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Every Member a Worker

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Harvest Ingathering Campaign

Within a few days we will have entered upon the activities of our Harvest Ingathering work for another year, and at this juncture we are writing a few suggestions and plans which will help us to work more earnestly, and at the same time to have a clear vision of the task that lies before us. In practically every conference in the Columbia Union very definite plans have been laid, and as we reach the commencement of the campaign we feel encouraged to look forward to a most successful effort.

A \$40,000 Goal

By the close of December last year our people in the Columbia Union succeeded in raising a little more than \$25,000 for missions through our Harvest Ingathering, and at the same time more than 200,000 papers were placed in the homes of the people in this territory. This is a most encouraging record, and one which will serve as an inspiration for every campaign that will be held in years to come. In view of the rapid progress of the work in the mission fields with a consequent call for greater means, and also the greater awakening on the part of our people in the churches everywhere we have decided to set our goal this year for \$40,000 in the Columbia Union. Judging from the reports that have come to us thus far we feel confident that we will raise more than this amount before the close of the campaign. While it is true that there will be many other calls for funds by national leaders, as well as charity organizations, all of which might be used by the enemy to side-track us in our work, yet we find that the American people are in the spirit of giving now more than ever before. Then too, we are taking one more month for our campaign this year than in previous years.

We would urge that every individual member set a goal for not less than \$5.00,

and after securing that amount assist other members in your church to reach their goal. It is this spirit that will ultimately spell success for the effort, and will bring greater unity into our churches. An individual goal of 25 papers, 25 cents per paper, and \$5.00 for missions will assure us certain victory in our "big drive" for missions during this closing year.

Organization for the Campaign

In every great movement that has ever been launched under heavenly leadership organization has always been an essential element in its success. While it is true that in our work in past years we have had inspiring success, yet we feel that had the plan of organization outlined by the servant of God been followed more closely we would have accomplished results far beyond our expectations. We are endeavoring this year to follow closely every simple detail of organization that has been given to this people, and are fully expecting that the blessing of God will rest upon our work, and that it will be crowned with success at the close of the year.

In this connection we would urge that every church in the Columbia Union be carefully organized for the campaign, and for all succeeding efforts connected with our Home Missionary work. The church is God's appointed agency for the dissemination of truth, and in our present organization everything is complete with the exception of the formation of bands for service. The elder of the church is its rightful leader in all its work, and the librarian or missionary secretary is its business agent with the conference tract society. To make our work fully effective the territory surrounding each church should be districted as carefully as possible by the officers of the church, and bands be formed from the church membership who will be responsible for certain districts. Leaders should be appointed over each band just as teachers are appointed over classes in the Sabbath School. In this way the leaders of the bands can plan for the work in their respective districts, and can arrange the

work so as to give each member of the church some part to act in the work. Let each church follow this simple plan, and success will be assured. In later articles we hope to outline God's plan of organization as given to this people through the Spirit of Prophecy. There will be other special efforts and campaigns to be held following our Harvest Ingathering work, and we trust that every church will be carefully organized so that the details of the work can be passed on to the leaders in each church, and the program put into operation in the field.

The Final Goal

While we lay very definite plans for an aggressive work in our present campaign we must not forget the final goal toward which all our efforts bend. A world at war, and many other fast fulfilling signs compel us to believe that a greater harvest than the present is soon to be realized when the great Reaper will appear to gather the fruit in a redeemed people. In all our work for souls this fall let us not forget that eternal issues are at stake, and that much depends upon the way we relate ourselves to the work that God has given us to do.

Brother, sister, while you visit the homes of your friends and neighbors in the present effort, you are giving them an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the work of God in the earth, and warming your own heart in soul-winning effort. This will prepare you for a real part in the harvest which is soon to be reaped when Jesus comes. H. K. CHRISTMAN.

Notice

The collection for the colored work in the south will be taken the second Sabbath in the month, September 14. In a previous issue the date was set a week earlier, but this has been changed to September 14.

"A high position does not give us value in the sight of God. Man is measured by his consecration and faithfulness in working out the will of God."—Vol. 9: 274.

Columbia Union Conference Goal \$40,000 for Missions

Final Appeal

Offering for Oakwood Junior College, and Negro Department, Sabbath, September 14

As we are nearing the September collection it is fitting that you should know the work that has been and is being done by those who have attended the Oakwood School, and of the Department in general, so that you may feel free to give liberally to the same.

The school at Huntsville, now known as Oakwood Junior College, has been established for nearly a quarter of a century. It has been struggling hard, in spite of mistakes, to fit men and women to present this last message among our people everywhere in the land. And as the demands of this work have grown among us, it has been necessary to raise the school to a Junior College, which calls for a larger outlay of funds.

While it would be out of place for me to give a detailed outline of the progress of those who have attended the school since it began, yet I must mention a few things that have come to my attention as I have journeyed through the South and elsewhere. I have visited several tent meetings and churches since the middle of July and am now beginning to attend the camp-meetings.

Elder Dasent has held a good tent effort at Nashville, Tenn., adding quite a number of faithful ones to the cause.

Elder Peters' effort at Chattanooga, Tenn., was very well located near the city hall and postoffice. After a stirring effort covering several weeks, he closed with about forty new Sabbath keepers.

Elder Buckner is at Anniston, Ala., where he is conducting a good campaign in spite of delay in getting started, and much rain. A goodly number have already begun to obey the truth.

Elder Lawrence is forging ahead with a great meeting at New Orleans, La., with five to six hundred people attending through the week and eight to nine hundred on Sunday evenings. His collections are averaging \$40 per week. The congregation is made up of as good and as refined a class of people as are to be found anywhere. Already more than forty have actually begun Sabbath keeping; and it is safe to say that when the tent and camp-meeting closes there will be at least sixty or seventy-five obeying the whole truth.

The above meetings I have visited; but I hear that Elders Humphrey of New York City, Strachan of Baltimore, Rodgers of Washington, D. C., Green of Florida, Ford of Chicago, Campbell of Indianapolis, Bradford of Omaha, Nunes of Oklahoma, Scott of Dallas, Texas, Phipps of Springfield, Ill., and others are having very successful efforts that will bring many souls to Christ.

Most of these ministers have received some training at Oakwood while quite a number of their helpers are at present students of the institution. This will show that the good hand of God is in the progress of this message among our people throughout the land, and that what you may do for the Oakwood Junior College and the Department in the offering for Sabbath, September 14, will aid in still further establishing The Third Angel's Message in the South and will also be greatly appreciated at this time. "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40.

W. H. GREEN, Sec., Negro Dept.

OHIO

Box 8, Mount Vernon, Ohio
F. H. Robbins, Pres. H. D. Holtom, Sec.

Among the Churches

As much help as possible will be given the churches during the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. The conference is districted, and in addition to what the regular pastors and Bible Workers can do to help the people, assistance from the home missionary secretaries will be given.

During the next ten days Brother Barritt and Brother Hackman will visit the churches in the southern part of the conference.

Beginning Friday, September 13, Elder Robbins, Brother Barritt, and Brother Hackman will visit the following churches by automobile. The plan is to hold a meeting at each church on the evening of the date mentioned, and the following forenoon after the meeting which has been held in the church the night before. Brother Barritt and Brother Hackman will go out with the members of the church and give them practical help in the distribution of the Harvest Ingathering papers, and the solicitation of funds. Elder Robbins will speak each night in the churches. This means of notifying the church elders and leaders is used so that in case you fail to receive a personal letter you may please announce a meeting at your church for 7:45 P. M., on the date mentioned. Following are dates:

Friday	Sept. 13	Toledo
Sabbath	" 14	Toledo
Sunday	" 15	Toledo
Monday	" 16	Bowling Green
Tuesday	" 17	Delta
Wednesday	" 18	Liberty Center
Thursday	" 19	Hamler
Friday	" 20	Defiance
Sabbath	" 21	Hicksville
Sunday	" 22	Broughton

Monday	" 23	Van Wert
Tuesday	" 24	Elgin
Wednesday	" 25	Laura
Thursday	" 26	Lakeview
Friday	" 27	Bellefontaine
Sabbath	" 28	Bellefontaine

Harvest Ingathering Goal \$12,000

One more campaign has rolled around. Surely we should be very thankful that we are permitted to engage once more in such a soul-winning work. Never in the history of this denomination have God's people had such opportunities as now. I do earnestly ask of each member of the Ohio Conference, both young and old, to work as never before. Start right in earnest beginning September 1; because at the end of that month there will be campaigns launched in other interests. Think a moment brother, sister, what this work means! Progress of the message placed in the homes; prejudice broken down; souls saved in the homeland; money raised for foreign missions, consequently souls saved in heathen lands, and joy and happiness brought to your own soul. The commission to you is to *Go* and should you not obey the command, some poor soul may be lost for all eternity.

Help will be given you during the campaign, and it is hoped that you will not be content with raising \$5, but that you will gather in much more.

A Few Suggestions

Pray before starting out.
Have papers wrapped neatly.
Take plenty along.
Wear the Christian smile.
Get inside the house if possible.
Do not talk too much.
Suggest "Dollars" not "Dimes."
Talk Medical work especially to Catholics and Jews.

Be thankful for whatever offering you may receive.

Tell your experiences in church on Sabbath.

Keep again' until the church goal is reached.

Watch for souls.

Remember that angels of God are with you. T. H. BARRITT, *Home Miss. Sec.*

News Notes

Brother Barritt and Brother Hackman will visit the following churches on their southern trip, in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering.

Aug. 31	Columbus Church.
Sept. 1	" "
Sept. 2, 3	Springfield "
Sept. 4, 5	Hamilton "
Sept. 6	Cincinnati "
Sept. 7	" " (Colored
afternoon)	
Sept. 8	" " (Colored)
Sept. 9	Washington C. H.

Brother T. H. Barritt and family have arrived safely in their new field of labor, the Ohio Conference. Brother Barritt will take up the home missionary work here.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

URGENT

Sabbath, September 14, has been set aside by the General Conference for an offering in behalf of our colored work in Huntsville, Alabama. Many have been the pointed testimonies of reproof and pleadings from the Spirit of Prophecy pertaining to our negligence toward these dear people in the past. The work in Philadelphia alone reveals the results that will follow faithful, earnest efforts, when put forth. About eighteen months ago there were only perhaps a dozen meeting in our colored church, and now under the wise leadership of Brother and Sister Oswald the congregation is seldom less than eighty. Since the first of the year twenty have been added to the church, and their tithe has trebled added to the membership.

The goal set by the leaders of God's work on earth is a dollar per member, and we sincerely hope that you will place before your church this call without failure, and that you will be able to report to our office a substantial offering. Do not neglect this.

D. A. PARSONS.

Can We Complete Our College Building?

The Washington Missionary College, so necessary to our young men and women if they prepare to evangelize the world, is now in great danger. A good beginning has been made in its erection, but unless our brethren and sisters who promised faithfully their financial support pay their pledges very soon, it will be necessary to leave the structure unfinished.

This will certainly be a blow to our students who are struggling to complete their education and hasten on to the ripening field. We sincerely hope that every one who pledged toward the college in the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference will do all within his power to pay these pledges at once, and thus permit the college to be completed.

Believing that our brethren will loyally arise and lift in this hour of crisis, with confidence we await your response.

D. A. PARSONS.

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things."

Tent Meetings at Wellsboro

Tioga County

I am glad to tell the VISITOR Family that our meetings in Wellsboro are very encouraging. Our interest and attendance are growing. Sunday evening we were not able to seat all who came as the wonderful prophecy of Daniel 11 was given. Already a number have expressed themselves as being very favorable to the truth and some have said that this is the first truth preached in Wellsboro. Truly the harvest is golden.

Sister Mary Myles is doing splendid work in visiting those already interested and we are very much pleased to have Brother Charles Patterson's help in the speaking.

As a tent company we ask our people to pray that God's blessing may richly rest upon our meetings that many souls may be won for His coming kingdom.

H. J. DETWILER.

News Notes

Many inquires have been coming in to the office concerning the VISITOR. In reply to these we wish to state that this paper is being sent to each home in the conference with which we are in touch. This is in harmony with the action of the conference committee who voted that every home should be supplied with the Union paper. By this means messages can be sent quickly and cheaply to all, and a closer touch with the progress of the message can be obtained. Some have sent in subscriptions for the paper which is 50 cents, but whether this can be afforded or not we feel that you cannot be without the VISITOR.

Sabbath, August 10, the young people of the N. Philadelphia Church had a pleasant reunion at the home of their leader, Mrs. W. B. Mohr. Several young men were home from the canvassing field, also Mr. Wadely, who has been stationed in Texas for several months in the service of our country. Other guests present were Miss Iden from Takoma Park, Miss Murphy from Trenton and Mr. Templeton from the camp near Allentown.

The Wade Sabbath School spent a pleasant day on the mountain side August 15. Merry games were interspersed with song. All felt refreshed by the day's outing and the children were kept from worldly gatherings being held at the same time.

The tent efforts in Philadelphia are progressing nicely. A good class of interested hearers are gathering each night to listen to the old story that is ever new.

Several calls are being sent in for church schools. Still all the children are not cared for. Where are yours? If you have none of your own help to save others. It will require both money and prayer. Let us work as for our lives.

Mr. Eugene Gloor, Harold Leland, and R. M. Milme, from W. M. C. have entered Lycoming County as colporteurs.

Misses Anna and Alice Ryder and Hazel Moffett, South Lancaster students, are busy working for scholarships in Philadelphia. Success is attending their efforts and tinting the thoughts of the coming year with happiness.

More books were sold in East Pennsylvania in the month of July than were sold during the entire year of 1916. The total for the month was \$8400.00.

CHESAPEAKE

1901 Rosedale St., Baltimore, Md.
A. S. Booth, Pres. Emma Newcomer, Sec.

News Notes

Elder A. S. Booth held his first meeting on the camp ground in Arlington last Sunday night. The tent was filled, both on Sunday and on Monday night.

The tents which our sister conference, New Jersey, is so kindly permitting us to use during the camp-meeting, have arrived. The tent used by Elder A. S. Kellogg, and Brother E. M. Andross in Hagerstown have also arrived. Elder Kellogg closed his meetings last Thursday night. Three persons were baptized as a result of the meetings, and others are very seriously considering the matter.

Elder J. H. Wierds closed his meeting last Sunday night, and has had his tent removed to the camp ground. The dining tent will in all probability be pitched this week.

Brother E. M. Andross arrived in Baltimore Sunday from Hagerstown.

Elder A. S. Kellogg went to Charlestown, W. Va., to render a little help to the company there.

Brother G. Medairy spent two days last week in Trenton, N. J., to get the tents ready for shipment to Baltimore.

Orders for tents are coming in rapidly and we expect the largest and best camp-meeting we have ever had.

Elder G. A. Stevens has moved his family to Dover, Del., moving on Monday, August 26.

Elder M. C. Strachan's tent effort is going on with real live interest and although he had not yet preached a sermon on the Sabbath at his last report, several had begun to keep the Sabbath.

Brother C. E. Andross closed his tent meeting in Salisbury Sunday night. Neither he, nor his tent equipment have yet arrived, but we are looking for them soon.

If any are halting between two opinions about coming to camp-meeting be sure to make your decision in the affirmative and come. Do not delay deciding until it is too late, and then not get here.

The Baltimore Young People's Society has very kindly consented to arrange the Young People's tent for the meeting, and we can assure the young people throughout the conference that you will receive a hearty welcome from the young people of Baltimore. Every department of the work will receive special attention.

Word came to us today from Salisbury that although there was a heavy down pour of rain on Sunday night that there were about fifty in attendance at the meeting. Their interest there is growing and looks more hopeful now than at any time since they pitched their tent.

Elder Kellogg is expecting to hold baptism in Hagerstown next Sabbath, the 24th. He will then go to Charlestown, W. Va., and hold a few meetings there before camp-meeting. There is quite an interest there, as will be remembered, that was aroused by the work of one of our faithful colporteurs, Brother O. C. Weller. These people are keeping the Sabbath, but have not as yet been baptized.

Elder G. A. Stevenson is planning to move to Dover, Del., this fall. Brother M. S. Pettibone, who has been in Dover, will move his family to the eastern shore of Maryland and locate near the Fords Store Church in order to help them out. We are sure they will appreciate his efforts in their behalf. His correct address will be given later.

Elder J. S. Washburn spent Sabbath with the Baltimore No. 1 Church in the morning and with the No. 3 Church in the afternoon, in the interest of our young men in the camps. The offering for this work in the No. 1 Church amounted to \$256 and in the No. 3 Church it amounted to \$225. That our people were much impressed by the remarks of Elder Washburn is evidenced by their gifts.

Elder A. S. Booth has closed the tent effort on Calvert Street and North Avenue, with quite a goodly number who are planning to keep the Sabbath. The tent has been moved this week to our camp ground, corner Belvedere Avenue and Reisterstown Road in Arlington, where Elder Booth will hold several weeks' meeting before the camp-meeting, beginning next Sunday night.

NEW JERSEY

St. Francis & Columbus Aves., Trenton
W. H. Heckman, Pres. C. Lawry, Sec.

NOTICE

Special attention is called at this time to the offering which is to be taken in all the churches on September 14 for the colored work. We are especially anxious, because of the great needs of this work, to make this offering a success and to reach our goal of an average of \$1.00 per member. This offering is to help meet the expense of providing needed accommodations at the Oakwood Industrial School located at Huntsville, Alabama. We trust that our people will give as liberally as possible to this cause, in view of the great demand for trained colored workers.

News Notes

A very successful Home Missionary Convention was held in Bridgeton Sabbath, August 17. The Ramah, Bridgeton, Jericho, C. M. C. House, and Vineland Churches united in this convention: the Bridgeton Church could not accommodate all present, so the convention was held in the tent, where Brother Holman's meetings are in progress. We trust that the results from this convention will be even more evident from the reports of missionary work done, than from the expressions of appreciation which were made.

On August 10, Elder Heckman visited the Paulsboro and Swedesboro Churches, and Sabbath, August 17, he attended the convention held in Bridgeton. These churches always appreciate a visit from our workers, and seem to be of good courage.

Brother Clark has returned to the office after an extended trip among the South Jersey Churches, which was terminated by the Home Missionary Convention in Bridgeton.

Brother L. D. Warren spent the week end visiting the Elizabeth and Newark Colored Churches, in the interests of his departments.

One of our Trenton boys, Brother Fred Zimmerly, has just entered the canvassing field. His report for the past week shows that he received \$95.00 worth of orders. We trust that the Lord will continue to bless his efforts in carrying the precious truth to the people.

Brother H. F. Kirk has been for several days in the southern part of the state, making a delivery, and helping our colporteurs in that section. Mrs. Kirk and the two boys are with him, visiting friends at different points.

Elder Heckman recently visited Sister C. M. Crane, of Branchville, and found her of good courage in the Lord.

During a storm a short time ago, the tent in Paterson where Elder P. F. Richards and Brother G. F. Theiss are holding meetings, was torn to pieces so it was impossible to use it further. Elder Heckman was called down, and after counselling together, they decided to immediately send down another tent (the large dining tent). The storm occurred on Wednesday, and before Sunday night following, another tent was up, and meeting was held that night, with a good attendance.

The Trenton Sabbath School members took dinner last Sunday, and had a very pleasant outing a few miles out of Trenton on the Princeton Road.

The meetings in the big tent in Jersey City are still well attended, and a number are reported as being very much interested. The testing truths of this message are now being presented, and we trust all our people will pray that many souls will accept Christ as their personal Saviour, and keep all the commandments of God.

Last week Elder Heckman visited the Franklin Church in the northern part of the state, at which time he baptized five new converts.

On his way to Franklin, Elder Heckman visited sister C. M. Crane, of Branchville. Sister Crane is past eighty-four years of age, and has been a subscriber to the Review and Herald for more than thirty-three years. She says she could not get along without its weekly visits. You who are not subscribing for our excellent church paper should give it a trial. It should be in every Seventh-day Adventist home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Kirk and the two boys, left last week for a short visit with relatives in Indiana. They will return the first of September in order to do their part in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign.

Elder C. S. Baum of Newark, who has recently been appointed Camp Pastor for the New Jersey district, recently called at the office on his way to visit some of the boys in Camp Dix.

Brother Clark, our home missionary secretary, visited the Camden Church last Sabbath, in the interests of his department.

Brother L. D. Warren visited the Pleasantville Church Sabbath, August 24. He reports all of good courage.

Brother Holman writes that the interest still continues in the meetings in Bridgeton. We hope to see good results from this tent effort.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawry, and little daughter, Margaret, visited relatives for a few days on Long Island last week.

The first of September will soon be here, which means that our Harvest Ingathering Campaign is right upon us. Word has been received from the publishing house that all the papers have been mailed out to the different churches. We trust that every Seventh-day Adventist is planning to take part in this campaign, so that we may reach our goal for New Jersey, which is \$5500. The fields beyond are calling for more men and more workers. Our people in new Jersey are usually "first in every good work," and we believe that in this campaign also they will do their part.

One of our faithful home workers recently wrote she enjoys working with our books, and that the Lord is blessing her efforts. Selling our small books is an excellent way to bring the truth before the people, and at the same time money can be earned for further missionary efforts. May we not see more devoting at least a few hours of their time each week to this work?

WEST VIRGINIA

Third & Juliana Sts., Parkersburg
T. B. Westbrook, Pres.

Jennie Burdick, Sec.

Among the Churches by Auto

Tuesday, August 6, the writer and Mrs. Westbrook started on a trip visiting isolated members and churches in the conference. Our first stop was Pullman, where we found Sister Drummond. Although not having the privilege of meeting with those of like faith, she is of good courage and pressing on the upward way toward the kingdom.

Our next stop was in Berea, where at one time was the largest churches in the conference. Because of removals, deaths and other causes, this company is not very large now. We made 11 calls at this place and found the brethren and sisters of good courage in the Lord.

Our next place was Salem, where we stopped at the home of Brother and Sister Bee. We found five families of Sabbath keepers in and around this place. They seemed greatly encouraged from our visit and it did us good to meet with these who had not seen an Adventist worker for many months.

We next stopped in Clarksburg and attended the meeting at the tent where Brother French is conducting an effort. There seems to be an excellent interest manifested and a number of souls have already decided for the truth. We were glad to meet with the company of workers and to know of their good courage in erecting the blood stained banner of Prince Emmanuel in hearts before unacquainted with the Third Angel's Message.

Fairmont was our next stopping place. Here we found Elder Westcott engaged in making a drive on the enemy. He is having a good attendance and splendid interest.

We reached Morgantown in time for the Sabbath morning service and found an excellent spirit prevailing in the meeting. Our people in Morgantown seem to be of good courage. We saw on the stand in front of the pulpit a fine boat loaded with bags of money for India. On a cardboard was a fine large picture of Jesus with the words "I gave my life; what will you give?" This device had been used in the last Thirteenth Sabbath offering which amounted to \$79.50. This you see made a fine load of gold for this boat, to assist in the work in the region beyond.

On Sunday morning, August 11, we started on our way for Cumberland Md. We found the company at Cumberland doing their bit to push the triumphs of the cross in that wicked city. They are loading up with ammunition in the form of Harvest Ingathering papers, small books and magazines, and expect to make a drive which will carry them 'over the top' next month. On Tuesday August 13, Dr. B. G. Wilkinson, Elder Christman, and Brother C. V. Leach met with our conference committee to consider some important items relative to our work in general and some features in particular in connection with the work in Cumberland.

From this place we made a short trip to Pleasantdale where we found three sisters keeping the Sabbath who had never seen an Adventist before. We found them well versed in practically all points of our faith. After talking with them for a short time, reviewing the vital points of our message, we found them desirous of baptism which will be administered in the very near future.

On our return trip we reached Parkersburg Thursday noon, August 15 and left for the Ohio camp-meeting Friday, August 16.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

News Notes

Brother W. A. McElphatrick is in Sistersville developing the interest created from the camp-meeting. Six or eight are already keeping the Sabbath and a few others are now studying the truth.

Brother J. S. Seal, assistant Field Agent of East Pennsylvania, is spending a few days in Parkersburg.

Word just received from Brother G. W. Ellers, states that he, together with four other of our boys, are now serving the Government by working in the hay field in Kansas.

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond
W. C. Moffett, Pres. - W. H. Jones, Sec.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Virginia Conference the following recommendations were passed in regard to the Cantonment work.

CANTONMENT WORK

Voted, that in harmony with the recommendations passed by the Columbia Union Conference that the Virginia Conference co-operate with the plans put in operation by the War Service commission.

Voted, that in harmony with the recommendations passed by the Columbia Union Conference, we co-operate with the plans of the War Service Commission, by requesting our people to furnish the commission with the names and addresses of our young men as fast as they are called to service, these addresses to be sent on to the conference office.

Voted, that we recommend to our people that any question concerning the experiences of our young men in the army be taken up directly with the camp pastors and the War Service commission.

Voted, that we recommend that our people be urged to respond to appeals made by the War Service Commission for funds.

Voted, that we invite Elder Washburn to visit our Virginia churches in the interest of raising funds for the camp work.

The following recommendations were also passed in regard to the Harvest Ingathering work.

Voted, that we set our goal for the coming Harvest Ingathering Campaign at 20,000 papers and \$3,000.00.

Voted, that the conference be districted as most convenient to meet its needs and before the close of August all the churches be visited and the members be formed into bands under efficient leaders, and each church set its goal for the number of papers it will use, and the amount of money to be raised, and each band endeavor to follow the plan and endeavor to reach the goal of not less than fifty papers per member and not less than \$5.00 per member.

Voted, that the conference laborers be assigned as follows for the Harvest Ingathering work:

R. F. Farley	Newport News 1.
	Norfolk 1.
	Portsmouth 1.
R. H. Watkins	Newport News 2.
	Norfolk 2.
	Portsmouth 2.
W. H. Jones	Richmond 1.
J. B. Mallory	Richmond 2, Thelma.

S. G. Burley	Yale
R. D. Hottle	New Market
	Stanley
	Winchester
	Rileyville
F. H. Hankins	Ford
	Guinea Mills
	Roanoke
	Keokee
W. G. Dick	Lynchburg
J. W. Stevens	Republican Grove
A. J. Evelyn	Danville
W. H. Sabastian	News Ferry
	Spencer
	Lynchburg 2.
D. W. Percy	Harrisburg
	W. C. MOFFETT.

A Call for Books

This September will find many church schools opening their doors for the first time. Realizing the necessity of placing our children in our own schools, the Educational department is doing all it can to encourage churches where there are at least five children in their midst to have their own schools.

The colored churches in our conference are also laying plans for schools and it is in the interest of these that this call is made to the friends through the conference. Owing to certain conditions the conference is doing all they can to aid them.

We will need a number of our own books to use in these schools and would ask our friends to help us by sending in copies of the books used in our schools, especially the readers, McKibbons Bible Lessons and Stone Millis Arithmetics.

These books will indeed be appreciated. Address them to Virginia Tract Society, 12 W. Main St., Richmond, Va. Dept. A.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

7155 Mt. Vernon St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
I. D. Richardson, Pres. - J. S. Neely, Sec.

Conference Headquarters

No doubt many of those who attended our camp-meeting at Homestead, and voted to remove the conference office from Pittsburgh to some point more central in the conference, are anxiously waiting to hear what has been accomplished.

It will be remembered that the matter of location, etc., was left to the conference executive committee. The committee voted that the president and secretary of the conference accompanied by Elder B. F. Kneeland visit various places near Du Bois and have a report ready for the committee as soon as possible.

Two days before the executive committee was to meet to consider a number of important matters, the sub-committee

Canvassers' Reports

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del
East Pennsylvania, Week Ending Aug. 23, 1918									
George Cain, Perry		OD	5	50	16	34 00	2 10	36 10	2 10
A. J. Cooper, York		BR	5	47	14	65 00	1 00	66 00	
W. P. Hess, Berks Co.		BR	5	46	22	100 00	12 25	112 25	21 25
J. L. Gearhart, Lancaster		BR	5	43	16	68 00	1 25	69 25	14 25
W. C. Rahn, Wayne		WCS	5	40					34 12
Sol. Diehl, Union Co.		OD	4	40	14	33 00	11 50	44 50	
T. Beamsderfer, Snyder		BR	4	39	22	117 00	13 00	130 00	
H. J. H. Albright, Dauphin		BR	4	38	24	100 00	1 00	101 00	
R. M. Milne, Lycoming		BR	4	37	25	121 00	1 25	122 25	
H. G. Lewis, W. Barre		BR	5	36	18	73 00	8 55	81 55	59 70
P. Shakespeare, Dauphin		OD	5	34	14	29 00	5 00	34 00	53 25
W. A. Sharffenberg, Snyder		BR	3	32	25	123 00		123 00	
Eugene Gloor, Lycoming		BR	4	31	15	68 00		68 00	
M. D. Hollenbaugh, Dauphin		OD	5	30	23	51 00	6 00	57 00	
J. L. Shultz, York		BR	3	28					204 35
H. G. Leland, Lycoming		BR	3	24	14	65 00	2 50	67 50	
G. B. Jenkins, Berks Co.		BR	5	22	8	41 00	6 35	47 35	80 55
Henry Morris, Dauphin		OD	4	21	20	45 00	1 25	46 25	1 25
W. W. Leader, Snyder		OD	3	10	16	36 00		36 00	
Misc.						401 00		401 00	
Totals	19 Agents		81	653	306	1570 00	73 00	1643 00	470 82

East Pennsylvania Week Ending August 16, 1918									
H. Albright, Dauphin		BR	5	46	33	140 00	3 00	143 00	
Wm. P. Hess, Berks Co.		BR	4	40	22	95 00	9 00	104 00	21 00
H. G. Lewis, W. Barre		BR	5	39	30	126 90		126 90	55 25
A. J. Cooper, York		BR	4	38	9	42 00	5 95	47 95	
S. J. Mack, Bradford Co.		BR	4	36	10	45 00		45 00	
J. L. Gearhart, Lancaster		BR	5	36	9	37 00	25	37 25	152 00
Geo. Caine, Perry Co.		BR	4	35	13	30 00	2 50	32 50	2 50
Sol. Diehl, Union		OD	4	35	6	12 00	4 00	16 00	15 00
J. L. Schultz, York		BR	3	31					238 00
Arthur Hill, Berks		OD	4	30	21	42 00	1 00	43 00	12 00
Mark Hagmann, Juniata		BR	3	27					
P. Shakespeare, Dauphin		OD	4	25	29	67 00	5 25	72 25	14 25
T. Beamsderfer, Snyder		BR	5	25	17	298 00	2 00	100 00	25 00
Henry Morris, Dauphin		OD	4	22	12	29 00	1 25	30 25	1 25
G. B. Jenkins, Berks		BR	5	18	5	26 00	2 00	28 00	10 75
E. S. Toliver, Luzerne		OD	3	13	6	12 00	2 00	14 00	6 00
M. D. Hollenbaugh, Dauphin		OD	2	10					60 75
Roy Ertel, Lycoming		BR	3	24					208 60
Misc.						347 00		347 00	
Totals	18 Agents		71	530	224	1148 90	38 20	1187 10	822 35

West Virginia, Week Ending August 16, 1918

Ruth Fahrner, Fairmont		BR	5	20		18 25	13 75	32 00	42 65
B. P. Wright, Braxton Co.		BR	5	36	14	57 00	18 45	75 45	4 50
John Fahrner, Harrison Co.		BR	1				13 20	13 20	13 20
Ivor Lawrence, Kanawha Co.		BR	3	24	17	86 00	5 50	91 50	2 00
Roscoe Bee, Tyler Co.		OD	4	31	6	10 00	8 70	18 70	25 10
Albert Byrd, Doddridge		OD	2	2					85 00
Frank Bentz, Braxton Co.		OD	5	57	25	55 00	15 20	70 20	5 85
E. R. Corder, Fayette Co.		OD	5	39	86	278 00	29 15	307 15	17 25
J. I. Butcher, Fayette Co.		OD	5	41	80	249 00	1 35	250 35	
C. E. Will, Triadelphia		PPF	5	38	2	5 00	20 95	25 95	27 95
S. G. Bertolet, Mingo Co.		BF	5	40	30	88 00	14 35	102 35	7 25
Totals	11 Agents					846 25	140 60	986 85	270 35

West Virginia, Week Ending August 9, 1918

John Fahrner, Harrison Co.		BR	5	29	2	8 00	22 25	30 25	22 25
B. P. Wright, Baxter Co.		BR	4	40	6	24 00	5 85	29 85	1 25
John A. Bee, Roane Co.		BR	3	40					482 60
Mrs. J. A. Bee, Roane Co.		BR	2	20					209 00
C. E. Will, Triadelphia		PPF	5	48	5	12 50	37 55	50 05	54 20
S. G. Bertolet, Mingo Co.		BF	5	32	37	72 00	11 00	83 00	8 50
E. R. Corder, Fayette Co.		OD	4	30	68	167 00	15 35	182 35	6 00
J. I. Butcher, Fayette Co.		OD	4	31	73	172 00		172 00	
W. T. Dishman, Montgomery		OD	9	52	94	203 00	70 60	273 60	50 00
Frank Bentz, Baxter Co.		OD	5	42	34	85 00	19 25	104 25	10 80
Maude Wade, Roane Co.		OD	5	42					305 70
Roscoe Bee, Tyler Co.		OD	8	66	15	31 00	18 30	49 30	137 15
Totals	12 Agents					774 50	200 15	974 65	1287 45

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending August 16, 1918

E. W. Chisholm, New Kensington	BR	5	43	20	99 00	9 00	108 00	7 00
A. E. Holst, Indiana	BR	5	40	22	104 00	2 25	106 25	14 25
D. W. Chisholm, New Kensington	BR	5	40	19	88 00	8 50	96 50	7 50
Mrs. Margaret Bateman, Somerset	HM	4	22	30	80 50	13 35	93 85	
Geo. Lauger, Erie	OD	4	35	32	69 00	1 00	70 00	14 00
Clyde Newmyer, Somerset	OD	2	16	29	68 00	1 00	69 00	1 00
Hazel Read, Blair	OD	4	17	9	20 00	30 09	50 09	18 55
J. Leroy, Greene	BR	4	32	10	44 00	5 00	49 00	5 00
Myrtle Bateman, Blair	OD	4	24	18	38 00	10 30	48 30	55 05
Ella M. Martin, Juniata	OD	5	23	15	33 00	12 65	45 65	1 75
G. S. Buttermore, Mt. Braddock	OD	6	39	13	30 00	7 30	37 30	128 40
Blanche Buttermore, Fayette	Sm Bks	4	25	10	36 75		36 75	32 25
A. H. Snyder, Strattonville	BR	2	17	8	36 00		36 00	
J. H. Bugher, Westmoreland	OD	3	13	13	26 00	4 00	30 00	4 00
Millie Smith, Pittsburgh	OD	3	19	12	23 70	3 25	26 95	6 45
Maynard Riemann, Pittsburgh	SmBK	4	29	38	26 50		26 50	114 25
E. D. McKnight, Armstrong	BR	3	28	5	20 00	5 35	25 35	2 80
Carleton Mason, Erie	OD	3	25	12	25 00		25 00	54 50
Mrs. Leroy, Greene	Sm BK	4	34	48	24 00		24 00	
C. M. Brown, Johnstown	BR	2	8	6	16 00	5 25	21 25	
Helen Guthrie, Blair	OD	4	14	5	10 00	10 50	20 05	8 30
Georgia Williams, Pittsburgh	DR	2	3	2	8 00	5 65	13 65	
Totals 22 Agents		82	546	376	925 45	133 99	1059 44	475 05

Virginia, Week Ending August 16, 1918

R. E. Pleasants, Amherst Co.	OD	5	41	52	127 00	6 35	133 35	14 75
M. A. Maloney, Accomac Co.	OD	5	45	46	115 75		115 75	
Orpha Smith, Albermarie Co.	BR	10	53	29	120 00	35 70	155 70	
Orion Lawrence, King & Queen Co.	OD	3	12	33	79 00		79 00	6 00
J. E. Thompson, Lee Co.	BR	3	18	3	14 00		14 00	73 20
W. E. Saunders, Roanoke Co.	BR	5	32	15	66 00		66 00	
Glenna Mears, Albemarle Co.	BR	10	54	19	85 00	17 20	102 20	3 00
Elinor Oliver, Campbell Co.	OD	5	23	16	32 00	75	32 75	3 00
John H. Ware, Warren Co.	OD	3	17	17	34 00		34 00	
Edmund Olsen, Norfolk Co.	OD	3	10	7	17 00		17 00	
Mrs. J. Ware, Frederick Co.	UP	2	4	16	4 00		4 00	
R. G. Morton, Essex Co.	OD	5	56					657 25
E. M. Trummer, Rockbridge Co.	BR	4	44					383 85
S. N. Wilmer, Lee Co.	BR	2	8	5	22 00	12 40	34 40	109 00
Carrie Sims, Alleghany Co.	GC	3	22	14	56 00	6 00	62 00	
Totals			15 Agents		69 469 272 771 75	78 40	850 15	1250 05

Chesapeake, Week Ending August 23, 1918

J. E. Jones, Wicomico Co. Md.	BR	5	43	14	59 00	47 20	106 20	
O. C. Weller, Jefferson Co., W. Va.	BR	4	43	37	168 00	9 55	177 55	6 60
Lillian Coffman, Anne Arundle Co.	BR	3		10	40 00		40 00	
W. W. Valettine, Berkley Springs	BR	5	43	30	122 00		122 00	
H. G. Leland, Cecil Co.	BR	5	35	11	51 00	5 50	56 50	
Norman Haye, Anne Arundle Co.	BR	5	33	49	200 00		200 00	
J. H. Stewart, Somerset Co., Md.	BR	4						47 00
Misc.						283 35	283 35	
Totals	7 Agents	31	194	151	640 00	345 60	985 60	53 60

New Jersey, Week Ending August 16, 1918

Wm. Vahrenkamp, Warren Co.	BR	5	32	20	90 00	1 50	91 50	
Geo. Blinn, Mercer Co.	OD	3	22		95 00		95 00	75 00
Fred Zimmerly, Allen Boynton	OD	5			95 00		95 00	
Frank Dombrosky, Mt. Holly	OD	5	30	29	64 00	8 35	72 35	
Fred Krall, Florence	OD	4	23	27	57 00	6 00	63 00	3 00
Misc.	OD	5	27	17	34 00		34 00	
					200 00		200 00	200 00
Totals 6 Agents			134	93	635 00	15 85	650 85	278 00

New Jersey, Week Ending August 24, 1918

Allen Boynton	OD	5	26	24	50 00	6 25	56 25	
Freda Greenlee, Somerset	OD	5	41	1	2 00	3 90	5 90	75 00
Fred Zimmerly		5	40	19	45 00	11 50	56 50	

Chesapeake, Week Ending August 16, 1918

J. E. Jones, Wicomico Co., Md	BR	5	45	12	49 00	37 40	86 40	
O. C. Weller, Jefferson W. Va.	BR	3	31	33	144 00	16 20	160 20	3 55
W. J. Valentine, Morgan Co.	BR	2	7	4	16 00		16 00	
Hazel V. Leach, Calvert Co. Md.	BR	3	37	43	202 00		202 00	39 00
H. G. Leland, Cecil Co.	BR	5	47	12	58 00	3 50	61 50	
R. M. Milne, Cecil Co.	BR	5	46	22	99 00	3 25	102 25	
Totals 6 Agents		23	213	126	568 00	60 35	628 35	42 55

had nothing to report, although a careful search had been made in Brookville, Reynoldsville, and Du Bois. A suggestion was made that we visit Indiana; as the geographical center of the conference is in the northern part of Indiana County. It was agreed by the sub-committee to report favorably on Indiana. After careful deliberation the conference committee voted to visit Indiana the next day. The visit was made and resulted in a committee action to locate the headquarters there. After carefully considering the advisability of investing in a permanent home for the office it was agreed that it would be best to rent for the present and take time to look up just what is needed. A beautiful suite of office rooms centrally located, within two blocks of the post office, express office, bank and railroads in one of the best buildings and on the main business street, has been rented. The change will be made early in September.

Indiana is a very clean, pleasant, little town of 6,500. The State Normal puts it on the map of Pennsylvania especially with the educators of the state. We have a good church and church school which is exerting a splendid influence. Through the influence and labors of Brother A. E. Holst, one of our faithful colporteurs, a large interest is developing in Indiana and vicinity which must soon be cared for. There seems to be no prejudice and the prospects are good for a strong church to be built up there soon. We made the run from Pittsburgh to Indiana in about two hours and forty minutes in the automobile which registered fifty miles; so we shall be very near our greatest population and yet far enough from it to escape such handicaps as are bound to come in our large cities before the time of trouble is over. It should be stated that Indiana is practically on the main line of the Pennsylvania from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia, New York and Washington, D. C., as there are five trains each way daily making direct connections and two trains each way on the B. R. & P. make connection with their main line from Pittsburgh to Buffalo.

We believe that this move will mean much for the general advancement of the work in all parts of the West Pennsylvania Conference and solicit your prayers in behalf of all departments of our conference work.

I. D. RICHARDSON.

Remember September 14

God has an appointment with His people. More than twenty years ago through the Spirit of Prophecy He especially called Seventh-day Adventist believers in the United States to come up to the help of the neglected colored race.

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He invited us to divide workers with them, to send missionary families into the South to live the Christ life among them, to establish schools for them, and to give of our means for teaching them the gospel and for training native workers for their own race.

During these twenty years something substantial has been done along these lines, but not a tithe of what ought to be done and what can be done if we turn our hearts and our means to the task.

Writing on the work in the South in 1895, Mrs. E. G. White says: "God cares for the colored people, and if we would co-operate with Him for the salvation of souls, we must care for them too, and become laborers together with Him. We need to repent before God because we have neglected missionary work in the most abandoned part of God's moral vineyard. There needs to be a stirring up among the members of our churches. There needs to be concern created for our colored brethren at the great heart of the work."

This message is again due. Accordingly, the leaders "at the great heart of the work"—the General Conference Committee—have set apart Sabbath, September 14, for offerings to our colored work. They earnestly hope for a "stirring up among the members of our churches" to give liberally to one of the most deserving missionary enterprises we are conducting at home or abroad.

The goal for the offering has been set at "One Dollar a Member," on the average. Let every member possible make one dollar his minimum for the offering. Every cent of it is greatly needed. More about the specific purposes of the offering next week. W. E. HOWELL.

Shenandoah Valley Academy

The work on the new dormitory has been rather slow of late, owing to the

scarcity of help; nevertheless the work is under headway and we expect this week will show much progress as we have more help.

The cannery is in full operation. It has been giving employment to fifteen people already. Beans and corn have been canned and now tomatoes are taking their place. Work is not only being done for the academy, but a good public work is carried on. Mr. Woods, the manager, is considered an expert at such work.

The wheat crop has been harvested and threshed.

Mr. Chas. Williams and family have moved from Newport News to New Market for the purpose of putting their children in school. They are stopping at the academy till their house is vacated.

Professor Forshee and family have returned to the academy after a month's needed vacation. They enjoyed the trip as they motored from New Market to Fairgrove, Michigan, the distance of nearly eight hundred miles each way.

Dr. Neff and wife from Richmond are visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Miss Eva Boyd of Washington visited Miss Myrtle Neff.

Master Alfred Pilissier of New Hoboken, N. J., has already come to the academy to attend school the coming year. His mother accompanied him and remained a short time.

The tent meeting is still in progress at Harrisonburg. A good interest has been manifested. Sabbath school is now being held in the tent.

Miss Thelma Townsend of Hampton, Va., is working at the academy. She expects to enter school at the beginning of the first term.

Elder Stewart Kime and family, Mr. and Mrs. Workman, and Lulu Wilbur took a few days' vacation. They visited friends in this vicinity and also Luray Cavern.

We hope all students who are planning on entering the academy will remember school opens September 11, and that all will try to be present at that time. If there are still others who desire information, please write to the principal, H. M. Forshee.

Mrs. Edith Richman of Camden, N. J., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Emmit Tucker.

NOTICE

Owing to camp-meeting being held at Mount Vernon, the Academy will open September 18 instead of September 11 to give time to get ready for the students.

N. S. Ashton, Principal.

NOTICE

The Takoma Park Church School board will give the rent of two rooms, including light and heat, to a young man and his wife, without children, for the care of the school building and grounds. If there are prospective students of the Washington Missionary College who would like such accommodations, let them write to the chairman of the board, Professor M. E. Kern, Takoma Park, D. C., accompanying their letter with recommendations from their church elder or conference president.

Notice

All students who are planning to attend the Fernwood Academy the coming year, please take notice that school opens September 18, one week later than printed in the announcement for 1918-1919.

JOHN Z. HOTTELL, Principal.

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