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UNION

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A Pleasant and Successful Campaign

Having visited most of the larger churches in seven of the conferences in the Union, in the interests of the Harvest Ingathering and "Signs" Campaigns, we can bear only a good report.

We have never witnessed such a demonstration of willingness on the part of our people in the past as we have seen during this campaign. Not only are the people willing, but many are really enthusiastic. This willingness extends beyond our ranks. The inhabitants of this old, revolted world, are very willing to receive the special "Watchman," and they are more willing to give of their means than ever in the past.

District Conference

Our first visits were with the Memorial, Takoma Park, Sixth and N, and the Sligo Churches, in the District Conference.

Virginia

In Virginia we visited the Norfolk, Portsmouth, Richmond, Lynchburg and Republican Grove Churches, and the Shenandoah Valley Academy. This school is beautifully and healthfully located. It was a pleasure to meet the academy family. All of the students were happy and full of hope and courage.

West Virginia

We had splendid meetings with the dear loyal souls in Clarksburg, Charleston, and Parkersburg. This conference has led the Union in mission funds for the past few years. We can but wish them success this year.

West Pennsylvania

It was a pleasure to fellowship with the Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Johnstown and Altoona Churches in this conference. We found every church in this conference well organized and working.

East Pennsylvania

The Lord blessed as we met with the dear people in Harrisburg, Lebanon,

Reading, Philadelphia, Allentown, Wilkes-Barre, and Scranton. In this conference we met one dear sister who accepted the message as a result of last year's Harvest Ingathering. This year, Sister Ware is out gathering in other souls.

New Jersey

In New Jersey we found the Trenton, Newark and Jersey City Churches organized and reaping a harvest of good experiences and funds. In Paulsboro there are two dear sisters who were gathered in as a result of last year's campaign. This year these Sisters Reeves are carrying the life savers, (the "Watchman") to other souls.

Chesapeake

We were pleased to hear the encouraging reports in this conference as we met with the Wilmington, Baltimore, and Hagerstown Churches.

Providentially, we met with the Baltimore No. 1 Church last Sabbath just as they had gathered to sing a jubilee song. During the past few months the members collected in more than \$3,000, and have cleared off the mortgage on the church. Besides this they have brought in nearly \$150 in the Harvest Ingathering work. This demonstrates what a thoroughly organized church can do.

We greatly enjoyed our visits with all the dear people in these different churches, and we would have been pleased to visit all the churches in the different conferences had time permitted. The outlook in all the conferences is most encouraging and we confidently expect the best results ever, not only in money, but in souls saved.

J. W. HIRLINGER.

ERNEST LLOYD.

A Call to Service

In less than two months the winter institutes of the Columbia Union will begin. We are giving you the dates of these meetings in the respective conferences of the Union. Watch the Visitor for the announcement of the place in which the institute in your conference will be held.

Institute Dates, Season 1917-1918

Chesapeake
West Virginia

Nov. 11-18

Dec. 19-29

Ohio

Dec. 26-Jan. 5

New Jersey

Jan. 9-19

West Pennsylvania

Jan. 24-Feb. 2

Virginia

Feb. 6-16

East Pennsylvania

Feb. 13-23

District of Columbia

Feb. 24-March 5

Mt. Vernon Academy

March 7-15

Washington Missionary College

March 17-25

Trained Men

God's ideal for His book evangelists is that they be highly efficient, well trained. "There should be men trained for this branch of the work who will be missionaries and will circulate publications."

—Manual for Canvassers, page 76.

Practically all failures in our work are due to a lack of training. As the snowflake melts before the warm ray of the morning sun, so will difficulties vanish before thorough preparation. Ministers, Bible workers, teachers and all progressive workers meet from time to time to exchange ideas and put an edge on the ax. A splendid way to keep out of the rut is to meet with your fellow-workers and find how he is doing his work. The demands of the present are tremendous. Shall we, of whom God is expecting results second to none in this crisis, neglect the opportunity of coming to these institutes where we shall in a marked manner behold the working of the Holy Spirit in our behalf?

Get in touch with your field missionary secretary and make arrangements to attend this important meeting in your field and at once enter the work following the institute. "Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you." Matt. 20:4.

C. V. LEACH.

VIRGINIA

Gordonsville, Va.

W. F. Moffett, Pres. W. H. Jones

The Colporteur And City Evangelism

An inexpensive yet effective method of giving the Third Angel's Message in our large cities has been the study of city evangelists and conference committees for many years. This is especially true in the smaller conferences where they

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have the city problem to grapple with and little means with which to do it.

A little over a year ago we were asked to connect with the work in Virginia and make the tide water cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News our field of labor. At that time Norfolk, a city of 95000 people, had no church not even a Sabbath School. Portsmouth had a church of eighteen members and Newport News the same.

As funds and laborers were scarce, we began to study out a plan whereby this great field could be warned speedily and the honest souls gathered out. The suggestion came to us, and now we know it was from the Lord, that what was needed was a few well trained and experienced colporteurs to sell the "World's Crisis Series" in sets of six books for \$1.50 in paper and \$3.00 in cloth. Then came a suggestion as to the man and I wrote to Brother Geo. W. Lawrence, telling him, what I believed to be a plan which the Lord wanted worked out. While the letter was traveling toward Perryville, Maryland, Brother Lawrence's home, one night the Lord gave Brother Lawrence a dream of the same plan which He had suggested to me. The next morning Brother Lawrence received a strong impression that there was a letter in the office for him which would clear up the whole matter of where this plan should be worked out. He read the letter, packed his effects and started for Newport News, Virginia, where the Lord wonderfully blessed him in the sale of these small books. In one day he sold 75 books.

Within a short time Brother Lawrence had a Bible study for every night in the week and three on Sunday. In some of these parlor studies he had four and five families. On the twenty-fourth of June a tent was pitched in the section where the books were first sold and about twenty-five souls began to keep the Lord's Sabbath. We pitched again in another part of the city where the books were sold and now about forty are keeping the Sabbath. Twenty-one went forward in the first baptism and others are waiting at this writing, while still others had been immersed in the churches from which they came. We are now in the midst of a theatre effort with an average attendance of six hundred.

We believe it would be a great blessing to our cities if we could have some of our more experienced colporteurs trained to do the class of work which has been done here by Brother Lawrence under the blessing of God.

We plan to close the theatre meetings in Newport News by the first of January when we hope to have at least four good experienced colporteurs, if we can find them, to place in Norfolk and Ports-

mouth under Brother Lawrence's direction to train for this very kind of work, preparatory to opening a large theatre effort in Norfolk some time in February.

Pray for us that the Lord will send us just the men we need to be trained for this line of work. I. D. RICHARDSON.

News Notes

We trust that every family in the Virginia Conference will take advantage of the special offer of the "Review and Herald" of 14 months for \$2.25. Let us have your subscription before the first of the year when prices will be advanced.

Elder Moffett is holding meetings in Memorial Hall at Gordonsville, where we hope that souls will take their stand for the truth.

An attendance of from six to eight hundred are reported by Elder Richardson at his theatre meeting in Newport News.

Brother Geo. W. Lawrence writes us that in working with the Harvest Ingathering at Portsmouth that there are more openings for Bible studies than he can fill. We hope that this will be found true wherever our people are working.

The colored churches at Norfolk and Portsmouth are still sending in their weekly orders for hundreds of our small books. What a rich reward they will surely reap as a result of this seed-sowing. The Richmond Colored Church is also using several hundred magazines a week. We trust that our white churches will become enthused and take up this same work in an aggressive manner.

Are you helping in the Harvest Ingathering? Don't wait a moment longer. Start right now.

CHESAPEAKE

2901 Brighton St., Baltimore, Md.
J. O. Miller, Pres. Emma Newcomer, Sec.

News Notes

Elder J. O. Miller was called to Rock Hall, Md., today to conduct the funeral service of Mrs. Thomas.

The Colporteur's Institute is in progress at this time, in Wilmington, Del. We have not learned the exact number in attendance.

One young man was baptized by Elder Booth last Sabbath. There will be bap-

tism in the Baltimore No. 1 Church in two weeks.

We received a very interesting letter from Brother J. E. Cox of the Wilmington No. 2 Church. He says "I thought I would write you of the report of our church for Harvest Ingathering work to date. We have put out 220 papers, and have in hand for them \$42.00. We have 280 papers on hand. As we consider the amount raised last year by us for the entire campaign, only \$12.50, we truly feel encouraged. Every one felt so encouraged that it was decided to set our goal at \$100.00." He further says, "Another young man has united with the church, and seems to be full of faith and happy that he has found the truth."

Rock Hall Church reports \$48.00 on the H. I. Campaign. Baltimore No. 2, our German Church, reports \$42.00. Cambridge Church has more than \$100.00. Baltimore No. 1 Church reported \$150.00 for the week ending November 10. \$284.26 has been reported to date by the Baltimore No. 1 Church. A large force went to work again on Sunday, and a good work was done, but we do not have the figures to report here.

The Morning Watch Calendars for the year 1918 are in hand. Be sure to order what you want in good time. It is a beautiful little calendar, and should be studied faithfully by every Adventist.

Elder Miller spent last Sabbath with the church at Ponds ville.

WEST VIRGINIA

Third & Juliana Sts., Parkersburg
Jennie Burdick, Sec.
T. B. Westbrook, Pres.

Colporteurs' Institute

Our colporteurs' Institute will be held in Parkersburg, December 19 to 29. We hope to, and are planning to make this a very profitable time. Elder Westbrook has promised to be with us during the ten days and hold some good revival meetings in which all, we are sure, will receive spiritual uplift.

In this institute will be considered every feature of the book work. Time will be given for prayer and Bible study that all may have an opportunity to get a deeper experience in the things of God. This we surely need as we enter upon the perils of these last days.

No doubt there are many in West Virginia, who feel that they should take up this work, and yet for various reasons, have not as yet decided to do so. Perhaps there are some who are willing, yet fear

that they would not be able to carry on the work as successfully as they should. On page 667 of "Desire of Ages," speaking with reference to the promise of the Master to the apostles in Jno. 14:12 is this statement: "All will go to work, trusting not in what they themselves can do but what God can do for and through them, will certainly realize a fulfillment of this promise."

On the strength of this and many other such promises that we have, let all such come to the institute and get a fitting up for a part in the finishing of the Lord's work in the earth. JOHN MC HENRY.

OHIO

Box 8, Mount Vernon, Ohio
E. K. Slade, Pres. H. D. Holtom, Sec.

Toledo

Just a few words concerning the work in Toledo. In spite of dire prophecies of disaster, spiritually, financially, and numerically, that were made when we came to help the church here, the Lord has come in and the transforming power of His grace has triumphed.

The church is united, and is one in all its efforts, and souls are being added, about twenty having received baptism.

I am happy also to report that the financial condition of the church is excellent. The report every quarter shows a splendid increase over each preceding quarter. The third quarterly report for 1917 showed an increase in tithes and offerings over the corresponding quarter for 1916 of \$768.09, or a total for the quarter of \$1430.62.

Besides this we have practically made our church building over new. The building has been raised, and a foundation built under it. A basement has been dug, and a furnace, and large instantaneous heater for the baptistry and lavatory, with other necessary improvements, have been put in. A large and pretty porch has been built on the front entrance. The inside is almost all new; new floor, the walls made over, new platform, and new baptistry. Beautiful stained glass windows have been put in, and a splendid electric lighting system has been installed.

Last year, right on the top of all our building work and expense, we set our goal for the Harvest Ingathering goal at \$500. We reached our goal and went beyond it some \$30.00. This year we have set our goal at \$1000. In the last five weeks we have turned in over a hundred dollars a week. We have burned all bridges behind us, and have made no provision for any retreat. We are looking forward with anticipation to the joy of sending in the word, "Goal reached."

As we think of the word that has gone forth, "A Million Dollars for Missions for

1918," our hearts are offered in a new dedication to God for a better service, with a determination not to cry Hold, until God Himself shall call from heaven, "It is enough." A. R. BELL.

The Cincinnati Church

On the last Sabbath in October six dear souls were baptized and added to the church, making a total of twenty since the first of the present year.

Our Harvest Ingathering fund at present is \$250, of which \$37.50 was gathered by the young people. The goal for the church is \$400 and that of the young people's society \$75. A good spirit prevails in regard to raising the full amount by the members.

During the past week one thousand "Temperance Instructors" were distributed in as many homes in the interest of the great cause of temperance.

Fully two hundred and fifty sets of "Present Truth" are distributed each week by members of the church, besides, a club of twenty-five copies of each of our magazines are disposed of. Two of our members dispose of one hundred and fifty magazines each month, not included in the above.

Action has been taken by the church in behalf of our church paper, the "Review," with the object, if possible, to place the same in every resident family of the church by the first of the year. The young people's society has been asked to do the work of soliciting for our church paper.

We believe we have tried the plan of meeting the missionary, and young people's society meetings in one service sufficiently long enough to say that it is very helpful to both. A larger number gather each Sabbath afternoon in this union meeting than was possible to have heretofore, a splendid spirit prevails in the service, and much more work is accomplished.

All of the resident families of the church have signed the Food Conservation cards and are heartily co-operating in this good work as was indicated by the first set of signed cards last Sabbath. Urgent requests have been made that talks on Healthful Living and the Principles of Vegetarianism be given. The argument made by those who have this matter in charge is "We know that you people are perfectly acquainted with this subject and are prepared to teach the rest of us how to do." Two such meetings have been held.

The members of the church, and workers are of good courage in the Lord, hoping, praying, and laboring to hasten that blessed day of our Master's return.

J. H. BEHRENS.

Harvest Ingathering Notes

We are still receiving orders for new supplies of Harvest Ingathering papers from churches. Only a short time ago Columbus added 1000 more to her first supply of 2500. Toledo and Youngstown sent in rush orders for 500 each. Other churches are developing new life as the campaign progresses, and are finding their original orders of papers too small. Ohio should not close the campaign until at least 75,000 homes have been visited: Will you "Do your bit?"

The church at Youngstown is well on the way to the goal of \$200. A recent Sunday was devoted to the work there, and in just a few hours the receipts totaled a little over \$10. for missions. The members are working faithfully, and will no doubt reach the goal within a short time.

From Elyria comes the news of encouraging success in the Harvest Ingathering work. Efforts on the busy street corners in Elyria and surrounding towns have been bringing excellent results. On one evening alone three or four have received over \$30 in this way. The Elyria Church has set its goal at \$100, but are confidently expecting to over-reach it within a couple of weeks.

Do not forget that "The light that shines the farthest, shines the brightest nearer home." Help to make the light shine both in the mission fields, and in the homeland by acting your part faithfully in this present effort. The three-fold blessing comes to you, to your neighbor, and to your brother or sister in the regions beyond as you co-operate in the work.

Dayton and Hamilton are centers of real activity during these passing days of the campaign. A recent letter from Elder Marietta encourages us to believe that they will over-reach their goals.

Elder E. K. Slade met with the Akron Church Sabbath, and reports the new church building very nearly completed. On this visit partial arrangements were made for the dedication of the church, which will take place in the near future. A splendid work is in progress in Akron, and the outlook for the future is encouraging.

Colporteur News Items

Brother P. A. Franks is in Miami County delivering books for several W. M. C. students who took orders in

that county last summer. They had splendid success in taking orders, and we are sure the deliveries will also be good.

We are sorry to lose Sister Carrie Kelley from the field even for a short time. She is being called home to see her aged father whom she has not seen for several years, and if all goes well will return to again take up the colporteur work in this state. Her many friends wish her a safe journey. Sister Kelley has done faithful work in spreading the message as contained in our books and magazines for some time, and God has blessed her efforts.

The colporteurs' institute will be held in Columbus, December 26 to January 4. Our brethren have extended a very hearty welcome to these faithful workers who come from the "firing line," and we are sure they will bring a blessing into each home they enter, as has been in the past. This will be the third institute held in Columbus within a period of five years, and each time our people have taken advantage of the opportunity to purchase some of the books we bring for that purpose. This year we hope to have a better and larger selection than ever, among which will be all the latest ones of the press. Do you not think it will pay you well to attend this good meeting and prepare yourself to "Go also into the vineyard," and receive wages from the best "Pay Master" that there is?

Brother George Carter has laid aside his work in the "colporteur field" and is "sharpening his ax" preparatory to greater efforts in the same line this coming summer. We wish him success.

Brother Ingersoll, who is selling our books in the southern part of the state, and the writer were permitted the privilege of organizing a Sabbath School of members in Jackson County. We believe this is only the first step towards the gathering in of many dear souls in that part of the county, as there are many who are anxiously inquiring into the message that we as a people are carrying to the world. Brother Ingersoll is doing a good work and is of good courage.

"God will never get the glory due unto His name until men are constrained to honour Him by what they see in the lives of His people. We must remember that the vast majority of men are outside our churches and our chapels. They are not reached by preaching. They do not read the Bible. But they read and they study us. What they will think of God depends on what they see in us. It is not better preaching we want so much as better

living. It is not another Gospel we want but a nobler ethic. It is not more speech about God we want, but more obedience."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

7155 Mt. Vernon St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
F. H. Robbins, Pres. H. S. Brown, Sec.

Progress of the Work

The Harvest Ingathering campaign in this field is proving to be a great blessing to our churches. New life and courage is taking possession of every church that is doing systematic work with the papers.

The first thought that came to our minds when it was time to start the effort was how can we organize to do the best for the Master. A plan was soon formed and Elder Robbins and the home missionary secretary visited many of the churches, and helped the pastors and leaders to arrange their work for success.

How the Lord has blessed and what is being done can be gleaned from a letter to the office from Elder B. F. Kneeland.

"We organized the entire church into six bands, with leaders. I took charge of one band and told the leaders of the other bands that I would spend time with each band. Then I took a blackboard and ruled it so that it would show the weekly result of each band's work. The leaders reported each Sabbath at the missionary meeting. This gave stimulus to the campaign.

I started out with one band and trained them, then helped another, and so on. The latter part of the week I found that one band was way behind the others. They were all new Sabbath keepers and had had no experience in the work. The leader had received only 25 cents and had given out several papers. I gave him a canvass and it stirred him up so that the next day he collected \$8.44. When the week closed he had almost \$14, and his band about \$50.

The Lord has certainly blessed us in a remarkable manner during this campaign."

The Dubois Church has about 20 members and with God's help and thorough organization have raised \$200. One year ago there were only Elder Kneeland's family who attended the Sabbath School, and as this place is considered a hard field we can certainly praise God for His manifold blessings.

The Dubois Church is now ready to go forward in new enterprises to spread the truth. When all of God's people take hold of a campaign we will see many souls brought into the truth. E. A. MANRY.

News Notes

Elder F. H. Robbins visited the little company of believers at Somerset, Sabbath, November 3. On Saturday even-

ing, also Sunday evening, he spoke in the Reform Church. Both meetings were well attended, and a deep interest was manifest.

The statistical report for last quarter shows some interesting figures. Ninety-one persons were baptized during the quarter; the tithe amounted to \$7,950.57, and the Sabbath School offerings were \$2085.67; the retail value of book sales was \$9,799.09.

We are glad to report that the Pittsburgh church school is prospering under the supervision of Miss Ruth Cook. Twenty-four students are now enrolled.

Word from Elder Kneeland says that the church at DuBois is still working in the Ingathering campaign even though the goal was reached a couple of weeks ago. One worker last week received \$15.10.

Elder Robbins gave a stereopticon lecture in the church at Indiana, Monday, November 5.

Brother E. A. Manry visited the church at Mt. Braddock, and spoke to the people Sunday night, November 4.

Brother Edward Price of the Six Mile Run Church writes that he distributed 36 Harvest Ingathering Watchman papers and received \$30.00.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

4738 York Road, Philadelphia, Pa.
D. A. Parsons, Pres. W. B. Mohr, Sec.

Live Experiences Fresh From the Field

Some time ago I noticed an article in one of our papers which reads like this, "Tiffany finds customers for 100,000 necklaces; don't be afraid to show and talk the high priced goods."

With this in mind and through earnest prayer, I set forth to recanvass a farming district, finding the people at home, who had been absent when I called the previous week. The Lord blessed me with sixteen morocco orders, four half morocco, and five cloth bindings. After taking a number of orders in the best bindings, night overtook me and I had no place of refuge. I prayed the Lord to direct me to the right place, and at last my prayer was answered, and He gave me the best in the neighborhood. After supper, by using a little tact in getting in the right place at the right time, I managed to show my book to a large family who were seated at the table. They were greatly interested in the book, and after

showing the best binding, they decided to take five of them to use as Xmas presents.

At one house where I called, I found no one at the house. Searching through the fields, I found the occupants in the corn field. I showed the book to the father and son and they each gave their order for the best binding. The son said, "That is the slickest thing I have ever seen on the Bible." The young man called to his neighbor, who was also a son of the family, and he too, ordered the book in the best binding.

Noticing a lane close by a barn, I followed it until I came to a house. Here I took two orders in the best bindings. One lady I canvassed who was discouraged, and had nothing to do with religion or the Bible, would scarcely permit me to canvass her. While trying to show my book, she would frequently interrupt, saying, "There is no God or anything else, or the world would not be in the condition it is at the present time." But after she was out of talking material, the Lord gave me words to speak. The opportunity came for me to finish my canvass, but in her discouraged condition, she declared she would never read another book on the Bible. However, before I left she ordered one in the morocco, and her daughter also ordered one in the cloth.

Brethren, our literature is cheap enough in the best bindings. The time is coming when our literature will be used by many, and they need a good binding to preserve the message it contains.

MATTHEW M. STERNER.

News Notes

"Ye Harvest Ingathering" is causing many hearts to rejoice even before Thanksgiving Day. The Harrisburg Church had set its goal at \$300. At present they have gathered in \$386.90, using 1450 papers. Spurred on by success the goal has been changed to \$500, and a fresh supply of papers ordered. Are you giving thanks too?

Elder Parsons spent Sabbath, November 10, with the Reading Church, and reports a pleasant and profitable time.

A tiny school house cozily situated in the corner of the church yard at Ariel has just been dedicated to the training of the children for the Master's service. This has been made possible only by hard work and sacrifice on the part of the little company there, and certainly stands a faithful witness to the fact that they are heeding the Lord's command to gather in the children away from the influence and education of the world.

Sr. Butts still stands at the head in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. To date she has reported \$330 and has just ordered 300 more papers.

The echo of Ingathering strains have just floated to the office from Tioga County. Brother Barritt reports splendid interest and good results among the members there. They have set their goal for \$1000 for the county.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

7 Fourth St., N. E., Washington, D. C.
R. E. Harter, Pres. R. C. Taylor, Sec.

News Notes

Elders Harter and Gibson met with the Arlington Church last Sabbath and found all of good courage and pressing forward in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, having already raised almost half their goal.

Colonial Beach Church reports Ingathering receipts at present more than the total received last year.

The Ephesus Church reports more than twice the amount received in 1916, has used some 1,800 papers, and is pressing forward with perseverance toward the goal of \$300 which they have set.

Treasurers' reports for October remit Ingathering funds considerably short of the totals reported. We presume this is because many are holding their funds until the close of the campaign, when they will turn it all in at once. We wish some plan might be devised whereby these funds would be turned in weekly in order that we may have an accurate index of the exact progress of the work. "Money talks" and it speaks more plainly when in the hands of the treasurer than when totals are approximated and the funds remain in the hands of many.

Brother W. H. George arrived November 1 from New York and is now in charge of the canvassing work in our field.

Brother D. A. Rees and family are now settled at Laurel, Md., where they will carry forward an aggressive work throughout the winter. The interest roused by the fall tent effort continues and several have been anxiously awaiting the opening of the winter effort in the hall. The Odd Fellows' Hall has been secured and meetings began November 8. Sister Flora Briggs is assisting in the effort as Bible Worker. We are confident that the Lord is about to turn many to the light and

develop a strong church around the nucleus already waiting in Laurel.

Brother E. R. Corder has just completed a successful delivery for Brother Butcher in Northumberland County.

Brother and Sister Wilcox put in a steady and effective week in Montgomery County last week as is evidenced by their report of orders and deliveries in this issue.

A good interest is being manifested in the Evangelistic effort being held at Capitol Hill Church by the College Ministerial Class. The attendance, we are confident, will increase as the meetings progress and the workers improve opportunities to go from house to house with the invitation to "Come."

Elder Seeney reports the baptism of eight souls at First Church last Sabbath, all of whom were added to the membership of that church, together with two others by letter.

Plans are being laid at our weekly workers' meetings for a concerted effort for a clearer and more faithful exposition of the doctrinal and vital points of our message in all the churches of the conference.

SPECIAL

Save Food for Europe

Every ounce of food eaten in excess of requirement, or thrown into the garbage necessitates the purchase of an ounce of good food to replace it, and the consequent depletion of the national supply by just that much. If every family in America unnecessarily consumes or wastes one ounce of food at each meal, an amount represented by a small slice of bread, the daily aggregate for the United States will be 1875 tons—something like 100 carloads, or a large shipload. These figures may bring vividly before us the fact that shiploads of food may be wasted every day—food that the peoples of Europe would be glad to get—without our knowing it. How much food we might be able to spare for Europe if only we would avoid waste!

Particularly should we save wheat, both by avoidance of waste, and by substitution of other cereals. Bread cut, if not used at the table, may be made into zwieback, or rusks (cut into cubes and browned for soups) or may be utilized in roasts. Oven-dried bread broken in milk makes a delicious and well-balanced lunch.

Gems made with corn meal, oat grits, soy-bean flour, etc., or a mixture of these, together with enough wheat flour to enable the bread to rise, afford an agreeable change for breakfast.

Not many of our people can save on meats, for we have not been accustomed to eat meat; and many of us already know what it is to practice rigid economy in the use of foods. But probably all of us can, if we will, materially lessen our consumption of wheat. "Whether, therefore, ye eat, or whether ye drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

G. H. HEALD.

Are You Disappointed?

Did you hope to be in school this fall? And has the time for opening come and gone, turning your hope to disappointment? Never mind, the Correspondence School is still open to you, and Theodore Roosevelt has said, "I look upon instruction by mail as one of the most wonderful and phenomenal of the developments of this age."

Students are finding out that they can make up work and keep it up in this way when they are deprived of the privileges of our other schools. Our student work has more than trebled the past three years, and our students are doing well. Elder Daniells says, "I believe your school is conferring an unspeakable benefit upon our people." Write me before you sleep, and let me tell you more about this matter.

Sincerely your friend and brother,

C. C. LEWIS, Principal,
Fireside Correspondence School,
Takoma Park, D. C.

OBITUARIES

ELLIS.—George W. was born in Richmond, Virginia, March 7, 1850, and died of cancer in the same city October 11, 1917, at the age of sixty-seven. Thirty-seven years ago he married Emma Hubbard. Thirteen children came to bless the home, of whom ten, with the faithful companion and three sisters of the deceased, survive and were present at the funeral. He connected with the Baptist Church in early years. Brother Ellis, twenty-three years ago, accepted present truth, remaining a member of the Richmond Church to the end. When he knew that death was approaching, Brother Ellis expressed his unwavering faith in Christ and his firm hope of a part in the first resurrection.

W. C. MOFFETT.

FERGUSON.—Ruben died October 11, 1917, at the age of twenty-three years, after undergoing two serious operations. The first was for appendicitis, and although peritonitis had set in, the operation proved

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
East Pennsylvania, Week Ending, November 9, 1917									
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.	BFL	4	9					13 75	13 75
C. P. Durr, Phila..	WW	4	13			7 00	4 80	11 80	11 80
W. P. Hess, Berks Co.	BR	5	42	14		53 50	3 00	56 50	26 00
C. Booth, York Co.	BR	4	34	7		24 50	1 75	26 25	1 75
Sherman Booth, York	BR	5	23	10		36 00		36 00	3 50
Geo. Cain, Shuylkill Co.	BR	4	40	14		57 00	5 75	62 75	5 75
M. M. Sterner, Schuylkill Co.	BR	4	30	13		52 50	10 25	62 75	9 50
J. L. Gearhart, Northampton Co.	BR	4	33	5		17 50	2 50	20 00	
R. W. Garrett, Peckville	GC	5	38	15		66 50	3 75	70 25	75
Miscellaneous,						385 50		384 50	
Totals	9 Agents		39	262	78	712 75	31 80	744 55	72 80
West Virginia, Week Ending November 9, 1917									
J. I. Butcher, Fayette Co.	BR	5	41	57		218 50	5 50	224 00	
J. S. Seal, Logan Co.	BR	5	29	33		122 50	17 50	140 00	16 50
W. A. McElphatrick, Morgantown	BR	1	3			15 00	1 00	16 00	16 00
Norman Haye, Fayette Co.	BR		11			76 70		76 70	
C. G. Mays, Pendleton Co.	BR	7	60						235 00
W. E. Arnett, Logan Co.	BR	5	27	12		47 50	14 50	62 00	26 00
C. E. Wills, Marshall Co.	PPF	5	40	8		20 00	11 40	31 40	20 00
W. A. McElphatrick Morgantown	COL	4	16	13		19 50	6 00	25 50	25 50
Marie Snider, Wood Co.	BF	4	18	20		40 00	8 75	48 75	
Miscellaneous						95 50		95 50	124 25
Totals	9 Agents					\$655 20	64 65	719 85	463 25
Ohio, Week Ending November 9, 1917									
J. H. Stafford, Franklin Co.	BR	9	77	16		59 00	3 50	62 50	
J. D. Fellabaum, Hancock Co.	BR	5	43	16		58 00	75	58 75	75
Fred Hannah, Guernsey Co.	BR	5	41	6		21 00	6 75	27 75	20 45
M. B. Ingersoll, Vinton Co.	BR	5	36	9		38 50	1 75	40 25	4 50
A. E. Alexander, Brown Co.	BR	5	37	14		60 00	8 00	68 00	7 00
Clara E. Weber, Montgomery Co.	BR	4	27	1		3 50	3 00	6 50	63 75
Ed. Searls, Crawford Co.	WC	3	21	32		8 00		8 00	12 00
Mrs. C. Kelley, Montgomery Co.	BR	2	19						93 50
G. W. Yingling, Columbiana Co.	BR	3	19	7		24 50	10 85	35 35	6 85
J. S. Brentlinger, Lake View	DR	3	17	7		24 50	10 25	34 75	1 75
Geo. Harvey, Trumbull Co.	BR	2	15	8		30 00		30 00	
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Montgomery	BR	5	21	3		11 40	19 95	31 45	40 00
Totals	12 Agents		47	378	119	\$338 50	64 80	403 30	\$250 55
West Pennsylvania, Week Ending November 9, 1917									
Paul Baroudi, Washington Co.	WW	4	35				90 00	90 00	30 00
A. Brownlie, Washington Co.	SD	5	45			30 00	46 60	76 60	20 40
A. H. Snyder, Clearfield Co.	BR	5	41	6		21 00		21 00	70 00
E. W. Chisholm, Clearfield Co.	BR	7	48	16		64 00	5 30	69 30	187 80
J. Manuel, Jefferson Co.	BR	5	37	6		24 00	4 00	28 00	62 70
Mrs. M. Bateman, Cambria	HM	4	19	13		33 50	14 75	48 25	
S. Diehl, Mifflin Co.	SP	5	40	12		18 00	4 50	22 50	5 75
Totals	7 Agents		35	765	53	\$190 50	\$165 15	355 65	376 65
Virginia, Week Ending November 9, 1917									
E. H. Dye, Pulaski Co.	BR	9	62	40		99 00	9 25	108 25	81 25
Harry Wright, Henry Co.	BR	3	28	24		88 00	5 25	93 25	
Total	2 Agents		12	90	64	\$187 00	\$14 50	\$201 50	81 25
Chesapeake, Week Ending November 9, 1917									
O. C. Weller, Jefferson Co. W. Va.		1	6				9 00	9 00	127 50

District of Columbia, Week Ending November 2, 1917

S. L. Christie, Washington Co.	BR	5	6	7	28	50		28	50	9	00	
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Suder, Mont.	BR	2	12	6	21	00	50	21	50	58	50	
Mr. & Mrs. Wilcox, Montgomery	BR	5	26	36	125	50	11	75	137	25	114	25
Totals	3 Agents	12	44	49	175	00	12	25	187	25	181	75

District of Columbia, Week Ending November 9, 1917

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Suder, Mont.	BR	5	39							298	00	
J. I. Butcher, Northumberland	GC	2	15							135	00	
S. L. Christie, Washington, D. C.	BR	6	19	2	7	00	7	50	14	50	16	75
F. T. Feutz, Prince George Co.	BR	4	34	18	69	00	11	50	80	50		
Totals	4 Agents	17	107	20	76	00	19	00	95	00	449	75

Grand Totals: 47 Agents Value of Orders \$2334 95 Deliveries, \$2003 50

very successful. When he left the dispensary at Washington, he was apparently recovering, but another trouble appeared and the second operation in a Wilmington hospital resulted fatally.

A few months ago his wife accepted this blessed message and he returned to the fold under the efforts of Elder G. A. Stevens. He had a wonderful experience, especially during his sickness. He was looking forward to the time when he could take up active work in the church.

His funeral service took place at the Wilmington Church, Del. He leaves a wife and babe, father, mother, and sisters to mourn his loss. R. R. STEVENS.

BRINTON.—Mrs. Clarine J., known in early life as Miss C. J. Woods, connected at that time with the Presbyterian Church at Odessa, Del. In 1858 she was married to Edward F. Webb, and to them were born four children, one son and three daughters. Ten years after the death of her husband, she was married again to Caleb Brinton. She embraced the Third Angel's Message under Elder Martin. For some time she has been a great sufferer with heart and liver trouble, especially the last six weeks of her life.

She died in the blessed hope Friday, October 5, 1917, and we look forward to meeting her on the resurrection morning. Funeral service was conducted by Elder G. A. Stevens at her son's home in Wilmington, Del.

BALLARD.—Sister Elizabeth was born at Venice, Ohio, June 12, 1839, and fell asleep in Jesus at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Zane, Davis Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, November 5, 1917. Sister Ballard accepted present truth seventeen years ago, and died in the fullness of the Christian's hope. She leaves a daughter and three grandchildren to mourn. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

S. A. WELLMAN.

BROWN.—Loren T., second son of R. J. and Mrs. Brown, was born at Kuling, Kiangsi, July 17, 1916, and died in Nanking, September 22, 1917, after but a few days

illness from a complication of amoebic dysentery and malaria fever.

Loren was a child beautiful in features and disposition, and being naturally possessed of a rugged constitution, his death came as a distinct shock to his parents. His first serious symptoms were manifested in a violent convulsion which led to the immediate calling of local medical assistance; and this aid was supplemented by that of Dr. Bertha Selmon, who had been hastily summoned by wire. However, nothing availed to check the violence of the disease, and the little sufferer fell quietly asleep just as the reddening dawn heralded the approach of another Sabbath morn.

By invitation, Pastor Cottrell and the writer conducted the funeral service, words of comfort from 2 Sam. 14:14 and Jer. 31:15 being spoken to the bereaved parents and sympathizing friends. "For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither doth God respect any person: yet doth He devise means, that His banished be not expelled from Him." ^{24:20} Thus saith the Lord; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not. Thus saith the Lord; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy."

A beautiful casket having been made for the deceased by Dr. Landis and other Shanghai friends, the body was tenderly placed therein, and he was laid to rest in the foreign cemetery in Nanking, close beside the grave of Sister C. H. Davis. Together these await the call of the Life-giver on the morning of the first resurrection, when an angel being caused to fly swiftly to the grave of the sleeping child, shall bear its living form in triumph to its mother's arms, from whose embrace it shall never again be severed by the cruel enemy, Death. To that day do the trusting parents look with expectation. JAMES E. SHULTZ.

"No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

Shenandoah Valley Academy

Last Wednesday evening the teachers and students of S. V. A. gave a pleasant surprise in honor of Professor and Mrs. Forshee, it being their seventeenth wedding anniversary. The company was entertained at the home of Elder and Mrs. Hottel, where a short program was given and refreshments served. Before leaving, Professor and Mrs. Forshee were presented with a beautiful rug.

On the evening of November 3, the boys entertained the girls in the dining room, which was uniquely decorated with cornstalks, apples, pumpkins, and national flags. The program was very interesting as several of the numbers were original. Refreshments were served and every one declared the evening to be a grand success.

The east class room has been converted into a cozy primary department. Miss Clymer, the new teacher, is taking much interest in the work, and the little folks are beginning to appreciate it. Now and then we expect to see demonstrations of their work.

This is a busy week on the farm as we are just starting to husk the corn, and the hay is being baled.

The Ministerial Band held their first public meeting this year in the opera house in New Market last Sunday evening.

The Student's Union is laying plans for future work. There is an excellent spirit among the students for they are all anxious to see the academy prosper and also to prepare themselves for the Master's service.

Hubert and Jay Clymer accompanied their sister from Mount Vernon, Ohio, and are now counted as members of the school family.

Mount Vernon Academy

Notes

We were surprised by a visit from Elder R. A. Underwood, president of the Central Union Conference. He came on Wednesday morning during chapel exercises and gave us a very good address, using for his text, Jer. 45:5, "Seekest thou great things for thyself; seek them not."

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On Thursday morning Elder F. K. Christman, home missionary secretary of the Ohio Conference, occupied the chapel hour, and told the students of some of the existing conditions and our relation to God.

Miss M. O. Hart gave a stereopticon lecture in the chapel last Saturday night.

Our dormitories are well filled and students are still coming. Last week Mrs. C. S. Lawson from Washington, D. C., and Mr. Norman Minesinger, from New Cumberland, W. Va., arrived and welcomed them in our midst.

Elder N. S. Ashton spent Sabbath with the Toledo Church last week.

The Carpentry Department has added to its equipment two woodworking machines; a jointer and a saw.

A garage is being erected by the Carpentry Department.

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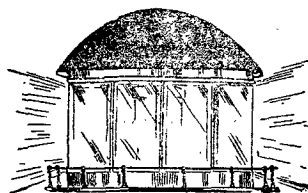
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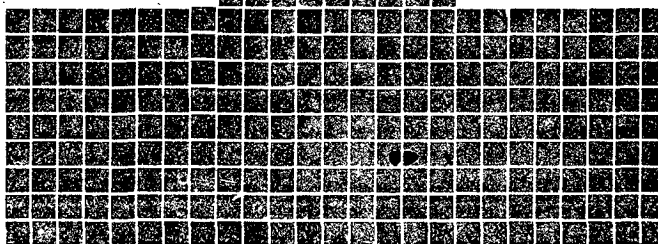
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