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

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FOREWORD

This special issue of the COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR is designed to meet the needs of superintendents, local leaders, and church elders, by supplying facts and figures in order that the Young Peoples' Societies in each church or company may have an interesting program August 25, and on that date make a strong move forward toward reaching their goal of 1917. Last year the special field to which the contributions of the Columbia Union Young People went was South India. It is interesting to know that nearly \$6,000 were sent by us to that field to build up schools, to support missionaries, and to train others for active service. Some of the enterprises which were begun last year are not yet completed, so the assignments for the various conferences in the Columbia Union include some of the same assignments of last year. Workers are being supported both native and foreign. Teachers in our schools are having their salaries met, and money is being raised to provide facilities for training schools. Surely there never was a time when there was greater need of faithfulness on the part of our young people in reaching the goal set before us in supplying funds to carry forward the work in this great dark land.

The Duty and Privilege of Giving for Missions

The aim of the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society is "The Advent Message to All the World in This Generation." Every Missionary Volunteer pledges to do "what I can to help others and to finish the work of the gospel in all the world." "What I can" includes giving of my means to support our missionaries. It means more, but surely cannot mean less.

The beloved disciple wrote: "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" 1 John 3:17. Genuine love will express itself in every possible way. Giving money to send missionaries to our unfortunate brothers and sisters who are still in heathen

darkness is one way of expressing our love for them. Every true Missionary Volunteer is constrained by the love of Christ to do all in his power to bring salvation to the lost, so every true Missionary Volunteer will give something, even though it may be but little, to carry the good news of salvation and of Jesus' soon return.

"Money is myself," said a speaker at a great missionary convention. Then he went on to show how that is. When you expend your energy in working and receive pay for the service, that money represents so much of your life's energy, it represents so much of your self. One man goes and buys liquor or tobacco, thus spending himself to weaken and destroy his body and mind. Another man buys a beautiful picture to enjoy. He is spending himself for his own pleasure, and possibly the further development of his higher nature. But another invests that which represents himself in missions, and thus gives himself for the salvation of poor, lost brothers or sisters. How glorious the gift!

In John 3:16, we are told of the great love of God to us in that He gave His only begotten Son for our salvation. In 1 John 3:16 we are told that in view of the fact that God laid down His life for us, we ought to lay down our lives for others. That this includes the giving of our possessions is indicated by the next verse, which is quoted above.

It is evident, then, that it is our duty as Christians and as Missionary Volunteers to give to missions. And whatever is a Christian duty is a joyous privilege.

The Missionary Volunteer Department of the North American Division Conference has set as its goal for 1917 to raise \$35,000 for missions. A large sum, is it not? No, not large when we think that there are over 15,000 Missionary Volunteers in this Division and many more young people that ought to be enlisted in this work.

This financial goal has been distributed to the various Union Conference Missionary Volunteer departments, and by the Union Conference departments to the local conferences. The local conference Missionary Volunteer secretaries have usually distributed to each local society

its portion of the conference goal. And it is the plan that the offerings shall equal \$3 for each Senior Missionary Volunteer and \$1.50 for each Junior. At the beginning of the year the budget plan of raising this money was suggested to all our societies. If this has been worked up faithfully, we shall have little trouble in going away beyond our goal.

In order to give this fund a big lift, we have arranged for this special offering on August 25—"Goal Dollar Day." On this day we are considering the missionary enterprises assigned to each conference and our duty and privilege to support them.

In "Testimonies," Vol. 7, p. 295, we read: "The ardor of the youth is now needed. They should put away vanity and restrict their wants. I would urge upon them and upon all our people that the money usually invested in unnecessary things be put to a higher, holier use."

Surely, we should give the money "usually invested in unnecessary things," but should we not do more? Now is the time of all times, it seems to me, for us to make a covenant with God by sacrifice. While the Saviour doubtless approved of the gifts of those who "of their abundance cast into the offerings of God," He especially commended the poor widow who "cast in all the living that she had." (Luke 21:4). Word comes of young people who are saving the money usually spent for chewing gum, and other unnecessary things, that they may furnish literature to the soldiers, and of graduating classes that desire to give to missions what has usually been spent on display at the time of graduation. These are omens of good. Let us pray for the spirit of sacrifice which we must have to meet Jesus who gave all. Let everyone who possibly can do so give a dollar at this time, and those who are able to do so give more.

"Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee.

"Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold."

M. E. KERN.

"How can you receive Christ's supreme sacrifice, if you will not make one little sacrifice for Him?"

South India Training School, Coimbatore, S. India

It would certainly cheer your hearts if you could step into our little chapel at the Coimbatore school some morning and see the bright faces of the boys and girls that are gathered here for an education. Our school is not large, but the students who are here are all here for a purpose, and that is to prepare for service in the Master's vineyard.

In order that you may become a little better acquainted with our work here, I will give you a brief history of this school. For some years we have felt that we ought to have a good school in which we could train native workers and supply our field with teachers for primary schools, preachers, colporteurs, and translators. Up until two years ago we had no such school in South India. The only school we had was the Nazareth school, which only takes students up to the seventh grade. Feeling the need of a school which would take students a little higher, and better prepare them for work, our mission committee decided to open this school at Coimbatore, a town of 70,000 inhabitants, about the center of the South India mission field. The school began July 12, 1915, with an enrollment of only 15 students. For a school building, we rented a large warehouse, which consisted of one long room. This we partitioned off into three rooms,—one for a teacher, one for the boys' dormitory, and the other one for class rooms, study hall, and chapel. We equipped it with blackboards, seats, tables and chairs, and began our work. Things were crude, but the students and teachers were happy, looking forward, of course, to better things in the future.

Since then our school has outgrown the warehouse, and we have moved to a larger place. At present the enrollment of the school is 50, representing three languages, namely, Tamil, Malayalam and Telegu. Of the 50 students, 35 are boarders, most of whom are members of our mission, 15 having been baptized since coming here.

Students in the school are given instruction in ten grades. These grades are divided into three departments. First, the Primary Department, which comprises the first four grades, the instruction being given entirely in the native language. Second, the Intermediate Department, which includes, fifth, sixth, and seventh grades, the instruction being given partly in English. Third, the Training School Department, covering eighth, ninth, and tenth grades, the work being entirely in English.

The chief branches of study are:

1. Bible, which includes Old and New

Testament History.

2. English language and literature.
3. Vernacular language and literature.
4. Mathematics, comprising arithmetic, algebra, and geometry.
5. General Knowledge, covering instruction in the history of Great Britain, History and Administration of India, geography, elementary chemistry, physics and physiology.

Examinations are held at the close of every quarter of the academic year and the eligibility of the students for promotion to the next grade is determined chiefly by the results obtained by the final examination which is held in March of each year. In the two final examinations which we have held, most of the students have done well. For the class in Bible Doctrines this year we used the Standard of Attainment questions sent out by the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Department. Most of the students passed, and some with excellent marks. This year four boys finished the tenth grade. Two of them plan to take up work somewhere in South India, and the other two are planning to go to the Lucknow Training school for further education.

The teaching staff consists of five native teachers and myself. One is a college graduate, two have done fourteen grade work, one, tenth grade work, and one, seventh grade work. I devote most of my time to the general oversight of the school and to the teaching of the Bible.

Our purpose in the school is to not only give students a thorough education in the common branches, but to train them for real mission work. For this reason we have made it a practice to form the students into bands and go out for colporteur work and preaching. During the past two years we have visited many heathen villages and distributed thousands of pages of literature on present truth. The students show a great interest in this line of work, and often have interesting experiences to relate on returning from one of these missionary trips. We try to go out for this kind of work at least once a month.

In the territory of the South India Mission there are more than 75,000,000 people, speaking five different languages. God has given us the stupendous task of warning these millions of His soon coming. The missionary alone could not do all this work, even if time should last a thousand years. The natives themselves must take the message to their own people. To do this, they must first be taught the message, and it is for that very purpose that this school has been established. We wish to build up a strong school here, drawing students from the five language areas mentioned above, and after teaching

them the message thoroughly, send them out to warn their own people. Will you not help us, by your prayers and your gifts, to accomplish this important work?

G. G. Lowry,
Coimbatore, South India.

At the close of the present school year, and since the report from Brother Lowry which is published above, the following item has come, dated April 22, 1917.

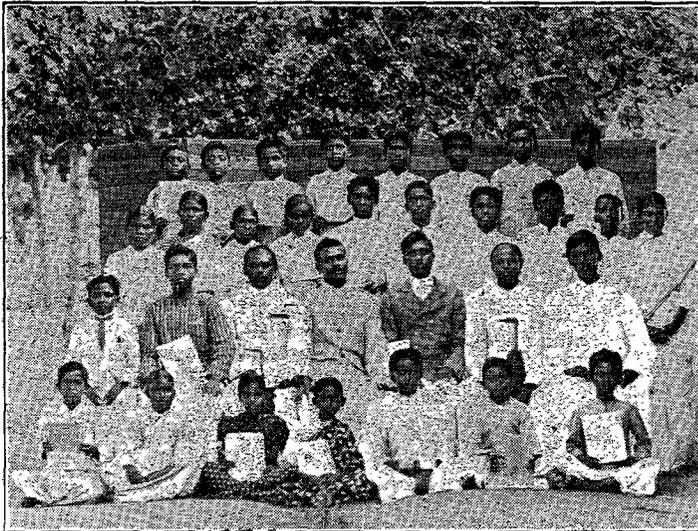
"We have just finished up our final examinations for 1916-17, and all of the students have gone to their homes for the vacation. Some of them are spending the vacation in some sort of missionary work. We hope to see some, if not all, of these boys and girls develop into real soul-winners for Christ in this needy field. What we need most of all just now is a property of our own, and buildings suitable for our work. At present we are using rented quarters, entirely unsuited to our needs, but the best we can do just now. I understand that we are soon to have our own property, for which we are very thankful."

Hardships Prepare for Hardships

A prominent business man once said when he came before a body of boys that he always felt like taking off his hat to them. This was because of the great probability that before him sat men who would occupy the highest positions that could be given them by their fellow men. It is likewise true of many of the young people who are today in our schools, in our Young Peoples' Societies, who read the Columbia Union Visitor, and who take part in the program on August 25.

Some years ago a young man came from the woods of western Tennessee with his parents and located near one of our schools. He had attended school a few months each year from the time he was six or seven years old, but had covered a few grades only. However, he felt quite accomplished in that he could drive four mules and haul logs from the woods to the mill. After one year in school, this young man began to awaken. His prospective wonderfully changed, his horizon materially widened, an ambition began to swell in his bosom which was not to be satisfied until he had fully equipped himself for efficiency in the Lord's work.

This young man was called to India, after a sufficient home experience, where he mastered one of the many languages, and became an efficient laborer among the Tamils. Later he and his companion connected with our training school at Coimbatore. This was Brother G. G. Lowry. No doubt his mind many times goes back to the early experiences in the school he first attended in Southwestern



M. V. SOCIETY OF NAZARETH

Books sold	12
Books given away	77
Tracts given away	410
Tracts sold	10
Articles of clothing given away	3
Hours of missionary work	220

J. RAJENDRAM, *Secretary.*

Need of Educating Natives as Workers

(Paragraphs dictated by Prof. Frederick Griggs, who has just returned from the Orient, after looking over the mission assignments made to the Columbia Union Conference.) (July 5, 1915)

India is a most needy field, and the young people of the Columbia Union Conference are asked to contribute to a worthy cause. The work in South India is becoming fairly well established, and if sufficient money can be obtained at once to educate and employ native workers, there will be a greater increase in our membership in a short time. The best method of building and establishing our work there is through the educated native workers, so that money invested in this way will bring the largest returns.

I met a number of the natives whose names appeared on this list, and they all impressed me as being quite as devoted to this cause as are our students and young workers in the homeland. They endure much privation, and cheerfully, too, for the sake of the truth.

The Coimbatore Training School is one of the most interesting schools I visited in the Orient. It is located in the midst of the Tamil, Malayalam, and Telegu peoples. The city of Coimbatore has a population of about 100,000. There are a large number of mission schools of other denominations operating there. Going out in the country from Coimbatore on a radius of ten or twelve miles, are

found villages of 5000 or 10,000 people, where there are no missions and no work being done. This Training School is greatly in need of a new plant with adequate facilities, and may well be located in one of these places where there is no other mission enterprise. The work of the Coimbatore School consists of about twelve grades.

I was thoroughly convinced during my visit in India that the only way to hope for advancement in our work there is through native workers, who have been given the necessary training and who carry on their work under the guidance of well trained men and women from the homeland. We need thousands of these native workers. The young people of the Columbia Union should be instructed to give gladly and freely for their education and support.

"To be able to rejoice whole-heartedly, without even a trace of envy, in the good fortune of one's friends—there lies a secret of real enjoyment."

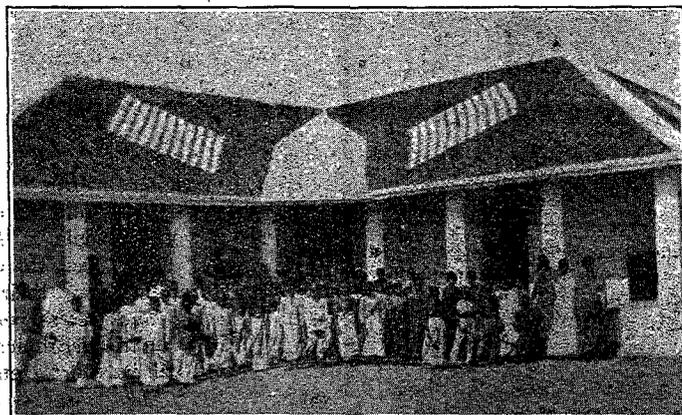
God Give Us Men!

"The greatest want of the world is the want of men,—men who will not be bought or sold, men who in the inmost souls are true and honest; men who do not fear to call sin by its right name; men whose conscience is true to duty as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall." Education, p. 57.

Not only is the want, the want for men but for young men—young people, youthful burden bearers. The Lord's plans for His work have always included young people. In the closing up of this work the youth are to have a leading part. In Vol. 7, page 64 we read, "The Lord has appointed the youth to be His helping hand. God has chosen us to be His helping hand. To help in what? To help finish the work.

In the "Signs of the Times" of May 29, 1893, we find these heart searching questions, asked by the servant of the Lord; "Who of our youth will give themselves to God for the purpose of laboring for the salvation of their fellow youth? Who will put their talent out to the exchangers? Who will feel their sacred accountability and put to use every ability given them of God to win souls? Young men and young women, cannot you form companies, and, as soldiers of Christ, enlist in the work, putting all your tract and skill and talent into the Master's service, that you may save souls from ruin?"

Then how are the young people to work? According to the above extract they are to form companies. In another extract from the Testimonies of 1893 we are plainly told that we should have an organization. "Let there be a company formed somewhat after the order of the Christian Endeavor Society." We now have this organization in the Missionary Volunteer Society. Now the thing for us to do is to carry out the work that is to be done by such a society. Let us read



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Kentucky, where many of the privations of pioneer work were experienced. While a building was being prepared, the school work was conducted in a barn that had been provided, and Brother Lowry spent the winter in a tent. The Lord had him in preparation for holding a school in a warehouse, or in any other place that would accommodate the students. His report of the work precedes this and will be read with interest. C. L. STONE.

Nazareth Mission, South India

We feel very grateful to God for putting it into the heart of the General Conference to send us missionaries in the persons of Elder and Mrs. J. S. James and those who have since been associated with them to propagate His message of truth for this time among the Tamil people of South India, of whom there are nearly 18,000,000. It would make my letter too long to attempt to enumerate the difficulties and perplexities they at first experienced in pioneering the work among the heathen of this community. We have now organized a church with a membership of 56 souls, and our Sabbath School numbers 130 inclusive of those who are in different parts of Ceylon.

I believe you will be pleased to hear a short account of our school, which forms an important part of our work at this station. It had its beginning with seven small children taught in the home of a friendly widow, not of our faith, in the midst of the near-by village. In November, 1909, the mission rented a small bazaar building and opened a school with 32 children in attendance. Gradually new students were admitted until the school has grown to its present size. As we had to cope with many inconveniences, the Mission finally bought a piece of land and erected the school building which now occupies a portion of it. School was opened in the new building on June 9, 1911. Students of all castes and creeds are admitted. The public has begun to feel the influence of our true Christian education on the minds of the young, and have, therefore, taken every precaution to prevent their children from attending, yet the honest and God-fearing are in full sympathy with our system of education. The present number on the roll is 75, of whom 49 are boys and 26 are girls. Work is now carried on in this school from the infant to the seventh standard. The higher grades are carried on in our training school at Coimbatore, where Pastor and Mrs. G. G. Lowry are located.

We have already seen some of the results of our efforts. Last year we sent sixteen students from this school to our training school at Coimbatore. Nearly all of them are at present baptized members of our church at that place. They

are being prepared to take up responsible work in connection with this cause at an early period. One girl, who has had her education in this school, is at present employed as a teacher in our school, and another one is married to one of our evangelists and thereby she is helping her husband in the work. This year seven of the oldest students in Coimbatore have finished their course over there, two of whom will go on to our Union Training School in Lucknow, while the others take up local duties in the work. Thus the earnest, faithful work of Pastor Lowry and his staff of teachers at Coimbatore has already begun to bear fruits to the glory of God.

About nine months ago we organized a Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society at this station. Nearly all the officers of this Society are students. Some of them are very proud of their titles as leader, Assistant, Secretary and



E. D. THOMAS AND FAMILY

Treasurer, etc. All the members are very earnest and full of zeal in their missionary work. The parents of some of these students are still heathen, but these students have been in our school for a year or two. We have always seen a great change for the better in the lives of Hindu children of our school.

I have asked the secretary of our Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society to give you a brief report of their work for the past nine months. He is a student in our sixth standard, or class. I am sure the young people in America will be very glad and feel thankful to note the noble work done by their young Indian brethren and sisters connected with this institution in this tropical field. The gospel has still its effort even in this heathen land. The prospects for the coming year were never better or more encouraging.

As a people, we are poor in this world's goods but rich in the truth which has come to us. We endeavor to give as God prospers us, and to work for the advancement of this message as best we can with our limited education and abilities; but to our feeble efforts must be added your prayers and support.

Sincerely your brother in Christ,
(Signed) E. D. THOMAS.

The Nazareth School is really the parent school of the Coimbatore Training School. But now it is conducted as an elementary rather than a training school. Brother E. D. Thomas and his wife are teachers in this school, and I consider them people of excellent judgment, very efficient, and true to the principles we advocate.

Report From the Y. P. M. V. Society of South India

Our Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society has been in existence nine months, being organized on August 6, 1916, and we find our society growing stronger by the grace of God. Our meetings are held each Sunday from 7:30 to 8:30 P. M., at which time we study "Bible Readings" regularly, and also methods for the promulgation of this last message to the world. Every Sunday we get permission to go into the village and distribute our papers, and on other days we teach this truth to the students coming to our school. Sometimes, when we have two or three days' vacation, we go into distant villages and make known to others this truth by distributing papers and preaching.

In the matter of donations, our students not only bring donations from homes, but also give the entire profit from gardens which they have planted, and the commission on the sale of books. The money thus collected amounts to nine pounds, eleven shillings, four pence (about forty-eight dollars).

As the Scripture says, "Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days," so we are doing our work very courageously, thinking with all our hearts that all power is given unto our Saviour, and trusting that God will bless our work and make it seed sown in good land. So we beg you to take us in the presence of God at all seasons.

REPORT OF WORK DONE

Reporting members	200
Letters written	18
Letters received	4
Missionary visits	667
Bible readings held	233
Cottage meetings held	6
Papers sold	78
Papers loaned or given away	542

the rest of the above quotation, "And see what can be done by each accountable human agent in watching for and improving opportunities to do work for the Master." Then we are not only to watch for, but improve each opportunity.

Many are the opportunities for the youth to improve. Just take one of our report blanks and see what is to be done. Let each one look at his local conference goal for missions. How about the different forms of home missionary work, writing letters, giving Bible readings, making visits to the poor and sick, lending tracts or books, etc.? Let each one of us ask himself, "Am I doing my part to reach the goal?"

Paul said to Timothy, "Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers." 1 Tim. 4:12. Again we read from the servant of the Lord, "Young men, young women, you are a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. By your determined efforts to be true and righteous, laying your foundation secure in faith, you may be able to provoke the older and more experienced brethren and sisters to love and good works." As we read these words we feel like saying with the poet.

"God give us men! A time like this demands
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands;
Men who possess opinions and a will,
Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking.
Wrong rules the land and waiting justice sleeps:
God give us men."

O. S. HERSHBERGER.

A Little Tamil Girl

[Brother and Sister Peugh were students at the Foreign Mission Seminary in 1912-13; and it was through their efforts that the Dispensary was started in the city of Washington.—M. E. KERN.]

Hannah is a dear little Tamil girl. She romps and laughs and plays just like all other girls. She has a happy home with fond parents and brothers and sisters who love her dearly. Hannah goes to school and is learning to read and write, so that when she is older she can work for Jesus, and she is trying now to be kind and helpful to all. In the morning before she goes to school, she does a great many things about the home to help her mother. She does not make the beds, because there are none to make, as they all sleep on mats on the floor. And there are few dishes to wash, for they eat off leaves from a tree, and for spoons, knives, and forks, their fingers answer the combined purpose of all. But still there is plenty to do. She sweeps the floor with a short little broom made by tying grass together. Water must be carried from the village well. Hannah will take an earthen pot and go with her mother to the well, fill it with water, put it on her hip and bring it home. The baby, too, must be amused. She puts it astride her hip while she is working or when she runs and plays with the other children. If it cries, she will bump it up and down on her hip, and it is soon satisfied. And so the days pass, filled with little kindnesses and helpful acts.

There are many, many thousands of little Indian girls who are not happy like Hannah. Their homes are not happy,

and their parents are not kind and loving. They can not go to school as their brothers do, because their parents think it not necessary for girls to learn. While their brothers can spend much time in play, the girls must drudge away at hard work. And worst of all, many of them are married to gray-haired men while they are still little girls. Why is it? It is because their parents do not know God. They are not Christians, but worship idols of wood and stone. They have not been told about Jesus and do not know that He died for them. Let us all do our part in sending the great Peace-Giver into all these darkened unhappy homes.

MARY VIPOND-PEUGH.

That Grim Determination

(New Jersey)

"It takes a little courage,
And a little self-control,
And some grim determination,
If you want to reach the goal."

This little verse never seems to grow old. It was not only true last year, but it applies this year and always. It is a fine thing to have that "grim determination" that brings results, and our Missionary Volunteers possess it to a most encouraging degree, I think.

Have you been thinking about our Missionary Volunteer Goal of late, and wondering what progress is being made in attaining it? You know it should be half reached by the close of the first six months, and as that period is already in the past, it is time we were taking an inventory of stock, I believe. How does it appeal to you? Here is the goal:

46 Young people converted.

18 Standard of Attainment certificates earned.

54 Reading Course certificates issued.

36 To read the Bible through.

\$650 To Missions.

229 Reporting members.

Every one of you will be glad to know that the first item is more than half reached.

The Standard of Attainment will come out unusually well, if all who are now planning on the September test hold on, take the examination, and "pass." Our Reading Course goal has already been more than reached for the year.

A true, live, active Volunteer will be a reporting member. Are you one?

Perhaps after noting the progress we are making, you are saying to yourself, "Isn't it fine that the prospects for reaching our goal are so bright. I wouldn't be surprised if we doubled the whole goal again this year, after the manner of 1916."

But wait a moment. We didn't mention the mission offerings. I wonder if they are growing as they should. The



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fact is, they are NOT. But Goal Dollar Day is coming, and then we expect to see our offerings rise with a bound. We have 334 Volunteers in New Jersey. What a splendid lift it would be for South India if each one, even the juniors, would be ready to give a dollar on that day. You know the needs of this field, particularly those who heard Brother Dalwahn at our camp-meeting. And oh, those needs are so many! Let us everyone be ready to help. Here is just a suggestion for the juniors. Those little dime collectors which you saw at camp, "Money Trees" they are called, would be a fine thing to use in getting your dollar for Dollar Day. One eight-year-old friend of mine filled his collector in fifteen minutes. You can secure these from David Cook and Co., Mowhawk Building, New York City. (Form No. 2005) I think that they are two and one-half cents a piece, and they will last ever so long. When you have filled your "tree" once, you can take out the ten dimes and fill it again, if you like. A good deal of money has been raised for the Lord's work in this way.

A little card hanging near my desk says, "Great is He Who Beholds Opportunity, Where Others See Only Obstacles." Shall we not think of Goal Dollar Day as a grand opportunity to help to advance the cause of our King? Remember the date, August 25th, and Prepare for it. It takes "grim determination" to reach the goal, but oh the joy of it! ELLA IDEN.

What it Means to Reach Our Goal

A little dark eyed girl, full of despair, longing for life to cease, was suddenly filled with hope as she heard of one who would ever be a true friend and helper, a Saviour indeed. As she slipped into the mission day after day, the glad story of redemption became her own. It means much to us, but, but if we were in her place, that of a child widow in India, how much we would prize it. This little maiden was placed in a Christian school and her whole life brightened as she was trained in service for the Master. Now, as years later we hear the story from the lips of her son on our own camp ground, it has inspired us to renewed efforts to do our part in helping to carry the message to still others in south India.

The Missionary Volunteers of Eastern Pennsylvania have been given for their share of the goal the support of seven of the native workers in that field. \$596 will do this. We are determined if careful planning and sacrifice on our part will do this for those who are still in the darkness of heathen customs, that we will be true to the trust that has been placed upon us.

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Virginia, Week Ending July 20, 1917									
E. M. Trummer and wife, Wise Co.		BR	5	52	53	213 50	22 25	235 75	170 00
S. N. Wilmer, Orange Co.		BR	8	74	77	256 60	4 00	260 50	
H. G. Leeland, Tazwell Co.		BR	10	71	46	178 50	18 30	196 80	
H. M. Baker, Tazwell Co.		BR	10	71	48	205 00	5 25	210 25	
J. L. Walker, Nottoway Co.		BR	5	30	24	88 00		88 00	
David Percy, Tazwell Co.		HM	4	33	31	83 25		83 35	
M. A. Maloney, Grayson Co.		BR	5	44	25	86 50	1 00	87 50	1 00
M. J. Shanko, Grayson Co.		BR	5	44	27	99 50	50	100 00	80
Hazel Leach, Pittsylvania Co.		BR	5	45	26	92 00		92 00	
Glenna Mears, Warren Co.		BR	15	115	15	51 25	43 05	94 30	
E. H. Dye, Montgomery Co.		BR	5	43	12	45 00	4 50	49 50	
Irma Geheart, Frederick Co.		BR	9	75	37	132 50	1 50	134 00	
Anne Childs, Shenandoah Co.		BR	9	88	9	32 50	9 85	42 35	
Hilda M. Rokey, Pittsylvania Co.		BF	9	56	31	70 50	2 75	73 25	
Agnes Walker, Nottoway Co.		BR	4	14	30	61 00	50	61 50	
Malena Williams, Pittsylvania Co.		BF	3	27	9	19 50	2 50	22 00	
Vericee Hankins, Madison Co.		HM	3	18	11	39 00		39 00	
Paul Neilson, Accomac Co.		HM	7	65	49	133 00		133 00	
Mrs. Fussell, Henrico Co.	WW	OSD	10	50	220	55 00		55 00	55 00
Totals	19 Agents					1311015 780\$1942 10	\$115 75\$2058 05	\$226 50	
East Pennsylvania, Week Ending July 13, 1917									
C. Booth, Franklin Co.		GC	4	24	10	35 00		35 00	
S. Booth, Franklin Co.		BR	4	35	6	11 50	4 00	15 50	
H. C. Baumgartner, Bucks Co.		BR	4	38	6	22 00	8 50	30 50	
W. P. Hess, Lancaster Co.		BR	5	40	14	46 50		46 50	4 00
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	4	8	1	2 00	2 40	4 40	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	2	9					37 00
E. E. Gloor, Dauphin Co.		BR	5	58	30	135 00	2 25	137 25	
Thos. Beamederfer, Dauphin Co.		BR	5	54	15	65 50	6 00	71 50	
L. W. Mase, Wayne Co.		GC	5	34	16	57 00	11 50	68 50	
W. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		Misc	4	34		24 65		24 65	40 85
C. F. Durr, Philadelphia		Misc	4				12 50	15 90	
Miscellaneous		Misc				763 35		763 35	
Totals	11 Agents					46 334 98\$1041 00	\$50 55\$1213 05	\$81 85	
Ohio, Week Ending July 20, 1917									
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.		BR	5	53	10	38 00	75	38 75	
Geo. Carter, Shelby Co.		BR	5	49	10	42 00	2 25	44 25	145 25
R. D. Kline, Allen Co.		BR	5	49	23	91 50	3 00	94 50	2 25
E. C. Alexander, Adams Co.		BR	5	48	15	57 50	11 50	69 00	10 75
J. H. Stafford, Columbus		BR	5	46	5	23 50		23 50	
Geo. Harvey, Trumbull Co.		BR	5	46	15	57 50	3 00	60 50	6 25
Mabel Cassell, Fulton Co.		BR	4	46	5	17 50	13 25	30 75	13 25
Fred Hanftah, Belmont Co.		BR	5	45	9	31 50	6 00	37 50	13 25
K. W. Blaylock, Cleveland		Mag	5	41			45 00	45 00	45 00
M. B. Ingersol, Erie Co.		BR	5	40	5	23 50	1 00	24 50	25
Chas. Carter, Paulding Co.		BR	5	40	10	37 00	3 00	40 00	75
Martha Hottes, Dayton		BF	5	40	11	23 00	16 00	39 00	1 75
Elmer French, Champaign Co.		BR	5	40	16	65 00	4 00	69 00	1 75
Elsie Haughey, Fulton Co.		BR	4	36	13	48 50	1 00	49 50	1 00
Mrs. C. Kelly, Madison		BR	5	35	12	47 00	5 75	52 75	27 00
Daisy Wheeler, Lake Co.		BR	5	34	9	19 50	4 75	24 25	4 75
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton		BR	5	34	16	60 00	9 25	69 25	13 75
Clara Weber, Dayton		BR	5	32	5	19 50	3 00	22 50	15 25
Mrs. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.		BR	3	24	6	24 00	1 50	25 50	2 00
Mary Holder, Fulton Co.		BR	3	23	4	15 00	1 00	16 00	1 00
D. McCarthy, Youngstown		BR	4	20					63 55
N. Oancea, Akron	Foreign		4	19			11 80	11 80	11 80
Zita Hannab, Knox Co.		BR	4	17	3	10 50	6 50	17 00	
G. W. Yingling, Warren		BR	4	15	7	29 50	8 00	37 50	3 00
Clifford Hubbel, Perry Co.		BR	2	14	12	42 00	75	42 75	75
Frank Fultz, Montgomery Co.		BR	1	10					29 75
Anna Mooy, Knox Co.		BR	1	8	2	9 00	1 75	10 75	
Mrs. G. Yingling, Warren		BR	2	6	3	11 50		11 50	
Totals	28 Agents					116 910 226 \$843 50	\$163 80\$1097 30	\$414 10	

West Pennsylvania Week Enging July 13, 1917

Paul Baroudi, Westmoreland	BR	65	100 00	100 00	148 00
Geo. Buttermore, Fayette Co.	BR	12 77 23	85 50	91 95	177 45 94 05
C. E. Chisholm, Clearfield Co.	BR	98	138 65		138 65 70 75
Solomon Diehl, Mifflin Co.	SP	129	37 70		37 70 56 00
D. J. Hoover, Fayette Co.	BR	9 49 23	86 00	5 75	91 75 42 50
Earl Hackman, Mercer Co.	BR	13 116 35	127 00	27 25	154 25 20 75
G. W. James, Westmoreland Co.	WW	74	66 00		66 00 66 00
J. A. Kimmel, Jefferson Co.	BR	2 13	4 50	4 50	9 00 4 50
Clyde Newmyer, Mercer Co.	BR	15	25 144 00	11 75	155 75
Hazel Read, Allegheny Co.	BR	8 53 7	24 50	31 00	55 50
A. B. Schmidt, Butler Co.	BR	5 31 13	45 50	4 75	50 25 1 00

Totals 11 Agents 64 679 200 \$859 35 \$176 95 \$1036 30 \$503 55

District of Columbia Week Ending July 20, 1917

Chas. Dunham, Washington	WW	10 60 4	15 00	63 00	78 00 50 00
C. A. Carter, Stafford	BR	5 38 22	78 00		78 00
Ralph H. Gauker, Westmoreland	BR	5 41 22	80 00	1 25	81 25 1 25
J. I. Butcher, Westmoreland	GC	10 88 56	203 00	6 75	209 75 1 00
E. T. Feutz, Fauquier	BR	5 33 11	31 00	6 10	37 10 10 00
D. Atchison, Fauquier	BR	5 37 6	21 00	5 00	26 00 27 50
J. D. Haynes, Fairfax Co.	BR	2 20 1	3 50		3 50 214 50
Joe Chestnut, Fairfax	BR	5 35 56	208 50		208 50 208 50
C. N. Schofield	WW			6 25	6 25 6 25
Miscellaneous	Misc		18 50	35 60	54 10 54 10

Totals 9 Agents 47 352 178 \$658 50 \$123 95 \$782 45 \$573 10

MAGAZINES

Alma Kibler	13 00
Mrs. Hattie V. Purce	5 00
Miscellaneous	12 00
Total	\$30.00

West Virginia, Week Ending July 14, 1917

C. G. Mays, Alderson Co.	BR	4 35 10	40 00	3 00	43 00 2 25
T. M. Butler, Alderson	BR	5 30 7	25 50	4 50	30 00 2 00
John McHenry McDowell Co.	BF	5 39 64	131 50	16 30	147 80 13 55
J. M. Morris, Charleston	HM	5 26 3	7 50	12 05	19 55 18 70
Guy Corder, Raleigh Co.	CK	5 38			275 00
E. R. Corder, Raleigh Co.	CK	5 40			300 00

Total 6 Agents 29 208 84 \$204 50 \$35 85 \$240 35 \$611 50

Chesapeake, Week Ending July 20, 1917

Graham E. Joiner, Rock Hall, Md.		8 38	9 50		9 50 9 50
Mabel C. Witt, Mayo, Md.	WW	6 20	6 00		6 00 6 00
Esther Witt, Mayo, Md.	WW	6 19	5 00		5 00 5 00

Totals 3 Agents 20 77 20 50 20 50 20 50

New Jersey, Week Ending July 20, 1917

Irvin W. Rogers, Mercer Co.	BR	5 36 5	24 50	30 00	54 50 50 00
John Hobson, Mercer Co.	BR	1 2 2	9 00		9 00

Total 2 Agents 6 38 7 \$33 50 \$30 00 \$63 50 \$50 00

Grand Totals: 89 Agents Value of Orders \$5602 95 Deliveries, \$2481 10

OUR LIST OF WORKERS

Santhanam	\$7 per mo.	\$84 00
Devasahayam	17 " "	200 00
Suvisahamathu	4 " "	48 00
Ponniah	4 " "	48 00
Solomon	10 " "	120 00
Gnanamathu	4 " "	48 00
Samuel	4 " "	48 00
		<u>\$596 00</u>

BESSIE E. ACTON.

Assignments for Conferences in Columbia Union

Following are the assignments for the various conferences in the Columbia Union. It is to be hoped that the young people will study the assignment of their conference, and make sure that the goal is reached.

COLUMBIA UNION

South India \$4590.00

- Support of Coimbatore Training School, Ohio \$1250 00
- Part of salary and expense of V. E. Peugh & wife 615 00
New Jersey
(Whole salary and expense \$855.)
- The Nazareth School Virginia 450 00
(Includes E. D. Thomas & wife.)
- A. Gnanasahamoni, salary and expense \$13.50 month. 162 00
West Virginia
- Help complete Coimbatore Building, Dist. Columbia 810 00
- Chinnadoria, salary and expense, \$26 00 per mo. \$292 00
Mrs. Chinnadoria 6 50 per mo. 78 00
Asirvatham 14 00 " " 168 00
Chesapeake 538 00
- Santhanam \$7 00 per mo. 84 00
Devasahayam 17 00 " " 200 00
Suvisahamathu 4 00 " " 48 00
Ponniah 4 00 " " 48 00
Solomon 10 00 " " 120 00
Gnanamathu 4 00 " " 48 00
Samuel 4 00 " " 48 00
East Pennsylvania 596 00
- Pakkiam \$2 50 per mo. 30 00
Abel 4 25 " " 51 00
Daniel 4 25 " " 51 00
Aranachalam 4 25 " " 51 00
Benjamin 8 00 " " 96 00
West Pennsylvania 279 00

"More pitiable objects seldom are seen than the person who rebels unceasingly against bearing his burden, yet is compelled to bear it."

"Would it not be distressing if God were to take us at our word when, after some slight disappointment, we murmur, 'I have nothing else to live for?'"

"'God has given man the power of accepting re-enforcement.' He has also provided man with a line of communication with the great Source of supplies which no power of earth or Satan can cut or hinder. From within the fortress of its own being, every soul is free to decide whether it will or will not call for help to fight its battles. A signal of need sent heavenward along the line of prayer will bring enlightenment, courage, and new power."

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The photograph which appears above is of A. Arsirvatham, the Tamil Bible worker in Madras, for whom the Chesapeake Conference is contributing a year's salary, amounting to one hundred and sixty-eight dollars. This worker writes:

"When I came to Madras to connect with the Bible work I thought, surely I will never be able to meet the people. I worked on, though tremblingly at first, and as I proceeded, God encouraged me, and now I am able not only to see the

people, but to sell them "Bible Readings" in the Tamil language, also tracts and small books and papers. Studies have been given in many homes, and not without fruit, as several have lately received baptism. . . . The burden of the work is great, but I am happy in being able to work for Jesus. The work is widening so rapidly that more and more workers are needed. Pray the Lord of the harvest that at this time He will send forth more workers into this needy corner."

OHIO

The Ohio Camping-Meeting

This final notice is given of the Ohio annual camp-meeting to be held at Bellefontaine, Ohio, August 16-26. Owing to the recent rapid developments in conditions throughout the world, the convocation of our people from all parts of our great state will be one of vital importance. Elder W. A. Spicer, Secretary of the General Conference, who has just returned from an extended trip abroad, is to be with us. Elder S. N. Haskell, a well known pioneer and leader, and Sister Haskell, will attend this meeting. Professor Longacre, Religious Liberty Secretary for the North American Division Conference, is to be one of the general laborers. We have hopes for the presence of Elder A. G. Daniells who has recently returned from a very extended trip in the Orient, during a part of our meeting.

From the Union Conference we expect the following laborers: B. G. Wilkinson, D. H. Kress, R. T. Dowsett, C. L. Stone, J. H. Hirlinger, G. F. Enoch, C. V. Leach, F. H. Robbins and D. A. Parsons. Of course, the ministers and Bible workers of the Ohio Conference will be at the meeting.

This is to be a meeting of unusual importance. Thrilling messages will be given. God's rich blessing, so much needed in the church just now, will be provided bountifully. Every believer in Ohio should be at this meeting.

E. K. SLADE.

Mount Vernon College Corporation

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Mount Vernon College Association will take place in connection with the Ohio Conference and camp-meeting at Bellefontaine, Ohio, August 16-26. First meeting is called for Tuesday morning, August 21, at 10:00 A. M.

All regular business, such as comes before the annual meeting of the constituent members, will be transacted at that time.

E. K. SLADE, *President.*N. S. ASHTON, *Secretary.*

Notice

Just a word to those who sing. Music is a gift, use it to the glory of God. Come to camp-meeting with the intention that you will do your part to make the whole camp feel that they have been blessed by the song service, and with the determination that you will do all you can to make the singing a full success.

An orchestra would add much to the music. All persons who play musical instruments kindly bring the same along. Your service will be much appreciated.

L. C. METCALF

Notice to Conference Laborers

In the event of our camp-meeting to be held at Bellefontaine, August 16-26, all conference laborers are requested to be on the ground Sunday, August 12, unless they have made other arrangements with the conference president regarding the time of their appearance there.

After four years of faithful service as stenographer in the Ohio Conference office, Miss Leila Westfall has discontinued her work and is now spending a few weeks at her home in Michigan. She soon passes on to California, where she is to enter the nurses course of the Glendale Sanitarium.