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UNION

The Spring Council

At the close of my discourse before a crowded theater, Sunday night, April 16, I went immediately to the depot and took the train for Huntsville, Alabama, where the Spring Council of the North American Division had already been in session for several days before I arrived at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning. I was in time for the last four days of the council.

We had a great meeting. I considered this the finest council that has ever been held in my knowledge. The brethren rose to great decisions. With an eye looking clearly towards God, and rising to great faith, they decided to take their stand on present-day issues. More about this will be put in the Review and in the Union papers later on.

Great plans are on foot also for improving our educational work of the South. The brethren voted practically \$60,000 for the improvement of the colored school at Huntsville, Alabama. Good work has been done in this school up to the present time, but now the work is spreading, and calls are coming on every hand for colored workers. The plant needs enlarging; and the work needs a stronger center of training. Arrangements for this were made.

In addition to this, the brethren voted to raise within the course of the next two years \$60,000 for the improvement of the white school at Ooltewa, Tennessee. Brother Branson, president of the Southeastern Union, and Brother Wight, president of the Southern Union, have done splendid work in the last year, since the removal of the school from Graysville which they considered not to be very well adapted for the developing of our work. and opening the educational work of the South in a new center. We thank the Lord for what our eyes saw and our ears heard. We believe the day has come for a new work in the South. We believe that God has been leading our brethren in strong faith and in great endeavors to put the work of both the white and colored people of the South upon a stronger basis than ever before. We solicit the prayers of our brethren throughout the Columbia Union that God may give them success.

It was also our privilege to visit and take council with the brethren of the Southern Publishing Association. God has been greatly blessing the work there for some time in the past. We feel that in the providence of God the work now being done is but an earnest of a greater work to be done in the future. It was with great pleasure that we saw the faces of old friends, and also many new workers; while a zeal and energy are taking hold of our workers in the South that our brethren in the North would hardly realize.

We also had the privilege of visiting the school at Madison, Tennessee, conducted by Professor Sutherland. These brethren are earnestly endeavoring to get a grasp on the rural school situation, which really means a splendid endeavor to help along the whites who, living in the mountains have lacked advantages from the standpoint of mental progress and education. While our stay at this place was very short, we saw enough to blend our hearts in a sympathetic desire that God will greatly bless these brethren and give them good success in this work.

B. G. Wilkinson.

Work Among Our Churches

The last two weeks of March and the first three weeks of April were devoted to the work of aiding our churches to organize for permanent service. This work was instituted to aid in securing the needed funds with which to erect and equip the proposed building of the Takoma Park Missionary College. The book "Christ's Object Lessons," is being used in this campaign by our churches. This is a book that should be in the home of every family. I know of no book that carries with it more fragrance than does this one. It is impossible to read it prayerfully without feeling impressed with this. It is a book that will pave the way for important truths yet to be given to our friends and neighbors. Our churches. with whom we had the privilege of a short stay, responded nobly. The time has come for each one to stand in his and her lot and place. There is a work for each one to do. Just what that work is each one must ascertain for himself and herself. One thing we may all do, and this is possibly the most essential thing, that is we may carry the fragrance of the life of Christ. We can all be Christians. We can all be Christ like, manifesting His kindness and courtesy as we meet with believers and unbelievers. The world is still saying "we would see Jesus." We can be helpful to our neighbors and friends. We can let our light shine where we are. To do this requires prayer and consecration. The book, "Christ's Object Lessons," will be found a valuable aid in the development of Christlikeness.

While aiding our churches, I aimed to do work outside, for various organizations and in the public schools. The lectures given were well written up in daily papers by reporters, and favorably commented upon. In one of the cities I was entertained by the Y. M. C. A. In all I spoke 24 times during the week I was there. About 3000 to 4000 student youths were addressed during the week. I also met with the Protestant ministers at their meeting. About 30 were present. I have never had a more appreciative audience than were they. After speaking for 35 minutes, about 30 minutes were spent in answering questions. This was a most enjoyable occasion. At the close they came to thank me for the information imparted.

A business men's luncheon was also held at which I gave a talk on "The high cost of living and the cost of high living." This lecture was well received. I also met with the women of the Y. W. C. A. and the W. C. T. U. The papers devoted a great deal of space in giving my lectures. Upon the whole, my trip was an enjoyable one, and I trust was blessed of God to the good of many. I feel more and more impressed that the health principles are especially to be made prominent now. There never was a time when they were needed more. These truths allay prejudice and pave the way for other truths if presented in the spirit of Christ. They were committed to the church to impart. It was in addressing the church Christ said, "Ye are the light of the world." Satan is doing more to destroy men and women morally through wrong physical habits than we can appreciate. We can elevate them morally by correcting these habits. The time has come fore us all to live what we preach in order that we may speak with authority.

Elder Enoch's lectures which followed in each city have done much to bring before the public the work of our organization in the Orient. Much good is being accomplished by these lectures.

D. H. Kress.

A Visit to Cincinnati

On my way back from the Spring Council in Alabama, I had the privilege of preaching to the church at Cincinnati, Sabbath morning, April 22. While there was not a large attendance, there was an enthusiastic spirit, and we could see that the brethren in Cincinnati have great hopes for the future of the work in that city.

They have it earnestly on their hearts to erect a new church building. How we wish that they could have their desires fulfilled and fulfilled speedily. We believe that there is yet to be a great and wonderful work done in the city of Cincinnati in the proclamation of the Third Angel's Message.

Brother Behrens, who is in charge of the work in that city, very kindly, and without any solicitation from the writer, and in fact without my saying a word to him, asked the brethren there if they would not like to see us bring a big effort to Cincinnati such as we are conducting in the city of Philadelphia. We believe the church expressed themselves very favorably to this.

Whether or not this will be possible we do not know, but of course, we do greatly desire to see a great work done in this city. For a long time we have felt that it is one of the strategic cities in our forward movement work. We ask our brethren throughout the Columbia Union who feel their interest drawn thereto, to remember in their prayers the work in the city of Cincinnati.

B. G. WILKINSON.

OHIO

Youngstown

From time to time the Lord's prospering hand has been manifest in the work in this city, by individuals turning from the traditions of men, to the light of the gospel as it is in Christ Jesus through the line of truth that we hold so dear.

On April 28, the hearts of our people at this place were again made to rejoice, as it became my privilege to lead into the watery grave eleven dear souls, who for Christ's sake had signified their willingness to lay all at the foot of the cross.

There are others that we expect ere long will fully decide to come out and take their place among the Lord's commandment keeping people. There are a number that are earnestly studying the message and still others that are desirous to do so.

A short time ago after repeated requests, I went to East Youngstown, into the foreign district, where the English tongue is practically unheard. Among the Slovaks of this community I held a meeting. There are souls there that are ready for the truth, and I believe that if we could send a worker to this "Foreign Field" within our own confines, a company could be raised up among this people, even as among the Roumanians. W. J. Venen.

Extracts from Correspondence

We are encouraged many times with the spirit that rings in the letters that come to us from different parts of the state. They help us us to feel that the spirit of God is taking hold of the hearts of His true followers, and that many are hearing and heeding His call to greater activity in His closing work. We quote some extracts from some of these letters for the purpose of encouraging the readers of the Visitor.

One sister from the northern part of the state, who is isolated and alone, writes concerning her anxiety over existing conditions, and the needs of God's people, "As we see the storm clouds thickly gathering around us and the time of trouble right upon us, it behooves everyone who values his soul or eternal life to make firm, decided moves. WE MUST HAVE A BURDEN FOR SOULS. The perils of the last days are right upon us. What next! We have been told that the last movements would be rapid ones. can see everything shaping around for the final conflict. Oh, how can anyone be indifferent now? It rejoices my heart as I see the earnestness on the part of our people; but oh, the discouraging thought as we see some at this critical time so indifferent to the needs of their fellowmen around them who are perishing." Brother, Sister, are you one of the indifferent believers, whose heart is steeled by constant neglect? If so, arouse yourself, and help others to seek for the lost. It will not be long until the season of rescue will be over. The Lord will not reward any unfaithful servants.

Only recently two of our sisters in one of the the large churches in the conference felt burdened to place the little book "Armageddon" in the homes of the people in their neighborhood. After they had spent part of the first two days in the work, one

sister wrote, "Sister— and I were out by ten o'clock in the morning, and by 12:30 with the Lord's help I had sold nine books. Not one person refused me. It was wonderful how grand the people treated us. All seemed to be so interested, and for that reason I spent a little longer time with each person. My purpose in doing this work is to arouse the people to an interest and study of the prophecies. We went out the following day for four and a half hours. In two days, a period of eight and a half hours, I had sold twenty-five books. I am just enthused over this work."

This is certainly an encouraging report. This sister felt impressed that some of her time should be given to this work, and without stopping to argue the matter with Satan, obeyed the voice of God speaking to her soul. What this sister has done, others can do. Think for a moment what it would mean if twenty-five hundred believers in the state of Ohio were to give just a small portion of their spare time each week in some line of missionary work for those around them. While precious moments are passing, probation is closing. H. K. Christman.

CHESAPEAKE

Report of the Baltimore No. 1 Church

About five years ago the Baltimore No. 1 Church, under the pastorate of Elder F. W. Paap, felt the serious need of a memorial to the Third Angel's Message in the city of Baltimore, and said, "Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for the work" and a neat and commodious church was built at a cost of about \$13,000. Our brethren and sisters have greatly enjoyed this home, and have struggled hard to pay the debt. But at times the way has been dark, and some almost gave up in despair of ever being free from debt. Sums of \$500 to \$1000 have been paid at various times on the principal. Six months ago a payment of \$500 was made as well as the interest then due.

A little less than five months ago, the church, under the leadership of our present pastor, Elder A. S. Booth, who came into our midst a little less than a year ago from California, decided to cancel at least one-half of the first mortgage still remaining, which was \$2500. This would mean that May 1 we would pay \$1250. This almost looked to some of us as impossible as did the building of the wall of Jerusalem to some of the people of Israel in the days of Nehemiah. But the leaders took the lead and talked courage. "So we built the wall; and all the wall

was joined together unto the half thereof" and even more; for the sum of \$1400 was paid on the principal and the interest to the amount of \$75, because "the people had a mind to work," and "the leaders took the lead." Happy indeed was every heart when the announcements were made of what had actually been achieved.

It may be of interest to some other churches under the burden of debt to know how this was accomplished. At the beginning of the campaign Elder Booth organized the church into bands. Ten of these were for the regular church membership; one for the children under the leadership of our Primary Superintendent of the Sabbath School, Mrs. J. H. Mencken, and Mrs. W. J. Tetz, our Missionary Volunteer leader appointed three leaders for the Young People's Society. These bands worked in various ways. The children used the little Dime Books and did splendidly. Some bands organized themselves into sewing circles and brought in excellent returns. Cards containing the Ten Commandments were secured at a small cost and sold. At least 1400 of these were used by various bands. One of the Y. P. S. bands which did exceptionally good work under the leadership of Mrs. Mildred Thomas circulated at least 400 commandment cards and between 1800 and 2000 of the Present Truth. This band had a membership of nine at the beginning of the campaign and fifteen at the close. Another one of the bands circulated about 475 of the cards. About 10,000 or 12,000 copies of Present Truth. were used in the campaign, by the various bands. The workers would go from door to door, offering the card or paper, and solicit donations. Amounts ranging from 3 cents to 50 cents would be received, according to the interest of the people and their financial ability. The most of this work was done on Sunday. It was not an unusual thing for a worker to go out in the morning and return in the afternoon, after a few hours work with \$2.50 to \$5.00. Thus much was accomplished in a financial way. But eternity alone will reveal all that has been accomplished. Seeds of truth have been sown, and God's promise is, "My word shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Final reports of the various band leaders were as follows:

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S. T. Dixon	\$36 00
Mrs. M. V. Davis	43 30
J. W. Bowen	49 05
Mrs. S. T. Dixon	50 00
Mrs. J. O. Miller	55 30
M. S. Pettibone	68 92
Mrs. K. Brandau	78 36
Mrs. M. Wilson	106 00
Mrs. H. Keyser	115 70
Mrs. A. K. Darby	. 125 00

Mrs. J. H. Mencken, Children's Band 59 80

Miss Buelah Wagner,
Y. P. S. M. V. 98 58

Harold Yingling,
Y. P. S. M. V. 105 00

Mrs. M. Thomas,
Y. P. S. M. V. 246 00

The total receipts for the band work was \$1237.01. In addition to this there were cash pledges made and paid by individuals, making the total receipts \$1509 for the campaign.

In Psalm 110:3 we read, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of power." God's power was signally manifested in this campaign; His blessing was most abundant; and to Him be all the praise.

EMMA S. NEWCOMER.

District of Columbia

News Notes

The beautiful church building recently purchased for our colored people in the city of Washington was opened for worship Sabbath, April 14. This church costing \$10,750 is located on the corner of Sixth and N. Street, N. W. The service was in charge of Elder R. E. Harter, president of the conference. I. A. Ford, T. E. Bowen, M. E. Olson, Elder Stewart Kime, members of the Conference Committee, and Elder U. S. Willis, pastor of the church. Professor W. John presided at the pipe organ.

This church will be known as the Ephesus Church.

There was a large attendance at the Capitol Hill Church Sunday night, April 15. Elder R. E. Harter spoke on the subject, The Pleasures and Sorrows of Life.

Preliminary work is under way for the "College Campaign" in Washington. It is hoped that every member of the church in the District of Columbia will plan to dispose of at least ten copies of the April Watchman, giving the proceeds to speedily equip Washington Missionary College and Mount Vernon Academy with adequate buildings and facilities with which to meet conditions in this the "day of His preparation."

Reports from the field indicate that our ministers and workers are having some good experiences.

Brother D. A. Rees, since taking up the work at Arlington, Va., near the close of 1916, has led the little church in reaching their goal in Harvest Ingathering

campaign, and also in the completion of the twenty-cent-a-week fund. Sunday evening meetings have been held since January 1, also cottage meetings during the week. The Lord has blessed and eight souls have obeyed the Lord in baptism during the quarter. A good interest has developed at Barcroft near Arlington, where Sunday services are being held.

Brother A. J. Bristol held a meeting at Waxpool, Va., in a private house April 1, with forty interested people in attendance. Also at Arcola Va., near Waxpool a meeting was held April 8, and requests were made for further instruction in Bible themes. Brother Bristol asks that prayer be made in behalf of their meetings, that souls may be gathered into the kingdom.

Memorial Church, through its various band workers, is finding many openings for Bible studies in the city, and sister Janet Morris is drilling more than a score of our earnest people to enter upon this good ministry. We are doing some outside missionary work also. In Prince George County, Md., 30 miles from the city, an interest has grown up recently and on Sunday, April 15, more than sixty people from the country side assembled to hear a lecture on "The World War in Prophecy."

Capitol Hill Church is always aggressive and the Lord is adding to them such as are being saved.

We are all impressed with the increase of inquiries and requests for studies that come to our workers on all sides. Let us do our part best to feed the hungry now before the coming of that awful day fore-told in Amos 8:11-13.

April 21 was a busy day among the churches of Washington. Prayer meetings were planned for among homes in the city, announcements made of the lecture to be given by Elder Enoch at Polis Theater, April 29, and other preliminary work done in preparation for the College Fund Campaign.

If we are right in believing that "the end of all things is at hand" surely we ought to all be deeply in earnest and waste no time, but stretch every nerve and strain all our resources to rapidly prepare a host of our young people to carry the present truth quickly to the ends of the earth.

Some of our people are passing through deep waters of affliction. Sorrow and death have invaded the homes of Sisters Masters and Paxon, both of them having been called to lay away beloved daughters. The Shepherd's rod and staff comfort them and their faith and courage has been strong and the grace of God has abounded unto them.

Beginning Sunday night, April 15, Elder Willis will conduct a two weeks' revival.

VIRGINIA

The Last Call

With only a few days till May 24, when our camp-meeting begins at Gordonsville, we wish to urge our people to make every possible effort to attend, even if it causes some sacrifice. We do not know how soon such privileges will be taken from us.

There is an ominous feeling that we are nearing a crisis, and the men at the head of our nations are becoming deeply alarmed for the future. Our own people are resting too much in a feeling of false security.

It is time that we get together and seek the Lord most earnestly. It is time that we shake off our lethargy and prepare for the time of trouble such as never was.

Furnished rooms can be obtained at a very low rate and tents with floors are only \$3.00 for the season. In ordering your tent, state how many cots you want. Straw will be furnished to those who bring ticks.

W. C. MOFFET.

News Notes

Elder Moffett is making a tour of the churches of the state.

Orders are coming in fast for rooms and tents for the camp-meeting. Have you ordered yours yet? There will, no doubt, be a few extra rooms available for those who at the last minute find the way to come, so do not fail to come even if you have not ordered a room. The room rents are very cheap.

The report of the Missionary Volunteer Department for the quarter ending March 31 is the best that has ever come from Virginia. But there is no reason to think that we have realized the zenith. There are greater heights yet to be reached. The total enrollment of all of the societies is 203. With such an army, we could stir the whole state of Virginia. Are you keeping things stirring where you are?

Elders L. P. Gordon and W. H. Armstrong are conducting a series of meetings at Rileyville.

Our canvassers at Newport News, Brother Lawrence, has eight places for weekly Bible readings.

Mrs. L. L. Caviness, of Takoma Park, will be at the camp-meeting to conduct special parents' meetings. Sister Caviness has had considerable experience in this line of work. Great help is expected by the mothers from her counsel. Papers will be assigned to the various ones coming to camp-meeting to be read and discussed in the parents' meetings. If you are asked to write one of these papers, please do not decline, but consider it a privilege and a duty,—a sacred duty,—to give others the benefit of your experience.

Don't let anything hinder your coming to camp-meeting at Gordonsville, May 24 to June 3. Send your requests for rooms to Elder W. C. Moffett, Box 76, Gordonsville, Va.

Brother W. H. George has just moved his family to New York City, where he is in charge of the book work.

Brother F.E. Hankins and Miss Madge Miller have been in attendance at the Canvassers' Institute at Washington College securing summer recruits for Virginia.

Orders are pouring in from those who desire rooms or tents at the camp-meeting at Gordonsville, which begins May 24.

Brother M. S. Kritzky is engaging in the canvassing work now that his church school has closed.

Elders F. W. Paap, F. M. Wilcox and J. L. Shaw will be in attendance at the camp-meeting.

Brother Hankins has just started Brethren Aubney Gary, M. S. Kritzky and Brother Cross in the colporteur work in Buckingham County.

Sister Elder of Republican Grove has taken up canvassing at Buena Vista, Miss Madge Miller spending several days with her.

Elder Sebastian spent several days encouraging the Newport News No. 2 Church and reports the baptism of three at Norfolk.

Elder J. B. Mallory is visiting the colored believers in southwestern Virginia.

Elder W. C. Moffett is touring the churches in the southeastern part of the state.

Mr. Waldo Wilcox and wife have located at Gordonsville and will canvass Culpepper County in their auto.

Brother Vertis Hankins is following in the steps of his father and will endeavor to earn a scholarship to the academy by the use of his prospectus.

M. S. Kritzky, our Russian teacher for the past year, has decided to spend the summer in Virginia in the canvassing field. He obtained over one hundred dollars in orders for his first week. But he received word of the ill health of his father in Dakota and that he was unable to carry on their large farm and has written for Brother Kritzky to come to Dakota and help. He leaves Virginia this week, and we are sure the best wishes of his many friends in this conference will follow him. He is planning to enter college for the next school year.

W. H. Jones has returned to Richmond from his trip among the Missionary Societies of the conference. He brings good reports of work and interesting meetings. He will remain in Richmond a few days and go to help prepare camp at Gordonsville.

Roscoe Gardner, son of the late Brother J. E. Gardner of Hampton, died suddenly Monday, May 7. Interment at Leesburg, Virginia. The sympathy of friends will be for the heart-stricken mother and sister at this time. Roscoe will be well remembered among the young people of the conference as he was a student of the New Market school a few years ago.

Activity will begin soon in camp-meeting matters and orders for tents or rooms should not be neglected too long. Every arrangement possible will be planned for the comfort of those who come. Let us all come praying for blessings, and then be looking for them all through the meeting.

Sisters Lizzie Hegward and Lula Green of Portsmouth have both passed the Bible Doctrines examination for the Standard of Attainment. We trust that this year there may be more to take up this work.

As the heavy season for books draws on let each remember that the tract society will have heavy bills to meet each month for books ordered, so let each one feel the need of promptness in remitting for things ordered out. Thus far this year we have been able to meet all bills each month, and hope we can all through the year. We know all will try to help accomplish this good result.

NEW JERSEY

News Notes

The new Seventh-day Adventist Church at Lake Place, Pleasantville, New Jersey, will be dedicated Sunday afternoon, May 22, the service commencing at 2:30. Elder A. R. Sandborn will deliver the dedicatory address. Members of nearby churches are invited to attend these and other services.

Six members of the Cape May Court House Church are planning to sell the World's Crisis Series of booklets in Cape May County, and Allen Boynton, Jr., will work for a scholarship in the same territory.

Brother C. E. Gulick, one of the conference laborers in Jersey City, has had a return of the ailment which afflicted him last fall, and has been compelled to have a plaster cast placed on his back and knee. It is hoped he will have a rapid recovery.

Mrs. J. W. MacNeil, wife of the pastor of the Trenton Church, who has been at the Washington Sanitarium for a number of weeks, returned to her home this week much benefited by the treatment received.

Miss Ella Iden, Conference Missionary Volunteer Secretary, has gone to Syracuse, N. Y., on a visit, with the expectation of being helped physically. Miss Iden has been working hard and is in need of rest.

Between 20 and 30 orders have already come in for tents for the camp-meeting to be held at Trenton June 28-July 8. It is expected this will be one of the largest meetings ever held in New Jersey.

The conference has purchased and will have on the camp ground a new 50x70 dining tent and twenty-five new family tents. This new equipment will add much to the appearance of the camp.

Elder R. H. Martin is having a splendid interest in a series of Sunday night meetings at Paterson, and it is believed that some of those who are attending the meetings will come out into the full light of the message.

The Conference Committee met at Jersey City Monday last and transacted quite a large amount of business connected with the preparation for the campmeeting, and adjusted other matters which had been waiting their consideration.

We have splendid territory in New Jersey open for some man or men who wish to enter colporteur work in this state. We also have a number of large cities where a corps of periodical workers may find a fertile field for endeavor during the summer.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

News Notes

Dr. H. S. Brown visited the little company of believers in Greensburg, May 13, and held a meeting with them.

Camp-meeting will be held at DuBois July 5-15. Send in your orders at once for booths or tents so provision can be made for you before you arrive at the camp ground. Already a number of orders have been received for booths.

Brother E. A. Manry is spending a few days in the field with Brother Holst who is canvassing in Indiana.

Elder Gaede baptized eleven persons during the past month, five of them uniting with the German church, and six uniting with the English.

So many homes in Pittsburgh are opening their doors for Bible readings that it is impossible for our ministers and Bible workers to answer all the calls which come to them. A training class has been organized under the direction of one of our Bible workers, Mrs. J. P. Anderson, to teach our church members how to give Bible studies. This class, which meets every Friday evening, has an attendance of about thirty, and has one of the most interesting meetings of the week.

One morning each week at eight o'clock Mrs. Anderson meets with the employees of Horne's Store, one of the largest department stores in Pittsburgh, to conduct morning worship. A deep interest is manifested, and we believe seeds are being sown which will bear fruit in the kingdom.

Rally Day is set for September 15 in West Pennsylvania.

The church school in Pittsburgh will close May 31. This school under the direction of Mrs. L. C. Mitchell, assisted by Mrs. Harry Dean, has done very acceptable work during the past year.

Notice

Medical Missionary Summer School

The Board of Trustees and Faculty of the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda, California, have arranged to conduct a Medical Missionary Summer School from June 5 to July 3. The design of this school is to furnish a brief but comprehensive course of study in Red Cross Work, First Aid to the Injured, Emergency Service, District Relief Work, and allied subjects. The more common diseases and the simple treatment of the same will also be considered. The food problem, not only in its relation to digestion and nutrition, but also in reference to present high cost will be studied.

It has been arranged to carry on a series of studies in the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy with special reference to the relation of Medical Missionary Work to the fast-fufilling prophetic word.

Arrangements are also being made for lecturers of prominence to give public talks in the College Chapel each evening. Men and women who have seen service in medical and relief lines on the battle-fields of Europe; army surgeons; specialists on the "food problem;" temperance lecturers and others will have a part in this.

The work is planned with special reference to the needs of ordinary men and women, both young and those of more mature years; Church-school teachers; Bible workers, and church-workers. It is believed that this brief training in the above mentioned lines will enable those who may be called upon by the Government in the present crisis to do a line of work more suited to their faith than might otherwise be assigned them.

Tuition and room rent are free to all ministers, Bible workers, Christian nurses, teachers of Christian schools, and any others who present letters of recommendation from the president of their local S. D. A. Conference. All others will be charged a tuition fee of five dollars, and four dollars for room rent.

For announcement and particulars address, Doctor Newton G. Evans, Loma Linda, California.



Suggestive Canvass for "World War"

Good Morning! I am making a few short calls on your neighbors, and have stopped to see you for a few moments. (After being seated inside.) People everywhere seem to be very much astir over existing conditions in the world. Now that our own country has declared war we find that the whole world has been transformed into a great battle-field, and many are asking, What do these things mean? The new book entitled "The World War." by A. G. Daniells is just off the press. The author has lectured in most of our large cities during the past two years on the question of the European war, and in this little volume he gives us the result of his study and research on this vital question.

(Page 7) "The World War." In this introductory chapter we are able to form some conception of the terrible cost of this present war in human lives and money. Already it is estimated that approximately twelve million men have been totally disabled in killed and wounded, and at the present time millions are facing each other on the battle-fields.

(Page 19) "The Cause and the Meaning." The map at the top of this page shows us the cross on which the peace of Europe was crucified. This question is discussed very thoroughly in this chapter, and a careful study of it will help you to understand just why the nations are warring.

(Page 31) "The Great Nations Speak for themselves." In this chapter the best minds in Europe state the positions of the various powers engaged in this war.

(Page 49). "The Eastern Question." In this chapter our attention is called to the real issue involved in this present war. (Read bottom of page 49.) The driving of the Turk out of Europe will be the final result of the struggle. This brings us to the chapter entitled "The Fate of the Ottoman Empire." In speaking of the Turk, the Bible tells us (Quote Dan. 11: 45 and 12:1.)

The Turk today holds an important place in European territory. It is Constantinople and the adjacent country. This has been the goal of some of the most powerful nations in Europe for centuries. Kossuth, a great historian told us that "In Turkey will be decided the fate of the world." When Turkey is finally driven out of Europe there will undoubtedly be a scramble for his territory. This will lead us on to the great Battle of Armageddon brought to view in the next chapter. (Page 79.) This chapter will be of vital interest to you. According to the Bible every nation on the face of the earth will be engaged in this battle.

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J. M. Morris, Charleston	HM	5			74	50		55		05		. 00 . 80
C. G. Mays, Greenbrier Co.	HM					00		50		50		75
John McHenry McDowell Co.	BF	4	48	68	199	00	- 21	40	166	40		75
Totals 8 Agents		33	270	166	\$4 53	00	\$ 99	15	\$ 552	15	\$ 95	55 ==
Ohio, Week Ending April 28, 1917												
Geo. Harvey, Trumbull Co.	BR		46			00		25		25		
R. H. Patterson, Green Co.	BR					00	. 3	75		75	.3	75
Glenn Pinnicks, Trumbull Co. Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.	BR BR		40 36			50 50	З	7 <u>5</u> 00		75 50	-	
Chas. Carter, Paulding Co.	$_{ m BR}$	5	34	10	39	00			39	00	•	
J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co. D. McCarthy, Youngstown	BR BR		30 23			50 50				50 50	. 10	35
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.	\overline{BR}		23			00		75		75		75
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.	BR		22	1		50			3	50		
N. Oancea, Akron F G. Carter, Clinton Co.	oreign BR		$\frac{22}{20}$				20	50	20	50	$\frac{20}{213}$	50
Mrs. Kelley, Dayton	$\tilde{B}R$		18	5	17	50	3	95	21	45		90
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton	BR		18	3		50		85		35		10
Clara Weber, Dayton Mrs. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.	BR BR		$\frac{17}{26}$	$\frac{2}{9}$		00 50	1	50		50 50	5	75
Miscellaneous	Die	Ü		·	-		9	30		30	6	80
Totals 15 Agents		63	419	103	\$391	50	\$55	60	\$447	10	\$328	40
East Pennsylvan	ia, We	ek E	ndin	g Ap	ril 28	, 191	7	-	,	-		
W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.	Misc	5.	37		45	00			45	00	23	50
Wm. P. Hess, York Co.	\mathbf{BF}	4	34	16	32	00			32	00		
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co. L. W. Mase, Lacka. Co.	BF GC	5 4	$\frac{27}{29}$	$\frac{27}{12}$.00		25 00		$\frac{25}{00}$		
R.W.Garrett, Lycoming Co.	. ĞČ	4	29	15		50		25	57	75		
C. Booth, Franklin	BR	5	44			00		00		00		
S. Booth, Franklin J. L. Gerhart, Lehigh Co.	GC BR		14 41	8 11		00 50		50 95		50 45		
C. F. Durr, Philadelphia	Misc	4	18			60.	Ü	00	10			
Totals 9 Agents		38	269	99	\$351	60	\$28	95	\$377	55	\$23	50
West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 28, 1917												
Mrs. C. D. Bateman, Cambria Co			17	. 8		00		50		50		
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.	BR	5 3	35	17		50		.80		30		50
J. S. Glunt, Erie Co. D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.	COL BR	4	25	$\frac{2}{25}$		25 00		00	- 12 - 81	25 00	ť	35
A. Holst, Indiana Co.	BR	5	29	6	23	00	3	00	26	00		5 0
Mrs. A. Morley, Allegheny Co. Millie Smith, Allegheny Co.	OSD	3 4	10	1 6		50 00	6	85		30 00		30 00
Mrs. Thurman, Allegheny Co.	osd		7	٠,		50	. 2	00		50		50
C. E. Will, Allegheny Co.	PPF	3	28					50		50		30
Totals 9 Agents		30	159	65	\$ 205	75	\$47	60	\$ 253	35	\$7 6	45
Virginia, Week Ending April 28, 1917												
Harry Wright, Albemarle Co.	BR	4	32	35	124	50		50	125	00		
S. N. Wilmer, Albemarle Co.	$_{ m BR}$	4	38	13	47	50	1	50	49	00		
Geo. W. Lawrence, Warwick Co. Mrs. Fussell, Richmond	Mis Misc	9. 5	83 30	374 180	$\frac{102}{45}$				102 45		45	ሰሰ
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Totals 4 Agents		22	183	602	\$ 319	75	\$ 2	00	\$ 321	75	\$4 5	00

Ohio, Week Ending May 4, 1916													
Fred Hannah, M. B. Ingersol R. H. Patterso J. H. Stafford, Geo. Carter, Sl Chas. Carter, 1	, Huron Co. n, Green Co. Franklin Co. helby Co.	BR BR BR BR BR	5 4 4 5 4 4	43 41 40 39 37 36	9 5 11 4 4 12	33 19 43 16 16 46	$50 \\ 50 \\ 00 \\ 00$	· 2	00 00 25 00	- 21 47 16 22	50 50 75 00 00 00	2 3 15	00 00 50 00 50
C. D. Alspach, Glenn Pinnicks D. McCarthy, H. C. Nelson, J. D. Fellabau N. Oancea, Ak Mrs. E. Y. Sm	Paulding Co. s, Trumbull Co. Youngstown Springfield m, Hancock Co. ron Fo	BR BR BR BR oreign BR	4 4 4 5 4 4 4	35 29 29 29 24 24 24 24	$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 13 \\ 7 \\ 1 \\ \end{array}$	8 46 24 3	$\begin{array}{c} 00 \\ 50 \end{array}$	25	75 00 25 20	8 47 24 2 3 25	$\begin{array}{c} 00 \\ 25 \\ 50 \\ 00 \\ 50 \\ 25 \end{array}$		$\begin{array}{c} 25 \\ 25 \end{array}$
Mrs. C. Kelly, Clara Weber, I Mrs. Fellabaur C. G. Douglas C. J. Fritz, Ho Miscellaneous	Dayton n, Hancock, Co. s, Akron	BR BR BR BR WCS	4 2 2 1	23 20 12 12 7	13 3 2 11	47 10 43	50 75	6	70 00 75	16		34 5 18 20 500	75 50 75
Totals	19 Agents		68	504	99	\$ 373	50						
	Totals 19 Agents 68 504 99 \$373 50 \$568 90 \$942 40 \$820 95												=
W. P. Hess, Ye		BF	5	43	34	48				48	00		
J. L. Gerhart, L. W. Mase, L R. W. Garrett W. G. Lewis, I S. Booth, Fran	Lehigh Co acka Co. Lacka Go. Luzerne Co.	BR GC GC Mis GC	4 2 3 5 3	29 13 14 36 22	9 2 8 9	32	$50 \\ 00 \\ 00 \\ 35$	4 2	10 35 25 75	39 11 30 43	60		
C. Booth, France, F. Durr, Ph. S. J. Mack, No. E. S. Tolliver,	nklin Co. iladelphia orthumberland Co. Luzerne Co.	BR Mis BR BF	3 4	27 22 15	4 15 2	16 60 4	00 50 00	6 1 2	25 80 50 00	16 6 62 6	25 80 00 00		0 0
Totals	10 Agents		===	222	===	\$271	_		0 0	\$297	85	\$26 	00 ==
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J.S. Seal, Char Norman Haye John Fahrner, W. E. West, E. W. A. McElph John McHenr C. G. Mays, G J. M. Morris, (Miscella	, Peterstown Ohley skdale atrick, Marshall Co y, McDowell Co. reenbrier Co. Charleston	BR BR BR BR BR HM HM	42555555	21 9 26 27 6 36 45 38	17 5 5 12 91 16 10	60 19 19 44 182 43 25 155	50 50 00 00 00 00	5 2 19 30 6	20 10 30 65 65 85	19 24 46 19 212 49	50 70 10 30 65 65 85	58 3 1	60 05 15 50 85
Totals	8 Agents					\$54 9	45	\$ 79	75	\$ 629	20	\$269	60
	Virginia	Week	En	ding	May	4 1910	6						
H. A. Wright, B. F. Purdhan A. L. Gary, Bu	Fluvanna Co. Albermarle Co. A, Rockingham Co. Lehingham Co. Buckingham Co. ederick Co.	BR BR CK DR PPF	5 3 3 4 3 4 3	40 29 14 18 25 28	24 18 4 9 6 16	67 17 20 23	00 50	6 1 2 3	25 50 50 75	67 23 22 25 43	00 25 00 50 75		
Totals 6			===	154		\$260			00	\$ 283	5 0		
West Pennsylvania Week Enging May 4 1917													
Paul Baroudi, Solomon Diehl A. E. Holst, In W. H. Jack W G. Rager, Can	ndiana Co. arren, Co. abria Co. n, Allegheny Co. llegheny Co.		6 4 9 3	289 30 56 25 25	6 186 12 8 23 7 24	699 16 30 67 17 12	00 25 00 50 50 50 00	63 9 3 13 1 1	00 25 00 50 50 50 85 60	762 25 33 81 17 13 6	00 25 25 50 00 50 50 35 60	61 3 42 45 1	75 50 75 00 50 85 80
Totals	9 Agents		85	267	264	\$ 924	75	\$114	20	\$10 38	95	\$ 312	65
	Chesapeake	, Wee	k E	nding	Ma	y 4, i	917						
O. C. Weller,	Washington Co. Frederick Co. Md.	BR BR	3	₃ 29	25 8	28	50	1	75 50	29	25 50	3	50
Totals	2 Agents		. 7		<u> </u>	\$117	-			\$127			
Grand Total	ls: 99 Agents of O	rders	` , V	alue	\$4 2	19 15)- ·-		De	liveri	28,	\$ 2123	10

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As the work progresses, and we take a glance at the different organizations of the school, we see much accomplished in experience and training. The Ministerial Band has an active membership of twenty-five, who have had the blessed privilege of being engaged in service for the Master. An average of two meetings each week of the school year have been held outside of the usual service of the band. And these efforts have not been without noticed success. After meetings held at the State Sanitorium, persons have come to various members of our little company and have stated that the points brought out during the short talks have given them a deeper insight into the Word of God. Then, too, the band has been instrumental in distributing a large number of truth filled pages of literature besides doing personal work of various forms. Surely the Lord has blessed us.

Not only have we been blessed by these experiences and in our studies, but many are the blessings received at the Friday evening prayer meetings and the Sabbath services. Through these different agencies God has drawn many of us closer to Him and some for the first time have taken a decided stand for the truth and for service. Quite a number are preparing for the colporteur work this summer, who would have never taken up

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this important line of service had it not been for the fact that they are students here for the first time. We can all say with the Psalmist, "How excellent is Thy loving kindness, O God."

Dear brother and sister, as you have read the above, remember—"God has chosen the youth to aid in the advancement of His cause," and as each day passes this summer may it find you planning to make the coming year a year of blessings in preparing for the Master's service at Mount Vernon Academy.

W. A. RALLS.

We were pleased to have with us last week, Professor Steen of Holly Academy.

Dr. D. H. Kress spent some time with us the past week. We greatly appreciated his good talks at the Friday night and Sabbath morning and afternoon meetings. On Monday night he gave us an illustrated health lecture, and on Tuesday morning he occupied the chapel hour.

Mr. H. K. Christman spoke to the students during the chapel hour on Thursday.

Miss Ivah Krome gave a recital in the chapel last Saturday night.

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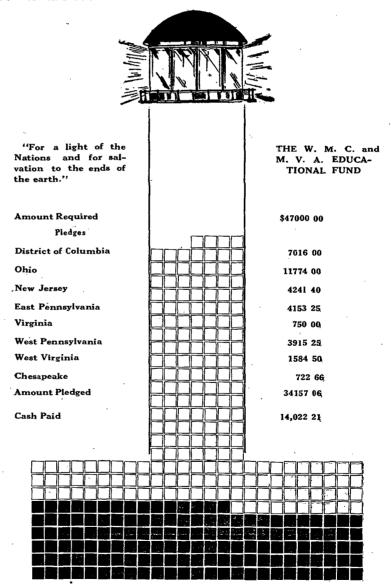
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