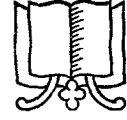


Columbia Union

Visitor



"I WILL VISIT YOU, AND PERFORM MY GOOD WORD TOWARD YOU"

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UNION

The Columbia Union Conference Committee Meeting

A very interesting and progressive meeting of the Columbia Union Conference Committee was held in Takoma Park, Monday, May 17. All the conferences but one were represented and the brethren came with the earnest desire to see the work advanced in the Columbia Union this coming year. All our hearts were stirred as we saw everywhere the manifest openings of the providences of God. We all felt that we as workers ought to strike for a higher plan with which to furnish us both here and abroad more workers and more means. So we adopted the following resolutions:—

TWENTY-CENT-A-WEEK FUND

Whereas, The number of people in heathen lands who have embraced the message, their consecration to it, and their eagerness to join us in the finishing of the work, are convincing evidences to us that there are thousands more in these lands who are waiting for the light, and,

Whereas, This great responsibility calls for larger plans to give us more men and means, therefore,

Resolved, That we express our faith in regular, systematic giving, and that we push forward the Twenty-cent-a-week plan by securing pledges for a Dollar-a-week, more or less, according to the ability of the donor,—

1. By urging that all workers in each conference prayerfully and earnestly place the plan before our people in order to secure signatures for as large an amount as possible.

2. By entreating our people to sign for definite amounts, a dollar-a-week, more or less, exhorting them to secure the amount pledged by relying upon the sale

of our literature and upon some one of the methods suggested in the Missionary Acre Plan.

3. That we endeavor to encourage our people everywhere, as far as possible, to make these offerings weekly.

4. That we encourage the publication in the *Visitor* of lists giving the amount pledged by individuals or churches as each individual conference may decide.

VOTED. That the conferences arrange for the publication of these lists the first of June.

We feel very grateful for the blessed response that is coming in from all members of the Union in this effort to increase the efficiency and progress of the message. We believe certainly in regular, systematic giving. Sometimes, on account of the shortage in funds, we have been obliged at our camp-meeting to make earnest appeals for special pledges. Perhaps the day will never come in this denomination when this will not be done. But we believe, dear brethren, that our raising of funds should not be left to this action alone. If we all take hold of this latest fund and latest method as set forth in the above resolutions, I believe that our work will go rather by regular systematic giving, than by giving largely and heavily at stated occasions.

B. G. WILKINSON.

East Pennsylvania

Williamsport

Sunday, May 2, the friends and congregation of the Williamsport church assembled under ideal weather conditions, to dedicate their beautiful edifice to the Lord. Elder J. W. Hirlinger, president of the West Virginia Conference, former pastor of the Williamsport church, under whose ministry this building was erected, was present and gave a brief history of the church, and the events leading up to

their purpose to "arise and build." Elder H. M. J. Richards, president of East Pennsylvania Conference, preached the dedicatory sermon. In earnest and forceful language, with many scriptural illustrations, he set forth the foundation and work of the church. By referring to our distinctive principles and our world wide message, he pointed out the reason for the existence of a Seventh-day Adventist church in a city where so many other denominations already exist. The address all through was an able exposition of our principles and a stirring appeal for consecration in reaching our goal. Elder F. H. Harter of Scranton, read one of the Scripture lessons and offered the dedicatory prayer and presented this gift of the peoples' love and devotion to the Lord, entirely free from debt.

Brother Howard Detwiler, who held a meeting with the Williamsport church last February and raised the \$200.00 remaining indebtedness and added several to its membership, offered the invocation and pronounced the benediction. This was a most joyful occasion for the church. The rostrum was beautifully adorned with floral decorations and appropriate music was rendered. May this be but the beginning of a greater work for the Lord in that community; that many more precious souls may be saved in the kingdom, is our prayer.

West Philadelphia

A most interesting series of meetings was held by Elder F. C. Gilbert in this church, April 9 to 15. On Sunday night there was a representation and an explanation of the Passover Supper, according to the original command of God, with the added traditional customs illustrated. Striking gospel lessons, old and new were drawn from this ancient divine ordinance.

During the week, among other subjects, the seventy weeks and the sanctuary truth were presented in a most unusual and in-

teresting manner, the speaker's intimate knowledge of the original ordinances, and the original language of God's people, revealing the old truths in a new and most vivid light.

The Bible studies held every after-noon, brought out in a most forcible manner that we must not only know the Scriptures thoroughly, but we must read them in the light of the Holy Spirit, and with the divine interpretation of the prophets. The traditional ideas and interpretations of the Jewish people closed their minds to the spiritual and the true interpretation of the prophecies of the Old Testament, as to the Saviour and left them in the terrible darkness of unbelief. If they had accepted the true meaning of the Old Testament as given by the prophet who was with them, John the Baptist, they might have kept in the light of God forever. This principle is true today, no less than the days of John the Baptist. We must hear the Scripture, but we must hear aright.

A most unusual feature of these meetings was the large attendance of the Jewish people who showed a respectful and sympathetic interest in the powerful presentation of Christ as the Saviour of all men, of Jews and Gentiles.

We feel that these meetings were a real blessing to the church, and to others, and that seed was sown that will bear abundant harvest in God's own time.

J. S. WASHBURN.

VIRGINIA

Russian Church Dedication

Elders W. C. Moffett, J. W. Hirlinger, and the writer, met with the Russian church, Yale, Virginia, May 8 and 9, to dedicate their church building. As far as we know, this is the only Seventh-day Adventist Russian church east of the Dakotas. In November, 1913, two Russian brethren with their families left North Dakota and moved into the Russian settlement in and around Yale, Virginia. The following June, Elder W. J. Stone, then president of the Virginia Conference, had the privilege of organizing the little band of Russian believers into a church. The interest was so great that arrangements were made whereby Elder S. G. Burley, of North Dakota, went to Yale and a tent was pitched in a beautiful spot beneath five magnificent trees. Elder J. W. Hirlinger later connected with Elder Burley, and after a two months' effort the little church of seven members welcomed to their midst the newly converted Russians, both old and young, so that their membership was increased to fifty-five. Among those join-

Name of Church	Place of Meeting	Time of Meeting
Allentown	Oak & Popular Sts.	Sabbath 9:30 A. M. Sabbath School 1:30 P. M.
Ariel	Two miles south of Lake Ariel	Sabbath 10:00 A. M.
Carbondale	W. F. Kilmer, R. F. D., Carbondale, Pa.	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
Covington	Covington, Pa.	Sabbath 1:00 P. M.
Blossburg	Odd Fellows Hall, 2nd floor	Sabbath 1:00 P. M. Sunday 7:30 P. M.
Cherry Flats	F. E. Phelps, Rt. 6, Mansfield, Pa.	
Carlisle	428 Arch St.	
Fleetwood	Henry Gauker, Fleetwood	Sabbath 9:30 A. M.
Fairhill	2½ miles East of Souderton, Pa.	Sabbath 1:30 P. M.
1st German	2426 Popular St., Philadelphia	Sabbath 3:00 P. M.
1st African	1214 S. 18th St., Philadelphia	Sabbath 10:30 A. M.
Harrisburg	Sible & Clarks Hall, 3rd & Cumberland Sts.	Sabbath 1:45 P. M.
Hawley-Honesdale	A. Roberts, Erie St., East Honesdale, Pa.	Sabbath P. M.
Hanover	329 Middle St.	Sabbath 2:30 P. M.
Kulp	C. E. Hufnagle, Rt. 2, Catawissa, Pa.	
Lancaster	25 E. German St.	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
Lebanon	7th St. between Walnut & Chest.	Sabbath 1:30 P. M.
Lorenton	I. M. Comstock, Rt. 1, Morris, Pa.	
Lehighton	J. Steinson, Mauch Chunk, Pa.	
Mifflintown	West Main St.	Sabbath 1:00 P. M.
North Philadelphia	1942 N. 17th St.	Sabbath 2:45 P. M.
Norththumberland	2nd St. between King & Queen	Sabbath 1:45 P. M.
Orwell	L. W. Mayard, Rome, Pa.	
Reading	Windsor & Hampden Sts.	Sabbath 1:30 P. M.
Roaring Branch	Hamlet of Newelltown, about 3 miles north of Roaring Branch	Sabbath 1:30 P. M.
Sayre	Olive & Harrison Sts.	Sabbath 2:00 P. M. Sunday 7:30 P. M.
Scranton	Leonard Bldg., cor. Adams Ave. & Mulberry St.	Sabbath 10:00 A. M.
Shunk	L. L. Stone, Wheelerville, Pa.	
Shimerville	Shimerville, Pa.	Sabbath 1:30 P. M.
So. Canaan	So. Canaan	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
Towanda	200 Williams St.	Sabbath 2:30 P. M.
Tunkhannock	17 Bridge St.	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
West Philadelphia	51st & Locust St.	Sabbath 9:30 A. M. Sunday 8:00 P. M.
Wade	Wade, Pa.	Sabbath 2:30 P. M.
Wellsboro	24 East Ave.	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
Wilkes-Barre	9 So. Franklin St., 3rd floor	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
Williamsport	7th & Court Sts.	Sabbath 9:30 A. M.
Stroudsburg	Second St., 2nd Bldg. from main St.	Sabbath 2:00 P. M.
York	School House, about 550 Salem Ave.	*Sabbath 9:30 A. M.

*From May 1 to September 30 services will be held, Sabbath 9:30 A. M. and from October 1 to April 30 services will be held, Sabbath 2:00 P. M.

ing was Brother J. Yakoshanko, who was a Mennonite minister. He and his little flock, church building and all, were now united in the interests of the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. The church building was now too small to accommodate the believers, so steps were taken to enlarge the building.

Sunday, May 9, we had the privilege of dedicating the completed building. Splendid meetings preceded the dedication service so that when the hour came to dedicate the building, we believe the dear believers also dedicated themselves anew for the service. Nearly the whole settlement of Russians are now within the church membership. The

church is working diligently to bring in all their Russian neighbors and are working for their fellow countrymen elsewhere.

Officers were elected and ordained to serve the church. When the hour came for the dedication, Brother J. Yakoshanko read the Scripture reading. Several of the brethren gave a history of the church, telling of its growth and development, and after the dedicatory sermon by the writer, we all reverently knelt before the Lord while the newly elected elder offered the dedicatory prayer. Elder Moffett read 1 Kings 8 in closing the dedicatory service. The Holy Spirit was present throughout the two days spent in meeting.

A church-school of thirty-five pupils has been successfully conducted by Brother A. Yakovenko. The believers are paying tithes and faithfully giving of their means in offerings to assist in carrying the message to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. These Russians are a noble, devoted people. They love to sing songs of praise to their Redeemer and in the gathering day may one and all have proved faithful so they shall be privileged to unite in the anthem of praise which shall be sung by all the redeemed.

R. T. DOWSETT.

Virginia Conference Church Directory

Name of Church	Place of Meeting
Portsmouth No. 1—County St. near First Avenue.	
Portsmouth No. 2—(Colored) Green and Griffin Streets.	
Newport No. 1—Roanoke and 24th Sts.	
Newport No. 2—(Colored) Chestnut and 18th Streets.	
Lynchburg—Park Ave., opposite Miller Park.	
Richmond No. 1—Morris and West Main Streets.	
Richmond No. 2—(Colored) 807 North Second Street.	

News Notes

Professor E. F. Dresser was in Richmond last week maturing plans for his removal to the school at New Market.

Elder B. G. Wilkinson was detained in Philadelphia at the time of the Committee meeting in Richmond, but was able to reach Richmond the next day and by the committee holding over they were glad to have Brother Wilkinson with them at that time.

Elder W. C. Moffett attended the meeting of the Union Conference Committee at Washington this past week. He was with the Richmond church, Sabbath, May 15 and enjoyed a good season with the church and it was appreciated the more as he has not been privileged to be with us for many weeks.

Elder J. W. Hirlinger left Portsmouth last week to attend the meeting of the Union Conference Committee at Washington, enroute for his new field of labor as president of the West Virginia Conference. His many friends in Virginia will regret his departure from this conference so soon and wish him success in his new work.

Annual Report of District of Columbia, Year Ending December, 1914

Name of Church	Titles	Offerings	Total Rem
Alexandria No. 1.....	126 75	42 11	168 86
Alexandria No. 2.....	19 90	6 62	25 62
Arlington Church.....	221 99	283 15	505 14
Belmont Company.....	1 79	8 29	10 38
Chilton's Church.....	120 44	34 82	155 26
Colonial Beach.....	57 75	35 88	93 63
Clifton Station Company....	16 73	6 55	26 28
Conference Church.....	544 83	186 13	730 95
First Church.....	4644 44	291 97	4936 41
Kilmarnock Church.....	466 39	203 46	669 85
Memorial Church.....	3071 67	1543 30	4614 67
Mt. Rainier Church.....	416 21	149 79	556 09
People's Church.....	1329 13	296 88	1726 01
Seminary Sanitarium Church	3792 48	1770 33	5562 81
Takoma Park Church.....	9002 00	4004 19	13006 19
	\$23,835 20	\$8,963 16	\$32,798 36

Comparative Report for 1914

	1914	Gain over 1913	Gain over 1912
Tithe.....	\$23835 20	6164 22	8822 80
Tithe per Capita.....	24 83	3 41	7 60
Tithe sent out of Conference.....	10628 42	2941 39	5059 04
Offerings.....	8963 16	2194 17	2414 11

Present Worth January 1, 1914 1,306 28
 Present Worth January 1, 1915 \$1,380 60

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Seventh Annual Session

(Concluded)

Financial Statement of the Tract Society

Year ending December 31, 1914.

RESOURCES

Merchandise Inventory.....	\$ 415 66
Furniture & Fixtures Inventory	105 06
Office Supplies Inventory.....	7 40
Accounts Receivable.....	1,227 21
Cash on hand and in Bank.....	402 29
	\$2,157 62

LIABILITIES

Colonial Beach Church.....	15
D. C. Conference.....	420 40
Pacific Press Publishing Co.....	277 44
Review & Herald Publishing Co.	79 03
	\$777 02

Present Worth January 1, 1915 \$1,380 60

Statement of Gains and Losses

GAINS

Interest.....	1 90
Merchandise Account.....	202 90
	\$204 80

LOSS

Furniture & Fixtures Depreciation	2 90
Freight & Transportation.....	55
Office Expense.....	44 19
Postage.....	47 92
Paid for Columbia Union Visitor	34 92
	\$130 48

Net Gain..... \$74 33

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that I have made a complete audit of your conference treasures's books, both for the conference department and for the tract society.

I have checked the cash receipts from their duplicate receipts and letters containing remittances, and I find each remittance has been carefully recorded in proper shape upon the books. The expenditures are covered with satisfactory vouchers. The cash, at the date of the audit, was in balance, and the amount of money on deposit is in harmony with the amounts demanded by the statements from the several banks in which money is deposited. The books are also in balance.

I have checked the attached statement and am pleased to certify to its being in harmony with the accounts recorded by your books. Your treasurer, Brother R. J. Brown, has done faithful and satisfactory work.

I am pleased to see the conference gaining financially and also that the tract society is being placed on a better basis. I trust that 1915 will see even greater gain and more prosperity.

R. T. DOWSETT, Auditor.

A Fertile Field

A recent trip to the southern portion of the District of Columbia conference, on the Virginia side, revealed the fact that the Messenger boat crew, composed of four workers, is doing a fine business along the water-way, the sales going far

beyond the dollar-per-hour record that is being held up to workers everywhere as the goal.

The company is made up of Kenneth and Harry Gould, Harry Wright, and A. W. Bennett, the last-named having recently accepted the truth. They have three boats, two being propelled by gasoline, the other being used as their house boat, with capacity to accommodate a half dozen or more people. They not only work along the water-way, but go inland, where they find some of their best territory. It is very common for them to take an order in almost every home they enter. "Bible Readings" is the book they handle. Helps, however, in the way of "World's Crisis" and "Gospel Primers" are used to real good advantage.

One day Brother Bennett, after having faithfully showed "Bible Readings" to a merchant, upon whose face there was not the faintest sign of approval, was astonished to hear the man say: "You may bring me the full leather binding."

The section in which this boat company is working is a very fine one, the territory inland being under a high state of cultivation, the farmers all having large residences, plenty of stock, and every indication denotes prosperity. This is the kind of a country where you get the money on delivery day.

When I bade the boys good-by and started homeward, all were of good courage, and determined to work as never before in the dissemination of the Third Angel's Message. E. R. BUTTON.

News Notes

Mrs. R. E. Harter, conference Sabbath-school secretary, who has been seriously ill for some time, is gradually but surely improving in health, and expects to be able to give active attention to the work again in a few weeks.

Elder R. E. Harter is spending a few days at Leesburg, Va., where he was called to organize a new Sabbath-school and hold a few meetings, encouraging the believers and settling some doubts in the minds of others in that vicinity.

Brother A. W. Bennett, who recently accepted the truth at Elmira, N. Y., costing him his position in the railroad offices at that place, will soon connect with the Messenger boat canvassing company, working a large territory by boat in the southern part of the conference.

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the District of Columbia Conference Corporation was held Sunday, April 12, 1915, at Memorial church, Washington, and the

newly elected Conference Executive Committee, including R. E. Harter, T. E. Bowen, C. M. Sorenson, M. E. Olsen, J. M. Campbell, S. B. Horton and I. A. Ford, were chosen to act as trustees of the corporation for the ensuing year.

The second quarter thirteenth Sabbath offering envelopes are ready for delivery. Every Sabbath-school should provide a liberal supply for its members. The object of this envelope is not only to remind and encourage the members in missionary offerings but also for personal solicitation of donations from friends, business associates and others. We are primarily a missionary people, and not only is it our plan to give of our own means, but, by means of the harvest ingathering, missionary barrels and these envelopes, to inform others of our work and arouse their interest in and secure their donations for its advancement. These envelopes are neatly printed, stating as the object for this quarter, "The Northern Spanish Fields, comprising Porto Rico, Haiti, Santo Domingo, Cuba, Mexico, Guatemala, Salvador and Central America," with a suggestive missionary illustration and space for signature. Send for a supply and see how much your school can raise from outsiders to apply on the offering for June 26.

The Correspondence Bands of the Takoma Park Missionary Societies are deriving much satisfaction and encouraging experiences from the numerous replies that are being received to their missionary letters. Some are favorable, some otherwise, but it is wonderful how our message is received and interest created through the means of these letters, and the finest thing about it all is that anyone can do it. If you are isolated you can write letters the same as others. We would be glad to hear from you and give any information you wish, and furnish names of prospects if you wish to have a part in this work. Address the D. C. Conference Office, 708 McLachlen Bldg., Washington, D. C.

CHESAPEAKE

Conference and Camp-meeting

Plans and preparations are being made for the sixteenth annual conference and camp-meeting, which is to be held at Hamilton Avenue Grove, Baltimore, Md., June 24 to July 4. The location is about the best that could be secured about the suburbs of Baltimore, for beauty, convenience, and pleasantness. Excellent water is piped in from a filtration plant. The

tents will be pitched on a nice grassy lot, and the big tent will be in the midst of a fine grove where there will be shade all day long. Many things will be provided for the comfort and convenience of those attending. Many are already planning to be there. There will be a grocery department in connection with the cafeteria, where those desiring to purchase food and various articles will be able to do so.

We desire that everyone shall consider the fact that we are very near to the closing up of the work, and that it is our duty to come apart from the busy activities of life, and join with our brethren in seeking a closer connection with God, and a new experience in our service for him. Let all consider it a duty as well as a pleasure to attend this meeting, and come out and meet with those of like precious faith. Come and get a new start and a refreshing. W. T. DURST.

News Notes

Elder S. T. Shadel of Rock Hall, Md., is spending a little time at the conference office.

Elder R. T. Baer attended a meeting of the Union Conference Committee in Takoma Park, May 17.

You will want to come to camp-meeting prepared to visit the book tent. There will be a large assortment of books, Bibles, tracts, etc. Brother F. E. Hankins, our field missionary agent will have charge of this tent.

Brother Richmond of the Review and Herald office spent last Sabbath with the church at Baltimore and spoke of the wonderful way in which the Lord is carrying forward his work in the earth today through the vast amount of literature that is being circulated.

Do not forget the camp-meeting. There will be two meetings for the children held each day. These will be in care of Mrs. R. T. Baer, Sabbath-school secretary, and Mrs. Walter J. Tetz, of Baltimore. Let all plan to come and be sure to bring the children, the lambs of the flock. It will be but a little while until such meetings will be prohibited. Let all heed the admonition of the prophet Zephaniah, "Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not desired; Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the Lord come upon you, before the day of the Lord's anger come upon you."

The Chesapeake Conference

The sixteenth annual session of the Chesapeake Conference will be held in connection with a camp meeting at Hamilton Ave. Grove, Baltimore, Md., June 24 to July 4, 1915. The purpose of the meeting is the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the conference. The first meeting of the conference for organization, appointment of committees etc. will be called at 11 A.M. Friday, June 22. Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for its organization, and one additional delegate for each ten members. A full delegation is desired from all our churches.

ROSCOE T. BAER, *President.*
WINDOM T. DURST, *Secretary.*

Chesapeake Conference Association

The Chesapeake Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a body corporate under the laws of the state of Delaware, will hold its annual meeting in connection with the regular conference meeting and camp-meeting at Hamilton Ave. Grove, Baltimore, Md., June 24 to July 4, 1915. The first meeting will be held Thursday, July 1, at 11 A. M. for the purpose of electing officers, and transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

ROSCOE T. BAER, *President.*
WINDOM T. DURST, *Secretary.*

NEW JERSEY

News Notes

B. G. Wilkinson of Washington, D. C. met with the Camden church, Sunday, April 24. In the afternoon he addressed our own people on the line of Practical Christianity, which was highly edifying and a spiritual uplift. In the evening he addressed a mixed congregation on the great eastern question in the light of prophecy.

Correction

In the issue of May 13 the last news note under the New Jersey Conference should have read as follows:

Sunday afternoon, April 25, Elder Sandborn was in Jersey City where seven souls were buried with their Lord in baptism, five by Elder Lund, who joined the Swedish church, and two by Elder Shrock who joined the German church. Thus we see evidences on every hand of the working of the Spirit of the Lord with the people.

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Conference Church Directory

Name of Church	Place of Meeting
Charleston—	Corner Glenwood & Grant Streets.
Parkersburg—	Mark St., near 7th.
Walker—	Opposite Hanna Postoffice.
Kanawha Station—	In sight of station.
Berea—	Berea, W. Va.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Johnstown

There is still quite an interest in Johnstown. Six persons are keeping the Sabbath who have, as yet, not united with the church. They do not see clearly all points of our faith and so are hesitating. There are others who see the Sabbath truth but do not seem to have the courage to step out and obey, and others are investigating.

The Johnstown church is doing well along missionary lines by circulating our literature among the people. Pray for the work in Johnstown. J. W. WATT.

News Notes

Sisters Lavelly and Rager, who are canvassing with "Bible Footlights," are meeting with excellent success in the town around Johnstown.

Brother Morgan reports a one hundred per cent delivery in Beaver County. Quite a number in his territory are inquiring for truth, and several places are open for meetings. He spoke to an appreciative audience of methodists last Sunday morning on the "Second coming of Christ."

Miss Saxton sends] encouraging reports from Clearfield. Considerable prejudice exists in the town, and yet many are looking for light. Her experience during the past few weeks have given convincing evidence that the greatest blessings come from faithful effort against the powers of evil.

Elder Kneeland reports very encouraging results from several of the places where meetings have been held. In a recent letter he says: "I baptized four fine young people at Port Alleghany last Sabbath, and the week before ten at Shinglehouse. I expect to have a baptismal service at Raymond next Sabbath."

News comes from Meadville of a recent effort on the part of the ministry in that town to resurrect and enforce the "Blue Laws" in that section. A petition of earnest protest was written by our people in the town, and printed in the daily newspaper. Elder Robbins also wrote an excellent article for the paper stating the principles of our faith. This is only one instance of recent developments which show us that we are meeting face to face with a terrible reality.

"Promise, prayer, and performance are three links in the chain of blessing. If the middle link is missing we have no right to expect the third."

OHIO

News Notes

Brother G. C. Quillin spent Sabbath with the Camden church.

Brother Eusey has returned from holding a series of meetings at Charloe, and is spending a few days at home preparatory to joining Elder J. F. Olmsted in a tent effort at Portsmouth.

Elder E. K. Slade returned Wednesday morning from Washington, D. C. where he spent several days in attendance at important board and committee meetings there.

Sister Bessie Acton left for her home in Hicksville, Friday morning where she will make a short visit before going on to attend the Educational Convention at St. Helena, California.

Our tract society secretary, Brother J. I. Cassell, has been compelled to leave his work for some time and go to the Washington Sanitarium for treatment. We hope that he will soon be recovered and back in the office once more.

A large delivery of "Practical Guide" has been completed in Pickaway County by Brother H. W. Barto. He says he met with excellent success and is of good courage in the work.

A very encouraging report has come in from Brother H. A. Rossin. He writes that last week he met a man to whom he had sold a book in Tuscarawas County. This man told him that he and his wife were keeping the Sabbath as a result of the study of "Bible Readings", and says that he wants Brother Rossin to come and tell them more about the truth. Brother Rossin says this pays him for all the hardships he has ever gone through while in the work.

A good report has come in from Brother John Holder who is working in Medina County. He sold \$65.15 worth of books in thirty-eight hours.

Brother W. S. Scott is canvassing in Jefferson County. He has been struggling hard against some very adverse circumstances but says now he is able and determined to put in forty hours per week, and knows that if he does, the Lord will give him success.

Brother J. H. Stafford who had such good success for a few weeks has been meeting with some very severe trials for some time, but now writes that while Satan tries hard to drive him out of the work, he has not succeeded and he is thankful the Lord has blessed him and kept him in the work.

It gives me pleasure to report the baptism of three candidates, Sabbath May 1. These are all adults and we believe they will be working members. Their conversion comes as a reward for faithful labor and as an answer to persevering prayer on the part of relatives and friends, both laborers and laymen. H. H. VOTAW.

Orders are rapidly coming in for "Shadow of the Bottle". This is an indication to us that the little book is going to be a fine seller. Those who have sold "World's Crisis" will find that this sells just as rapidly. It is a companion volume to that book. We also have it published in the cloth binding at 50 cents. Do you not want to use some among your neighbors? In orders of four or more, they can be purchased at 50 per cent discount. Order today from the Ohio Tract Society, Box 8, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

Important Notice

Those desiring employment in the dining hall at camp meeting this year, may make their application for the same, by sending the writer their name (and age if under twenty years) which will be placed on file.

While this will not guarantee employment, yet as far as possible preference will be given to this list.

There will be employment for about thirty-five persons, and the work, so arranged that no meetings shall be missed.

All of those who send in their names, as well as others, who expect to ask for work, should report at once upon their arrival on the camp grounds, that all places may be assigned as soon as possible that no delay be experienced in the opening of the dining hall.

W. J. VENEN,
1110 Glenwood Ave.,
Youngstown, Ohio.

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending May 14, 1915									
J. S. Randolph, Marion Co.		DA	5	49	5	16 50	18 80	35 30	12 50
J. H. Stafford, Lucas Co.		BR	5	42	10	32 00		32 00	
H. A. Rossin, Tuscarawas Co.		BR	5	40	15	46 00	1 50	47 50	
J. L. Holder, Medina Co.		BR	5	38	16	49 00	16 15	65 15	60
B. F. Carter, Muskingum Co.		BR	5	37	8	24 00	3 50	27 50	47 00
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		BR	5	35	14	41 00		41 00	3 00
Clara Reichenbach, Logan Co.		GC	5	35	13	42 00	75	42 75	
H. W. Barto, Pickaway Co.		PG	8	61	10	35 00	2 25	37 25	151 00
W. S. Syphers, Fayette Co.		BR	3	31	5	16 00	3 75	19 75	
H. O. Kohr, Knox Co.		DR	4	27	9	27 00	5 25	31 25	
Fred Hannah, Holmes Co.		BR	2	22	6	18 00	2 50	20 50	25
W. S. Scott, Jefferson Co.		HM	2	17	5	10 00		10 00	6 00
Mrs. Syphers, Fayette Co.		BR	2	17	1	3 00	3 30	6 30	
Totals	13 Agents			55 451 117		\$359 59	\$56 75	\$416 25	\$220 35

New Jersey, Week Ending May 14, 1915

Chris Hansen, Ocean Co.		DR	5	31	22	67 00	70	67 70	
G. W. Blinn, Mercer Co.		DR	5	41	15	45 00	3 50	47 50	
W. H. Stagmier, Monmouth Co.		BR	3	25	14	42 00	10	42 10	
Allen Boynton, Atlantic Co.		BR	3	21	9	28 00	2 15	30 15	
W. B. Plant, Morris Co.		PG	4	29	9	24 00	4 50	28 50	3 00
Samuel Law, Cumberland Co.		BR	5	30	7	21 00	2 50	23 50	
J. I. Applegate, Atlantic Co.		BR	5	28	2	15 00	80	15 80	22 00
Totals	7 Agents			30 205 80		\$242 00	\$13 25	\$255 25	\$25 00

Virginia, Week Ending May 14, 1915

A. L. Gary, Madison Co.		PPF	3	23	7	13 50	35	13 85	
J. W. Aleshire, Madison Co.		PPF	2	20	7	14 00	2 35	16 35	2 35
R. H. Young, Northampton Co.		GC	4	29	3	11 30	3 50	14 80	
M. A. Maloney, Essex Co.		CK	5	26	10	15 30	2 15	17 45	12 40
T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.		BR	2	17	4	14 00		14 00	
Miscellaneous		WC		10	10	2 50		2 50	2 50
Worker, Albermarle Co.					54	35 00		35 00	2 50
Totals	5 Agents			16 125 95		\$105 60	\$8 35	\$113 95	\$52 25

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Mrs. Burns	\$ 1 50	Louise Henley	\$20 00
Total			\$21 50

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 14, 1915

F. Washburn, Bucks Co.		PPF	5	33	12	25 00	3 75	28 75	
G. R. Hawthorn, Chester Co.		BF	4	39	15	22 50		22 50	30 35
W. B. Dunkinson, Tioga Co.		PPF	5	38	9	18 00	75	18 75	2 00
Wm. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.		PPF	4	31	8	17 00	3 00	20 00	
Wm. Frizzell, Lancaster Co.		PPF	5	33	7	14 40	1 85	15 85	1 35
E. S. Tolliver, Wilkes-Barre Co.		SP	5	21	8	10 75	6 50	17 25	
Totals	6 Agents					\$107 55	\$15 35	\$123 10	\$34 20

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 14, 1915

Chas. Dunham, Allegheny Co.		GC	2	13	2	6 00	2 10	8 10	35 90
J. S. Glunt, Blair Co.		BR					1 05	1 05	3 30
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.		BR	5	37	8	25 00		25 00	
J. A. Kimmel, Somerset Co.		BR	4	28	13	41 00	2 25	43 25	2 75
Fern Lavelly, Cambria Co.		BF	5	40	35	54 50	2 80	57 30	
C. B. Moser, Somerset Co.		BF	5	35	24	36 00	9 15	45 15	4 50
Ralph Morgan, Beaver Co.		BF	8	60	15	23 25	4 45	27 70	66 20
C. Newmyer, Fayette Co.		BR	8	43	6	19 00	6 50	25 50	23 20
Garnell Roger, Cambria Co.		BF	10	65	44	70 50	4 00	74 50	
Anna Saxton, Clearfield Co.		BF	5	29	16	25 00	2 75	27 75	1 00
C. E. Will, Washington Co.					3	24	12 45	12 45	
Totals	11 Agents			55 374 163		\$300 25	\$41 50	\$347 75	\$136 85

West Virginia, Week Ending May 14, 1915

T. M. Butler, Marion Co.	BR	5	45	22	72	00	2	50	74	50	2	50			
W. A. McElphatrick, Randolph Co.	BR	5	40	18	56	00	11	55	67	55	15	25			
J. S. Seal, Roane Co.	COL	8	60	21	31	50	4	75	36	25	7	00			
Arley McNemar, Nickolas	CK	8	43	37	79	05	1	30	80	35					
G. Earl Snyder, Cabell Co.	BR	1		8							48	20			
Totals			5 Agents		25	196	98	\$238	55	\$20	10	\$258	65	\$72	95

District of Columbia, Week Ending May 14, 1915

Frank Costly	Misc	1	4	8	2	00	1	20	3	20	3	20			
Chas. Warren	BR	3	19	3	8	70			8	70	3	00			
R. W. Williamson	Misc	1	6	1	3	00	1	70	4	70	4	70			
William Schmidt	GC	2	8	5	17	00	1	50	18	50	9	50			
E. Mitchell	SP	3	22	5	6	50	2	00	8	50	11	00			
Messenger Boat	BR	4	30	36	110	00	4	10	115	10	3	80			
Jno. Aitkin	BR	2	16	8	24	00	5	25	29	25	18	25			
Thomas Brown	Misc	1	6	12	3	00			3	00	3	00			
Miscellaneous												2	10		
Totals			8 Agents		17	111	72	\$174	20	\$15	70	\$189	90	\$58	55

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Kenneth Gould	\$	5	00	Miss Peacock	\$	12	50
Ruth Sterner		5	00	M. Sperry		12	00
E. Sperry		3	00	Martin King		1	00
Mr. Harris		1	10	H. A. Johnson		1	00
Mrs. Cross		2	50	Miss Detwiler		2	50
Miscellaneous		25	00	Total		\$70	60

Chesapeake, Week Ending May 14, 1915

M. S. Pettibone, Carrol Co. Md.	BR	4	26	6	19	00	5	10	24	10	5	10			
N. O. Shaffer, Baltimore Co.	BR	4	32	30	75	00	1	25	76	25	1	25			
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.	BR	4	40	13	40	00			40	90	5	85			
Geo. W. Lawrence, Kent Co. Md.	DR	4	38	4	12	00			12	00	24	00			
J. E. Jones, Sussex Co.	PPF	5	38	19	39	00	15	35	54	35					
D. M. Percy, Sussex Co. Del.	PPF	10	70	26	52	00	4	20	55	20	125	00			
Totals			6 Agents		31	244	88	\$237	00	\$25	90	\$262	90	\$161	20

Magazines

\$32 70

Alma Hohensee, Wilmington, Del.	Watchman	\$30 00
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Grand Totals: 61 Agents Value of Orders \$1764 74 Deliveries, \$761 35

Monthly Summary of Canvassers' Reports

Month Ending April 30, 1915

Conference	Colporteurs	Hours	Orders	Value	1914
Ohio	22	1969	475	2257 85	2804 35
Chesapeake	7	737	257	773 99	2203 30
West Virginia	7	420	160	471	398 25
West Pennsylvania	13	1096	417	1165 80	819 18
District of Columbia	8	355	150	452 12	429 80
East Pennsylvania	6	382	96	237 95	895 20
Virginia	18	846	437	1059 10	566 20
New Jersey	14	933	295	974 80	611 25
Totals	95	6738	2287	\$7392 61	\$8727 53

The Summary

It will be noticed this month that the summary shows a loss of a little over \$1,000. This is accounted for from the fact that last year we had five weeks for April whereas this year we only have four weeks. We are pleased to see a number of our conferences coming up in their sales. Two or three show a little falling off. We find that our sales this year are about as good as last year and that our

colporteurs are averaging about as much per hour as they did one year ago. There is very little difference; not enough to speak of. In fact, the reports that are coming in now are much better than those we have been receiving the first few months of this year. The prospects are good for increased sales for the next few months. The country now seems to be getting itself adjusted to the war in Europe and business is coming up along all lines so that there is every prospect

for better times all the way along.

Some of our conferences, we notice, are showing a better average per hour than in years past while some are just about holding their own. On the whole the outlook is just as good if not a little better, so far as sales per hour are concerned. Quite a number are planning to enter the work very soon. It will not be long until we will be averaging probably 145 colporteurs. Last year our sales were running unusually high; we might say abnormally so. Consequently it keeps us quite busy this year to keep even with last year's record. I. D. RICHARDSON.

"Nothing is small that helps you along in the line of your career, that broadens your horizon, that deepens your experience, that makes you more efficient in the great work of life. No matter how trivial any duty may seem if it adds in the slightest way to your efficiency it ceases to be trivial."

Academy

Miss Venus Lewis is enjoying a visit from her mother and sister this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Holder are visiting their daughter, Mary, who is a member of the graduating class.

The academy chorus sang the sacred cantata, "The Holy City" Monday evening. Wednesday evening a general music recital was given by all the music students.

The class day exercises held Thursday evening, May 20, were very good. The chapel looked very pretty decorated in green and white, the class colors. The program was excellent and was well rendered.

Helen Daniells, Marie Greunke, Goldie Hixon, John Holder, Earl Bisel, Bertha Hanger, Elizabeth Miller, Margaret Miller, and Wilma Walters are among some of the old students who are here visiting during commencement week.

Miss Clara Pettit, a former student stopped at the academy for a short visit last week. She is on her way south where she will connect with the work after spending the summer at the Madison school.

"There is never a day so dreary,
But God can make it bright;
And unto the soul that trusts Him,
He giveth songs in the night."

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The Misses Mary Wheeler and Sara Rudolph are enjoying a visit from their mothers this week.

Mrs. Dorothy Yingling and husband are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shryock.

All enjoyed the stereopticon lecture on the "European War" given by Elder J. E. White, Tuesday evening.

Elder F. H. Robbins spent a few days at the academy during commencement week.

Wednesday afternoon the students and teachers of the school enjoyed a vacation. Games were played on the lawn and a good luncheon was served to all.

The sewing classes gave an exhibit of the work done in that department last Saturday evening. A short program was rendered after which the note-books and garments made by the class were inspected by the audience. This department certainly has done good work this year.

OBITUARIES

CRONINGER.—Hezekiah Croninger died May 10, 1915, aged 72 years, 11 months, and 10 days. The funeral services were held in the Luthern church in McClure, Ohio. He leaves a faithful companion, two daughters, and many others to mourn his death. We have hopes that he was accepted and will come again from the land of the enemy. Elder D. E. Lindsey preached from the words, "We all do fade as a leaf."

D. E. LINDSEY.

LAUDER.—Alexander A. Lauder was born in Glasgow, Scotland, January 19, 1826, and died at Mount Vernon, Ohio, May 11, 1915, aged 89 years, 3 months, and 22 days. For more than thirty years brother Lauder has been a devoted member of the Mount Vernon S. D. A. church. He served as treasurer of the Ohio Conference for three years. He was a most conscientious, painstaking, faithful man in all his work. The circle of aged pilgrims here will miss him greatly. He leaves a faithful wife to follow on. He and his wife were baptized by the write 30 years ago, also Elder G. A. Irwin's wife and son, who were charter members of the Mount Vernon church. D. E. LINDSEY.

Washington Missionary College

Recently, Professor J. L. Shaw called the juniors together for organization. Mr. Clarence Morris was elected president, and Miss Ida Tiney secretary. Brown and gold have been chosen for the class colors.

The members of the advanced missions class occupied the time of the Mission Band Friday evening and of the Young People's meeting Sunday afternoon. Papers were read on different phases of missionary work.

Elder W. T. Knox addressed the student body upon the subject of "Bible Finance" in three successive lectures at the college last week. After setting forth the scriptural use of the tithe in the support of the ministry, he outlined the principles that control the distribution of our denominational fund in home and foreign work.

Last Sunday at chapel, Professor C. L. Benson gave the opening address of the Canvasser's Institute, telling some of his personal experiences. At subsequent chapel hours Elder W. W. Eastman and Elder I. D. Richardson spoke to the students. One morning was devoted to a symposium by student colporteurs. Each afternoon from four to six o'clock the institute instruction was given. Quite a large number of students have definitely decided to engage in this work this summer, and some have already selected their territory.

On Tuesday evening, May 6, the last number of the College Lecture Course was given. Professor Hamer, head of the Music Department of the College, had charge of the program, and it is needless to say it was good. Several musical readings were given by Mrs. Mustain, corresponding secretary of the Washington Reading Club. Between these there were vocal solos by Mrs. Hamer, piano

solos by Miss Barbara Knox, and 'cello solos by Professor Lehman. The college chapel was crowded to its utmost capacity, and all felt that "the best had been saved for the last."

Mr. Frank Elder has been obliged to return home on account of illness. The students extend their sympathy.

An industrial exhibit was given Monday evening at the college. Preceding the exhibit of the student work in the various departments, an attractive program was rendered in which an animated presentation of the results of a one-sided education was effectively given. Musical selections, rendered by the college orchestra and a quartette, and a presentation showing the result of lack of knowledge in industrial lines made the program one of the most attractive features of the school year. Exhibits of student class work were made in wood-work, sewing printing, denistry, domestic science which departments were visited after the program.

Camp Meeting Dates

Columbia Union Conference

West Pennsylvania, Homestead, Park, June 10-20.

Eastern Pennsylvania, Emmanuel Grove, near Allentown, Pa., June 17-27.

Chesapeake, Hamilton Avenue Grove, Baltimore, Md., June 24-July 4.

New Jersey, Burlington, June 24-July 4.

Ohio, Academia, Mt. Vernon, Aug. 12-22.

Virginia, August 5-15.

West Virginia, August 26-September 5.

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