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

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## UNION

### Educational Recommendations

There was one educational recommendation passed at the recent North American Division Council that may escape the attention of many of our churches and as it applies to every church having a sufficient number of children to conduct an elementary school, the recommendation will be given here.

As there is a lack of uniformity in the method of electing elementary school boards:

WE RECOMMEND, That such boards be elected according to the following plan: That the first board be chosen to consist of members whose terms of office should be for one, two, and three years; that after the first year, vacancies be filled by the election of members for three years; and, further, that the election be held at the end of the calendar year the same as that of other church officers.

This plan is used in electing boards for all our advanced schools and it will bring greater strength to our local boards and to our local schools to have members of longer terms and make sure that there are some experienced members on the board at all times.

An earnest effort is being made to bring about a health inspection of all our schools once or twice a year. The public schools have seen the necessity of this and are carrying out the plan with entire satisfaction. No doubt a proper blank will soon be available for use in our elementary schools and it is hoped that the plan may be put into operation the coming year. Every parent and teacher ought to gratefully co-operate in this plan, for it will mean much to them as well as to the boys and girls who are defective in some respect or whose health is being jeopardized by physical conditions. C. L. STONE.

"If teachers in the Sabbath School felt the love which they should feel for those lambs of the flock, many more would be won to the fold of Christ. Mrs. E. G. White.

## OHIO

### Camp-Meeting Announcement

Our annual camp-meeting is to be held at Bellefontaine on the fairgrounds, August 16 to 26. This is considered a good location, being reasonably central and accessible. It is a city of about ten thousand inhabitants. The grounds are pleasant and well adapted to our needs, and they are well covered with shade trees.

Bellefontaine is situated in the center of Logan County, about twenty-five miles north of Springfield. It is on the Ohio electric line running from Springfield to Lima by which their cars, as well as the city cars can stop at the fair ground entrance. The Columbus to St. Marys T. and O. C. line passes through the city, as do also the important east and west and north and south Big Four lines. Good connections can be made with these lines from all sections of the state.

For some time we have desired to hold an annual camp-meeting at Bellefontaine, owing to the geographical and railroad advantages. Until this year, we have been prevented from doing so on account of the time confliction with the Logan County fair.

Great importance is attached to our camp-meeting this year to us as individuals and as a conference. The state of things in the nations indicates clearly that we are about to enter upon a most trying time. It is of the utmost importance that we come together to study, plan and seek God unitedly and earnestly. No conference session will be held this year, and churches will not need to elect and send delegates. Excellent ministerial help will be present and most important meetings may be expected. In every home and in every church let plans be laid early for a full attendance at this great meeting. Let the old and young come. Come to stay all through the meeting. Bring your interested friends and neighbors, as many have done in the past. Pray earnestly to God that we may enjoy a great refreshing from on high at this meeting.

Orders for tents, etc., should be sent to H. D. Holtom. Look for further in-

structions regarding the camp-meeting in the "Columbia Union Visitor" later.

E. K. SLADE.

### Springfield

May fifth was a day of joy and blessing, when four adults were buried with their Lord by baptism and united with the church. Five were added to the church, one having been baptized before, but had not been taken into any church. There are other interested souls in this place whom we hope to see join the church. Our church school, under the direction of Miss Bessie Mount, has been a success.

The missionary spirit is taking hold of some of the church members and we are planning to visit the homes of the people with literature, also hold Bible readings with our neighbors.

After June 18, our debt on the church school building will be reduced to two hundred dollars. We are planning to put the church in good repair this summer. Notwithstanding we have had to pay over four hundred dollars for church school expense, and the notes, as well as other expense, we raised thirty-four cents per member for missions.

We are of good courage and hope to be found in the front in the finishing of the work.

W. W. MILLER.

### Colporteur Items

Brother Franks, our assistant field secretary, is again in the field and is giving material help to the workers. He spent last week with Brother Frank Rogers of Lewistown, who is making Auglaize County his field of labor, and we trust the Lord has given them some good experiences, as well as many orders.

Sister Clara Weber has been taking a few days of much needed rest among her friends in Springfield. She is feeling much better at the present time, and ere this is read, will be again at her post of duty.

Our colporteurs have taken a very active part in the meetings held in Dayton,

and have been a great strength to the church and the effort held there, which we learn has been very successful.

Brother and Sister Geo. Carter are now in their new territory in Shelby County. Brother Carter has been having good success and we are expecting some good reports from Sister Carter very soon. We are also glad to report Sister W. H. Smith has joined forces with her husband in placing "Bible Readings" in many Delaware County homes.

C. R. Fairchild spent several days in the field with Brother M. B. Ingersol, helping to make a delivery. Although there were footprints of the enemy, the Lord fulfilled his promise and gave us a grand victory, account of which will appear later in these columns.

Brother Robert Kline of Lake View decided to answer the call of God, sold all his farming tools and stock, consisting of everything needed to do farming, and a fine herd of Jersey cows, which were making him a good income, and has placed all on the altar of service. He attended the institute held by the Union at Mount Vernon Academy, and is now devoting all his time to the sale of "Bible Readings" in Allen County. Are there not others who are impressed to help carry the message in this way? If so, I will be glad to do all I can to make your work a success. Please read Joel 3: 13, 14.  
C. R. FAIRCHILD.

Glenn Pinnicks, one of our new colporteurs, is doing fine in Trumbull County; and we are getting some very good reports from Brother Harvey, for the time put in, who is also working in the same county.

Mr. E. E. Goodrich, one of our faithful book evangelists, is the proud father of a seven and a half pound boy, born May 8. Both mother and child are doing well. Brother Goodrich spends his evenings selling "World War" to his neighbors, and is finding a ready sale for the same. One neighbor thinks so much of the little book, she has purchased several copies and is placing them among her friends. She had been quite prejudiced until she received her first copy. Perhaps you can break down prejudice in your neighborhood in the same way. Would you not like to try?

### News Notes

Commencement week at Mount Vernon Academy brings many friends and acquaintances to the place. We were

pleased to have Elder S. M. Butler of Washington D. C., Brother Clyde Mitchell of Pittsburgh, and Dr. B. J. Ferriot of Canton, as callers at the conference office at that time.

Miss Florence Hartsock, who taught at Ravenna during the past year, and Miss Marion Sauder, also of Ravenna, spent the latter part of commencement week at the home of Miss Hixon.

Miss Lilly Schar, the Dresden church school teacher, called at the office last week to talk over plans for summer school, which begins June 6. Miss Schar will teach in Dresden again next year.

The superintendent of the Bowling Green Sabbath School tells us of a new way to encourage the daily study of the lesson. A banner has been introduced which is held by the class having the highest percent of studied lessons. Thus far the banner has been held by the intermediate class, ten out of eleven being their average.

### Tract Society Notes

"Alone with God" is the title of a splendid little book recently off the press. It is bound in neat cloth binding, containing 128 pages, and is just the thing for those desiring to equip for service. The following are the titles of a few chapters. "The Supreme Privilege," "Equipment for Service," "Jesus and I Are Friends," and "The Morning Hour" and others equally as helpful. The price is but 50 cents postpaid.

Our stock of Quarterlies for the next quarter is already on hand and we shall be glad to fill your orders at once. Better get that order in early this quarter for Memory Verse Cards and Worker Picture Rolls, so your Sabbath School will have the benefit of them from the very first Sabbath of the quarter.

How many Signs Weekly is your church missionary society circulating each week? Why not get behind the load and help us roll up that 100,000 circulation by July 1. It will be an easy matter if every member will do his share. When sending five or more subscriptions at one time the cost is but 50 cents for six months, and 85 cents for one year; papers can go to separate addresses. We are counting on you.

Always begin the Sabbath School on time and close it on time. Don't drag.

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

### Visiting the Churches

My first stopping place on this trip through the churches in the northern part of the state was Lancaster, from here I journeyed to Lebanon and from there to Mifflin. We had a pleasant time and God blessed us in our coming together.

Sunday found me at the Wade Church, and here we had a splendid Temperance Rally. Monday I met with the company in Northumberland, and here I was glad to meet our Brother Reichenbaugh who had been assisting Brother Mack in the colporteur work. Being disappointed through some misunderstanding for my meeting Tuesday night, I decided to spend a little time in the field with Brother Mack who is selling "Bible Readings." It was raining very hard, the roads were thick with mud, but we decided to go, and reached his field where he had left off the week previous at 3 o'clock. We canvassed up to 6 o'clock, found a good home in which to stay all night, sold them a \$4.50 binding, and I continued till noon with him next day, then I left to catch my train for Bloomsburg. During the seven hours we were together, the Lord blessed us with \$34.50 worth of orders. The next night found me in Bloomsburg, and I found the brethren and sisters all of good courage, and willing to help all they possibly could in the W. M. C. "Christ's Object Lessons" campaign.

From Bloomsburg I journeyed to Roaring Branch, and it was certainly a great pleasure to me in meeting our dear people at this place. The church building was built a number of years ago, and some of our old time ministers have preached in the same building.

At Shunk we had a large gathering, and all manifested a willingness in helping along the college fund.

Sabbath I met with the Williamsport Church, and on Sunday I had the pleasure of singing at the "Home of the Friendless" in this city.

I am now visiting all our companies in Tioga County along with Brother Detwiler, and we are having some splendid meetings.

Many of the companies in this state are young in the truth, and it is a great treat to meet those who are enjoying their first love for the truth.

The work is onward in East Pennsylvania Conference, and it is my earnest prayer that every member of this conference, young and old, will become missionaries for God, and hasten the coming of our blessed Master. T. H. BARRITT, Home Missionary Secretary.

## Notice

Dear Home Missionary Secretaries;

Being out in the field I will take this opportunity of reaching you through the VISITOR instead of writing personally. We are very anxious to meet you all at the coming camp-meeting to be held at Emmanuel Grove, near Allentown, Pa., June 21 to July 1. The Home Missionary work will be a special feature at this gathering, and much instruction will be given as to how to engage successfully in this very important branch of the Lord's work.

Urge every member in your church to attend, this is to be the best meeting East Pennsylvania has ever had, and not one should be missing.

The bookstand will be a special feature, and there will be bargains a plenty.

Pray for the success of this gathering, that we may receive a Pentecostal blessing. T. H. BARRITT, Home Missionary Sec'y.

## News Notes

Let every family not taking the "Review and Herald" order it at once. You cannot afford to be without this weekly visitor.

The "Signs Weekly" can be had in clubs of 5 for only 80 cents a year. Here is your opportunity.

Let everybody come to camp-meeting. Order your cottage at once.

Miss Sadie Detwiler and Brother T. H. Barritt spent a day visiting the people in Elkland, Tioga County, a promising place for a tent effort, and sold "World's Crisis" and "Armageddon." They report splendid success.

Convention in Corrington was postponed, owing to Corrington being quarantined for Scarlet Fever.

## NEW JERSEY

### To the Brethren and Sisters of the New Jersey Conference

I am constrained to come to you again with reference to our coming camp-meeting. Knowing the importance of this meeting and the need of our being prepared for the tremendous issues that are before us, I am impressed to urge upon you the necessity of attending this meeting.

Truly the Lord has been blessing us in the giving of the message, and we see every evidence that the time is short in which we have to work, and as He has told us, the camp-meeting is a decided means in His hands of preparing us to do definite work for Him, I feel that every Seventh-day Adventist ought to be present at this convocation of His people.

Although we have about seventy family tents of our own now, having purchased twenty-five new ones, yet we will not have enough to accommodate the people who come; and so, in order that we may know how many to secure, I am asking you to send in your orders at once, if you have not already done so, so that everything may be in readiness for you when you come to the camp. Of course, if there is a possible chance for you to attend the meeting there is no doubt but what you will be there; and I know that the Lord helps us when we are determined to do His will.

You remember the prices of the tents are: 12x16, \$3.00; 12x14, \$2.75; price of cots, with mattresses, 50 cents; price of chairs, 10 cents each; price of lumber, \$1.00 a hundred feet. Baggage will be carried at cost.

I know you are deeply interested in the work of the Lord and want to see this message go, and will be glad to know that the growing demands that are continually being made upon us, have compelled us to purchase several new tents this year, in order to better do the work of God. This, together with the chairs which we have had to purchase, has cost us about \$1500.00, and I trust that the Lord will lead, so that our people will come up to His help in this, our time of need.

Expecting to see you at the camp-meeting, and extending to you a most hearty welcome and the wish that the Lord will abundantly bless you and enable you to get here, I am

Sincerely your brother,

A. R. SANDBORN, *President.*

P. S.—In order to enable you to get to the grounds, I will give the following directions:—

If you come on the Pennsylvania Railroad, take a Hamilton Avenue car; get off at corner of Olden and Greenwood Avenues; and walk three blocks to the right.

Coming in on the Camden Suburban Line, take a Hamilton Avenue car; and follow the above directions.

Coming in on the Reading Railroad, take any car going to the right, in front of the depot; transfer at corner of State and Broad Streets to the Hamilton Avenue car; and follow the above directions.

## Dedication at Pleasantville

Last Sabbath services were held with the members and friends of the church at Pleasantville, preparatory to the dedicatory services which were to take place the next day.

Sunday afternoon the people gathered for services at 2:30 o'clock, but just at that time it seemed as though the elements were turned against us, as there arose a wind storm of much violence and this was followed by a rain storm lasting about an hour. This hindered some of the people from coming, but there was a fairly good attendance for the services of the dedication.

Although this church has but a small membership, the members have been very vigorous and zealous in their determination to provide themselves with a place for worship, and as a result of their efforts they now have a neat little building, sufficient for present needs, which will be a blessing to the members and to the community.

The Pleasantville Church is a combination of the believers who live in Pleasantville and in Atlantic City. A branch of this church is in operation in Atlantic City, but the parent church is in Pleasantville.

The work was started in Atlantic County by Brother C. S. Bassett, who had been canvassing and doing missionary work and who began to hold Bible studies with persons whom he had interested. This interest developed until, in 1907, Elder Carllyse Haynes was sent to Atlantic City to conduct a tent effort, and after a little time, Elder George Spies took up work in that city, Brother Bassett in the interval filling in when there was no resident worker. This company developed and finally combined with the believers who lived at Pleasantville, and in 1907 was organized into a church by Elder J. E. Jayne, who at that time was president of the New Jersey Conference.

In 1910, Elder Spies began to hold meetings in Pleasantville, and this resulted in the organization of a Sabbath School in the tent. Elder Whitmarsh was holding a tent meeting in Atlantic City at the same time, and this combination of efforts strengthened the work in both places. In 1912, at a meeting of the believers of both the Atlantic City and Pleasantville Churches, it was decided that these companies should combine under the title of the Pleasantville Church. The meetings in Pleasantville were held in the homes for a time, and afterward taken to Adam's Hall, on Main Street, then back again into the homes until 1916, when the work began for the establishment of a church building.

Brother Adolfo Perez was elected elder of the church, when Elder Spies was sent to another field, and he has been faithful in attending to the duties of that position to the present time.

Much credit is due the members of the church for steadfastness in their endeavor to establish and maintain a church home, and particular mention is made of the work of Sisters Seith, Miles, Naylor, Blank and Sherman, the older members of the church, and others who have persistently worked for the completion of the church building. Special mention is made of the assistance given by Brethren Blank, Ott, Wilson, and Robert and Fred Seith. The husband of Mrs. Naylor made quite a liberal donation to the building fund, and Mrs. Naylor's daughter, now a resident of Honolulu, donated the pulpit furniture.

Elder Sandborn conducted the dedicatory services, which were quite impressive, and the influence of the meeting was such that the people were moved to pledge very liberally to the building fund.

It is believed the work of the members of the Pleasantville Church will arouse a much better interest in the future, as they now have a church to which they may invite the people who are interested in the literature that is being distributed. We wish them Godspeed in their work in the cause of the message!

T. D. GIBSON.

## Newark

Following the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, which resulted in putting out 5,500 copies, with donations to missions of \$625.00, the church entered upon a systematic distribution of our denominational literature. Over 30,000 tracts, leaflets and periodicals have been circulated, and hundreds of magazines and pamphlets sold. Brother Walter Jennings is heading this work and will remain with us till camp-meeting, June 28, when the conference has planned for him to join Brother Holman's tent company in the southern part of the state.

Bessie and Walter Haase, pupils in the church school, are selling 200 "Signs" magazines a month. This shows what a good work our youth can do in this great work.

Two hall efforts of a short series of lectures have been conducted during the winter within a mile and a half from the church. Otherwise Sunday night meetings were held in the church building. Miss Carroll and Mrs. Graham are searching out interested ones, visiting, giving Bible studies and distributing literature with fruitful results.

During the winter eighteen have been baptized and united with the church, and four others are awaiting baptism. We

are rejoiced to find these new ones casting their lot with us to help widen the field of the Master's work. G. E. LANGDON.

## Sabbath Schools: Notice

On June 30, our next Thirteenth Sabbath, several hundred of our Sabbath School members will be on the Trenton camp-ground, and the broken-up condition of the home churches will make it difficult to have a real good Thirteenth Sabbath program and offering.

In order that each Sabbath School may enjoy its usual special exercises, and have its offering credited on the local goal, it would be advisable to have the Thirteenth Sabbath offering and program on June 23, one week earlier than the specified time. This will save confusion on the camp-ground, and will help to insure a liberal gift for needy China. Let us begin to plan now to make June 23 one of special interest and blessing. Remember to use the Thirteenth Sabbath leaflet, which is just full of good things. ELLA IDEN, Sabbath School Secretary.

## WEST PENNSYLVANIA

### News Notes

Elder Robbins has just returned to the office after visiting the churches throughout the conference. He reports that the outlook is favorable for a large camp-meeting. If you have not yet sent in your order for a tent, please do so at once.

Elder F. A. Harter baptized five persons in the Pittsburgh No. 1 Church Sunday evening, May 13.

Dr. H. S. Brown spent Sabbath, May 19, with the company of believers at Somerset.

Brother Ray Spencer, who has been holding meetings at Stoyestown, sends the encouraging report that seven persons are ready for baptism there. He has organized a Sabbath School of 15 members.

Elder Enoch gave us a call at the office last week on his way to Ohio.

Remember the date of the camp-meeting, July 5 to 15, at DuBois, Pa.

A letter from Brother Buttermore, one of our colporteurs, states that his father was badly burned on May 5 and died a few days later. We extend to Brother Buttermore our sincere sympathy at this time.

On account of the government instructing all railway companies to give way to food supplies and war material, we cannot get books by freight as promptly as before. We would ask our colporteurs to take note of this, and send all orders for freight shipments at least three weeks before date set for delivery.

## VIRGINIA

### A Canvasser's Experience

Last Friday morning I started to canvass South Charleston, a few miles from Charleston proper, and seeing two large, fine residences along the bank of the Kanawha River which proved to be the superintendent's of the large glass works, my spirit or courage failed me and I took a back road over the mountain and secured several orders, but last Sabbath I felt my weakness and my spirit troubled me.

Monday morning I felt weaker than ever, nevertheless, recognizing the Spirit of God much stronger than usual, and remembering Paul's statement, when he was weak he was strong, I proposed to go forward in the strength of the Lord. As I walked upon the large veranda of the first house, the man of the house came around and wanted to know my mission, and as I started to canvass him, he turned his back on the work, stating that he was not interested and did not wish to spend the time. I reasoned with him concerning the salvation of his soul, assuring him this was the burden of my mission, and, as he walked away he remarked I was one of the very few, if there was any. Deciding not to cast the pearls of truth before those who would not appreciate them, I thanked him for his time, for which he assured me I was welcome, and passed on to the superintendent's house, feeling a divine presence and plenty of good courage. The lady of the house met me at the door and assured me they had two large volumes of works they had just purchased and had a large library, some of the books of which they had not read. I had pulled out my prospectus and was trying to get her interest, but she did not seem interested and for last resort I lifted my heart to God, standing and looking at her for a few seconds and then starting to back off the porch, she pushed open the screen door and asked me if I would not come in, saying, "I have never seen such humility of spirit." Taking me in the large library, she questioned me concerning the gathering of nations. I took out my Bible and the Lord certainly gave her a timely study. The Lord I say, as I felt so weak. I reasoned concerning the judgment, then she broke

down and wept, confessing she was not living up to her privileges. She could not speak for some time and I suggested prayer. God came preciously near. We reasoned scripture for one and one-half hours, then she asked me if I wished her to put her name in my prospectus and she ordered a "Bible Readings." She promised to reconsecrate her life to God.

Before leaving, she gave me a list of names of the elect of South Charleston, telling me she would telephone ahead and that I would do well. Praying as I go, at this writing I have worked nineteen and one-half hours and have taken \$72.25 worth of orders. I find many of the very best people waiting for me, anxious to talk with me. In one instance, in the leading doctor's home, the lady broke down and suggested prayer, after which she spoke of being greatly strengthened. I secured her order. This morning a very fine family inquired about the Sabbath and I studied with them about an hour. They are deeply interested. Brother McElphatrick went over this territory last fall. I find "Bible Footlights" and "Christ's Object Lessons" here and there. There is division in the church here, especially, and there are many hungering for the truth. It is wonderful to see the hand of the Lord going before and preparing the way.

We need your prayers that we might always manifest the Spirit of Christ, in the attitude of prayer securing divine directing of mind.

J. S. SEAL.

## News Notes

As this paper reaches the readers, our camp-meeting is beginning in Gordonsville. Come if it is only over the Sabbath. The people of Gordonsville have been very generous in permitting us to use their houses, but the supply of rooms is very limited. If you have not secured a room definitely, be sure to bring bedding and a straw tick when you come.

A choir is to be organized on the camp grounds. If you play any kind of a musical instrument that is easily carried, bring it with you to camp.

Elder W. E. Bidwell, and L. O. Gordon, and Brother W. H. Jones are busy working on the camp pitching. The camp is in a delightfully cool grove of oak within easy reach of any part of the town. There is a feeling of expectancy on the part of the town's people. They are looking for great things at the camp. And what is more there will be great things happening at the camp that you can not afford to miss.

Young People, come to camp-meeting.

Brother F. E. Hankins, who has had a long experience in restaurant work, will have charge of the dining tent.

If you think the VISITOR is worth reading, send in fifty cents to the conference office for a year's subscription as your contribution to its support.

How can Seventh-day Adventists get along without the "Review" and maintain their effective and working connection with the great body of believers all over the world? It almost goes without saying that they cannot. Therefore, at the earliest possible moment, send in your subscription.

It is expected that this will be the largest camp-meeting ever held in Virginia. Representatives will be here in Gordonsville from all over the state. The gathering thus in camp-meeting binds our hearts together, and helps us to put up a united front to the enemy of our souls.

Plan to receive a blessing at the camp-meeting. Plan to leave all fault-finding and grumbling at home, and see if you do not feel better for the effort.

## Wedding Bells

At nine o'clock on the night of May 10 a very beautiful wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Kemmerer when their youngest son, Frank, was united in marriage with Miss Mary E. King of Richmond.

The groom, who had recently returned from the Mexican border where he had answered the country's call to protect American citizens and property, was mustered out of the service of the Richmond Grays a few days before the wedding.

The bride was the second daughter of Brother and Sister King of the Richmond No. 1 Church.

It was not only the writer's privilege to unite these young people in marriage, but the following Sabbath, they with a number of other candidates were baptized into the Third Angels' Message.

We bespeak happiness for them, and wish them Godspeed in their walk with the Lord. Brother and Sister Kemmerer will make their home at Richmond.

A. E. SERNS.

"God is working His purpose out, as year succeeds to year;

God is working His purpose out, and the time is drawing near,—

The time shall surely be

When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God,

As the waters cover the sea."

## Special

### Don't Miss Reading This

As a denomination we are truly carrying on a most extensive, interesting, and remarkable missionary work of proclaiming to the world the Third Angel's Message, and we have set ourselves at the tremendous task of finishing this undertaking in this very generation. We firmly believe this will be possible. We strain every energy and resource at our command in supplying the regions beyond with men and means in order not to curtail any effort that has been started. This splendid work should be pushed with even greater power than ever; still greater sacrifices in men and money should be made. Yet, while this is so, there is a foreign field right here at home which we ought to be just as interested in as any mission field abroad, and we ought to give it our proportionate attention and support.

Seventeen million people of foreign birth and speech, indeed, present a mission field of no small importance. It not only spells opportunity, but its very presence with us calls upon our obligation and responsibility. Not only are these seventeen million people with us, but many more who speak a foreign language, and whose ideals and customs are foreign in their nature. All of these people must in some way or other hear the truth for this time.

Among some of these three score and ten nationalities in our midst, a good and successful work has been done. Among others a growing work is in progress. Yet, there are other nationalities who are represented by the millions for whom we practically have done nothing.

For years, we have been agitating and educating the rank and file of our good people to the idea of every member becoming a personal worker for God. This foreign field here at home presents an unusual opportunity for all to become foreign missionaries at home.

It has been proved that one of the most powerful agencies for the extensions of the work among the foreigners here at home is the printed page. Many are doing a splendid work among their foreign neighbors with our foreign papers, magazines, tracts, and books. Yet there are others who could do a similar good work if they would only try. We see great possibilities for our foreign work here at home if we can only enlist the active cooperation of our faithful and loyal church members from one end of the country to the other.

The following important action was passed at the recent Council of the Division Conference, held at Huntsville, Alabama:

## Circulation of Foreign Literature

"Whereas, The message for this time must go to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, and,—

Whereas, It is just as important that the various nationalities in America shall have the truth brought to their attention, as those who speak English; and,—

Whereas, The International Branch of the Pacific Press Publishing Association is now publishing magazines and other publications in more than a dozen languages, including Bohemian, Danish-Norwegian, French, German, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Russian, Roumanian, Servian, Swedish, and Yiddish; therefore,—

We Recommend, That Union and local Conference officers give the same attention to the circulation of foreign literature, in proportion to the foreigners represented in their territory, as is given to the circulation of English literature.

That our Home Missionary Secretaries make special efforts at camp-meetings and Home Missionary Institutes this season, to enlist the fullest co-operation of all our English speaking members, and especially the magazine workers, in the circulation of these foreign publications whenever foreigners are found in their territory."

We trust that this recommendation will not only be read, but that the good work to which it gives expression will be taken hold of in real earnest. The Pacific Press Publishing Association is putting a tremendous effort into the getting out of all these various foreign publications. It means a very large financial outlay to get this splendid literature produced. Its circulation will mean souls saved in the kingdom of God.

Reports that come to us continually tell us about how this foreign literature is winning its way into the homes and the hearts of the people. The other day a Hungarian sister wrote us: "I think you will be pleased to hear that already one Hungarian woman has begun keeping the Sabbath through reading a copy of our first magazine. I am holding regular Bible studies with her, and she will soon be baptized. I am also teaching her mother-in-law and two sisters-in-law, who are eager to learn more about the truth contained in the paper."

A Russian man writing us says: "Though I am not acquainted with you, nor have I ever seen you, my spirit witnesses that you are truly my brethren in the Lord. I have received a few tracts and papers from you, through which I have concluded that you are the servants of God. As I have studied farther I have found that the Bible teaches that the seventh day of the week is "the Sabbath of the Lord Thy God." In Port-

## Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del	
<b>Ohio, Week Ending May 19, 1916</b>										
Geo. Carter, Shelby Co.		BR	5	54	16	67 00	7 20	74 20		
R. D. Kline, Allen Co.		BR	5	51	17	64 50	3 00	67 50	75	
M. B. Ingersol, Huron Co.		BR	5	50	2	7 00	2 25	9 25	5 00	
Chas. Carter, Paulding Co.		BR	5	49	18	68 00		68 00		
F. L. Rogers, Auglaise Co.		BR	5	49	17	68 50		68 50		
Fred Hannah, Belmont Co.		BR	5	47	15	52 50	1 50	54 00		
Glenn Pinnicks, Trumbull Co.		BR	5	44	13	51 50		51 50		
Frank Fultz, Montgomery Co.		BR	5	42	14	50 00	1 25	51 25	4 50	
J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co.		BR	4	36	5	19 50		19 50		
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton		BR	5	35	12	44 00	14 05	58 05	9 80	
E. C. Alexander, Adams Co.		BR	4	34	9	36 50	5 25	41 25	14 25	
C. J. Fritz, Hocking Co.		BR	5	30	8	34 00	4 50	38 50		
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.		BR	5	30	5	18 50		18 50	50	
Mrs. C. Kelly, Dayton		BR	5	29	9	31 50	12 70	44 20	3 95	
Mrs. Fellabaum, Hancock, Co.		BR	5	26	9	32 50		32 50	25	
Mrs. Geo. Carter, Shelby Co.		BR	3	23	3	10 50	75	11 25	75	
D. McCarthy, Youngstown		BR	4	21	7	25 50	3 60	29 10	11 00	
W. H. Smith, Delaware Co.		BR	5	19	5	17 50	1 00	18 50	15 30	
N. Oancea, Akron	Foreign		4	18			15 30	15 30	15 30	
Anna Oancea, Akron	Foreign		4	18			22 15	22 15	22 15	
Miss Kuebel, Dayton	CK		3	13	4	8 00	50	8 50	50	
Mrs. W. H. Smith, Delaware Co.	BR		2	13	2	7 00	75	7 75	75	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>22 Agents</b>			<b>98</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>\$714 00</b>	<b>\$95 75</b>	<b>\$809 75</b>	<b>\$104 45</b>
<b>West Virginia, Week Ending May 19, 1917</b>										
John Fahrner, Kanawha Co.		BR	5	41	26	91 00	34 30	125 30	10 80	
W. E. West, Kanawha Co.		BR	5	35	21	74 00	11 70	85 70	3 50	
T. M. Butler, Greenbrier Co.		BR	5	46	14	50 00	18 00	68 00	1 50	
J. S. Seal, Charleston		BR	4	17	9	34 50	9 75	44 25	5 00	
W. A. McElphatrick, Marshall Co.		BR	4	30	5	18 50	4 25	22 75	2 75	
J. M. Morris, Charleston		HM	5	40	35	95 50	10 55	106 05	2 35	
C. G. Mays, Greenbrier Co.		HM	5	48	16	42 00	3 00	45 00	5 25	
Miscellaneous				15		50 75		50 75	6 50	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7 Agents</b>			<b>33</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>\$456 25</b>	<b>\$91 53</b>	<b>\$547 80</b>	<b>\$37 65</b>
<b>West Pennsylvania Week Enging May 19 1917</b>										
Mrs. C. D. Bateman, Cambria Co.		HM	5	23	12	32 00	3 50	35 50	32 50	
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.		BR	6	45	9	31 50	11 85	43 35	55 20	
A. Brownlee, Allegheny Co.		PPF	4	39	27	50 25	34 30	84 55	23 80	
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.		SP	10	98	22	30 75	9 75	40 50		
J. S. Glunt, Erie Co.		BR	3	22	4	18 00	5 50	23 50	12 50	
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.		BR	5	26	11	39 50	1 00	40 50	55 25	
A. Holst, Indiana Co.		BR	5	38	10	36 00	4 25	40 25	3 50	
W. H. Jack Warren, Co.		DR	8	40	11	18 50	3 25	21 75	32 00	
Mrs. A. Morley, Allegheny Co.		COL				1 50	10 65	12 15	10 65	
C. E. Will, Ailegheny Co.		GC	8	70	27	70 50	40 75	112 25	64 45	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10 Agents</b>			<b>54</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>\$328 50</b>	<b>\$124 80</b>	<b>\$453 30</b>	<b>\$289 85</b>
<b>East Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 19, 1917</b>										
S. Booth, Franklin Co.		GC	5	29	10	37 00	3 00	40 00		
C. Booth, Franklin Co.		GC	2	17	9	34 50	2 25	36 75		
W. P. Hess, York Co.		GC	5	69	10	32 00	2 25	34 25		
W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		Misc	5	37	61	40 90		40 90	15 20	
S. J. Mack, Northumberland Co.		BR	5	43	27	103 50	1 00	104 50		
J. L. Gerhart, Lehigh Co.		BR	3	15	2	7 00		7 00	162 80	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	4	15	5	11 00	2 00	13 00	4 00	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	4	20	22	45 00	2 00	47 00		
C. F. Durr, Philadelphia		Misc	5	19			14 05	14 05		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7 Agents</b>			<b>38</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>\$310 90</b>	<b>\$26 55</b>	<b>\$337 47</b>	<b>\$182 00</b>
<b>Virginia Week Ending May 19 1916</b>										
Richard Cross, Fluvana Co.		DR	5	35	13	42 75	2 00	44 75		
A. L. Gary, Buckingham Co.		BR	5	27	11	38 75	2 50	41 25		
B. F. Purdham, Rockingham Co.		BR	2	11	2	7 00	11 00	18 00	50 50	
S. N. Wilmer, Albermarle Co.		BR	4	28	9	33 50		33 50	40 50	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4 Agents</b>			<b>16</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>\$122 00</b>	<b>\$15 50</b>	<b>\$137 50</b>	<b>\$91 00</b>

District of Columbia Week Ending May 19, 1917

Otto Westerhoff, Prince Wm. Co.	BR	5	30	5	18	50	3	25	21	75	3	25		
D. P. Corbett, Loudoun	BR	2	12	7	26	50	5	75	32	25	5	25		
J. D. Haynes, Fairfax Co.	BR	6	53	60	211	00	3	00	214	00	3	00		
E. R. Corder, Washington	BR	1	5								18	00		
T. J. Chambers, Washington	WW	4	20				10	50	10	50	10	50		
Miscellaneous	Misc				30	00	8	35	38	35	38	35		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 Agents</b>			<b>18</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>\$286</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>\$316</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>\$78</b>	<b>35</b>

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Mrs. Nowlin	5	00	Miss Edna Bell	42	60
Miss Alma Kibler	5	00	Mrs. Annie Straub	5	00
Miscellaneous	33	50	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$91</b>	<b>10</b>

Month Ending April 30

Miss Edna Bell	20	00	Mrs. H. M. Cleveland	8	50
Miss Augusta Iliff	40	00	Miscellaneous	46	30
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$114</b>	<b>80</b>

Grand Totals: 55 Agents of Orders Value \$2217 65 Deliveries, \$783 30

Report of Virginia Sabbath Schools

For Quarter, Ending March 31, 1916

School	Membership	13th Sab. Offer.	Total Con.
Basic	12	41	5 41
Bethel	24	7 21	19 14
Charlottesville	10	65	6 33
Chase City	4	2 00	4 56
Danville	11	50	6 09
Doswell	10	73	8 73
Guinia Mills	33	21	4 34
Lynchburg	24	16 29	49 93
News Ferry	16	34	1 59
New Market	42	15 08	46 72
Newport News No. 1	22	71	10 92
Newport News No. 2	29	5 26	25 26
Norfolk No. 1	53	6 40	23 04
Norfolk No. 2	23	4 80	19 90
OakRidge	31	4 12	25 48
Portsmouth No. 1	21	8 93	19 73
Portsmouth No. 2	22	1 44	2 97
Richmond No. 1	77	28 57	72 18
Richmond No. 2	28	8 07	37 72
Rileyville	26	1 53	5 61
Spencer	3	1 38	4 51
Stanley	70	3 89	23 35
Thelma	6	12	57
Wytheville	7	1 50	2 88
Yale	48	8 95	15 20
<b>Total</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>\$130 00</b>	<b>\$442 16</b>

MRS. W. C. MOFFETT, Sabbath School Secretary.

and, Maine, I found many Seventh-day, Sabbath keepers, though they are not Russians, but Americans. One sister got me some tracts in Russian which I have read through, and have accepted all the truth contained in them and am now keeping the Sabbath."

Space will not permit us to tell of other similar experiences that come to us as a result of the circulation of our truth-filled foreign literature. It is the privilege of every member to have the joy of planting this seed among the foreigners in your own neighborhood, and before you realize you may see the fruit thereof, because God will do a quick and mighty work among these people at this time.

Let us not stop by reading the experiences of others; let us gain an experience

ourselves. Let us take hold and be a home foreign missionary. Don't stop by being a member of the missionary society and a contributor to its funds, but go and do some personal missionary work yourself for your foreign neighbors, and you will be richly blessed thereby.

STEEN RASMUSSEN, Secretary, Foreign Department.

Shenandoah Valley Academy

News Notes

The academy calendar just from the press contains a number of interesting views of the activities and environments of the school. A card to Professor H. M. Forshee, New Market, Va., will bring it to you for the asking.

Our home missionary secretary, Brother Wm. Jones, spent last Sabbath with the company at Thelma.

Elder R. D. Hottel and family attended the commencement exercises at Washington College, John Hottel being one of the graduates. John has accepted a call to act as home missionary secretary of the Western New York Conference.

Miss Alice Miller, the academy matron will spend the vacation with her parents at Mount Vernon, O.

Elder A. E. Serns went to the Washington Sanitarium for an operation on his throat last week. It is hoped that all danger of future trouble will be removed.

Elder W. E. Bidwell spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Charlottesville Company.

Everybody is catching the camp-meeting fever. If this finds you at home, come for the last of the feast. If you cannot possibly attend, remember to pray for a special blessing upon this annual convocation of the "little flock."

Mount Vernon Academy

The senior class was favored in securing the services of Professor C. S. Longacre for the Baccalaureate sermon on Sabbath morning, and Dr. P. T. Magan for the Commencement address on Monday night.

We appreciated the good talk given by Professor Longacre at the Young People's meeting on Sabbath afternoon.

The closing exercises of M. V. A. were very successful and the chapel was crowded with an interested audience, many relatives and friends of the students being present at the time.

Most of the students have returned to their homes or to some field of labor for the summer. A little later we will publish the names of those who comprise the academy family.

The Class Day Exercises were rendered by the senior class last Thursday evening, May 17.

Friday evening the last students' prayer meeting was conducted by Elder N. S. Ashton and many testified to the great amount of good and strength they had

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received from the Friday night meetings. It was also requested that wherever we may be during the summer, that we remember each other at the time of the Tuesday and Friday night prayer meetings.

The M. V. A. Chorus, under the direction of Professor H. A. Miller, rendered their program, "Olivet to Calvary," on Saturday night.

The school picnic was given at the river side on Sunday and all enjoyed a good time and the refreshments which were served.

The class colors this year were purple and gold; the flower was the pansy; the watchword, "Diligence," and the motto, "Character not Fame." The chapel was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

A baptismal service was held at the lake last Sabbath and three adults were baptized.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Tebbe of Toledo, Ohio, have been visiting relatives and friends in Academia during commencement week.



**Advertisements**

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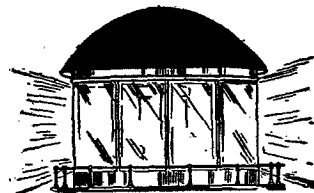
Virginia:— Gordonsville, May 24 to June 3.

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.

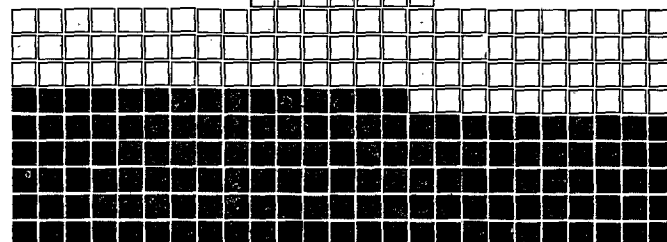
Ohio:— Bellefontaine, August 16-26.



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West Pennsylvania	3915 25
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