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"THEY REHEARSED ALL THINGS THAT GOD HAD DONE WITH THEM"

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NEW JERSEY

200 Columbus Ave. Trenton
W. H. Heckman, Pres. Cora Felker, Sec.

Camp-meeting

At the meeting of the Conference Committee held at the office a few days ago, it was voted to hold the camp-meeting in Trenton again this year, the date being June 26 to July 8. Trenton is central in location, and in view of the heavy pressure that we are under in getting acquainted with the field and getting located, it did not seem wise to attempt to hold the camp-meeting this year at any distance from the office. Further information concerning the meeting will follow in later issues. We trust that everyone will begin now to plan to attend this meeting. Some are selling small books and magazines to secure the necessary funds. We take this occasion to request the prayers of our people as we take up the work in this field. We should be pleased to have our churches send in any information or requests concerning the advancement of the work in their section.

W. C. MOFFETT.

Report of Effort in Jersey City

After much searching for a hall in Jersey City, where we could open a series of meetings for the thousands of German people, I, with the church, finally decided to rent a hall that would hold about a hundred and fifty people. This hall being connected with a saloon, we were not much inclined to settle down for successful work, for we thought it was not the place for our truth. Yet, since nothing else could be found, we thought we would try it. In the second meeting the hall was over-filled and so we took a larger hall in the same building on the first floor, and Sunday evening, April 20, this hall was well filled with earnest, truth seeking people. We have received quite a few names of such that desire literature, some of them have been at my meetings in another hall where I was three years ago.

We have no Bible worker there, and so it is hard to find all the people in their homes. I would never have thought of

opening such a series of meetings, if it were not for the good live church that we have there. This church is truly a shining light for the city. We are praying that success may crown our efforts. God bless the faithful members for their help.

Thus far we have been able to run this effort on a self-supporting basis. The collections more than cover the expenses. The hall rent is \$4 a night, but the collections are from five to eight dollars each evening.

P. F. RICHARD.

News Notes

Sabbath, May 3, the Trenton and Burlington Churches came together in Trenton for a Sabbath School, Y. P. M. V., and Home Missionary Convention. We had a good attendance, and a splendid convention. Brother H. K. Christman, Elder I. D. Richardson, and Elder W. C. Moffett, our new President, were here with us.

Our people in New Jersey are doing wonderfully well in the "World Peace" campaign. They are demonstrating in this as they do in every campaign, that they believe in "going over the top." We are sure no one wants to be left out, and not have a part in this splendid missionary work. If each one will circulate (either sell or give away) twenty "World Peace" we will reach our goal. Already 5000 have been sold in New Jersey. What have you done toward the goal?

Brother L. D. Warren is enjoying a short vacation at his home near Wheelersville, Pa.

We have just learned the sad news of the death of Sister Nixon of Beverly, N. J. Sister Nixon was a member of the Burlington Church. Our sympathies go out to the bereaved family.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana, Pa.

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

West Pennsylvania Camp-Meeting

As announced in the Visitor last week, the West Pennsylvania camp-meeting will be held at Indiana, Pennsylvania, June 19-29. A beautiful oak, chestnut, and poplar woods of large timber, splendidly watered by springs, and nicely situated for the accommodation of the public, has been secured as a camp ground.

We purpose to furnish suitable help to entertain the children by way of rambles through the large woods adjoining, swinging in the rope swings which will be hung from the large trees, and by meetings conducted especially for them; so the careworn, tired mothers can attend all the general meetings, and really enjoy the camp-meeting.

It is urged that all our people begin at once to plan to attend this annual feast of good things. As we believe that we are now in the sealing time, and that we will no doubt experience a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit at some of these annual gatherings, where we all are of one accord and in one place, let us seek the Lord much between now and camp-meeting for such a heart preparation as we should have to open the way for such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit as we so much desire.

As there are no buildings on the grounds, we will have an old fashioned camp-meeting in the woods. The general meetings will be held in the large tent, the cafeteria will be in a tent, and "We shall dwell safely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods." Ezekiel 34:25.

It is the plan of the conference to make expenses as reasonable as possible so all can attend. No doubt but what the larger number will want tents this year, because of the beautiful woods in which the camp will be pitched. However, those who may want rooms can be supplied. All orders for tents or rooms should be sent to J. S. Neely, Indiana, Penna. Watch the Visitor for prices.

I. D. RICHARDSON.

A SHORT WORK

All through the testimonies we read about God's work and the finishing of the work, and that time is almost finished. What is meant by such expressions? In John 17:4, "I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work that thou gavest me to do." What did Jesus do on the earth? He went about doing good, pointing souls to God, setting before all a perfect life and working with such zeal that His enemies thought Him mad.

Jesus came into the world to "Seek and to save that which was lost." His energies were used along the line that would accomplish most in the short time given Him to finish the work. He valued the one soul audience and was just as faithful in giving the message to one as to a multitude. The woman at the well received such thorough instruction that she became a missionary to her entire village. Two men who had terrorized the country for miles around, became men of valor in telling the news of salvation. A most faithful discourse was given on the new birth to a man who called upon Jesus one evening.

Never spake man as Jesus. He was a man afflicted with grief and acquainted with sorrow, yet ever ready to listen to the trials of others and one who devoted much time to communion with God. "And it came to pass in those days, that He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." Luke 6:18.

Surely we have a pattern to follow that will lead us to finish our work in the allotted time. By studying the methods used by our Great Captain we will learn how best to use our energies. He planned that every church should be divided into bands and leaders appointed for the different units and then every method used by Jesus or His followers should be put in motion. The field is to be gone over several times by the same persons.

Generally speaking it is best to go over the territory with literature that leads up to the more vital questions step by step. This method overcomes any prejudice that might exist in the minds of those visited. Just as soon as the workers discover any that are interested, it is an easy matter to place our large books in their homes, get them to attend services or have Bible studies in their homes.

Every house in the many districts into which the city is divided should be thoroughly worked. One or two

calls will not be sufficient, but the church member who has the section to warn should be as interested as though the party belonged to his family, holding the person up before the throne and imploring wisdom, as how best to proceed. "Others save with fear pulling them out of the fire."

Had there been only two who would have been saved by the death of Jesus, He would have come to this earth just as He did and die on the cross. Then if souls are so precious, why cannot we be just as earnest as the Son of God?

Practically every church in the West Pennsylvania Conference is organized for work. Reports show that some of our churches have increased their missionary activity by 200 per cent this year. Now if your church is not doing its part in the lines mentioned above, please agitate the matter until a reformation is seen. Soon a reformatory movement is to be seen among our people. Even now some are doing the work foretold.

Last Sunday about seventeen went out in Pittsburgh with the "Watchman" magazine. God blessed, and 85 copies were placed with the people who gladly gave \$13.95 to our workers. Souls were refreshed while many of those visited were given a glimpse of God's great plan.

This work will be finished not by might or power, but by God's spirit, for He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness.

E. A. MANRY,
Home Missionary Sec.

A REPORT FROM MT. BRADDOCK

During the past year the Lord has blessed the work in this part of the field. The brethren and sisters are active and of good courage. There has been a spirit of hearty co-operation among the members along all lines, especially in the Home Missionary work. The Sabbath School shows a nice gain in attendance and offerings, and there is also a good gain in the tithe.

The Bible studies and Sunday night meetings are well attended. Five are waiting baptism, and five others are seriously considering the Sabbath question, which we hope will result in their taking a firm stand for the truth.

The outlook for the future is good. The "Review and Herald" is in every home but one. The practical experience the church is getting in doing Home Missionary work is of great value, as it is educating the members to work for their neighbors. The Spirit of Prophecy says that the work

will not be finished until the members of our churches get under the burden with the conference workers, and give the Third Angel's Message to the people. I am glad to say that our little church believes and is doing what it can to carry out the instruction given in this testimony.

The time has certainly come when every believer in this message should do all in his power to warn those who are in darkness of the approaching end. The signs of the times surely point to the nearness of the end, and the second coming of Christ.

We were pleased to have a visit from our conference president, Elder I. D. Richardson. He gave a stirring sermon in the Mt. Braddock church while here. His earnest words were helpful and much appreciated by all. We feel our great need of help, and solicit an interest in the prayers of our brethren and sisters that God will bless the work here, and that we may be found faithful when Jesus comes.

WILLIAM ROBBINS.

EXCERPTS FROM NEWSPAPER REPORTS OF ELDER WEAVER'S ALTOONA SERMONS.

WHERE ARE THE DEAD? (No. 2)

"There are three hundred twenty-five millions of people in India, four hundred fifty millions in China, another hundred sixty-five millions in Africa and scores of millions elsewhere in the world who are designated as 'heathen'."

"These masses of benighted souls and the souls of their ancestors are and have been in this heathen darkness chiefly because that for centuries and ages they have been under a wrong system of teaching concerning the condition of man in death."

"A cloud of semi-darkness rests upon a large percentage of Protestant and Catholic Christianity regarding the soul and spirit as related to man's existence in life and death. Spiritism stalks abroad with a high hand because of an alarming lack of pure scripture teaching on this very important subject."

"The intermediate period between death and the life to come—eternal life at the second coming of Christ—is likened in the Bible to a peaceful sleep. Not that it is a literal sleep, but that it is a condition similar to

sleep. Christ said, 'Lazarus sleepeth.... Lazarus is dead.'

"Since in healthy physical sleep there is no consciousness of passing time, but one lies down to slumber and seemingly immediately awakens in the morning, although several hours of time have actually elapsed, so it is with those who fall asleep in Christ. The intervening time between death and the resurrection is, so far as the sleeper is concerned, entirely obliterated, so that death and the coming of Christ at the last day are to him simultaneous events."

News Notes

Brother E. A. Manry, our Home Missionary Secretary, desires to thank the Church Missionary Secretaries for their cooperation in getting the reports to the office in time. Practically every church is now reporting monthly. Surely the work of our church officers is appreciated.

Because of the General Conference Bible Conference in July it became necessary for us to change the date of our camp-meeting to June 19 to 29 in order to get General Conference help.

I. D. RICHARDSON.

Our Missionary Volunteer Societies are doing well at this time. However, we are anxious to have them enter heartily into the campaign to circulate "World Peace," May 18 to 25.

At the Bible study held in Indiana by Brother J. S. Neely, 20 individuals were present. Four are already keeping the Sabbath. The spirit of the Lord has been manifest at these studies.

Our Educational Secretary reports the names of 17 persons that are listed as teachers. Some of these are now teaching in the public schools, and some are finishing Mount Vernon Academy. We sincerely hope that the still small voice that has called so many into the educational work will reach these talented young people.

Elder I. D. Richardson is at the council in Washington. He is expected home in a few days.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

READING AND FLEETWOOD CONVENTION

April 26 and 27 the Reading and Fleetwood Churches met at the Read-

ing Church to participate in a two days' Home Missionary and Sabbath School Convention, under the supervision of Brother H. G. Gauker and Sister Bessie Acton.

Friday and Saturday evenings, Dr. L. A. Hansen, assistant secretary of the Medical Department, gave valuable information and instruction as to the harmfulness of improper living and the evil results of the use of patent medicines. These lectures were illustrated by stereopticon views and were helpful to all present.

Sabbath was devoted to Home Missionary and Sabbath School work. Among the speakers were Elder H. K. Christman, assistant secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department, and Brother Ernest Lloyd, representing the Pacific Press Publishing House of California. The instructions and help given by these brethren was greatly appreciated, and many were inspired with greater zeal and a new vision of their duties as a result of these talks.

Brother W. B. Mohr, the Tract Society Secretary, was in charge of the book display and reports an excellent sale of literature, and practically sold everything that was taken to the convention.

The Reading and Fleetwood Churches are organizing for more active missionary work, and are now doing very aggressive work with the World's Crisis Series books, especially the new book, "World Peace." The Reading Church at this time has used more than any church in the conference. They are also planning a systematic work with Present Truth. Brother Hoffman, the missionary secretary at Reading, is filled with zeal and is burdened for this work. He is heartily cooperating with the conference in his endeavors to help others in the work.

This convention is the second of a series that is planned for by Brother Gauker and Sister Acton. The next one, about the latter part of May, will be at Allentown. Announcements of this will be made at a later date. At the closing service of the convention on Sunday evening, Elder D. A. Parsons delivered a sermon to a crowded church on "What God's Word says about Bolshevism." All enjoyed this timely discourse.

News Notes

Elder and Mrs. R. S. Fries have now arrived in Philadelphia, where Brother Fries will have charge of one of the English churches. We welcome

Brother and Sister Fries most heartily into our conference, and wish them heaven's blessing in their labors here.

Elder F. C. Gilbert gave a lecture at the West Philadelphia Church on Sunday evening of last week. The church was comfortably filled, and those present appreciated the discourse greatly. Brother Gilbert was enroute to Washington.

Professor C. H. Castle of Williamsdale Academy, Nova Scotia, spoke at the North Side church in Philadelphia last Sabbath.

Last week the Conference Committee met at the office in Philadelphia and transacted much business. Among the many matters attended to was that of our camp-meeting. It was decided that this would be held in Philadelphia, August 28 to September 6.

The Lord has greatly blessed us in the purchase of tents, chairs, cots, and other supplies for our camp-meeting equipment, and the way is now opened to follow the instructions of the servant of the Lord with reference to our camp-meetings. These annual gatherings have been held for a number of years at Allentown. Now that the conference is purchasing an outfit, they will be enabled to meet elsewhere. It is planned that these meetings will be followed up with a large effort.

The conference has now purchased one hundred twenty-five of the finest army tents, a large meeting tent that will seat a thousand, also cots and chairs. These were bought at a greatly reduced price.

Plans are also being made for an elaborate display and large assortment of books and Bibles. Better begin to lay your plans that you may attend.

Ten new members were taken into the North Philadelphia Church last Sabbath, three by letter, and seven by baptism. Reports of this nature are coming from a number of churches in the conference.

Orders for "World Peace" are coming to the tract society office as though they were being sent by a rapid fire gun. Are you doing your "bit?" Will you take part in circulating at least 15 copies? This is our goal per member. The following is our record of sales by churches, April 30:

Church	Member-ship	No. of Books
Allentown	63	100
Covington	44	8
Danville	22	26
Elkland	12	15
Fairhill	9	10
Harrisburg	82	160
Lebanon	56	127
Northumberland	23	100
Philadelphia Colored... 74	41	
Philadelphia German .. 84	20	
Philadelphia North119	130	
Philadelphia West318	25	
Phoenixville	32	50
Reading	108	740
Roaring Branch	38	28
Sellersville	24	51
Stroudsburg	35	5
Wilkes-Barre	81	30

"The disciples did not ask for a blessing for themselves. They were weighted with the burden of souls. The Gospel was to be carried to the ends of the earth, and they claimed the endowment of power that Christ had promised. Then it was that the Holy Spirit was poured out, and thousands were converted in a day. So it may be now."

Test. Vol. 8, page 21.

What others are doing with "World Peace."

One sister writes: "My granddaughter thought she would just go around to the neighbors, and she took orders for three books, and then sold the one she had with her."

A brother writes: "I have been an invalid for twenty-four years and cannot get out of bed alone. I am selling a few of our small books. In the year 1918 I sold 48 copies of our twenty-five cent books, and have sold 31 already this year. Every member ought to be selling our books. Any one can do as well or better than I can, as I only sell to people that drop in here, and all can do that much."

Space will not allow for others we received at the office. Reports come from all the churches of their increasing activities in missionary lines. We hope to see still greater work accomplished.

Sabbath, May 3, the members of the Philadelphia Churches met and enjoyed a timely talk given by Elder O. A. Tait, editor of the Signs of the Times Weekly. Elders Parsons, Fries, Brother Longo the Italian minister, and the Pastor of the Reformed Lutheran Church, where the meeting was held, were present. Previous to the preaching service, all gathered together in Sabbath School with an attendance of about 500.

Word comes to the office that Elder and Mrs. J. W. McCord will soon return to the conference from Florida, where they have been regaining their health. They are very much improved and looking forward to a strenuous effort for the summer.

Brother H. B. Gauker, the Conference Home Missionary Secretary, is planning a visit to many of the churches in the next week or so, in the interest of organizing them for missionary work. They are the Danville, Northumberland, Williamsport, Roaring Branch, Sayre, Ariel, Honesdale, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, and the Carbondale Churches.

Brother Reichenbaugh spent several days at the conference office last week, on his way home from the Students' Institute at Washington. He reports an encouraging outlook for the colporteur work during the summer.

Report of "World Peace" sales in Eastern Pennsylvania, May 6.

Church	Membership	No. of Books
Allentown	63	100
Covington	44	8
Danville	22	176
Elkland	12	15
Fairhill	9	10
Harrisburg	82	160
Lebanon	56	127
Northumberland	23	100
Philadelphia Colored	74	41
Philadelphia German	84	20
Philadelphia North	119	130
Philadelphia West	318	25
Phoenixville	32	50
Reading	108	840
Roaring Branch	38	20
Sellersville	24	51
Stroudsburg	35	5
Wilkes-Barre	81	30
Westfield	15	7
York	5	5
		1920
	Individual sales	1967
	Total	3887

WEST VIRGINIA

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

RIO, W. VA.

Sabbath, April 26, I organized a church in Rio of 21 members. Four of these were taken in by letter, eleven by baptism, and six on former baptism.

The day was a full one. First came the Sabbath School, after which I reviewed all points of our faith, and what it meant to be joined together in church fellowship as sons and daughters of God. We then went to a beautiful little mountain stream for baptism. There were a good many of the people of the place out to this

service, but all gave the best of order.

After baptism, we had a fine basket dinner, which had been nicely prepared by the sisters for the occasion. Many of the people that had gathered in took part in the dinner, and seemed to enjoy it.

In the afternoon, we organized the church by beginning with three of the brethren that felt they could fellowship each other, and the rest were voted in as they presented their names. The officers were then selected as follows: D. M. Whitmire, elder; Samuel Peer, deacon; Elta Peer, deaconess; Sam'l Peer, church clerk; Lizzie Whitmire, treasurer; and Dora Peer, librarian. The elder and deacon were then ordained.

The house was then divided, and we had, for the first time, the ordinance of humility. There were many of the Baptist people there, but everything went off nicely. Then the emblems of the Lord's broken body were served, at the close of which we took an offering for a communion set.

The young people had their meeting at 7:30, which was very interesting. There are nearly a dozen of promising young people, and they do well with their meeting, too. The day closed with the regular 9 o'clock preaching service. It was a good day for Rio.

The Lord has greatly blessed the work since I came here, seven weeks ago. The days of miracles have not yet passed for God's work. One man, 80 years old, accepted the truth and gave up the use of tobacco, after having used it 70 years. Many of these brethren who were bound by these idols before I came here, are now free in Jesus. It is surely a great pleasure to go into the homes of the dear folks now, and find the family altar, where before there was none.

It takes some work, but when one sees the fruit, he feels well repaid. You can learn how to walk out here 23 miles away from the railroad. I walked the other day 18 miles. I enjoy such work when I see the hand of God in it.

I am now moving to Augusta, W. Va., where I shall spend five weeks between now and camp-meeting in hopes of seeing some fruit before then. I trust that all our dear people will remember the new effort for prayer moves the arm of God. The meeting will be carried on here in a tent. I will have meetings at Rio every Sabbath and Sabbath night in

the Baptist Church still, as there are some that are studying. All are very friendly and we are still using the church.

U. D. PICKARD.

News Notes

Bother John McHenry, our Field Missionary Secretary, has returned from Mount Vernon, Ohio, and reports that nine of the academy students are planning on making West Virginia their field of labor during the summer months. We extend to them a cordial welcome into our field.

Elder Westbrook spent Sabbath in Charleston, where he organized the colored church. This enthusiastic company will be known as church No. 2. He spoke in the morning to church No. 1, and reports a good attendance. From there he went to Huntington, where he spoke in the Orpheum Theatre Sunday afternoon and evening.

Our Tract Society Secretary is in Washington this week purchasing the camp-meeting supply of books. We will have some splendid offers for our people at camp-meeting.

Elder U. D. Pickard has his tent pitched in Augusta, W. Va., where he has opened another series of meetings.

Elder H. B. Westcott and Brother Ellers have pitched their tent in Rivesville, W. Va., and are opening a series of meetings. Miss Mable Gage will assist them in the capacity of Bible work and Mrs. Westcott officiates at the organ.

Are you interested in something new? It is the "World's Destiny," our latest book. Paper binding 25 cents. The front page of the book is so attractive that it will make it an easy seller.

Brother C. G. Mays, one of our West Virginia boys, who is in the service for his country, writes from Germany: "I have met some boys who were interested in the Christian life, and have given them tracts, Bibles, and New Testaments. I am now working in the hospital and am glad to be of service in this time of 'history making.'" Brother Mays is a member of the Conference Young People's Society and faithfully sends his reports from time to time. We hope that others will take notice.

Do you want a Seventh-day Adventist Dictionary? It is a new book entitled "Source Book for Bible Students." This book doubtless dates back previous to the time of any of our Tract Society Secretaries now in office with one or two ex-

ceptions. It has taken months of preparation to arrange this book with quotations, references, statistics, etc., dealing with modern and ancient historical facts, such as our people need constantly for verification, presenting the different points of our faith. Great care has been taken that every statement should be absolutely correct. It contains 600 pages and is printed on Bible paper, bound in cloth, for \$1.50. In flexible leather \$2.25. Send your order to the office without delay.

Remember the date of our camp-meeting, June 12-22. Place, Parkersburg. Have you ordered your tent or room?

VIRGINIA

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

Camp-meeting

Dear Brethren of the Virginia Conference: A new hour has struck in the work of God. The time has come for an advance all along the line. While He is calling His people to greater activities in His work, it is also true that He is calling them to deeper experiences in personal piety. Our own individual lives must be right before Him.

We must learn how to use prevailing prayer. How to tarry in the closet till we get the revelation of the presence of God. This experience will fit us to go forth and tell others of the blessings that we have received. We can then truly be witnesses for God.

It is the plan to make the camp-meetings this year the most helpful in spiritual uplift that they have ever been. At the Spring Council of the General Conference plans have been laid that will tend to deepen the Christian experience of the people of God so that they may go forth to finish the work that God has given to us.

Let all plan to come to the feast of good things that God has prepared for us. Our meeting this year will be held in Lynchburg. Good grounds have been secured in a desirable part of the city, and we are looking for the best attendance that we have ever had at any camp-meeting. Good help will be had both from the General Conference and from the Columbia Union.

Don't wait till you get to the grounds, but begin praying and working right now for the blessing of God in this meeting. Bring the children, and the young people. Special efforts will be made for them at this meeting.

Come prepared to stay through the whole meeting. Bring the things necessary for such a stay. There will doubt-

less be a few rooms for those who prefer them. The conference has secured a number of new tents so that there should be no lack in this respect.

Especially would we urge that all those bearing responsibilities in the different churches come to this meeting. Let all church elders, Sabbath School Superintendents and Secretaries, and the Home Mission Secretaries of the different churches make special efforts to come to this meeting. Come praying for, and expecting the blessing of God, and you will not be disappointed.

J. A. LELAND.

Farewell

As we are leaving Virginia in harmony with the recommendation of the Union Conference Committee to connect with the work in the New Jersey Conference, we take this means of expressing to our people in Virginia the deep appreciation of Mrs. Moffett and myself for the loyal support accorded to us by the workers and by our people during the almost five years of our stay and for the many kindnesses which have maintained the Virginia reputation for hospitality. We feel sure that the incoming President, Elder J. A. Leland, who has had a long experience in the home and foreign fields, and who is heartily recommended by the General Conference Council, will receive the same faithful support upon which largely depends the success of the work in any field. We are hoping to be present at the camp-meeting at Lynchburg, and shall always feel the deepest interest in the welfare of the work in Virginia.

W. C. MOFFETT.

INDEPENDENCE

Last June, Brother Dye and wife, with Miss Nellie Watts and the writer, pitched a tent at Independence, Grayson county, Virginia. We secured a good location and had a good attendance for the greater part of the time, in spite of bitter opposition by some. The Adventists were something new to many in this section, but east of town there was a body of people who had begun to keep the Sabbath a few months before. We were pleased to hear of this company, thinking they would be glad to cooperate with us. Only a few came several nights and then stopped; vile habits and fanaticism had them to become bitter opponents of the truth of God, instead of defenders of the cause of Christ.

One, a Baptist minister, who had also begun to keep the Sabbath before those mentioned above, and who desired to be a clean man, came to the tent and soon recognized that we

were preaching the truth and later took his stand on every point of the faith. Brother Banks later was a great help to me in a series of meetings at Mayberry, fifty miles east of Independence. I found him a true yoke-fellow, who always manifested a Christian spirit as we labored together in love for souls. After two months' meetings, we took down our tent and left Brother and Sister Dye to follow up the interest. The flu and bitter opposition has made their work very hard, even for pioneers who expect hard times, but they have labored on in faith and God has blessed them with a number of fine people.

The writer had the privilege of being with them from April 10 to 20. Several are awaiting baptism, but on account of recent illness it was not thought best to baptize them at that time. Later we expect to organize a church from his little company who are standing for the truth. We expect six or eight persons at least from our new church at Mayberry and nearly as many more from Independence at our camp-meeting to be held at Lynchburg, May 29-June 8.

The Lord's work is moving nicely in Virginia as indicated by the calls coming from many new places.

W. E. BIDWELL.

OHIO

F. H. Robbins, Pres. H. D. Holtom, Sec.
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YOUNGSTOWN CONVENTION

April 25-27 a Home Missionary Convention was held in Youngstown. This church has a membership of about 60 under the leadership of Dr. W. J. Venen. It has been about 12 years since I had visited this church, then a mere handful and it was indeed an inspiration to see so many new faces.

The number of men is very noticeable, whole families being united in the truth, which certainly shows conscientious work by those in the church. We found them to be solid in the truth and a working church. They were already using a club of 70 weekly "Signs" in house to house work. Sunday morning about 15 volunteers went out with literature. More than \$30 were taken in, and the books sold at the hall brought the total sales to a little over \$100. A band of these magazine workers was formed, who will work regularly with our magazines. As they came in from the morning's work, their smiling faces told of blessings received. Many good testimonials were given and all seemed to feel that from now on the

Canvassers' Reports

NAME	PLACE	BOOK	DAYS	HOURS	ORDERS	VALUE	HELPS	TOTAL	DEL
Chesapeake, One Week Ending May 2, 1919									
J. E. Jones, Wicomico Co., Md.		BR	5	40	25	110 00	29 60	139 60	
C. W. Jenkins, Washington Co.		BR	1	7	8	40 00	1 70	41 70	
W. Swope, Washington Co.		BR	3	26	20	51 00	6 25	57 25	5 25
F. Miller, Washington Co.		BR	3	26	19	48 50	4 60	53 10	4 60
E. M. Barber, Frederick Co.		GC	4	31	10	40 00	12 75	52 75	
R. Sampson, Frederick Co.		GC	4	31	10	41 00	2 55	43 55	
W. E. Strouther, Marsinsburg, WVa.		OD	4	30	16	42 00	2 25	44 25	
Edna Heller, Martinsburg, W. Va.		GC	5	30	17	73 00	2 50	75 50	
Ada B. Thomas, Wilmington, Del.		CK	4	21	13	27 50		27 50	
N. M. Bell, Somerset Co., Md.		GC	5	26	10	56 00		56 00	
Lue Ellen Bell, Somerset Co., Md.		GC	3	19	6	32 00	3 00	35 00	
Chas. St. Leister, Talbot Co., Md.		GC	6	56	18	96 00	2 20	98 20	
A. Pinkney, Talbot Co., Md.		GC	6	56	26	116 00	2 45	118 45	
Mrs. Brahler, Baltimore		OD	3	42	35	97 50		97 50	
Mrs. E. Barber						125 00		125 00	
Julia Cooper		OD	5	29	47	132 50	11 00	143 50	4 50
Lillian B. Robinson		BR	4	23	33	147 00		147 00	
Nena Chase		CK	4	18	6	14 00		14 00	6 00
Evelyn Simms		PS	2	6	25	25 00		25 00	
Mrs. Jennie Russell		OD	4	11	10	25 00		25 00	2 50
Beatrice E. Cole		PS	2	6	8	8 00		8 00	
Elizabeth Baddie		BR	4	11	6	26 00	7 10	33 10	
Mrs. Maud Butter		CK	2	10	26	53 00	2 50	60 50	
Ethel Cradle, Wilmington, Del.		CK	4	22	19	43 00	25	43 25	2 25
Martha Booth, Baltimore		CK	2	11	26	57 50	5 00	62 50	
Alethia Henson		BF	3	9	12	25 50	4 00	29 50	
Mary Queen		BF	4	26	31	71 50		71 50	5 75
Blanche Russell		BF	1	5	6	12 00		12 00	
Frances Fitzhugh		BF	1	3	3	6 00		6 00	
Blanche Williams		BF	4	18	16	35 25	58	35 83	
Grace Pinkney		BR	7	39	53	251 00	1 00	252 00	
Mamie E. Lee		CK	6	46	24	63 00		63 50	9 50
Totals	32 Agents					115 735 586 1995 25	101 28 2097 55	165 35	

West Virginia, Week Ending May 2, 1919

N. D. Fisher, Wyoming Co.	BR	12	68	45	199 00	21 20	220 20	125 95	
Frank Detwiler, Mercer Co.	GC	2	13	9	41 00	23 30	64 30	9 25	
Ivor Lawrence, Allegheny Co.	BR	8	67	13	59 00		52 00	69 00	
C. E. Will, Wetzel Co.	OD	11	79	66	170 00	74 55	254 55	39 50	
Roscoe Bee, Gilmer Co.	OD	4	29	16	40 00	6 00	46 00	2 60	
S. G. Bertolet, Lincoln Co.	BR	5	40	46	199 00	9 00	208 00	19 25	
Ernest Mansell, Lincoln Co.	BR	5	49	47	189 00	16 00	205 00		
E. L. Quinn, Salem	BR	4	33	27	124 00	12 05	136 05	1 85	
Frank Bentz, Mercer Co.	GC	5	11	5	22 00	10 90	32 90	51 30	
J. R. Medlin, Wood Co.	COL	4	15	2	4 00	15 00	19 00	28 75	
R. W. Oliver, Wood Co.				48	167 00		167 00		
W. T. Dishman, Cabell Co.	OD	5	23	9	22 50	41 70	64 20		
W. A. McElphatrick, Taylor Co.	OD	5	31	29	77 50	17 75	95 25	27 90	
Totals	13 Agents				70 506 314 1324 00	247 45 1571 45	373 50		

East Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 2, 1919

Wm. Achenbach, Berks Co.	BR	5		11	47 00		47 00	19 00	
Mrs. K. Barlet, Berks Co.	Misc.	10	70		106 00		106 00		
A. F. Baumer, Lehigh Co.	BR	6	38	8	36 00		36 00		
Benjamin Bell, Philadelphia	GC	5	12	6	28 00	55	28 55	17 55	
Solomon Diehl, Union Co.	OD	4	33	10	25 00	4 80	29 80		
Wm. Frizzell, Cumberland Co.	BR	5	29	22	92 00		92 00		
Mrs. L. Dundore, Hanover	Misc.	3	20		18 75		18 75	18 75	
J. L. Gearhart, Lancaster Co.	BR	5	41	15	69 00	2 75	71 75	24 75	
Wm. P. Hess, Berks Co.	BR	5	47	25	111 00	3 25	114 25	22 25	
Arthur Hill, Lehigh Co.	OD	5	34	15	40 50	3 75	44 25	3 75	
Grace Lease, Berks Co.	WC	5	35		65 00		65 00	65 00	
D. L. Leshar, Cumberland Co.	BR	4	21	16	67 00		67 00		
H. G. Lewis, Luzerne Co.	BR	5	37	19	85 00	7 90	92 90	78 50	
Elden Lockwood, Montour Co.	GC	4	48		98 00	5 00	103 00	94 00	
E. S. Tolliver, Luzerne Co.	GC	4	13	2	9 00	14 25	23 25	3 60	
J. T. Jones, Luzerne Co.	Misc.	5	40		72 00		72 00	72 00	
A. J. Kafer, Perkasio	Misc.	5	35		36 25		36 25	36 25	
Mrs. S. Roberts, Plymouth	WP	2	15		25 00		25 00		
Totals	18 Agents				87 568 149 1030 50	42 25 1072 75	455 40		

Virginia, Week Ending May 2, 1919

H. A. Wright, Rockingham Co.	BR	5	45	57	219 00		219 00	
J. P. Spaulding, Rockingham Co.	BR	5	48	31	128 00		128 00	
E. L. Williams, Pittsylvania Co.	OD	3	31	35	96 50		96 50	
Elizabeth White, Roanoke Co.	OD	5	19	27	75 00		75 00	
Pearl Engel, Nottoway Co.	OD	4	23	39	67 00	1 85	68 85	3 71
Orpah Smith, Albemarle Co.	BR	8	59	29	97 00	3 40	100 40	
E. Wilkins, Brunswick Co.	OD	3	25	15	48 00		48 00	
Ira Raymond, Norfolk Co.	GC	2	12	9	38 00	5 95	43 95	
J. V. Faison, Page Co.	OD	4	29	14	36 00	1 00	37 00	
Carl Parsons, Richmond	WC	5	40	150	36 00		36 00	36 00
Robert McGhee, Roanoke Co.	OD	3	24	13	32 50		32 50	
Mrs. Edna E. Conwell, Norfolk	WC	4	4	36	9 00		9 00	9 00
Totals	12 Agents		60	349	455	882 00	12 20	894 20
								48 71

West Pennsylvania, Week Ending May 2, 1919

E. H. Grapp, Pittsburgh	GC	5	35	16	71 00	10 45	81 45	85
Homer Whittling, Brookville	OD	5	30	19	59 50	16 30	75 80	42 30
Harry G. Lee, Mifflin Co.	BR	5	33	11	46 00	26 50	72 50	
Geo. Missbaugh, Butler Co.	DR	4	28	14	60 00	8 05	68 05	
Geo. Buttermore, Westmoreland Co.	OD	6	45	19	52 50	14 08	66 58	84 93
Mrs. Alice Thurman, Pittsburgh	OD	5	23	25	62 55	2 50	65 05	7 50
Emma Terrette, Dubois	OD	6	38	17	51 50	4 75	56 25	4 75
Archie Brownlie, Pittsburgh	SP	5	47	17	29 25	25 60	54 85	77 45
A. B. Hobbs, Washington Co.	BR	5	16	12	54 00		54 00	
A. H. Snyder, Brookville	OD	4	27	18	48 00		48 00	
E. W. Chisholm, Erie	BR	5	26	9	46 00	50	46 50	
C. M. Brown, Johnstown	BR	3	19	4	16 00	18 70	34 70	18 70
Dennis Moshy, Pittsburgh	BR	3	13	5	21 00	2 50	23 50	17 00
Mrs. E. W. Chisholm, Erie	BR	2	4	2	11 00	75	11 75	
M. A. Carter, Pittsburgh	OD	1	3	2	7 00		7 00	
Harold Franks, Pittsburgh	WCS	3	3	23	6 75		6 75	
D. J. Hoover, Connellsville	OD	1	3	1	4 50		4 50	41 00
Lillian Stuart, Wilkinsturg	OD	2	7	1	2 50	50	3 00	
Mrs. H. Franks, Pittsburgh	WCS	1	1	10	2 50		2 50	
J. A. Hughey, Brookville	OD	7	55	10	26 50	5 50	32 00	
Totals	20 Agents		78	454	231	678 05	136 63	814 73
								291 18

Ohio, One Week Ending May 2, 1919

Fred Hannah, Wayne Co.	OD	5	53	8	20 00	8 90	28 90	5 35
Mrs. E. Y. Smith, Lima	OD	5	51	22	57 50	33 05	90 55	
M. B. Ingersoll, Coshocton Co.	BR	5	44	14	60 00	4 00	64 00	
W. C. Starkey, Washington Co.	BR	5	41	15	69 00	4 35	73 35	
F. E. Wagner, Kenmore	OD	5	50	26	75 50	6 00	81 50	13 50
C. H. Wolcott, Toledo	OD	4	29	11	28 50		28 50	
Francis F. Swan, Warren Co.	OD	5	29	10	26 00	4 50	30 50	
O. E. Taylor, Athens Co.	OD	4	28	12	34 00		34 00	
E. C. Alexander, Cincinnati	Misc.	4	26	1	24 75		24 75	24 75
Geo. Harvey, Stark Co.	BR	4	25	8	35 00	3 00	38 00	
John Manuel, Midville	BR	4	22	1	4 00	4 95	8 95	5 00
Ray D. Riegel, Fairfield Co.	PP	4	22	7	33 00	6 50	39 50	5 75
Julia A. Wolcott, Toledo	OD	3	20	8	22 00	2 50	24 50	17 50
Geo. A. Keppler, Butler Co.	PG	4	21	3	12 00		12 00	
Myrtle McPeak, Columbus	OD	3	18	8	26 45		26 45	40 50
Mrs. C. L. Zedaker, Youngstown	OD	3	17	13	43 50		43 50	
Mrs. M. C. Marietta, Columbus	OD	3	16	6	18 00	2 70	20 70	4 35
Mrs. W. F. Houck, Toledo	GC	4	14	3	12 00	11 30	23 30	
R. C. Cabin, Galion	OD	4	9	2	6 50	3 00	9 50	5 50
Chas. C. Thomas, Trumbull CO.	OD	2	6	7	20 50		20 50	
Totals	20 Agents		80	540	177	628 20	94 95	722 95
								122 20

New Jersey, Week Ending May 2, 1919

Robert Boynton, High Bridge	OD	5	31	7	18 50	6 50	25 00	
Julius Matson, Hunterdon	OD	5	30	5	16 00	5 25	21 25	5 25
Andrew Hansen, Newton	OD	3	21	5	14 50	35 75	50 25	19 50
Julia Jessen, W. Patterson		4	24	9	41 00	3 12	44 12	18 70
Esther Lull, Atco		1	7	4		1 75	1 75	
Fred Zimmerly, Ocean County	DR	5	32	18	75 00	10 25	85 25	
Wm. Truzzel, Camden Co.	BR	1	6	14	68 00		68 00	68 00
Mrs. Westerhoff					133 75		133 75	133 75
Wm. Vahrenkamp, Warren Co.	BR	5	29	14	62 00	4 00	66 00	4 00
Totals	9 Agents		29	180	76	428 75	66 62	495 37
								249 20
Grand Totals	124 Agents				Value Orders	6966 75	Deliveries	1705 54

"stranger within our gates" would receive due attention as well as those of their own tongue.

Dr. Venen is holding a Tuesday evening Bible class to which anyone is invited who wishes to learn how to give Bible studies, providing they will put it into practice. When the subject of Bible readings was presented, a number expressed their desire to join this class.

Youngstown is situated about half way between Cleveland and Pittsburgh, thus occupying the center of the steel industry of the world which business men recognize represents more money than any other spot of equal extent on the globe.

Taking into consideration the nature and rapid growth of this city, and the working church it contains, it certainly furnishes a promising location for a rousing tent effort. Then let us pray that such an effort may be held this summer. They already have enough money pledged to buy a good lot, but they need more members before erecting a building.

The workers present were Dr. W. J. Venen, Brethren E. F. Hackman, T. H. Barritt, and the writer.

E. R. NUMBERS.

Home Missionary Secretary.

The Missionaries' Farewell

A goodly number of the brethren and sisters of the Columbus Church recently spent the evening at the home of Brother and Sister Melendy, at a farewell service, prior to their going to India, their future field of labor.

The gathering was a surprise to Brother and Sister Melendy, but the evening was profitably spent, for the Spirit of the greatest of all missionaries was present. The program consisting of music, recitations, etc., closed with the following poem written by Mrs. Archibald, one of our sisters, for the occasion.

A Distant Land

There is a dark land far over the sea,
I know it is there, it is calling for thee.
And thou hast responded, and plan thus
to go,
To work for the high castes, as well as
the low.

The Wellmans went back to the field of
their choice,
And yearn for the time, to hear your
sweet voice.

For to all those who have gone far away,
Must rejoice greatly to see friends today.

Though the weather is hot most all the
year round,

We trust little Verna, will keep well and
sound,

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

As also yourselves, as you labor for others,

Whom the "Good Book" says are our sisters and brothers.

We are sorry indeed you are going away,
But very glad though you choose to obey,
To answer the call, and go with a will,
And trust to God's care, that the waves
may be still.

And may your efforts be graced by His love,

Fresh manna sent down from His table
above,

That you may daily, the hungry ones fill,
As well as to do, for those who are ill.

Oh! how often are the faces we exchange,
From the ones we know, to those who are
strange.

Its meeting and parting, the whole life
through,

The ordering of God; what else can we
do?

We shall pray for your safety as onward
you go,

And eagerly wait for a line or so,
Saying "He has surely cared for us all the
way through,

And hope by His help to always prove
true."

We know all your luggage must be made
light,

So here are our gifts some aluminum
bright,

A constant reminder of our friendship to
you,

We bid you farewell, Anna, Verna, and
Larue.

The money that might otherwise have
been spent for refreshments was spent in
purchasing "the aluminum bright" referred
to many, useful cooking utensils,
which were greatly appreciated.

We shall all miss Brother and Sister

Melendy and little Verna, but we are
glad that they have responded to the
Lord's call and our daily prayers shall follow
them in their labors for the Master.

We believe there are those of our young
people who are now singing, "I'll Go
Where You Want Me to Go," who will
also respond and go on their way to some
needy mission field.

Let our prayers and labors aid them in
making this choice.

IDA M. WALTERS.

MT. VERNON ACADEMY

Miss Alice Martin and Mr. William
Dornberg gave their Junior Oratory Re-
cital on Saturday night, May 3.

Marvin Rae Midkiff arrived at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Midkiff on
April 28. Mrs. Midkiff was formerly
Miss Helen Kohr, a student of M. V. A.

Mrs. S. M. Archibald of Columbus,
Ohio, spent the week end with her son,
Ernest.

Miss Pearl Lipscomb visited friends at
the academy last week.

The students' spring week of prayer
was observed at the academy last week.

The Senior Class of Mount Vernon
Academy is getting out a Souvenir Book-
let this spring. Pictures of groups, snap-
shots, class-day exercises, etc., compose it.
Those interested in M. V. A. will want a
copy - old students especially. Ready
for distribution May 20. They may be
obtained by sending twenty-five cents for
each copy desired to The College Press,
Mount Vernon, Ohio. Give some to your
friends - boost a good thing.

Washington Missionary College

Only two more weeks of school remain.
Every one is working diligently that this
time may be profitably spent, in spite of
the warm weather.

The usual spring pictures are being
taken for the "Sligonian" annual. From
the large number that have been taken,
the annual will undoubtedly be well illus-
trated.

Sunday evening the young women en-
tertained the young men in the gymna-
sium. Every one seemed to enjoy the
evening, and pronounced the young wo-
men to be excellent entertainers.

Several speakers addressed the students
last week at the chapel hour. Among
them were Professor A. W. Spalding, C.
E. Hooper, and C. V. Leach.

The College Junior Class has organized
with thirteen members. Miss Mabel
Cassell is President.

Elder H. C. Lacey, who has been un-
able to attend school for more than a
week because of ivy poison, is now with
us again.

The third number of the lecture course
was given Saturday night.

An unusually large number of students
will enter the canvassing field this sum-
mer to earn a scholarship for next year.

Important Notice

The June "Watchman" will be a special
"Home Number." This means that
the whole issue is designed to appeal
strongly to the hearts of the people as
we find them in their homes. And, if
you are a lover of little folks, your own
heart will be touched by some of the
beautiful illustrations, many of them
in color.

There is no phase of life that the
gospel does not reach and bring a bles-
sing; and so, in this June issue you will
find a wonderful range of articles of
surpassing interest and soul-winning
power.

Just Look At This List Of Subjects:

"The Nations Fulfilling Prophecy"

"Triumphant in Tribulation"

"My Children Are Teaching Me"

"The Right To a Home, and the Right
Home"

"An Indian and His Bride"

"Home Gardens"

"The Home of the Saved"

"Spring and Summer Foods"

"Easy Work"

Editorials, Etc.

We must reach the people in their
homes, where there is time for study and
thought. You can do no greater service
for the Master than to circulate the
June "Watchman" among your friends
and neighbors. May the Lord's bles-
sing be with you in this grand and
glorious work of spreading the glad news
of His soon coming.

Yours for more souls,

C. E. HOOPER.

"The special work for this time must
be done in reaching the people through
personal effort." - Special Testimonies.

WANTED AT ONCE.—Adventist woman or
girl to assist in housework; small family.
Middle aged woman preferred looking for
home. Particulars learned by correspond-
ing with Mrs. R. J. Stalker, Stalker, Pa.

WANTED.—A cook in the Mount Vernon
Hospital. We feed 30 to 40. Kindly give
qualifications and salary expected. Ad-
dress Chas. E. Welch, Supt., Mount Ver-
non, Ohio.