

# Columbia Union Visitor

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

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## Notice: Big City Effort

### Philadelphia Theatre Crowded: Immense Overflow



The opening Sunday night of the Philadelphia effort in the Garrick Theatre, immediately opposite John Wanamaker's store saw the theatre crowded to its utmost capacity. The doors were closed by the police half an hour before the meeting began. Various estimated, from 1500 to 3000 people blocked the streets, until extra police were ordered to break up the interference with the traffic. Even then many people remained until the services were over, and sought to gain entrance at the last minute.

### Philadelphia Daily Opens Its Columns



As hundreds of subscriptions to a Philadelphia daily flowed into the Union office, we were compelled to send back word that no paper would give us any space. However, since our first big overflow meeting, one of the large dailies with over 60,000 circulation has entered into definite contract with us to give us at least a half column account of the sermon. At first we were not sure whether this would satisfy the brethren in the Union who wanted to subscribe. However, so many and insistent letters have come in, wanting to know something, and expressing bitter disappointment that nothing could be obtained, we have assumed the risk of encouraging subscriptions again. The price is 50 cents for one month. The prices of the Philadelphia dailies have exactly doubled, owing to the raise of prices, since our first offer, hence it is now one month instead of two.

### The Printed Lectures



The Philadelphia Managing Committee decided to print the first four Sunday night lectures. No. 1 is already printed and selling in Philadelphia for 5 cents. The fourth sermon on "Astronomy: Or the Kingdom of the Great King" will be double the size, and will sell for 10 cents. The 4 lectures will be 25 cents. Anyone wishing these, please send order to the East Pennsylvania Tract Society, 4910 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. If the four together are wanted, the order must wait, as only one pamphlet thus far is printed.

B. G. WILKINSON.

## UNION

### “\$25,000 in the Treasury by the First of April”

Of course we mean for the College fund. It gave the writer great satisfaction to see \$15,000 paid off on the College debt at Takoma Park one year ago just as he arrived in the Union. But it gave greater satisfaction this year to see the check for more than \$20,000 which paid off every dollar of indebtedness excepting annuities, which are really a form of endowment. So our College is free from debt.

Then besides all this is the \$36,000 subscribed towards the shares for the improvements needed, \$10,000 of which were paid in cash. The balance will, we hope, be paid the first few months of 1917. Not one dollar of that fund was used for the payment of debt. And as we now go forward we propose not to incur any debt.

In harmony with this policy, the College Board, at its recent meeting, voted that we begin the new building April first, *providing we have \$25,000 in the treasury* by that date. This will pay for all material required, and we can then proceed with the erection of the building, believing the new plans and payment of unpaid pledges, will enable us to push the building right through to completion by September 1, with every bill paid as we go along. But if we are unable to do this we will stop operations at any time and await the coming of the money.

This is a new policy in our work. We are sure that it will be endorsed by all our people throughout our churches and that each believer will rally to see us carry it through to successful completion. I do not know of any building so large having been built by us before where we have raised every dollar before its completion.

But if we get the school building ready by the opening of the school year, we must begin work April 1. As we have 305 students there this year in quarters built for 150, with the prospect for more than 400 for next year, we *must* have it ready by that time. But we *must not* go in debt. So if we are to begin the work April 1, we must have \$25,000 in the treasury. In order to accomplish this, each one pledging last year should try to pay as much of their pledge as possible during the month of March.

We said on or *before* such a date we would pay. So we are now passing the word along the line to see if each one pledging cannot pay this money during March. If not, as soon as possible.

Geo. F. ENOCH.

### A Teachers' Institute

The first mid-year Teachers' Institute of the Columbia Union Conference was held in Trenton, New Jersey, February 14-18. All the primary teachers of the New Jersey Conference and a few from East Pennsylvania, together with the superintendents were present. Regular programs had been arranged for Wednesday afternoon and Thursday, Friday and Sunday forenoons. Every minute of the time was filled with the discussion of the problems of the hour and general instruction adapted to the present needs of our teachers. The responsibilities were shared by the Union Secretary, the Conference Superintendents and the experienced teachers, each one presenting the phase of the work that he could best present with profit to all. Time was too short to discuss exhaustively the many problems the teachers brought up for consideration but everybody returned to his field happy and satisfied with the hours spent together in prayer and council. Two lecture hours were devoted to the topics of "teachers' efficiency," and "the modern trend of geography teaching." Topics presented by the teachers were: a model lesson for beginners in reading; school room helps, home credits; singing in the primary grades; interesting methods in teaching grammar; drawing in the school room; the Palmer system of penmanship; and disciplining adolescents.

Miss Iden, the superintendent of the New Jersey Conference, had compiled a good list of live subjects to be discussed. The teachers took a lively interest in these discussions which embodied topics they were meeting daily in the school room.

A committee on plans and recommendations was appointed early in the institute and some very important questions were brought in and adopted by the body of teachers present. Without exception the teachers expressed themselves as having greatly enjoyed the institute and having received great profit by the hours spent together in council. Each one went back to his work with vigor and courage.

C. L. STONE.

### Inasmuch

It is evident, from the reading of Matt. 25, that in the final day there will be many surprises. There are two classes brought to view: neither of them represent the class of open sinners; both classes had professed to be Christians. To one class it is said, "Come ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world," v. 34. To the other class it is said, "Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels." Each class expresses sur-

prise. The one class having done all they could felt unworthy of a place in the kingdom. There was so much to be done in relieving the suffering of their fellowmen about them, that compared with what they were actually to accomplish, they felt dissatisfied, and yet they had done what they could. Their hearts had been touched with the feelings of others' infirmities. They had possessed the spirit of their Lord and Master, who went about doing good. They never fully understood what it meant to minister unto the needy. Now they see that *inasmuch* as they had done what they could, unto even the least, they were palliating the suffering of Christ: they were ministering to Him in ministering to them.

Those in the other class were also surprised. They were surprised that they could not have an abundant entrance into the kingdom. They were church goers. They prayed; they sang; they were professed worshippers of God. They gave of their means when appeals were made. They possibly paid their tithe. One thing they neglected to do. They neglected to search out the poor, the sick, and the needy. They did not possess the spirit of the One whom they professed to serve, Who for their sakes became poor; Who devoted His entire life while on earth to personal ministry. Their hearts were not touched with the infirmities of others. They went to the temple to worship and sing on the Sabbath days, but passed by the sufferers by the wayside. They say, "When saw we Thee an hungered, or athirst, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto Thee?" Then shall He answer them, saying, "Verily I say unto you, *Inasmuch* as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to Me." v. 45. One thing is clear from the reading of these scriptures, and that is that only those who possess the Christ spirit; who have been born again; and given evidence of this new birth in their daily lives by going about doing good, shall have a part in the kingdom of God.

To belong to God's church upon earth is a blessed privilege. To give when public appeals come for foreign missions, is splendid. To lay aside each week or month God's portion, *the tithe*, is good. To devote the Sabbath day to worship is right. But none of these can save. Neither should they be depended upon as a means of salvation. Nicodemus did all these things and more. He had the reputation of being one of the most liberal of men. He was a teacher in Israel, a man highly regarded by other church goers. His business transactions were just. But Jesus recognized that the man was deceived; that he was depending upon these for salvation. He said to him, "Except a man be born again, he can not

see" much less, enter "the kingdom of God." The new birth is witnessed to by an unselfish ministry. The church collectively, as an organization, can do her work, but she can not do the work of the individual. Nothing can ever take the place of personal ministry.

To those who evidently had a wrong conception of the plan of salvation, but came to be baptized of John, he said, "Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance." "And the people asked him, saying, 'What shall we do then?'" They wanted to know what he meant by bringing forth fruit, as an evidence of being God's children, and "he answered and said unto them, 'He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.'" Luke 3:7-11. This was the evidence John the baptist sought, that they had been born into the kingdom and were fit subjects for baptism.

What we all need today is to be born again. When we are, unto the poor will the gospel be preached. They will be looked after; the sick will be helped; the needy will be ministered unto. They that gather much will have nothing left over and they that gather little will have no lack. There will be an equality. This is what it means to be a commandment keeper. To "love your neighbor as yourself." In the future much more personal work will be done by God's people. The fruit that is gathered will be mostly hand picked.

D. H. KRESS, M. D.

## WEST VIRGINIA

### Coming Bookmen's Institute

The Bookman's Institute, of the West Virginia Conference will be held in Parkersburg, March 22 to April 1. We feel that this will be strengthening to the inner man, in those who come for a preparation for the construction of the kingdom. We have been praying that the Lord of the harvest would send forth laborers, and we expect them at this gathering. "The work which the church has failed to do in time of peace and prosperity, she will have to do in a terrible crisis under most discouraging and forbidding circumstances." Vol. 5, p. 463. Dear reader, in face of this solemn statement, what is your desire? The time of peace and prosperity seems to be an object which is rapidly disappearing in the cloud of greed.

The book work, to the spiritual life and character of men, is as the polish and the brush to the piece of gold: it makes it shine. It is also as the refiner's furnace which purifies. This work is "more to be desired than gold, yea, than much fine gold."

Much time will be spent during this ten days in giving general instruction on Christian salesmanship: This will be an important part of the institute, conducted by Brother Leach; our Union Secretary. Valuable points will be brought out for the regular men as well as beginners. After the institute closes, I wish to go out with you into your field and enter the homes by your side to demonstrate to you that it is not theory we teach, but just what we practice when out in the field.

Another important part is the prayer and devotional service which will be held each morning. No one who plans to do this work can afford to miss it. If you feel called to this branch of the work, and there is an obstacle in the way to prevent you from coming, please feel free to tell us what it is, and we will spend the next three or four weeks helping you to remove it. Please write me at once.

H. F. KIRK,

Cor. 3rd and Juliana Sts.,  
Parkersburg, W. Va.

## OHIO

It has been my privilege, to spend a few days with the Toledo Church, and I am glad to report a decided advancement of the work in that city. Elder Bell has given most diligent attention to the work since taking the pastorate of the Toledo Church, and we feel that he and his wife are engaging in the work in such a way as to give good promise for the future.

Miss Helen Greunke is located there as a Bible worker, and reports good prospects of a number of her readers about to enter the church.

The members of the Toledo Church are earnestly co-operating in the plans for building up and enlarging the work there. As soon as Elder Bell arrived in Toledo, he took up the matter of placing the church building in better condition for a successful work in the city. The building has been raised up and placed on a good foundation with a basement beneath, and suitable sanitary toilets have been provided, and an excellent furnace has been installed. Beautiful new windows have been put in, and the church has been remodeled and refinished and provided with fine electric fixtures, and now presents a most pleasing appearance. All of these improvements were most timely, and with the changes made in the exterior of the building, it presents a vastly different appearance from heretofore.

A dedicatory service was held in Toledo not long ago when the debt on the old building was paid off. Since the remodeling of the church was so extensive, and it was the desire of the congregation to re-

dedicate the building to the service of God, such a service was held during my visit with the church last week. With these improvements and this better home for the church, plans are now being laid to carry on a more thoroughgoing work in reaching out to the public and gathering in those who may be led to the obedience of the truth. We look for a decided growth in the work in Toledo during the coming year.

E. K. SLADE.

## A Canvasser's Experience

The following interesting experience was culled from a letter received by Brother Fairechild, from one of his colporteurs out in the field:

"While canvassing, I met a lady who wished to understand the Scriptures. Her husband was not at home, so she asked me to come in the evening. As they lived only a block and a half from us, I went. They made me feel at home and gave me an order for "Great Controversy" which I was to deliver the next evening.

"While living in this place, I went to see them several times. The lady read the book about half through, then seemed to lose interest in it. I did not feel that I could explain the Bible to her, so did not tell her that I was a Seventh-day Adventist, though we tried to live in such a way as not to cast reproach upon the truth. After moving away, I kept up a correspondence with her, also sending her the "Family Bible Teacher," thinking it plain, simple and interesting. The lady wrote that she could not thank me enough for this, that it was the best book she had ever read. We have also had the Present Truth Series sent to her husband, and now they see the truth as it really is. She has written for more "Family Bible Teachers" to send to some of her relatives and friends. She loaned her "Great Controversy" and "Family Bible Teacher" to a sick brother-in-law, and he pronounces them very good books."

This sister has found the joy of being a willing servant in the hands of God, and ascribes all the praise to Him.

The March *Signs Magazine* will exert a most favorable influence in the homes of your neighbors if—if it gets there. Here are the titles of the big features for March: Sin's Last Orgy—Antics of Modern Pew Fillers—The Paradox of Peace—Neither in Nor Out of Purgatory—Labor's Warning to Wealth—Europe's Deliberate Hara-Kiri—Bankrupting the World.

This above all,—to thine own self be true;  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou canst not then be false to any man.

—Shakespeare.

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## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

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### Ariel Church School

Ariel Church School has now passed its half way mark having completed the fifth month of school.

I believe there has been no feeling of regret upon the part of those who have sacrificed to sustain this important work, as we have noted the development of the little minds along lines that will fit them for service in God's great work.

The problem that confronted us to begin was a proper building. After careful consideration our committee decided, and the church accepted the plan to erect a school building on a lot adjoining the church.

This building has an air space, light and floor sufficient to seat 20 pupils and comply with the laws of the state.

This is the first church school building in East Pennsylvania Conference built for school purposes exclusively.

Our members are not rich in this world's goods and the obligations have been heavy to meet the monthly expenses of the school and pay pledges on the building.

Through the kindness of Elder Haskell we have 100 of his grand new books, "The Cross and Its Shadow," to free our school building from debt.

Every Seventh-day Adventist should have this new book upon the sanctuary. The price is only \$1.50. Order a copy and thus help the first church school building in this conference.

Send orders to L.H. Swingle, Ariel, Pa., R. No. 1, Chairman of the School Board.

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## CHESAPEAKE

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### News Notes

We are sorry to report that Elder G. P. Rodgers is on the sick list. He had planned to go to New York to attend the dedication of the new church there for the colored people, but instead had to call in a doctor for medical attention. He is somewhat improved at this writing but as yet is unable to be out of the house.

He reports an invitation to preach in one of the largest colored churches in the city for May 13. The people are anxious to have him come and felt they must make arrangements early, as they know his time is so fully occupied. There is the greatest interest among this class of people that has ever been known. We need more workers for the colored people.

Elder S. T. Shadel reports a good interest in Hagerstown. People from all over the city are attending the meetings, and we look for good results.

The meeting in Walbrook theater last Sunday night was all that could have been desired. This is the fifth series of meetings conducted by Elder Booth. It is too early in the series to report any results.

Elder C. B. Haynes is expected in the city, with his wife and son, Donald. They will remain over the Sabbath and he will speak to the church Sabbath morning and to the Y. P. S. M. V. in the afternoon.

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## VIRGINIA

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### News Notes

A capacity attendance is reported at the Sunday night meetings conducted by Brother I. D. Richardson at Norfolk.

Upon his return from the Home Missionary Convention at Washington, Brother Wm. Jones has been organizing the churches of the conference for aggressive missionary work, beginning with the churches in the south-east.

Brother R. F. Farley, reports three prospective students for the academy next year as a result of his visit to Guinea Mills and Ford.

While at the academy, Elder Moffett spoke to a large outside audience in the hall in New Market, where the ministerial band is holding Sunday night meetings.

Elder Bidwell is giving three Bible studies a day at Basic, and new members are joining the company raised up last summer.

The New Market Sabbath school has a training class of seven members which meets a half hour before Sabbath School. The teachers' training course text books, "Lessons from the Master Teacher," can be obtained from the tract society for thirty-five cents post-paid.

Miss Madge Miller, the assistant field agent, is spending a few days at the college at Washington. Miss Miller will devote the summer to assisting lady students in securing scholarships.

Brother F. E. Hankins and family are nicely settled in Gordonsville.

After a heavy attack of la grippe, Brother B. F. Purdham is again filling the homes in Albemarle County with our truth-filled literature.

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## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

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Elder Robbins just returned from a trip to Dubois and Bradford. He reports that the work is onward in that part of the field.

Elder G. L. West is holding meetings in the moving picture house, each Sunday, and has a good interest. Many others in Bradford are reading the "Bible Readings" they purchased last winter, and are deeply interested in the sermons.

One of our faithful colporteurs met a gentleman last Sabbath who read himself into the truth. About six years ago his wife bought a Great Controversy from the colporteur.

In Dubois Elder B. F. Kneeland has eight candidates for baptism. The work started hard, but the ice seems to be breaking and the people look more favorably upon our work.

It has not been definitely decided where the camp-meeting will be held, but it is probable that it will be held in Dubois. At the January executive session a committee was appointed to investigate, and report. It seems now that the best time for the camp-meeting will be the first of July.

Elder Swartz of Erie, reports that there are twelve in his district ready for baptism. All through the conference the message is going.

One of the best Colporteurs' Institutes ever held in this conference just closed. 22 regular workers were present and some 18 interested ones took studies part of the time. Brother Morley was called home on account of the sickness of his wife. Three others had to leave early also.

Dr. Kress gave very interesting talks to the colporteurs upon the health question. How to give some of the simple treatments for cases which workers meet almost daily, was one of the features of the Doctor's talk.

At a Bible study given by Elder William Robbins, at Mt. Braddock, three decided to obey the truth. One a school teacher, who will probably develop into a worker.

Last Sabbath our churches were refreshed by stirring talks by Elder Enoch. He is very enthusiastic over the sale of Object Lessons, and the Watchman Magazine. Not only will it be a means of securing money to forward our educational work, but it will also place thousands of pages of truth filled literature in the hands of the people. Our members in Pittsburg will take hold of this work with energy. Angels have prepared the way so that men and women everywhere are longing for an explanation to the fast fulfilling prophecies.

## NEW JERSEY

### News Notes

Elder G. W. Spies, who for nine years has labored in South Jersey, has been called to Franklin Furnace to continue the work laid down by Brother J. M. Gaff. While the friends in the southern part of the state will miss their former pastor, they have the encouraging thought that their loss means gain for the new company of believers at Franklin, who are greatly in need of help.

Miss Margaret Madden of Bridgeton spent two days in Trenton recently, where she took part in a demonstration at the state house, showing the work of the blind. Her friends were glad to see her.

Mr. Robert Treible of Vosburg, Penn., has arrived in Fairton to take up the school work at the Ramah school, which Miss Rambo was unable to carry forward on account of her health. He attended the Institute at Trenton, then went direct to Fairton.

The Teacher's Institute was a genuine success, and the teachers in New Jersey are already writing in to the conference office, expressing the wish that this plan may become a permanent one. All felt greatly benefited by the work taken up, and returned to their school rooms with renewed courage. Professor Stone, who was with us, has written a detailed account of the Institute which will no doubt appear in the near future.

The Newark church school reports a membership of 26 pupils. Miss Severs must be doing excellent work to cause such a steady increase in the number of her pupils.

This month is the month for spring Standard of Attainment examination. Are you ready for it? If not, do bestir your mind at once. You know there are but two examinations to be given this year, and we must take advantage of them. One society has a class of ten preparing for the Denominational History test. They meet regularly for study. Can you not try this plan? If any would like to take the test, and do not understand just how, write to the Missionary Volunteer Department, 200 Columbus Ave. Don't put it off another day. Now is the accepted time.

Brother G. W. Holman has been asked to connect with the work in Bridgeton.

The thirteenth Sabbath offering this quarter goes to South Africa, you remember, and a more needy field would be hard to find. The little thirteenth Sabbath leaflet is full of good things, and may every Sabbath School superintendent pass on to his school the material it contains. If your school is kept from an intelligent understanding of this worthy cause because you failed to pass on the light, who is responsible? Use the thirteenth Sabbath envelopes, too. They are sent you to be given out to the members, so that they can be preparing several weeks beforehand for the blessed privilege of giving to Africa on March 31. "Our General, who never makes a mistake, says to us, 'Advance, enter new territory. Lift up the standard in every land.'"

The Temperance Instructor can be had by applying to your tract society. Four cents a copy in quantities. Let us scatter this best of all temperance paper like autumn leaves. It cannot fail to yield results. The Trenton young people will dispose of at least 300. What will you do?

The Young Peoples' convention, February 8-11, was a source of inspiration to all who attended it. Camden and Burlington were represented, both Sabbath and Sunday. Professor Kern's stirring talks, and the helpful sermons of Elder Sandborn and Elder MacNiel were the means of arousing many to a new determination to consecrate all to the Master.

Elder Sandborn and Brother Gibson spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Jersey City No. 2 Church, and report an excellent meeting with the brethren and sisters there.

## A Home in Sunny Florida

"Desiring to be more free to do gospel work; I am offering for sale at a sacrifice my beautiful country home and valuable farm of 115 acres, two and one-fourth miles northwest of Bowling Green, on the Atlantic Coast line Railroad.

"The dwelling is a ten-room house—bathroom, four bedrooms, sitting rooms, etc. A few rods from this house, there is a second house, with eight rooms; very comfortable and suitable for help or renters. Two large barns, small packing house, excellent for storing, etc. Near large dwelling is one of the finest wells in Florida, of pure soft water.

"Very valuable orange and grapefruit grove of 12 acres, planted twenty years ago, and now in full bearing. Ten acres of excellent grove land could be easily planted to increase the grove.

"Also about 5 acres of the very best kind and quality of grafted pecans, rapidly coming into bearing. Pecans are fully as valuable per acre as orange groves.

"Upwards of 50 acres are fenced and in cultivation. Soil, much better than the average Florida soil. There are 20 acres of muck land,—muck,—from one to eight feet deep. When drained, cleared, and cultivated, very valuable for gardening and truck land, requiring far less fertilizing than ordinary pine land. It can be easily drained.

"Two immense magnolia trees in front yard (I have never seen finer), with other ornamental trees, oak, chestnut, camphor.

"A nice spring pond near the barns, for watering stock. A fine stream of water flows across part of the place, affording facility for irrigation if desired. An excellent quality of hay readily grows on the place, sufficient to fill the barns.

"The place is excellent for raising horses and other stock. Ideal for poultry and bees.

"The orange and pecan groves of 17 acres alone are cheap at \$10,000; but that we may be free to do ministerial work we are offering the entire place for the sum of \$10,000 cash.

"We heartily invite visits and personal inspection. Write to the owner, George J. Butler, at once, at Twin Magnolias, Bowling Green, Fla."-- From *Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*.

## Signs Magazine For April, 1917

It is one of the best excuses for getting the attention of neighbors that has ever come from our presses. They are sure to be interested in some one of the several vital topics. Who for instance, would not be glad to know how to keep the Sabbath on a round world? And who is there, even among unbelievers,

that would not like to know the origin of Easter, and the significance of the egg and rabbit symbols so commonly used in connection with its celebration?

### Leading Articles

Whence came Easter?  
Is the World Round on Sunday?  
Striding Toward Socialism.  
Visitors from the Unseen world.  
Pastor Nortrup's Embarrassment.  
Bidding Adieu to Europe.  
Crossing the Alps of Peace.  
Where Superstition Blights.  
Golgotha's Vacant Tomb.  
The Mutterings of discontent.

To those who sell the magazine we would say that every article mentioned is a selling point. Considered as a whole it is even "one better" than the splendid March number, which prompted a conference missionary secretary to say, "Your splendid *Signs Magazine* merits a letter of commendation."

Let your tract society secretary know at once how many you can use. Prices: 5 to 40 copies, 5 cents each; 50 or more, 4 cents each.

### Three More New Foreign Magazines

Two more new regular foreign "Signs of the Times" magazines have been added to the list published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association at Brookfield, Illinois. These are the French, succeeding the French paper formerly published in South Lancaster, Mass., and the Hungarian, published for the first time. These magazines, attractive, up-to-date in appearance and filled with articles on present truth will be welcomed by our churches within reach of people of these nationalities. They will be issued quarterly at subscription of 40 cents a year each (Canada and foreign countries, 50 cents). Quantity prices are uniform with the German, Danish-Norwegian, Swedish Bohemian, Italian and Yiddish-namely, \$4.00 a hundred, 5 to 50 copies, 5 cents each (Canada and foreign 1 cent higher).

The third new publication is a "Signs of the Times" magazine in Roumanian just coming from the press. This is similar to the others, but as yet not planned for regularly. Further numbers will be published as the demand warrants. Quantities of this may be secured for \$5.00 a hundred (Canada and foreign \$6.00).

This gives a splendid line of foreign magazines with which to reach thousands of our foreign speaking people. Everyone can circulate them. Most encouraging letters are coming from those into whose hands some of these magazines have fallen.

### Canvassers' Reports

| Name   | Place            | Book | Days | Hrs | Orders | Value             | Helps           | Total                   | Del             |
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| <b>Ohio, Week Ending Feb. 23, 1917</b>   |                  |      |      |     |        |                   |                 |                         |                 |
| Chas. Carter, Clinton Co.  |                  | BR   | 5    | 46  | 7      | 27 50             | 6 50            | 34 00                   |                 |
| Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.   |                  | BR   | 5    | 45  | 16     | 60 00             | 5 00            | 65 00                   |                 |
| Geo. Carter, Clinton Co.   |                  | BR   | 4    | 40  | 15     | 64 50             | 1 50            | 66 00                   | 75              |
| J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co.   |                  | BR   | 5    | 35  | 4      | 15 00             | 2 25            | 17 25                   | 6 75            |
| J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.   |                  | BR   | 5    | 33  | 8      | 32 00             |                 | 32 00                   |                 |
| Frank Fultz, Montgomery Co.  |                  | BR   | 4    | 30  | 7      | 24 50             | 6 50            | 31 00                   | 4 50            |
| Glenn Pinnicks, Wayne Co.  |                  | HM   | 5    | 29  | 7      | 13 50             | 1 50            | 15 00                   |                 |
| M. B. Ingersol, Huron Co.  |                  | BR   | 5    | 28  | 2      | 8 00              | 3 00            | 11 00                   | 1 50            |
| C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.   |                  | BR   | 4    | 25  | 10     | 37 00             | 29 82           | 66 82                   |                 |
| Geo. Harvey, Wayne Co.   |                  | BR   | 4    | 24  | 3      | 10 50             | 4 90            | 15 40                   |                 |
| Mrs. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.  |                  | BR   | 3    | 17  | 5      | 19 50             | 75              | 20 25                   |                 |
| W. E. Wagner, Summit Co.   |                  | BR   | 3    | 16  | 2      | 8 00              |                 | 8 00                    | 9 00            |
| G. Yingling, Niles   |                  | BR   | 4    | 13  | 8      | 34 00             | 75              | 34 75                   |                 |
| Mrs. G. W. Yingling, Niles   |                  | BR   | 4    | 13  | 6      | 21 00             | 4 00            | 25 00                   |                 |
| D. McCarthy, Mahoning Co.  |                  | BR   | 2    | 9   |        |                   |                 |                         | 79 50           |
| H. C. Nelson, Springfield  |                  | BR   | 2    | 9   |        |                   |                 |                         | 12 60           |
| W. H. Smith, Delaware Co.  |                  | BR   | 1    | 9   | 1      | 3 50              | 3 10            | 6 60                    |                 |
| <b>Totals</b>  | <b>17 Agents</b> |      |      |     |        | <b>65 421 101</b> | <b>\$378 50</b> | <b>\$69 57 \$448 07</b> | <b>\$114 60</b> |
| <b>West Pennsylvania, Week Ending Feb. 23, 1917</b>                            |                  |      |      |     |        |                   |                 |                         |                 |
| A. Brownlee, Clarion Co.   |                  | PPF  | 4    | 40  | 23     | 53 50             | 38 85           | 92 35                   | 19 60           |
| C. E. Will, Washington Co.   |                  | PPF  | 4    | 35  |        | 3 80              | 16 50           | 20 30                   | 86 50           |
| Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.   |                  | SP   | 5    | 36  | 7      | 10 00             | 7 05            | 17 05                   | 2 25            |
| D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.  |                  | BR   | 4    | 16  | 6      | 25 00             | 50              | 25 50                   | 4 00            |
| W. H. Jack, Warren Co.   |                  | BR   | 9    | 54  | 7      | 19 50             | 10 75           | 30 25                   |                 |
| An Agent   |                  | BR   |      |     | 1      | 4 50              | 12 50           | 17 00                   | 17 00           |
| <b>Totals</b>  | <b>6 Agents</b>  |      |      |     |        | <b>26 181 44</b>  | <b>\$117 30</b> | <b>\$86 15 \$202 50</b> | <b>\$129 35</b> |
| <b>West Virginia, Week Ending Feb. 16, 1917</b>                                |                  |      |      |     |        |                   |                 |                         |                 |
| T. M. Butler, Harrison Co.   |                  | BR   | 5    | 36  | 7      | 25 50             | 8 00            | 33 50                   | 126 50          |
| W. A. McElpatrick, Marshall Co.  |                  | BR   | 5    | 32  | 16     | 61 00             | 5 00            | 66 00                   | 9 25            |
| C. G. Mays, Marshall Co.   |                  | BR   | 5    | 28  | 13     | 48 50             | 1 50            | 50 00                   |                 |
| John Fahrner, Diamond  |                  | BR   | 5    | 32  | 7      | 26 50             | 10 05           | 36 55                   | 13 25           |
| J. S. Seal, Diamond  |                  | BR   | 4    | 20  | 18     | 64 00             | 9 75            | 73 75                   | 75              |
| Norman Haye, Diamond   |                  | BR   | 5    | 20  | 14     | 54 00             | 2 25            | 56 25                   | 75              |
| G. E. Snyder, Harrison Co.   |                  | BF   | 5    | 37  | 8      | 20 00             | 6 00            | 26 00                   | 73 75           |
| John McHenry McDowell Co.  |                  | BF   | 5    | 38  |        | 130 50            | 11 05           | 141 55                  | 195 55          |
| W. E. West, McDowell Co.   |                  | BF   | 5    | 32  | 23     | 47 50             |                 | 47 50                   | 38 00           |
| W. E. West, McDowell Co.   |                  | BF   | 5    | 38  | 22     | 44 00             |                 | 44 00                   | 51 50           |
| W. E. West, McDowell Co.   |                  | BF   | 5    | 32  | 26     | 49 50             | 70              | 50 20                   |                 |
| W. E. West, McDowell Co.   |                  | BF   | 5    | 30  | 34     | 68 00             |                 | 68 00                   |                 |
| <b>Totals</b>  | <b>9 Agents</b>  |      |      |     |        | <b>59 375 188</b> | <b>\$639 00</b> | <b>\$54 30 \$693 30</b> | <b>\$509 30</b> |
| <b>East Pennsylvania, Week Ending Feb. 16, 1917</b>                            |                  |      |      |     |        |                   |                 |                         |                 |
| C. Booth, Franklin Co.   |                  | GC   | 3    | 21  | 10     | 33 25             | 2 50            | 35 75                   | 129 50          |
| L. W. Mase, Lycoming Co.   |                  | GC   | 5    | 36  | 7      | 24 50             | 8 00            | 32 50                   |                 |
| S. Booth, Franklin Co.   |                  | GC   | 3    | 12  | 3      | 10 50             | 1 50            | 12 00                   |                 |
| E. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.   |                  | BF   | 4    | 14  | 8      | 16 00             | 50              | 16 50                   |                 |
| W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.   |                  | Misc | 5    | 32  |        | 33 00             |                 | 33 00                   |                 |
| Miscellaneous  |                  |      |      |     |        | 42 00             |                 | 42 00                   |                 |
| <b>Totals</b>  | <b>5 Agents</b>  |      |      |     |        | <b>20 115 28</b>  | <b>\$159 25</b> | <b>\$12 50 \$171 75</b> | <b>\$129 50</b> |
| <b>Chesapeake, Week Ending Feb. 23, 1917</b>                                   |                  |      |      |     |        |                   |                 |                         |                 |
| O. C. Weller, Frederick Co. Md.  |                  | BR   | 7    | 56  | 22     | 77 00             | 3 75            | 80 75                   | 7 10            |
| C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co.  |                  | BR   | 10   | 61  | 15     | 54 50             | 8 00            | 62 50                   | 153 00          |
| <b>Totals</b>  | <b>2 Agents</b>  |      |      |     |        | <b>17 117 37</b>  | <b>\$131 50</b> | <b>\$11 75 \$143 25</b> | <b>\$160 10</b> |
| <b>Grand Totals: 39 Agents of Orders Value \$1425 55 Deliveries, \$1042 85</b> |                  |      |      |     |        |                   |                 |                         |                 |

Virginia Summary, Sabbath School Work

Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1916

| Schools              | Membership | 13th Sab. Off.  | Total Contribution |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Basic                | 20         | 60              | 6 66               |
| Bethel               | 24         | 7 21            | 19 14              |
| Charlottesville      | 10         | 1 13            | 7 08               |
| Danville             | 12         | 45              | 1 00               |
| Doswell              | 10         | 3 00            | 11 22              |
| Guinea Mills         | 22         | 1 03            | 5 99               |
| Lynchburg            | 21         | 19 52           | 54 85              |
| Mount Vernon Furnace | 19         | 08              | 1 00               |
| New Market           | 42         | 9 68            | 41 42              |
| Newport News No. 1   | 19         | 1 27            | 14 27              |
| Newports News No. 2  | 27         | 3 64            | 28 51              |
| News Ferry           | 16         | 1 25            | 1 59               |
| Norfolk No. 1        | 34         | 3 40            | 27 19              |
| Norfolk No. 2        | 22         | 1 50            | 15 96              |
| Oak Rigde            | 30         | 11 76           | 31 76              |
| Portsmouth No. 1     | 25         | 12 53           | 30 22              |
| Portsmouth No. 2     | 23         | 1 32            | 9 22               |
| Richmond No. 1       | 79         | 44 20           | 95 69              |
| Richmond No. 2       | 28         | 8 07            | 37 72              |
| Rileyville           | 34         | 41              | 5 89               |
| Spencer              | 3          | 1 38            | 4 51               |
| Stanley              | 80         | 50 00           | 70 31              |
| Thelma               | 8          | 6 25            | 7 39               |
| Wytheville           | 7          | 1 50            | 2 88               |
| Yale                 | 56         | 10 00           | 20 15              |
| Home Department      | 7          | 2 09            | 5 25               |
| <b>Totals</b>        | <b>678</b> | <b>\$203 57</b> | <b>\$556 87</b>    |

MABEL MOFFETT, *Secretary.*

The Russian field is being served with an eight page monthly "Signs of the Times" paper, whose subscription price is \$1.00 a year; in clubs 80 cents (Canada \$1.10 and \$.85). This is eagerly read by Russians, and is exerting a wonderful influence where circulated.

Thus, to an extent, the instruction to multiply our publications "in many languages" is being carried out. The time has come for them to be given a large circulation. All can have a part in this. Further information will be furnished by your Tract Society, to whom all orders for these and other supplies should be sent.

The Literature and Correspondence Band

The Literature and Correspondence Band of Washington Missionary College meets every Wednesday evening, at 6:30 o'clock, in the College sewing rooms. We have in our band at present about fourteen active members. In corresponding with a person whom we hope to interest in the truth, we first send him a missionary letter along with a copy of the monthly "Signs of the Times." Then the next week we send him the first number of the "Present Truth Series." After we have sent six numbers, if he has not already answered our first letter, the second letter is written. Each time we meet, we send out between one hundred fifty and

two hundred papers. We have received many encouraging letters this year, and we hope soon to hear of some souls, who have accepted the truth as a direct result of our work. MARY HOLDER, *Leader.*

Washington Missionary College

A son was born to Professor and Mrs. A. M. John, February 8.

Last Thursday evening, Mr. Transstrom gave a lecture and electrical demonstration in the College chapel.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson, Wednesday, February 14.

"Temperance," was the subject under discussion at the Young People's meeting last Sabbath afternoon. Mr. Sharffenburg told of the various methods we may use to arouse public sentiment in favor of temperance. Temperance campaigns, hall, and open air meetings were some of the things he suggested. Rachel Salisbury told how the Temperance Instructor might be used to advantage in this work.

Mr. Wyche gave his third lecture in the chapel, Thursday evening, February 22. He told a variety of stories. Mr. Wyche is an artist in story telling and his lectures have been much enjoyed by those attending.

Tuesday evening, February 13, the dormitory girls entertained the boys at a Valentine Social, in the dining room. The room was prettily decorated for the occasion, with hearts and red and white crepe paper. Readings, music, and games were the main features of the program. Refreshments were served.

February 25, the College Junior Class organized with the following officers: President, Frank Wood; vice-president, Mr. Woolgar; secretary, Virginia Shull; treasurer, Mr. Ross.

The class up to the present time has 10 members.

Professor Prescott's talk on the three P's in education,—Power, Poise, and Polish, given in chapel Wednesday morning, was much enjoyed by the students.

Professor Votaw, who has been ill for a few days, is again able to take up his work.

Mount Vernon Academy

We were glad to have the new home missionary secretary of Ohio, Brother H. K. Christman, address the student body in chapel last Monday.

Elder George F. Enoch was with us last Thursday and Friday and we were pleased to have him present some good thoughts in worship on Thursday evening and Friday morning. He also occupied the chapel hour on Friday, telling us of some of the new plans for raising funds for Washington College and Mount Vernon Academy.

Miss Ethel White has left us to engage in the Bible work in Pennsylvania.

Professor C. S. Longacre addressed the students at the Friday night prayer meeting last week. At the regular service on Sabbath morning he conducted the Religious Liberty program.

A lecture was given in the chapel last Saturday night by Professor C. S. Longacre, his subject being, "Character—Not Fame." The auditorium was crowded with interested listeners.

Mrs. S. H. Elder of Smethport, Pa., came to the academy Monday to get her grandson, Mr. Robert Diegel, who had to undergo a serious operation. Our prayers go with him and we trust he may speedily recover.

Elder R. T. Dowsett occupied the chapel hour on Tuesday and gave us a very interesting and encouraging talk.



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**OBITUARIES**

**GROVE.**—Edith Victoria, daughter of Brother and Sister Charley Grove, of Martinsburg, W. Va., was laid to rest in the Piney Grove cemetery, 16 miles southwest of Martinsburg, Friday, Feb. 23, 1917, being at the time of her death 4 years 5 months and 3 days. Words of comfort and admonition were spoken by the writer.  
 S. T. SHADEL.

**ATKINSON.**—Martha Ann Atkinson was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, September 10, 1830, and died February 21, 1917, aged 85 years, 5 months and 11 days. She was married to George Atkinson January 5, 1851. There were no children born to this union. Her husband preceded her in death February 23, 1913. She was the last of her family; all her brothers and sisters having passed away some years ago. She was much beloved in life and her memory will be cherished by all of her relatives and friends who are left behind.  
 E. K. SLADE.

**MCINTYRE.**—Mary E. McIntyre was born in Philadelphia, Pa., in December, 1852, and died near Pleasantville, N. J., February 2, 1917, of tuberculosis, in the 64th year of her age. Sister McIntyre had been a member of the Vineland N. J. Church of Seventh-day Adventists for more than 40 years, and had spent most of the years of her life in that municipality. Her unflinching faith in God, and her unswerving integrity toward the truth, are worthy of our emulation. The promises of God were precious to our sister to the last, and the friends and relatives, who mourn their loss, laid her away to rest in the Vineland cemetery

on February 5, 1917, there to await the coming of the Life-giver. The funeral services were conducted by the writer.  
 G. W. SPIES.

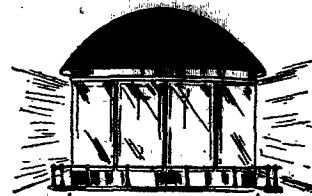
**Advertisements**

Approved advertisements will be published in the VISITOR at the rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words or less, and one cent for each additional word. Each group of initials or figures counts as one word. Cash and reference must accompany copy for all advertisements.

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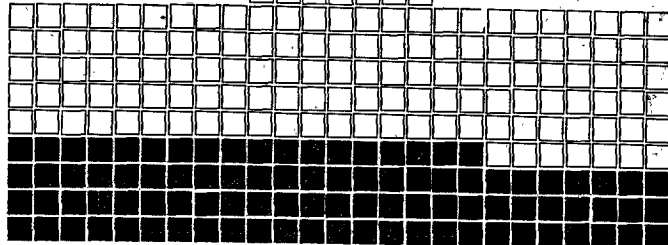
**WANTED.**—A married man with small or no family, who understands gardening and is handy at repairing. Six room house on premises free and forty dollars per month. Sabbath and church privileges. Reference given and required. Position March 15, 1917. Address Mrs. Clara K. Slater, N. Second St., Pottsville, Pa.



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