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UNION

Dedication of Mt. Braddock, Pennsylvania, Church

On Sabbath, July 22, in company with Elders D. A. Parsons and and F. H. Robbins, we went to Mt. Braddock, Pennsylvania, to the dedication of a very nice new church building which has been erected there. Quite a company of believers and outsiders were assembled and a blessed occasion was experienced in the dedication of this new temple of worship to our God and to His last saving message.

Lot and building cost together about one thousand dollars. At the date of dedication about half of this was paid for; the remaining half, or \$500, was outstanding in the form of debt. The brethren thought that owing to the smallness of the company, it would not be possible to dedicate the church without some remaining obligation on it. Those who had already given had lifted heavily. However, the spirit of the Lord came near and His blessings moved upon the hearts of the people. Cash and pledges were offered from the audience in a most encouraging manner. These, with some private suggestions which came at the time of the dedication, made up approximately the \$500, so that we are glad to say the church was practically dedicated free from debt. All the brethren felt that the blessing of the Lord had been there in marked manner, having so large a deficit at one call to be raised from so slender a constituency.

At the close of the service we all repaired to a large carriage garage, situated in the yard of a neighboring farmhouse. Tables put end to end and reaching for nearly 60 or 70 feet were loaded down with all kinds of fresh products from the farm, as well as excellent results from the cooking in the neighborhood. It was a regular old time farm picnic, for everybody ate around the table standing up. So that in the morning we had a pleasant spiritual time followed by a successful financial effort. This all closed with a glorious good social meeting, such as we hope to have in the earth made new, when the brethren come together

assembling in unity and warmness of heart, without any sin or earthly sorrows to hinder.

We could lift our hearts in earnest wishes to God that many such scenes as occurred at the dedication of the Mt. Braddock Church may be repeated all over the earth. B. G. WILKINSON.

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Camp-meeting

West Virginia camp-meeting will be held at Weston, which is located just south of Clarksburg. There are good railroad and trolley connections between these two places.

TENTS

We will have good tents with flies. The price for same will be as usual.

WHAT TO BRING

First of all bring all the family and as many of your friends, neighbors and interested ones as possible. Bring plenty of bedding, wraps, umbrellas, overshoes and clothing suitable for all kinds of weather; hymnals and Christ in Song. Bring all checks to the bookstand on the grounds and your baggage will be delivered. Come prepared to live in tents.

MEALS AND GROCERY

Meals will be served at reasonable prices on the cafeteria plan. The grocery will be supplied with health foods and provisions of all kinds.

Let all pray that the spirit of the Lord may accompany each one to the grounds and that while there, all may receive a double portion of the spirit. Pray that in all the preparations for the meeting, in the eating and drinking, in dress, deportment and in all things God and the Third Angel's Message may be rightly represented to the people of Weston and to all who attend. Remember the date, August 31 to September 10.

J. W. HIRLINGER.

Beginning a thing is easy, it is the sticking to it that is difficult. The test of character is the ability to go on and finish.

Cumberland, Moundsville and Chester

Sabbath July 22, Elder B. G. Wilkinson, Sister Jennie Burdick and the writer met with the Cumberland, Md., Church, which now forms a part of the West Virginia Conference. In Elder Wilkinson's sermon, he laid hold on the hearts of the people. It was a real pleasure to fellowship with so many of our people at that place, whose faces were radiant with the blessed hope. It was especially encouraging to see so many youth who have chosen "rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." Cumberland is a large, progressive city and the possibilities before that church are very great.

On Midsummer offering day, July 29, Sisters Burdick, Meek and the writer met with the Moundsville Church. There was a large company present to enjoy the occasion. The spirit of the Lord was truly present and the people responded by giving the largest offering to missions for many months. An active Home Missionary Society was organized, and the officers and church members were instructed more perfectly how to keep the church books, and how to bring the work of the Lord upon a higher plane. The outlook for that church is very bright.

During the following week I had the pleasure of meeting with the Chester and East Liverpool churches. While these two churches are separate organized bodies, yet they hold their Sabbath school and meetings together. I was pleased to learn that the Chester Church had not only organized a Home Missionary Society, but that they are doing commendable work along that line. It is very encouraging to know that all our churches are either organized, or are organizing for home missionary work, and that they are really taking an active part in the Lord's rapidly closing work. This is a very good indication that we are truly living in the time of the latter rain.

I just returned from a visit to the Charleston Church. I stopped over night with Brother and Sister Rulkoetter in Huntington. The Lord is blessing the work in these places.

A goodly number at these different

places are planning to attend camp-meeting. All should so plan. If war should break out in this country, it would be very difficult to hold such gatherings. Let us thank God for this another opportunity of meeting together in peace, and take advantage of it. August 31 to Sept. 8, is the time which will be only about two weeks after you read this. "The Spirit and the bride say come! and let him that heareth say come." Let all respond by coming. Weston, is the place.

J. W. HIRLINGER.

Canvasser's Experience

The first day I canvassed I worked a little town where there had been a book agent the week before taking orders for a book entitled "A Book of Knowledge." I knew this before I left home, as the man had eaten dinner with me the week before and told me where he was going. Yet I had planned to canvass there the following week, and so I did with good results. The devil can introduce all the worldly books he may choose but our colporteurs have the book with the heaven-sent message due for this generation, so we need not fear foe, man or devil.

Now I will give one experience that happened at Custis. I canvassed a barber and took his order for a 50 cent Armageddon, then I crossed the creek and canvassed a lady for "Bible Readings" and was successful in getting her order. This was the last house I had to visit. I started to the siding as the train was due in a few moments. When I reached the crossing at the creek, a barber to whom I sold an Armageddon called to me. I stopped and he and another man came to me very rapidly. The barber said, "Will you show this man your good book?" Well I did not have time to canvass him so I said you may look at it for yourself; he took my prospectus and I began to pray that God would reveal the book to this man. In less than two minutes the gentleman said, "you may bring me the book in the best binding." God answered my prayer before I was through asking His blessings. I took his order and he said to me, "Do you have any other book?" I showed him Armageddon and he immediately said "bring me one." He continued "Do you know of any more good books?" I named "Daniel and the Revelation" and some others. He said he had read them. I had to leave this man and rush for the train. I remembered that Daniel of old prayed to God to reveal the king's dream to him, and neglected not to pray, even after the dream was made known, so I offered my thanks to God. I find that those to whom I have sold books are the easier to sell to the second time. The honest in heart only get a taste of the message and

the second time you canvass them, they actually wish your canvass was not so long for they want to say "Bring me one." May God speed on His message until we are all safe within the vale.

A. W. McNemar.

Seventh-day Adventist Book Society of West Virginia

The fifth annual meeting of the Seventh-day Adventist Book Society is called to convene at 10 A. M., Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1916, on the camp ground at Weston, West Virginia. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the society.

J. W. HIRLINGER, Pres.

C. T. REDFIELD, Sec'y.

VIRGINIA

Shenandoah Valley Academy

Those who feel a burden for service in this message should educate and discipline themselves so that those for whom they are laboring may feel the drawing influence of the great teacher whom they are serving. God is displeased with those who have been careless in their preparation. He is calling daily for young men and women with strong intellect to bear burdens of responsibility. Parents should seek to awaken in their children an interest to get an education. Their education is of primary importance, and in no case should it be regarded as secondary matter. Those who present hindrances to prevent young men and women from preparing themselves for the Master's work, are counterworking the plans of God and will some day have to give an account of their course.

We are planning to give the students, who enter the academy this year, the very best of every opportunity available; to assist them in laying a broader foundation for a higher education; making them better equipped for a more noble service in the Lord's vineyard.

The work of getting the academy building in readiness for the opening of school is progressing nicely. The students' rooms are receiving a new coat of calcimine, besides the other repair work, all of which will help make them look more homelike.

We earnestly appeal to the young people of our denomination to lay your plans for entering of the school at the beginning of the school year, with the determination of preparing yourselves for the work of the Lord.

I shall be glad to correspond with any who desire information.

H. M. FORSHEE, New Market, Va.

Harvest Ingathering Campaign

Orders are coming in rapidly for the Ingathering Signs. A few days ago a workers' meeting was held at Richmond at which time the workers agreed to raise \$1,000 with the use of the Ingathering Signs. We believe that following the example set by the workers, our churches will raise the equal amount. Richmond No. 1 has set their goal at \$500. Owing to the rapidity with which the orders for the Ingathering Signs are being rushed from all parts of the country to the Pacific Press, it seemed best to us to order a reasonable supply to all the churches from which we have not yet heard. We also arranged to send a worker to lead out in the Ingathering campaign in every church in the state. We are also ordering ten copies of the Ingathering Signs sent to all our isolated members whose names are on our list and we trust that every one will make faithful use of these papers. Last year Virginia raised little over \$500 for missions by this means, this year we have set our goal at \$2,000. Succeeding in this, we will undoubtedly raise our full quota, over five thousand dollars for missions this year. Let us all, with earnest prayer and strong faith, take hold in the Ingathering campaign and while we may not see the results of the offerings in this world, I am sure in the world to come we will find many souls who have been gathered in by the workers supported this way. Already orders have been sent in for close to twelve thousand copies of the Signs, which is over two thousand more than we used any previous year.

W. C. WOFFETT.

OHIO

News Notes

Elder Slade and some of our workers made a trip to Newark, where the camp-meeting is to be held, to attend to the last of the business previous to pitching camp this week.

A new addition to the office force— The latest addition to the office force is in the form of a Ford delivery. In the absence of the street car service, it became absolutely necessary to make some arrangement by which to handle the heavy mail, express and scattering freight passing to and from the conference office. This new addition will greatly facilitate the work, as well as to lessen the expense.

"Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital Day, Sabbath, October 14, 1916."

The Summer Tent Efforts—

All of the five tent efforts have closed their first series of meetings. At this time we are not permitted to report definitely, of course, as to the results in establishing people in the truth. While the attendance has not been large in some cases as it was in the tent efforts of last year, we are grateful to be able to report that the results are encouraging.

From Cincinnati, where Elders J. H. Behrens and H. A. Weaver have labored, we receive the word that some good, substantial people will be established in the truth, where the work has seemed to go harder than in other places.

Elder Votaw writes encouragingly of the prospects, and reports quite a number already baptized, resulting from the East Broad Street effort in the city of Columbus.

Elder Leslie Muntz has had a very good interest during the summer, and the prospect at the present time is favorable for organizing a new colored church in Columbus.

Brethren Fairchild and Haughey have labored faithfully at Pioneer where they have found much opposition. They will be able to establish a few in the truth, notwithstanding the coldness and prejudice that they have had to meet.

Elder R. S. Lindsay sends in as his latest report of his effort, that forty-six have indicated their purpose to obey the truth. Elder Lindsay's success in financing his effort is worthy of mention. Those who have this part of the work to take care of appreciate this. He has raised a little over four hundred dollars in donations, which more than covers the expense of the effort, not including the salaries of the workers.

We hope to follow up all of these interests, and without doubt quite a number more will be established in the truth where that seed has been sown.

Mount Vernon College Corporation

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Mount Vernon College Association will take place in connection with the Ohio Conference and camp-meeting at Newark, Ohio, August 17-27. First meeting is called for Tuesday morning, August 22, at 10:00 A. M.

All regular business, such as comes before the annual meeting of the constituent members, will be transacted at that time.

E. K. STADE, *President*,
N. S. ASHTON, *Secretary*.

CHESAPEAKE

The work in the Chesapeake Conference is onward and our brethren and sisters seem to be encouraged by the responses they are making to the various calls for help. As our brethren present the needs for our tent fund, the members of the churches respond liberally. We are also glad to state that the church debts are being reduced. This is an encouragement also.

The conference committee met in the office Sunday and laid some plans which will be developed a little later, that we believe will result in good to the whole field. It was unanimously voted to enlarge our conference committee from five members to seven members, as the growing work here seems to demand it. Two members were chosen, namely, Elder G. P. Rodgers to represent the colored work, and Brother R. M. Rosin of Wilmington, Del.

Elder Rodgers is having some interesting meetings in Cheswold, Del. We trust there may be a large number of believers raised up as a result of the two efforts conducted by him this summer.

Elder Wierts reports an excellent interest in the German tent effort in Baltimore. Although the Sabbath question has not yet been presented, there are some who have said they would keep the Sabbath.

Elder H. E. Robinson began a series of tent meetings in Fords Store last Sunday evening and we ask the prayers of the brethren and sisters in the conference for this effort, too. It is a needy field and we know Brother Robinson will greatly appreciate the prayers of the brethren and sisters.

The interest in the tent effort conducted by A. S. Booth in Baltimore continues. About 500 adults are attending the meetings on Sunday night with a smaller attendance during the week. The donations have been from \$12 to \$17 on Sunday nights. They have been averaging about \$40 per week. This seems to be some proof of the interest of the people. Quite a number have thus far declared their intention of keeping the Sabbath. We have nothing definite in regard to numbers. Some of these have been attending Sabbath services at the church.

On the whole the outlook is encouraging, and we trust our dear brethren and sisters everywhere will rally to the support of the work in every possible way, and thus the coming kingdom will be hastened and Jesus will soon be here to put an end to the reign of sin.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

News Notes

Elder A. N. Durrant baptized nine persons on Sabbath, August 5. All of these, with the exception of one, have accepted the truth as a result of the tent meetings. Six others are keeping the Sabbath, and will be baptized within the next two weeks, while many others have declared their intentions of doing so in the future. The interest is such that it has been thought necessary to continue the meetings for a few weeks longer instead of taking the tent down at camp-meeting time as had been planned.

Elder F. H. Robbins visited the tent companies at Johnstown and DuBois last week.

Brother Manry has been spending the past two weeks with the colporteurs in the northern part of the conference. He reports that the total sales for the month of July is \$1900. This does not include what the colporteurs in Pittsburgh have done.

Only recently Brother Wimberly, while canvassing for Armageddon, happened into a home where he met a very earnest christian lady. They talked for some time about the fulfillment of prophecy, and the nearness of the end. During the course of the visit she told him of her experience in looking for truth. She has been to different churches, but never found that which would satisfy her deep spiritual desires. She seemed so pleased with the visit and said that she felt the Lord had brought him to her home. Here and there the honest in heart are being found, the seed is being scattered, and some day in the harvest we will see the marvelous results.

Orders for tents are coming in daily. All who plan to attend the camp-meeting should send in their orders for tents, apartments, or rooms at once. The tents are now being pitched.

Sabbath, October 14, has been appointed for a collection to be taken for the erection of a hospital in Los Angeles, California. In building this hospital, we are following out the instructions given by the servant of the Lord before her death, and we trust that the brethren and sisters in the West Pennsylvania Conference will heartily respond to the call which is made for financial aid.

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The World Is Looking to Seventh-Day Adventists

For an Explanation of the True Meaning of Present-Day Conditions
Read Carefully These Very Significant Letters:

From a Pastor of a Christian Reformed Church

"I have received gratis several copies of your weekly *Signs of the Times*. I think that an Adventist friend of mine sends them. I am profoundly thankful for it. I admire your positive stand against modernism, evolution, Christian science, spiritualism, etc., and also your *unique knowledge* of our portentous times."

From a District Judge

"Some good person or persons have been so kind and thoughtful as to send me the *Signs of the Times*, a religious newspaper having for its object the moral and spiritual interest of the people and the glory of the Master. I read it carefully, find much to commend, and am benefited thereby. It makes no compromise with sin, stands for purity in life, would have all united in Christian fellowship and love. These are high ideals. We must stand for nothing less."

From a Pastor of a Congregational Church

"This awful war has undoubtedly lent impetus to the doctrines advanced by the Revelation specialists. I admire their stick-to-it-iveness, and *concede to them a knowledge of mysteries of which I am ignorant*. I promise, though nearly deluged with papers and magazines, to give more attention to your *Signs*."

Our missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, has done and is doing a most effective work. During the next six months, this paper will be full of the message. For the benefit of the readers, we are passing on advance information as to some of the forthcoming articles.

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Europe in the Melting Pot
Settling God's Account with the Nations
Earth Hunger and Lust for Empire
The Eastern Question
The Death Knell of the Turk
The Restoration of the Papacy

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The Ideal Diet (series of articles)
Food Combinations

By Dr. Lauretta Kress

Christian Conduct (series of articles)
The Home

By Mrs. M. A. H. Loper

The Modern Speed Mania
Articles on the Message (series)
By C. G. Bellah

The Immortality of the Soul (series of articles)
Great Babylon and Its Builders
The Climax of Federation
The Merchandise Boycott
Shaking of the Nations

By Dr. L. A. Reed

The World Cry for Peace (three articles)
The Declaration of Interdependence

By Prof. M. E. Olsen

The Atonement, and kindred subjects (series)
The Scapegoat

By Elder L. H. Christian

The Great Blunder
How Old Is Man?

By Prof. George McCready Price

The Sanctuary Question (series of articles)
What Is Jesus Doing Now?
The Shadow of the Cross

By Prof. S. Parker Smith

The Shipwreck of Nations
Revelation Unfolded
The Seven Trumpets
The Seven Seals

By Elder Jean Vuilleumier

Do the Spirits of the Dead Return?
The Triumphs of Faith
The Judgment in Session
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By Elder W. A. Spicer

The Secret History of the Great Apostasy
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Unsealing the Sealed Book
Advance Heralds of the End

By Dr. B. G. Wilkinson

Religious Liberty Articles

By C. S. Longacre
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The Change of the Sabbath

By Carlyle B. Haynes

OTHER INTEREST-GRIPPING SUBJECTS COMING

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The Crash of Empires

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The Speculations of Evolution
The Approaching Millennium
The Gospel's Onward March
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World Peace Prospects
The Message of the Elements
The Impending Time of Trouble

It would be difficult to produce a paper with more truth-filled and convincing articles than the ones now appearing in the weekly *Signs*. One of the greatest opportunities that will ever come to you to help give the message is afforded by this series. Help send it to interested persons in your neighborhood; place it in the public libraries, in the homes of ministers and Sunday school officers. Help supply a church club, a club for a tent meeting in your community, or in the conference. And be sure to secure a copy for yourself.

RATES

One copy one year	\$1.75
One copy six months	.90
One copy three months	.50
Two or more copies to separate addresses one year, each	1.25
Two or more copies to separate addresses six months, each	.65
Two or more copies to one person one year, each	1.20
Two or more, six months, each	.60
Send all orders to your conference tract society.	

QUICK ACTION IMPORTANT

The first article of the series by Dr. Magan appears in the July 11 issue. This prompts the suggestion that you send in orders immediately. Extra copies of the July 11 and subsequent issues will be printed, so that subscribers can begin with the first of the series.

"Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbor." Zech. 8:16.

A short time ago one of our workers in the city, while canvassing with Armageddon was invited by one of the ministers to visit his church. The colporteur appeared at the appointed hour, and was met by the minister who introduced him to the congregation, and also gave an excellent demonstration of the book. As a result some fifteen orders were taken, and an urgent invitation to return the following Sunday.

While working in the business section recently with Armageddon, Brother Johnson happened into a Barber Shop. After canvassing a number of men for a few moments, he directed his attention to one very intelligent man who seemed to be very much interested in the book. At the close of the exhibition the man ordered forty copies without a moment's hesitation. The man proved to be a leader in a large secret organization. This is only another example to us, showing how the truth-seekers are being found by our faithful workers.

Special

Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital

In the time of great need in the work of the Lord women have often acted an important part in helping to sustain the cause of God in the earth.

Some women, as Esther and Jael, have even risked their lives in time of a crisis and turned the tide of victory toward the cause of God. Esther 4: 15-17; Judges 5: 24-27.

During the Saviour's earthly ministry, women are the only ones mentioned as contributing to His temporal needs. The names of three of this noble band are given, but the record states that there were "many others" who were united in this good work. Luke 8: 2, 3. Why are these women and the work they did mentioned, if it is not to teach us a lesson?

At the present time when the needs of the cause are so great, it is only in harmony with the history of God's people in the past that the women should arouse and assist in the responsibility of lifting heavy financial burdens.

The women of our denomination have been invited by the North American Division to take an active part in securing the money necessary to more fully equip our medical school.

The facilities of our Loma Linda Medical College must be increased if we place the school where it will meet the needs of the hour. The home and foreign fields need hundreds of godly physicians that can take the truth into the homes of the better class in our large cities, as well as to offer the gospel to the heathen.

We cannot hope to educate physicians in the schools of the world, who will be soul winners for God. We must have a medical school of our own where all who wish to become medical missionaries can obtain their medical education from godly physicians, surrounded by Christian influences.

The servant of the Lord has said, "The medical school at Loma Linda is to be of the highest order, because we have a living connection with the wisest of all physicians, from whom there is communicated knowledge of a superior order. And whatever subjects are required as essential in the schools conducted by those not of our faith, we are to supply, so that our youth need not go to these worldly schools. Thus we shall close the door that the enemy would be pleased to have left open; and our young men and women, whom the Lord would have us guard religiously, will not need to connect with worldly medical schools conducted by unbelievers." "P. 31 Medical Evangelistic Library No. 6."

In order that our medical students receive proper advantages, we need a hospital in a large city where there are many poor people to be treated. It was decided at the Loma Linda Council last fall that this hospital and dispensary should be built in Los Angeles at an estimated cost of \$61,000.00. A dormitory is also needed where our medical students can live while taking the last two years of their medical course.

During the last few years of the life of Sister E. G. White, she carried a heavy burden on her heart for the Loma Linda Medical College; for this reason it has been suggested that the new hospital be called "The Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital." It is fitting that our sisters should take an active part in erecting a memorial to our beloved sister, who under God, has molded and shaped every advance reform made by our denomination.

Let every woman in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination feel that she individually has a part in this work. There are few but what by a little careful thought and economy can make a liberal offering to the Ellen G. White Memorial Hospital. There is no other place where our offerings multiply so many fold as when we invest them in our educational institutions where workers are trained to go out as soul winners into the great harvest field of the world.

You will never regret the sacrifice you may make in order to help furnish the facilities for training an army of medical missionary workers to act an important part in the closing work. Mrs. S. N. HASKELL, *Chairman of the women's committee, South Lancaster, Mass.*

Examine Yourself

"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." 2 Cor. 13:5.

How may we examine ourselves, and by what means may we know if we are in the faith?

There may be more than one answer to this question, but the scriptures give us one way of testing the reality of our profession which is worthy of study.

"Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. Wherefore, by their fruits ye shall know them." Matt. 7:17, 20.

It is by the outward actions of the daily life that the inward conversion will be manifested. The life of the true believer is summoned up in these words. "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me." Gal. 2:20.

If Christ lives in a person, the life of that person will be like the life Christ lived when on earth. "He that saith He abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as He walked." 1 John 2:6. The great aim and purpose of Christ's life was the salvation of sinners, the winning of souls for His kingdom. This will be the purpose of all who love Jesus.

"All who receive the gospel message into the heart will long to proclaim it. The heaven-born love of Christ must find expression. . . . It is unnatural for any to keep these things secret, and those who are filled with the love of Christ will not do so. In proportion as the Lord has made them the depositaries of sacred truth will be their desire that others shall receive the same blessing." "Christ's Object Lessons." p. 125.

These statements make plain one way by which we may examine ourselves. Let us take our Morning Watch Calendar, and carefully note down all we have done during the past day to make known to others the love of Christ and the last message connected with His second coming. As we put these things down, and see what proportion of our thought and time has been given to soul-winning work, we will better realize what is our real spiritual standing. This is doubtless why the Lord has led to the connection of the reporting system with our missionary work. He knows human hearts and their need of something that will help them to know if the love of Christ is really in and through them. It is so easy for us to deceive ourselves, and think we are all right, when we are really far from God.

"Many who profess to be Christians neglect the claims of God, and yet they do not feel that in this there is any wrong. They know that the blasphemer, the murderer, the adulterer, deserves punishment;

but as for them, they enjoy the services of religion. They love to hear the gospel preached, and therefore, they think themselves Christians. Though they have spent their lives in caring for themselves, they will be as much surprised as was the unfaithful servant in the parable to hear the sentence; "Take the talent from him." Like the Jews, they mistake the enjoyment of their blessings for the use they should make of them." Id. p. 965

I would, therefore, urge all our people to try this plan of daily noting down in the Morning Watch Calendar the home missionary work they do, and when it is set down, of laying it before God, and praying that the efforts that have been made, small though they may be, may be used by Him in His great work for souls. This habit has been cultivated by some, and they say it is a continual inspiration to them. It has increased their love for God and for perishing souls. What it has done for some it will do for all who will follow the plan.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

Ten Good Reasons

You should take one or both of the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses:

1. Because the books in the courses have been carefully selected and are supremely good ones.

2. Because there is room for you in the Reading Circle, and we want you to be sure to share the pleasure and benefit of these excellent books together with the host of young people that have already enrolled and obtained their books.

3. Because the books contain valuable help for daily living.

4. Because the books will stimulate your interest in missions.

5. Because they will increase your love of good reading, and good reading is a remarkable life improver.

6. Because these books can all be read in your spare minutes.

7. Because pressing the reading of these books into your spare moments will teach a valuable lesson in economizing time.

8. Because the Reading Course books will be an excellent addition to your personal library. And every young person who wants to succeed should gather about him good books.

9. Because there are questions sent out with these books which will help you to review and fix in your memory the most interesting and important points.

10. Because you should learn to love good books while young, because it is the books read before the middle of life that most influence one's career.

Missionary Volunteer Department.

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
West Virginia, Week Ending Aug. 4, 1916									
G. E. Snyder, Harrison Co.		BR	5	44	6	18 00	10 50	28 50	12 00
Henry Waggoner, Preston Co.		BR	4	31	9	28 00	7 05	35 05	
C. L. Ross, Ritchie Co.		BR	5	50	21	63 00	3 25	66 25	
Ruth Fahrner, Pickens		BR	2	9	6	23 00		23 00	
Guy Corder, Mingo Co.		BF	5	39	50	78 00		78 00	
John McHenry, McDowell Co.		BF	5	41	93	143 50	13 65	157 15	8 75
H. L. Sheneman, Williamson Co.		BF	5	35	44	66 00	1 60	67 60	95
E. R. Corder, Mingo Co.		BF	5	36	55	86 50	40 50	127 00	1 50
L. E. Christman, Kanawha Co.		BF	5	44	60	98 05	7 45	106 00	4 35
John Brownlie, Kanawha Co.		BF	5	44	56	89 25	10 90	100 15	1 40
T. M. Butler, McDowell Co.		BF	5	41	45	72 50	16 55	89 05	6 80
J. W. Brando, Durbin Co.		BF	4	40	13	47 00	2 50	49 50	20 25
Miscellaneous						40 75		40 75	
Totals	12 Agents		55	457	453	\$853 55	\$114 45	\$968 00	\$56 20
Virginia, Week Ending Aug. 4, 1916									
Frank R. Wood, Nelson Co.		GC	5	57	37	111 00	11 40	122 40	
Bennett Hamm, Nelson Co.		GC	5	49	21	65 00	3 40	68 40	2 10
C. A. Carter, Caroline Co.		BR	5	85	26	82 00	1 05	83 05	
Harry Wright, Botetourt Co.		BR	5	37	32	101 00	35	101 35	
S. N. Wilmer, Botetourt Co.		BR	5	40	17	55 00	85	55 85	
A. H. Schultz, Allegheny Co.		DR	5	35	1	3 00	6 90	9 90	34 75
Max Trummer, Wythe Co.		DR	5	79	53	165 00	19 20	184 20	
Margaret Chambers, Dinwiddie Co.		HM	9	37	14	28 00		28 00	
Geo. Chambers, Dinwiddie Co.		HWP	5	29	66	39 55	13 70	53 25	14 85
Totals	9 Agents		49	438	267	\$669 55	\$56 85	\$726 40	\$51 60
The Pittsburgh Work Week Ending Aug. 4, 1916									
G. E. Johnson, Squirrel Hill		BR	5	34	27	100 00		100 00	
C. Dunham, Homestead		GC	9	60	28	98 00		98 00	40 25
York Wimberly, Squirrel Hill		BR	5	26	14	48 00	1 50	49 50	50
Mrs. G. E. Johnson, Squirrel Hill		BR	4	24	12	39 00		39 00	2 00
R. L. Powelson, Elliott		BR	4	27	11	37 00	2 00	39 00	
Clifford Hubbell, Homewood		WC	9	46	55	27 50		27 50	35 50
Mrs. Wimberly, Squirrel Hill		BR	4	19	20	26 00	1 50	27 50	1 50
Harvey Allison, E. Liberty		A	4	27	43	26 50		26 50	15 75
J. J. Vance, Pittsburgh		BR	5	29	6	23 00		23 00	80 00
Miss D. Burkett, Homestead		A	5	18	38	18 75		18 75	9 00
J. W. Bateman, Homestead		A	4	24	35	21 50		21 50	8 50
Mrs. Millie Smith, Herron Hill		A	5	26	32	16 50		16 50	19 00
Myrtle Bateman, Mt. Washington		A	5	25	32	16 00		16 00	13 00
Emma Hare, South Side		A	6	22	30	16 00		16 00	13 00
Bonar Bainbridge, Homewood		WC	7	35	32	16 00		16 00	9 50
Catharine Aull, Herron Hill		A	3	13	18	12 40	3 30	15 70	6 30
Mary Saxton, Allegheny		A	6	31	23	11 00		11 00	13 50
Florence Ashley, Allegheny		A	4	16	21	10 50		10 50	4 75
Anna Schmidt, Elliott		A	5	28	24	9 75		9 75	12 50
Margaret Schmidt, Elliott		A	5	26	22	8 75		8 75	3 75
Mrs. Dunn, Herron Hill		A	4	24	18	9 25		9 25	13 75
Lillie Herrich, Allegheny		A	5	21	15	8 25		8 25	3 75
Ivy Harkins, Mt. Washington		A	3	20	14	7 75		7 75	4 75
Zoella Kelly, Mt. Washington		A	5	15	16	7 00		7 00	10 50
Jane Stumme, Carrick		A	5	19	13	6 50		6 50	11 75
Maynard Rieman, Milvale		A	4	22	4	2 00		2 00	37 00
Miscellaneous			8	48	11	3 50	7 60	11 10	30 60
Totals	26 Agents		138	725	619	\$626 40	\$15 90	\$642 30	\$390 40
District of Columbia, 2 Weeks Ending July 29, 1916									
S. P. Jones, Prince Williams Co.		BR	9	76	5	16 00	1 50	17 50	
W. F. Schmidt, Fauquier Co.		BR	10	71	23	75 00	11 60	86 60	14 60
H. L. Shull, Prince Williams Co.		BR	8	62	16	48 00	1 50	49 50	
Paul Nilsson, Fauquier Co.		BR	8	40	7	23 00		23 00	
Earl Wilcox, Montgomery Co.		BR	7	30		160 00		160 00	
D. P. Corbett, Loudoun Co.		PG	5	20	13	39 00		39 00	
Miss Salisbury, Washington D. C. Mag						76 70		76 70	76 70
Magazines, Washington		Mag				24 50		24 50	24 50
Miscellaneous,		Misc				14 55		14 55	14 55
Totals	7 Agents		47	299	64	\$476 75	\$14 60	\$491 35	\$130 25

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Aug. 4, 1916

A. Brownlee, Washington Co.	PPF	5	50	12	25	00	17	90	42	90	43	90			
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.	BR	3	22	12	37	00	6	25	43	25					
Geo. A. Dunham, McKean Co.	BR	3	24	11	37	00	6	85	43	85					
J. S. Glunt, Mercer Co.	BR	5	32	17	52	00		85	52	85					
C. G. Guenter, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	41	38	124	00	4	50	128	50	8	50			
W. H. House, Cameron Co.	BF	3	24	17	26	50	13	75	40	25	13	25			
John Keeler, McKean Co.	BR	7	60	52	60	00			60	00	140	55			
C. H. Kelly, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	47	1	4	00		50	4	50	179	25			
James Lippart, Clearfield Co.	BR	9	94	25	79	00	3	50	82	50	172	75			
John Morley, Center Co.	BR	5	35	40	123	00	3	85	126	85		25			
Harold Stevens, Erie Co.	BR	2	10	4	13	00			13	00					
C. E. Will, Washington Co.	GC	3	34									24	00		
Totals		12	Agents		55	473	229	\$570	50	\$57	95	\$628	45	\$582	45

Ohio, Week Ending Aug. 4, 1916

P. A. Franks, Wayne Co.	BR	5	53	19	60	00	3	75	63	75					
Frank Fufts, Adams Co.	BR	5	50	14	42	00	13	75	55	75	4	50			
Fred Hannah, Lorain Co.	BR	5	43	3	11	00			11	00	50	00			
R. H. Patterson, Green Co.	BR	4	41	16	61	00	3	75	64	75	1	50			
W. A. Ralls, Darke Co.	BR	5	38								265	00			
Katharyn Fickes, Putman Co.	BR	4	38	10	34	00			34	00					
Elsie Haughey, Putman Co.	BR	4	37	16	52	00		50	52	50	50				
J. J. Mettler, Cleveland	BR	5	34	3	11	00			11	00	36	50			
Beulah Morgan, E. Liverpool	GC	5	34	11	38	00	11	15	49	15	1	15			
E. E. Goodrich, Madison Co.	BR	4	34	14	45	00	3	75	48	75					
Mary Holder, Union Co.	BR	4	31	12	42	00	10	25	52	25	50				
Mrs. Smith, Scioto Co.	CK	4	31	6	9	00	5	00	14	00	26	60			
W. S. Syphers, Madison Co.	BR	4	30	10	30	00	2	25	32	25					
A. Gackenhimer, Cleveland	BR	5	27	9	29	00			29	00					
H. O. Kohr, Licking Co.	DR	3	25	5	18	00	9	75	27	75					
J. I. Midkiff, Urichsville	BR	4	24	6	19	00	21	75	40	75					
G. W. Yingling, Urichsville	BR	4	24	6	19	00	10	50	29	50	75				
Geo. Carter, Fairfield Co.	BR	2	23								80	00			
Mrs. C. Kelley, Springfield	CK	4	22	7	10	50	3	70	14	20	18	80			
Lutin Haughey, Darke Co.	BR	3	20								51	00			
Miscellaneous	BR	2	17								158	16			
Totals		20	Agents		85	676	167	\$530	50	\$99	85	\$630	35	\$694	96

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending Aug 4, 1916

Wm. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.	BF	5	48	24	37	00	2	50	39	50					
W. B. Dunkinson, Susq. Co.	PPF	5	46	11	23	00	2	00	25	00					
W. Frizzell, Sayre	PPF	4	19	10	20	00	1	75	21	75					
M. M. Sterner, Bradford Co.	PPF	4	18	4	8	00		25	8	25					
F. Brownell, Lycoming Co.	BR	5	30	18	58	00	5	00	63	00					
V. Brownell, Lycoming Co.	BR	4	30	9	30	00	2	00	32	00					
C. Brownell, Lycoming Co.	BR	4	35	9	33	00	3	50	36	50					
Lee Mase, Tioga Co.	PH	3	21		15	50			15	50					
E. E. Gloor, Columbia Co.	DR	2	15	4	13	00			13	00					
Grant Priddy, Luzerne Co.	SB	3	25		9	00			9	00	21	50			
E. M. Chandler, Luzerne Co.	Mag				11	00			11	00					
G. D. Peacock, Luzerne Co.	Mag				16	30			16	30					
Totals		12	Agents		39	287	89	\$273	80	\$17	00	\$290	80	\$21	50

Chesapeake, Week Ending Aug. 4, 1916

G. R. Apsley, Carroll Co.	BR	4	34	4	12	00			12	00					
Geo. R. Apsley, Carroll Co.	BR	4	33	2	6	00			6	00	15	00			
M. L. Stuart, Wilmington Del.	BR	4	27	4	13	00	75		13	75	22	75			
N. O. Shaffer, Baltimore Co.	BR	4	46	13	39	00			39	00					
J. E. Jones, Talbot Co.	PPF	4	37	15	33	00	1	75	34	75	52	65			
D. W. Percy, Queen Anne Co.	PPF	9	61	19	41	25	6	50	47	75	32	00			
E. H. Dye, Wicomico Co.	DR										73	25			
C. C. R. Hare, Somerset Co. Md.	DR	5	36	11	34	00	1	50	35	50					
B. Hohensee, Somerset Co., Md.	DR	4	34	21	65	00			65	00					
Totals		9	Agents		38	308	89	\$243	25	\$10	50	\$253	75	\$195	65

Grand Totals: 107 Agents Value of Orders \$4247 30 Deliveries, \$2123 01

How the "Signs" May Be Circulated

Years ago, before we began to publish magazines a good many Signs weekly were sold from house to house by church members who made a regular business of this work. We believe this plan of circulating the Signs can and should be revived, and that good success will attend it.

The aim of those who take up this work should be to work up a regular round, where they may deliver their papers each week. The worker should therefore take a definite section of territory. He should divide his territory into sections for each day's work, and make a note in his notebook that he will work this section on Monday, the next on Tuesday, and so on. This is important because when people consent to take a paper each week, they want it on the same day of the week. It is annoying to most people to get their paper on Monday one week, on Friday perhaps the next, and on Wednesday the third week. Therefore, the worker should be very particular to call punctually at the appointed time each week, when the people are expecting their papers.

The worker should get out early in the morning, as the mornings are the best time for finding the people at home. He should take with him a notebook, pencil and some small change. All periodical workers should see that their dress is neat, and that their appearance will rightly represent the message they carry.

The name of the first street worked should be entered in the note book, and as each house is visited the result should be noted against its number. If no admittance can be obtained, it may be marked, "Out." Empty houses should be noted.

If the paper is refused at your first visit, do not hesitate to call with it the following weeks, unless you are plainly told never to come again. I remember one periodical worker who had no memory for locations, so could not remember who had accepted a paper and who had refused it. She, therefore, called at every house in her territory each week, and when told that she had been informed the week before that the paper was not wanted, she would sweetly apologize for troubling them and explain how it happened. The result was that many who refused at first were won over by her persistent calling and pleasant manner.

Before going out, the paper should be well studied and a few good selling points selected. In these troubled times there are many articles appearing in the Signs that appeal to most thinking men and women.

If this work of selling the Signs is to

If we paused to think that angels
Walk beside us in the way,
Would we not be far more careful
What we do and what we say?

If we pause to think that heaven
Hears the secret thoughts we think,
Would we not be very careful
Of what spirit's fount we drink?

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Mrs. Gertrude Resseguie, a sister of
Mrs. King came last Thursday on a visit.Mr. and Mrs. Ingersol arrived last
Wednesday, in readiness for school.Miss Lillie Herrick tells of the good
experiences she is having in Pittsburgh.
Though she does not sell a great many
books, she sees the more important
part—that of interesting the people in
Bible study.We notice in a report in the Southern
Union Worker that the Misses Tatman
and Kuebel are doing a good work in the
canvassing field.Mr. and Mrs. D. E. H. Lindsey, Jr.,
and Mr. and Mrs. Berl Wagner, who are
now with the Kentucky Conference, are
having some rich experiences in their
work in Hopkinsville.

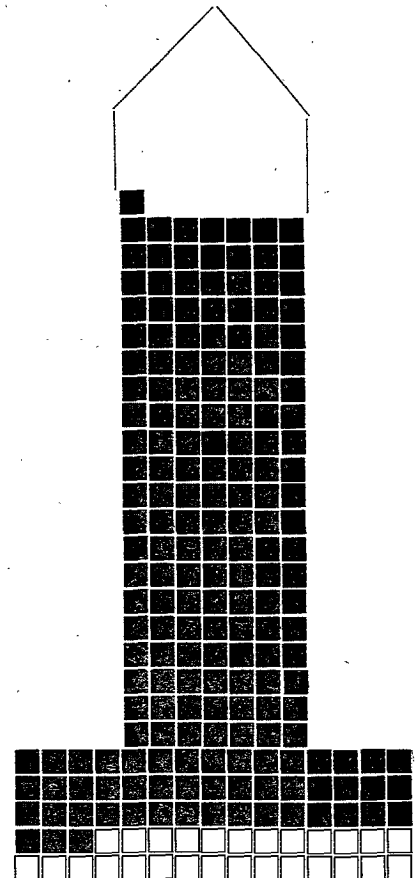
Not My Will, but Thine be Done

Gracious Lord to Thee we pray,
We know that Thou art ever near,
And so we look to Thee each day,
For words of comfort and good cheer.Jesus our Saviour, ever so dear,
To the weary traveler on his way,
His blessed light, oh, so clear,
Leads us onward to the fray.And though the shadows fall thick and fast,
Teach us to say, "Thy will, not mine, be
done."For when the battle is o'er at last,
We have bravely fought and won.All to Thy glory we have fought,
It was only for Thee alone,
What a wonderous work was wrought,
When Christ, Thy Son came to atone.While looking back to Calvary,
The heavy cross He bore,
It was for you, for me,
The crown of thorns He wore.The cup He drank was bitter sweet.
Oh, the terrible anguish of it all,
But when the thief to Him did speak,
Wiped away the bitter gall.He knew His Father had not forsaken Him,
Nor does He us, when heavy burdens come.
He sent His only Son to redeem us from sin,
So let us pray, not my will, but Thine be
done.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Louise Hayman.

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A Baptist minister of this city, in at-
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ing due credit to the author, allowing
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ginal with him. I am preparing his nut-
cracker, and in doing so I would like to
get a copy of the above named tract to
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