

Mount Vernon, Ohio, September 18, 1919

Notice

For the benefit of any who may be annoyed by the thought of being interrupted by the police in their Harvest Ingathering work or in their home missionary efforts put forth by the sale of our magazines and pamphlets, we quote the following which has been furnished by the Secretary of the General Conference Religious Liberty Association, Elder C. S. Longacre:

United States Supreme Court **Decisions on the Free Circulation** of Literature

"Nor can any regulations be enforced against the transportation of printed matter in the mail, which is open to examination, so as to interfere in any manner with the freedom of the press. Liberty of circulating 1s as essential to that freedom as liberty of publishing; indeed, without the circulation, the publication would be of little value."

"It would follow, that if, with such a prohibition, the transportation in the mail could also be forbidden, the circulation of the documents would be destroyed, and a fatal blow given to the freedom of the press." Mr. Justice Field gave above opinion Ex Parte Jackson, U. S. Rep. 96, p. 733, 735.

We are aware of no decision by this Court holding that a State may, by any device or in any way, whether by a license tax, in the form of a fee, or otherwise, burden the interstate business of a corporation of another State, although the State may tax the corporation's property regularly or permanently located within its limits. where the ascertainment of the amount assessed is made dependent in fact on the value of its property situated within the State. On the contrary, it is to be deduced from the adjudged cases that a corporation of one State, authorized by its charter to engage in lawful commerce among the States, may not be prevented by another State from coming into its limits for all the legitimate purposes of such commerce. It may go into the State without obtaining a license

from it for the purpose of its interstate business, and without liability of taxation there, on account of such business .- 216 United States Reports, 1, 26,

Nearly every State in the Union exempts "religious and charitable corporations," that do business within and without the domain of the State, from the exactions and restraints that are imposed upon pure secular corporations which engage in business for profit and self-benefit.

The usual form of the State statutes reads as follows: "No Corporation created for other than religious and charitable purposes, shall transact any business within this State, etc.' Religious and charitable corporations are allowed to transact their legitimate business within the domain of any State in the United States, without let or hindrance on the part of civil government. Their work is exempt from the usual taxation and local restrictions that are levied upon purely secular and financial profit-earning Corporations.

It will be clearly seen by the above quotation that no city has a right to interfere with the "religious and charitable work" we are doing.

If the police try to stop you, go to the mayor and secure a permit (out of courtesy) but if he refuses you, call his attention to the Supreme Court Decision. If you pray earnestly over this matter you will be given strength to meet such a situation.

Be sure that you meet them in a Christian spirit. Do not become ruffied over any annoyance but if you fail in your attempt write us at once and we will see that you have the proper help.

We are giving this information for the benefit of those who may be interrupted. Unless you are stopped, do not say anything to the officers but go on with your work and as a rule no one will object.

E. R. NUMBERS.

"Impossible is a word only to be found in the dictionary of fools,"---

A Sixteen to One Church

At the Southern California camp meeting, held in the city of Los Angeles, Elder J. R. Patterson reported many good things about the San Luis Obispo Church. This church enjoys the distinction of being composed of seventeen members-sixteen women and one man. Among other good things reported is the work accomplished in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. The members of this church have launched out early, and up to August 21 they had gathered \$70.70. Last year they doubled their goal, and received more than \$200.00. With the splendid start they already have this year, they will undoubtedly more than double their goal.

A very interesting report comes from Brother R. L. Pierce, manager of the Southern Publishing Association, in a letter under date of August He writes: "Thus far we have 13. received two contributions on this year's campaign. One of these is for \$50, and came from a gentleman who sent us \$35 last year. He requested to have one of the first papers mailed him, which was done, and he responded by return mail with his check for the above-mentioned amount. We received another contribution from a Chicago firm for \$50, who last year donated but \$10. We hope that this may be an indication of the increased interest that is being taken in this year's effort."

The opportunities before us, dear friends, are limitless. As we buckle on the armour and go forth to meet our friends and neighbors in this work we are going to have many blessed experiences. We will find that the angels of God have been before us and that hearts have been prepared for our visit. He who caused the piece of money to be in the mouth of the fish which Peter drew out of the sea can cause men and women to give liberally for his rapidly advancing work.

Let us pry ourselves out of our easy chairs, and go out and serve humanity. Genuine happiness comes only in this way. A man said to me the other day: "I am happier than I have

ever been in my life." "Why," I asked. "Today is the first day in my life," he replied, "that I have put forth personal effort in behalf of lost souls. I did not think I could talk to people. At the first house where I called, I found I could talk, at the second house I found that I could talk better, and at the third house I was surprised at myself."

Many surprises await our dear people this fall in this Harvest Ingathering work, both in the freedom that God will give them in working for souls, and in securing liberal gifts. Let us go out and gather the funds which the Lord is impresing the people to give. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bring his sheaves with him." C. V. LEACH.

How Sixty-one Were Won

In some of the recent institutes and conventions where home missionary endeavor was considered, the subject of missionary correspondence was given careful attention. It is generally felt by our leaders that there should be more attempted through this line of effort for souls. As members of an organization seeking to enlighten the world regarding the meaning of events and the imminent coming of our Lord, we do well to study this method of personal evangelism. Many of our friends, relatives, and interested persons can be reached only through the mails, and the advantages possessed by this method appeal to all thoughtful workers

During the missionary days of a decade ago, considerable more, it seems, was done through this agency than at the present time. In a certain conference thirty-five societies were instructed in this work, and at the end of one year reports from these societies showed that sixty-one persons had come into the truth directly as a result of mailing the Signs Weekly, accompanied by missionary correspondence. At the same time one missionary secretary personally used one hundred copies of the Signs each week, sending them to persons she had reason to believe might be interested in the message, accompanying the first paper with a letter. She then kept the paper going regularly each week for a series of weeks. The results were that seven were the least number of persons brought into the truth in any single year, and one year there were sixteen. Do not such

results as these give us confidence in this as a continuous work to be carried on by individuals and missionary societies? Where carried on now similar results are being seen. Let us make the very most of this method of reaching souls. Remember today: "More Signs means more Souls." ERNEST LLOYD.

UNION

411 Cedar St. Washington, D. C.F. H. Robbins, Pres. - C. C. Pulver, Sec.

Our Great Need

In the giving of this last message to the world there are, of course, certain prominent needs that stand out very conspicuously. One of these is the need for consecrated and properly trained workers. Where to find them is the problem that is demanding a solution. I believe the church school is the key.

The church school lies at the very foundation of our entire educational system, and as such, its importance can scarcely be over-estimated. It takes the child at that period in his life when the mind is "like wax to receive impressions and like marble to retain them." The mold given to the mind in the early period of its development is the one which in all probability will be carried through life. How essential then that the church look well to the early school life of the children within its doors. The greatest opportunity the church has to do real, true and lasting missionary work is in the maintenance of the church school-a responsibility resting upon every member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. No duty has been more plainly marked out than that of the church in regard to the education of its children and youth. Recognizing this duty, and desiring to give opportunity for all churches to contribute and help in furthering the work of the church school in this Union, the Union Conference Committee decided to establish an Educational Emergency Fund to be used for church school purposes. In doing this, we are following the instruction given in "Counsels to Teachers," page 45.

The need for funds is seen in every school you may enter, and in the ever growing demand for competent teachers to fill the places where new schools are desired. The time is here when more attention must b given to the church school work. Upon these schools soon will rest far greater bur-

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Testimony Corner

"Brethren sometimes associate together for years, and think they can trust those they know so well, just as they would trust members of their own family. There is a freedom and confidence in this association which could not exist among those not of the same faith. This is very pleasant while brotherly love continues; but let the 'accuser of the brethren' gain admittance to the heart of one of these men, controlling the mind and the imagination, and jealousies are created, suspicion and envy are harbored; and he who supposed himself secure in the love and friendship of his brother, finds himself mistrusted, and his motives misjudged. The false brother forgets his own human frailties, forgets his obligation to think and speak no evil lest he dishonor God and wound Christ in the person of His saints; and every defect that can be thought of or imagined is commented upon unmercifully, and the character of a brother is represented as dark and questionable. . . .

"If Satan can employ professed believers to act as accusers of the brethren, he is justly pleased; for those who do this are just as truly serving him as was Judas when he betrayed Christ, although they may be doing it ignorantly. Satan is no less active now than in Christ's day. and those who lent themselves to do his work will manifest his spirit.

"Floating rumors are often the destroyers of unity among brethren. There are some who watch with open mind and ears to catch flying scandal. They gather up little incidents which may be trifling in themselves, but which are repeated and exaggerated until a man is made an offender for a word. Their motto seems to be, 'Report and we wil report it.' These tale-bearers are doing Satan's work with surprising fidelity, little knowing how offensive their course is to God. . . . The door of the mind should be closed against, 'They say,' or 'I have heard.' Why should we not, instead of allowing jealousy or evil surmising to come into our hearts, go to our brethren, and after frankly but kindly setting before them the things we have heard detrimental to their character and influence, pray with and for them? While we can not fellowship with those who are the bitter enemies of Christ, we should cultivate that spirit of meekness and love that characterized our Master, -a love that thinketh no evil, and is not easily provoked."-"Special Testimonies," Series B, No. 9, pp. 34, 35.

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dens than we can now realize. The Lord has designed the church school to prepare the children for the important task soon to confront them. God has set his church a watchman: but the watchman is asleep at his post. Truly in this time of peril the church should awake as never before and gird for action. The Educational Emergency Fund is in keeping with the demands of the hour, and should receive whole-heared approval by everyone interested in Christian education. This certainly takes in the whole church, for the responsibility to care for the children and youth rests upon the church as a body.

Perhaps it is thought that the interest in the Educational Emergency Fund would pass away after the strenuous efforts of Church School Week, but this is not true. Opportunity is still open for those who desire to help some worthy individual to obtain the preparation needed for efficiency in church school work. Some of our working corps of teachers have already secured their professional training, but find themselves seriously handicapped because of the lamentable lack of equipment in the school room. Let us all unite to bring about a better state of conditions. A little help from everyone; and the thing is done. Send in your contribution if you have not done so as yet.

A. W. WERLINE.

News Notes

Brother G. H. Clark sends the following: "This Harvest Ingathering proposition is on in New Jersey and is going like a mighty wave. At Atlantic and Ocean City, we secured in two weeks the sum of \$428.16 and there is more to follow. Yesterday twenty of the members here in Trenton went to Asbury Park, forty-five miles away and secured \$125.00. The churches in the southern part of the state are all alive with this work. Ruth Leslie, aged 17, has obtained \$183.00 already. She often gets from \$15.00 to \$18.00 per day. Patterson with a membership of about 100 has set her goal at \$1,500.00"

Ohio writes "Today, (August 31) fifteen members of the Columbus Church were out this morning and in about one and one-half hours secured \$35.00. They were all inspired with their experiences and as a result of their first effort four names of interested persons were secured."

From East Pennsylvania we learn that a sister nearly eighty years of age has already secured \$100 toward her goal for 1919. The churches are all thoroughly organized and they have set their goal at \$12,000.

At the recent West Pennsylvania camp meeting the conference workers set individual goals totaling over \$1,000. A number set goals of \$100, others at \$50, very few went below this amount. With this splendid lead on the part of the conference workers we are looking for this conference to go far beyond its goal.

E. R. NUMBERS,

Home Missionary Secretary.

October Signs Magazine

During war time, we were told, through press and pulpit, that peace would find a chastened and sobered world, that the mad chasing after profitless pleasure had ceased, that the cities would no longer be filled But with dawdlers and prodigals. alas, today it is distressingly evident that the "lovers of pleasure" have cast off the last vestige of restraint, and the dance and the theater are more objectionable than ever; that modern fashions are catering more and more to the sensuous; that the divorce evil, which is increasing at a break-neck rate, is disrupting the home, civilization's fountainhead.

To show the outcome of such a sinfilled course, and to prove these conditions harbingers of the soon coming kingdom, the October Signs Magazine contains these articles:

Shall I Dance?

The Home is Tottering.

Shall I Attend the Movies?

The Root of the Divorce Cancer. Is There a Right and Wrong in Dress?

Arthur W. Spalding begins in this issue a ten-article series, "The Kingdom of Love." With that literary ability which is his, he draws a word picture of God's kingdom as being composed of the twelve tribes of Israel, each containing those of a certain temperament, of certain talents, of certain attainments. These articles broaden a man's conception of his relationship to his fellows and of the future home that is preparing.

An article on the legitimate amusements of the Christian, by the late Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, will appear in this issue.

George W. Rine, Milton C. Wilcox, Daniel H. Kress, Horace G. Franks, William B. White, and Eugene How-

ell have also written for this particular number on topics that will appeal to you, and to that neighbor of yours who is bewildered over the state of affairs in this helter-skelter old world.

WEST VIRGINIA

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

Our Trip Concluded

Sunday morning, August 24, we left Cumberland, Maryland, to visit Brother and Sister Wilt, who live near Swanton. Leaving the national pike, we soon found ourselves riding over rough roads surrounded by thousands of acres of growing forests. The mountains looked beautiful, and we thought that among them was indeed a splendid place to be alone with God.

After several hours we reached the home of Brother Wilt, which lies at the foot of the mountains. Our auto has the distinction of being the first one that ever came on his farm. We found this dear family of good courage, and enjoyed our brief stay with them. We hope that arrangements may be made so that they can attend the Cumberland Church in the near future.

The next day we motored to Swanton, Maryland, and spent a few hours at the home of J. C. Beckman. We found him feeling very poorly, and were informed that he has been in failing health for some time. We next went to Barton, intending to visit Bother W. T. Durst. We were disappointed to find that they were not at home, so motored on to Cumberland where we spent the day at the comfortable home of Sister Mathews. While here we received a long distance call from Elder Westcott stating that Mrs. Westcott was not expected to live through the day, and asking us to go to Fairmont at once. We immediately started, and arrived at his home about 7:30 P. M. We rejoiced to find Sister Westcott still living. Prayer was offered, instruction given in the fifth chapter of James being carried out, and when we left the next morning, the doctor said she was better.

Thursday evening we reached Cumberland and spent the night at the hospitable home of Brother Ledbetter. Friday morning we motored to Romney where we arrived in time to attend the opening meeting of the local camp meeting at that place. The attendance of our people was not heavy but the evening attendance from the town was excellent. On the last Sabbath the presence of God was witnessed in a manifest way and at the close of the morning consecration meeting, a call was made for offerings to assist in building up the work in Cumberland, Romney and Rio. The entire offerings in pledges, from the few who were present, amounted to over \$500.00. This, we felt, was encouraging and will aid materially in starting church school work in Cumberland and Rio.

Friday, September 5, the campers motored to Piedmont and Keyser in the interest of the Harvest Ingathering work and succeeded in gathering together the nice sum of \$78.00.

Monday, September 8, we motored from Romney to Parkersburg, a distance of about 260 miles, and are now looking after the interests in the office and the southern end of the conference. By looking at the speedometer on the automobile, we find we have traveled nearly 2,000 miles. We were not able to meet all of our people, but sincerely hope we were a blessing to those we did see and hope we may have the continued prayers of all in the conference that God will bless us as we now turn our attention to planning for the work during this fall and winter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. WESTBROOK.

Wedding Bells

A very pretty wedding occurred at the groom's home in Romney, W. Va., Sunday afternoon August 31, 1919, when Eva Mae Pickard, daughter of Elder U. D. Pickard, was united in marriage to Osie Wilson McBride, the ceremony being performed by Elder T. B. Westbrook. The room in which the marriage took place was tastily decorated with evergreen, ferns and flowers. The young couple stood before a bank of The bride was daintily evergreens. dressed in white, wearing a veil which was held in place by a wreath of exquisite flowers. After the ceremony the wedding party marched to the dining room where a bountiful dinner was enjoyed by all. We extend to these young people our best wishes for a happy journey through life. Mr. and Mrs. McBride will be at home after September 15 at Romney, W. Va.

MRS. T. B. WESTBROOK.

News Notes

West Virginia sold over \$4,000.00 worth of books more during the month of July than was sold during the entire year of 1913. Several people have accepted the truth at Romney, W. Va., as the result of the tent effort.

Elder Adkins reports fourteen new Sabbath keepers at Burnsville, and several others on the point of accepting the truth.

Brother Francis Parrish spent a few days at his home in Washington recently.

Elder Westbrook spent several days in Huntington and Charleston last week.

September 27 is our next Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. It goes to the needy fields of Korea and Japan. Let us make this the largest Thirteenth Sabbath Offering which we have ever given.

Miss Matilda Butker who has been working in our office for some time left last week for Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Mr. Guy Corder was a pleasant caller at the office one day last week, enroute for the canvassing field.

Miss Ethel Walker who has been canvassing in Lewis County was at the office one day last week.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. H. B. Westcott who has been so seriously ill with typhoid fever seems to be on the road to recovery.

"She was not at all nervous, at least, she did not appear so, as she stood to report her work. But a year ago! She had heard the statement, 'Get out and do something,' till she felt uncomfortable. Just at the close of the Ingathering campaign in 1918 she got out. The Lord encouraged her, and she decided to start early this year. Her £12 result so far has filled her with a burden to get up in missionary meeting and say to others this time, 'Get out and do something.'" Brother Rampton furnishes this interesting experience.

Australasian Record.

"When it becomes the *habit* of the soul to converse with God the power of the evil one is *broken*; for Satan cannot abide near the soul that draws nigh unto God." —*Review and Herald, December 3, 1899.*

NEW JERSEY

200 Columbus Ave.	Trenton
W. C. Moffett, Pres.	E. J. Stipeck, Sec.

Ramah Church School

Facilities for Boarding Pupils at the Ramah School

There are a number of openings in the homes of our people of the Ramah Church, for boarding pupils from other parts of the state. There are accommodations for three small children, preferably two girls and one boy, in the home of Mrs. Phyllis Leslie, R. F. D. No. 9, Bridgeton, N. J. For accommodations for older pupils up to and including ninth grade, address Mrs. Helen M. Wood, F. F. D. No. 7, Bridgeton, N. J. School year opens September 15. Rates for board are \$4.00 per week; school tuition, \$2.00 per month, ninth grade \$3.00. The very best associations will be afforded all pupils, both in the schoolroom and in the homes. If you have children whom you wish to attend a Christian school, correspond with the above named persons.

News Notes

On the first Sabbath in September five candidates were baptized at Dover by Elder W. C. Moffett, four of these having accepted the truth chiefly through the faithful labors of the local elder, Brother Wells E. Bement. Brother Bement is planning to attend Washington College this year.

Brother W. H. Jennings, who is assisting in the tent effort in Newark, is making arrangements to spend the coming year in Washington College.

Sixteen new Sabbath keepers came out at the Swedish Sabbath services in Montclair on the first call. The Lord is richly blessing Brethren J. A. Swenson and L. Fellman and Sister Signe Jensen in their labors in this place.

As this is being written Elder Moffett has just returned from visiting the four tent efforts at Pleasantville, Montclair, Newark and Jersey City. He reports a number of new Sabbath keepers at each place.

The Pleasantville Church has just built a church school room on the side and rear of the church. The little handful of sisters in this place in three years have paid off \$1,000.00 of the cost of their church building, and with the added strength resulting from the tent effort this summer, there are bright prospects for this little company.

Brother N. J. Grant is locating in Asbury Park where a colored church of fourteen members has just been organized. Brother Grant will also have charge of the colored work in Jersey City.

On a recent Sunday a company from the Trenton Church, under the leadership of Brother G. H. Clark, made a Harvest Ingathering drive at Asbury Park, gathering in \$125.00. Brother Clark and Sister Leslie continued to solicit there, raising the total to \$261.00.

OHIO

Box 8, Mount Vernon, Ohio W. H. Heckman, Pres. H. D. Holtom, Sec.

Harvest Ingathering Campaign

After a good meeting at this church the goal was set for \$800 and all the solicitation cards and follow-up books were given out with the Harvest Ingathering papers. Almost every person in the company took some papers home with them to use in the campaign. Last year the Dayton Church raised about \$350.00 and this year with added enthusiasm and greater experience we feel sure they will make their goal. One brother has asked the Lord to give him \$100.00 from the foreigners and \$50.00 from the English people. A sister has set her goal at \$50.00 and Elder Lewsadder is out some every day after \$100.00. It is very encouraging to see their enthusiasm and zeal for the work.

HAMILTON

Last year the Hamilton Church went way above their goal and by the way they are starting out this year they will do it again. Already several had been out before we arrived there and after an enthusiastic service Sabbath afternoon 12 held up their hands in response for a field day Sunday morning. The next morning's work brought good experiences to every one and about \$18.00 was collected. This with what was reported during the week gave the thermometer a good start. Several names were secured for the follow-up work.

E. F. HACKMAN Home Missionary Sec'y. L. J. BORROWDALE Ass't. Home Miss. Sec'y.

News Notes

Elder Heckman attended the latter part of the West Pennsylvania camp meeting.

Good reports are coming in from some of our ministers in which they state that the Harvest Ingathering work is getting nicely started. We hope that every district superintendent will see that the goal set for them is reached.

Brother P. A. Franks has just returned from a trip in the southern part of the state where he has been working with Brother Palm. The people in those southern counties seem to be very eager to know more about God's Word.

Brother Robinson of Zanesville has taken up the colporteur's work in Pickway County and is of good courage. He is rejoicing to have a part in the Lords' work.

Have you ordered your Sabbath School quarterlies for next quarter?

We are pleased to report that one more Sabbath School has been added to our list. This new school has been organized by Brother Polinkas for the Hungarian people of Toledo. The present membership is eight, but from present indications, quite a few more will be added soon.

Brother Charles Carter, who has just recently returned from France, is working hard in his chosen work. He has just sent in another good report. He also states that his wife is having good success. Let us remember these faithful workers in our prayers.

Elder Keate spoke to the members of the Mt. Vernon church last Sabbath.

We just received a report from Brother Keppler stating that he is finding a deep interest in his field of labor and we hope to see many souls vaved in the kingdom as a result of his faithful efforts.

Elder J. H. Behrens received \$27.00 for the first weeks work in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, Good Elder Behrens, keep the good work up.

Recently the Hamilton Church gave \$19.00 towards a *Present Truth* Campaign that they are going to conduct. The first order amounted to 4500 copies.

At this time we are glad to mention that a new book has been published called "Epidemics". To be forwarned is to be forearmed and here is the opportunity. The following chapter headings will give you a good idea of the contents.

> Influenza and Other Epidemics. Influenza and Its Treatments. Colds, Cause, Prevention and Cure. Tuberculosis. Cancer.

Children's Diseases.

- Home Treatment.
- Elimination and Disease.
- Accidents and Emergencies.
- What To Do In The Sick Room.

This book will be off the press by October 1. It is also one of the World Crisis series and sells for only 25 cents. Every one should have a copy and their neighbors should have it. Order through the Tract Society.

Have you set your Harvest Ingathering goal yet? Let us all be Careys and "Attempt great things for God and expect great things from God."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana, Pa.

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

Sabbath School Notes

Encouraging reports are still coming in regarding the benefits of "Rally Day," One secretary writes: "We carried out the Rally Day program as given in the May number of the Worker. It added new interest to our school and caused us to see that we needed a change from the general routine. Our exercises began at 10:30 and lasted until 4 o'clock, with only an hour of intermission for lunch."

Another secretary says: "Owing to only a few being able to attend in the morning, the opening exercises were

COLUMBIA UNION VISITOR

After Sabbath school we omitted. gathered together promptly at 3 P. M. to listen to the well-arranged program. Our opening hymn, with its earnest plea that we give of our best to the Master, was followed by a fervent prayer to the throne of grace for guidance and blessing. The readings were well rendered, and as the helpful suggestions and needed warnings came to us, we pledged ourselves to follow more closely in our Saviour's footsteps by attending Sabbath school regularly and being on time, by encouraging others to come and in all ways modeling our lives after the divine pattern. Several hymns were sung and we that listened to the song of the Master's love longed for that day when we could join the heavenly choir and sing with the ransomed the songs of the blessed."

From one of our Pittsburg schools comes this report: "Our Rally Day exercises were very nice, and we feel that everyone received a blessing. The little ones spoke and sang most sweetly and carried out their part of the program perfectly." The same secretary says: "It seems that a great interest has been awakened by the use of the self-denial boxes. Our Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the quarter was the largest our school has ever made. In the intermediate, primary and kindergarten departments we have a membership of fiftythree and their offering was \$55.10, making an average of more than \$1.00 per member. Some of the children took out some old magazines and papers and collected donations for them. One small boy received \$5.00, and another \$4.87,"

If such small children can sell enough literature to enable them to make an offering of more than a dollar a member, what might some of the older members be able to give by using the same method?

MRS. I. D. RICHARDSON.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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

News Notes Our Camp Meeting

It hardly seems possible that our annual camp meeting is past and that the summer is rapidly coming to an end. The meeting this year was the largest ever held in this state. The large pavilion that will seat one tnousand people was filled from night to

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night during the week evenings and on Sundays it could not contain the crowd. The pleasant spirit that pervaded the whole camp from the beginning of its creation until its close was the subject of conversation and comment by both our people and the visiting brethren.

Eldêrs F. H. Robbins and D. C. Babcock and Professors Machlan, Salisbury and Ashton gave the oldtime ring to the third angel's message and the people were greatly blessed. Dr. Brown and his corps of nurses, also Dr. Miller of Washingon, rendered the people great service and their counsel and instructions were especially appreciated and listened to with unusual interest.

Shall We Divide?

A report was rendered showing our progress during the past three years. It was shown that we added 500 members and that our tithe has increased from \$28,000 to \$65,000. Our book sales have jumped from \$9,000 to \$50,000 a year. Our church schools have also greatly increased in number. Last year this conference sent to foreign missions' more than \$25,000 and we hope this season to greatly increase this output of gold to help evangelize the world. It was shown that the four churches of Philadelphia alone now give more tithe than the whole thirty-nine churches together gave at the close of 1916. In other words, it was demonstrated that we can create a new conference out of Philadelphia and a few surrounding counties with a greater resource than the whole East Pennsylvania Conference had three years ago. The field has become so large, the burdens so heavy, and the duties so numerous that it is impossible to properly warn the millions crowded in and around Philadelphia and at the same time give to the outlying districts proper attention. Therefore, after consultation with Elder Daniells and Elder Robbins and also with various members of the Union Conference Committee and with our own committee, the thought of dividing our present territory was presented to the people assembled. As a result of our study it was learned that in the four counties immediately surrounding Philadelphia and including the city, there are more people than there are in California, Nevada, Utah and Arizona. In other words, we have a much greater population in the proposed new conference than is possessed by the entire Pacific Union Conference.

A policy of the General Conference is to set apart the great giant cities of the world with a small rural back-

ground as "Conferences extraordinary." Thus London has been set apart and is being worked. Likewise New York City and recently Chicago. By creating out of our own metropolis a new conference, the president and committee of East Pennsylvania will be able to devote their entire time to the development of membership and interests in the outlying districts and cities of Eastern Pennsylvania. At the same time organization, greater concentration and intensified labor can be put forth to spread the message in this congested center. Our tithe will greatly increase and also our offerings and membership, and after all it is converts we are searching for.

When the matter was thoroughly canvassed the question, "shall we divide," was put to a vote and vigorously and unanimously carried. The matter will come up at the Union Conference which will convene in December and if favorably decided there doubtless the new order of things will begin about the first of the year.

Pray for us and that large numbers may accept the truth.

D. A. PARSONS.

News Notes

Elder O. F. Schwedrat preached his farewell sermon last Sabbath, September 6, to the German Church, having accepted the call as Bible teacher in the Clinton Theological Seminary, Missouri. The membership of the Philadelphia Cerman Church, over which he was bastor, was one hundred.

Elder Gauterau has repitched his tent in York and has started another series of meetings before cold weather starts. He reports a good interest at this time.

The world is passing through a period of great unrest, and time when it seems as though disintegration was rapidly taking place. We know that these are tokens or signs that we are in the last days. While these conditions are in the world our people need the strongest possible help to keep them from looking at the things of the world, from getting discouraged and losing their hold upon the message. There is no better factor, aside from the Bible and the Testimonies, to help them gain a good Christian experience and keep them in active touch and sympathy with the message than by reading the Review. As long as there are families where the Review does not enter, there is earnest work to do. Let us make a strong effort to place it in such homes.

The Lord greatly blessed in the sale of literature at the book tent this year. Cash sales that were made amounted to \$1112.24.

Shenandoah Valley Academy

News Notes

School opens September 17. Hope all students will try and enter at the beginning. Any who cannot, and wish information, write to the principal, H. M. Forshee and he will be glad to correspond with any such.

A new cement floor has been put in the kitchen and the walls and wood work have received a new coat of paint.

The new building which we have needed so badly has been started. Although we will not have it for the beginning of school, still our hearts rejoice to know that after toil and patience comes the reward.

It has been a busy time in the kitchen of late preparing those things for winter which we all like so well. The shelves are becoming well filled and we are sure we shall enjoy them during the winter months.

The Misses Zida White and Annie Stevens are helping with the work in the kitchen. They expect to take school work at the beginning of the session.

Jesse Tanner just returned home from Roanoke where he has been with Elder Gorden since camp meeting.

Professor John Hottel and wife are visiting at his old home. They expect to go to South Lancaster in a few days to engage in school work.

Miss Cleora Woods and Albert Tanner have returned to their homes after being in the canvassing field during the summer.

Mr. C. V. Woods is busy in the canning factory. A large amount of tomatoes and beans are being canned. Columbia Union Visitor OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE Columbia Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventists ISSUED FIFTY TIMES A YEAR BY THE Mount Vernon College Press Mount Vernon, Ohio

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[•] Mr. Walter Zirkle and family from Indiana have returned to their home after visiting relatives and friends in this section of the state.

Some of the old students have already made their scholarships and are ready to enter the Academy at the beginning of the year.

Miss Floy Humphrey from Corry, Pa. has been engaged to teach at the Academy during the year.

Elder Hottel and family and Mrs. Forshee visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roach last Sunday. Although this family is isolated still they are letting their light shine among their neighbors and friends.

Isaiah Shanko has been working at the Academy since summer school. He returned to his home in Newport News this week for a short visit before he goes to his work as a church school teacher at Rileyville.

Professor Forshee made a trip over the state in the interest of the school. He saw a number of the old students and many new ones who expect to enter the Academy.

Miss Elinor Oliver just arrived. Miss Oliver has been taking special work in the domestic science class at Washington during the summer and expects to put it in practise at the Academy during the year where she will act as matron.

Mount Vernon Academy

Mr. and Mrs. Webb and son were welcomed by the Academy family. Mr. Webb will have charge of the carpentry classes. On Tuesday Prof. and Mrs. Tonjes and baby arrived at the Academy. Prof. Tonjes will be the boys' preceptor this winter.

Prof. and Mrs. Miller have returned to take up their work in the school.

While playing ball one day last week, Mr. Chow broke his ankle. It was immediately cared for and is healing nicely.

Walter Taylor visited his sister, Pearl Taylor, at the Academy on his way to the Washington Sanitarium.

Wallace Kay and Clyde Newmeyer were visitors at the Academy last week.

Clyde Evans has returned from his home in Texas to attend school.

Mrs. C. L. Stone and Marguerite have come to make their home in Mount Vernon.

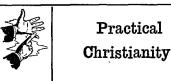
Advertisements

WANTED: A good strong woman or girl to work in a children's home. Address Mrs. S. L. Brenner, 545 E. Buchtel Ave., Akron, Ohio.

FOR SALE: To help Charleston, W.Va., Church. Four building lots in Norfolk, Va., the New York of the South, where prices are advancing rapidly. A large part of sale price to be given to Charleston Church, by the present owner, Prof. F. A. Smith, 1201 Washington St., Charleston, West Virginia, or write to Elder R. T. Farley 205 Duncan St., Norfolk, Virginia.

WANTED: An eldery Adventist woman looking for a home, to care for middleaged widower and son six years old. References exchanged. Geo. T. B. Unger, Emaus, Pa.

FOR SALE: To help Charleston, W. Va., Church. A farm of 66 acres, one mile from Huntington, county seat of Carroll County, Tenn. Good 3 room. house, 2 porches, good barn and sheds, unfailing well, best corn and cotton land, 15 acres woodland. To be sold for \$2200.00, at a sacrifice in order to denote large sum to Charleston Church. For further particulars write the owner Mrs. Lenora M. Sargent, 199 Summers Ave. Charleston, West Virginia,



Real Christianity is practical. "What you are speaks so loud that I cannot hear what you say."

Make it your motto to love your fellows. Act so that you will not be obliged to tell them of that love.

Be sincere, be natural, be happy.

Say what you believe, but no more. Use a cool head, good sense and a

warm heart. Sometimes our inspirations go to our heads instead of to our hearts and we become intoxicated by enthusiasm rather than strengthened by it.

Use charity in all things.

Shed your false piety skin and come out for just what you are.

Work out your own ideas of Christianity—Christ's life is the only authoritative text-book.

Never be`ashamed of the fact that you have given this subject careful thought and that you know where you stand with regard to it. If you have not done so make yourself give a plain answer to the question—Why? Make others think—help them think, but let them draw their own conclusions.

FOR RENT OR SALE:—Four miles southeast of Smithburg, Md., five room house and 28 acres, 10 of which are tilable, balance in timber. Near the house is a never failing spring. Address Mary E. Cline, Smithsburg, Md., Rural Route No. 4.

WANTED: Money, to help to finish the new church in Charleston, the capital of West Virginia. A neat, modest church building, pebble-dash, in the best part of the city. Fine lot, excellent situation, Lot, church building, with church school, to cost \$11,000.00. Very cheap, considering present prices of labor and building material. Building, more than half finished. Received to date We must have in order to \$7369.52 dedicate without debt, \$3630.48. Who will send us an offering? Any sum from \$1.00 up to \$1,000.00. We recently received from a brother living outside the Columbia Union, the sum of \$1,000.00 for this purpose. Who will make a willing offering today, for the house of the Lord in the capital city of the smallest conference in the East? If you can not give, loan any sum without interest until the dedication of the church? Send to J.S. Washburn, 424. Dickinson St., Charleston, W. Va.