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## U N I O N

### Ohio Completes Pledges

The writer is glad to report that the brethren and sisters of the Ohio Conference proved their desire to supply the necessities of the Cause of God as the recurring year presents its burdens, by completing the subscribing of their share of the College Fund.

It was found that an amount of \$4,000 was still lacking to complete her quota. The same amount was needed for missions. Accordingly it was agreed to combine the two funds and divide them equally between the Missionary College and Missions. Because of the urgency of the situation in Washington, it was voted that the first half of the pledges was to go to the college and the last half for missions.

The matter was presented Sabbath afternoon in the testimony meeting, and the Spirit of the Lord came in sealing the consecration of large sums of money. The offering was completed Sunday morning. The Sabbath School offering was \$1115.36, and the combined fund for the Missionary College and Missions was \$9274, or a total of \$10,389.36.

Only three conferences remain in which to complete the quota for pledges. But the great effort must now be exerted to change all the pledges into cash. Watch the Monument, and let each one discharge their responsibility by paying the pledge as soon as possible. Just a little more earnest labor and prayer will complete this task and fit us for the next. Soon the work will be finished.

GEO. F. ENOCH.

## EAST PENNSYLVANIA

### Report of Committee on Plans and Resolutions

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference Association of S. D. A., held at Emmanuel Grove, Allentown, Pennsylvania, June 21-24, 1917.

First: During the year that has passed,

the world has been filled with great horrors of war, and many lands and homes have been deluged with trouble and sorrow, but God has been watching over His own; *Therefore*, be it resolved that we express our thanksgiving to God for all His kindnesses that we have enjoyed during the past year, and especially for the large measure of prosperity that has been given to His sacred cause with which we are connected.

Second: In view of our national crisis, and the appeal which has come to us from the president of our country, calling upon every citizen to practice economy and self-denial to aid in meeting the demands and emergencies which are sure to arise as a result of present conditions, We recommend

First, That personal sacrifice and self-denial be practiced by our people everywhere, by abstaining from luxuries of all kinds, especially harmful beverages.

Second, That as a further aid in meeting the stress of war, and in harmony with the resolution of the N. A. Division Conference, a collection for the support of red cross be taken on a day and hour arranged for by those in charge of the camp-meeting program.

#### Resolutions on Temperance and Prohibition

Whereas, The American Republic is facing a food crisis, and it has become absolutely necessary to conserve our grain products for the bakery instead of the brewery in order to prevent a food famine of the gravest consequences to the nation in this time of national peril; and

Whereas, the majority of the Congressmen already have expressed their willingness to enact a law for national prohibition immediately as a necessary war measure, and to empower President Wilson to put such a law into effect as soon as national necessity makes it imminent; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we, the Seventh-day Adventist denomination of the state of Pennsylvania, assembled in conference at Emmanuel Grove near Allentown, on the 25th day of the month of June, 1917, declare ourselves in favor of national prohibition as a war measure, and we do hereby humbly petition his Excellency Woodrow Wilson to put in operation such a war measure as soon as possible for the safety of the Republic, as well as for the

welfare of all its people.

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution, together with our signatures, be forwarded by the chairman to the President of the United States.

(Signatures)

Inasmuch as the principles taught by Jesus Christ and plainly enunciated in the Scriptures, demand that as Christians we be able to minister to the physical needs of mankind, and in view of the increase of suffering and sickness that naturally result in times of war, and the demands for young men and young women who are qualified to do first aid work.

*Resolved*, That we approve the action of the Medical Department in providing for courses in first aid to be offered in our training schools and Fireschool Correspondence School, and that we encourage our young men to enter such courses whenever possible. We further recommend that wherever possible such a course be provided for the young men in our large churches.

#### The College Fund

Whereas the opening providence of God indicates that the Spirit of God is working marvelously in the mission fields so that there is urgent need of sending forth a large army of workers before the present opportunity passes, never to return, and

Whereas, the present appalling international situation emphasizes the solemnity of the present hour,

And further, Whereas a large number of our young people are volunteering for the finishing of the work, for the speedy training of whom we have neither room nor adequate facilities at our college for the East,

*Therefore*, We recommend that our conference make its special work for the immediate future the raising of the full amount of our quota on the W. M. C. Building, *Viz.*, \$5000.

Second: That active steps be taken by conference and church officers to collect all pledges now due, and in cases where it is found that individuals are not able to meet the obligation that some plan may be devised by which they may secure the amount pledged.

Third: That we continue to solicit donations to this fund in \$50 shares, as last year, and that a vigorous campaign be in-

augurated to secure the one hundred shares remaining in the allotment to this conference.

Fourth: That we hereby adopt the goal of "one Christ's Object Lessons" to be sold by every member in the conference (1285) the proceeds to go to the college fund.

Fifth: That our people everywhere sell as many as possible of "World's War," "Other Side of Death," "The Christian Sabbath," and "The Coming of Jesus," in their neighborhoods in the immediate future, turning the proceeds into the college fund.

Sixth: That these last two resolutions be carried to all the churches under the auspices of the Home Missionary Department, all conference and church officers uniting heartily in making the effort a success.

Seventh: That we make every possible effort to close this fund by September 30, 1917.

#### A Memorial

To the Honorable, The Senate, and House of Representatives of the United States.

We, the undersigned, citizens of the State of . . . assembled at a convention of the Religious Liberty Association of . . . , in the town of . . . , on . . . 1917, beg leave to address the following memorial to you concerning certain un-American bills now pending before congress.

As citizens of the United States who have the general welfare of the nation at heart, we are exceedingly jealous that the fundamental principles of civil and religious liberty guaranteed to each individual by the federal Constitution be not jeopardized and overridden by the enactment of statutes which are in direct opposition to these sacred guaranties and immunities of democracy.

Two strictly religious measures are now pending, one in the Senate, and the other in the House of Representatives. They are respectively, S. 2260 and H. R. 128. These bills, if enacted into law, would committ Congress to the subject of religious legislation, would establish a purely religious institution by law, and would under severe penalties compel universal observance of a sectarian dogma, utterly ignoring the rights of other sects who dissent in faith and practice relative to manner and time of observance of the Lord's day.

We regret that Congress has ever been asked to legislate in favor of a religious institution concerning which there is so divergent a religious sentiment as the Sunday and Sabbath questions.

We are in harmony with the following sentiments expressed in the Senate Report on Sunday Mails, by Mr. Richard

Johnson, of Kentucky, who was Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, Jan. 19, 1829:

"The proper object of government is to protect all persons in the enjoyment of their religious as well as civil rights, and not to determine for any whether they shall esteem one day above another, or esteem all days alike holy. . . . It is not the legitimate province of the legislature to determine what religion is true, or what false. Our government is a civil, and not a religious, institution. Our Constitution recognizes in every person the right to choose his own religion, and to enjoy it freely without molestation. . . .

"Among all the religious persecutions with which almost every page of modern history is stained, no victim ever suffered but for the violation of what government denominated the law of God. To prevent a similar train of evils in this country, the Constitution has wisely withheld from our government the power of defining the divine laws. . . . If the principle is once established that religion, or religious observance, shall be interwoven with our legislative acts, we must pursue it to its ultimatum."

We believe that the Sabbath ought to be observed with piety and due respect to God, but we do not believe that any man should be compelled to observe Sunday or any other day, as long as he is a free moral creature and has the liberty to be religious by choice. Enforced religion can only engender hypocrisy instead of true piety. It makes slaves out of free men. Congress has no more right to prohibit legitimate and honorable labor and business on Sunday because the church demands it than it has to prohibit church services on show day because the show demands it.

We believe that Sunday laws are not only un-American but un-Christian. Neither Christ nor His apostles sought at any time to enforce their teachings by the force of civil statutes and penalties.

The bills before the Senate, S. 2260, was introduced at the request of a purely religious organizations of clergymen, and is now being supported by religious organizations. Its object as stated in the bill, is "to protect the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, from desecration and to secure its observance as a day of rest in the District of Columbia."

This shows very clearly the religious character of this measure, and since its object is to make religious observance compulsory upon all citizens without even protecting divergent religious views, we feel that we have a just reason to remonstrate against these compulsory Sunday bills. The enactment into law of Sunday legislation has subjected many conscientious citizens of divergent faith to hardships

and cruel persecutions. A revival of the Sunday Blue Laws always opens the way for religious bigotry to stir the smoldering embers of persecution; and it is impossible to set a bound beyond the limits which it dare not go.

We, therefore, ask your Honorable Body to refrain from any course which may lead again to persecution of individuals or sects who have the divine and Constitutional right to differ on points of religious dogmas, and to enjoy the free exercise of their religious functions in such a manner and at such a time as they may choose, provided the exercise of that choice respects the same and equal rights of their neighbors.

And we, your memorialists, beg leave to assure you that we are kindly disposed to support the government of our country, and to maintain a due submission to the lawful exercise of its authority in purely civil matters.

Signed by order of the Convention:

....., Chairman  
....., Secretary

#### Resolutions Concerning Religious Liberty

Whereas, The fundamental principles of civil and religious liberty, the rights of the individual conscience in matters of religious faith, and the complete separation of church and state as guaranteed by the federal Constitution, are being encroached upon and overridden through the enactment of illicit Sunday legislation, making Sunday observance compulsory upon all citizens without respect to divergent faith or conscience in religious matters; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we continue to defend the equal and inalienable rights of all men and their religious practices, so long as they are consistent with decency and respect the equal rights of all; and we protest against the enactment of laws by civil government for the compulsory observance of Sunday and the penalizing of contrary views and practices, or any other religious enactment which tends to unite church and state, thus placing the divergent sects on an inequality before the law, as being a subversion of the Gospel plan of freedom of choice, and a departure from the fundamental principles upon which the American Republic was founded.

*Resolved*, That we continue to protest against the enactment of laws by Congress for the abridgment of free speech, a free press, and the freedom of the mails beyond existing statutes.

Whereas, The "Liberty" magazine is doing a very effective work among state legislators, executive officers, and judges of state supreme courts, in moulding sentiment against religious legislation and the enforcement of Sunday laws, therefore,

*Resolved,* That our conference continue to supply the "Liberty" magazine to the members of the state legislature, the governor and his cabinet, and the state supreme and circuit court judges; and that the necessary expense involved in this item be taken out of the annual collection for the local religious liberty work.

*Resolved,* That we put forth an effort at our camp-meeting to get our people to subscribe for "Liberty" at the club rate of 20 cents per subscription, when ordered in clubs of five subscriptions, to be sent to one address; or, at 25 cents per yearly subscription, in club orders of four or more subscriptions, to one or more addresses.

Whereas, there are strong and growing forces at work, which if successful will result in a great abridgment of the freedom which we enjoy in civil and religious matters, and

Whereas, the press is a great factor in helping to mold public opinion, thus offering a very favorable field for missionary propaganda,

*We Recommend,* That our churches, as part of their missionary activities, send a yearly subscription to the magazine "Liberty" to each editor in their respective communities. L. P. EMERSON.

Following is the report of the Nominating Committee:

President: Elder D. A. Parsons; Conference Committee: Elders D. A. Parsons, J. S. Washburn, O. F. Schwedrat, Dr. C. A. Hansen, Brother C. D. Wolff.

Sec'y and Treas.: J. C. Oswald.

Ass't Treas.: Lucy Page Emerson.

Field Miss'y Sec'y: C. E. Reichenbaugh.

Home Miss'y Sec'y: T. H. Barritt.

Young Peoples' Sabbath School and Educational Sec'y: Miss Bessie Acton.

For Credentials [Ministerial] Elders D. Parsons, J. S. Washburn, O. F. Schwedrat, C. S. Baum, V. Nutter, C. A. Hansen.

For ordination: Howard J. Detwiler.

For ministerial license: H. G. Gauker, Charles Patterson.

For missionary license: C. E. Reichenbaugh, T. H. Barritt, J. C. Oswald, Jessie M. Weiss, Maude E. Belmont, Sadie Detwiler, Mary T. Myles, Ida M. Poch, Emma E. Poch, Anna Speidel, Mabel Gage, Florence Kimmel, Mrs. D. A. Parsons, Lucy Page Emerson, Bessie E. Acton.

The eleven members of the Pennsylvania Tract and Missionary Society are as follows: D. A. Parsons, J. S. Washburn, O. F. Schwedrat, C. D. Wolff, H. F. Lamborn, John McClelland, William Quinn, J. C. Oswald, H. C. Baumgartner, C. A. Hansen, D. E. Prutzman.

L. P. EMERSON, Sec'y.

"Follow your honest convictions and be strong." —Thackeray.

## District of Columbia

### District of Columbia Conference Camp-meeting

Would you like to attend a camp-meeting in the District Conference? Would you appreciate the blessings of its associations and inspiration and instruction sufficient to attend? We have heard from time to time expression of regret that the District Conference did not hold regular camp-meetings the same as other conferences. Are you one of those who have been thus disappointed? We sincerely trust that you are. You will then find pleasure in this announcement.

Owing to our geographical size and position, and the concentration of the bulk of our membership at the general headquarters of the work, it has not been thought necessary nor advisable to hold a camp-meeting in the District Conference for the past several years. Our action last year providing for Local Conference Session to meet biennially instead of annually eliminated our usual general assembly this year. It has been thought well, therefore, that we hold a regular camp-meeting for the encouragement and spiritual benefit of believers in our territory.

The Conference Committee has decided to hold a ten days meeting in our big tent to be erected on Washington Missionary College Campus at Takoma Park, September 13 to 23 inclusive.

A strong and inspiring season is assured. Elder R. D. Quinn, President of the Atlantic Union Conference, and K. C. Russell, President of the Western New York Conference, has been secured to assist in the meetings. Elders Wilkinson and Hirlinger of the Columbia Union will be present, as well as several of the leaders from the General and North American Division Conference forces.

In order that these meetings shall be a complete success it is absolutely necessary that each church in the Conference be represented by as large an attendance as possible. We trust that all will fully realize the importance of this fact and that our smaller churches as well as the large ones will urge every member to attend and take part throughout the entire series.

Isolated members, also, cannot afford to miss this opportunity for communion and fellowship with the body of believers, and the inspiration and instruction that the meetings will surely bring.

From present world outlook, in our own country as well as elsewhere, we have reason to recognize a possibility that this is the last Annual Camp-meeting we shall ever have opportunity to

attend. Perhaps by another year such meetings will be impossible. We are truly nearing the end. Shall we not make the most of our opportunities while they remain? Shall we not all assemble at this time and have one glorious season of communion with God and with each other while the opportunity lingers?

And of by no means least important, we trust that each believer will remember this camp-meeting in earnest daily prayer that it may be a complete success and an infinite blessing to our work and to the individual experience of each who shall attend.

### Work in Loudon County

A word further about the work in the country. Brother Bristol closed the public effort at Arcola with four awaiting baptism and six others who are studying and expected to take their stand a little later. He is still conducting a Sabbath meeting with these believers and the outsiders who come in.

By invitation of the people in Pleasant Valley he started a series of meetings July 29, in the schoolhouse on Little Road Pike. The attendance has been good considering the distance the people have to come. Sunday evenings there have been 60 to 75 present and during the week 35 to 50 each night. No prejudice has developed and the people are very cordial. Some have voluntarily stated that they believe every word that has been preached.

It is too early to speak of results, but it seems as if the Lord must have some honest souls among these well to do farmers.

### News Notes

The tent effort at Ballston closed Sunday evening, August 19. The Spirit of the Lord was in the meeting and at the close, in response to a call, eight more of those who have become interested but had not yet made a definite decision, rose to their feet. This makes eighteen who have taken their stand for truth, and a number of others are in the balances. Brother Richards is planning to move, with the tent, at once to Laurel, Md. to begin the effort there. Brother Rees and wife will probably remain in Ballston for a time to bind off the harvest there. The prayers of God's people are solicited in behalf of both these efforts.

ARE YOU A SLACKER? Or are you going to help us build the new building at Washington Missionary College? If all will help it will not be difficult. Surely you realize the importance of having this building at once. Another school year is about to begin. The present capacity of

the College buildings is 150, last year the enrollment was 315, this year it promises to be even greater. These recruits must be properly trained for service. If you aren't going into the field for active service you can "DO YOUR BIT" by contributing the Building Fund. Don't delay. Contribute what you can. But DO IT NOW.

Elder Harter presented the "Seal of God and Mark of the Beast" at the Washington Tent Sunday evening, August 19. At the close of the meeting a call was made and a good number took their stand, expressing their determination to obey all the commandments of God regardless of opposition. These closing days of the effort are momentous days for many who have attended throughout the summer and we look for the Lord's Spirit to triumph in many hearts.

Don't forget the District Camp-meeting to be held at Takoma Park September 13-23. This meeting is for YOU. If you don't attend you will miss one of the greatest blessings God ever planned for you. By all means, arrange your plans and COME.

The oft repeated counsel of the servant of the Lord to those who hope to stand against the wiles of the world in these last days, "Press together, press together, press together," has been considerably neglected in this Conference.

Fellowship with believers is important in strengthening our faith and zeal in the message. This meeting will be a great getting together of believers. It will be the happiest time of the year. COME and BE ONE OF US. Let us "Serve the Lord with gladness and come before His presence with singing." It is important for your own experience not less than for the encouragement of others that YOU BE HERE.

We are glad to add to our last week's announcement, that Elder S. N. Haskell, a pioneer, almost a patriarch in the message, has also consented to come and devote his best effort to this meeting. Brother Haskell writes:

"We are truly in the loud cry of the message. My burden at the present time is to help the people to gain a personal experience in the study of their Bibles that will fit them for the time of trouble now before us, for without a personal experience none will stand."

Other plans by Elders R. D. Quinn and K. C. Russell insure a great spiritual uplift. You cannot afford to miss these meetings.

If we haven't received your July home missionary report won't you please send it now? You might include July and

August in the one report if you wish, though we would prefer to have each month's report sent in promptly by itself.

Elders Willis and Seeny have closed the Washington Colored tent effort and removed to Alexandria, Va., where they will hold another effort during the remainder of the season, in the hope of bringing in a good number of additions to the little colored church there. The prayers of all believers are requested for the success of this effort.

The Capitol Hill Church enjoyed a very helpful talk by Elder W. C. White, Sabbath, August 18. Several new converts from the tent effort were present.

The Church School work in the District is increasing. Last year the Capitol Hill School was started and completed a very successful year's work. Indications are that this school will be much larger this year. The new Ephesus Church is arranging for a school this year for our colored children. An excellent teacher is in prospect, one of the class rooms in the new church building is set apart for a school-room and definite plans are being made for financial support. We look forward to the time when each of our rural churches shall also be equipped with similar advantages.

The 1917 Washington Tent Effort is rapidly nearing its close. Testing truths are being driven home during these closing weeks. The number of prospective additions to the faith is encouraging. Several attended regular Sabbath services for the first time last Sabbath. The truth of God is changing hearts. Attendance at the meetings continues very good and a lively interest is being taken in the large Bible Class being conducted before meeting each evening. It is important at this time that the meetings and the individuals passing through "Decision Valley" be earnestly remembered in prayer.

We have received several July reports of Missionary Work done by our isolated members. These reports are indeed encouraging and the best evidence we have of the working of the Spirit on the hearts of God's scattered ones. May we not have your report also? We enclosed a report blank with our monthly letter. Won't you fill it out and return to us?

Are you interested in the educating of our young people for service? The great wide fields are calling. The ranks of recruits are overflowing. The training

camp is the one weak link in our chain. The government is spending millions for training camps to train raw recruits for service. What is God's earthly government doing? Washington Missionary College, built to accommodate 150 students, last year enrolled 315, more than double its capacity. Surely that new building is needed and needed at once. Have you "Done your Bit"? Don't be a slacker. Our pledges range mostly from \$12.50 to \$200. Send what you can, more or less than the amounts named, even the small amounts help, but send what you can, and "DO IT NOW".

Elder Spicer spoke at Capitol Hill Church last Sabbath. His usual happy relating of experiences and incidents here and there among the great world-family of believers proved very interesting and encouraging to several prospective converts from the tent effort, who were attending our Sabbath services for the first time, and doubtless considerably broadened their view of the people with whom they contemplate casting their lot.

## VIRGINIA

The canvassing work in Virginia has been going forward this summer with leaps and bounds. The silent messengers of the truth have been scattered by the thousands, and still the work is onward.

In addition to the regular workers we have had in the field this summer about 18 students colporteurs, and they have each one done very excellent work. We are confident that each one will return to school this fall with their tuition fully paid for another year. Several will earn two scholar-ship, and up, while others will earn several scholar-ships. Brother and Sister Trummer who have been working in Wise County this summer have done excellent work. Their sales for four weeks in June was \$1729.50. Up to this time their sales are more than \$3000. Their first delivery over \$1000. This is the third year for Brother and Sister Trummer in Va., and each year they do better than the other.

There are several of the brethren that have taken orders for more than \$1000; but we do not wish to hold up the dollars and cents, these are sure to come as we go forward in the work of the Lord trusting our all to Him. "Those who are born again, who are willing to be guided by the Holy Spirit, doing in Christ's way that which they can do, those who will work as if they could see the heavenly universe watching them, will be accompanied and instructed by holy angels who will go before them, to

the dwellings of the people, preparing the way for them." "The same ministry of angels attend the books that contain the truth as attends the work of the ministry." Surely our brethren that have traveled over the mountains and through the valleys of Virginia this summer with the pages of truth can testify to this statement. Many times as we would kneel by the road side in prayer, to thank God for His goodness, and invoke His blessings as we meet the people, we could see the influence of the Spirit of God working upon their hearts as tears would fill the eyes, what a privilege then to kneel with the family in prayer and invite the Master to make that home a place where angels would delight to dwell.

The time is almost here when many of these dear brethren that have worked so faithfully this summer will be returning to school, the good work they have begun will be stopped unless others will volunteer to "Come over and help us." "When Jesus bade Peter and his companions follow Him, they immediately left their boats and nets. Some of these disciples had friends dependant upon them for support; but they received the Saviour's invitation, they did not hesitate, inquiring how shall I live, and sustain my family? They were obedient to the call; and when afterward Jesus asked them, "When I sent you without purse, and script, and shoes, lack ye anything?" They could only answer, "Nothing."

"Today the Saviour calls us, as He called Matthew, John and Peter, to His work," "Just now when people are thinking seriously, literature on the meaning of the signs of the times, wisely circulated will have a telling effect in behalf of the truth." Here in this conference of nearly 100 counties and many of them that has never been visited by the minister, or colporteur are thousands of honest souls. Now as our student force is about to lay down their work for this summer, we would like to ask you dear reader if you do not feel impress that God would be pleased to have YOU take up this work and carry it forward, and in the Great Eternal morning I am sure we will be greeted by those who will say I am here because of that good book, or the visit you made to my home.

We will be glad to hear from you.

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Our churches will be interested in the concrete statement published in these columns, showing the number of Harvest Ingathering papers used and the amount of money raised by each church last year. Members who like to figure can readily

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
<b>West Virginia, Week Ending August 10, 1917</b>									
T. M. Butler, Greenbrier Co.		BR	5	46	20	78 00	5 00	83 00	2 50
C. G. Mays, Greenbrier Co.		BR	5	31	9	38 50	50	39 00	2 00
C. E. Wills, Elm Grove		PPF	5	41	63	20 50	21 50	42 00	30 75
E. R. Corder, Beckley Co.		CK	4	33	42	88 00	9 00	97 00	26 75
Paul Johnson, Elking		CK	5	64	20	40 00	8 90	48 90	
John McHenry Mercer Co.		BF	5	35	68	148 00	14 10	162 10	49 40
W. A. McElphatrick		COL	5	48	63	94 50	19 25	113 75	4 25
J. M. Morris, Logan		HM	5	50	70	141 00	3 25	144 25	7 25
<b>Total</b>	<b>8 Agents</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>\$648 50</b>	<b>\$81 50</b>	<b>\$730 00</b>	<b>\$122 90</b>

<b>West Pennsylvania Week Ending August 10, 1917</b>									
S. G. Graff, Beaver Co.		BR	5	31	14	51 00	5 00	56 00	
J. E. Lippart, Crawford		BR	10	75	13	53 50	10 75	64 25	26 25
Anna Schmidt, Butler Co.		BR	5	36	8	32 00	6 50	38 50	3 50
A. E. Holst, Indiana Co.		BR	4	31	12	44 00	6 25	50 25	2 25
S. G. Graff, Beaver Co.		BR	5	43	19	70 50	5 50	76 00	
J. D. Hoover, Fayette Co.		BR	5	24	7	27 50		27 50	79 00
J. A. Kimmel, Somerset Co.		BR		20	2	7 00	19 50	26 50	19 00
H. Scharnweber, Erie		HM	5	28	6	16 00	11 50	27 50	11 25
G. W. James, Fayette Co.		WW		14		11 25		11 25	
J. Kmetz, Westmoreland Co.		Misc		69	142	54 25		54 25	54 25
S. Diehl, Mifflin Co.		SP		43		24 25		24 25	40 75
C. H. Kelly, Crawford Co.		BR	5	42	15	57 50	7 80	65 30	7 80
C. Newmyer, Crawford Co.		BR	5	38	10	38 00	11 65	49 65	10 25
Earl Hackman, Crawford Co.		BR	5	40	11	37 00	18 70	55 70	8 70
An Agent						5 25		5 25	
Donald Brown; Pittsburgh						30 00		30 00	30 00
Mrs. C. D. Bateman, Cambria Co.		WW				5 00		5 00	5 00
L. Lewis, Cambria Co.		WW				5 00		5 00	5 00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17 Agents</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>\$568 65</b>	<b>\$103 60</b>	<b>\$672 15</b>	<b>\$306 00</b>

<b>Ohio, Week Ending August 3, 1917</b>									
M. B. Ingersoll, Erie Co.		BR	5	54	11	43 50	8 75	52 25	30 25
R. D. Kline, Allen Co.		BR	5	48	10	40 00	1 50	41 50	323 50
J. H. Stafford, Columbus		BR	5	44	12	49 00		49 00	36 00
Mary Holder, Seneca Co.		BR	5	39	8	30 00	1 50	31 50	1 50
K. W. Blaylock, Cleveland		Mag	5	33			40 00	40 00	40 00
E. A. French, Logan Co.		BR	4	30	2	7 00		7 00	214 00
Martha Hottes, Dayton		BF	13	83	10	20 00	4 50	25 50	23 20
E. C. Alexander, Brown Co.		BR	2	22			75	75	95 25
Daisy Wheeler, Lake Co.		BF	3	22	3	7 50	2 50	10 00	23 50
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.		BR	2	21		28 50			159 50
G. W. Yingling, Warren		BR	4	16	7	28 50	12 75	41 25	9 50
N. Oancea, Akron		Foreign	3	13			7 65	7 65	7 65
Mrs. G. Yingling, Warren		BR	3	13	5	18 50	1 50	20 00	10 75
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Dayton		BR	5	22					70 95
Mrs. C. Kelly, Dayton Ohio.		BR	5	18					59 00
Frank Fultz, Montgomery Co.		BR	1	9			12 00	12 00	8 50
Clara Weber, Dayton, Ohio.		BR	4	13	2	7 00	25	7 25	24 00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17 Agents</b>		<b>74</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>\$21 500</b>	<b>\$93 65</b>	<b>\$344 65</b>	<b>\$1137 60</b>

<b>East Pennsylvania, Week Ending, August 10, 1917</b>									
Wm. Frizzell, Montgomery Co.		BR	8	60	32	148 50		148 50	
W. Garrett, Lackawana.		GC	4	30	7	26 50		26 50	63 25
H. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.		Misc	5	39	85	49 95		49 95	13 20
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.		BF	1	5		10 00		10 00	10 00
Geo. Caine, Montgomery Co.		BR	5	44	14	64 00	9 00	73 00	
F. Washburn, Montgomery Co.		WW	8	29	54	13 50		13 50	13 50
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6 Agents</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>\$312 45</b>	<b>\$9 00</b>	<b>\$321 45</b>	<b>\$99 95</b>

ascertain how much their church received on the average for each paper.

We are also publishing the statement of tithe and offerings for the first seven months. We have given a little over \$1900 in seven months to missions. In the next five months we must raise over \$4000 more to make our missions quota.

We would suggest that each church set an ingathering goal, planning to do better than last year, and to make sure of its quota on the twenty-cent-a-week mission fund.

As the Ingathering number of the "Watchman" are ready, we are sending a conservative order to each church, so that the churches can get an early start.

There is an old saying and a true one, that "The early bird catches the worm." Many societies will be soliciting for funds as the season advances, and if we get a late start we will find people tired of being solicited. Let us ever keep in mind that this is an excellent way to get people interested in the truth.

Richmond No. 2 is the first to send in on the Ingathering, \$6.00 having just been received from them.

The \$125,000 of Ingathering offerings last year greatly advanced the work in the regions beyond, and we confidently look for greater things from God this year.

W. C. MOFFETT.

### Harvest Ingathering

Church	Papers	Am't Raised
Bethel	100	14 86
Charlottesville	200	67 73
Danville	150	2 95
Guinea Mills	200	10 25
Lynchburg	500	52 25
New Market	1100	67 01
Newport News No. 1	300	53 66
Newport News No. 1	850	50 66
News Ferry	100	5 91
Norfolk No. 2	200	32 99
Portsmouth No. 1	1100	129 30
Portsmouth No. 2	200	45 53
Republican Grove	400	94 76
Richmond No. 1	1200	154 36
Richmond No. 2	1250	22 37
Roanoke	500	15 34
Rileyville	200	13 42
Stanley	500	20 11
Spencer	100	75
Thelma	30	1 00
Yale	225	3 06
Conference No. 1	500	46 00
Conference No. 2	30	1 40

### The Work in Ballston, Va.

The Ballston tent effort was closed August 19 and we endeavored to secure one room in the large school house for weekly services.

### Virginia, Week Ending August 10, 1917

E. H. Dye, Montgomery Co.	BR	5	37	11	40	50	11	50	52	00
H. G. Leeland, Tazwell Co.	BR	5	27	21	92	00	4	50	90	50
H. M. Baker, Tazwell Co.	BR	3	9	4	17	00	5	25	22	25
J. Revens, Louisa Co.	BR	5	38	11	38	50	6	75	45	25
E. M. Trummer and wife, Wise Co.	BR	5	62							378 00
H. G. Leeland, Tazwell Co.	RR	5	18	15	65	00	4	25	69	25
Malena Williams, Pittsylvania Co.	BFL	5	33	19	42	00	2	50	44	50
Margaret Chambers, Rockridge Co.	HM	10	31	11	29	75	7	75	37	50
Totals		8	Agents		43	255	92	\$324	75	\$42 50 \$367 25 \$378 00

### District of Columbia Week Ending August 10, 1917

F. T. Feutz, Fauquier	BR	4	30	7	24	50	7	85	32	35	11	50
J. I. Butcher, Northumberland, Co.	GC	5	48	43	154	50			154	50		
Miscellaneous					22	50			32	50	22	50
Totals		2	Agents		9	78	50	\$201	50	7	85	\$209 35 \$34 00

### MAGAZINES

Alma Kibler									20	00
Augusta Iliff									2	60
Total									\$22	60

### Chesapeake, Week Ending July 27 and August 3, 1917

O. C. Weller, Jefferson Co. W. Va.	BR	4	49	22	80	00	9	75	89	75	8	75
H. E. Donaldson, Wilming, Del.	WW				32	75			32	75	8	75
Totals		2	Agents		8	57	\$112	75	\$9	75	\$122	50 \$17 50

### West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 28, 1917

G. W. James, Westmoreland	WW	4	33	105	26	25			26	25	26	25
Mrs. Thurmon, Allegheny Co.	Misc			29	13	80			13	80	12	20
Sol. Diel, Mifflin	SP	4	37	10	13	50	14	00	27	50		
W. H. Jack, Warren	DR	3	26	27	3	50	9	50	13	00	5	75
Hazel Read, Washington	BR	7	36	9	32	50	20	75	53	25		
A. Brownlie, Washington	SP	15	136	47	94	00	78	43	152	43	91	10
C. H. Kelly, Crawford	BR	4	34	11	40	50	5	75	46	25	5	75
Jas. E. Lippart, Lawrence Co.	BR		42	13	51	50	11	90	63	40	11	90
J. S. Glunt, Erie	BR	1		6	22	50	35	50	58	00	69	00
H. Scharnweber, Erie	HM	5	31	13	33	50	14	50	48	00	1	25
A. Schmidt, Allegheny	Mag	2	4	200			20	00	20	00	20	00
Totals		11	Agents		45	379	470	\$s11	55	\$210	33	\$521 88 \$243 20

Grand Totals: 71 Agents Value of Orders \$3289 23 Deliveries, \$3210 05

### Virginia's Report Received for Big Week, Aug. 5-11, 1917

	Orders	Delivered	Magazines	Total		
O. C. Weller, Jefferson Co. W. Va.	122	00	181	75	303 75	
Miss Chapman, Baltimore, Md.	1	25	1	25	25 80	
Mrs. J. I. Laurent, Wilmington, Del.	8	00	8	00	46 00	
Mrs. Edward Barber, Baltimore, Md.			Present Truth			
M. S. Pettibone	44	25	4	25	48 50	
Ford's Store Church				39	20	39 20
Wilmington No. 2 Church				9	70	9 70
Pondsville Church	5	00	5	00	10 00	
Baltimore No. 1 Church					50 00	
H. E. Donaldson, Wilmington, Del.	12	25	12	25	24 50	
Grand Total					\$627 45	

M. S. PETTIBONE.

Tithe and Missions 7 months 1917

Church	Membership	Tithe 1916	Tithe 1917	15c-a-week	20c-a-week	Goal 7 mo.	Per capita.
Bethel	15	26 01	23 01		148 86	91 00	.33
New Market	42	508 39	863 63		335 34	254 80	.26
Lonchburg	22	322 93	384 07		126 90	133 47	.20
Norfolk No. 1	18		227 76		87 83	109 20	.16
Gordonsville	10		70 20		45 53	60 67	.15
Charlottesville	10	77 97	80 03		33 30	60 66	.11
Richmond No. 1	108	1294 40	1631 75		359 20	655 20	.11
Portsmouth No. 1	18	230 41	332 72		52 10	109 20	.09
Republican Grove	21	252 22	304 96		57 74	127 40	.09
Conference No. 1	43	286 05	401 73		125 96	260 87	.09
Yale	34	113 52	193 27		70 07	204 93	.08
Newport News No. 1	18	209 10	371 61		42 60	109 20	.08
Roanoke	8	28 80	104 42		16 85	48 53	.07
Rileyville	17	27 54	35 71		17 60	103 13	.04
Stanley	88	234 08	237 78		71 42	533 87	.03
Guinea Mills	15	38 59	44 03		7 87	91 00	.02
Richmond No. 2	23	181 41	265 77	96 21		104 65	.14
Newport News No. 2	20	158 42	187 88	67 71		91 00	.11
Norfolk No. 2	20	142 45	240 14	59 57		91 00	.10
Danville	7	24 41	46 77	16 27		31 85	.08
Conference No. 2	8	62 32	32 41	17 58		36 40	.07
Spencer	6	7 90	13 15	10 76		27 30	.06
Portsmouth No. 1	20	120 26	113 48	29 41		91 00	.05
News Ferry	12	22 91	24 62	7 26		54 60	.02
Thelma	8	6 60	27 07	5 79		36 40	.02

\$4381 69 \$6257 57 \$310 53 \$1600 17 \$3517 33

Per-capita at 20c .11  
Per-capita at 15c .08

So far eleven have taken a definite stand for the truth, and have signed a covenant together to keep all the commandments of God. Others are interested and we ask the prayers of God's people in behalf of the "binding off" of the work here. HAROLD RICHARDS.

D. A. REES.

The success of the work in Ballston is very encouraging. Prospects are bright for the organization of a strong little church there in the near future, which will serve to always keep the light burn in the community and be the means of spreading and strengthening the interest now awakened.

Brethren Richards and Rees plan to move their equipment to Laurel, Md. at once and hold a series of meetings there during the remainder of the tent season. At present we know of no believers in Laurel. It is an open field awaiting the gleaners. We trust that the prayers of the faithful may also follow them through this new effort which presents difficulties even greater than those met in Ballston.

News Notes

Elders J. W. Hirlinger and W. C. Moffett put in some time at Yale, Va. recently endeavoring to strengthen the members and holding an election of officers.

Elder Moffett met with the Richmond tent companies for counsel last week. Elder Gordon's health is rapidly failing and it may become necessary for him to spend some time at the Washington Sanitarium.

Sister Anna C. Rice has been unable to put in full time in her Bible work at Richmond this summer. We trust that our workers will be remembered by our people at the throne of Grace.

Mrs. W. C. Moffett is at the Washington Sanitarium to get relief from an attack of malaria and to undergo an operation.

We notice that Brother J. Revens is making a good start in resident canvassing in Louisa County. A good size Sabbath School has been organized at his home.

We are pleased to learn that Sister R. D. Hottel and daughter Fern have returned home from the Sanitarium having made a good recovery from their recent operations.

Sister Gillespie of Roanoke has been taken to the Washington Sanitarium in a critical condition. We are sure that

many prayers will be offered in behalf of our faithful sister.

Teachers have been assigned to the schools next year as follows: Miss Alice Gray, at Rileyville; Miss Florence Swan at Richmond; Miss Roberta Ellis at Yale; Miss Amie Walter at Republican Grove and Stanley yet to be supplied. This is Miss Swan's third year at Richmond, and Misses Gray and Ellis second year at Rileyville and Yale respectively.

Brother R. H. Watkins assisting in the Norfolk effort and Brother A. J. Evelyn assisting in the Richmond Colored effort, both have been called home temporarily by the sickness of their wives.

Sister L. O. Gordon is spending the summer at her old home in Iowa, seeking to recover her health. Sickness has hit our workers and their families hard this summer.

Miss Florence Swan writes from Cleveland, Ohio, that the summer on Lake Erie is putting her in good shape health-wise for next year's school work.

Shenandoah Valley Academy

To all who are planning to attend the academy next year, we wish to announce that school opens September 12. We urge that all be present on that date. If there are others who wish calendars, please write Professor H. M. Forshee, New Market, Va.

Professor S. M. Butler made a short visit at the academy. He was making a tour of the state in the interest of the Washington College.

Paul Hottel, who has been nursing in the sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich., has returned home.

Miss Madge Miller, who has charge of a number of young ladies in the canvassing field, was a pleasant caller at the academy on Sabbath. She reports her girls as doing well in their work.

We are all glad to see Fern Hottel home from the Washington Sanitarium. Mrs. Hottel is expected in a short time.

New shades have been purchased for the students' rooms. Everything is being done to make the academy look as home-like as possible.

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The check mark here indicates that your subscription has expired. Kindly renew at once.

Plums and huckleberries have been purchased and canned. Peaches are just beginning to ripen. We expect to have all the peaches we need from the farm for the use of the school.

The Virginia Tract Society and the Review and Herald have donated forty-four volumes of very valuable books to the academy. Teachers and students will greatly appreciate this gift, and we believe they will be of untold value in research work.

**OBITUARIES**

**SHOEMAKER.**—Lula Lucinda, only child of Mr. and Mrs. John Forrest, was born near Good Hope, December 8, 1895, and entered into rest from the home of her parents on Upper Twin, July 11, 1917 at the age of twenty-one years, seven months and three days. She accepted the Adventist faith when but nine years old and since that time has been a faithful follower. On February 25, 1917, she was united in marriage with Wm. Shoemaker of Bainbridge. She bore patiently her affliction since last November and is mourned by her relatives and many friends.

And the mother gave in tears and pain,  
 The flowers she most did love;  
 She knew she should find them all again,  
 In the field of life above.

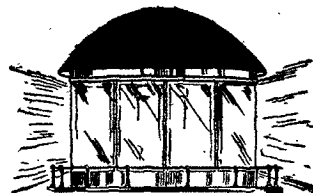
Oh, not in cruelty, not in wrath,  
 The reaper came that day;  
 'Twas an angel visited the green earth,  
 And took the flowers away.

So, whatever God may send us,  
 For His sake we'll gladly bear:  
 Knowing this, that if we trust Him,  
 We shall understand up there.

Funeral services were conducted at the home, Friday, July 13, 1917, by W. W. Miller. Interment in the beautiful Greenfield cemetery. MISS MINNIE JONES, Lynden, Ohio.

**FRANCIS.**—Sarah J., was born near Lowell, Penn., May 13, 1838, and died June 30, 1917. Early in life she, with her parents moved to Hancock County, Ohio. She

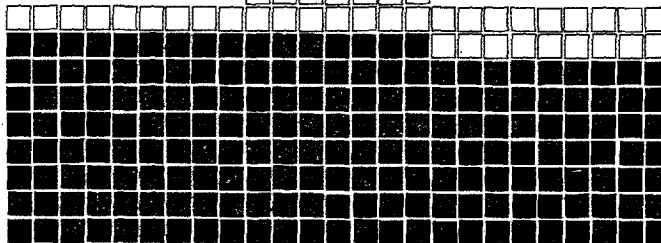
was united in marriage with Henry J. Fairchild in the year 1855. Nine children were born to them, all of whom, with three brothers, two sisters, forty-two grandchildren and twelve great grand-children survive. Forty years ago Sister Fairchild accepted Present Truth and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Lyons, Ohio, remaining steadfast unto the end and she died in a strong hope of a part in the first resurrection.  
 J. J. MARIETTA.



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