agents of the other conferences of the Union to be with us, but we are sure that there are several from each conference who will return to their home field for the work.

CANVASSING WORK

All the students of the school who are desiring to enter the work this

summer have been assigned fields for labor. West Pennsylvania has secured several of the young men and women who were in the field last year, and some are going to connect there permanently. West Virginia has secured the services of ten or more young men and women who rank among our best canvassers, and Ohio has given territory to all of her home students who are desirous of staying in Ohio. We are glad to see arrangements definitely made at this period of the year, so when school has closed all may know what field to go to, and that there may be no delay in taking up the work.

We hope the young people may secure scholarships for entrance into this school and the Washington Missionary College, and that they may receive a rich experience. We are thankful for the privilege of advancing the work of the third angel's message through the canvassing channel.

The field agents occupied the time of the chapel period and their words were greatly appreciated by all. We are glad to have these men visit our institution, for their work is always appreciated and is beneficial. It brings life and strength into our work, as well as a change, and the spiritual influence is always the best.

THE SCHOLARSHIP PLAN

Truly the scholarship plan is a great source of help to students. It is possible for every young man or woman to secure money enough to attend school through one summer's effort in the canvassing field. The scholarship plan of this conference has been arranged as follows:

1. The publishing house, tract society, and school unite in making a discount of fifteen per cent from the regular scholarship as a reward for the faithfulness of the student-canvasser.

2. Any person desiring to earn a scholarship must make full and satisfactory arrangements with the state tract society, and work in harmony with its regulations.

3. Any person will be entitled to draw the money due him on the scholarship at any time, from the state tract society, if he wishes to do so; but in such an event, he will receive only the regular commission of fifty per cent on his sales, the same as other agents; it being understood that in drawing his sales, he withdraws from the scholarship endeavor, and places himself on the same basis as other agents.

4. Any person who has earned at least one-half of a scholarship is al-

lowed to receive the benefits from the same, pro rata, as outlined above.

5. Any student who, after having earned a scholarship, is unable through sickness or other misfortune, to attend school himself, may transfer his scholarship to any worthy person whom the officers of his state tract society can recommend, and the authorities of the school can accept as a student.

6. Any person desiring to participate in the scholarship plan must, upon matriculation, present to the business manager of the school a receipt from the tract society showing that he has paid the full amount of his scholarship.

7. In addition to the above amount, one hour's domestic work each day is required each student while in school.

VALUE OF BOOKS TO BE SOLD

The retail value of the books sold must be \$275.00. The student will be allowed the usual fifty per cent, or \$137.50. In addition to that of the school, the publishing house, and the tract society unite in giving him a premium of \$25.00, which will make his total credit at the school \$162.50. On this he will be entitled to draw as follows:—

Room and tuition, nine months,	\$ 99.00
Board (European plan) nine months,	63.50
Total	\$162.50

This, it will be seen, allows the student \$7.05 a month for board. If more than that amount should be required for board, it must be made up by the student in cash. No allowance is made for bookstore supplies, special fees, or other incidental expenses. Nothing besides room, tuition, and board, to the extent named above, is included in the scholarship.

We hope that many young people throughout the Union, who are anxious in regard to their future educational opportunities, may consider carefully the scholarship plan, and decide at once to take up the work in their own local conference. We understand that the same, or nearly the same regulations in regard to scholarships will apply to all our schools, and that arrangements can be made for the transfer of scholarships, if necessary.

However, we wish to hold up before the readers of this article in the Columbia Union, our two schools, the Washington Missionary College, located at Takoma Park, D. C., and Mount Vernon Academy, Mount Vernon, Ohio, as schools that are doing the very best possible grade of work,

and we hope that the young people of this Union may all find a place in one of these schools in September. We understand both the schools open on the same date, September 16, 1914. If any of the young people of the Union are desirous of securing calendars from either of these schools, they can be procured by writing to the presidents.

Mrs. V. O. Punches accompanied her husband to the institute and is visiting relatives and friends in the village.

The College Press is now busy getting out the school calendar for 1914-1915, which will be ready in a short time for distribution.

On Saturday night, April 4, a stereopticon lecture on Jerusalem was given by Elder Benson. Among the slides shown were the following: "Church of the Holy Sepulcher," "House of Simon, the Tanner," "Tomb of David," "Jews' Wailing Place," the "Mount of Olives," and the "Church of the Lord's Prayer."

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington Sanitarium Work

Special Testimonies Regarding the Sanitarium Work in Washington

(Concluded)

In every possible way, humble efforts should be made to win souls to the truth. The third angel's message is to be proclaimed all through the suburbs of Washington. The people living in these suburbs are precious to God. Those who believe the truth for this time must now arouse, and earnestly take hold of the work that needs to be done. We must be wide awake to the needs of the situation, and perform the work with wisdom.

It would also be a great mistake to close up the branch sanitarium we have operated in Washington. Some have thought that when our institution at Takoma Park should be in running order, we might do this. But instruction regarding this matter has been given me by higher authority than that of men; and I have been shown that to close up the work of the first institution would be a grievous mistake. There are men holding positions of responsibility in the world who are patronizing our treatment rooms there, and we must not cut off from them this opportunity of

gaining a knowledge of the truth for this time.

From the light the Lord has given me, I know there is a great work to be accomplished in Washington, and every laggard power must be aroused to act its part. A special work should also be done in this city in the establishing of schools, that the people may be educated along Christian lines. In our schools established in this city, the Word of God is to be exalted as the study book, and the law of God is to be honored and obeyed. The discipline of our schools is to be of the highest type.

We must individually learn the lesson that the treasures of knowledge are with the Most High. The discourses of the men who profess to honor and reverence the law of God must be earnest, sincere and solemn, as befits the time in which they live. Their appeals for temperance must speak powerfully to the senses of men. The love of God is to be expressed in word and action.

If our institutions are rightly conducted they will be the means of bringing us in touch with the workers in the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Many of these noble souls in this organization need to learn that obedience to the fourth commandment is an experience that they need in order to perfect a Christian character. When they will yield their will to his will in this matter, God will make their efforts more effectual to the saving of soul, body, and spirit to himself.

From these institutions (Takoma Park and Washington Branch Sanitariums) the light of truth is to shine forth to counselors and statesmen.

The Sanitarium at Takoma Park is to do its part in convincing the leading men of the nation of the truthfulness of the third angel's message.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Colporteur Work

We are glad to see the hand of God in the book work in West Virginia. It brings joy to our hearts to see people accepting the truth through the efforts of our colporteurs. "He that goeth forth with weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again bringing his sheaves with him."

We appreciate very much the liberality of Ohio with their students, and it should cause us all to say amen,

when we see the students answer the voice of the Spirit in directing them to their fields of labor. I know they are not looking for ease and pleasure, therefore my sincere prayer for them is, that God by his angels will guide and protect them, and give them just the experience that will best prepare them for the finishing of this all important message. H. F. KIRK.

Danger Signals for Canvassers

(Concluded)

Here are some of these deceptive harbors to be avoided:—

(a) "Men suited to this work undertake it; but some injudicious minister flatters them that their gifts should be employed in preaching instead of the work of the colporteur. . . . They are turned away from a work for which they are fitted to make poor ministers, and the field where so much labor is needed is neglected.—*Ibid.* page 31.

I would not take the position that none who enter the colporteur ranks should enter the ministry; but let care be taken that the Lord is leading and not the "enemy of souls."

(b) "When the canvasser enters upon his work he should not allow himself to be diverted, but should intelligently keep to the point with all diligence."

Then follows some instruction about injudicious holding of Bible readings, with the people:—

"There are always opportunities for the canvassers to labor for souls, but the time of the canvasser must be judiciously employed. Far better to place a good, message-filled book in the home, leaving God to work with them, than to try to do this work yourself under a misguided conception of duty, and later on find your financial condition to be such that you will be compelled to take up some secular calling for a living for yourself and family. Thus the work is robbed of your talent, others stumble at your failure and charge it upon the work rather than upon your wrong methods."

This is one of the "every means in his power" that the enemy uses. Seldom has the Lord given us any suggestive hint of a line of work which may, under proper effort, be made a success, but that the enemy is on hand to interpret in such a way that it will defeat rather than help advance the work. We have read where the Lord encourages canvassers to treat the sick in a way which is consistent with circumstances and with our knowledge of the healing art. We have seen canvassers at

Canvassers' Reports

Ohio, Week Ending April 3, 1914

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
J. L. Sauder, Portage Co.		ES	5	50	75	43 00	8 25	51 25	3 00
Ray H. Chapin, Perry Co.		ES	4	32	11	36 00	8 24	44 25	
L. H. Waters, Ottawa Co.		PPF	5	44	23	41 50	2 00	43 50	
J. B. Reichenbach, Montg'y Co.		BR	4	30	11	34 00	16 30	50 30	16 30
John Schick, Summit Co.		GC	5	27	4	14 00	11 00	25 00	5 00
J. H. Stafford, Lucas Co.		DR	5	40	6	20 00	3 00	23 00	29 95
R. De Garmo, Medina Co.		GC	2	12	7	21 00	75	21 75	
Mrs. H. B. Wylie, Cleveland		PPF	4	9	1	2 00		2 00	15 00
Emma Kropp, Toledo		PPF	3	20	8	14 00	6 25	20 25	9 50
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		ES	2	13	4	13 00	6 10	19 10	3 00
C. E. Reichenbach, Licking Co.		ES	4	26	4	13 00	3 15	16 15	
Tillie Gable, Cleveland		ES	5	26	5	15 00		15 00	14 75
Marie Fienner, Butler Co.		BF	2	14		10 50	3 75	14 25	
Daisy Crist, Columbus		ES	2	15	4	12 00		12 00	24 00
W. H. Geisweller, Springfield		PP	4	24	3	9 00	60	9 60	
W. E. Wagner, Wilmington		GC	5	49	2	5 00	2 75	7 75	28 00
W. Syphers, Wilmington		GC	5	39	1	3 00	4 50	7 50	4 50
A. L. Bassler, Noble Co.		DR	2	15					70 35
C. A. Gibson, Huron Co.		ES	1	6					15 00
Miscellaneous		GC	22	93	12	34 00	19 00	53 00	21 55
Totals	19 Agents		91	584	121	\$339 40	\$95 65	\$435 05	\$259 90

Chesapeake, Week Ending April 3, 1914

David W. Percy, Talbot Co.	DA	5	40	9	27 00	7 00	34 00	69 00	
J. E. Jones, Sussex Co.	PPF	4	32	29	55 25	9 75	64 75	2 50	
F. H. Barritt, Allegany Co.	DR	5	39	17	51 00	1 50	52 50	1 50	
G. R. Apsley, Allegheny Co.	DR	5	40	9	27 00	4 00	31 00		
Jno. J. Martin, Olivet	DR	4	33	16	50 00	2 10	52 10		
G. W. Lawrence, Calvert Co.	DR	4	34	15	45 00	4 40	49 40		
Naomi Geisenderfer, Arlington		4	22	10	17 25	6 50	23 75		
Magazines									
Naomi Geisenderfer, Youth's Instructor					16	1 60			
G. R. Apsley, Eckhart, Md.					17	1 70			
J. I. Laurent, Baltimore						8 00			
Mrs. J. I. Laurent, Baltimore						35 00			
Totals	7 Agents		36	415	1 05	\$318 55	\$35 25	\$353 80	\$73 00

District of Columbia, Week Ending April 3, 1914

R. E. Orange, Prince Wm. Co.	DR	5	46	11	33 00	7 50	40 50	
W. A. Williams, Stafford	CK	5	42	33	50 50	1 50	52 00	
F. Smith, Charles Co.	GC	4	42					133 00
G. B. Jenkins, Wash. D. C.	Mag. and Books				12 40	12 60	25 00	
Totals	4 Agents				\$95 90	\$21 60	\$117 50	\$133 00

West Virginia, Week Ending April 3, 1914

W. A. McElphatrick, Webster	GC	4	35	9	29 00	10 80	29 80	6 30
Miscellaneous					8 00		8 00	48 25
Totals	1 Agents				\$37 00	\$10 80	\$47 80	\$54 55

New Jersey, Week Ending April 3, 1914

Wm. Schmidt, Elizabeth	GC	4	30	17	61 50	6 00	67 50	67 50	
Edward Sterner, Millville	PPF	4	30	8	13 50	2 50	16 00	2 50	
G. C. Taylor, Mercer Co.	PPF	3	24	15	25 00	1 00	26 00	1 00	
G. W. Blinn, Burlington	GC	5	43					100 00	
Magazines					68 33			68 33	
Totals	4 Agents		16	127	30	\$168 33	\$9 50	\$109 50	\$240 33

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 3, 1914

F. A. Brownell, Scranton	GC	7	38	21	75 00	2 50	77 50	47 50
W. B. Dunkinson, York Co.	PPF	7	39	7	14 00	8 10	22 10	92 10
Mrs. H. Tranger, Allentown	CK	7	30	35	19 50	14 95	34 45	
Mrs. Park Drake, Johnsonville			25	27	16 25		16 26	
W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	PPF	2	11	2	3 50		3 50	
F. Willruth, Scranton	CK		23	9	31 00	6 30	37 30	17 70
J. L. Gearhart, Snyder Co.	PPF	3	14	7	13 00	35	13 35	
W. S. Harmon	GC	2		2	6 00		6 00	
Totals	8 Agents	28	80	110	\$178 25	\$32 20	\$210 45	158 30

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 3, 1914

A. Brownlee, McKeesport	PPF	4	45	16	28 75	12 25	41 00	26 25
J. Brownlee, Fayette Co.	DR	4	40	24	49 75	1 70	51 45	20
C. Dunham, Allegheny Co.	DR		45		21 00		21 00	47 70
J. A. Kimmel, Waynesburg	DR	4	22	5	10 00	1 50	11 50	75
William Lener, Mt. Braddock	HW	2	13	8	5 25		5 25	5 25
J. S. Neely, Armstrong Co.	GC	1	39	5	11 00		11 00	100 00
L. M. Yohe, Armstrong Co.	ES	5	39	5	17 00	3 75	20 75	103 75
Totals	7 Agents	20	209	61	\$142 75	\$19 20	\$161 95	\$283 90

Grand Totals: 50 Agents Value of Orders, \$1280 18 Deliveries, \$1202 68

once jump to the conclusion that now they should drop their work and take a course in some sanitarium as a nurse, so as to meet this suggestion the Lord gave.

(c) Again we have seen some of our brightest and most promising canvassers who were located in some place where there was none who could act as elder of the local church. As it seemed that they should be asked to take this responsibility when it was laid upon them, they would shoulder its burdens and responsibilities in such a way that it consumed their time, divided their energies, and converted them into a sort of pastor-preachers. As a degree of success attended their efforts, some have thought it an excellent plan to use these canvassers this way. But as time rolls on, expenses never stopping, the energies of the canvasser being divided, and necessarily his power for effectual work in the field scattered, his finances suffer, his courage lags, he sees only two doors open before him; viz., either to enter the work as a paid laborer of the conference, or to give up the canvassing work for some worldly enterprise. He may, or may not, be to blame for his taking on this extra burden, or burdens, but those in charge of the work in each conference should be ever on guard to warn canvassers and to encourage them to "keep to the point with all diligence."

(d) Again we have seen young men who were trying to get an education in our schools by selling our publications, encouraged, by some

ambitious minister who desired to see his tent effort make a decided success that summer (this in itself might be all right), to go and locate where the said tent effort was to be held. The tempting offer made to them that they were to have free lodging, was on condition, of course, that they "help in the meetings, the singing, and some of the visiting;" and they to canvass in the day time. Now, this arrangement might be all very well if the young man was preparing for the ministry and did not depend upon his own resources to earn his way back to school. But his effort being divided, temptations strong to lose a lot of time, and other factors entering into it, will almost surely defeat his plan to get back to school by selling books. I never yet have seen it succeed from that standpoint.

These are some of the many dangerous, yet seemingly friendly harbors located on your chart. They are none the less to be avoided, though they loom up before you at a time when the seas are rolling high, and threatening clouds appear to indicate that a harbor should be entered somewhere. But our great pilot has warned us of them; and safer it is for us to steer straight for the open seas and trust fully in the Lord to guide us, than to hover along the shore where are so many of these rocks, reefs, and enemy-infested harbors.

Here are the words of the great Leader,—“Men and women are wanted now who are as true to duty as the needle to the pole,—men and women who will work without having their

way smoothed and every obstacle removed.” (*Ibid.* Page 22.)

The year 1914 looms up before us with all of its possibilities. The signs are abundant that the books which have been placed in the homes of the people will be eagerly sought for and read as the eyes of the people see fulfilled right before them the predictions they contain concerning the advances of Romanism in this land of liberty. Also the portents of danger from universal war are abundant to awaken the public mind to appreciate that these books have been faithfully portraying these coming events. Great disasters are coming thick and fast, as thunder peals from the Almighty, intended to arouse souls to flee from the coming storm. Wise and honest friends of religious and civil liberty see the approach of the dangers which this people began to point out when as yet not even a cloud appeared on the horizon to indicate danger. All these things combine to impress us that *now* is the time to place these books in the hands of these men, that their influence may be cast on the right side. No wonder the word comes to us saying,—“A great and important work is to be done . . . and the enemy of souls realizes this, and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvassers to take up some other line of work.” Shall he succeed in *your* case, my brother, at this time? God forbid!

Your fellow worker,
J. B. BLOSSER,
General Agent of Lake Union Conf.

Hearings on Sunday Measures

We had the privilege of attending a hearing on a Bill introduced in the Maryland Legislature looking to the amending of the present Sunday law of the state which would affect large cities such as Baltimore. There is little likelihood of this measure going through, one reason being that the session is drawing to a close and there is not sufficient time to consider the matter in its turn.

We also appeared before the House District Committee in association with Brother C. S. Longacre, secretary of the North American Religious Liberty Association, on the Bill which was introduced into Congress having for its object the closing of all barber shops on Sunday. Besides Brother Longacre and myself, several barbers who desired to keep their places of business open on Sunday, spoke to

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the Committee and requested an adverse report of the Bill. As to the ultimate outcome of this measure we are not now prepared to venture upon, but trust that the Committee will decide against the legislation because of the principle involved in Sunday laws. We laid emphasis upon the action that as our government was purely civil in character, an act not wrong in itself, could not be adjudged criminal when done on Sunday so far as the state is concerned.

We have been invited to present some Religious Liberty principles before the city council of Petersburg, Virginia, in a few days.

S. B. HORTON.

An Important Day

Another Young People's Day is here. Sabbath, May 2, is the day. Every lover of children and young people will be glad to get the word and to unite in this year's special effort to give our dear young people a lift. And what Christian does not love the young? Who is so advanced in years that he cannot remember the days of his youth,—his desires and ambitions, his fears and trembling? Who does not remember the man who was thoughtful and kind enough to smile upon him, place a warm hand upon his head and say something encouraging? Love expressed to the young even in little ways makes a deep impression upon them. Personally, I remember very distinctly the first preacher who gave me a warm smile and spoke a few words of encouragement and inspiration to my poor trembling heart. Later that same minister baptized me, and still later

ordained me to the work of the gospel ministry.

If only we could all realize the tremendous uplift our personal efforts give young people, this Young People's Day would be gladly and earnestly improved. Every minister, every church officer, every parent, every grown Christian would study and pray for help to say some word and to do some deed that would help some boy or girl toward the kingdom.

The Missionary Volunteer Department has prepared a program for the day. Every arrangement for a good helpful day has been made. But all this must largely fail unless the program is carried out by those whose hearts are yearning to help the young. It should need no appeal for cooperation from our people. Brethren and sisters, let us all take hold to make the Young People's Day for 1914 one that shall never be forgotten.

A. G. DANIELLS.

Columbia Union Conference Biennial Meeting

The fourth biennial session of the Columbia Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene at the First Seventh-day Adventist church, North Avenue and 9th Street, Walbrook, Baltimore, Maryland, April 28 to May 10, 1914. Officers for the ensuing period will be elected and such other business transacted as may properly come before the meeting.

The voters of this Conference are as follows:—in addition to its president, one representative from each local conference for every one hundred and fifty church members therein; two representatives from each organized denominational institution located in the Columbia Union; the officers of the Columbia Union Conference; members of the General Conference Committee who may be present, and such others as may be granted delegate credentials by vote of the Union Conference.

A ministerial institute will be held beginning at 7:45 P. M. April 28, and continuing until May 6.

By order of the executive committee.
B. G. WILKINSON, *President*;
R. T. DOWSETT, *Secretary*.

Columbia Union Conference Association

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Columbia Union Conference Association of Seventh-day Adven-

tists will be held at the First Seventh-day Adventist church, North Avenue and 9th Street, Walbrook, Baltimore, Maryland, at 10:00 A. M., May 4, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the delegates. All accredited delegates to the Columbia Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are members of the Association and may vote at this meeting.

B. G. WILKINSON, *President*;
R. T. DOWSETT, *Secretary*.

Special Notice

We have a complete list of delegates to the Columbia Union Conference to be held in Baltimore, April 28 to May 10, and provision is being made for the entertainment of these persons, but if any delegate is expecting his wife to attend we desire to be informed of this at once as it will make some difference in the arrangements to be made. We also desire to hear from all workers and others who expect to attend the Ministerial Institute and Conference as we desire to make all comfortable. Rooms and lodging will be provided as cheaply as is possible. The Chesapeake Conference will operate a cafeteria where meals will be served at a very reasonable rate. Any individual desiring a program and information with reference to the Convention and how to reach the church where the Institute will be held will please address the undersigned, 36 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

R. T. DOWSETT.

"Thy Word is truth."

OBITUARY

HIXON.—Guy Hixon, born in Columbus, Ohio June 29, 1894, met a violent and untimely death while walking on the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad, March 6, 1914, at the youthful age of 19 years, 8 months, and 7 days.

Just two years previous to his death, his father, Granville Hixon, met a violent death in an elevator accident. Between the time of his father's death and his own, he, with his mother and two sisters, Goldie and Doris, passed through the harrowing experience of the great flood.

Through all these experiences his Christian mother, Mrs. Almeda Hixon, a member of the Columbus, Ohio Seventh-day Adventist church, has leaned trustingly upon the mighty arm of the Lord. Her faith in the ultimate triumph of the message appears stronger than ever before.

H. A. WEAVER.