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Germ

Presented to the class at the Washington Sanitarium by Alice Stone

I just wonder how many of you little people can tell me what kind of a plant this is. (Plant present.)

Yes, it was a Jerusalem cherry tree. A few weeks ago it was all dried up and the leaves all fell off and it looked just dead; but I watered it and kept its roots moist and soon it began to grow and these long shoots from here up and all these leaves came on and it grew so fast, I began to wonder how big it was going to get. What a great difference just watering a plant will make with it! All plants that we commonly see grow better if kept moist.

I don't believe this plant is very poisonous; but I wouldn't want to try to eat any of the cherries. They aren't good like those which grow on tall trees in the orchard and they might make me sick.

Lots of plants are not poison. All our fruit trees and plants, which grow in the garden to eat are not poison; but away off in the woods around different places, like the field and even in our back yards may be very poison little plants. Can you name some poison plants? Can't any of you think of some? Did you ever go out in the woods and run around and have lots of fun, and then when you got back home your face and hands and arms began to itch and burn and you felt dreadful? What was it your mother said was the matter with you? Yes, you got into some poison ivy, I suppose, and it poisoned your skin. Many other plants are poison, too, and so you should be very careful what you handle and never put anything into your mouths that you find growing wild.

Now there is a great difference in the size of plants. Trees are plants and some of them look as though they reach to the sky, when we stand right near them and try to look at the top, and then we see how small the grass and flowers look beside them. This morning I want to tell

you about some very tiny, tiny plants, so little that no one can see them without a magnifying glass or microscope as we call it. Here is a magnifying glass, but it isn't like a microscope because a microscope has little bits of glass in it and they make things look hundreds of times larger than they really are. See how much bigger these fingers look through the glass than the other ones do. Well, that's the way the microscope does, only it makes things look hundreds of times bigger than this glass does; and when people look through the microscope, they can see lots of tiny plants that we can't see at all.

They are queer shaped little things and don't look much like the large plants we see. Some of them look like little rods and we find them in different positions; in rows and in curved lines, and in other ways; some look like little rings, some like dots all clustered together like a little orchard; some like curved or twisted hairs, and some germ growths have little things like this on them. They look something like little apples with seeds in them.

These are all many times smaller than the tiniest pin point and there are as many of those little germs in a little space the size of this, as there are trees in all these woods down here.

They grow everywhere. They don't need to stay on the ground like the large plants do, for they can grow just the same in other places. They grow better where it is damp like this plant did when I kept its roots damp; so in the cellar or damp rooms or in anything damp, and on the ground and in the street, we find millions of these tiny plants. They are in the dust that flies in the air from the street and on the floor, and in the dust on your desk and anywhere there is dirt.

When your hands are dirty, there are just millions of those little plants on your hands and underneath your finger nails. We call these little plants germs. Many of them are very poison like poison ivy, and if you get them in your mouth they make you sick. Did you ever have measles or chicken pox or whooping cough? And you remember hearing about some of your friends having Typhoid Fever or Diphtheria, haven't you? Well, all this sickness was caused by getting these little

plants into their bodies. Nearly all sickness is caused by some of these poison little plants.

If you play in the dusty street or get your clothes very dirty, you will breathe those germs into your lungs and that is the way you get lots of disease. If you eat without washing your hands or drink water that is not from a spring, or set your lunch basket where it is not clean or eat fruit without peeling it, you no doubt will eat those poison little plants which cause so much sickness.

Now when you wash your hands, you should not stop when you get the inside clean, but you should look in between your fingers and on the backs of your hands and around your wrists and you can see lots of dirt, so scrub them all over and well up on your wrists and get them real clean. Then take some scissors and clip your finger nails and clean up under the nails with the end of a nail file or if you haven't a file, take the sharp end of a smooth stick and get out all that ugly black dirt. Always wash before you eat and often during the day as soon as they become soiled.

Now there is another way of getting germs into your bodies besides breathing them into your lungs and eating them with your food or getting them into your mouths in other ways. If you should cut your finger when your hands are dirty, or, if you should happen to get your foot hurt or step on a nail and get dirt into the sore place, you will get those germs into your blood and many little children have been made real sick, and some even died by getting germs into their bodies in this way.

Your mother tries her best to keep you clean and tells you to wash your face and hands, for she knows that you need to be clean if you keep well. Think how bad she would feel if you should get sick and die. Your teacher loves you, too, and she wants you to keep your hands and face clean; so next time she asks you to wash your hands, just remember it is because she loves you and wants you to keep well and strong and come to school and learn a whole lot, so you can grow to be good, healthy, strong, well educated men and women. Then your mother and father, besides your school and even your country, will be proud of you.

It isn't so hard to keep clean if you just try. You will get used to washing often and then you will really enjoy it, and I am very sure by your looks, that most of you here do really enjoy being clean.

We welcome such short instructive articles in the office of the Medical Dep't.
F. W. PAAP.

OHIO

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The Toledo Convention

From April 11-13 a Home Missionary Convention was held in the city of Toledo. Delegates from the surrounding churches were present and everyone seemed to take a lively interest in the subjects presented.

Sunday morning was devoted to field work both in the English and foreign sections of the city. Twenty-seven persons went out in this house to house work. The sales in a little over one hour amounted to \$35. The tract and book sales at the church amounted to about \$65, making a total of approximately \$100 in sales during the convention.

During the field work Sunday morning, one man was found who had formerly known of Seventh-day Adventists. He attended the remainder of the meetings and decided to keep the Sabbath and enter the work. The evening after the Sabbath a stereopticon lecture was given by Brother Rasmussen on "The Stranger within Our Gates," which created a decided interest in the foreign work.

As a result of this lecture and the campaigns that followed, a magazine band of 10 is being organized to work the city systematically.

The church is also circulating about 2,000 Present Truth each month. Besides the local conference workers, we were fortunate in having with us Elder G. B. Thompson, Brethren Steen Rasmussen and Ernest Lloyd. The help rendered by these brethren was appreciated by everyone. A male quartet formed for the occasion helped to brighten the meetings and was indeed an inspiring part of the program. We hope every city in Ohio can have such an institute.

E. R. NUMBERS, *Home Miss. Sec.*

The end is near, stealing upon us stealthily, imperceptibly, like the noiseless approach of a thief in the night.
—Test., Vol. 9, page 135.

The Bible is God's voice speaking to us, just as surely as though we could hear it with our ears.—Test., Vol. 6, page 393.

CHESAPEAKE

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

Colporteurs' Institute

A wonderful meeting which marks a new era in evangelistic colporteur work in Chesapeake Conference has just closed. The spirit of the Lord was present in power from the first, and while some began attending the meetings with no thought of giving all their time to this work, their hearts were so stirred with the importance of proclaiming the truth, that they have laid their all upon the altar, and will in a very short time, be scattered throughout the counties of our conference, carrying the light of truth in the printed page.

Many of those who attended the meeting have been enthusiastic workers in Home Missionary lines. This gave them a taste of the blessings received in working for the salvation of others, and when they saw the wonderful possibilities before them in giving all their time, they decided to heed the call and do a larger work than they have done before.

The regular attendance numbered 47, of these 27 were colored and 20 white. Just at the close of the institute another very promising worker, a white lady, with whom the spirit of the Lord has been striving, came in and she, too, has given herself to the work. Thus there will be 48 colporteurs in the field within the next few weeks. These will be scattered throughout 13 of the counties of Maryland, Delaware and Virginia, and the cities of Baltimore and Wilmington.

Most excellent instruction was given by the following persons:—C. V. Leach, Union Conference Field Secretary, Miss Hazel Leach, Assistant Union Field Secretary, Brother L. C. Carr, Head Nurse at the Washington Sanitarium, Brother W. B. Walters, in charge of the Washington Branch of the Review and Herald, Elder F. W. Paap, Medical Secretary of the Union, Brother Richmond of the Review and Herald, Elder A. S. Booth, President of the Chesapeake Conference, and Brother Siler, Conference Field Secretary.

Elder J. H. Wierds, Elder M. C. Strachan and Brother G. Medairy rendered valuable assistance in the devotional meetings. Miss Newcomer, Tract Society Secretary, lent encouragement by her presence.

That Elder Strachan is in most hearty sympathy with this good work is evidenced by the large number of his church who are entering this work.

Brother G. H. Clark, Home Missionary Secretary, of the New Jersey Conference, who twelve years ago was engaged as

Field Secretary in this conference, was present for a day and a half, and his help was appreciated. One of the interesting features of his stay was a lecture on South Africa, where he spent about eight years as a missionary.

The general instruction by Brother Leach was indeed most valuable. It covered all the points with which a colporteur should be familiar in his own preparation, in his approach, in the home, in closing the deal, in delivery, etc. He coupled with this very pointed instruction in regard to the financial end of the matter, emphasizing the importance of prompt payments, and the danger of getting into debt.

Brother Carr gave very practical instructions along medical lines each day of the institute. He outlined the various organs of the body, describing their various functions, and gave valuable instruction in simple treatments in cases of emergency such as drowning accidents, and for colds, influenza, etc.

The books that will be used are "Great Controversy," "Bible Readings," "Our Day," "Coming King," and "Bible Footlights."

This work has grown so suddenly that it will be impossible for one person to take care of all of it. The conference has therefore appointed Miss Anna C. Dewers, who has been doing Bible work in Hagerstown, and who has rendered very acceptable service there, to act as Assistant Field Secretary. Her headquarters will be at Hagerstown, Md., her address being 113 E. Washington St.

The ladies who are engaged in the colporteur work will therefore be assisted by Miss Dewers. She has a very practical knowledge of colporteur work and is well qualified to take up this line of work under the supervision of Brother J. W. Siler.

At the closing meeting of the institute many ringing testimonies were given by those who were in attendance, and we look forward to a wonderful work being done this year. Already wonderful results are being seen in the work of these members. We solicit the prayers of our brethren and sisters in behalf of these self sacrificing, and devoted laborers. Pray that the Lord may give them health and strength and tact, wisdom, and success. And when praying for them remember the office force upon whom will fall such greatly multiplied responsibilities, and in the final gathering day we will each share in the glorious reward of seeing souls saved, who have been warned by these faithful brethren and sisters.

EMMA S. NEWCOMER.

"The price of heaven is Jesus."

News Notes

Chesapeake Conference has quite a number of new colporteurs, as will be seen by our report this week. But these are only a few of the number planning to enter the work. Some have already begun. Others will begin in a short time.

Elder A. S. Booth and Dr. Bordeaux-Sisco attended the Medical Convention in Washington last week.

We are sorry to report the death of Brother J. G. Whitaker. Brother Whitaker has been ill for several months, having first had the flu, then pneumonia, and later other developments, which resulted in his death at the Washington Sanitarium, Tuesday the 15th at 2:30 A. M. Arrangements have not yet been made for his burial, his relatives living in West Virginia and North Carolina not having been heard from.

Elder E. F. Collier has accepted the call to come to Chesapeake Conference and will locate in Wilmington, Del. Elder C. E. Andross will hold a number of weeks' meetings in Rock Hall before the regular tent meetings this summer, at which time it is expected he will labor in Martinsburg, W. Va. We are sure the Rock Hall Church will greatly appreciate the labors of Brother Andross and his wife.

This church has been waiting and longing for a laborer for quite a while. But "the harvest is great and the laborers are few," and although we have tried again and again to find someone to place there, we have been unable to do so. We trust they will give all the strength to the meetings they can possibly give, and support them by their presence and their prayers.

The interest in the Wilmington effort still continues, as does that in Dover and at Blythedale.

We were very much pleased to have a visit from Miss Ethel Carroll last week. Sister Carroll is laboring in Cambridge, and is quite encouraged with the prospects there. Brother J. W. Siler reports six baptisms last Sabbath and a number more about ready for baptism, in Hagerstown. The work at that place is growing, and there is a very encouraging interest in the work there.

The new book, "World Peace" is going splendidly. You would want your neighbors to have it, if you should see it. Better send for ten or more copies to place among the people in your community.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

News Notes

Sabbath, April 12, Brother H. G. Gauker, our Home Missionary Secretary, met with the Reading and Fleetwood Churches for the purpose of organizing them into working bands. A hearty response was given at both places. With the plans that are introduced in the different churches, we are looking forward with great expectations to see the Home Missionary department rise to a higher plane. See that your church is thoroughly organized, and if you do not understand the plan that has been sent out, make a special call on Brother Gauker.

The second of a series of Home Missionary Conventions will be held at Reading, April 25 to 27. This will be a combined convention of the Reading and Fleetwood Churches. Part of the time will be devoted to Sabbath School work. Among those in attendance will be, Elder D. A. Parsons, L. A. Hansen, assistant secretary of the Medical Department of the General Conference, H. K. Christman, assistant secretary of the Home Missionary Department of the General Conference, Brethren C. E. Reichenbaugh, H. G. Gauker, W. B. Mohr, and Miss Bessie Acton. We are also expecting to have with us a representative from the Pacific Press Publishing Association. Elder L. A. Hansen will give a stereopticon lecture on Patent Medicine the evening after the Sabbath. Those in the district plan to attend and bring your friends.

The new book "World Peace" is being sold very rapidly. Sabbath, April 12, the importance of the sale of this book was brought before the Reading Church and in a short time 700 were ordered. About 500 of these books have been ordered by individuals from the Reading Church before this time. Let other churches take up this work and do all they can, for now is the time that this book will have sale as no other book ever had.

In a previous issue of the Visitor the announcement was made that only three churches had reported their organization for Missionary work. It was overlooked in making this note up that the Sellersville Church was the first organized and should have been included in this list.

At this time Elder Parsons is purchas-

ing tents for our coming camp-meeting. As soon as he returns, no doubt, definite action will be taken as to the time and location of the yearly meeting. Notice will be sent through the conference at that time.

Our sale of "World Peace" in this conference is rapidly climbing up. The following list shows the standing of our churches in this campaign:

Church	Membership	No. of Books
Allentown	61	100
Danville	23	26
Fairhill	16	10
Harrisburg	82	160
Lebanon	55	112
Northumberland	24	100
Phila. Colored	76	25
" North	97	100
Individuals		1325
Total to date		1958

Reports are that eight out of eleven Massachusetts towns that recently voted on the liquor question voted wet. Two out of these have been dry for a quarter of a century and others for a shorter period. Somebody came to the conclusion that as long as National prohibition had been passed that it was no longer necessary to combat with the liquor traffic. We must arouse and continue with the distribution of the "Temperance Instructor." The 1919 issue is now ready. Send your orders to the tract society.

A number of requests have come to the office for a directory of our churches and the time of their meetings. We are giving the following information:

Time of Sabbath School and Church

Allentown, Corner Oak and Poplar Streets.	1:30 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Ariel, Ariel, Wayne County	10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Blossburg, Blossburg.	2:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
Bloomsburg, 602 East 3d. St., [R. C. Hartman] Bloomsburg.	9:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Carbondale, private home, Carbondale.	2:00 p.m.	
Carlisle, about 115 E. High Street, Carlisle.	10:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Covington and Mansfield, Main	2:00 p.m.	

St., Covington,
Main St., Mansfield.

Danville, cor. Pine 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
and Spruce Sts.,
Danville.

Elkland, Maccabee 2:30 p.m.
Hall, Elkland.

Emaus, Upper 1:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m.
Milford, from
house to house.

Fairhill, Souderton.

Fleetwood, Fleet- 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m.
wood.

Harrisburg, Pythien 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Hall, cor. 14th and
Howard Sts.,
Harrisburg.

Lancaster, P.O.S. of 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
A. Hall, 45 S. Duke
St., Lancaster.

Lebanon, S. Seventh 1:45 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
St., near Walnut
St., Lebanon.

Mifflintown Main 3:00 p.m.
St., apply Kauff-
man's Music Store,
Mifflintown.

Sunbury and 1:45 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
Northumberland,
Northumberland.

Orwell, Rummer- 2:00 p.m.
field, R. No. 2.

Philadelphia Col- 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
ored, 1227 North
10th St., Philadel-
phia.

Philadelphia Ger-
man, 2426 Poplar
St., Philadelphia.

winter 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
summer 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.

Philadelphia West, 9:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
51st and Locust
Sts., Philadelphia.

Philadelphia North, 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Grand Fraternity
Bldg., 2nd Floor
1624 Arch Street,
Philadelphia.

Phoenixville. Main 9:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Street, Knights of
Golden Eagle Hall,
Phoenixville.

Reading, cor. 1:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
Hampden and
Windsor, Reading.

Roaring Branch, 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
Newelltown. 3
miles N. of Roaring
Branch.

Sayre, cor. Olive 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
and Harrison Sts.,
Sayre.

Scranton, cor. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Adams Ave. and

Mulberry St.,
Scranton.

Sellersville, Moose 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
Hall, Sellersville.

South Canaan,
Ariel.

Stroudsburg, 2nd. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
St., Stroudsburg.

Tunkhannock, 2:00 p.m.
home of Mrs. W.H.
Stonier, Tunkhan-
nock.

Wade, R.F.D. No. 3, 1:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
Wade.

Wellsboro, Odd Fel- 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
lows' Building,
Wellsboro.

Westfield, West- 2:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.
field.

Wilkes-Barre, 9 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
S. Franklin St.,
Caledonian Hall,
W. B.

Williamsport, cor. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
7th and Court Sts.,
Williamsport.

York, 550 W. Salem
Ave., York.

May to October 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
October to May 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana, Pa.

I. D. Richardson Pres. - J. S. Neely, Sec.

News Notes

As our Conference Sabbath School Department is being reorganized, we ask that each isolated member, who has not already done so, send in his name and address. We have been glad to get letters from a good many, but feel sure there are still others who have not written; and all our isolated members are entitled to the reading matter and various helpful suggestions sent out from the General Conference Department from time to time, so we want to get in touch with every one. Please let us hear from you soon.

We just received a letter this morning from a sister in Altoona, stating that five persons have already accepted the truth as the result of Elder Weaver's effort there. She also stated that many more were on the point of accepting it. We are surely glad that the Lord is blessing the labors of Brother Weaver.

The Coudersport district, under the supervision of Elder Kneeland, is making steady progress. Elder Kneeland reports several new Sabbath keepers at Fishing Creek. Surely the Lord is sending His blessings on the message.

Elder Richardson and Dr. H. S. Brown, the former secretary, are attending the medical convention in Washington, D. C.

Brother Manry has been visiting the Pittsburgh Churches in the interest of the Home Missionary work. He states that he has never seen so many willing to do missionary work as at the present time.

Brother Lawrence has just written to the office that they are having wonderful success in their meetings at Clearfield. He has the whole church working, and the members have entered a standing order for 350 "Signs" Magazines each month, and a like number of Present Truth, to be used in their missionary activities.

Brethren Spencer and Holst, through their labors in Sharon, have brought into the Third Angel's Message twelve more Sabbath keepers. Elder W. F. Schwartz, the superintendent of the Erie district, of which Sharon is a part, visited the Sharon Church last Sabbath, and baptized these new converts.

Elder D. A. Rees, the new minister of the Pittsburg No. 1 Church, has recently baptized quite a number of new Sabbath keepers.

Brother Butler is busy this week training new colporteurs. A goodly number have taken up the work of scattering the printed page, and we are looking forward to a very successful year in the salvation of souls through the colporteur work. We are asking the Lord's blessing upon this line of work in our worship each morning at the office.

We were impressed by the reports of two of our Bible workers this last month. One reported sixty-two "Bible Readings," and 3,298 pages of literature distributed, besides her other regular missionary work. The other one reported fifty-five "Bible Readings" during the month. This sets a new standard which we all should endeavor to reach in the closing days of this message.

VIRGINIA

12 W. Main St., Richmond

W. C. Moffett, Pres. - W. H. Jones, Sec.

News Notes

Brother F. E. Hankins spent a few days with Brethren S. N. Wilmer and R. N. Vandergrift in Washington County last week.

The new dormitory of the Shenandoah Valley Academy was dedicated Sunday, April 12. A full report will appear later.

We have on hand at the office a large supply of the new book "World Peace." Place your order at once.

Miss Eloise Williams is spending a few weeks visiting the schools and churches in the Valley District.

Are you planning to attend camp-meeting? You cannot afford to miss it. Begin now to plan. Remember the place, Lynchburg; and the date, May 29-June 8.

WEST VIRGINIA

Third & Juliana Sts., Parkersburg
T. B. Westbrook, Pres. L. B. Taylor, Sec.

Charleston

We believe that God has demonstrated that the tabernacle is no longer an experiment with Seventh-day Adventists, but can be made a great blessing in our work. Up to the present date, April 10, 102 people have promised to keep the Sabbath, signing the following covenant. "We, the undersigned, do solemnly promise by the help of God to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus." Rev. 14:12. A good number of others are keeping the Sabbath, who have not yet signed the covenant. A very earnest First-day Adventist minister is rejoicing in the truth as a result of these meetings, and has willingly gone into the canvassing work as a preliminary we trust, to becoming a strong worker in the Third Angel's Message. A doctor and his family have taken their stand with us. A blind musician of unusual talent with his family are keeping the Sabbath, and he is helping us very much in our work. He is an excellent singer. A railway conductor and his family have signed the covenant, and a number of helpful young men.

Elder Westbrook, the President of this conference, sent out a letter of condolence and sympathy to all those who had lost relatives in the terrible epidemic of influenza. Our workers in this conference used a number of these letters. One of them was sent to a lady whose husband had just died, leaving her a widow with the care of several children. She received the letter in the afternoon when she returned from the funeral of her husband. The tender sympathy of the letter appealed to her most powerfully. This was the first knowledge she had ever had of such a people as Seventh-day Adventists. When the tabernacle meetings began, she was therefore ready to receive the truth which had so touched her heart. She has signed the covenant, and we are con-

fident will be faithful to the end. She is the owner of two dry goods stores which she closes on the Sabbath day, and she powerfully preaches the truth in a very practical manner. Among those interested there have been several lawyers, members of the legislature, some earnest Catholics and an influential Jewish businessman. And the governor of the state himself has shown us marked kindness. Quite a number of the people who have attended these meetings and signed the covenant are now scattered in different parts of the country. One young lady came all the way from Kentucky to attend this meeting, and accepted the Sabbath truth. No one who was present at the last two Sabbath meetings conducted by Elder Wilkinson, will ever forget the mighty influences of the Holy Spirit on every heart.

Our church building in this city is distant from the center, and is not in the best part of the city. With the view of taking a great advance step in the work in this important city, Elders Westbrook and Wilkinson have arranged to sell the church, and buy a lot in the best part of the residence section of the city, and build a suitable church and school building. This will be a true memorial to the Third Angel's Message in the capital city of West Virginia. We believe that the work in West Virginia, which has met unusual difficulties is taking an advance step into a new era, and that God is blessing the leadership of this conference in moving out by faith, building this tabernacle, and investing so much in the advertising of these meetings, and in helping to build up this work. We believe that God blessed Brother Westbrook in this tabernacle experiment and demonstrated its success, and that tabernacles can be used in many cities of the world, and may practically mark a new era in our work. Thus with tents in the summer time, and tabernacles in the winter time, our ministers may be continually at work every day of the year. Thus, may the message be hastened to its final and speedy victory. We are confident that many who read the Visitor will be glad to send offerings for the building of the memorial church in this city. Such offerings may be sent to L. B. Taylor, West Virginia Tract Society, Third and Juliana Sts., Parkersburg, W. Va.

J. S. WASHBURN.

Educational and Young People's Convention

An interesting and we believe helpful Educational and Young People's Convention was held with the Cumberland, Md., Company, April 12. We had hoped that Professor Werline would be present at this time, but inasmuch as several other

important meetings were in session in the Union on that date, he was unable to attend.

The Sabbath School was held at 10 o'clock. At the 11 o'clock hour the writer spoke on the subject of "The Importance of Saving and Training Our Children and Youth."

At the noon hour luncheon was served. During the afternoon session several splendid papers were presented by the members. Such subjects as "The Morning Watch," the "Reading Course," "The Bible Year," "The Standard of Attainment," etc., were considered.

At the close of the meeting a call was extended for all who really desired to reconsecrate themselves to the Lord and to take up His work with greater interest to arise to their feet. Nearly every one responded and we believe the Young People's Society in Cumberland has brighter days in store for it.

LIDA MAE WESTBROOK.

Rio

It has been sometime since I came to Rio; and we have now organized a Sabbath School of 15, and a Young People's Society. The outlook is good, but the work is not yet finished. God must give the increase. We must hang on until His will is done.

When I first came out here, it seemed that every obstacle was thrown across the path. First I could not get the mail man to bring me out. Being 22 miles from the railroad, I could not carry my baggage; but the Lord opened a way, and after 2 days I got here.

Then it seemed the Baptist Church, that we were to have, would be closed against the work. The key had been taken care of, and while most of the people were willing that the church be used, yet it was not without a long talk, and some Scripture, that God moved upon the one that had the key, to let us have it for two nights. As nothing has been said since, we still have the church. We had our Sabbath School in it last Sabbath.

After about a week I took the flu, and had to close the meetings for 3 days, after which we had 2 more nights of the meetings, when I took sick again for another week, and so the meeting stopped again.

However, the Lord has suffered the devil to do no harm. He has roared some, but the people are still coming. The church was nearly full last night, regardless of having a week on different phases of the Sabbath question. The "Mark of the Beast" has been presented, and many of the people seem to understand that it is Sunday. What they will do we are waiting to see. Pray that God will give much fruit in this place.

U. D. PICKARD.

News Notes

Elder Wilkinson spent several days in Charleston recently.

Elder Westbrook was at home several days last week, nursing a bad cold.

Elder Westcott and Brother Taylor met with the Clarksburg Church Sabbath, April 12. Quarterly service was held at that time.

Brother McHenry met with the Parkersburg Church, April 12, and took charge of the service.

Elder Westbrook and Paul motored from Parkersburg to Kanawha Station last Sabbath. There was a good attendance and the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated.

Brother McElphatrick who has been canvassing in Grafton, doing splendid work, is now finishing his work in that territory.

Mrs. Westbrook spent Sabbath with the Cumberland Church, and returned home Sunday morning.

Brother McHenry was in Pineville, W. Va., last week. Brethren Campbell and Fisher are canvassing in this section. This is certainly in the wilds of West Virginia, for there is no telephone connection in this territory, although the county seat is located here. Brother McHenry walked fifty miles the two days he was there. Let us remember our faithful canvassers in our prayers.

Brother Moser has again taken up the canvassing work since the institute, and sent in an excellent report from Boone County.

The new 1919 Year Book is now ready. The names and addresses of all our ministers, the locations of our tract societies, sanitariums, schools, and other interesting data can be found in this book. Order from the office. Price 50 cents.

Brother Guinn from Washington will join Thurman Metcalf in the canvassing field this week. They will work in and around Salem.

Brother Herschel Foggin and Ernest Mansell will soon enter the canvassing work in Huntington and the surrounding territory.

Let all who live in and near Huntington, W. Va., remember the Sabbath School Convention to be held there April 26. Bring your lunch. First session at 10 A. M. Be prompt.

Canvassers' Reports

NAME	PLACE	BOOK	DAYS	HOURS	ORDERS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL
West Virginia, Week Ending April 11, 1919									
C. B. Moser, Boone Co.		BR	6	43	29	130 00	2 55	132 55	1 60
N. D. Fisher, Wyoming Co.		BR	4	35	15	61 00	7 45	68 45	3 55
W. L. Campbell, Wyoming Co.		BR	5	48	30	152 00	11 00	163 00	4 50
Frank Bentz, Mercer Co.		GC	5	36	21	93 00	19 75	112 75	2 95
Frank Detwiler, Mercer Co.		GC	5	36	46	198 00	19 30	217 30	1 70
W. A. McElphatrick, Taylor Co.		OD	5	32	39	104 50	21 95	126 45	7 30
S. G. Bertolet, Lincoln Co.		BR	6	40	20	83 00	35 65	118 65	18 25
Totals	7 Agents		36	270	200	821 50	117 65	939 15	39 85

Ohio, One Week Ending April 11, 1919									
E. C. Alexander, Cincinnati		BR	5	39	19	83 00	18 75	101 75	12 30
Fred Hannah, Wayne Co.		OD	5	47	8	20 00	1 00	21 00	25 00
Geo. Harvey, Stark Co.		BR	5	32	24	106 00	3 00	109 00	
M. B. Ingersoll, Coshocton Co.		BR	5	33	9	47 00	85	47 85	18 55
H. O. Hohr, Cleveland		WW		11			37 50	37 50	37 50
Geo. A. Keppler, Hamilton		PG	5	27	6	24 00		24 00	27 50
John Manuel, New Phila.		BR	4	18	3	14 00	2 95	16 95	
Glenn Pinnicks, Muskingum Co.		BR	5	31	9	39 00	1 15	40 15	4 30
Kay D. Riegel, Fairfield Co.		PP	5	38	12	49 00	1 70	50 70	
W. C. Starkey, Washington Co.		BR	4	42	20	87 00		87 00	
O. E. Taylor, Athens Co.		OD	5	58	31	82 50		82 50	
C. H. Wolcott, Toledo		OD	4	28	6	15 00	75	15 75	
F. E. Wagner, Kenmore		OD	5	30	13	34 50	13 35	47 85	22 90
Myrtle McPeak, Columbus		OD	4	22	15	45 50	1 50	47 00	
Mrs. M. C. Marietta, Columbus		OD	3	13	5	13 50	10 75	24 25	70
Mrs. G. Pinnicks, Muskingum Co.		OD	4	22	11	29 50	8 50	38 00	3 35
Mrs. R. R. Shank, Richland Co.		OD	3	19	10	26 00	4 25	30 25	50
Julia A. Wolcott, Toledo		OD	4	26	8	20 00	4 25	24 25	
Unknown, Youngstown		OD	4	20	11	27 50		27 50	
Totals	19 Agents		79	556	220	763 00	110 25	873 25	151 75

Chesapeake, One Week Ending April 11, 1919									
J. E. Jones, Cambridge		BR	4	34	7	29 00	7 65	36 65	167 75
D. W. Johns, Baltimore		PP	3	10	17	36 30	4 00	40 30	3 50
N. Chase		CK	3	20	21	44 50		44 50	
B. Williams		BF	3	12	13	32 00	3 75	35 75	
E. Baddis		BR	4	17	12	55 00	6 00	61 00	6 00
May Queen		BF	3	4	4	14 50		14 50	3 00
Julia Z. Cooper		OD	5	15	9	26 50	3 25	29 75	22 75
Grace Pinkney		BR	3	42	9	49 00	1 00	50 00	
Ed. Stevens		BF	5	27	14	29 00	7 25	36 25	
Mamie Gee		CK	2	18	14	33 50	1 50	35 00	
Clara Stevens		BF	5	18		45 00	10 00	55 00	
M. Booth		CK	2	10		46 00		46 00	
L. Robison		GC	5	25	24	122 00	5 50	127 50	
A. Pinkney		GC	6	14	14	71 00	10 75	81 75	
M. Butter		CK	4	25	56	126 00		126 00	
Totals	16 Agents		93	264	258	759 30	61 15	820 45	203 00

Virginia, Week Ending April 11, 1919									
Andrew Wolters, Norfolk Co.		GC	5	43	32	145 00	17 45	162 45	
Ida Elder, Roanoke Co.		OD	3	14	20	50 00		50 00	125 00
H. A. Wright, Rockingham Co.		BR	4	26	25	106 00		106 00	28 00
John H. Ware, Page Co.		OD	5	39	37	92 50	25	92 75	5 00
J. P. Spaulding, Rockingham Co.		BR	3	15	15	65 00		65 00	
S. N. Wilmer, Washington Co.		OD	4	18	23	62 00		62 00	
F. C. Butler, Louisa Co.		OD	4	25	18	50 00		50 00	
V. L. Hankins, Louisa Co.		OD	4	16	19	49 50		49 50	
R. N. Vandergrift, Washington Co.		OD	3	19	15	37 50	6 00	43 50	
Ira Raymond, Norfolk Co.		GC	4	23	3	14 00	23 25	37 25	1 50
J. V. Faison, Page Co.		OD	5	42	12	30 50		30 50	178 00
Pearl Engel, Nottoway Co.		OD	2	7	9	24 50	1 85	26 35	
R. E. Pleasants, Bedford Co.		OD	3	23					276 76
Totals	10 Agents		49	310	228	726 50	48 80	775 30	614 26

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 11, 1919

Geo. Missbaugh, Butler	DR	7	50	25	112 00	14 15	126 50	220 00
R. C. Lewis, Pittsburgh	OD	9	56	36	118 00	8 50	126 50	60 00
A. B. Hobbs, Washington Co.	BR	4	18	18	85 50		85 50	
J. G. Hadlock, Sharon	OD	5	33	30	80 00	2 00	82 00	
S. C. Bixler, Fayette Co.	OD	3	22	23	66 50		66 50	
E. H. Grapp, Beechview	GC	4	29	9	41 00		41 00	
Emma Terrette, Dubois	OD	5	38	13	34 50	5 50	40 00	
Marie Davidson, Pittsburgh	OD	2	5	12	35 00		35 00	
Mrs. S. C. Bixler, Fayette Co.	OD	3	8	6	16 50	5 50	22 00	
John LeRoy, Greene Co.	BR	2	18	4	20 00		20 00	11 50
J. A. Thomas, Fayette Co.	OD	2	15	6	15 00		15 50	
Homer Whittling, Brookville	OD	2	9	4	14 00		25 14 25	25
Mrs. A. Dunn, Pittsburgh	OD	3	15	4	10 00	2 85	12 85	85
J. A. Hughey, Brookville	OD	1	6	1	2 50		50 3 00	
Totals		14 Agents			52 322 191 650 50	40 10	690 60	292 60

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending April 11, 1919

Benjamin Bell, Philadelphia	GC	5	39	7	32 00	15	32 15	16 15
Elden Lockwood, Montour Co.	GC	4	47	8	32 00	3 75	33 75	
G. B. Jenkins, Berks Co.	BR	5	19	3	15 00	7 50	22 50	6 75
Mrs. Park Drake, Northampton	OD	1	3	3	7 50		75 8 25	
Arthur Hill, Lehigh Co.	OD	5	40	11	28 50	3 25	31 75	3 00
F. W. Holland, Philadelphia	BR			5	21 00		21 00	
Paul Brown, Berks Co.	OD	5	35	25	62 50	1 50	64 00	
Wm. Achenbach, Berks Co.	BR	5	31	7	32 00	3 25	35 25	49 25
H. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.	BR	5	35	18	86 00	3 00	89 00	10 50
Solomon Diehl, Union Co.	OD	3	28	5	14 50	4 20	18 70	
J. L. Gearhart, Lancaster Co.	BR	3	28	9	40 00	2 00	42 00	
Totals		11 Agents			41 305 101 371 00	29 35	400 35	85 65

New Jersey, Week Ending April 11, 1919

R. Boynton, Hunterdon	BR	4	24	6	24 00	4 75	28 75	
Andrew Hansen, Sussex Co.	BR	5	34	13	43 00	5 40	48 40	15 40
Julius Matson, Burlington	DR	5	40	15	60 00	9 25	69 25	
C. L. Moore, High Bridge	BR	4	25	4	18 00	5 00	23 00	
A Brother	Misc.		30		58 75		58 75	58 75
E. G. Wrigley, Salem	OD	4	21	20	57 00	2 25	59 25	
Fred Zimmerly, Mt. Holly	DR	5	40	8	33 00	10 00	43 00	
W. H. Schmidt, Elizabeth		4			51 95		51 95	71 35
Totals		8 Agents			31 224 66 345 70	36 65	382 35	145 50
Grand Totals 85 Agents					Value Orders 4437 50		Deliveries 1532 61	

District of Columbia, Month Ending March 31, 1919

D. D. Coleman	BR	20	45	200 00		200 00	50 00
Ralph Russell	BR	20	35	210 00		210 00	100 00
Thos. Beamesderfer	BR	20	35	200 00		200 00	65 00
P. Shakespeare	BR	25	15	75 00	9 50	85 00	
Earl Smith	BR	20	40	200 00		200 00	100 00
D. W. Phillips		96	83	381 00		381 00	100 00
Celena Schliefer	WP	12	333	83 25		83 25	83 25
J. R. Guild	GC	37	58	218 00		218 00	50 00
H. E. Colby	GC	35	49	116 00		116 00	50 00
Beecher Walters	BR	80		250 00		250 00	250 00
H. V. Purce	GC	20		34 80		34 80	34 80
R. A. Wright	WP	5		24 00		24 00	31 00
Student Colporteurs		100		1089 00		1089 00	1089 00
L. L. Fritz	GC	5		25 00		25 00	
Elizabeth Morris	DR	5		24 00		24 00	
Totals		15 Agents		500 703 3131 55	9 50	3140 55	2003 05

"It is the issue of the daily test that determines our victory or defeat in life's great crisis."

"Only through realizing our own weakness, and looking steadfastly unto Jesus, can we walk securely."

"There are no barriers which man or Satan can erect but that faith can penetrate."

Teachers, Attention!

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News Notes

Our new book, "World Peace," is having a better sale in New Jersey than any of our other small books. In the short time it has been off the press, we have sold almost 2500, and orders are coming in every day. Those who have sold this book have had wonderful success. Many say that it contains so much of the truth of the message that they consider it the best of the Crisis Series. We believe it is a book "for such a time as this," and trust that all our faithful people in the New Jersey Conference will enlist their co-operation in the sale of this book, and thus get the truth into the homes of the people with little effort and at small cost. Price 25 cents. Those who wish to sell them will receive 50 per cent discount, providing postage is paid extra. May we not count on you to circulate at least ten? Write the tract society.

Brother W. W. Eastman of Washington, D. C., visited the Trenton and Camden Churches, Sabbath, April 12. His enthusiastic accounts of how the Lord is blessing in the circulation of our literature, were greatly appreciated by our people.

We are glad to say that the Branch House sales to this conference during the month of March, showed a gain of 397 per cent over our purchases for March 1918. Truly the Lord is blessing in the sale of our literature in this state. Our colporteurs are all of good courage, and having excellent experiences in the field.

Brother G. H. Clark spent last week in the northern part of the state in the interests of the Home Missionary Department.

Professor Thos. D. Rowe, Principal of the Battleford [Sask.] Academy in Canada, called at the office in Trenton last week.

We have a new supply of the Standard of Attainment Manuals, and can fill all orders promptly. Our people will all be glad to know this, inasmuch as all orders have been held up for several weeks.

We are glad to report that Elder O. O. Bernstein has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness, to continue the theatre meetings in Jersey City.

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Elder Heckman was in Washington, last week, attending the Medical Convention.

MT. VERNON ACADEMY

We were pleased to have with us Brother Ernest Lloyd of the Signs Company. He very profitably occupied the chapel hours on Tuesday and Wednesday. A band of 26 magazine workers was organized.

Sabbath, April 12, in our Young People's Society, Mr. Chow Young Kway gave us a very interesting talk on his trip from China to America. He also spoke of his school life in China, and his experience in Japan. Although Mr. Chow has been in this country only nine months, he speaks the English language very well.

Mrs. A. E. Holms of Columbus, Ohio, spent a few days at the home of Mrs. Fidelia Eusey.

Brother T. H. Barritt conducted an illustrated song service on Friday evening, April 11.

Mr. Edmund and Miss Ruth Miller gave their Junior Oratory Recital on the evening of April 12.

Brother Tucker, Educational and Young People's Secretary of the Southern Union, gave us a very interesting chapel talk on Monday, April 14.

Elder N. S. Ashton spent Sabbath, April 13, in Cleveland. He is now attending the meetings at Washington, D. C.

Professor H. W. Teesdale attended the Educational Convention at Washington last week.

Brother Steen Rasmussen gave a very interesting stereopticon lecture on "The Stranger Within Thy Gates" Wednesday evening.

Brother Ernest Lloyd and Elder H. K. Christman are visiting the large cities in the Columbia Union in the interest of the Home Missionary work.

Mr. Y. K. Chow is spending a few days with his friend, Mr. J. S. Kwauk, at Rocky Mount, N. C.

M. V. A. enjoyed a feast of good things the past week. We had visitors the entire week, speaking in chapel, worship, or lecturing in the evening. Those present were Brethren Steen Rasmussen, Ernest Lloyd, H. K. Christman, E. R. Numbers and Tucker.

We are glad to report the return of Mr. Paul Johnson in the printing office.

Elder Jas. E. Shultz conducted the Friday night prayer meeting.

Working Our Cities

"Unless more is done than has been done for the cities of America, ministers and people will have a heavy account to settle with the One who has appointed to every man his work." Vol. 8, p. 35. "Let not the great cities of our land be lightly passed over and neglected." "The work in the home field is a vital problem just now. The present time is the most favorable opportunity that we shall have to work there fields." From address by Mrs. E. G. White, 1910.

Who will answer this appeal from the servant of the Lord and circulate the special May issue of "The Watchman Magazine?" Some of the vital subjects in this issue are, "Will Socialism Rule the World?" A study of Revelation, chapter eleven, entitled, "When Right Conquered Might." The effect of evolution on the world's imagination is portrayed under the subject of, "A Fogged View." Other good articles are, "A Son of the Soil," "God Stoops Down and Whispers," "Tested Seeds," "Why Do You Pray?" etc. The Outlook, the Register, and The Simple Truth will contain certain strong features in this issue.

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C. E. HOOPER.

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It is our aim and desire that the Columbia Union Visitor reach its readers in good season each week. To accomplish this, it is necessary that the paper be made up Friday afternoon, and this cannot be done unless the copy be had by WEDNESDAY MORNING. We request, therefore, that all contributors send in their weekly reports at the time specified, and that the reports be short and frequent, rather than long and far apart.

EDITOR.

Approved advertisements will be published in the VISITOR at the rate of twenty-five cents for twenty words or less, and one cent for each additional word. Each group of initials or figures counts as one word. Cash and reference must accompany copy for all advertisements.

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