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The Philadelphia Effort

It gives me great pleasure to give to our brethren throughout the Columbia Union Conference the status of the Philadelphia effort up to date. I know that you are all interested in what is going on here. To you also belongs a good deal of the credit, for by your sympathy and your subscriptions to the newspaper you have greatly contributed to what has been and is being done.

Last Sunday night we finished our ninth Sunday night, so that we do not write now of things in an experimental condition. Our subject last Sunday night was "The Punishment of the Wicked." The Lord greatly blessed the sermon that evening, and when the call was made for those who wished to be prayed for to raise their hands, all over the lower floor and the two balconies hands went up, and we had a blessed season of prayer. The people throughout the sermon showed the deepest interest, and at two or three times manifested their approval by applause. We do not encourage applause, but we do not give it the coldblanket turn down, when the people out of the warmth of their heart and friendly feeling break forth into such friendly demonstration of their sympathy.

Also nearly the seventh week of our week-night meetings in the Parkway Auditorium are at a close. Thus it has been every night and every night and every night now for nearly seven weeks. We are glad to say that our audiences keep up, and that decisions are being made on every hand for the truth. Since we have presented the Sabbath question, Brother Parsons reports that forty persons have accepted the truth, some of whom are keeping the Sabbath and others are preparing to keep it. We feel thankful to God for these decisions. Our attendance practically remains about as at the beginning, the interest is deepening, and the donations increasing.

In fact we are receiving now in our Sunday night theater meetings donations about twice as large as they were in the beginning.

We are not hesitating to declare the whole truth. We have no time to preach on love, joy, peace, long suffering, and the general topics on which everybody can agree, provided we ask nobody to do anything in particular. But our subjects have been such as these: The Sabbath, Law and the Gospel, the Seal of God, the Mark of the Beast, The Sealing Work, The State of the Dead, Spiritualism, The Millennium, The Perpetuity of the Law, The Sanctuary, the Twenty-three Hundred Days, The Judgment. In fact, we find that Present Truth is just what its name indicates. It is no longer the preaching of things that are going to be, it is an actual reality. The Lord has stood by us, and greatly blessed us.

One brother, who is a minister, has fully decided for the truth. With tears in his eyes the other night he asked me to baptize him. Last night, which was Monday night, I made a call for those who wished to abandon the wicked woman of Revelation 17 and join the religion represented by the beautiful woman in Revelation twelve, to hold up their hands. There were a dozen men who raised their hands, as well as a number of others.

We could relate many interesting experiences, but of course, time and space forbids our doing so. Some of our brethren are prophesying that before a year has rolled around there will be easily one hundred converts to this truth. I speak this very modestly, too, because some of our well experienced brethren in this Union are expecting that number even before.

B. G. WILKINSON.

The Home Missionary Campaign, Erie, Pa.

We are glad to report a very successful campaign in Erie. Elder Schwartz and the local church worked very hard to make the effort a success and were rewarded bounteously for their effort.

Sister White once said that what the church needed was work. This campaign is surely giving many the privilege of working.

On Sunday evening, April 15, we were all made happy by having the main floor

of the theater and the first balcony fill up with an excellent class of people before the time to begin the lecture. We had scarcely started before the third balcony began to fill and was quite full in a short time. At least 1500 people attended the lecture.

The Lord gave freedom and the people were all greatly interested. No one thing ever done in Erie before had brought our work before so large an audience of interested people in such a favorable way. All the workers during the week testified that everyone they met, who had either been to the lecture or heard of it, had a good word to say for Seventh-day Adventists, and were sympathetic listeners to their further explanation of either "Object Lessons" or the magazine, very few refusing to buy one or the other.

One of the greatest victories the Lord gave us was the newspaper publicity. The Erie Morning Dispatch, the leading newspaper of Northwestern Pennsylvania, came out Monday morning with about half the last page, the most prominent place they could give us, devoted to the lecture and its subject matter. Considerable of the last part of this published report was given to the telling of what Seventh-day Adventist missionaries are doing around the world in general, and in the Orient in particular. All agreed that prestige had been given to our work in the city. Elder Schwartz began to talk about tent meetings, desiring to profit by the favorable way our work was being considered as a result of the campaign. The evening paper also gave a good notice of the lecture.

One interesting feature was the encouraging response of the church in general to the call to sell the Watchman and book. When I arrived, 1000 Watchman were piled on the front seat. It was a formidable looking accumulation for so small a church as Erie, with a total enrollment of about sixty, and only about half that number to be mustered into service. Some almost shook their heads in despair. But we called for 10 who would take 50 papers and 20 who would take 25 papers each. The Lord moved the hearts to a willing response, and by Wednesday night the pile had melted away to 200 papers, half of which were spoken for. There is no reason why our churches in

these large cities of the East cannot sell from 1000 to 5000 magazines in these stirring times every month, excepting the energy and effort is lacking. Under capable energetic leadership they will do it. This will not only give the truth to our cities, but also provide some of our sisters with a substantial income. Pittsburgh Churches sold 2000 Watchman in 10 days, and then when the word came that there were still a number left in Nashville, ordered 1000 more.

But the most interesting experiences came in connection with the selling of "Christ's Object Lessons." A number of people, who handed in their names at the lecture, met me on the threshold of their door with a word of welcome and the eager inquiry, "Have you brought me that book?" One lady, a lay missionary in the Baptist Church, was so delighted with the book that she began to use it at once in her meetings at the church.

Another interesting feature was the good results of the community prayer-meetings. Many of the homes of our people were opened for prayer meetings to whom friends and neighbors were invited. Some of these are proving permanent, and the local pastor is able to begin a series of cottage meetings in the community with the Adventist home as the base. This is making the homes of our people true lights in their community. Some are already inquiring about baptism.

One more interesting development in Erie was the psychological effect on our own people. One sister at the Wednesday night meeting confessed that she had done but little because she thought people were so prejudiced against us, and that after all we were an insignificant people. But this campaign in which the leading people of their city had listened interestedly to the story of what Adventists were doing, and who were everywhere expressing admiration of the wonderful things the Lord was doing through us, had caused her to see the mistake of her previous mental attitude. Hereafter she would lift up her head and go forth among her neighbors bearing to them the wonderful story of what the Lord is doing for the finishing of His work on earth.

The church at Erie became responsible for 350 "Object Lessons."

GEO. F. ENOCH.

The Philadelphia Effort and Home Missionary Work

Regardless of the fact that Philadelphia is a very conservative city for book and magazine work, about 2,000 "World's Crisis," "Armageddon," "Other Side of Death," and many other small books, hundreds of magazines and many of the larger books have been sold. About eight

or 10,000 of Elder Wilkinson's printed lectures have been sold.

The public services in the Garrick Theater and Parkway Auditorium, together with this great amount of literature which has been scattered broadcast, have greatly stirred the people of Philadelphia and surrounding towns and cities; and there is a widespread interest. Go wherever one may in that great center of population, and you will find very few, comparatively speaking, who have not attended the meetings, read something, or heard more or less about the message. At least, this has been my experience.

As I have visited business men and lay people in different parts of the city, I have found them very free to talk and hear about the meetings and the significance of the signs of the times. I have never witnessed such a general interest in all my experience. Truly the people of Philadelphia are stirred as never before.

The "Good Seed" has been planted and if it is properly watered and cultivated, it will surely yield a large harvest of souls. Already several have taken their stand and many others are arranging their private affairs so that they may "Keep the commandments of God and the Faith of Jesus." That which I have witnessed of the work of the Holy Spirit in Philadelphia, convinces me that we are living in the time of the latter rain, when the Lord will "make a quick work in the earth" and "cut His work short in righteousness."

Many members of the Philadelphia and Camden Churches, who have never had any experience in colporteur work, have met with very good success during this effort. Miss Frizzel, less than fourteen years of age, cleared over three dollars during the first three hours of her experience in selling "Armageddon," and "Signs" magazines. Another young girl about the same age, cleared over two dollars in the same length of time, selling the same books and magazines. This was their first experience. Different ones have gone out and sold fifty and more of the printed lectures in two hours. Besides their good success in selling the lectures and other literature, they have had many precious experiences talking with the people about Jesus' love and His soon coming, and praying with them.

Mrs. William Frizzel, Miss Wilcox, Anna Snyder and others have met with splendid success selling "Armageddon." In less than four hours Sister Frizzell sold ninety-three copies of "Armageddon" within two squares. In this place Sister Frizzell and Sister Wilcox were selling to almost every house, and a man came running after them and said "What have you there anyway? I want one of those books. Everybody seems to be getting one."

The Third Angel's Message is due the

world and the world is waiting for it. The Lord says, "A spirit of inquiry is abroad in the land and it is within our power to answer these inquiries by getting our truth-filled literature into the hands of the people." If ever there was a time when God's people should be on the alert, that time is now. Our people everywhere should be armed with our literature, which wields "the sword of the spirit" in a very strong way. Never will there be a more favorable time than the present to scatter our books, magazines, tracts and papers. "NOW" IS THE TIME.

J. W. HIRLINGER.

The Home Missionary Campaign Bradford, Pa.

I am glad to report an encouraging Home Missionary Campaign in Bradford, Pa. I notice that some are calling this a campaign in behalf of the College. We want the word to go out that after all what the College gets out of it is but the by-product of the campaign. So let us call it a campaign in the interest of the home missionary work.

When we were planning for the work Easter Sunday, we were perplexed, for we knew it would be hard to select a large city for that day and come out even on expenses. But in Bradford, Elder West was carrying on work, and it was thought the effort would help his interest.

On Easter morning several of the preachers of the city warned their members against attending. We were afraid that we would not have much of a crowd, but in the afternoon the theater was nearly full and at night there were only a very few empty seats. But better yet prestige was given to our work in the city, and many of the leading people of the city had our work presented to them in an interesting setting, and they were given a new vision of what the Lord is doing in the world. A number remarked that they had never dreamed that the Adventists were doing so much work, and that they now had an entirely different idea of us and our work.

Best of all, a number of names were handed in and others sought out who desired Bible readings on the coming of the Lord and kindred truths. In one instance the first week developed one home that as a result of the lecture was opened for cottage meetings. I left the brethren and sisters much encouraged and everybody feeling that the effort was worth while. Several hundred of the April Watchman were sold, and arrangements made for the sale of 200 "Object Lessons." These were not all sold that week, but they will soon be disposed of. No church is loaded up with books nor is any individual. That 8 page folder telling the wonderful way in which our work is being carried

There is shed room in the enclosure large enough to park fifty automobiles for which no charge will be made to those who come in their car. On account of the Park being in use July fourth, it would be advisable for our people to come to the camp ground July fifth. The first meeting will be held at 7:45 p. m. July fifth. Please order at once through the conference office, 7155 Mt. Vernon St., Pittsburgh, Pa., tents, booths, furnished rooms, and also what furniture and cots you wish. Orders should be sent in early so that there may be time to arrange for what is needed. Make your plans NOW to come to this camp-meeting.

F. H. ROBBINS.

Notice

The Lord willing, Elder F. H. Robbins will hold meetings among the following churches and companies on the dates mentioned below. Pastors and Elders of the churches may please announce meetings to begin each evening at 7:45.

Russell	"	11
North Warren	"	12
Corry	"	13
North East	"	15
Albion	"	16
Meadville	"	17
Erie	"	19
Somerset	"	26
Mt. Braddock	June	3
Washington	"	9
Hackneys	"	10
Indiana	"	16

Campaign in West Pennsylvania

While selling "Christ's Object Lessons" during the campaign in West Pennsylvania, it was my privilege to accompany Elder Geo. F. Enoch in Pittsburgh, Bradford, Erie, and Johnstown. In these places a good impression of our work was created. People who attended the lecture were well pleased. As our church members called upon them with the book, it was evident that these folks were happily surprised to know how Seventh-day Adventists are carrying on aggressive work in so many non-Christian lands.

These lectures have aroused our own people to a renewed activity. Working with "Christ's Object Lessons" gives confidence and helps each member to spread the message.

I fully believe the work begun will spread throughout the different conferences. Our people will gain an experience that will aid them in handling the larger books.

A special blessing attends those who sell "Christ's Object Lessons." It is God's plan to use this book for the advancement of the educational department until millions of copies are sold.

E. A. MANRY.

News Notes

Elders Ulrich and Schwartz with Elder Robbins went to DuBois last week to make definite arrangements for our coming camp-meeting, which will be held there, July 5 to 15.

Elders Ulrich and Schwartz held a meeting at Brockwayville recently at the home of Sister Shelly. Forty-five persons were in attendance. The same evening Elder Robbins spoke to the company at DuBois. Some good substantial people are taking their stand for the truth at DuBois.

Brother J. J. Vance is spending a few days in Pittsburgh.

Brother E. A. Manry attended the colporteurs' institute which was held at Tunessasa Academy.

A Sabbath School has been organized at Stoyestown, where Brother Spencer has been holding Sunday night meetings for some time. Brother Spencer reports that there is a good interest there.

Brother Baroudi, who has been canvassing in Monessen for some time, took \$675.00 worth of orders during the last nine weeks. Besides canvassing he has been spending some time giving Bible readings.

Brother A. E. Holst, who is canvassing in Indiana, writes that homes are opening up to him for Bible readings. Seven persons are deeply interested in the truth.

A very pretty wedding took place at the First Church last Wednesday evening, after prayer meeting before a large audience; the contracting parties being Harry C. Dean and Leah V. Bainbridge, two of our most estimable young people.

The pastor gave an address on the Marriage Institution, after which the wedding march was played by Mrs. J. Konigmacher, and the bridal party marched slowly down the aisle between rows of palms and ferns. The ceremony was simple in keeping with our customs, yet impressive, and all felt that the blessing of God rested upon these young people who were united in faith as well as in heart.

They received the congratulations of a host of friends, and the prayers of the whole church will go with them.

They are planning to spend the summer in Ohio.

F. A. HARTER.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA

Notice

Notice is hereby given that the East Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and the Pennsylvania Tract and Missionary Society Corporation, will hold their business session in connection with the East Pennsylvania Conference camp-meeting, June 21 to July 1, 1917, at Emmanuel Grove, near Allentown, Pa. The first business session of the East Pennsylvania Tract Society will be held at 9:30 A. M., Monday, June 25.

D. A. PARSONS, *President.*

LUCY P. EMERSON, *Secretary.*

News Notes

An interesting Sabbath School convention was held in the Reading Church Sabbath, April 28. The members of the Fleetwood Church joined in the program. Many interesting and instructive papers were presented relating to the Sabbath School work. With the pleasant memories of the good obtained here, we are looking forward with interest to "Rally Day," June 2, when these topics will be studied throughout the conference.

T. H. Barritt visited Fair Hill, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, and Lake Ariel during the preceding week in interest of the home missionary work. He reports these churches of good courage and willing to take advance steps in the work.

Miss Bessie E. Acton, late of Ohio, has accepted a call to this conference as Young People's Missionary Volunteer, Educational, and Sabbath School secretary. We welcome Miss Acton in our midst and trust that her work in the conference will be long enjoyable.

Come to camp-meeting. Let us make it the best East Pennsylvania has ever had. Emmanuel Grove, Allentown, June 21-July 1.

The earnest company of believers gathered together at Danville under the labors of Brother Baum were organized into a church, April 28, by Elder Parsons. The recently acquired church building there will also be dedicated this summer.

Sister Acton and Brother Barritt are planning to hold conventions in the conference. Look out for announcements.

Mrs. T. H. Barritt and son are spending a few weeks at Atlantic City. We are glad to report that her health is improving.

VIRGINIA

The Tidewater Churches of Virginia

It was a great pleasure to the writer to visit these churches Sabbath and Sunday, April 21 and 22. The little rebuilt church of Newport News now makes a pleasant place for the twenty-one earnest members of that church to worship. The Norfolk Church meets in a hall down in the heart of the city, and the Hampton Church has its own new building in the central part of Hampton. The total membership of these three churches is fifty-eight, and through the energetic efforts of Brother I. D. Richardson, who has the special supervision of these churches, quite a number are now ready for baptism.

These churches are planning for systematic missionary work preparatory to the tent effort to be conducted throughout the summer by Brother Richardson in Newport News. All of these churches being accessible by street cars and ferries, the combined efforts can be successfully applied on any effort made at any one point in Newport News, Norfolk, or Hampton. These tidewater towns are the most promising places for successful work we have seen, and the three little churches established in them are made up of members well qualified for the support of aggressive efforts, and they are beginning to work faithfully with their enthusiastic leader. We look for decided advances in these tidewater churches during the coming season. D. W. REAVIS.

Come to Camp-meeting

"The camp-meeting is one of the most important agencies in our work. It is one of the most effective methods of arresting the attention of the people, and reaching all classes with the gospel invitation.

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp-meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the camp-meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth. Some will say, "It is expensive to travel and it would be far better for us to save the money, and give it for the advancement of the work in places where it is needed." Do not reason in this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of this people. Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gathering of God's people." Test. Vol. 6, pp. 31, 38.

News Notes

Elder Moffett is making a tour of the state in the interest of camp-meeting.

Brother Hankins has been attending the canvassers' institute at the Washington College during the past week. It is expected that a good number of the students will come into Virginia this summer to earn their scholarships.

Sister Moffett has gone to pay her mother an extended visit in Mount Vernon, Ohio. We hope that she will have a most pleasant visit.

Brethren C. E. Overstreet and M. A. Maloney, both students at the Shenandoah Valley Academy, have passed the Standard of Attainment examinations with good grades.

Camp-meeting is in Gordonsville, May 24 to June 3. Please do not forget to send word for room and tent reservations, otherwise you may be disappointed. Come if you possibly can.

Young people, come to camp-meeting!

Much interest is taken in the series of meetings now in progress at Rileyville. Elder L. O. Gordon has now been with the church several days and several new ones have taken their stand on the commandments of God. Their term for the church school is now closed and Miss Roberta Ellis, the teacher of Richmond, has returned for her summer vacation.

The church school at Republican Grove Miss Elsie Pollard teacher, closed her school with appropriate exercises on April 4. The church was prettily decorated and the children did their assignments with much credit both to themselves and their teacher. Miss Pollard has returned to Richmond after visiting several days with friends.

It will be interesting to note that in closing the first quarter of 1917, our tithe account passed the same time for 1916 by some over two hundred dollars. Also the mission offerings are ahead of last year for the same time. We have now passed the hardest season of the year for our mission work, and we must get the matter well in hand that we may fill our quota for the year. Most of the churches are making good progress in the attempt.

Sister E. A. Truman, an aged member of the Richmond Church, died May 1. She has long been faithful and lived the truth in her home and leaves a large circle of friends and relatives. Obituary notice will follow.

M. S. Kritzky closed a successful term of the Russian church school with fitting exercises. After spending several days visiting with the Russian believers, Brother Kritzky joins the circle of book workers with the object in view of obtaining a scholarship for the Washington Missionary College for next season.

Richard W. Cross, A. L. Gary, and M. S. Kritzky made the office a welcome call Monday on their way to Gordonsville to enter the field for books with Brother F. E. Hankins. It looks like we will have a busy summer with the book-workers.

Preparations are now in progress for the coming camp-meeting at Gordonsville, to begin the twenty-fourth of this month. These are stirring times indeed, and so much the more so as we understand the meaning of world events. It would be sad indeed for a special blessing to be given to those at camp, and have any of our people who can come to be left out. So let us plan early and see the way open for us to come. If accommodations are needed, send word to Elder W. C. Moffet, Gordonsville, Va., and all possible will be done for your comfort while there. A good supply of the latest and best selling books will be at the book tent, also a goodly supply of the new 25 cent books which are selling so rapidly just now.

It will be of interest to know that during the past six weeks we have shipped out from the office in Richmond alone over three thousand of these new 25 cent books, and still they are going. One sister alone sold 220 in a little over a week. Others might. Who will try?

OHIO

News Notes

Elder E. K. Slade was called to Akron recently to meet with the Church Board to consider matters in connection with their building plans. He also met with Brother John Klepe to lay plans for his work in the city in the interest of the Roumanians.

Dr D. H. Kress is spending a few days in Ohio, in some of our large cities and churches. He is favoring the people of Columbus, Mt. Vernon, Dayton, and Springfield with his lectures this week.

Elder F. M. Fairchild has been holding a series of meetings with the Clyde Church, where he is now living. He also reports that there is prospect of organizing a church at Broughton in the near future.

SPECIAL NOTICE—There is an opportunity for a limited amount of money to be placed in the work where it will be accomplishing a great deal for the cause, and where it will be safe and draw a regular rate of interest. Any having a desire to place money under such circumstances are requested to write at an early date.

E. K. SLADE.

The Powell Church was sold recently, no regular meetings having been held there for some time by the several scattered members. The furnishings were reserved and any of our churches interested in the same, please write at once to the Conference Office. In the list are 18 seats, 7 feet long; three seats, five feet in length; 3 hanging lamps, and two side lamps, and stove and a chapel organ.

NEW JERSEY

News Notes

Miss Mildred Macpherson, of Newark, spent Sabbath and Sunday with friends in Trenton. We were very glad to see her.

Sister Anna Clayton has been spending the past ten days in Trenton at the home of her sister. She was a welcome visitor at the church services on Sabbath.

Elder A. R. Sandborn is in Washington, D. C., on business.

Brother Clarence Lawry visited the Plainfield Church on Sabbath, April 21, and reports a good meeting. He also visited the little company at Elizabeth, and spoke very encouragingly of the good Sabbath School there and of the interest which was shown by those present at the meeting.

It was reported that the attendance at the Sunday night service in Bridgeton last week was so large that it was necessary to open the little prayer room, in order to accommodate all in attendance. We are very much pleased to hear of this excellent interest.

You will be glad to know that the work in the New Jersey Conference has grown so that it has been necessary to fit up a new room at the conference headquarters in Trenton for the use of the department secretaries. When you come to Trenton, do not fail to call on the secretaries, Brother Gibson and Sister Iden, in their new office.

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
West Virginia, Week Ending April 20, 1917									
Norman Haye, Graham		BR	5	41	27	99 50	1 05	100 55	35
John Fahrner, Dawes		BR	5	34	8	28 00	9 40	37 40	16 70
J. S. Seal, Charleston		BR	4	21	9	33 50	3 00	36 50	27 50
W. E. West, Dawes		BR	5	32	5	20 50	2 45	22 95	
W. A. McElphatrick, Marshall Co.		BR	4	16					78 75
G. E. Snyder, Harrison Co.		BR	5						26 75
T. M. Butler, Greenbrier Co.		PG	5	33	7	24 50	15 50	40 00	1 00
J. M. Morris, Charleston		HM	5	44	44	116 95	2 95	119 90	3 10
C. G. Mays, Greenbrier Co.		HM	5	48	24	66 00	11 25	77 25	75
John McHenry Gary		BF	2	15					132 90
Totals	10 Agents		45	284	124	\$388 95	\$45 60	\$434 55	\$287 80
Virginia, Week Ending April 13, 1917									
B. F. Purdham, Albemarle Co.		BR	7	63	42	114 00	11 25	125 00	
Harry Wright, Nelson Co.		BR	7	60	14	53 00		53 00	53 50
S. N. Wilmer, Orange Co.		BR	6	58	24	76 00		76 00	
Geo. W. Lawrence, Warwick Co.		Mis	5	49	195	59 00		59 00	34 00
Totals	4 Agents		25	230	275	\$302 00	\$11 25	\$313 25	\$87 50
Ohio, Week Ending April 20, 1917									
J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co.		BR	5	42	7	24 50		24 50	30 00
R. H. Patterson, Clark Co.		BR	4	35	6	24 00	3 75	27 75	8 25
M. B. Ingersol, Huron Co.		BR	5	34	1	4 50		4 50	
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		BR	4	29	9	33 50	20 00	53 50	28 50
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton		BR	5	28	11	39 50	6 80	46 30	2 55
Mrs. Kelley, Dayton		BR	5	26	8	32 00	1 25	33 25	12 05
C. G. Douglass, Summit Co.		PPF	4	24	6	15 00		15 00	
N. Oancea, Akron		Foreign	4	22			26 75	26 75	26 75
Clara Weber, Dayton		BR	5	22	4	15 00	2 00	17 00	3 20
H. C. Nelson, Springfield		BR	5	22	5	17 50	1 00	18 50	11 50
Chas. Carter, Paulding Co.		BR	2	20	5	19 50		19 50	
E. C. Alexander, Adams Co.		BR	3	19	7	26 50	4 00	30 50	11 00
D. McCarthy, Youngstown		BR	4	18					113 50
C. D. Alsapach, Paulding Co.		BR	2	15	7	24 50		24 50	
G. Yingling, Niles		BR	2	13	1	5 50		5 50	67 00
Totals	14 Agents		59	369	77	\$281 50	\$65 55	\$347 07	\$287 30
West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 16, 1917									
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.		BR	4	35	6	21 00	2 50	23 50	89 55
Mrs. C. D. Bateman, Somerset Co.		HM	9	43	29	67 00	21 00	88 00	51 50
A. Brownlee, Allegheny Co.		PPF	10	90		63 50		63 50	82 25
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.		SP	7	49	7	9 00	2 25	11 25	
J. S. Glunt, Erie Co.		COL	5			15 70		15 70	17 45
A. Holst, Indiana Co.		BR	5	33	11	43 50	2 00	45 50	10 50
W. H. Jack Warren, Co.		DR	10	45	14	48 50	5 50	54 00	63 00
A. Thurman, Allegheny Co.		Mag	2		9	4 50	2 00	6 50	3 50
Totals	8 Agents		52	295	76	\$272 70	\$35 25	\$307 95	\$317 75
East Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 20, 1917									
Wm. P. Hess, York Co.		BF	5	48	15	31 50		31 50	
S. Booth, Franklin		GC	4	22	6	22 00	75	22 75	115 75
C. Booth, Franklin		BR	2	15	6	21 00	1 25	22 25	
R. W. Garrett, Lycoming Co.		GC	4	30	12	42 00	2 50	44 50	
J. L. Gerhart, Lehigh Co.		BR	4	32	7	27 50	5 00	32 50	
W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		Misc	4	29		25 50		25 50	34 50
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	4	13	7	14 00	3 00	17 00	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	4	20	14	28 00	6 00	34 00	
C. F. Durr, Philadelphia		Misc	5	16			9 20	9 20	
Totals	8 Agents		36	225	67	\$211 50	\$27 70	\$239 20	\$150 25

Chesapeake, Week Ending April 20, 1917

C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co.	BR	4	26	15	52	50	50	53	00
O. C. Weller, Thurmont Co. Md.	BR	4	34	13	50	50	4	50	55 00
Totals	2 Agents	8	60	28	\$103	00	\$5	00	\$108 00
Grand Totals: 46 Agents of Orders		Value \$1559 65		Deliveries, \$1139 20					

Report of New Jersey Sabbath Schools

For Quarter, Ending March 31, 1916

School	Membership	13th Sab. Offer.	Total Con.
Annandale	22		2 00
Asbury Park	5	50	2 50
Atlantic City	13		7 78
Bridgeton	53	12 00	51 62
Burlington	49	39 90	112 04
Camden	74	51 42	136 36
Cape May Court House	47	12 56	37 74
Englewood	8	26 37	29 18
Franklin Furnace	28	8 46	19 00
Hackensack	12	2 96	17 50
Hammonton	12		6 52
Havenkopf Mountain	8		3 02
Home Department			2 00
Jericho	33	2 60	11 88
Jersey City No. 1	57	18 99	81 93
Jersey City No. 2	60	19 82	62 76
Jersey City German	48	22 52	78 88
Jersey City Swedish	41	4 50	23 35
Lafayette	11	1 75	4 93
Morris Plains	16	1 05	9 05
Newark	104	32 33	87 86
Newark Bohemian	49	10 00	37 54
Newark Colored	15	10 61	15 06
Newark German	11	11 22	42 68
New Brunswick	4		70
Oakland	14	1 05	9 20
Paterson	88	25 13	122 60
Paterson German	24	11 95	56 90
Paulsboro	9	1 05	3 61
Perth Amboy	27	2 00	9 64
Plainfield	33	7 40	21 29
Pleasantville	32	31	9 14
Ramah	43	24 63	38 34
Rockaway	31	14 38	26 43
Salem	14	1 00	8 51
Swedesboro	41	7 00	32 55
Trenton	120	19 19	89 03
Vineland	11	7 73	20 22
Washington	4	85	8 39
Woodbury	20	5 40	15 00
Total	1291	\$418 63	\$1354 80

Brother C. E. Gulick, of Jersey City, has been confined to his bed in the Roosevelt Hospital, New York City, for nearly a week. His friends sympathize sincerely, and pray for a speedy recovery.

Brother M. S. Pettibone spent Sabbath with the church in Wilmington. He has had very good success in securing orders for the "April Watchman."

The Hagerstown Church is now hard at work to raise money on their church debt. They are using the "World War" and Elder Shadel writes, "It sells like 'hot cakes'." They had ordered 100 and in a short time they were all gone, and we received a telegram ordering 100 more at once.

Three persons were baptized by Elder Shadel recently, and he writes that others are interested and about ready for baptism. Thus the work is going.

Elder A. S. Booth and wife have gone to New England for a two weeks' vacation and to visit relatives of Elder Booth. They have labored hard and have earned a rest. Thus far Elder Booth has baptized seventy-one persons since coming to Baltimore. This has meant considerable to the Baltimore No. 1 Church in the way of encouragement. This church has just had some very interesting experiences in the raising of \$1500 to apply on the church debt. They set their goal at \$1250 but passed it. A full report will appear next week.

Elder J. O. Miller spent last Sabbath with the little company at Middletown, Del., and met a very interesting company and had a pleasant visit. He hopes to visit them again before so long and have a longer stay among them.

Special Notice

The Eighteenth Annual Special Prisoners' Life Boat is now ready for mailing. Notice a few of its leading attractions:

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News Notes

Elder J. O. Miller, the president of the conference, with his family and the conference office are very comfortably located at their new headquarters, 2901 Brighton Street, Walbrook, and will be glad to have their friends stop in to see them when in the city.

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Mount Vernon Academy

We were pleased to have with us last Sabbath afternoon Elder G. B. Thompson. He spoke to the church at the 3 o'clock hour.

Sabbath, April 28, twelve of our students went forward in baptism. Mr. Joseph Beach of Martel, Ohio, who left school on account of the death of his father, came on Friday and was one of the candidates.

Dr. Ruth M. Miller and her little daughter Elsie accompanied Elder W. W. Miller to Mount Vernon last week. Elder Miller attended the committee meeting and returned to his home with Elsie the next day, while Dr. Miller spent the week with Miss Emma Silber.

The Canvassers' Institute opened on April 30 with a good attendance and Brethren C. V. Leach and Carl Fairchild present.

Mrs. W. J. Walter of Fond du Lac, Wis., is visiting her daughter, Wilma.

Mr. Bonar Bainbridge spent several days at his home in Pittsburg, to attend his sister's wedding.

Miss Margaret Schmidt was called home on account of the illness of her mother. Her brother Nickolas, who has just recovered from an operation, accompanied her.

Miss Salome Rockey of Attica, Ohio, spent the week end with her sister, Miss Hilda Rockey.

We were pleased to have with us at the Canvassers' Institute Brother Kirk, field agent of the West Virginia Conference.

Camp-Meeting Dates

Virginia:— Gordonsville, May 24 to June 3.

East Pennsylvania:—Emmanuel Grove, near Allentown, June 21 to July 1.

New Jersey:— Trenton, June 28 to July 8.

West Pennsylvania:— Du Bois, July 5 to July 15.

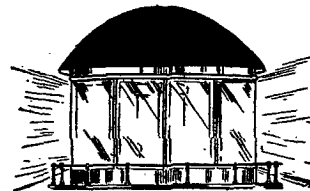
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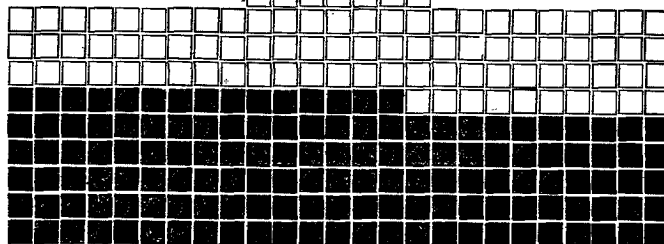
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