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Biennial Report of the West Pennsylvania Conference

Year Ending December 31, 1913.

I am pleased to submit to you in behalf of the West Pennsylvania Conference the following report:-

Having been in the West Pennsylvania Conferences so short a time, it makes it difficult to form a correct report of the last biennial period. However, there are a number of things that can be spoken of definitely.

This conference was organized in 1903, has an area of 23,104 square miles, and a population of 3,152,044. According to the 1910 census there was a gain in population for the ten year period of 630,989. There is one Seventh-day Adventist to every 4,230 of the population, and one worker to every 175,113 of the population.

CITY WORK

A large proportion of the population of West Pennsylvania Conference is found in the cities. Within the territory of this conference there are twenty-seven cities, each having a population of over 10,000. Sixty-nine having more than 5,000, and one-hundred and ten small towns with a population of 3,000.

Pittsburgh, with 533,905 people in the city corporation is a difficult field to work. Including the area within ten miles of its limits, gives a greater Pittsburgh with a large population of 1,042,855. At the present time the entire force of conference workers in this congested center, are three ministers, one English, one German, one

Colored, also three Bible workers. We realize that it will take more than human power and wisdom to warn this great city, and prepare a people to meet their God, and thus we pray that divine power and help be given.

Last summer the Pittsburgh church No.1 was remodeled and enlarged, and is now, a commodious house for worship.

EVANGELICAL WORK

While this report shows a decrease in membership, it does not mean that no one has accepted the truth during the last two years in the West Pennsylvania Conference. One hundred and fifty have been baptized, and this apparent falling off in membership is due to a cleaning up of the church

records, and the elimination of names.

The outlook for our future work is good. With God's help, and a loyal people who believe the truth, there must be progress and advancement. We look forward to having a good spiritual camp-meeting next June. With five tent companies at work next summer, we hope to see a large number take their stand for the truth.

Though insufficient as we are to give the third angel's message to the different nationalities of people in this conference, we believe that by leaning heavily upon God, that we shall be led every step of the way.

We solicit an interest in your prayers that we may go forth in Jehovah's strength, gathering souls for the heavenly garner. F. H. ROBBINS.

Comparative Statement

	1910-11	1912-13	Gain	Loss
Membership	789	721		68
Churches	28	26		2
Companies	6	2		4
Churches Buildings	13	12		1
Valuation	\$32,000 00	\$35,850 00	\$3,850 00	
Tithes	20,840 27	27,410 06	6,570 39	
Tithe per Capita	13 65	16 86	3 21	
Twenty-cent-a-week Fund	5,033 83	10,685 38	5,651 55	
Tithe to Missions	1,042 01	1,710 74	668 73	
Literature Sales	18,737 86	31,959 63	13,221 77	
Sabbath-school Offerings	2,348 29	5,276 58	2,928 29	
Sabbath-schools	32	32		
Number of Ministers	10	10		
“ “ Licentiates	1			
“ “ Bible Workers		5	5	
“ “ Canvassers	12	13	1	
“ “ Church Schools	1	1		
“ “ Pupils Enrolled	16	16		
“ “ Y. P. Societies	3	3		
“ “ Members	35	35		
Funds		\$38 36		

Resolutions Passed at the Thirteenth Annual Session of the West Pennsylvania Conference

Homestead, Pennsylvania, June 11-21, 1914.

Whereas, We recognize the guiding hand and fostering care of our Heavenly Father in the work in this conference during the past year,

(a) By the success which has attended our efforts for the conversion of souls.

(b) In the financial gains which have been accorded us.

(c) In the good results of our colporteur work.

(d) For the preservation of life and health; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That we hereby offer to God our heartfelt praise, and pledge anew to him our lives in grateful service.

2. *We recommend*, That colporteurs' credentials be granted by this conference to all regular colporteurs of good standing who have been engaged in the colporteur work for at least one year, having worked at least twenty-five hours per week for at least forty weeks.

Whereas, The work can not be finished until the rank and file of God's people move forward in aggressive missionary endeavor,

3. *We recommend*, That all conference workers and church elders in their work with the churches make it their first work to organize them for service along the lines of tract and missionary work, and set them at it as far as it is possible.

We recommend, That the conference executive committee arrange church missionary institutes in various parts of the conference for the training of church missionary workers.

We further recommend, That each church make provision that all their officers have the *Church Officers Gazette*.

We further recommend, That a suitable leader be appointed at this meeting who will take charge of the Home Missionary Campaign work in the West Pennsylvania Conference.

4. *Whereas*, The reconstruction of the Educational work in the eastern states of the United States, it seemed wise to reduce both the curriculum and the territorial patronage of Mount Vernon College, making that institution an Academy, and limiting its territory for the solicitation of students to Ohio, West Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and by so doing take out of that school about forty college students besides a large per cent of the academic students from the five eastern conferences, and,

Whereas, We recognize and appreciate that the Academy is prepared in every way to do work of the most acceptable nature, and,

Whereas, We realize that our educational institutions are leading instruments for the salvation of our young people, and in the preparation for service, and feeling confident that the history of Mount Vernon Academy has demonstrated that the Spirit of the Lord is working there, therefore,

Resolved, That we as workers and laymen of the West Pennsylvania conference pledge ourselves to the hearty support of the Mount Vernon Academy,

(a) By speaking of that institution encouragingly to all when occasion presents itself,

(b) By recognizing the grade of work done there in spiritual, literary, industrial, and all other lines as being equal to that done in any of our schools of like grade,

(c) By aiding when possible, worthy young people of this conference to attend the Academy,

(d) By giving liberally of our means to the support of Mount Ver-

non Academy as from time to time necessary calls are made upon us, and,

(e) By uniting earnestly in prayer to God for the success of the work in the Academy.

5. *Whereas*, The Lord has said, "Wherever there are a few Sabbath keepers, the parents should unite in providing a place for a day school where their children and youth can be instructed. They should employ a Christian teacher, who . . . as a consecrated missionary shall educate the children in such a way as to lead them to become missionaries," therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge our influence to the establishing of church schools where there are children in sufficient numbers to create the need, and to the extent of our ability as will assist in their establishment.

Resolved, That we will give proper encouragement to our young men and young women to obtain a Christian normal training in order to provide a supply of available teachers for our primary schools.

6. *Whereas*, The Spirit of Prophecy calls for the organization of Christian young men and women for the missionary endeavor; and,

Whereas, The Missionary Volunteer movement has been a great blessing to our youth in safeguarding from temptations by enlisting and training them in Christian service,

We urge, (a) That our conference workers and church officers make stronger efforts to organize our young people in companies and churches into Volunteer societies, and,

(b) That church officers and parents with their prayers, visits, and helpful suggestions, foster the young peoples' societies organized in their midst,

(c) That isolated young people and children be encouraged to become members of the conference senior or junior Missionary Volunteer society,

(d) That where there are not enough boys and girls to form a junior Missionary Volunteer society, the children be encouraged to join the senior Missionary Volunteer society as junior Missionary Volunteers,

(e) That all our church schools be organized as junior societies.

Whereas, All must become men and women of prayer if they would be successful soul winners,

We recommend, That all, both old and young, strive to observe the "Morning Watch" regularly, as a daily reminder of this our greatest need.

Realizing, (a) That our young people need to be guarded against the

huge quantities of unwholesome and useless literature found everywhere; and,

(b) That they should be encouraged in the reading of good helpful books, and in the study of Bible principles which make us a distinctive people,

We recommend, That all our workers, church officers, and parents put forth diligent effort to get our young people to enroll in the reading courses, and to study for Standard of Attainment membership.

Realizing, The importance of the Missionary Volunteers in this conference keeping in close touch with the general young peoples' movement, and,

Realizing, Also that much benefit will be derived from a uniform system of uniform programs for their meetings,

We recommend, That our Missionary Volunteer societies get a sufficient number of the *Church Officers Gazette*, and that our isolated young people be encouraged to subscribe to it.

Realizing, The importance of the North American Missionary Volunteer goal for 1914,

We recommend, That special effort be put forth to place the *Youth's Instructor* in every home where there are young people.

7. Believing in the absolute separation of church and state, and that Sunday laws are a manifest interference with civil and religious freedom; therefore,

Resolved, That we continue to protest against the enactment of laws by civil government for the enforcement of Sunday observance, or any other religious enactment which discriminates between the different sects as being a perversion of Christian principles and a departure from the American idea of civil government.

Whereas, The magazine *Liberty* has done efficient work among the state legislators, executive officers, and judges, in molding sentiment against religious legislation and the enforcement of Sunday laws; therefore,

Resolved, That our conference supply this magazine to its members of the state legislature, and pay one-half the expense of sending the supreme and district court judges, and the governor and his staff, and that the necessary expense involved in this item be taken out of the annual collection for local religious Liberty work.

Resolved, That we protest against the Sunday bills now pending in the United States Senate and House of Representatives as being contrary to

the principles of religious liberty upon which this government was founded; and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House.

8. *Whereas*, The subject of national prohibition of the liquor traffic is now engaging the attention of the Congress of the United States, which is focused in House Joint Resolution 158 and Senate Joint Resolutions 88 and 50, which are now pending; therefore,

Resolved, That we place ourselves on record as commending the actions thus far taken and hereby petition the Congress to adopt the Joint Resolutions herein referred to; and that a copy of this Resolution be communicated to the chairmen of the two Judiciary Committees, and to Honorable Richmond P. Hobson and Honorable Morris Sheppard of Washington, D. C.

We recommend, That our people everywhere be urged to prepare for united and effective action when the question of the prohibition of the liquor traffic shall be submitted to a vote of the people in the respective communities where they reside; and, further, that we encourage a large circulation of the temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor* and other up-to-date literature on this subject.

9. *Whereas*, The second Pittsburgh church is sadly handicapped by lack of a suitable place of worship, which it is impossible for them to obtain without financial assistance, therefore,

We recommend, That before any action is taken in the matter the conference executive committee make a careful investigation of the situation, and if in their judgment a general call to the churches of the conference seems advisable we hereby authorize the committee to make such call in whatever manner they may think proper.

10. *Whereas*, The Lord has given us a great opportunity to labor for thousands of other languages who throng our mills and mines and valleys, and,

Whereas, Work among them has proven fruitful, therefore,

Resolved, That we all increase our efforts to carry the message to those of other languages who reside in our territory.

11. *Whereas*, The Harvest Ingathering plan is one of the Lord's agencies for spreading the message and increasing the foreign mission funds, which is very necessary if we are to continue aggressive work in the lands beyond, therefore,

Resolved, That we put forth a special effort to make this plan a success in our churches this year, and endeavor to raise at least \$5.00 a member during the 1914 Ingathering Campaign.

12. *Whereas*, The enlargement of our work in mission fields requires a constant supply of funds for its maintenance as well as for the establishment of new mission stations, and,

Whereas, The Mission Board has arranged for these funds to be supplied by the raising of the twenty cents a week per member in all of our conferences, therefore,

Resolved, That we approve of the plan of each conference raising an amount equal so twenty cents a week per member, and that we pledge ourselves to raise the amount for this conference.

13. *Whereas*, The *Review and Herald* is our church organ, keeping us in touch with the progress of the work in all lands as well as giving us messages sent us through the Spirit of Prophecy and our leading brethren, which are necessary that we may keep pace with the message, therefore,

Resolved, That we urge every family to subscribe for this periodical.

14. *Whereas*, We do not have a suitable place in Pittsburgh where we can store our camp equipment without great expense, and,

Whereas, Our office in its present location is not permanent,

We recommend, That we move our headquarters, to Greensburg or some other place suitable with good railroad facilities, where the rental of storage and office will not exceed \$20.00 per month, including heat and light.

15. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our appreciation of the splendid accommodations furnished for this camp-meeting, and conference, by the Homestead and Mifflin Street Railway Company, and for their courteous and liberal treatment of the delegates to this meeting.

16. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our appreciation of the kind and liberal treatment accorded to us by the daily press of Pittsburgh, and especially to the *Daily Messenger* of this city for its good reports of the meetings.

"It is a trustful eye that sees furthest into the heart of God. Ways that are dark to wisdom are bright to faith."

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time for that is the stuff life is made of.—B. Franklin.

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Cincinnati

The Cincinnati Missionary Volunteer society is very grateful for this organization and for the many rich blessings it has received by attending these meetings. We cannot praise God enough for the spiritual strength and knowledge we receive weekly, which is due to a good leader, who is Sister Campbell, one of the chief blessings to our society.

As a testimony from our society, we herewith submit the quarterly report for the second quarter of the work done by our volunteers, which is as follows:

123 letters received; 95 letters written; 70 personal missionary visits; 44 Bible readings or cottage meetings held; 176 papers sold; 263 papers mailed, lent or given away; 11 books sold; 24 books lent or given away; 31 tracts sold; 509 tracts lent or given away; 51 articles of clothing given away; 147 hours of Christian help work; 35 meals provided; 11 scripture cards given away; 12 bouquets given; \$11.42 for foreign missions; \$4.81 for home missions; \$55.35 tithe paid to the church treasurer; \$5.15 for China; average number of members present 9, all studying the morning watch verses.

We are also glad to state that we find the program in the *Church Officers' Gazette* very interesting, which we follow in our society.

EMMA SILBER, Secretary.

News Notes

A letter recently received by Brother V. O. Punches, our field agent, from one of our canvassers in the city of Springfield is of so much interest to us at the conference office that we decided to pass it on for the benefit of the VISITOR readers. The letter reads as follows: "Dear Brother Punches; I am glad to send in my report for another week, although it is not very large. I have found another opportunity where we may be able to do some good. The last home I called at

Friday was that of a Catholic lady, or rather one who was brought up a Catholic, but now is about to give up that faith. She had just had a dream which worried her a good deal. It was about the Sabbath. She dreamed that she saw two companies of people contending about the Sabbath. The first company, she said, looked like monks and priests and were contending for Sunday. The other company seemed to come out of a white cloud, and appeared superior to human beings, and were contending for the Sabbath. She also thought she saw her father appear at a beautiful gate with golden bars, and say to her that she should follow the company who were contending for the Sabbath (Saturday) and she would finally get to the place in which he was.

This lady wants to come to our home so she can get instruction about the Sabbath. You can readily see how the Lord is working upon the hearts of the people.

Brother J. S. Randolph, our assistant field agent, is helping Harry Dean and H. L. Hastings start in the colporteur work this week at LaGrange. They will handle the new edition of "Bible Readings." Brother Hastings did a little canvassing a short time ago with this book, and took \$29 worth of orders in eight hours.

Miss Clara Reichenbach with her little company of girls, composed of the Misses St. Clair, Murphy, and Jackson, write us that they are having many good experiences while canvassing for a scholarship in Washington County. They are located in Waterford, and have started a little Sabbath-school in that place.

Sunday, July 12, the members of the Mount Vernon Church formed a bee and proceeded to clear the grove back of the Academy of brush, etc., preparing it for the tents to be pitched there at the camp-meeting. They were a busy, happy swarm for a few hours; and judging from the number of orders for tents that have come to the office during the past week, there will be a goodly number to enjoy the results of their labor.

Miss Grace Kelsey, of Cloudersport, Pa., arrived in Academia last week and is to work in the city. She expects to attend school this coming fall. We are glad to see the young people starting in early so as to be ready to take up school work at the beginning of the school year.

Elder E. K. Slade and Professor E. G. Salisbury spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Camden Church. Good meetings and business very harmoniously transacted, including the election of various officers, are reported.

Brother A. L. Bassler, one of our oldest workers, is still doing faithful service in Fairfield County. While his reports have not been record breakers, yet he is always above the standard. He is doing the kind of work that we would like to see many others of our brethren doing, that of resident colporteur work.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Scott have gone to Richwood, their new territory, and they send in word that though the weather was so poor that they could not put in full time, yet they met with success. They have had several trying experiences but the Lord is helping in their work and we know that good results will come from their efforts.

Defiance County is being canvassed by Miss Rose Biederman and Miss Helen Leslie for Bible Readings, and they write that even though they are not selling so many books, the few that are sold will do some good. They will endeavor to put in full time, at least.

Are you planning definitely to attend camp-meeting?

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Tent Effort in Washington

The largest congregation of any meeting, during the effort, met Sunday night, July 5, to listen to R. E. Harter, on the subject, "The Millennium." The tent was packed, and many thronged around the tent unable to secure a seat.

The speaker dwelt at some length upon the "Popular Idea" of the millennium, showing the people very plainly the danger and fallacy of such a doctrine, and completely undermined the idea and thought that we

are now in the millennium, and that the world is getting better; by throwing the great Search-light, God's Word, upon the subject.

Elder Harter then proved and established the fact, by reading scripture after scripture, that the righteous will reign in the New Jerusalem during the thousand years, or millennium, while Satan is bound on this earth; and he called the people's attention to the condition and state of this earth during the one thousand years, as set forth by Holy Writ. This thought was impressed upon their minds in a vivid, forceful manner.

The audience seemed deeply concerned in the subject, and gave the best of attention.

Special music was rendered by the large chorus and orchestra, which all enjoyed very much. A collection of over thirteen dollars was taken after the sermon. Many tracts, and papers are being sold and the outlook is indeed, very encouraging for a harvest of souls. God is still blessing, and those in charge of the effort are made to believe God is answering the many prayers in behalf of this work. We still solicit your prayers for all the workers.

R. J. BROWN.

News Notes

Elder A. J. Bristol came in from Belmont Park, Virginia, where he is conducting a tent effort, and spent a little time in the office. He reports a good interest and attendance.

J. L. McConaughy, the circulating manager of the *Watchman*, made a call at our office last week in behalf of the *Watchman*. We were glad to have him with us for a short time. The *Watchman* is becoming a popular magazine, and we hope to see our people taking advantage of the good things published in this magazine, as well as the other papers.

We are encouraged the way the work is progressing in all our churches, and we feel to commend the people for the interest they are taking in the work and the liberal spirit they are manifesting toward the cause of God. We know the Lord will bless them as they give of their means to further his cause. We are also glad to report to you that our conference is ahead of any in the Union in the 20-cent-a-week fund. Let each realize his responsibility in this work and do his very best to keep up our good record.

"Govern your thoughts when alone and your tongue when in company."

Brother C. V. Leach, our state agent, received an urgent call to labor in the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, so was released of his labor here to fill the call. We regret to lose Brother Leach, but the work is one, and we hope our loss will be their gain.

Elder G. S. Stevens, Pastor of the First Church, reports having baptized four souls last Sabbath. His little son is seriously ill, and we would ask your prayers in behalf of the little one, and the family.

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The Opportune Moment

The best time to mould the heart and mind for eternity, is not in middle life or old age, neither is it in youth, but in childhood. I have been brought to realize this of late as never before.

The scripture in Prov. 22:6, tells the story, and the sooner we believe this and put it in practice, the better it will be for our children and more of them will be saved in the kingdom. It is no theory. Read it, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will not depart from it." God has spoken. Will you heed it?

Webster says that childhood covers the time from infancy to puberty. Or from one to twelve or fourteen years old. This is the time to make lasting impressions upon the mind. The child has perfect faith and trust: skepticism has not been developed. The child believes what he is told. He assimilates it, and it becomes a part of his very life.

The margin gives it, "Catechise a child in the way he should go." This implies, a questioning, and firmly instilling into the child's mind, so that he will remember the things you wish him to know. The great Catholic Church for centuries, has done this. They have parochial schools everywhere. Their traditions are so thoroughly instilled into the minds of the children, that but very few ever turn away. They actually fulfil this scripture, and catechise, and indelibly fix in the minds of their children their

doctrines that they wish them to carry through life. Shall Seventh-day Adventists be less anxious about their children's salvation, when God has committed to us such a glorious truth, than are people governed by tradition? Why are we so indifferent, and willing that the world shall educate our little ones, at this most critical moment of their lives? Is it because there is a public fund for this purpose, and it costs us nothing to send them to the public school? But in two many instances it has been an expensive schooling, costing the lives of our loved ones, and many a bitter sorrow. They perhaps are now grown and we content ourselves that we are not responsible, but we are. We turned them over to the world to educate, and they went to the world. Better a thousand times make any sacrifice and live in the most humble way, and give the lambs of Christ protection from the wolves, than to thrust them out to the mercy of those who know and care not for God's precious truth for this time. May the Lord awaken us to a sense of our duty.

What made Timothy a man of such strong faith and trust in God? Was it not because he did not have seeds of doubt sown in his heart through a worldly training? The scriptures had been the basis of his education, for we read in 2 Timothy 3:15, "And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." Even from his infancy, his grandmother Lois, instilled into his mind, faith in God and his Holy Word. So strong was Timothy's faith, that not a doubt entered his mind. He lived to glorify God, and we are told in 2 Timothy 1:5, that his faith was unfeigned. He was all he professed to be. What an example of Christian education, for home and church-school work!

These things were written for our learning, and if this kind of instruction accomplished so much for Timothy, is it not possible for it to accomplish the same for our children to-day? Is it not worth the trial and the sacrifice to give it a test?

There should be three times as many church-schools in Virginia the coming year as we have had in the past. And when we see these things as God sees them, we will not be contented to give our children over to Babylon to be educated.

Could we only have one class of schools, from the church to the college, we had better discard all but the first, the church-school, for here is the foundation laid for all future edu-

cation. Give every child a good church-school education, and if he can go no further, he has a good foundation for this life and the life that is to come. Train the child in the right way and he is liable to follow that way, and even if for a time he may be drawn away, he will return to the faith of his childhood.

May the Lord stir us to action in the education of the children.

W. J. STONE.

Whitestone

Success is crowning the work at Whitestone, Virginia. It is now three weeks since Brother and Sister Nelson and the writer began pitching our tents. The Lord has blessed in every move that has been made. Nothing has been done that has had to be done over, no steps have been taken that have had to be retraced. From the first moment of our starting the work, the people of the town have treated us as though they had known us all their lives. They offered us the use of their tools, their barns, their houses, and anything we needed.

We secured the use of a beautiful apple orchard in which to pitch our tents. It is enclosed by a barbed wire fence which has a gate at one corner. A more ideal location could not be found anywhere.

Owing to storms and conflicting meetings, our attendance the first night was not as encouraging as it might have been, but since then, with few exceptions, each succeeding night has been better than the preceeding. Now we look for from seventy-five to one hundred regular attendants. With a storm practically every night, we have missed but two services, the people coming in the rain to a leaking tent. We have a large and substantial looking number of young people coming to the tent every night, as well as a good number of older ones. All are interested in the truth presented. May we ask your prayers for success?

R. F. FARLEY.

A Temperance Souvenir

Have you seen the striking Souvenir of the Temperance *Instructor*? It is a 6 x 8, 24 page, two color, profusely illustrated, liquor-traffic destroyer—a veritable 6 x 8 Temperance-dynamite shot. "A Temperance campaign document that catches the eye and forces conviction."

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Miss Clara Pettit, who is canvassing near Huntington, West Virginia, is having some excellent experiences. She writes; "Brother Kirk was here a week ago last Sabbath and you may be sure we had a good visit. This past week I worked in the country and had my biggest week \$84.80 though the crops are about all burned up, as there have been no rains in the county where I worked for weeks. Nearly every one thinks that we are nearing the end.

"One day I had passed a by road when I felt impressed to go back, and back some distance I found a house. A gentleman was just leaving. He said his wife was not there so I introduced myself and began to show the book to him. He then said that we should go back to the porch and sit in the shade. At first it seemed I could not get his mind on the book, but finally I saw that he was interested. When about half through, his wife and children came. They had been up on a hill picking berries. She sat where she could hear what I said, and when I had finished he said they would like it and he thought they ought to have it in the home, though he was not a Christian. But crops are so poor that he could not see how they could get it. I told him it was as the Bible said, that the earth was 'waxing old as a garment.' And he said, 'It seems to me that I had better save my money to feed my children this winter.' When the wife spoke up and said, 'Well I was thinking perhaps it was time we were reading these books.' I replied, 'Yes the world is not heeding the most important things.' He then gave me an order. He said that some time ago a girl stayed at his brothers in Wayne county who sold books. I knew it was Olive Krum-Hagmann.

"I canvassed an infidel, but I of course did not know it. When I showed street scenes of the 'Reign of Terror' I said, 'This shows what infidelity did for France and to what depths in sin men will go when God's

Canvassers' Reports

West Virginia, Week Ending July 3, 1914

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Oecil Ross, Ritchie Co.		PPF	10	109	72	132 25	18 25	150 50	
Clara Pettit, Cabell Co.		GC	5	53	24	76 00	8 80	84 80	
Lily Schar, Kanawha Co.		PPF	5	46	49	77 05	5 50	82 55	
W. A. McElpatrick, Lewis Co.		GC	5	46	8	26 00	14 20	40 20	12 75
E. R. Corder, Mingo Co.		COL	5	40	100	150 00	28 75	178 75	
D. E. H. Lindsey, Upshur Co.		BR	8	74	16	55 00	5 60	60 60	
C. Morris, Upshur Co.		BR	6	60	15	47 00	6 70	53 70	
W. A. Woolgar, Upshur Co.		BR	7	65	10	31 00	3 35	34 35	
W. H. Wilcox, Marion Co.		PPF	4	41	13	26 50	85	27 35	123 80
Clara Wood, Kanawha Co.		BR	5	38	15	74 00	5 25	79 25	
Zella Schmaltz, Monongalia Co.		BR	5	38	34	104 00	1 20	105 20	
T. M. Butler, Marion Co.		PPF	4	38					167 75
Madge Miller, Brooke Co.		BR	5	38	22	69 00	11 25	80 75	3 75
Lucy E. Mercer, Brooke Co.		BF	5	37	23	34 50	3 00	37 50	
Marie Snider, Cabell Co.		BR	5	37	11	33 00	50	33 50	
Mary Rice, Wetzel Co.		BR	4	35	22	67 00	2 40	69 40	1 80
John McHenry, Pleasants Co.		BF	3	27	28	43 00	1 50	44 50	
F. R. Kellam, Mingo Co.		CK	4	25	45	91 00		91 00	
Mrs. A. A. Hendrickson, Wood		Magazines				35 00		35 00	35 00
Totals	19 Agents		95	848		\$1171 30	\$117 10	\$1288 40	\$346 35

Ohio, Week Ending July 3, 1914

W. Syphers, Ross Co.	ES	5	51	20	68 00	19 50	87 50	4 50	
H. O. Kohr, Richland Co.	DR	5	50	32	99 00	12 00	111 00		
J. L. Sauder, Ravenna	ES	5	42	8	26 00	11 95	37 95	13 70	
J. H. Stafford, Lucas Co.	DR	5	41	9	31 00	9 60	40 60	8 00	
F. D. Wells, Delaware Co.	GC	5	40	35	111 00	8 00	119 00	7 25	
B. P. Foote, Jackson Co.	GC	5	40	13	44 00	4 50	48 50		
Rose Biederman, Defiance	BR	5	36	10	30 00	8 10	38 10		
L. H. Waters, Ottawa Co.	PPF	5	36	17	32 00	7 75	39 75	2 75	
Ray Chapin, Pickaway Co.	ES	4	36	16	53 00	6 00	59 00	2 58	
Clara Reichenbach, Wash. Co.	ES	5	36	11	37 00		37 00		
C. L. Talmage, Pickaway Co.	ES	5	34	9	27 00	6 75	33 75		
Mrs. G. M. Scott, Delaware Co.	GC	4	31	7	22 00	9 85	31 85		
W. H. Geisweller, Springfield	BR	4	31	8	24 00	3 00	27 00		
G. M. Scott, Delaware Co.	GC	4	28	6	18 00	10 40	28 40		
E. J. Stipeck, Warren Co.	DR	4	27	6	18 00	3 50	21 50	15 00	
Agnes St. Clair, Wash. Co.	PPF	5	27	11	19 50		19 50		
Lena Jackson, Washington Co	GC	5	24	10	32 00		32 00		
Daisy Crist, Columbus	ES	5	24	3	12 00	2 00	14 00	21 00	
A. H. Conn, Cleveland	DR	5	22	8	26 00	12 25	38 25	6 00	
R. DeGarmo, Medina Co.	GC	3	22	5	16 00	7 25	23 25	36 00	
Helen Leslie, Defiance	PPF	4	22	8	16 00	5 25	22 25		
A. L. Bassler, Newark	GC	5	21					141 30	
Tillie Gabel, Cleveland	ES	4	21	7	22 00		23 00	1 00	
J. J. Mettler, Cleveland	GC	7	40	4	17 00	1 50	18 50	54 25	
D. J. Royer, Cleveland	GC	5	40	1	3 00	3 00	6 00	71 95	
D. J. Royer, Cleveland	GC	2	16	4	14 00		14 00		
W. A. Hammond, Tuscarawas Co.	ES	2	18	6	19 00	2 25	21 25		
John Schick, Akron	GC	2	14					40 25	
O. C. Spohn, Knox Co.	ES	3	13	6	19 00		19 00		
Helen Greunke, Toledo	PPF	5	6					8 50	
Totals	30 Agents		135	890	302	855 50	\$155 40	1010 90	\$433 85

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending July 3, 1914

W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	PPF	4	34	7	15 00	1 50	16 50	60 00
Howard Miller, Chester Co.	PG	9	61	40	128 00		128 00	
W. B. Dunkinson, York Co.	PPF	8	30	30		4 05	4 05	28 30
J. R. Miles, Chester Co.	BR	11	69	32	73 00		73 00	
Leo Robbins, York Co.	BF	5	37	11	16 50	3 00	19 50	
Denton Rebok, York Co.	BF	5	37	16	26 00		26 00	
E. Tolliver, Plymouth	BF	8	59	13	19 50	1 50	21 00	16 75
Beryl Amole, Reading	BF	5	18	2	3 00	2 35	5 25	
Mrs. C. D. Wolff, Reading	BF	6	17	3	4 50		6 75	18 00
J. G. Witman, Lebanon	BF	2	21	3	4 50		4 50	44 75
M. Shank, Luzerne Co.	BF	7	47	15	22 50	4 50	27 00	17 25
Totals	11 Agents	29	232	68	\$312 50	\$19 05	\$331 55	185 05

Virginia, Week Ending July 3, 1914

John Z. Hottel, Northampt'n Co.	PPF	5	46	36	81	50	14	10	95	60
H. E. Harter, Northampt'n Co.	PPF	5	41	37	76	00	8	80	84	80
C. L. Painter, Crozet Co.	PPF	5	44	36	68	50	7	70	76	20
L. A. King, Henry Co.	GC	5	44	19	52	00	2	80	54	80
C. Purdham, Crozet Co.	PPF	5	22	30	51	00	3	15	54	15
Geo. W. Hendricks, South'tn Co.		5	40	27	40	50	5	35	45	85
W. T. Weeks, Dinwiddie Co.	CK	4	28	8	15	00		50	15	50
Chas. Thomas, Dinwiddie Co.	CK	2	16	9	12	50		60	13	10
Totals	8 Agents		36	281	202	\$397 00		\$43 00	\$440 00	194 95

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Amie George	Signs (2 wks)	(34 Hrs.)	377 Sold	37 70
F. S. Parsons	Signs Monthly		25 Yearly Subscriptions	25 00
"	"		60 Magazines Sold	6 00
				68 70

Chesapeake, Week Ending July 3, 1914

G. R. Apsley, Garrett Co.	DR	4	31	6	18	00	3	95	21	95	10 00
T. H. Barritt, Allegany Co.	DR	5	41	11	36	00	5	00	41	00	
David W. Percy, Queen Anne	DA	2	20								91 50
R. Bruce Martin, Wilmington	BR		78	9	30	00	2	50	32	50	
J. E. Jones, Sussex Co.	PPF	5		15	28	75	6	75	35	50	1 75
R. N. Coker, Worcester Co	PPF	2	4	3	8	00			8	00	
R. W. Constable, Worcester Co	PPF	5	45	20	41	00	15	50	56	50	
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.	CK	4	35	13	19	50		75	20	25	
Totals	8 Agents		27	255	77	\$181 25		\$34 45	\$215 70	\$103 25	

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	Signs	Temp I	
T. H. Barritt		35	3 50
O. C. Weller	14		1 40
Total	14	35	4 90

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending July 3, 1914

E. A. French, Jefferson Co.	BR	4	32	8	24	00	40	24	40
John Holder, Venango Co.	BR	5	36	13	46	00	4	50	50
Ralph Morgan, Wellsville	BF	4	18	8	28	50	7	50	36
Elton Wetmore, Jefferson Co.	DR	3	21	5	15	00			15
A. E. Holst, Franklin Co.	COL	5	36	31	46	50	3	50	50
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Totals	4 Agents	16	101	34	\$113	50	\$12	40	\$125
					\$12	00			

Grand Totals: 74 Agents Value of Orders, \$4253 30 Deliveries, \$534 71

spirit is withdrawn.' He became very much interested in especially the falling of the stars, to think that, that sign of Christ's second coming had actually occurred. As soon as I had finished and asked for their order he said to the lady, 'Put your name down I'll see that you have the money.'

"I have had many other talks and experiences as good as this, in fact I have never had so many good talks. It just seems to me that all our people ought to be in the work, The harvest truly is ripe."

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barrows and daughter Margaret spent last Sabbath with Brother and Sister Murphy at Cameron. They report an interesting meeting with the company there and a good donation for the Midsummer offering.

Elder C. T. Redfield who was engaged some time ago to labor in this conference has arrived. He has been assisting Elder Charles Baierle at the Parkersburg tent effort. Elder Baierle has had a severe cold for the past two weeks and as soon as he is well, Elder Redfield will go to Clarksburg to connect with the tent effort which is being held there.

Elder F. E. Gibson who is holding an effort in Coco, West Virginia, writes:- "The meetings are progressing very nicely, and the attendance keeps up well. We are now presenting the Sabbath question, and it is being taken well by the people. Several have already said they were going to obey. We are expecting, by the Lord's help, to see a nice company of Sabbath-keepers raised up at this

place who will be a witness for the Lord and his truth. There are two new ones at Charleston who will soon unite with the church, and perhaps more."

Messers Lindsey, Morris, and Woolgar who have just finished Upshur county have moved to Monongalia county, making Morgantown their headquarters. Brother Kirk helped them locate in their new territory, and gave the office a short visit on his way to help Mr. McHenry make his delivery in Pleasants county.

We hear good reports of the tent effort which is being held at Clarksburg by Elder W. J. Tanner and Brother T. W. Thirlwell. There were about one hundred and fifty in attendance the first night and the interest seems very good. We trust that many souls will be led to accept the truth and that we shall have a church building at Clarksburg.

Jessie Snider of Kanawha Station is connected with the tent effort at Parkersburg assisting Elder Baierle with the Bible work.

The following named student canvassers have already earned one scholarship and are starting on the second one:- Miss Clara Wood and Miss Lily Schar of Charleston. Miss Zella Schmaltz and Miss Mary Rice of Cameron. Mr. E. R. Corder and Mr. F. R. Kellam of Williamson. By the time this paper is issued there will be others who will have earned more than one scholarship. Miss Schar writes that the Lord gave her one scholarship in seventeen days, and that now she has a good start on another one.

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Hanover

Elder H. M. J. Richards accompanied by the writer, visited the Hanover company, Sabbath, July 4. Some of the new converts were present, the rest being away some on vacation, and others on account of sickness.

After a most solemn and impressive service, during which Elder Richards clearly and tactfully reviewed the points of faith, arrangements were made for baptism, all present having expressed themselves as being in perfect accord with the teaching.

Sunday at 11 A. M. two of our sisters were buried with their Lord in baptism. One brother and three sisters will receive the ordinance at an early date, and the remainder as circumstances can be adjusted to unfriendly opposition in the home. Mrs. Elsie M. Evans will remain with the Hanover company for the summer, and will also do Bible work in York, where there is a steady growing interest.

A preaching service was held Sunday evening at the home of J. W. Seitz, and a deep interest manifested in the subject of the "Millennium." One sister declared she was going to live a better life after listening to such solemn truths. Brothers Robbins and Rebock were also present at this service. They have begun canvassing in the vicinity of York. They report a successful week and are of good courage.

The Hanover and York companies are both determined with the help of God to bring souls into the truth this summer, and join their prayers with yours for the great field.

F. A. Harter.

News Notes

F. A. Harter in company with W. B. Dunkinson and wife left Hanover July 6, for Blossburg, Pennsylvania, where they will be associated in a tent effort this summer. Howard Detwiler will also connect with this company on his release from Washington Sanitarium where he is undergoing an operation for appendicitis.

Camp-Meeting Dates

Ohio, August 13-23. Mount Vernon.
Chesapeake, October 5-11, Baltimore.
West Virginia, August 20-30 - Parkersburg.

Virginia, August 27-September 6—Lynchburg.

District of Columbia. Not settled.

Academy Notes

Elder N. S. Ashton left last week to visit his mother and brothers in Tennessee, who conduct a mission school in the mountains. Elder Ashton will spend a month there holding a tent effort.

Miss Nellie Cook left last Thursday for West Liberty, Ohio, where she will make a ten day visit with Miss Bertha Hanger.

Professor C. L. Stone made a visit to the Academy last week.

He is to work with Professor E. G. Salisbury in Ohio until camp-meeting time in the interests of the school.

The business manager is very busy with repair work these days. Rooms are being papered and painted, and some new floors have been laid.

No More Old Quarterlies Needed

A few weeks ago we asked for old quarterlies and papers for a Sunday-school at Mount Vernon, and we received quite a few responses for which we are very thankful, but now that we have decided to use the regular quarterlies we will not need the old ones.

However, if there are those who feel free to help the Mission Sunday-school by sending new quarterlies we shall be very thankful for those also. We have been having from twelve to fifteen grown persons at our Sunday-school since we started and feel that this is an excellent way to get the truth before the people. We also have a number of children attending our Sunday-school. We desire your prayers and your cooperation.

H. S. WEAVER.

"You cannot start the fire of feud without getting the smoke in your own eyes."

"To know how to wring victory from defeat, and make stepping stones of our stumbling blocks is the secret of success."