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### How to Keep Up to Date

As the Advent message has advanced since 1844, so the good old "Review and Herald" has grown in interest each year. Its welcome visits to the homes of the people bring cheer and blessings. At this time there is much thought given, and humanity is on a high tension to keep up to date with the world. The "Review" will help us in a marked way to keep up to date with the Third Angel's Message.

Did you ever know a person who was reading the "Review" each week to leave the Truth while doing so? It is far better to have the "Review" in the homes lying on the table than books of fiction, which blight and weaken the spirituality of our children. The old need the "Review," the young need the "Review," the middle-aged need the "Review," and we all need the "Review."

It is impossible for us to see the leaders of our denomination each week, but it is within our reach to read a number of good articles from them. Those who have formed the habit of reading the "Review" say that they would rather do without one meal each day long enough to pay for it than to do without it. It is essential to read the "Review" at this time when Satan is trying so hard to turn us aside from serving God. The "Review" will keep us in the Truth if we obey its teachings. Then if we do not have it, why not? January 11 is the day set to make a grand rally, and increase the subscription list. Ohio is not up to its goal, shall it remain so? I imagine I can hear the brethren and sisters all over the conference say, "No, January 11 will mark a new order of things along this line." "The 'Review' is a valuable paper; it contains matters of great interest to the church, and should be placed in every family of believers. Our people should make greater efforts to extend the circulation of the 'Review.' If our brethren and sisters would only manifest greater earnestness and put forth more persevering efforts to accomplish this, it would be done." Vol. 4, pages 598-599.

F. H. ROBBINS.

### One Hundred Colporteurs for Ohio

"One hundred colporteurs for Ohio?"—Yes, that is our goal. "But how can such an army be supplied with territory?" you ask next. The answer is an easy one as you will see later in this article. Then comes the query, "From what source is this army of men and women to be recruited?" This answer also is simple,—from the constituency of the Ohio Conference. The Lord may send you as one of them.

#### The Goal.

While the above goal may seem a bit high, it is no higher than we should expect, and it constitutes our ultimate aim for the Ohio Conference. We possibly may not reach more than half of the goal this year; but inasmuch as the field cannot be properly manned with a smaller number of workers, the Lord will impress hearts to respond to the call of the hour and give their whole services to the completion of the task set forth in Matt. 24:14

#### How So Many Colporteurs Will Be Supplied With Territory.

In times past our colporteurs have led somewhat of a Nomadic life, spending just a few months or a year at the most in a place and then moving to another territory; thus being without a permanent abiding place, and covering a vast amount of territory. Being convinced that greater results and success will come to the colporteurs' labors by remaining in a given territory, working it repeatedly for different books, and revisiting the interested parties in his field, with but one or two exceptions, those now at work in this conference are located in places they have begun to look upon as their parish, and are laboring to see how great a number of the inhabitants they may be instrumental in saving for the kingdom.

Thus, only a small portion of the state is manned. If the rest of the state is to be furnished with a messenger, others must volunteer for the service. There are eighty-eight counties in Ohio. In every one of these a colporteur evangelist should be located. In some sections of the state a colporteur will need two counties, but in others as many as six colporteurs will be needed in order to reach each family in a year's time,—and the territory should be covered at intervals of about one year in order that the colporteur's former visit shall account for much. Six colporteurs are needed for Cleveland and Cuyahoga County; four each for Toledo, Columbus, Cincinnati, and their adjacent counties; three each for Mahoning, Stark, Summit and Montgomery counties, etc.; so the question of territory for those one hundred workers is solved, and it is evident that even a greater number will be needed. Why, with one hundred colporteurs at work

in Ohio each would still have 50,000 people to warn.

#### The One Hundred Colporteurs.

Seemingly the greatest problem will be the securing of the large number of workers needed; but the Lord seems ready to provide these. At the present time Brother C. V. Leach and the writer are making a tour of the state in quest of recruits for this army of colporteurs, and we find a large number ready to respond. Realizing that "in a special sense Seventh-day Adventists have been placed in the world as watchmen and lightbearers," and that "to them has been entrusted the last warning to a perishing world," and that they "are to be true to the trust committed to them," and "allow nothing else to absorb their attention," many are dedicating their lives to be wholly spent in the service that is to end this reign of sin and usher in the coming King. Reader, can the Lord count on you for one of the number? Is it too much to give up all for the Master when He gave up all for us?

M. W. SHIDLER.

### Camp Work in the Ohio District

My work as camp pastor has been very brief, or since the last of October, but GOD has been very near and blessed in our efforts during this time.

As this work was all new to me, and not having the privilege to profit from the experiences of others, I found some phases somewhat difficult, but at once we endeavored to so organize the work that each of our young men in the service would not only be helped, but be of help to others and a true representative of the Present Truth to all of his association.

When visiting or holding any meetings with our young men, I endeavored to help them to realize the great responsibility resting upon them to rightly represent in their daily lives, the truths of God's Word, and that they were as surely God's chosen representatives, if they did live the truth, as Daniel and his companions were in their day. The Lord has greatly blessed, and our boys have responded nobly was shown from the encouraging experiences they would relate from time to time when I would visit them.

At Camp Sherman several of our young men have encountered some unpleasant experiences through the unreasonableness of their officers, but the Lord has overruled in each of these cases, and vindicated His people, and the clean, upright, and straightforward course of our young men has given their officers and others confidence in them and their faith.

A few days ago one of our young men, who serves in the officers' mess-hall at the Base Hospital, overheard one officer state to a number of others at the table that he would sooner have a C. O., referring to our young men,

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serve him than any other boy in the camp, and explained that "they could always be depended upon."

Nearly all of our young men have had most encouraging experiences. Several have had the privilege to explain the truth to their officers, and one is called by his companions "The Bible Expositor," often being called on to settle disputes between boys of other denominations, and has been asked a number of times to speak in the Y. M. C. A.

There have been very few of our boys mustered out of the service up to the present time. I believe this is due to the fact that most all are working in the Base Hospital, and they may be held for some time to aid in caring for the sick and wounded as they are returned from over seas, but our young men are not complaining. All seem to be planning definitely for the future, when discharged from the service, to enter the work or one of our institutions to complete their training: that they may have an active part in the finishing of the work.

C. T. REDFIELD.

## Help Our Work Along

The prevailing epidemic will cause many of the VISITOR readers' friends and neighbors to travel to Florida this winter, giving us an opportunity to do them a kindness by telling them of the Florida Sanitarium at Orlando, Florida, where they may find the comforts necessary for the feeble, good wholesome food, and the influence of a Christian environment.

I myself have enjoyed the hospitality of the Florida Sanitarium, and know whereof I speak. You will make friends of your neighbors by telling them of this place of refuge to which they may resort when necessary. G. T. HARDING, JR.

## News Notes

Dr. D. S. Teters called at the office a short time ago. He and Brother Shelhaas are working hard in Lima, and expect to see the church doubled in membership as a result of their efforts. They will give us a full report later.

With the beginning of the new year, Brother E. R. Numbers takes charge of the home missionary work. Many of you will remember Brother Numbers, who was field secretary in Ohio several years ago. We are glad to welcome him back among us. Brother T. H. Barritt, our former Home Missionary Secretary, will spend his entire time as singing evangelist for the conference.

E. F. Hackman has just returned from a week's vacation spent at his home in Pittsburgh.

Elder Spicer's book entitled "Our Day in the Light of Prophecy" from now on will retail at \$2.50 in cloth, \$3.50 in half leather, and \$4.50 in full leather.

Last week Elder Robbins visited the Springfield colored members. They have been working faithfully and as a result, have enough money on hand to make the first payment on the church that they are purchasing.

Have you read your Bible through? If so, notify the Missionary Volunteer department and receive a silk ribbon bookmark.

Mrs. O. S. Hershberger has returned to her school in Wellington after spending two weeks in Mount Vernon.

A recent letter from Elder Henderson tells of the growing interest in Akron. He says the attendance at the Sunday night meetings is good and the Lord is richly blessing. The workers are very busy looking after the interested ones.

Sunday evening, January 5, Elder Robbins assisted by Mr. T. H. Barritt, opened a series of meetings in Zanesville. Miss Helen Greunke and Miss Ruth Bond will also assist in the effort.

Columbus Church is very near the \$1,000 mark in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, and by the close of the year will have gone "over the top."

Little Andrew Fearing, of Columbus, 11 years of age, gathered in \$4 himself last Sunday. He is a very enthusiastic young missionary, and full of the spirit.

Warren Harding, Jr., of Columbus, was out with Andrew and collected about \$3. Brother Numbers and Brother Barritt have been assisting the Columbus Church and bring back excellent reports.

Ohio has done well this year and will come very near, if not go over its goal of \$12,000.

## ECHOES FROM THE ACADEMY

### Opportunity

This is the day of opportunity. In every avenue of endeavor, the doors of opportunity are swinging wide open, and men who have understanding of the times are walking rapidly to the goal of their ambition. While this is true from the standpoint of the world, it is doubly true from the religious standpoint. The day of opportunity for the church is here. The way into all lands has been opened for the Gospel, and the hungry are waiting to be fed; the sick are waiting for the physician; the blind are longing for sight; and men in darkness are

waiting for light; large congregations are waiting for the man with the message. God has given to us the message for the hour and He has prepared the necessary facilities for its rapid promulgation. The only need that the Lord has, is for men and women, the living messenger, to tell to the ends of the earth, the message of His soon coming. This message, therefore, calls for young men and young women, and call means, preparation.

Mount Vernon Academy offers to assist any young person, who has a burden for the work, in getting the necessary training. Scores of young people have gone from this institution, during the last twenty-five years, to all parts of the world and are carrying the triumph of the cross into the very stronghold of the enemy.

If there are any who may chance to read these lines, in whose hearts the call of God is sounding, will you not write to us and let us help you plan to get into school to prepare for God's work? This may be your opportunity and you may never have it again.

The second semester begins January 22, 1919, new classes will form at that time, and it will be a good time to enter. Address N. S. Ashton, *Principal*.

## History

To understand a man and his actions today, or to predict what he will be or do tomorrow, one must know what he was and what he did yesterday. Nations are but men grown tall. We study their past to understand their present and to expect their future.

The boy of 1919 who can tell the world what the events of today mean is in greater demand than the man of 1914. No greater problems faced the world and there never was a greater epoch in its history nor more need of a hasty preparation to help finish the work in this time of peace.

From proverbial isolation America has turned to international citizenship. With modern equipment in class room and library it is our purpose to study about being citizens of the world, and give all great events their Tiffany setting in history.

Would you learn to be a citizen of the world and a more efficient worker for God? Then join our students of history at Mount Vernon Academy. "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

W. H. TEESDALE.

## Why Study Science?

"A knowledge of true science is power; and it is the purpose of God that this knowledge shall be taught in our schools as a preparation for the work that is to



precede the closing scenes of this earth's history." Counsels to Teachers, p. 19.

"God is the author of science. Scientific research opens to the mind vast fields of thought and information, enabling us to see God in His created works." Id. p. 426.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE

Do you want power? Get in touch with the dynamo of heaven, become familiar with God's great factory, Nature.

#### OUR SCHOOL

"God's purpose has been made known, that our people should have an opportunity to study the sciences, and at the same time to learn the requirements of His word." Id. p. 86.

"That knowledge which is termed science should be acquired, while the seeker daily acknowledges that the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom." Id. p. 477.

#### THE MAN WHO SHOULD STUDY SCIENCE MOST DILIGENTLY;

"Above all other people on the earth the man whose mind is enlightened by the word of God will feel that he must give himself to greater diligence in the perusal of the Bible, and to a diligent study of the sciences; for his hope and his calling are greater than any other." Id. p. 510.

S. C. ROCKWELL.

### English and Latin

Our academy offers four years of study in the English language and two in Latin. Too much can not be said concerning the importance of the study of English. We use it constantly, and a knowledge of it is necessary in the study of other branches. In our day when everyone has the opportunity of gaining an education,

there is really no excuse for one's not knowing how to use the "mother tongue" correctly. "It is not so much a merit to know English as it is a shame not to know it." In all our classes we try to make the study as practical as possible. Our aim is to produce students who can express their thoughts, both orally and in writing, in a correct and pleasing manner.

Grammar is completed in the preparatory department. Realizing that a good foundation is necessary for good work in the further study of English, we make this year's work as thorough as possible. A review of grammar is taken in the first part of the ninth grade rhetoric, which study is a preparation for the truth. A greater opportunity for putting into practice what the student has learned is given in tenth grade rhetoric. In the study of literature, the aim is to create or encourage the desire to read only the best books. With this aim in view, the reading is carefully selected, and those quotations are learned which will be of the most value.

In regard to the study of Latin, some have the idea that it is a dry, uninteresting study. Those who have studied it for the purpose of understanding language structure and the derivation of words and have seen the relation between our own language and the Latin, will know that it is anything but dry. The study of Latin helps us to understand English better and lays a foundation for all future language study.

In planning a course of study, it is wise to include Latin, but English is one that can not be left out, as a knowledge of it is indispensable in preparing for all the duties of life.

MRS. H. A. MILLER,  
English and Latin.

### Commerce

The importance of the perusal of commercial subjects in our schools is becoming more and more evident. It is not a new line of knowledge, for his-

tory tells us that as far back as 2285 B. C., Hammurabi, a ruler of Babylon, was familiar with certain principles of business. However, only within the last two decades has special stress been placed upon the necessity of a commercial education.

Sister White tells us in "Counsels to Teachers," that "the knowledge of bookkeeping should be considered as important as a knowledge of grammar." Just as grammar is an auxiliary to more advanced work in English and language, so bookkeeping is to the other branches of commerce. The demand for commercial people and the calls which are constantly coming for stenographers and bookkeepers to fill positions of trust and responsibility in our many conferences would be evidence sufficient to convince any young man or woman that he should prepare for this line of work.

Mount Vernon Academy offers such a course in its curriculum, and invites you to come and avail yourself of the opportunity to gain a business education. Classes in Salesmanship, (of special interest to the canvasser), bookkeeping, typewriting, commercial geography, and office training will be formed the second semester, which opens January 22. Mount Vernon Academy calls you to prepare to fill some place of trust and help to finish the work.

OLIVE B. BOUTELLE, '  
Dept. of Commerce.

### Music

Never was there a richer vein of better ore! It is a breath from heaven; the spark that still lingers in the heart of man, which, when fanned to a flame, aids in burning out the objectionable and nurses the pure, the true, and the lofty. To you we extend our hand in welcome, and invite you to Mount Vernon's fertile fields of greater opportunities. "The mind is dyed by its thoughts," so let your life bud under the influence of

music by having instilled in you those grand and noble thoughts of the masters in this art of arts. It is the only work that means "play"; while the opposite is equally true. This study may be taken up at any time, as the instruction is personal.

A class in Harmony (the grammar of music) has recently started, which will admit those coming for the second semester. The music department is full; but come along anyway, and we will make room for you.

There will be opportunity for all who attend school to join the chorus which has just been organized. This is conducted especially for the benefit of the students, who receive valuable training in this line of work. Our study of some beautiful anthems will prove to be very interesting, as well as a constant joy through the remaining days of the school year. H. A. MILLER.

### Oratory

Speech spoken and written is the medium by which people convey their ideas. It is the only vehicle for communicating truth. Society individually and collectively every moment is swayed by it. So as it is the very foundation of intellectual and moral progress, the question of its importance and expectiveness is seen to be of vital moment. In this modern age the demands are for trained talent, and skilled labor, so we must get rid of the idea that something to say is sufficient. We must learn how best to convey it. A worthy idea should be worthily presented.

How many an otherwise able minister, or canvasser, or teacher is handicapped by incorrect methods of using that greatest of living instruments—the voice. As the ear is trained to acute hearing, the eye trained in science, so the voice should be trained to obey and convey to the hearer the highest inspirations of the soul. The uncultured voice rarely does the bidding of its owner. A speaker's voice or mannerism may so detract from the ideas that he tries to present as to cause his speech to be a failure. But being given a capacity for growth and development in this line, we surely should not let our talents remain undeveloped.

"Voice culture is a subject that has much to do with the health of students. The youth should be taught how to breathe properly, and how to read in such a way that no unnatural strain comes on the throat and lungs. . . . The right use of the abdominal muscles in reading and speaking will prove a remedy for many voice and chest difficulties, and the means of prolonging life." "Counsels to Teachers," p. 297.

A full two year course is offered in the subject of Oratory at Mount Vernon

Academy. Will you avail yourself of this opportunity to develop another talent? MAUD F. CRUMP, *Oratory Dept.*

### Mount Vernon Academy

Mr. Y. K. Chow, our Chinese student, took advantage of the two weeks' vacation in journeying over the eastern part of this country. From here he went to North Carolina to visit his cousin, then to Washington, D.C., and on to New York.

Mrs. Julius Keisker of Cincinnati, Ohio, spent a week at the academy visiting her three children, Katharine, Fred and Ruth.

We are glad to have Miss Edna Shingleton of Huntington, W. Va., with us again.

Mrs. Frazier of Baltimore, Md., visited her daughter Mary during the holidays.

Mr. T. J. Chambers of Dayton, Ohio, visited his two children, Margaret and George, during the holidays.

Elder N. S. Ashton made a trip to Youngstown and Erie in the interest of the school.

On Christmas eve Mrs. A. E. King arranged for a very pleasant evening for the students who were here. A good program was rendered, presents provided for all, and refreshments were served.

Miss M. F. Crump entertained the patients at the State Sanatorium with an oratory recital during the holidays. They much appreciated the program.

We know of a number of new students, and some former students, who will attend school for the second semester.

Miss M. O. Hart spent her vacation at her home in Michigan. She was the only one of the teachers who was not here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Tebbe of Toledo, Ohio, visited at her parents' home in Academia during the holidays.

Miss Edith Bell of the Rural Rest Home, Columbus, Ohio, spent a few days with her sister Ethel, at the academy.

Mrs. E. J. Stipeck spent the vacation with her parents in Cleveland, Ohio.

Brother Clarence V. Leach spoke to the students in chapel the last day of school, December 18. He will come again soon to organize the Canvassers' Band.

Mr. Elmer French of Camp Sherman, visited at the academy recently.

Mrs. O. S. Hershberger, who is teaching church school this year, spent two weeks with her husband during the holiday season.

We are glad to report that Mr. J. George Wolf and the Fritz Brothers, who had been confined at the Federal Prison with a sentence for ten years and more, have been released. We hope they will take advantage of the special offer made to our soldier boys and will enter school.

Miss Mabel Robbins left Washington Missionary College because of poor health. She will stay home the remainder of the school year and take some studies here.

The majority of the students went home for the holiday vacation.

Elder F. H. Robbins, Brother Earl Hackman, and Mrs. A. E. King attended the wedding of a former student, Mr. Joe Shelhass, on December 22 at Venedocia, Ohio.

Mrs. A. E. King spent a few days at Van Wert, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Holtom celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on December 31.

Dr. D. S. Teters of Van Wert, Ohio, spent a few days here recently.

Mr. Clifford Hubbell who had joined the Merchant Marine is home on a thirty days' furlough. During this time he expects to receive his release.

### Our Daily Motto

Let us live each day  
As if it were the last,  
Thinking always of the future  
Never of the past.  
Always looking upward  
To the heavens above,  
Leaning on our Saviour,  
Learning of His love.  
Ever pressing onward  
Conquering every foe,  
Trying to help someone  
On this earth below.  
We must spread this message  
To every land and zone,  
Then our loving Saviour  
Will come and take us home.  
Oh let us up and doing,  
Telling of our Saviour's love,  
So we may be worthy  
To dwell with Him above.

—Hazel G. Coleman.

Present Truth No. 36, the last issue of 1918, is made up in the form of a synopsis of the principal features of the special message being proclaimed by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, introduced by citing the special messages God has sent in every important epoch of the world's history, and followed by a most striking presentation of Salvation Only Through Christ, by Mrs. E. G. White.

It gives frankly the reasons why it is necessary for this people, in the fear and power of God, to proclaim this message at this time. It is a clear and concise statement of the message, the people proclaiming it, and the way of salvation. It should be circulated by the millions.