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UNION

In Touch with the Source of all Power

"It is working actively to supply the necessities of the cause of God that we bring our souls in touch with the Source of all power." Vol. 6, p. 27.

Sometimes we are tempted to complain because the everexpanding work of God calls for so much time and attention on our part. But we are told that it is the active participant in this effort that makes the connection with the source of all power. We have talents given us by God, therefore, let us use them for Him.

CHRIST OBJECT LESSON CAMPAIGN—The helps which are being given with "Christ Object Lessons" are proving a source of great blessing in enabling one to present the work of Seventh-day Adventists in a most favorable light. The eight-page folder profusely illustrated with 21 illustrations, clearly portrays our work in mission fields. It is printed on graphic paper, thus giving the folder a neat artistic appearance. It also gives the needs of our mission workers. The folders are so arranged that anyone can take them to their neighbors and friends and have an interesting subject upon which to converse. As you open the folder, you call their minds to the attention of our medical schools and what we are doing in that line as well as educational. Their attention should then be called to the Washington College and the Mount Vernon Academy and explain their purpose, aims, and the great results obtained. This opens the way for you to introduce the subject of "Christ Object Lessons." This little folder is not only instructive but attractive.

FOUR PAGE FOLDERS—This shows the best methods of introducing the "Christ Object Lessons." It shows the best manner in approaching a person in a tactful way. It will enable one to take hold of the work in an intelligent way, not merely as a canvass, but rather a heart to heart talk with friends and neighbors. Wonderful things would be accomplished if every one did their part, and the writer earnestly desires all to take

hold and push the "battle to the gates."

This wonderful book, "Christ Object Lessons," is written more to give prestige to the work of Seventh-day Adventists than any other book, unless it is "Ministry of Healing," and it should indeed sell well with the instructive helps given. The writer hopes that 10,000 copies of the book will be sold in the next six months.

URGENT

Word has come from Nashville that 19,000 of the April "Watchman" ordered by us are still on hand. These must not be left on the shelves.

Has your church done its bit? We propose that each church shall do three things.

1. Decide how many of these papers you can place in the homes of your friends and neighbors.

2. Send the order at once to your Conference Tract Society.

3. Hasten out with them on arrival, and use them as you did the Harvest Ingathering number, soliciting funds for the training of missionaries. If there is anyone in your church who wishes some of these remaining papers to sell on commission be sure and let them have them.

We can distribute these 19,000 papers in the next two weeks if we will.

Pittsburgh sold 2,000 in ten days: Erie with but 60 members distributed about 1,000 in about one week: we can each do our part if we act with energy, promptness and decision.

The Lord will hold us each responsible for taking the meaning of these things to our friends and neighbors. The King's business requires haste. We can and we will.

GEO. F. ENOCH.

The greatest results will not be money received, but the help it will give to many people as they are brought into contact with "the source of all powers," which will mean the salvation of not only their own souls, but those of their friends and neighbors.

GEO. F. ENOCH.

Better than Gold Dollars for Fifty Cents

It is quite impossible to secure gold dollars for fifty cents, but the Lord has opened the way so that all may realize a better value even than that. The publishers of the *Signs* have reduced the subscription price of the weekly *Signs* to only \$1.00 for a single yearly subscription, and only 80 cents in clubs. With the advance in paper and printing materials, and the high cost of living, I do not see how it can be done. I consider it a very providential opening of the Lord for these last moments of probation, that our people may quickly warn the world by giving them God's message for these last days, through this valuable medium.

Just think of it! It means for only \$1.00 (or only 80 cents in clubs), you may give your friends the benefit of two full series of lectures, or sermons, such as are given by our very best evangelists in the large Theater and tent meetings. Or for only 60 cents (or 45 cents in clubs), you may send them the *Signs* for six months, thus giving them the benefit of a full series of lectures. For the *Signs* presents the message in a full, clear, beautiful way every six months.

Did you know that about sixty per cent of those who are now in the message, have come in through reading our truth-filled literature?

Do you know that the Lord says "there is a spirit of iniquity everywhere?" that your friends, neighbors, and those about you want to know what these awful things mean? They surely do. Then will you not take them a copy of the *Signs*, and show them how wonderfully it explains these things, and secure their subscription? Do not try it, but DO IT, and see how thankful they will be to you for doing them this kindness. A multitude is already expressing their gratitude.

"Behold now is the accepted time." You will never have another such opportunity. The publishers have reduced the price in the hope that they would be able to realize 100,000 subscriptions by July 1, 1917. They have done, and are doing their part, let us now do our part. Let them not be disappointed. They ought to have 1,000,000 subscriptions at the price instead of only 100,000. Why not a

million? Note the subscription prices—they are very tempting:

Single subscription 1 year	\$1 00
“ “ 6 months	60
“ “ 3 “	40

In clubs of five or more to one address, one year, per copy 80

In clubs of five or more to one address, six months, per copy 45

In clubs of five or more to one address, three months, per copy 25

In clubs of five or more to different addresses, 1 year, per copy 85

In clubs of five or more to different addresses, 6 months, per copy 50

In clubs of five or more to different addresses, 3 months, per copy 30

“Behold, today is the accepted time” to go out and secure a bunch of subscriptions from neighbors, friends and strangers. In a little while, comparatively, the mails will be so severely censored that much that may now be sent, will be eliminated. Make Sabbath, April 28, “Signs Day” and make up a large club in your church. J. W. HIRLINGER, C.U.C. *Home Miss. Sec’y.*



OHIO

A Greater Work

“At this time,—a time of overwhelming iniquity,—a new life, coming from the source of all life, is to take possession of those who have the love of God in their hearts, and they are to go forth to proclaim with power the message of a crucified and risen Saviour. They are to put forth earnest, untiring efforts to save souls. Test. Vol. 9, p. 44.

What a striking expression of an important truth! At this time of overwhelming iniquity, a time to which the Saviour referred when He said, “And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold,” a new life, or power is to take possession of those who have the love of God in their hearts. As we read these words, we are constrained to believe that they are a prophetic portrayal of the very times in which we are living. As we look out upon the face of human society today we see every evidence of retrogression. The developments of the past month have brought practically every civilized nation on the face of the earth into active warfare

Nations are angry, the spirit of demons seems to have taken possession of human hearts, the love of many seems to have waxed cold, and everywhere we see the terrible harvest which results from this condition. “The agencies of evil are combining their forces, and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.” Id. p. 11.

Now, while the agencies of evil are combining their forces, it seems only a matter of divine providence that this people should commence to organize and train its forces throughout the ranks. The results of the efforts during the past year to give our Home Missionary work greater prominence in the development of the work have been most gratifying. There is no doubt but that it is a prelude to a greater awakening among God’s people, which will only mean a greater work. We are told that in every church there is talent, which, with the right kind of labor, might be developed to become a great help in this work. If we would see the earth lighted with the glory of God, how important it is that this unlimited resource, the latent talent in our churches be developed and utilized in the work of warning a world of its impending destruction!

During the last few weeks, while devoting most of my time among the churches in our field, I have been impressed with the spirit that seems to have taken hold of our people. In Cleveland, Columbus, Springfield, Dayton, Washington C. H., Wilmington, and Hamilton, the churches have been organized into bands for permanent work, and in several instances the territory surrounding them has been districted, so as to enable the members to conduct continuous, systematic campaigns with our message-filled publications. We hope to visit every church in the conference during the coming months, and with the Lord’s help, place the work on a firm basis.

Just a little while from this, and the work will be finished. In this Home Missionary work we should consider our efforts in behalf of our people short of perfection, until every one who believes this message, has been enlisted in active service. Dear reader, as you take a retrospective view of your past experience, do you feel that you have been faithful in the discharge of your responsibility? If not, let me urge you to seek God earnestly to know just what He would have you do in His closing work, and under the compelling influence of a new inspiration, place yourself under the yoke, and thus give your all to help to bring this message to a glorious consummation.

H. K. CHRISTMAN, Home Miss. Sec.

Springfield Colored Work

On Sabbath, April 7, the Lord gave us another grand refreshing in our Quarterly meeting at the church in Springfield, Ohio. The church felt the need of its official board, and by a two-thirds vote of the church, Brother Charles W. Jackson was appointed church elder, and Brother George Neff, Brother Orton Slaughter, Brother George Norman, Sister Grace Jackson, and Sister Sarah Norman, were made deacons and deaconesses. These were ordained, and given their offices. We hope all will pray for the prosperity of the colored work in this conference. LESLIE MUNTZ.

A Letter from China

I have now been at home for more than two and a half weeks from my trip to South China and the Philippines. I did not expect to remain so long when I came. I thought that ten days would be the limit, but our boat has been delayed several days. We tried to change and get a boat by the same line that left yesterday, but the weather is so bad at sea, that they took the smaller boats off. That is encouraging for one just to start off. By the way the wind has been howling, I imagine that things will just be on end tomorrow when we get out in the open. We have a fair sized ship, however, and I am not a bad sailor, so I think I will not mind it too much, though when it gets real rough I must lie low. I had a wretched trip to Manila a few weeks ago. The huge waves came pounding down on top of the ship so that it was almost unsafe to venture out on some of the decks. It kept it up for nearly two days. I spent quite a little time in bed. Once I ventured to get out on the sofa to try to eat from a tray. A huge wave struck us. I tipped over one way, too sick to care what happened, and the tray went scooting down the sofa in the opposite direction. But such is life on the sea.

This trip takes me to Japan first. I will remain there two weeks, then early in February I cross into Korea, where I will spend two more weeks. From there I go into cold Manchuria, away up toward the Siberian border. I will be in Mukden. I imagine it will be bitterly cold. After a week there, I cross over to Peking, China, and then down into the interior. Will spend some days at Hankow, the Chicago of China. Then I take a steamer down the Yangtse River to Shanghai. Hope to get home soon after the middle of March. How glad I will be when the trip is over. It will be cold and trying. It will be quite a change from Manila, where I just spent more than a month. There a thin white suit was quite sufficient.

It has been real winter here of late. They say that the weather has been the coldest in twenty-four years. It has moderated a lot during the last two or three days.

Anna is getting on fine with her Chinese. It is the last thing I hear in the evening and the first thing in the morning. I fear she will not speak English at all by the time I get back from this trip. I will need to learn a few words of Chinese in order to make her understand what I want for my meals. I have had very little time for language study, and much of the time I have been where a different language is used to the one we study here.

The Chinese New Year is almost here. That is the great season in China. The natives have been borrowing money for weeks getting their accounts fixed up before the New Year, January 22. It is quite a good idea, isn't it?

We had a Chinese feast on our New Year's day. The school entertained. I wish you could have been there. The native custom is to all eat from a common dish. Each person fishes around with his chopsticks and it is a great mess before all get through. We had nine different things on the table besides the individual bowls of rice. The Europeans were scattered among the natives. I sat at a table with five or six Chinamen. You would have laughed to see me operate the chopsticks. I tried to get a good supply from the different dishes before they got things too much stirred up with their sticks that they had been using. I was having a time in one dish trying to get hold. The fellow next to me saw my plight, so he reached over and grabbed the bite I was after with his chopstick and stuck it over with my food. He meant well, though I would have preferred using my own sticks. Such is life, though, in these eastern countries. One gets used to a lot of things, and I really thrive when living with the natives. I did a lot of it when I was down in the Philippines. I had one interesting experience down there. I was eating in a native hut with some Philipinos. They knew that we use tooth-picks, so the old lady went and tore a sliver from the side of the house and then took the butcher knife and whittled me out a pick and handed it to me. One has some very funny experiences. I get fat on them. I never weighed more. Have now gotten up to 178, so I seem to thrive on what I get. C. E. WEAKE.

An Allegorical Catalogue

It has been the "Desire of Ages" to understand "The Heralds of the Morning" speaking of the "Conflict between Capital and Labor" and the "World's Crisis." The "Watchman," on "Morn-

ing Watch," can always explain "The Signs of the Times" with "Present Truth" about the "World War" and "Armageddon."

"The Story of Daniel the Prophet," as well as "The Story of the Seer of Patmos," gives us many "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation" in which we learn of "God's Hand in History" guiding in the "Captivity and Restoration of Israel," and they furnish us with "Scriptural Evidences" of "Things Foretold" about "The United States in Prophecy."

"The Men of the Mountains" and "The King's Daughter" love to hear "The Story of Joseph" who lived with the "Patriarchs and Prophets" and enjoyed the "Ministry of Angels."

We learn through "Gospel History" how "Shiloh, the Man of Sorrows," or "Christ Our Saviour," went about "Teaching Truth" and "Soul Winning" in His "Ministry of Healing." The same is true of "Acts of the Apostles" which gives us a "Missionary Idea."

These "Best Stories from the Best Book" are "Helps to Bible Study" and are written for our "Education," "Here and Hereafter." They give us the "Past, Present and Future" of "Modern Spiritualism," also of "The Man that Rum Made" who lived in "The Shadow of the Bottle" all his life because he did not have a "Youth's Instructor," or "Little Friend," and the "Life Boat" never came his way.

If you want to know "How to Keep Well and Live Long" you need a "Practical Guide to Health." "The Vegetarian Cook Book" is "A Friend in the Kitchen" and will assist in giving "Life and Health" and "Making Home Happy."

The "Bible Students' Library" contains many "Words of Truth" for the people of "Our Day" in regard to "The Christian Sabbath."

All "Gospel Workers" teaching "The Master's Greatest Monosyllables," while "Learning to Teach from the Master Teacher," feel the importance of being "In Touch with God" through "Real Prayer." They love to be "Alone with God" and receive the "Counsels to Teachers" before they give "Bible Readings" and tell "The Story of Redemption."

Those who are "Looking Unto Jesus," the "Coming King," and are looking for "His Glorious Appearing," gather many "Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing" as they follow the "Steps to Christ" guided by "Bible Footlights." They feel that they are a part of "The Great Second Advent Movement" but understand from the "Early Writings" of one who gave "Testimonies for the Church" that the "Great Controversy" will not cease until we reach "The Other Side of Death" and are in "Our Father's House," or

"Our Paradise Home," which will be "Eden Restored." C. H. NIELSEN.

In the Lake Union Herald.

NEW JERSEY

A Birthday Celebration

Yes, we're going to have a birthday celebration! Have you heard? The Missionary Volunteer Department which has meant so much to all of us, will be ten years old soon, and on May fifth, everyone will surely want to join in the celebration which will be held the whole world over. There is a special programme for the church service, and besides, Elder Sandborn will send "Conference Greetings" to each elder to be read, "A Brief Survey of our Conference Missionary Volunteer Work" is the title of another article which will be sent out as a part of the programme outlined in the *Review*.

Aside from the special church service, the Young People's meeting on that day, May fifth, should also be out of the ordinary. Plan ahead for it, and have it something especially good. Your material for this meeting, taken from the special Decennial number of the *Instructor*, will be wonderfully interesting. This *Instructor* is the best ever. Every boy and girl, every young person,—yes, and every older person, too,—should have a copy for their very own use. The conference has kindly consented to order a quantity of this special and will mail copies out from the Trenton office at three cents apiece to all who wish them. This is considerably less than cost, counting postage. Don't fail to secure a copy. This is probably the last celebration of this kind that our Missionary Volunteer Department will ever have. Let's make the most of it!

While we won't celebrate with birthday cakes and gifts for ourselves, we can express our appreciation for God's goodness in establishing the Missionary Volunteer Department by giving a birthday offering to His cause, and by joining heartily in the special programme. Shall we make it a day long to be remembered, Missionary Volunteers? ELLA IDEN.

News Notes

On Educational Sabbath, April seventh, we were favored in having three professors from Washington Missionary College with us. Professor John visited Newark and Trenton, Elder Butler conducted services in Camden and Burlington, and Professor Sorenson met with the Jersey City No. 1 and the Paterson English Churches. We were very glad to have this special help, and hope many were inspired to gain a Christian education through the good talks given.

You will be glad to hear that there is a Sabbath School in Elizabeth once more. Brother William Schmidt has been instrumental in organizing the School with a membership of 23. May the Lord bless abundantly in the work!

Brother John S. Dye, of Trenton, was laid to rest on April sixteenth, after a lingering illness. Elders Sandborn and MacNeil conducted the funeral services, assisted by Elder and Mrs. Carl B. Haynes, who sang several sweet selections. Sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved family at this time.

Elder Sandborn met with a variety of churches on the trip which he made to Newark last Sabbath, meeting with the German, the English, the Bohemian and the colored brethren there.

The dedicatory services of the new Paterson German Church will be held April twenty-ninth, at 2:00 P. M. Services will be held from Friday evening to Sunday evening, in connection with the church dedication. Elder Sandborn will be present throughout the meetings.

The new church is neat and commodious, and in a good section of the city. A good schoolroom is in the basement, for which we are especially glad.

We are glad to report that at this date the work on the Bohemian church is progressing quite rapidly. The floor is being laid now. Practically all the work is being done by the members of the church. On the first floor will be class and school rooms, while above will be the auditorium thirty by sixty feet.

Sabbath and Sunday, April 21 and 22, Elder Sandborn and Brother Gibson will conduct general meetings in Cape May Court House. The little company there has secured the use of the Spectatorium for the Sunday evening service. We are expecting that there will be a splendid audience, for the last time a meeting of this kind was held there the hall was well filled.

Brother Gibson has gone to Takoma Park to attend the Colporteurs' Institute and to secure some student colporteurs for New Jersey this summer. We wish him success, for we have some excellent territory to place them in.

Sister MacNeil, who has recently undergone a serious operation at the Washington Sanitarium, is improving rapidly.

CHESAPEAKE

News Notes

A meeting of the Conference Committee was held on Monday, April 16, in the conference office. At least four tent meetings for the summer have been planned for. It is hoped to have a fifth.

The committee building at 1611-10th St., has been sold and the conference office will be moved to 2901 Brighton St. This is only four blocks from where it is now located. Please remember the new address, 2901 Brighton St. All mail after this issue of the paper should be sent to our new address.

Elder J. O. Miller will move from his present location and locate at 2901 Brighton St. He is now living at 2119 Longwood St. Please note his change of address.

It was decided by the Conference Committee that the date for our camp-meeting be changed, and that it be deferred until late in the fall. The brethren are all very anxious to hold two tent efforts this summer and in order to do this it will be necessary to begin early. Each company is planning to begin about June 1.

Elder J. O. Miller spent last Sabbath with the church in Wilmington, Del. He reports a very excellent meeting. It was their quarterly meeting day.

Professor B. F. Machlan spent Sabbath with the Baltimore No. 1 Church last Sabbath. His talks were timely and were appreciated, both by the church and by the Y. P. S. M. V.

Brother M. S. Pettibone recently spent one Sabbath with the church at Whiteleysburg and last Sabbath with the church at Cambridge. He reports good experiences with both churches. The Cambridge Church is a very active little church. They, with a number of other churches in the conference, have been doing good work with the campaign number of the "Watchman."

Elder S. T. Shadel is spending a few days in Baltimore. His wife and daughter, Lida May, are also visiting friends here and at Rock Hall.

Elder Booth baptized three souls last Sabbath.

The new book, "World War" is having a good sale in our conference. We would like to see many more of them being sold, however. Get one and read it for yourself and then order to supply your neighbors.

The new book, "Soul Winning," by Elder G. B. Thompson is a very helpful book. It has come to our desk and is much appreciated. Every member of our conference should read this, and get a new desire to be soul winners.

VIRGINIA

No Time to Lose

There is no time to lose. Rapid changes are taking place upon this earth "that no pen can describe." Right in our own midst (the church) deception has taken hold on some, and if they will not turn and reform soon, their light will go out.

We are warned in sacred writ: Mark them that are causing the divisions and occasions of stumbling, contrary to the teaching which ye learned, and turn away from them. The warning is, "Turn away from them." Why? The reason is brought out plainly in the following verse: For they that are such serve not our Lord Christ, but their own belly, and by their smooth speech (good words) and fair speech they deceive (beguile) the hearts of the simple. (innocent. A. R. V.) Rom. 16: 17, 18.

How will they work their deception? "By good words and fair speeches." Then any member of the church who will not receive instruction from those whom God has placed as leaders of His people, will be deceived through the "good words and fair speeches." Satan will never present his deceptions to any soul until he has clothed his deception with polished, burnished appearance of the serpent, which have his own hellish deceptions enclosed in a cloak. Our first parents were deceived through his subtlety. The wise apostle, through divine inspiration continues: "But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety (in his craftiness A. R. V.) so your minds (thoughts) should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." (or from the simplicity and the purity that is toward Christ. A. R. V.) 2 Cor. 11: 3.

If any think they stand, take heed lest they fall. You will not stand when you listen and sanction "good words and fair speeches." I speak from experience to every member of our colored churches. Though this is for all. Paul spoke of those rising in our midst, yes, and would

come in, "speaking perverse things to draw away disciples after them." Acts 20: 29, 30. What is their object?

"To draw disciples after them." In what way will they seek or invent? "Through good words and fair speeches," to deceive the hearts of the innocent. Then this deception will be to deceive the hearts of the simple. What is the admonition? "Watch, and remember that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears." Acts 20: 31. What has God set in the church? But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it pleased Him. 1 Cor. 12:18. And He gave some apostles, some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers. What for? "For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. That we henceforth be no more children tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine by the sleight of men, in craftiness, after the wiles of error. And these "wiles of error," these through "good words and fair speeches" who will and have entered in among you and shall arise in our own midst, speaking perverse things to draw away his disciples after them."

We are living in the days of deception. To the law and to the testimony, if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them. Isa. 20: 8. The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. Rev. 19:10. And the dragon was wroth (is) (John saw it future; we see the present) with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, (the little flock) which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. Rev. 12:17. This gift was seen to be manifested in the remnant church prior to our Saviour's coming. Cor. 1: 5-8. Take heed to the warning.

W. H. SEBASTIAN.

News Notes

Mrs. Daniel Fahrner returned to her home in Guinea Mills this week from a month's stay at the Johnson-Willis Hospital in Richmond. She was taken there for surgical work of a complicated nature. Her friends will be glad to know of her return healthways. Ruth Fahrner came to Richmond for the home trip with her.

Brother G. V. Woods of Chase City has moved to the home of his daughter. He is planning to attend the Gordonsville camp-meeting and will meet his son Frank Woods there, who will come from the Washington Missionary College.

Elder W. E. Bidwell, who has raised up the Basic company this past season, is now spending a few days at his home in Stanley.

W. H. Jones, the Home Missionary Secretary, is now visiting the churches in the valley section of the conference. He reports excellent meetings all along the way, and a good desire for service.

Mrs. W. H. George and two daughters are joining Brother George in New York City. A farewell service was recently held with them by the Stanley Church.

Special

Chewing Gum

There is nothing that appeals to a well bred girl more than her personal appearance.

Have you ever noticed the expression upon the face, when one is engaged in an interesting conversation? Notice how the eyes will lighten up to give expression, and a smile will play about the lips; it is very interesting I am sure. But I want to present to you a different picture. A beautiful face, marred with the constant wagging of the lower jaw, trying to keep in motion a wad of chewing gum twisting the mouth in all shapes, laughing, chewing, and trying to talk at the same time. Nothing is more disgusting, to say the least, than to behold a picture as presented above.

How many times have we observed young women attending some evening function, dressed in their best, spoiling their whole appearance by a perpetual motion of the lower jaw caused by the gum chewing habit.

On the streets and on street cars this habit is indulged in, and the girl who does this cannot help but place the stamp of cheapness upon herself. This is the girl that the strange man seeks to become acquainted with; he thinks she is loose in other things, even though she may not be.

Girls, do not cheapen yourselves, wear the stamp of high quality which is a modest, unassuming, yet dignified appearance.

Go into the best society circles and you will not find ladies of refinement using chewing gum; such a habit or practice is considered far below their dignity.

Not only on the streets and in other public places is this habit freely indulged in, but even in the church. What an act of irreverence for the house of God! We would not think of taking bread or cake to church and eating it, but we will chew gum and go through the forms of eating, chewing and swallowing.

The physical harm done by chewing gum is great. It produces swallowing; this becomes very inconvenient when one is conversing; it becomes necessary to stop and swallow very frequently.

Gum chewing weakens the saliva glands, as all the time one is chewing there is a constant flow of saliva; the action be-

comes the same as that of the habitual tobacco chewer in production of saliva, the only difference is in the way in which it is gotten rid of: the one swallowing, the other expectorating. Saliva is very useful in the work of digestion, but the time to make good use of it is when we are eating our food. In some extreme cases the lower jaw has become paralyzed from the habitual use of chewing gum. We see some symptoms of this very frequently, only in a milder form, especially when one is not thinking or on guard; the lower jaw drops, causing the mouth to remain open: this presents a very gawky appearance.

When we consider the process through which the crude gum goes, it adds repulsiveness to the question and would certainly cause the habitual gum chewer to drop it from his list of bad habits.

"The chewing gum which we buy and find advertised on every side of us is made from gum gathered in the tropics, and it is right here that the trouble starts. The trees yielding the crude gum are, as a rule, magnificent specimens with trunks fifty feet in the clear without a branch.

"The process of gathering the sap is as follows: The trunk of the tree is scored in zigzag fashion, from the first branch to the ground, thus making a trough fully seventy to one hundred feet in length. Now the sap flowing into this cut is pure and white,—do not forget this—but what happens when it gets into the trough?

"Imagine, if you can, one hundred feet of tanglefoot fly paper hanging in the woods for one week—our own northern woods—to say nothing of the tropics! what you would catch would stock a museum of natural history. The sap, as it flows down the tree, being sweet and sticky, attracts and holds many things that move, walk, fly or are blown. The native gatherer is not the neatest and daintiest person; he has not a care in the world—so why should he worry? He is paid by the pound, and even a fly weighs something.

"Now the sap is collected in buckets and taken to a central station where it is boiled, and made into cakes and exported to the United States.

"The gum is then melted, sugar and flavor added, cooled, rolled out as desired, packed and sold to 90,000,000 men, women, and children carrying on its face the bar sinister of dirt, and the specks you see are,—well they may be pieces of bark or bits of leather, or perhaps defunct inhabitants of the tropical forests; there is no guaranty given as to the exact nature."

The pepsin used in gum is secreted from the stomach of animals, usually from the stomach of the swine; this gives us another reason why we should discard gum chewing from our list of habits.

As a whole, there is nothing to com-

mend the use of gum, so why not as Christian young people purpose that as for us we will not defile this body that God has intrusted to our care.

Mrs. A. E. KING.

The Present Truth

Present Truth was the name of the first missionary paper ever published by the denomination. It dealt especially with essential theological questions clustering around the seventh day Sabbath and the second coming of Christ. It was small in size, being only an eight page, 6x9½ inches, and cheap in price. It was given away to all who would read it. It was finally merged into the Review in 1850, or in other words, it was continued in the name of the Review until 1914, when the Review began to give back to its original life in the form of Review Extras, and completed its full restoration with its original name of Present Truth, January 1, 1917. The Present Truth is, therefore, not only our oldest missionary paper, but in all characteristics essential to successful missionary work, perfectly adapted to the needs of the times.

The name of Present Truth given to the new series will be in keeping with the nature of the matter that will go into the different issues of the series. It is issued twice a month, thereby covering in one year the same twenty-four topics that were printed in the old Review Extras. Each issue of this series contains as much reading matter as an ordinary 32 page tract. Besides, this matter is printed in the popular form of an illustrated periodical, mailable by tract societies at pound rates—1 cent for 16 oz, instead of only 2 oz. for one cent, the amount required for tract postage. The cost, therefore, of this strong, attractive matter is greatly reduced to our people, it being supplied for one-half cent a copy in one thousand lots, whereas the same matter in tract form would cost our churches two cents plus the cost of re-mailing at one cent for two ounces.

The present goal set for the circulation of Present Truth is 250,000 copies per week—500,000 copies per issue. The year 1916 closed with a weekly average circulation of 110,000 copies. The month of March this year, the time this report was written, gave an average weekly circulation of 188,186 copies. At this rate of increase, it will not be long until the goal of 250,000 copies will be reached.

The ten million copies circulated during the past two years are evidently accomplishing the work for which they were issued. The publishers are receiving many letters similar to the one we quote:

"Editor of Present Truth: One of your little papers fell into my hands, and I

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Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Ohio, Week Ending April 13, 1917									
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.		BR	5	43	9	32 50	1 75	34 25	1 75
Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.		BR	4	40	3	11 50		11 50	30 00
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M. B. Ingersol, Huron Co.		BR	5	35	1	3 50	2 25	5 75	4 25
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W. H. Smith, Delaware Co.		BR	5	31	8	29 00	5 50	34 50	25
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E. C. Alexander, Adams, Co.		BR	4	28	13	52 50	5 25	57 75	26 75
D. McCarthy, Youngstown		BR	5	27	13	52 50		52 50	12 15
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton		BR	5	27	10	38 00	15 00	53 00	1 75
G. Yingling, Girard		BR	5	26	12	45 00	16 00	61 00	10 50
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Frank Fultz, Montgomery Co.		BR	2	15					36 50
Mrs. G. M. Yingling, Girard		BR	4	15	3	10 50	7 00	17 50	5 35
Miscellaneous							7 00	7 00	
Totals	16 Agents		80	508	111	\$421 50	\$112 95	\$534 45	\$215 20
East Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 18, 1917									
S. Booth, Franklin		GC	5	31	12	42 00	75	42 75	
C. Booth, Franklin		BR	5	47	15	56 50	4 00	60 50	
L. W. Mase, Lycoming Co.		GC	5	42	16	56 00	6 50	62 50	
W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		Misc	5	30	45	27 75		27 75	
R. W. Garrett, Lycoming Co.		GC	5	42	21	72 50	3 00	76 50	
Wm. P. Hess, York		BF	4	38	15	30 00		30 00	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	4	12	9	18 00	3 00	21 00	12 00
C. F. Durr, Philadelphia		Misc	5	24		15 20		15 20	
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East Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 7, 1917									
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C. Booth, Franklin Co.		BR	5	35	10	39 00	3 75	42 75	2 75
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R. W. Garrett, Lycoming Co.		GC	5	31	17	59 50	1 00	60 50	
W. P. Hess, York Co.		BF	5	42	16	32 00		32 00	
J. L. Gerhart, Lehigh Co.		BR	4	33	10	36 00	1 75	37 75	
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West Virginia, Week Ending April 13, 1917									
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J. S. Seal, Charleston		BR	4	25	13	46 50	9 25	55 75	
John Fahrner, Charleston		BR	7	30	2	7 00	75	7 75	31 35
W. E. West, Cheylan		BR	5	35	11	39 50	2 15	41 65	1 35
T. M. Butler, Harrison Co.		BR	5	32	3	10 50	30	11 00	83 00
S. G. Butler, Charleston		HM	6	43	21	52 50	9 10	61 60	3 85
C. G. Mays, Monroe Co.		HM	3	20	12	30 00	3 00	33 00	
John McHenry Gary		BF	2	21					167 85
Totals	8 Agents		37	240	91	\$290 50	\$25 10	\$315 60	\$287 40
Chesapeake, Week Ending April 13, 1917									
C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co.		BR	4	28	15	53 50	3 00	56 50	3 50
Totals	1 Agents		4	28	15	\$53 50	\$3 00	\$56 50	\$3 50

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 13, 1917

A. Brownlee, Allegheny Co.	PPF	5	43	43	29	90	25	30	15	77	20	
Mrs. C. D. Bateman, Cambria Co.	HM	4	24	13	32	50	4	00	36	50	19	00
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.	BR	4		27	18	50	3	20	21	70	59	80
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.	SP	5	48	9	12	00	6	75	18	75		
A. Holst, Indiana Co.	BR	5	34	5	19	50	4	00	23	50		
J. A. Kimmel, Somerset Co.	BR	4	22	4	17	00	23	25	40	25	8	25
L. C. Mitchell, Allegheny Co.	HM	2	21	3	7	50	2	50	10	00	19	00
G. Rager, Cambria Co.	HM	3	21	7	17	50	2	00	19	50		
Millie Smith, Allegheny		5	12		6	00	1	50	7	50		
A. Thurman, Allegheny Co.	Mag	4	14		1	00	9	20	10	20	9	20
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Mount Vernon Academy

The program for the Young People's meeting last Sabbath afternoon was rendered by the Bible Workers' and Ministerial Bands. A tent effort was being conducted, Messrs. James Lippart and Joseph Craig acting as tent masters and Mr. John Brownlie, as the Seventh-day Adventist minister. He delivered his sermon on Daniel 2, after which slips were passed to those in the audience who were interested.

The next scene was a home, Miss Zoella Kelly being the mistress and one interested in the tent meetings. It was Sunday afternoon and her neighbors called on her because of her absence from the Methodist Church of which she was a member. While thus engaged, the Bible Worker comes and gives a lesson on the second coming of Christ. Then she and the neighbors leave and the Methodist minister, Reverend L.B. Taylor, calls and he tries to assure Miss Kelly that the things which she saw and heard were not essential and that the Adventists use different Bibles. Just at that point Elder Brownlie steps in and an interesting conversation takes place. The result is that Rev. Taylor leaves and Miss Kelly becomes a candidate for baptism.

Miss Eleanor Kuebel has left school to take up the colporteur work.

The week of prayer in our school will begin April 20 and extend to April 27. We solicit an interest in your prayers in behalf of our school, that we may receive abundantly the blessings which God has in store for us.

Mr. Nicholas Schmidt, who had been on a visit to his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., has returned.



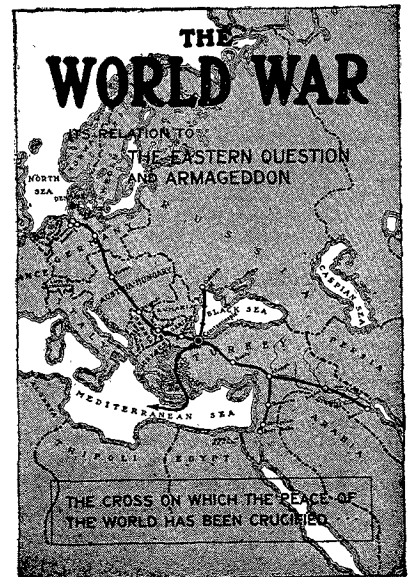
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OBITUARIES

ALBRIGHT.—H. LeRoy Albright was born at Reading, Pa., July 25, 1900; he fell asleep in Jesus at Mount Vernon, Ohio, April 9, 1917. The cause of his death was pneumonia. LeRoy came to Mount Vernon with his father last June in order that he might attend Mount Vernon Academy and prepare himself for a place in the Master's service. He was a good student and an exemplary young man in every way. From early childhood he had a desire to become a missionary for God, and he never lost this desire. While we do not understand the providence of God in permitting one so young and promising to thus, on the threshold of manhood, lay down his plans and labor forever, yet we do not question God's wisdom, but believe that in the working out of His divine plan, He permits only that to happen to His children which will be for the advancement of His cause and the glory of His name. LeRoy was always faithful in his Christian duties and his testimonies in the students' prayer meetings were always encouraging. We confidently believe that he sleeps in Jesus and that on the morn of the first resurrection, he will respond to the voice of the Life Giver and come forth to life immortal. The faculty and students of the academy all assembled in line on both sides of the street in front of the academy grounds while the hearse with the pallbearers on each side passed through the double line, then closing in line, marched and followed the hearse to the academy, where the service was conducted in the chapel by the writer. The entire student body and a large company of residents from the village were present. The body was taken to Reading, Pa., for interment.

N. S. ASHTON.

ASHTON.—Ludwell Lenard was born in Langley, Virginia, and departed this life March 31, at New Castle, Delaware, at the age of 41 years. Brother Ashton accepted present truth about 15 years ago, and during this time labored in several states and conferences, chiefly associated with tent efforts, though for a number of years he labored with the third church of Baltimore City. Moving to Dover, Delaware, about 5 years ago, he served as church elder of the Dover Church until the time of his death. Going to New Castle, Delaware, to engage in some line of employment, he contracted a heavy cold and pneumonia developed and after a very short illness our brother passed away. Our sympathies go out to the sorrowing widow and two sons and his brothers and sisters who mourn their

loss. Funeral services were conducted at Dover, Delaware, and at Washington, D.C., where interment was made.

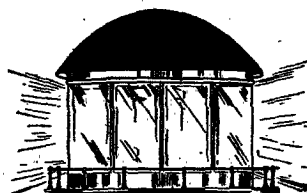
GUSTAVUS P. RODGERS.

DORSEY.—Clement Dorsey was born at Hagerstown, Md., December 25, 1839, and died at Newark, Ohio, April 10, 1917, aged 77 years, 3 months, and 16 days.

He accepted the doctrine as taught by the Seventh-day Adventists 24 years ago, and since that time, until the day of his death, has been a strong believer and defender of that faith. He leaves a wife, three daughters, one son, a step-daughter and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from 2 Sam. 14:14.

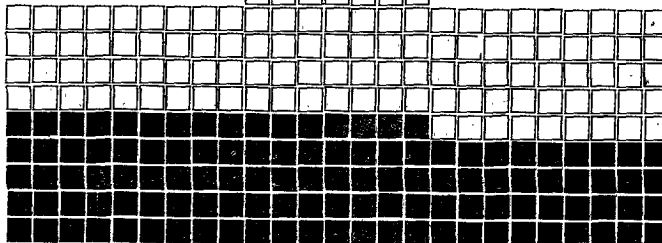
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