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

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Primary School Opening

September and October are the months for opening our primary church schools. All the problems of teachers, parents and educational workers are looming up and the usual questions are to be asked and answered. One question which frequently causes misunderstandings is the amount of work a student is expected to do in the school room and in the home. Moreover, the question of discipline frequently arises and sometimes causes hard feelings. In order to avoid some of the crises that arise, it is best to have an intimate understanding between the parent and the teacher. This can be brought about by having the teacher visit the home and having the parent visit the school. In all our summer schools and in all our seminars teachers are urged to visit the homes and become acquainted with the home conditions of the student, as well as to get the student's viewpoint. We do not have our parents where we can talk to them as freely as we can the teachers, but a little poem has come to my attention which I hope will express the importance of visiting the school and inspiring those who are really interested in the development of our children and youth to show that interest regarding your own school.

Parents Don't Visit the School

O dear, what can the matter be?
Dear, dear, what can the matter be?
Dear, dear, what can the matter be?
Parents don't visit the school.

They visit the drill to see murderous sabers,
They visit the circus, they visit their neighbors,
They visit the flocks, and the servant who labors,
Now, why don't they visit the school?
Chorus: O, dear, etc.

They care for their horses, they care for their dollars;
They care for their lodges, they fancy white collars;
But little we think do they care for their scholars,
Because they don't visit the school.
Chorus: O, dear, etc.

We know we from hunger and cold are protected,
In knowledge and virtue our minds are directed;
But still, we do think we are sadly neglected,
Because they don't visit the school.
Chorus: O, dear, etc.

Now if they will come, they'll find all in their places.
With nicely combed hair, with clean hands and faces,
All pleasant and happy, with naught that disgraces,
Then why don't they visit the school.
Chorus: O, dear, etc.
C. L. STONE.

Evangelistic Colporteur's Notice

At the recent Columbia Union Conference committee meeting, our committee voted that the evangelistic-colporteurs of the Union be invited to give their hearty support to the present Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Self-supporting Conference Workers

Being recognized as self-supporting conference workers, we exert an influence of which perhaps we are not always cognizant. Much has been lost, no doubt, because we have not always recognized the responsible place to which we are appointed in the great work of God. Recently a prominent Presbyterian minister of New Jersey, in reviewing the work of Seventh-day Adventists, warned his flock against the Adventist *Leaders* who bring around \$3.00 books. He said, "Don't listen to them! Just as sure as you do they will convince you that they are right and you will purchase their books." Thus we see that this pastor of a popular church recognizes the evangelistic colporteur as a leader, a moulder of public opinion.

In the Church

Here we are looked upon as examples in every phase of Christian life, especially along the lines of active missionary work. So the presidents throughout the conferences in the Union felt that our attitude toward this Ingathering Campaign will decide in a large measure as to its success.

Sunday Work

We need not lose time from our regu-

lar work these fine fall days to do our duty along this line. Our good friends will contribute to this great missionary movement on Sunday as well as on other days, so let us improve our Sundays by putting out good large numbers of this message-filled Harvest Ingathering number. Let each one of us determine not to fall below the goal for the individual member, which is five dollars.

A Way to Help

Aside from our individual efforts, we can assist in the organization of the church whenever and wherever opportunity offers. When we go out in this work Sundays, let us take along someone who has not had experience in meeting people. In this way we can multiply our own efforts by as many times as we can train another man or woman to bring to the mission treasury five or more dollars. Let us lend our influence to the education of the church in the fundamental principles of successful christian salemanship. They have in most cases not had an opportunity to study successfully methods of approaching people and getting them to contribute liberally.
C. V. LEACH.

WEST VIRGINIA

Annual Address of the West Virginia Conference

To the delegates and members of the West Virginia Conference of the Seventh-day Adventists and also our friends here assembled in this twenty-ninth annual conference session: Christian Greetings and good cheer:

As a people devoted to God's special message for these last days, as it is revealed in the three-fold message of Revelation, and the heralding of that message to every nation, kindred, tongue and people in this generation, we have much to be thankful for to our Heavenly Father as we assemble here. While the nations are angry, and engaged in deadly combat for world supremacy and a corruptible crown; and while our country has been on the very verge of war for over two years; yet the angels of God have held in check the winds of strife so that we are permitted to meet here in this quiet place in peace, where we may worship God according to the dictates of our own consciences.

During the year, since we last met together in this place, the Lord has been with us and has graciously blessed us as a people. He has preserved the lives of all our conference workers and has blessed their efforts. To my knowledge, only one of our adult members have been laid out to rest to await the coming of the Life-giver.

There is much visible evidence that the Spirit of God has been quickening the members of our churches. The true missionary spirit is being manifested throughout the conference. Last year there was hardly an active Home Missionary Society, while today almost, or quite, every church and company is organized into live missionary societies. Already splendid work has been done by these Societies in Parkersburg, Huntington, Charleston, Clarksburg and other places. Personally, I am pleased to know that the delegates and members of this conference fully believe the message of the Lord, given through His chosen servant, which tells us that "The work of God in the earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers." Gospel Workers p. 352.

Tithes and Offerings

In tithes and offerings for 1915, there was quite an increase over 1914, but during the first seven months of this year there has been a gain of over 40 per cent, in tithes and over twenty-five per cent gain in offerings, over the corresponding months of last year. This, truly is a very good barometer indicating a much deeper consecration to the truth and the Lord's finishing work on the part of His people. Most encouraging of all, is the fact, that there has been a greater ingathering of souls. More have accepted the Sabbath and kindred truths during the same period last year.

Colporteur Work

The hunters and fishers among us—the faithful colporteurs,—are finding everywhere they go, people who are either keeping the Sabbath or are deeply interested, as a result of studying the Bible and reading our truth-filled literature, which was placed in their homes some years ago. Our colporteurs who are passing over the harvest field today, are cultivating the seed sown in the past, by sowing still more seeds of truth and watering them by their prayers and tears. Soon the sowers, cultivators and reapers will rejoice together, bringing in their precious sheaves to lay at Jesus' feet. Our colporteurs during the past year made splendid records, both in taking orders and delivering. They have placed in the homes of the people during the first seven months of this year, litera-

ture amounting to \$3,675 more than was placed during the corresponding months of last year.

Sabbath school Work

The Sabbath school Department shows a very healthy condition. It has enjoyed a larger growth in membership during the past year than of any like period during its history in this conference, as further reports will show.

Church Schools

Last year two church schools were conducted. One in Parkersburg, and the other in Charleston. This year there are openings for schools in these places, and also at Huntington and Box.

The Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society

Our Young People's Missionary Volunteer Societies have done some good work during the past year. The two societies in Parkersburg, and Charleston are missionary societies indeed. They have done missionary work of the highest order. The Parkersburg society is going to nearby churches, rendering programs and assisting in evangelistic services, that the talent in these other churches may be provoked to good works. The Charleston society has done commendable work this summer in assisting in the evangelistic work in that place. May the Lord give us more such societies speedily.

The office is in good condition. We have no debts excepting of love and gratitude.

The outlook for the future of this conference is most encouraging: For all these tokens of Divine grace and favor we are most truly grateful to the King of peace and God of our salvation.

For the future, I would respectfully recommend, First; A large ministry and general working force being placed in the field, that the many and ever increasing calls for help, which are constantly coming in from all parts of the conference may be answered.

Second; Since the General, North American Division and Union Conferences recognize that the Home Missionary Department is productive of so much good, that they are passing recommendations on to all local conferences requesting them to create such departments and secretaries over these departments; I would also recommend that at this conference, a good, live, energetic secretary be elected to this important office, and furthermore that the said secretary devote all, or as much of his time to this department as possible, especially to the Harvest Ingathering work and all such special campaigns.

Third; That since the boys and girls in our denomination are our greatest assets, a greater interest should be manifest in establishing and maintaining church

schools, which the Lord has ordained for their education and training.

Thanking the workers and members of this conference for your loyalty and hearty support during my administration, and earnestly soliciting the same for whomsoever you may choose as your leader in the future, I beg to remain,

Your humble servant,
J. W. HIRLINGER.

Resolutions Passed by the West Virginia Conference

1. *Resolved*, that we, here in conference assembled, do acknowledge the great and countless blessings of God upon the work in the West Virginia Conference during the past year, in preserving our lives, in providing for our temporal needs and enabling us all to have a part in giving the Third Angel's Message, and in bringing many precious souls into the light of present truth.

For the speedy finishing of the work, we re-dedicate our lives.

2. That Article VI, Section 2, of our constitution read as follows: "All officers shall be elected at the regular session of the conference, and shall hold their office for the term of two years, or until their successors are elected and appear to enter upon their duties."

That Section 3 read as follows: "The conference executive committee shall appoint such secretaries, agents and other persons as may be needed to conduct the business of the conference."

That Article VII, Section 1, read as follows: "This conference shall hold bi-annual sessions at such time and place as the conference committee shall designate by a notice published in the "Review and Herald."

That Article VIII, Section 1, read as follows: "This conference shall at its sessions, nominate Boards of trustees for authorized incorporations in accordance with the civil laws governing the same, and shall also nominate or select Boards of Management for such institutions and enterprises as are, or may be operated under its supervision; and the conference shall employ such ministers, missionaries, committees, secretaries, agents and other persons, and make such distribution of the laborers as may be necessary in effectually conducting its work. It shall also give credentials to or license, such ministers and missionaries as it may employ."

3. Whereas the Lord has spoken definitely concerning the training and education of our children and youth, therefore,

Resolved, (a) That all members of the churches be encouraged to give their moral and financial support in the establishing of primary schools, and

(b) That sacrifices consistent with the momentous times in which we live be made to give our youth the benefits of Mount Vernon Academy, and our young men and women a completed education in the Washington Missionary College.

4. Whereas, the efforts put forth in carrying out the plans of the Missionary Volunteer Department has everywhere brought gratifying results and whereas, the West Virginia Conference has great possibilities in this respect, therefore,

Resolved, That all conference laborers and church officials be requested to study these plans and methods that they may the more intelligently co-operate with the secretary of this department.

5. Whereas we have a large foreign population including Scandinavians, Germans, Greeks, Jews, etc., in our cities, therefore,

We recommend (1) That our workers and church members give these people consideration by at least distributing suitable literature among them, and

(2) That we ask our Tract Society to keep a reasonable supply of tracts for such distribution and that the Tract Society Secretary keep the churches informed as to the languages in which literature is stocked.

6. Whereas the colporteur or the evangelistic canvassing work is ordained of God as a means of reaching thousands of people who would not otherwise be reached with the message, and

Whereas, There are not sufficient funds to employ a large number of salaried laborers, thus emphasizing the need of self-supporting workers, therefore, be it

Resolved, That a strong continuous effort be put forth by the officers and laborers of the conference in co-operating with the Union and Division leaders in this work.

(a) In the selection and training of God-fearing men and women who shall devote their entire time to this work:

b. That when faithful they be regarded highly for their work's sake: and

c. That they be encouraged in every consistent way to continue on in the service to which they are called.

7. Whereas, the Review and Herald Publishing Association has offered to give a premium of \$50.00 to each colporteur who will put in 1,800 hours in field work in any consecutive twelve months in selling and delivering the publications issued by that house, therefore,

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of this liberal offer, and urge our colporteurs to adopt this amount of time as their yearly goal, thus availing themselves of this opportunity.

8. Whereas, There has been no uni-

form system of paying the railroad fare of student colporteurs to and from their field; we, therefore,

Recommend, That the maximum inducement offered to accept student colporteurs who return to their home conference be,

a. Their car fare to the field on condition of agreement to put in eleven weeks of faithful work during the season, including delivery, the fare not to be allowed in case the colporteur fails to carry out the agreement.

b. That where paragraph "a" is complied with and a scholarship is earned during this time, and settlement made for all books received, his return fare to the school be paid.

c. That where conditions are such that it seems advisable for a student to work in a field other than his home conference, arrangements be made for such transfer with a committee consisting of the principal of the school, the Union Conference president, and the general missionary secretary of the fields concerned, in which case the courtesies mentioned in the above paragraphs "a" and "b" shall apply.

9. Whereas, Both the many opening doors in non-christian lands and the many calls at home demand that a corps of well trained workers be hastened to the field to follow the leadings of the Spirit of God, and,

Whereas, the voice of Providence clearly indicates that these calls will soon be multiplied bringing a crisis in our work caused as much for workers as by the demand for means,

We recommend,

1. That all our conference workers, church officers, and members everywhere encourage in every way possible our young people to enter our schools to receive the training necessary to meet this crisis,

2. We endorse the action of the Columbia Union Conference, together with the leading General Conference brethren, raising the quota for the new building for the College at Takoma Park and for industries at Mount Vernon, to \$45,000

3. That the apportionment of this fund for West Virginia be \$1,500.

10. Whereas, the Division Conference has organized and is operating a Home Missionary Department, the work of which is to enlist the co-operation of every Seventh-day Adventist in some definite line of missionary work in the spread of the Third Angel's Message, we recommend:—

1. That the conference executive committee take under advisement the matter of appointing a home missionary of such ability and experience as will enable him to help organize our churches so that

the strength and ability of each individual may be utilized to the best advantage in the spread of the Third Angel's Message.

2. That our churches be organized into one or more working bands, according to the size and ability, with suitable leaders for each band, and that the bands be organized for the following purposes:—

a. The distribution of periodicals, magazines, tracts, pamphlets, and forty per cent books.

b. For holding Bible Readings and cottage meetings.

c. For medical missionary work.

d. For missionary correspondence.

3. That we urge our church officers to give special attention to the encouraging and fostering of the missionary spirit among the church membership.

4. That companies of believers, who have recently been brought to the truth, be organized to carry on this missionary work.

11. Whereas, The Harvest Ingathering for missions has proved a great blessing both in acquainting the world with this great movement, and in raising funds with which to extend the work, therefore,

Resolved, That we undertake to raise an average of \$5.00 a member during 1916.

News Notes

The West Virginia Conference has released Elder C. T. Redfield from the tent effort in Charleston, to devote his whole time to the Harvest Ingathering work. The Elder will go from church to church and company to company and thoroughly organize each church and company into working bands. They will attempt to cover every inch of territory in their diocese with the Harvest Ingathering papers, reporting to the office every week their success. Brother Redfield will remain in this aggressive campaign until the last day of the present year.

We have set our goal for \$1,500.00, which is more than \$5.00 for each member in our conference. Already the Clarksburg, Charleston and Huntington Churches have been organized and are laboring faithfully. A splendid spirit seems to prevail the field and an unusual willingness to press the battle is seen on every side. We are of excellent courage and have no doubt of success.

Elder D. A. Parsons, in company with Dr. B. G. Wilkinson, has just completed a tour of the conference looking forward to an aggressive city effort during the winter months. Among other places they have visited Wheeling, Morgantown, Huntington and Charleston.

Sunday evening the 8th inst., Elder D. A. Parsons spoke in the Charleston tent effort on "Are fallen angels, those demonical rebels who fell from heaven, responsible for the unseen power in the mysteries of Spiritualism?" Every seat in the large tent was taken by an excellent class of people, and an unusual interest was manifest throughout the discourse. The Charleston effort is proving a success and Elder T. M. French, who is in charge, is of good courage.

Last Sabbath forenoon Dr. B. G. Wilkinson preached to the Huntington Church and in the afternoon to the Charleston brethren. The Spirit of the Lord was present and the people were much encouraged.

No doubt you you have missed Brother Mc Henry's reports for the past few weeks. He has been suffering with rheumatism since camp-meeting and has been unable to canvass. Brother Kirk made his delivery for him which proved to be quite a successful delivery. Since he has been in the mining district his sales have averaged \$3.00 per hour. Brother Mc Henry is improving now and we hope he will soon be in the field again.

We were pained to learn of the death of Brother Gottlieb Fahrner, of Helvetia. He was one of the faithful members of our conference church. His wife has been very sick, but the last report states that she is improving. We sympathize with her, the children and other relatives in their bereavement.

The members of the Parkersburg Church were glad to have Elder Redfield with them last Sabbath. The Harvest Ingathering work was taken up and the church organized into bands. The members plan to visit every home, and place of business in Parkersburg in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work.

NEW JERSEY

News Notes

Elder G. E. Langdon has begun his hall effort in Newark and there are prospects of a good interest this fall and winter. He will be assisted by Brother Albert Munson and Sister Ethel Carroll.

On last Sabbath Elder Sandborn met with the Salem Company, and reports an unusually good meeting. The ordinances were celebrated, and a number took part for the first time.

Mrs. Phyllis Leslie and family left Trenton last Monday for their new home in Ramah. Though we shall certainly miss them, we are glad to know that they will be so well situated. Five of the children will attend the Ramah church school. On the evening of October 7, a large gathering of church friends gave the family a pleasant farewell surprise at their home.

Swedesboro also had the pleasure of a visit from the conference president which was very much appreciated. The Swedesboro Church school opened October 2. There are twelve pupils in attendance, and more are expected. Miss Thorne, the teacher, and her little flock of children are looking forward to a new school building in the near future.

Miss Iden is busy with the educational work these days. For the past two weeks she has been spending considerable time among the church schools. The prospects for the winter term are excellent.

Elder Mac Niel is binding off the summer's work in Trenton, and holding Sunday night meetings in the church here. Sunday evening a goodly number of interested ones were present.

The Sabbath schools are doing remarkably well this quarter. Almost without exception the quarterly reports are the best ever received in New Jersey. Look for the statistical report next week.

You would have enjoyed being present on last Monday at the opening of the new church school in Jersey City No. 1. A visitor, who had this privilege, remarked that it was as near an ideal day of school as any she ever experienced. The children went home at night with enthusiasm at high tide; one little outside chap was heard to say, "Miss Philips, I can get you a whole room full of other children if you want them!" How good it would be if every church in the conference having children might be blessed with a good church school.

Brethren Barritt and Gibson are in Newark this week engaged in the Harvest Ingathering work.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Westfield, Pa.

With the combined efforts of Elder F. A. Harter, Mrs. B. M. Heald and Miss Sadie Detwiler we are still holding services every night in the tent. With two stoves, all who attend, are made comfortable during

the cold evenings. The people are eager to hear the truth and even though we have encountered much opposition, a number have already decided to obey the Sabbath.

This is the field where Elder Loughborough began his youthful ministry. Mrs. Davis still living, being ninety-four years of age, entertained him and Elder Ingham at her home, but the little red school-house where they held their meetings over sixty years ago, burned to the ground. The grandson of Mrs. Davis, living with his aged grandmother is about to take his stand for the truth. Elders Lane and Wilcox held a tent meeting a few miles from here over forty years ago. They stopped quite frequently with Mr. and Mrs. Watkins, a young married couple, who are attending our meetings nightly, being very much interested and we have every reason to believe that they will accept the message fully that they heard from the lips of Elders Lane and Wilcox over forty years ago. A series of evangelistic meetings planned to undo the work we have done will begin October 17. However, we are of good courage. If God be for us who can be against us? Pray for us in this needy portion of the Master's vineyard.

H. J. DETWILER.

Fleetwood Tent Effort

While reading the items of the success and failure of the different efforts in various places, a few words from Fleetwood, Pa. may be of interest.

It was late in the season as we held a six weeks' effort at Lebanon. Prior to beginning here, the little city has favored us with good attendance and interest, even requesting us to hold services Saturday evening as well as the other nights.

A number are obeying the commandments, others are convicted but not converted, still others interested. The church which is not yet fully organized has rendered most valuable aid with music and every assistance within its power.

We hope to have a new church building before long and also to see a large number of new converts.

Remember us in your prayers.

DR. C. AVERY HANSEN.

CHESAPEAKE

Baltimore Maryland

Report of the Colored Work in Chesapeake Conference

It has been so long since a report of the colored work has been sent in that perhaps the readers of THE VISITOR have wondered what was being done in this field. To tell the truth we have been so

very busy that not a minute could be spared to write the report. The 26th of June we went to Wilmington, Delaware, to revive the work there with a tent effort. Four weeks were spent in that city, not really long enough to do justice to the effort but we were able to create an excellent interest for our workers there to completely develop. Several of the best people of the city signed the covenant to keep the Sabbath and some additions to the church have been reported.

We next pitched the tent at Cheswold, Delaware, about forty miles below Wilmington, where we have had a church for at least fifteen years. This church needed reviving and for that reason we moved to Cheswold. The tent was pitched in a beautiful grove and from the first we had excellent attendance and an interested people to present the message to every night. The second Sunday there our choir from Baltimore visited the tent being brought there in a large auto. The people in Cheswold surely enjoyed their singing and their presence there did much to advertise the meetings. In short, we spent five weeks there and have baptized five as a result of the tent effort and left a splendid interest which I go to keep up just as often as I can leave Baltimore. Brother Mosley, at Cheswold is doing splendid work in his effort to have more ready for baptism.

Baltimore was not neglected while the two efforts were on over in Delaware. Every Sabbath I returned to Baltimore and together with Brother Cox, our faithful Bible worker here, we were able to baptize, thirty-three earnest believers in the coming of the Lord on Sept 17. Our church in Baltimore grows faster than we are able to develop its growth. The days are too short for us to get in the amount of work necessary to keep up with the progress of the church. For an example of the progress and loyalty of the church I perhaps should mention the offerings to missions. For the month of September \$97.85 was sent in to the conference treasurer, besides nearly \$200.00 tithes. Our offerings for the support of the local work are good, and the Sunday night attendance is fine. The church is too small, the seating capacity of 300 is taxed to its limit.

We have also arranged within the church splendid school rooms nicely equipped for industrial branches as well as for class studies in grades from 1 to 8. This school is designed to become a northern training school for our colored youth and next we hope to add grades 9 and 10 to the regular courses of study. We have several students from neighboring states and others are writing for admittance. The first day we had forty-four to enroll and as soon as the quarantine is lifted, prohibiting younger pupils to enter any

school, we expect to see at least 75 taking up the various studies in the above mentioned grades. For the beginning, we are more than encouraged and with the experienced teachers in charge, we are sure we will do all that is in our power to turn out creditable workers for the cause.

In another article we will endeavor to explain more of the workings of this newly established school. But for information immediately desired, address the writer at 1714 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, Md. GUSTAVUS P. RODGERS.

News Notes

The tent effort of Elder A. S. Booth closed last Sunday night with a large audience. There was a cash donation of about \$44.00. This makes the donations for the two efforts held this summer something more than \$600.00. But this is a small matter compared with the large number of interested people there are in this great city. Never did we hold an effort in this city with so little opposition. Some of the very best people of the city have been in attendance. Just what the results will be in the way of souls won to the kingdom, we cannot say. However, we do not have enough workers to take care of the interest that has been created. We ask that you pray with us, that the Lord will send workers in to His harvest. Meetings will begin in the New Theater on Lexington Street, near Park Avenue on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. There will be meetings each Sunday afternoon and evening for some time.

We are glad to report 400 additional orders for the Harvest Ingathering "Signs" since our last report. This makes 11750 copies. Several of our churches are yet to be heard from.

Some of our workers are having interesting experiences. We are glad to pass a few of these along. Two of our sisters in the Frederick Church ordered 500 copies. When last heard from they had distributed 150 copies and had received \$17.00. One of our Bible workers received \$10.00 for one of last year's copies. Another one sent two copies by mail to two gentlemen who are very much interested in this message: these are men of prominence in the city of Baltimore, and she received \$4.50 for the two papers.

Elder S. T. Shadel, with his family, moved to Hagerstown last Thursday. The church at Hagerstown gladly welcomed them into their midst, and we look for an increase in interest in that important city.

The colored school in Baltimore opened with an enrollment of 44 pupils. Each day brings new applicants. This is without children under the age of thirteen. No children under that age are allowed in school in the city because of infantile paralysis. For this reason the school of Baltimore No. 1 Church has not yet opened.

Elder J. O. Miller is visiting the churches at Hagerstown and Smithsburg and Ponds ville.

Brother C. C. R. Hare has had to stop work for a week in order to take some rest and treatment. He is spending the week in Baltimore.

We have received good reports from our colporteurs who are working.

Several have made deliveries with good results. Brother O. C. Weller reports another Sabbath keeper as a result of having sold a "Bible Readings" in German.

Mrs. G. R. Apsley has returned to her home from the Sisco Sanitarium much improved in health as a result of the operation she had several weeks ago.

OHIO

Larger Plans for the Harvest Ingathering Work

No doubt many of our churches have already carried out the program for Sabbath September 30, in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work, and are now actively engaged in soliciting and distributing the papers.

We have recently held a meeting in Washington, D. C., which I attended, in the interest of this work. It has developed throughout the field that larger plans should be made and a higher goal set than we have ever reached in the past. Most of the conferences throughout the Division have set a goal, and they are determined to carry on their work in an organized way until they can reach it, even though it takes them until near the close of the year.

It was decided throughout the Columbia Union that we should lay larger plans and set a higher aim for this work. In the meeting of the Ohio Conference Committee just held, it was decided that we set our goal at seven thousand dollars for Ohio. Now I know that this will seem very large at first thought. When we come to consider the times and the possibilities of this work, if all will earnestly engage in it, and witness what has been

done and is being done by others, we can easily conclude that this goal is not so large after all. Plans are ready for thoroughly organizing every church and appointing leaders over small bands in each church, having the territory so arranged that every worker will have his field and thoroughly work it.

Elder G. F. Enoch has been called to devote several weeks to this work in the Union, and the Ohio Conference has elected Brother V. O. Panches to act as Home Missionary Secretary in the State of Ohio, and he will devote his whole energies to this work. It is hoped that we will have the hearty response of every church in carrying out the general plan that has been decided upon.

Those who are now engaged in the work will do well to thoroughly keep an account of their territory, so that as we enter into a more thorough organization and endeavor to carry on the work more extensively, it may be known what territory has been covered. We hope to have the state so districted and provided with instructors and leaders that sufficient help may be given in every church to make this effort a decided success. It does not matter if the work is delayed somewhat. We have all the time we need to use in the Ingathering work between now and the first of the year. It will be well if all the churches can imbibe the spirit that has come into this work, and be free to set a goal and work to the end of reaching that goal, even though the effort may be required to continue through November and possibly later.

We hope soon to have all churches supplied with the plans for reporting and the general plan of organizing and carrying forward the work as it has been outlined in these later developments. Let us not think that coming in at this late date with larger plans will in any way defeat this effort; but on the contrary, let us feel that the Lord is endeavoring to lead us out into a larger field of activity in harmony with the demands of the times in which we live. Shall we not set our hearts in Ohio to gather in many thousands of dollars in this effort before the year closes?

E. K. SLADE.

Washington Missionary College

The dining room was prettily decorated last Thursday evening, October 5, for the annual reception. After the usual introductions, Professor and Mrs. Hamer, and Mr. Tvedt, furnished us with music. An enjoyable time was spent by those present.

We are glad to welcome this week Charles Shilling of Columbus Ohio, a former student of the college.

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending Oct. 6, 1916									
Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.		BR	5	50	11	35 00	15 00	50 00	14 25
Geo. Carter, Clinton Co.		BR	5	48	14	42 00	3 75	45 75	1 50
R. H. Patterson, Greene Co.		BR	5	46	15	57 00	6 75	63 75	75
D. McCarthy, Mahoning Co.		BR	5	45	15	46 00	4 25	50 25	
W. S. Syphers, Madison Co.		BR	5	45	14	42 00	2 25	44 25	49 75
E. E. Goodrich, Franklin Co.		BR	5	42	5	16 00	75	16 75	24 00
Mrs. C. Kelley, Springfield		CK	5	41	34	51 50	6 45	57 95	20 25
W. H. Smith, Coshocton Co.		BR	5	40	16	53 00	24 00	77 00	
Frank Fufts, Adams Co.		BR	5	40	1	3 00	1 10	4 10	90 70
H. W. Barto, Clinton Co.		BR	4	40	12	43 00	3 00	46 00	3 00
R. DeGarmo, Summit Co.		HM	8	80	15	30 00	30 25	60 25	75 00
P. A. Franks, Hancock Co.		BR	4	35	7	22 00	8 80	30 80	
Mrs. Smith, Scioto Co.		CK	5	30	7	12 50	4 50	17 00	25 75
C. F. Wilcox, Columbiana Co.		BR	4	29	5	16 00	4 55	20 55	
G. W. Yingling, Salem		BR	5	26	15	52 00	5 25	57 25	
Will Price, Toledo		BR	4	25	10	34 00	14 50	48 50	1 75
H. C. Nelson, Athens Co.		BR	2	20	3	9 00		9 00	
Chas. Carter Pickaway Co.		BR	2	20					66 00
Clara Weber, Spingfield		CK	3	19	18	28 00	7 10	35 10	75
J. E. Carder, Montgomery Co.		BR	2	14	3	9 00		9 00	
Totals	20 Agents			88 735	220	\$601 00	\$142. 25	\$743 25	\$373 45
District of Columbia, Week Ending Sept 29, 1916									
Earl Wilcox,		BR			100	315 00		315 00	185 00
Chas. Dunkem,		GC			28	89 00		89 00	
D. P. Corbett,		PG			8	9 00		9 00	
Miscellaneous						39 00		39 00	39 00
Magazines						49 90		49 90	49 90
Totals	3 Agents				136	\$452 00		\$501 90	\$273 90
West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Oct. 6, 1916									
A. Brownlee, Wash. Co.		PPF	10	92	41	83 00	60 80	143 80	83 30
Geo. Buttermore, Greene Co.		BR	10	78	22	72 00	12 25	84 25	90 95
Abigah Dunn, Allegheny Co.		OSD	3	21	13	3 25	50	3 75	50
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.		CK	11	33	22	50	10 25	32 75	63 50
W. H. House, Cameron Co.		BF	9	70	22	35 50	16 50	52 00	7 75
Amanda Koons, Bedford Co.		WC			9	3 85		3 85	2 35
J. Kmetz, Allegheny Co.		HW	6	42	19	8 50		8 50	8 50
John Manual, Jefferson Co.		BR	4	29	8	25 00	8 05	33 05	
Harold Stevens, Erie Co.		BR	5	45	20	61 00	4 50	65 50	50
Mrs. Thurman, Allegheny Co.		OSD	2	14	7	7 00	2 50	9 50	2 50
C. E. Will, Washington Co.		GC	9	87	20	43 00	20 00	63 00	43 50
Totals	11 Agents			66 464	221	\$364 60	\$135 35	\$499 95	\$303 35
West Virginia, Week Ending Oct. 6, 1916									
J. S. Seai, Blakeley Co.		BR	3	20	22	82 00	8 25	90 25	
G. E. Snyder, Marion Co.		BR	4	40	7	23 00	7 10	30 10	31 70
W. A. McElphatrick, Marshall Co.		BR	5	44	10	30 00	5 75	35 75	3 50
S. J. Monroe, Marshall Co.		BR	5	43	22	68 00	5 45	73 45	3 00
Henry Waggoner, Preston Co.		BR	2	18					61 35
T. M. Butler, Harrison Co.		BR	5	44	14	45 00	9 20	54 20	1 20
Mrs. G. E. Snyder, Clarksburg		Misc	3	8	17	11 95		11 95	6 20
Totals	7 Agents			27 217	92	\$259 95	\$35 75	\$295 70	\$106 95
Chesapeake, Week Ending Oct. 6, 1916									
O. C. Weller, Frederick Co. Md.		BR	2	18					158 25
J. E. Jones, Talbot Md.		BR	4	30	1	3 00	4 00	7 00	139 00
B. G. Hohensee, Deals Island		DR	4	21	28	87 00	3 50	90 50	
D. W. Percy, Queen Anne Co.		PPF				56 00		56 00	64 25
Totals	4 Agents			10 69	29	\$146 00	\$7 50	\$153 50	\$361 50

New Jersey, Week Ending Oct 6, 1916

Geo. Blinn, Hunderton Co.	BR	5	47	16	48	00		48	00
W. B. Plant, Passaic Co.		3	24				8	00	32
Totals	2 Agents	8	71	16	\$48	00	\$8	00	\$32

New Jersey, Week Ending Sept. 29, 1916

Mrs. S. Backofen, Bergen Co.	BR	2	10	6	20	00		20	00
Mrs. J. W. Jenson, Bergen Co.	BR	3	28	5	15	00	11	78	34
G. W. Blinn, Hunderton	BR	5	47	12	36	00		36	00
G. W. Blinn, Hunderton Co.	BR	5	36	10	20	00		30	00
W. B. Plant, Passaic Co.	BR	4	21	13	41	00	4	70	45
Totals	4 Agents	19	142	46	\$142	00	\$16	48	\$132

Grand Totals: 51 Agents Value of Orders \$2013 55 Deliveries, \$1583 51

The commencement exercises of the 1916 Nurses' Class of the Washington Sanitarium were held in the new gymnasium building. Elder C. S. Longacre delivered the address, closing with a few verses which he had composed for the occasion. Diplomas were awarded to ten.

During a recent chapel period, Elder W. A. Spicer told us of the conditions that he observed while attending general meetings in England. Men, women, and children, are giving all their energies to their country's need. Notwithstanding these strenuous conditions, our work in the European field is going steadily forward and new members are being added at about the rate of a thousand every three months.

At a recent meeting of the Students' Association the following officers were elected for the first term: President, Walter A. Nelson; Vice-President, J. Norman Clapp; Secretary, Grace Adams; Treasurer, Victor Barrows. These officers together with Miss Osborne, Elizabeth Gibson, and Percy Cowles, will form the Executive Committee.

The Opportunities and Dangers of Student Life was the topic under consideration at the meeting of the Missionary Volunteer Society Sabbath afternoon, October 7. Mr. Patterson and Miss Kneeland spoke of the opportunities that the school affords for spiritual and social development. Miss Salisbury and Mr. Clapp emphasized the danger of becoming dwarfed socially and spiritually, while giving so much of our time to intellectual attainments.

Elder A. G. Daniells spoke to the student body in the chapel period Sunday morning, October 8. We were glad for this opportunity to hear Elder Daniells before he leaves to attend the general meetings in the Orient.

The Misses Gradye and Marion Brooke have been able to return to their studies again.

Miss Edna Trout of Philadelphia, a former student of W. M. C., is teaching the new church school at North Capitol Street, Washington, D. C.

Prof. W. E. Howell met the class in Comparative Literature the other day and told them some of his experiences in Greece that threw light on the works of Homer.

Miss Alice Stone of Skunk, Pa., has entered the Nurses' Class at the Sanitarium. There is a promising class of nearly twenty.

Professor Sorenson took his General History class to visit the National Museum in the city recently.

Although there are only ten young men in the Pastoral Training class this year, they promise to do aggressive work.

The Journalism class, which is the largest that has ever taken the study in this school, recently enjoyed a practical talk given by Mr. W. A. Burgan of the Press Bureau.

There is more than one way of getting to school when a person is determined. Mr. Ellis Bronson, of Chicago, arrived recently, having ridden his motorcycle the entire way, a distance of 1100 miles.

Elder Chas. Thompson, president of the Northern Union, is, no doubt, more than usually pleased to come to the Fall Council, being thus privileged to visit his son John, a senior at the college.

The student body now numbers more than 250. This is a larger number than was in attendance at the corresponding time of last year.

Mount Vernon Academy

Mrs. D. E. Walker of Elmira, N. Y., is spending the winter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Smith, Academia.

We are glad to see Miss Helen Kohr in Academia again. She has recently returned from the Newark Sanitarium where she had undergone an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Beach of Martel, Ohio, came in their machine on Friday, to visit their son Joseph. He spent the week end at his home and his parents and sister-in-law, Mrs. O. R. Beach with her little son accompanied him back to the academy.

Miss Juanita Fairchild, accompanied by Miss Bernice Rayle, spent the week end at her home in Fulton, Ohio.

Our school is filled to overflowing and students are still coming in. It was necessary to make a number of changes on account of this and the annex is now occupied by students.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Neely of Erie, Pa. arrived last Sunday and are attending school.

Messers. Elmer Burger and H. C. Cowell of Erie, Pa., also arrived last Sunday and are taking work at the academy.

Mr. Dewey Pimpkins of Nashville, Tenn., came last week and has taken up studies.

Miss Joicy L. James of Stahlstown, Pa. is with us this year.

The dormitory boys invited the dormitory girls to a marshmallow roast last Saturday night. They took us out into the woods and after the roast, games were played and everybody enjoyed a good time.

Mr. Geo. Rapp was called home on account of the death of his mother. We extend our sympathy to him and hope he will be permitted to return.

OBITUARIES

LINDOWER.—George F. Lindower was born at Brent, Campbell Co., Ky., Oct. 2, 1885, died Aug. 2, 1916. Aug. 29, 1903, he united in marriage to Cenna Carnes, who, with five children, survive.

Brother Lindower united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Hamilton, O.

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July 10, 1909, lived a consistent Christian life, and those with whom he had transacted business highly commend his honesty and integrity. The hope that, if faithful, we shall meet him in the first resurrection has consoled the mourning friends.

J. J. MARIETTA.

BROWN.—Louise in her nineteenth year died September 30, 1916, in Barberton, Ohio. She met her tragic death by crossing the railroad track Friday morning, when she was struck by a fast running passenger train. She suffered much and was relieved by death just after the close of the Sabbath.

Last March she gave her heart to God and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. By her earnest Christian life she influenced her husband to follow her example and in May, he too, gave his heart to God and united with the church. They were very happy in their new found faith. Brother Brown mourns, but not as those who have no hope.

The funeral was conducted in the little cemetery chapel, where a goodly number of people were assembled to pay their tribute of respect to the dead. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Revelation 14:13.

F. H. HENDERSON.

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When the plan was enlarged promising the Washington Missionary College \$43,000 instead of \$25,000, and Mount Vernon Academy \$4,000 instead of \$2,000, it became necessary for us to change our design for registering progress.

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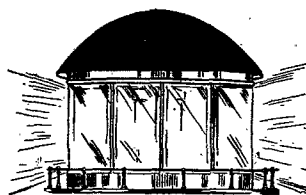
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Both Washington Missionary College and Mount Vernon Academy have opened with the largest enrollment in their history. The institutions are crowded with consecrated young people. And more are still coming.

May the Lord help each one to do his or her part. "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work." The time for doing things which will save souls will soon be past forever.

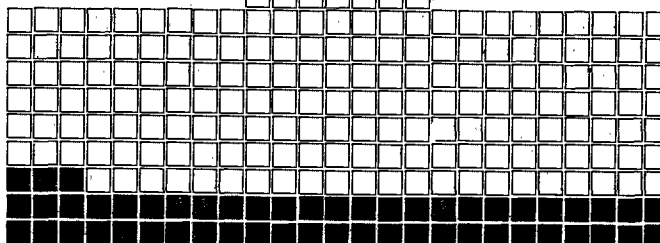
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