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

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U N I O N

Our Rural Schools in the South

We are greatly pleased to call the attention of our brethren throughout the Columbia Union Conference to the Educational Sabbath June 10. This day has been set apart this year as a special day upon which to take up a collection for our rural schools in the South.

Perhaps all who read these lines have not kept in touch with the splendid opportunities presented in the South for the best kind of missionary work. We sometimes are inclined to think of the South as the field simply for missionary endeavors among the colored. All are not informed perhaps that there exists in the southern states a class of white people who are descended from some of the very best stock of settlers who came to this country in the early days of colonization. Pushed back somewhat from the centers of civilization, these people dwell largely among the mountains and are simple, primitive in habit, but sterling in material. To reach these outlying districts much effort has been put forth to send in advance our young men and women of educational leadership, who feel called to make in these places the desert to blossom as the rose.

In all, something like fifteen or twenty of these schools have been opened in Kentucky, Georgia, Tennessee and the Carolinas. They have been known in the past as the independent schools. This term was used no doubt with reference to the fact that these enterprises had been carried on by persons not connected particularly with the organized work of the denomination. Recently, however, the North American Division Conference has made great efforts to connect these enterprises with our regular organized work and there has been a response from both

Statement of the Twenty-Cent-A-Week Fund

For Four Months Ending May 1, 1916

Conference	Mem.	Am't at \$3.47	Am't Rec'd	Am't Short
Chesapeake	725	2515 75	1357 59	1158 16
District of Columbia	960	3331 20	2381 59	949 61
East Pennsylvania	1150	3990 50	2535 32	1455 18
New Jersey	906	3143 82	1937 57	1206 25
Ohio	2100	7287 00	5063 29	2223 71
Virginia	514	1689 62	776 22	913 40
West Pennsylvania	810	2810 70	1867 33	943 37
West Virginia	240	832 80	526 62	306 18
Totals	\$7405	\$25601 39	\$16445 53	\$9155 86
Amount received to May 1, 1916		- - - -	\$16445 53	
Amount received to May 1, 1915		- - - -	13914 80	
Gain in offerings		- - - -	2530 73	
Shortage May 1, 1915		- - - -	\$10389 08	
Shortage May 1, 1916		- - - -	9155 86	
Gain on shortage		- - - -	1233 22	

sides in an endeavor to bring about such a co-operation. These enterprises, however, are needy. They have been started at much self-sacrifice on the part of their originators. They are worthy of our earnest prayers and our substantial gifts. We would ask therefore that the brethren throughout the Columbia Union Conference to whom these lines may come will do their part in making Sabbath, June 10, a grand rally day in which to collect funds for these needy but splendid missionary endeavors in the South.

B. G. WILKINSON.

Our Mission Offering

How gratified we would be if we had the pleasure of reporting to the brethren of the Columbia Union Conference that a full quota of mission offerings was turned over to the General Conference for the first four months of 1916. We are so sorry to say we are short, and that not a small amount, but a large sum of \$9152.86. Think of what nine thousand dollars will do in the mission fields.

The General Conference brethren have

been compelled to ask some of the workers in the foreign field to postpone operations in very needy places for lack of means. The brethren and sisters of Europe, in their sad and distressing condition, occasioned by the war, are repeating the experience of the churches of Macedonia reported by Paul. "How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abound unto the riches of their liberality." If these brethren and sisters could exceed their former offerings under such conditions, it would seem that we in the Columbia Union, surrounded with peace and prosperity, could do better than we have done.

Many may be depending upon the latter part of the year to make their liberal offerings, but who can tell in the impending crisis, what the United States is facing, whether we will be in condition to do as we would like. No, brethren, let us each decide definitely to do our part immediately see that our family, our church, our conference and our union contribute the full amount of mission offerings required and if possible an overflow,

so that enterprises for which foreign missionaries have not dared to ask can be granted and the end hastened.

Our full quota for the four months amounts to \$25601.39. We have given \$16445.53, making a deficit of \$9155.86.

R. T. DOWSETT.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Williamsport

After the Union Conference meeting in Pittsburgh I was asked by the Conference Committee to make Williamsport my headquarters. Since coming here we started a series of Sunday night meetings for the public, and followed the interest at Roaring Branch where meetings were held last winter. As the result ten were baptized Sabbath, May 13, in a beautiful stream of water not far from the church. One mother in Israel was made to rejoice as she saw her son and four daughters follow their Lord in baptism. Others who were not fully instructed in all points of faith will be baptized later. The church in West Philadelphia let us have the use of their baptismal robes for the services which was much appreciated by the members of the Roaring Branch church.

On Wednesday evening May 17, David Goldstein of Boston lectured in the Williamsport High School Auditorium under the auspices of the Williamsport council No. 366 Knights of Columbus. His theme was, "Does obedience to the pope conflict with loyalty to the state?" Over a thousand people were present. At the close of the lecture he said if anyone had a question to ask he would answer it. So I asked this question: "Was the changing of the Sabbath day by the Roman Catholic church from the seventh to the first day of the week, the Roman Catholic church's answer to the Reformation of the sixteenth century?"

In answering this question he made the following statement: "Why do Protestant churches keep Sunday. It is not in the Bible. They cannot find one text in all the Bible for keeping Sunday holy. Here is another thing in which Protestants do not follow the Bible, but the Roman Catholic church."

We hope that such a statement from such a high official in the Roman Catholic church will help those in this city who are halting between two opinions to decide to obey God and keep his commandments, rather than the commandments of men.

C. S. BAUM.

News Notes

Brother C. V. Leach paid our office a short visit this week. We were glad to see him and to know that he is trying

hard to get a good man to take his place in this conference.

Sunday night was the last of a series of three very interesting theatre meetings which Elder Richards, assisted by Dr. Hansen and others has conducted in Allentown. Good music and some excellent pictures added to the interest.

Elder Enoch gave a picture lecture on "Travels through India" at the West Philadelphia church last Sabbath evening. It was a splendid introduction to his inspiring talk the next morning at the same church on, "The open doors of India and China".

About the first of the year I went into a very large plumbing establishment in this city and saw two men busily engaged in taking stock. One was calling out items and figures and the other one was taking them down. With a prayer on my lips asking God to halt their business a few moments so that he might have right of way and get the message into their hands, I approached them, (not hesitatingly but in a very business like manner) walking near where they were at work. I stopped waiting for them to look up. The one with pencil in hand, who was nearest to me, spoke and asked what he could do for me. I presented a *Watchman* and canvassed briefly on the "Eastern Question" and other interesting facts. He promptly replied that he did not want one. I took a few steps forward where the other one was standing. As he had already heard me make the canvass I asked him, "Would you like to have a copy of this interesting magazine?" He replied, "I would, and if you will wait a few minutes I will go to my office on the second floor and get the money." I waited and he soon returned with the money.

I have sold many magazines to people at the telephone while waiting for central to give them their number. I remember one case distinctly. It was in an office on Market Street. The man at the telephone asked what he could do for me. I told him what an excellent magazine the *Watchman* was, putting it on the desk in front of him so he could get a good look at it. He seemed impressed with the name *Watchman*. Said he, "Where is this magazine published?" I replied, "Nashville, Tennessee." "How in the world did this magazine get up into this part of the country?" I replied, "That's nothing unusual for the *Watchman*. It's all over the United States. It has a large circulation—goes into all the large cities, towns and many villages." That's interesting, I will purchase a copy and see what it is like," he replied.

"What you consider your disadvantages are your grand opportunities" is found often to be true.

EVA CHANDLER.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Altoona and Johnstown

On Sunday, April 30, at the close of the evening sermon, another scene was witnessed by the Altoona church, in which, I believe, all heaven rejoiced, when six dear souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. It truly was an inspiring scene as these candidates walked into the watery grave to bury the old man and to arise in newness of life. May it truly be the death of the old man and a new life in Christ Jesus. There are still two others who are looking forward to the fulfilling of their Master's will.

On Sabbath, May 6, the Johnstown church was privileged to witness the burial, by baptism, a dear soul who has thrown her lot with the remnant people of God. May the good Lord keep her faithful and true to the end. We know the Lord will do his part if we do ours. We are looking forward to many such scenes in the near future.

Next month I expect to begin a series of meetings in a tent in Johnstown. The field seems to be ripe for such an effort. Every time I hold meeting in the church the church is usually crowded. I believe the Lord has honest souls in that wicked city that will take their stand for the truth when it is brought to them.

The tent company will consist of Brother and Sister Ray Spencer, Sister Edythe Isenburg and the writer. I believe, under God, we will have a fruitful season. We realize our weakness, also realize that in this our weakness lieth our strength for "when I am weak then am I strong" for the grace of Christ will strengthen us for service.

We crave your prayers, brethren, for the success of this coming effort that sheaves may be garnered for the kingdom.

CHAS. F. ULRICH.

WEST VIRGINIA

Colporteur's Letter

I am glad to report another weeks work done for the Master. Though the way has not all been smooth I can appreciate the truth of God's Word much better than if the way had been smooth all the time. I like Paul, "glory in tribulation also, knowing that tribulation worketh patience." I am thankful to God for his watch care over me, and the blessings he has given me in my work, although Satan has tried hard to drive me from the field.

Monday I started in the field in the

county of Barbour, near Philippi. I worked hard all day and received three orders for "Bible Readings". When I took the last order it was about seven-thirty in the evening. As it had been raining and the clouds were thick it began to get dark early, so I asked to stay over night at that place, but they had visitors and could not keep me. They told me there was a house across the field about half a mile away where they thought I could stay so I started over there. When I reached there it was dark. I rapped several times but no one came to the door. I went on to the next house but it was dark, and to the next to find it dark also. I remembered passing a hay barn and the thought came to me to go and stay in it for the night, and as it was warm, I went back and laid me down to sleep, after thanking God for even this place, for I knew that I was no better than Christ who said on one occasion, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head." I did not have any supper, but I rested well and was up early in the morning and went on my way thanking the Lord for his goodness.

I canvassed all day and only took two orders. I tried hard to get a placeto stay over night but could not. I went down to one of the places I had taken an order the day before and they were glad to keep me for the night. The people in this part of the country are most all what they call Hard-shell Baptists, and they are very hard to deal with. I was about to leave this part of the field for the present as some other agent had been over the territory with Bibles, but somehow the Lord had some other arrangement for me and I went back where I left off in a little mining town called Barryburg. I came to a store manager's house but did not think he would buy as the people said he was in the book business himself, to some extent. I sold him a \$4.00 "Bible Readings" and stayed with him all night. I found that this man was being guided to the truth. He had bought "New Testament Primer" and "Christ our Saviour" several years ago and said they were the best books that he ever saw for children and ought to be in every home where there are children. There was a boy in the town that was selling books and this man sent to Washington, where the "New Testament Primer" is printed to see if he could get them for the boy, and they must have sent him some advertising matter on "Armageddon" and *Signs of the Times* with the "Questions and Answers," as he told me that he had signed for a paper and was to get a book "Questions and Answers." He is getting well stocked up with our literature and I hope it will bring him to the Lord. He is a

fine man and has a fine wife and family.

This is a remarkable case, I think, of how the Lord is working with this man and how this boy is canvassing with our books "New Testament Primer" "Christ our Saviour" and "Armageddon." When I learned of this I thought of Revelation 2: 2-5, "I know thy works and thy labor. . . . Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen and repent and do thy first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly and remove thy candlestick out of his place except thou repent."

Oh, how many of our people are sitting with folded hands as it were and letting the people die without hope and without God. If we do not do the work, God will remove our candlestick and give it to someone else. I can see a wonderful difference in the people since I began canvassing seven years ago. The hearts of many are hardening and the Spirit of God is leaving many. This is a sad thing to see when we have this blessed truth. God has been so good to us to call us out of such darkness.

T. M. BUTLER.

By way of explanation will say that the gentlemen at Barryburg, referred to in Brother Butler's letter wrote to the Southern Publishing Association asking for agents' rates on "Christ Our Saviour" and the Review and Herald asking for agents' rates on "New Testament Primers". These two letters were referred to the tract society by the publishing houses, both reaching me at the same time. I replied to the letters and as I enclosed advertising matter on "Armageddon" and *Signs of the Times* with "Questions and Answers" in my correspondence that day, he received copy of the advertising matter. By return mail, I received his order not only for "New Testament Primer" and "Christ Our Saviour," but also for "Armageddon" and *Signs of the Times* with "Questions and Answers". He said he was ordering these books for copies to sell from and inquired what other good books we had. It is not our custom to permit those not of our faith to canvass for our denominational books, but I was impressed with this man's letters and inasmuch as these were small books I quoted him a price, cash with order. This week I received an order from him for a quantity of "New Testament Primers" and "Christ Our Saviour". In the meantime Brother Butler has sold him "Bible Readings". Let us pray that this man may read the good literature which he has received and accept the truth which it contains.

JENNIE BURDICK.

Correction

An error was made in Elder Hirlinger's Report which appeared in the issue of April 27. Where it read that "the tithe for

January and February is within a few dollars of being what it was the corresponding months of last year" it should have read, "within a few dollars of being double what it was the corresponding months of last year."

NEW JERSEY

Colporteurs Experiences

The following is a copy of a letter received from Brother E. J. Wood:

"My report attached is not what I would like it, but praise God for the past week. I have been used of the Lord to lead a dear soul into the truth this week while working through Stratford.

I met a lady who became interested in my book, and ordered one to be delivered as soon as possible.

I very rarely mention points of controversy to anyone, as the people are not generally ready for them, but in this instance it was not that way.

This dear sister was hungry after the truth, and so asked me some questions. The Sabbath question came up, and I quoted a few texts and left her. This was on Wednesday. Thursday I delivered her book, and I could tell she had been thinking seriously.

The Lord wanted me to establish this dear soul firmly, so on Friday I could not seem to get started after lunch and I was led back to help her.

There was a gentlemen living at the same house who had ordered and paid for a copy of "Daniel and Revelation" so I went back to enquire about the delivery of his book, and they asked me if I could explain 1 Tim. 4:3-5 as they had been having a friendly discussion over it.

The lady held that the text meant that we could eat anything.

The lady being honest and the gentleman holding the same position as I did on the text, I gained the confidence of both. After some little talk, the Sabbath came up, and after proving from the scriptures that the seventh day was the Sabbath of the Bible, the lady said, "That settles it with me. You do not need a long line of argument to convince me, the Bible says so, and that ends it", and she proved her faith by keeping her first Sabbath right then.

Stratford is about 10 miles below Camden, but she was at Sabbath school and church and is enjoying her first love.

The gentlemen is deeply interested, and I believe he will also take his stand, and if he does, his mother will also probably step out.

There are many just as these, and may God help us to be more faithful, that the honest may be gathered out."

Re-Working of Territory Proven a Success

Brother Hansen is now working over the same territory that he did a year ago and the following is an extract of a letter received from him this week:

I have had a blessed week, I did not get away from Hamburg. Mr. Kollbocker one of Brother Barritt's customers said that he would not part with "Bible Readings" if he knew he could not get another. He is one of the leaders in the mission, so you can guess what is being studied, when he leads the meeting. He gave me an order for a full morocco copy of "Daniel and Revelation".

Mr. Johnson was very glad for Brother Medairy's visit. Mrs. Snover had taken the verses from Isaiah that Brother Medairy selected for his text, and gave them to the children for memory verses the following Sunday.

I have been very much encouraged in the Lord this week. In spite of all Satan's objections I passed the \$50.00 mark this week, and orders are from good Christians."

God is surely blessing the colporteur these days, all who are out on the firing line are sending in splendid experiences, telling how God is richly blessing them.

Young man, young woman, God is calling you to go into the highways and byways to scatter the printed page like the leaves of autumn. Will you not heed the call. Particulars can be ascertained from the office. Write at once.

News Notes

A baptismal service was held in Oakland last Sabbath, and seven were buried with their Lord. Elder Sandborn was present, and a church was organized. There are several more who will be baptized later. We all rejoice in the raising up of this new church and thank God for his prospering hand.

A workers' meeting of two days duration convened at Burlington May 22-24. The purpose of the meeting was not only to lay plans for the coming summer's work, but to receive a new vision of the work of God, and to gain spiritual blessings and new power, without which all human effort is of no avail in soul winning.

Most encouraging letters are arriving on nearly every mail about the preparations for Rally Day. We hope that the enthusiasm will spread and that our Sabbath schools will not be contented with simply presenting a good program, though that is fine; but we want to see actual results of Rally Day, such as an increase in membership and gifts to missions, and

other good things. Make your Sabbath school on June 3, such a blessed occasion that all who are visiting your school will want to join.

On Sunday evening, May 21, Elder Sandborn spoke in the Trenton church on "God's gifts to men and Satan's counsels." The church was well filled and the audience was deeply interested. Pray that these Sunday night meetings may result in a harvest of souls for the kingdom of God.

It does seem good to have our students back again from college. We are sorry that there are some who will not be with us in the conference this summer, as the bright prospect of scholarships to be earned in other territory is luring them away. But wherever they are, we wish them success.

The office force, assisted by Brother Medairy, spent some time this past week in sorting tents in preparation for the soon coming tent efforts.

Elder George F. Enoch's trip through New Jersey was much enjoyed. The beautiful views shown and the inspiring talks which were given, greatly increased our interest in the fields beyond.

We are glad that Miss Ruth Murphy, who underwent a serious operation some time ago, is able to be with us again, and is rapidly improving in health.

Sister Sophia Best of Redbank called at the office last week with her little son, whom she was taking to the hospital here. This is one of our isolated sisters who, though unable to meet with our people, is faithful to the truth. The *Review and Herald* is her good friend, and she said she could not possibly get along without it.

Brother and Sister Dickson of Baltimore were present at the dedication of the Jersey City church, and visited their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Taylor.

"Pray trustfully, pray steadily, pray expectantly, and God will guide you into his chosen way."

The 1916-1917 reading course books are going to be most interesting and helpful reading; did you know it, Missionary Volunteers? But before taking up the new course, will you not put forth your best efforts to finish the current one on which we have been working since last fall? There are a number of young peo-

ple in our conference who have signed the reading course enrollment blanks, but have gone no farther in taking the course. Signing ones name is an easy task, but keeping your promise, and actually doing what you say you will is the test! Try to read these good books and earn your certificate before camp-meeting July 27. Will you?

OHIO

The Ohio Camp-meeting

Naturally a deep interest is felt on the part of our people throughout the state in reference to the location of our coming camp-meeting. Until now, it has been impossible for us to give a definite reply to the many inquiries that have been made.

At our last two sessions of the executive committee, a most careful and prayerful study has been given to this question, and we have investigated many locations, having in mind the geographical advantages of a good location, and also the favorableness of the openings and the desirableness of the grounds and the advantages offered.

It has finally been decided that our annual camp-meeting and conference, to convene August 17-27, will be held in Newark. We are giving only this advance notice now, but later you may look for fuller statements regarding the grounds and all other matters in which you will be interested in connection with the camp-meeting. As to the desirableness of the grounds, I know of none in the state more attractive and better suited to making the place desirable and pleasant. Our last year's camp-meeting was one of the largest ones ever held in the state, if not the largest, but we look for the meeting to be held in Newark to be more largely attended than was last year's meeting. We are beginning early to lay plans and do all in our power to make the meeting a success. We look for good help from abroad, and we have good help within the state.

We have secured some new tents, and be assured of one thing, the large pavilion has been treated so as to make it waterproof. In case of rain, we do not expect to have the inconvenience and unpleasantness that we experienced last year.

You may look for other announcements in the *Visitor* later from Brother Holtom and myself regarding camp-meeting. We invite and urge every family to plan early for this great convocation of the remnant people in Ohio. Let us each be determined to make it the most profitable meeting to us as individuals and to the cause in Ohio that has ever been held in the state.

E. K. SLADE.

News Notes

Brother V. O. Punches is leaving for London to start Brother E. E. Goodrich, of Cleveland, in the colporteur work. He is joining W. S. Syphers in working Madison County. We are glad to see Brother Goodrich enter the field, and wish him success in this important branch of the work.

Elder A. G. Haughey is demonstrating that he has not forgotten how to sell our books. He has taken up colporteur work in Darke County and sold \$147.00 worth of "Bible Readings" this past week. We certainly welcome Elder Haughey into the field, and expect that he will yet break all previous records.

Brother E. C. Alexander has moved from Williamsburg to his home in Winchester. This has taken him from the field for a few weeks but we are glad to see him back once more, and in his first forty-one hours, he sold \$72 worth of books.

Mrs. V. O. Punches is leaving for Sandusky, Ohio, to visit her sister for a few days.

Sometimes our colporteurs have some hard experiences and go for several weeks with comparatively no success, but when they remain faithful, God always rewards them. This has been the experience of Brother C. F. Wilcox, of Canton. In the past two weeks, the Lord has given him over \$115 worth of orders.

Miss Effie Punches, of Hamler, is visiting her uncle, C. H. Punches, and other relatives in Academia, and will also spend a few days in Columbus with Mrs. M. V. Eusey.

Brother P. A. Franks, who has been canvassing in Wayne County called at the office one day last week. He and his wife were here to attend the funeral of their uncle, Elder M. C. Kirkendall.

Another name has been added to our list of faithful colporteurs. We welcome Brother W. J. Pugh, of Cleveland, among us.

We are glad to see our first report from Brother D. McCarthy, who has come to our state from Seattle, Washington. He is now working in Harrison County.

Elder F. H. Henderson, of Akron, Ohio, was in Mount Vernon last week, and made a short call at the conference office.

Elder E. K. Slade and wife, accompanied by Elder N. S. Ashton and family, made a trip to Columbus Wednesday, to talk over matters with Brother Eusey and other members there in reference to the preparation for the large tent effort to be held in that city.

Elder Slade and H. D. Holtom went to Newark, Thursday, to look over the camp-meeting grounds and make further preparations for the meeting to be held in August.

One more county has been entered with our books. Brother R. H. Patterson, of Springfield, is sowing the seeds of truth very successfully among the people of this section.

Our students from Mount Vernon Academy are now entering the colporteur field. We are sure that they will gain a valuable experience while placing our good books in the homes of the people.

Elder E. K. Slade spent Sabbath with the Cleveland church, and is planning for the large tent effort to be held there this summer. He also visited the Ravenna and Akron churches.

The new book, "Armageddon," seems to be meeting the needs of the people. One old brother of eight-one years, sold ten in twenty-five minutes. Have you ordered yours?

Each one who does home missionary work will receive a blessing. One brother who is taking a large number of the Present Truth Series, says that his happiest moments are spent in taking these papers to the people. Try this work and enjoy with others this blessing.

An Experience

I wish to tell you of an experience that encouraged us to continue in the canvassing work. Mr. Stafford and I are working together and as it cost us 40 cents a day to go to our territory and our funds were low we did not see how we were going to continue.

We talked it over and after leaving the matter with the Lord we started out as usual. The second place I called was a grocery store. I canvassed a clerk and he became very much interested. He ordered a \$5.00 book. I then canvassed the proprietor and took his order for a \$4.00 "Bible Readings." He said, "I will give you a dollar on my book." The clerk said, "Give her a dollar for me," so he gave me \$2.00. Another party gave me 25 cents so we were enabled to stay in the field and feel that the Lord is blessing us and wants us to stay in the work.

MRS. M. M. STAFFORD.

CHESAPEAKE

Chesapeake Conference Association

The annual meeting of the Chesapeake Conference Association will be held in connection with the camp-meeting, June 8-18, for the purpose of transacting any business that should come before the constituency. The first meeting of the Association will be held Monday, June 12, 1916.

J. O. MILLER, *President*.

EMMA S. NEWCOMER, *Secretary*.

News Notes

What can we say to you more than we have said to encourage you to come to the camp-meeting? There will be excellent help provided by both the General and Union Conferences. Elder A. S. Booth, our new evangelist from California will be with us. He is expected in Baltimore at any time.

The dining tent will be conducted on the cafeteria plan, and you will be able to live cheaply, and yet have good food. We will have a good cook, and the meals provided will be healthful.

Elder R. T. Dowsett spent several hours at the conference office Sunday.

Please remember to come to camp-meeting for the benefits you will receive in a spiritual way.

Elder J. O. Miller, our new president, expects to be with us the early part of next week. He is packing his goods preparatory to moving to Baltimore. He will locate at the corner of Winsor Ave. and Longwood Street in Walbrook.

Some of our colporteurs have been having trying times. Brethren Pettibone and Lawrence have been sick for some time. Let us remember to pray for them. Brother Raymond Hare was knocked down by a runaway horse and had his head cut so he had to have the service of a physician. He is improving.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Minutes of the Eighth Annual Session of District of Columbia Conference

(Continued)

Sisters Maud Belmont and Janet Morris expressed themselves as determined, with the Lord's guidance and in his strength, to make their efforts more effective and productive of definite results

for the Master than ever before, soliciting and sustaining prayers of all believers to that end.

Brother L. L. Caviness briefly stated the harmonious spirit of the Capitol Hill church and their earnest desire to be of service in the vineyard where the Lord has seen fit to place them.

Brother G. S. Hvale, representing the Arlington church, expressed courage in the Lord and hope for a prosperous future among the Arlington people.

Brother I. A. Ford, elder of Memorial church, reported the excellent, active and co-operative spirit manifest among its members, and the ambition of all to make this year the most effective in its history.

Elder L. A. Hansen, of the first church mentioned the present encouraging condition of that church, bidding fair for a prosperous year and future.

R. E. HARTER, *President*.

R. C. TAYLOR, *Secretary*.

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Resolutions Adopted at the Fifth Biennial Session of the Columbia Union Conference

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ARTICLE XIX.

By-laws. The voters of this conference may make by-laws, and amend or repeal them, at any session thereof; and the scope of such by-laws may embrace all subjects not inconsistent with the constitution.

ARTICLE X.

Amendments. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at any session; provided, that if it be proposed to amend the constitution at a special session, notice of the proposed amendment shall be given in the call for such special session.

BY LAWS

Section 1. President. The duties of the president shall be such as usually pertain to such offices.

Section 2. Secretary. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the sessions of the conference, and perform such duties as usually pertain to this office.

Section 3. Treasurer. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all money belonging to the conference, to keep an account of the same, and to distribute them by order of the president, and to make a full report thereof at all sessions of the conference and at such other times as may be required by the Executive Committee. The treasurer shall also collect from the conferences in the territory such financial and statistical reports as are required by the Executive Committee.

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending May 20, 1916									
A. G. Haughey, Darke Co.	BR	5	57	37	147	00		147	00
Anna Oancea, Youngstown	Foreign	5	52		29	95		29	95
W. H. Smith, Holmes Co.	BR	5	49	9	29	00	2 50	31	50
Frank Fults, Adams Co.	BR	5	46	7	21	00	10 50	31	50
George Cottman, Warren Co.	BR	5	46	8	25	00	75	25	75
George Carter, Fairfield Co.	BR	5	45	16	57	00	25 00	82	00
R. H. Patterson, Greene Co.	BR	5	45	14	49	00	2 75	51	75
Fred Hannah, Lorain Co.	BR	4	45	6	19	00	14 75	33	75
C. F. Wilcox, Stark Co.	DR	5	43	13	41	00	9 75	50	75
Chas. Carter, Fairfield Co.	GC	4	43	4	15	00	3 00	18	00
E. C. Alexander, Clermont Co.	BR	4	41	20	66	00	6 75	72	75
H. W. Barto, Fairfield Co.	BR	4	41	13	41	00	1 50	42	50
N. Oancea, Youngstown, Foreign Books	GC	4	40		12	00		12	00
D. McCarthy, Harrison Co.	GC	5	39	7	21	00		21	00
C. R. Fairchild, Champaign Co.	BR	4	36	19	67	00	1 50	68	50
Mrs. Smith, Portsmouth	CK	5	36	13	20	50	4 00	24	50
J. H. Stafford, Cincinnati	BR	4	36	5	18	00	6 00	24	00
Richard DeGarmo, Summit Co.	HM	4	35	18	36	00	5 00	41	00
Mrs. Stafford, Cincinnati	BR	5	33	5	18	00	3 00	21	00
C. C. Webster, Lake Co.	BR	5	32	14	51	00		51	00
P. A. Franks, Wayne Co.	BR	2	14	9	28	00	3 00	31	00
W. J. Pugh, Lake Co.	GC	4	29	8	25	00	3 00	28	00
Mrs. Smith, Portsmouth	CK	5	29	4	7	50	2 00	9	50
H. O. Kohr, Dayton	Amag	4	28		23	50		23	50
W. S. Syphers, Madison Co.	BR	3	27	12	38	00	3 75	41	75
E. E. Goodrich, Madison Co.	BR	4	26	5	16	00	3 00	19	00
Mrs. C. Kelley, Springfield	CK	5	26	17	26	50	3 15	29	65
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.	BR	4	20	5	17	00	4 75	21	75
C. J. Fritz, Hocking Co.	BR	2	12						
Miscellaneous		8	85		67	00		67	00
Totals	29 Agents	133	1136	288	\$1031	95	\$119 40	\$1151 35	\$364 05

Chesapeake, Week Ending May 20, 1916

Geo. R. Apsley, Carroll Co.	BR	4	43	17	54	00	25	54	25
N. O. Shaffer, Baltimore Co.	BR	4	40	23	80	00		80	00
C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co.	BR	5	59	26	78	00	8 00	86	00
Mrs. W. H. Wilcox, Jefferson Co.	BR	4	31	12	37	00		37	00
W. H. Wilcox, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	45	12	37	00	1 00	38	00
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co.	BR	5	50	20	64	00	3 00	67	00
M. S. Pettibone, Carroll Co.	BR	1	8						
Geo. W. Lawrence, Harford Co.	DR	2	8	2	6	00	1 00	7	00
B. Hohensee, Somerset, Co.	DR	3	22	7	59	00	1 75	60	75
J. E. Jones, Talbot Co.	PPF	5	40	24	49	00	14 25	63	25
D. W. Percy, Wicomico Co.	PPF	5	41	18	34	00	6 00	43	00
S. Simphins, Anne Arundel Co.	CK	6		52	48	36		48	36
Totals	12 Agents	49	387	173	\$529	36	\$35 25	\$584 61	\$66 50

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 20, 1916

J. E. Bugher, Westmoreland Co.	BF	5	39	19	28	00	1 40	29	40
Geo. Buttermore, Jefferson Co.	BR	10	87	18	56	00	9 65	65	65
A. Brownlee, Washington Co.	PPF	10	94	16	40	00	68 35	108	35
C. Dunham, Allegheny Co.	GC	10	67	49	63	00	1 00	64	00
J. S. Glunt, Mercer Co.	BR			1	5	00	25	5	25
L. J. Hilton, Erie Co.	BF	3	8	3	4	50	4 25	8	75
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.	BR	5	25	5	20	00		20	00
W. H. House, Elk Co.	DR	10	75	9	27	00	15 35	42	35
John Kmetz, Allegheny Co.	HW	5	43	62	12	45		12	45
C. B. Moser, Westmoreland Co.	BF	5	39	13	22	50	4 00	26	50
John Morley, Bradford Co.	BR								
E. A. Manry, Bradford Co.	BR								
H. L. Riemann, Allegheny Co.	GC	5	30	4	11	00	7 25	18	25
G. Rager, Westmoreland Co.	RF	4	28	11	13	50	1 25	14	75
J. J. Vance, Allegheny Co.	BR	4	32	12	46	00		46	00
C. E. Will, Washington Co.	CK	5	65	63	34	75	13 25	48	00
Totals	16 Agents	81	632	255	\$383	70	\$126 00	\$509 70	\$496 80

New Jersey, Week Ending May 12, 1916

Geo. Blinn, Mercer Co.	BR	9	82	16	48	00	4 50	52	50
W. B. Plant, Morris Co.	BR	3	17	7	23	00	2 75	25	75
Andrew Hansen, Sussex Co.	DR	4	29	10	32	00	11 40	43	40
Totals	3 Agents	16	128	33	\$103	00	\$18 65	\$121 65	\$113 50

West Virginia, Week Ending May 12, 1916

G. E. Snyder, Harrison Co.	BR	5	26	1	3 00	7 50	10 50	34 35
T. M. Butler, Harrison Co.	BR	3	25	3	9 00	1 50	10 50	123 00
Henry Waggoner, Preston Co.	BR	5	42	11	34 00	7 35	41 35	1 45
I. Lawrence, Petersburg	BR	5	42	16	56 50	9 75	66 25	4 50
J. S. Seal, Hinton Co.	BR							95 15
S. J. Monroe, Wetzel Co.	BR	4	38	10	32 00	10 70	42 70	3 50
C. G. Mays, Moorefield Co.	BR	4	30	11	31 75	75	32 50	
E. C. Barnett, Parkersburg	GC	5	40	9	28 50	3 70	32 20	2 60
W. A. McElpatrick, Charleston	COL	3	20	20	25 00	7 25	32 25	25
Mrs. G. E. Snyder, Clarksburg	COL	3	20	20	63 90		63 90	29 55
Miscellaneous		70	15	15	22 50	10 00	32 50	6 50
Magazines			8		3 10		3 10	3 10
Totals	10 Agents				\$309 25	\$58 50	\$367 75	\$303 45

District of Columbia, Week Ending May 12, 1916

J. S. Spraggs, Richmond Co.	BR	8	70	14	43 00	25 50	68 50	
Earl Wilcox, Montgomery Co.	BR	7	47		100 00		100 00	350 00
M. W. Buell, Fairfax Co.	BR	3	26					78 00
F. A. Holland, Washington D. C.	BR	4	32					41 00
Wm. Schmidt, Washington D. C.	Misc	4			30 00		30 00	30 00
D. P. Corbett, Loudoun Co.	PG	2	20					32 00
Magazines, Washington, D. C.					97 20		97 20	97 70
Miscellaneous	Misc				69 70		69 70	69 20
Totals	6 Agents		28	195	\$339 90	\$25 50	\$365 40	\$697 90

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 20, 1916

W. B. Dunkinson, Wyoming Co.	PPF	5	50	16	33 00	75	33 75	9 00
F. A. Brownell, Columbia Co.	BR	3	18	8	25 00	25	25 25	4 25
M. M. Sterner, Columbia Co.	PPF	3	18	6	15 00	1 50	16 50	1 50
S. J. Mack, Mantaur Co.	DR	5	37	6	19 00	1 25	20 25	36 25
Wm. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	BF	5	51	33	52 50	9 00	61 50	
E. S. Tolliver, Philadelphia	BF	3	16	13	21 00	8 00	29 00	1 00
T. Beamesderfer, Lancaster Co.	BF	5	46	9	16 50	8 90	25 40	7 65
Mase Lee, Tioga Co.	PH				68 35		68 35	68 00
Grant Priddy, Luzerne Co.	SB	4	30		6 00		6 00	23 50
Eva Chandler, Philadelphia	Mag.				7 90		7 90	7 90
Totals	10 Agents				\$264 25	\$29 65	\$293 90	\$159 05

Virginia, Week Ending May 20, 1916

T. D. Gibson, Augusta Co.	BR	8	55	22	63 00	3 00	66 00	13 00
S. N. Wilmer, Roanoke Co.	BR	7	70	27	86 00	75	86 75	34 60
W. H. Hunt, Mecklenburg Co.	GC	6	54					116 45
M. A. Maloney, Rap. Co.	CK	4	36	8	13 50	6 10	19 60	5 60
David Orr, Mecklenburg Co.	CK	9	94	8	12 00	19 51	31 51	36 46
Mattie Jemerson, Pittsylvania Co.	BFL	4	16	3	1 80	1 20	3 00	
John Fasanko, Rap. Co.	BFL	4	15	15	23 50	8 00	31 50	
C. E. Overstreet, Campbell Co.	BFL	4	35	20	31 00	2 70	33 70	35
Totals	8 Agents		46	373	103 \$230 80	\$41 26	\$272 06	\$206 46

MAGAZINES

Carl Parsons,	\$20 00
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Grand Totals: 94 Agents Value of Orders \$3192 21 Deliveries, \$2427 71

Section 4. Auditor. 1. (a) It shall be the duty of the auditor to examine all accounts of the Union Conference and of its several departments, and report his findings to the committee; except in the events of the auditor being also treasurer of the Union Conference, in which case the Executive Committee shall have the books of the union audited by another.

(b) To audit all accounts of local conferences within its territory, and report his findings to the respective conferences.

2. The account books of the conference and of its several departments shall

be carefully audited not less frequently than once each fiscal year.

Section 5. Powers of Executive Committee. (1) The Executive Committee shall have full administrative power during the interim between sessions of the conference, and shall exercise a general watchcare over all matters pertaining to the work of the conference, and shall fill for the current term any vacancies that may occur in its elected membership or in the boards or committees which are appointed or elected by the conference, and direct the movements of the em-

ployees of the conference.

(2) Quorum: Any five members of the executive committee, including the president, shall be empowered to transact such executive business as is in harmony with the general plans outlined by the committee, but the concurrence of four members shall be necessary to pass any measure.

Section 6. Auditing Committee. The Executive Committee shall appoint annually six persons not in the employ of the Columbia Union Conference, who, with the Executive Committee, shall constitute an Auditing Committee for auditing all accounts of the Columbia Union Conference.

The committee on credentials and licenses submitted their report and the persons named were granted papers from the conference as follows:—

MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS: B. G. Wilkinson, R. T. Dowsett, D. H. Kress, C. L. Stone, N. S. Ashton, S. M. Butler, Stewart Kime, and C. M. Sorenson.

MINISTERIAL LICENSE: M. E. Olsen, I. D. Richardson, and C. V. Leach.

MISSIONARY LICENTIATES: I. A. Ford and E. G. Salisbury. (All others names referred to the Executive Committee)

The committee on the distribution of laborers submitted their report and the recommendations given below were endorsed and voted upon by the conference:

We recommend, That we request the North American Division that Elder A. E. Serns of the North Pacific Union make the Virginia Conference his field of labor.

That Elder N. W. Phillips of the West Virginia Conference be invited to make the District of Columbia Conference his field of labor.

That Mrs. A. E. Graham of the District of Columbia Conference be invited to labor in the New Jersey Conference.

That Elder Virbrook Nutter of the East Pennsylvania Conference be invited to make New Jersey his field of labor.

B. G. WILKINSON, *President.*

R. T. DOWSETT, *Secretary.*

OBITUARIES

GARDNER.—Mary A. Fox was born March 19, 1848 in Greencastle, Indiana. She was reared in Indianola, Iowa. She moved to Nebraska where she met Frank M. Gardner, and they were united in marriage December 19, 1872. She united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1881. She moved from Nebraska to West Virginia in 1885. She died in the blessed hope, at her home in Bridgeport, W. Va., April 14, 1916, where the funeral took place. Sister Gardner was a member of the Clarksburg church.

GEO. A. STEVENS.

T. W. THIRLWELL.

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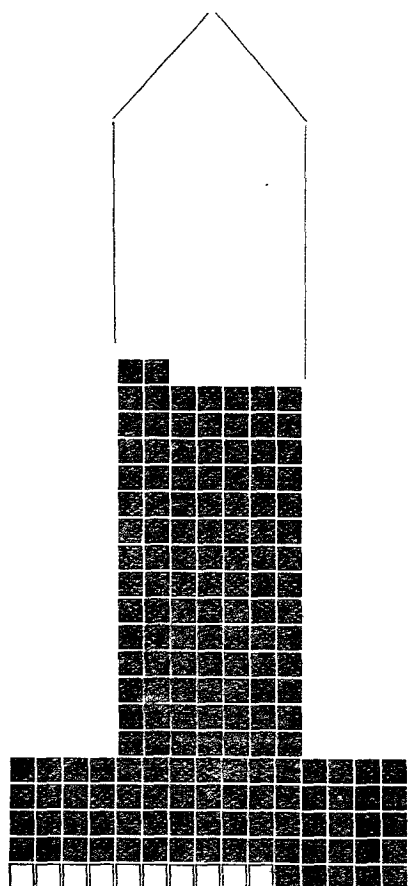
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Mount Vernon Academy

Elder C. S. Longacre was here over
Sabbath. He preached the baccalaureate
sermon.Miss Elsie Haughey, who has been at-
tending Washington Missionary College,
is at home again.Otto Hersberger and J. Geo. Wolf
will do the printing during the summer.Melvin Durland and Charles French
are doing the farm work this summer.Professor and Mrs. M. L. Kelly left for
Coudersport, Pa., where they will spend
some time. Professor Kelly will have
charge of the Business department at
Emanuel Missionary College at Berrien
Springs, Michigan next year. We wish
them continued success.Professor and Mrs. H. O. Swartout left
for Michigan last Tuesday where they will
visit with relatives and friends for a
short time. From there they will visit
in Oklahoma and Texas before sailing
the latter part of July for China their
new field of labor.Elder N. W. Phillips delivered the com-
mencement address Monday evening,
May 22.Mr. John Holder, who graduated from
the Biblical-Academic course at the acad-
emy this year, has received a call to
take charge of the book work in the
West Caribbean Conference. He will
sail from New Orleans for Cristobal,
Panama, June 21.Mr. and Mrs. Lonn Metcalf and two
daughters of Akron, Ohio, visited her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Cook, during
commencement week.Mrs. N. S. Ashton is enjoying a visit
from her mother, Mrs. Shepard, who has
been the preceptress at Union College.

Married

Mr. Clarence Morris and Miss Florence
Christman were united in marriage Mon-
day evening, May 22, at Washington,
D. C. Elder H. H. Votaw of the college
performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs.
Morris are visiting friends and relatives
in Pennsylvania at present and will sail
for China the latter part of July. We
wish them much happiness and success
in their work together for the Master.Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Kelsey, Mrs. Kinker,
Mrs. Bawden, Mrs. Hixon, Effie Punches,
Mrs. Holder, Mrs. White and little dau-
ghter, Dr. W. A. Kelly and wife, Bertha
and Marie Greunke, Hennrietta Kelly
and her father and his wife were among
the visitors here during commencement
week.Brother E. R. Brown is enjoying a visit
from his mother.Mrs. Dorothy Yingling visited her
mother, Mrs. Shryock, and other relatives
and friends last week.Elder J. W. Hirlinger, president of the
West Virginia Conference, made a short
call at the academy recently.Graduates of the class of 1916. John
Holder, *President*, Lily Schar, Pearl Baw-
den, Ruth Cassell, Violet S. Craig *Treas-
urer*, Mary A. Crampton, Goldie E. Hixon,
Ethel F. Howard, Mary A. Wheeler,
Ethel R. White, Dee E. Whiteis, Grace
V. Kelsey, Ethel E. Murphey, *Secretary*.The Mt. Vernon church-school rendered
a splendid program in the chapel Sunday
evening, May 21. Five graduates as
follows received their diplomas: Beulah
Shryock, Olive Skillings, Myrtle Brown,
Ralph Christman and Eugene Chapin.To the Mt. Vernon Academy and com-
munity through the COLUMBIA UNION
VISITOR. We wish to express our sincere
thanks to you all for the kindness shown
us in our affliction and last tribute for
the dead. MRS. EMMA KIRKENDALL AND
CHILDREN.

Camp-Meeting Dates

East Pa., Lebanon, June 22 to July 2.
Virginia, Richmond, May 25 to June 4.
New Jersey, Trenton, July 27 to Aug. 6.
Chesapeake, Rock Hall, Md., June 8-18.
West Pennsylvania, Aug. 24 to Sept. 3.
Ohio, Newark, August 17-27.

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